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## **Community** News www.hancockcollege.edu \$4.3 million grant will support science and math

A new multimillion dollar federal grant will enhance the college's ability to provide state-of-the-art science and math education and a seamless transition from local high schools to Allan Hancock College to a university, especially Cal Poly. The STEM Select grant has a focus on students choosing teaching as a career option. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

The \$4.3 million "Title V STEM" grant was one of 97 awarded across the country to federally designated Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI). HSI grants are awarded to colleges to expand educational opportunities and improve the educational attainment of Hispanic and low-income students. Hispanic student enrollment at Allan Hancock College is about 43 percent.

"This grant, at this time, is one of the best things that could happen to Allan Hancock College, our stu-



dents, and this region," said Allan Hancock College Superintendent/President, José M. Ortiz, Ed.D. "The global economy and California, in particular, needs more students pursuing science- and math-related careers,

"This grant, at this time, is one of the best things that could happen to Allan Hancock College, our students, and this region." including teaching. Overall, we need more underrepresented students succeeding in higher education."

The grant has several key objectives:

• Engage in community outreach activities, such as Science Night, a precollege Summer of Science Camp and Endeavor Center activities.

- Establish a STEM Center on campus with a dedicated STEM counselor.
- Create joint outreach materials with Cal Poly that identify curriculum pathways.
- Provide internship, research and student teaching opportunities for students.
- Establish a Transfer Team to improve and streamline the transfer process.
- Establish an endowment fund to support scientific equipment needs.

"We want high school students to know that choosing Allan Hancock College to begin their postsecondary education will prepare them to transfer and succeed at universities such as Cal Poly," said Paul Murphy, academic dean.



## Noise = progress

Children's Center Lab Addition Groundbreaking



tion, which will replace a circa 1940 structure that no longer meets the needs of the Early Childhood Education program. The new addition will feature classrooms and labs with

## CRWSS Residential Customer, ocal

**Allan Hancock College** 800 South College Drive Santa Maria, CA 93454-635 Two more groundbreaking ceremonies and plenty of rumbling, heavy equipment are sure signs that the college's sweeping capital construction campaign is at full speed.

Construction is progressing quickly with the Student Services Center project, a two-story, 64,894 square foot complex that will house all the services students need in one building. The \$39.5 million project is set for completion in fall 2012. The state has funded \$16.5 million of that cost with the remainder funded by Bond Measure I, the \$180 million general obligation bond passed by the electorate in 2006.

Construction is also under way for the new Children's Center Lab Addisustainable features and an outdoor classroom space that has already been designated as a state model.

Significant progress is also being made on the Public Safety Training Complex at the Lompoc Valley Center. When completed in 2013, the 52-acre site will feature hightech training facilities including a six-story fire tower and high speed driving track to train current and future public safety professionals.

Still to come: a new industrial technology building, athletic fields, fine arts complex and more. Expansive upgrades to the college's technology and infrastructure have also been made possible by funding from Measure I.

# Friday Night Science Science It's baaack! Don't miss the final Friday Night Science event of the acdemic year - mark your



The Friday Niaht Science events have attracted hundreds of participants.

academic year - mark your calendar for May 4, 2012.

The free "fun-tacular" event will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., starting in room M-310 on Allan Hancock College's Santa Maria campus.

"Physics will be the focus of the May event, particularly optics and the nature of light. The main demonstration will showcase the properties of color, and how colors combine to enrich the world around us," said Rob Jorstad, physics instructor and coordinator of Friday Night Science.

Following the main demonstration, attendees are encouraged to take part in dozens of hands-on experiments set up throughout the science building. Experiments range dents.

The Friday Night Science series has attracted several thousand students and community members.

Funding for Friday Night Science comes from a federal Title V grant designed to entice more kids to attend college. The funding has provided the materials; Allan Hancock College students provide the hands-on support, with more than 100 Hancock students helping to design, build and test all of the experiments and demonstrations.

For more information, contact the college's life and physical sciences department at 922-6966 ext. 3202 or email lmetaxas@hancockcollege.edu.

### **Textbook rentals** a success

Offering students the option to rent a textbook at 40 percent of the cost of a new book, the rental program at the Allan Hancock College bookstore is a big hit with students. In the last two years alone, students have collectively saved an estimated \$220,000 on textbooks.

"Students have been in much better spirits when they visit us at the start of the semester," said Marissa Childers, textbook buyer. "They're recognizing that we're making textbooks more affordable whenever we can."

The book rental program began in 2008 with just ten titles in stock. That number has increased to 87 separate titles, with plans to add more each semester until the rental program makes up at least 25 percent of the store's business, according to Bill Hockensmith, director, Bookstore Services.

"The program has become very popular," he said. "Students come into the bookstore and the rental books are the first thing they ask for."

Hockensmith said that the most popular titles are for general education classes and courses with large and often expensive textbooks. For example, a nutrition textbook that retails for \$120 costs students \$50 to rent.

Textbook rentals for the spring 2012 semester will be available starting Friday, Jan. 13. For more information about the book rental program, go to the Hancock bookstore's website at bookstore.hancockcollege.edu or contact them at (805) 922-6966 ext. 3238.

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## **Online options keep growing**

#### Electronic refunds, parking permits, tax form and text messages help students access the info they need

Several new online options are now available to students that help the college respond more quickly to their needs.

Beginning in mid-January, all students will have the option to receive refunds, financial aid checks and other reimbursements from the college through electronic deposit to their existing checking account or to a new, free checking account made possible through the AHC Bulldog Card. Details about this option are available via the myHancock portal; click AHC Bulldog Card in the Cashier Services channel on the Student tab. Information is also available on the

AHC public website (go to Fees/Refunds under Student Services), at AHCBulldog-Park.com and HigherOne.com.

Also available online beginning this spring - parking permits, which previously were only available in person from a cashier. Students can purchase spring 2012 permits online via myHancock; click the link in the Cashier Services channel on the Student tab.

Those who are completing a tax return can request an electronic copy of their 1098T form (tuition report) through Jan. 15, 2012, simply by going to the 1098T Consent channel on the mvHancock Student tab and opting to receive the electronic report. Receiving the form electronically gets student instant access to the information, and is more ecologically sound, saving paper, printing and postage costs for the college.

Students should also explore other options available on the myHancock portal, the source for all student information, grades, registration and more. myHancock is accessed from the college home page at www.hancockcollege.edu. With a click of the mouse they can sign up to receive text messages about important registration information such as wait list updates. See Receive Text Messages on the Student tab.

There is also a separate feature that provides emergency text messages (AlertU) from the college regarding potential closures and other events that would affect attendance. The emergency text message option is on the myHancock home page under Emergency Notification.

Looking for help with college costs?



Complete a BOG (Board of Governors grant) application and find out in minutes if you are eligible to have your enrollment fee paid. Students are not required to provide federal income tax forms to verify income for BOG. Simply fill out the form, state your income and find out if you qualify!

This fee waiver pays the Enrollment and Student Center fees portion of your registration. The Health, Materials, Facilities, Parking and Photo ID fees are not paid by BOG. These fees, if applicable, are paid by the student.

#### Need help with more than your enrollment fee?

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and receive up to \$8,000 to cover all other fees (nonresident tuition, student health, materials fees, etc.), books, transportation, living expenses and more.

#### Why wonder? Find out if you qualify today!

BOG and FAFSA applications are available online at www.hancockcollege.edu/financialaid and in the financial aid office in building A on the Santa Maria campus, and at the Lompoc Valley, Solvang and VAFB center offices.



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## Notable Achievements

## Ceramics students and faculty support Empty Bowls



Students and faculty in the ceramics program created and donated 387 bowls to the Santa Barbara Foodbank for its annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser. This group has donated bowls every year since the Empty Bowls program was initiated in Santa Maria. For the second year, instructor Bob Nichols demonstrated on the potter's wheel his process for making

bowls. The bowls he created at the fundraiser will be donated to next year's event.

## Professor and author Klaus Fischer publishes new book

Noted historian and long-time Allan Hancock College professor Klaus P. Fischer, Ph.D., explores the relationship between America and Adolf Hitler in his new book, *Hitler and America*.

Fischer has devoted a great portion of his career to the study of Germany and World War II, and he has written numerous books on the subject. He was the 2010 keynote speaker at the 30th annual Conference on the Holocaust

and Genocide, where he presented the theories put forth in *Hitler and America*. He also just completed an interview with the BBC on the topic.

Copies of *Hitler and America* are available for sale at the Allan Hancock College bookstore and on Amazon.com.

#### Student wins photography award



For the third time in four years, an Allan Hancock College student has been selected as a winner in the "College Seen" photo contest, an annual statewide competition that tells the story of California Community Colleges from a student perspective.

Photography major Caitlyn Grasso took first place in the Career Preparation/ Work Experience category. "The title I

chose for my photo was "Career Focus" with the caption "Determination and Drive," she said. "The photo depicts a student in Automotive Technology 100, and it shows his complete concentration and dedication to doing the job right and learning all he can about automotive repair. I played around with the camera angle and was actually under the raised car when I took the photo."

Launched in 2007, College Seen recognizes exceptional photos and showcases outstanding community college student work.

#### Hancock one of nation's top 100 colleges in graduating Hispanic students

For the 10th year in a row, Allan Hancock College has been ranked among the top 100 colleges in the nation conferring degrees earned by Hispanics students, according to *Community College Week* magazine. Student club named first-ever national chapter of the year



The Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) is a relatively small group of students at Allan Hancock College, but that didn't stop them from winning a big award. The Hancock chapter was recently named the 2011 SACNAS Chapter of the Year.

This is the first year that the National SACNAS Chapter Committee designated a community college chapter of the year, making Allan Hancock College the first to receive the award.

"Receiving this recognition means that the Allan Hancock College SACNAS student chapter will be the first national role model chapter for community colleges," said SACNAS advisor and mathematics instructor Irene Wong.

SACNAS is dedicated to fostering the success of scientists, whether college students or professionals. According to the National SACNAS Chapter Committee, Allan Hancock College was chosen as Chapter of the Year because of the group's leadership, community service and mentoring.

#### Student athlete earns top academic award



Student-athlete Camille Zumbro was recognized as one of only five women's basketball players in the state to earn recognition as an Academic All-State player. To earn the honor, Zumbro maintained an impressive 4.0 GPA throughout the 2010-11 basketball season and academic year.

This is not the first time that Zumbro has been recognized at the state level. She was chosen

as the California Community College Athletic Association Athlete of the Month in January 2011 and was named first team All-Conference at the end of the 2010-11 season. On the court Zumbro averaged 26.7 points per game and was ranked second in the conference in scoring, with a season total of 693 points.

## Fine arts instructor exhibits in U.S. and beyond

Fine arts instructor Gabriel Navar will take part in special exhibits this year in New York City and New Jersey. His work will be displayed as part of a sixyear exhibition and event that begins



## Fall sports spectacular

It was a memorable fall for Allan Hancock College athletics.



The women's soccer team achieved their goal of a record-breaking season, finishing 10-9-1 overall and beating the previous record of nine wins in a single season. Six players, all freshmen, were named All-Conference, a good sign for next year's squad. Mallory Lowers and Sierra Duarte were named first team All-Conference. Heather Soden and Penelope Toogood were named second team All-Conference, and Dana Leyva and Arielle Oliver received honorable mention.

The men's soccer team advanced to the first round of the state playoffs and finished the season 9-9-4 overall. Seven players received All-Conference honors. Felipe Sahagun, Isaac Briviesca and Christian Alvarez were named first team All-Conference. Juan Rubio and Eryk Fernandez were named second team, and Ernie Corona and Erik Pulido received honorable mention.



Hancock football hosted its first bowl game in more than 15 years and took home the Western State Bowl championship trophy with a 56-11 win over Los Angeles Harbor College. The team finished the season 7-4 overall. Nine players received All-Conference honors, including unanimous selections for lineman Jose Lopez, receiver Shane Henderson and running back Cameron Artis-Payne. Lineman Sean Brown was named econd team All-Conference. On the defensive side, return specialist Douglas Webb was selected first team All-Conference. Tackle Carlos Faumuina and lineman Kepa Nakaahiki received second team selections along with linebacker Cody Berry and safety Christopher Wheeler.



"We continue our efforts to educate all students, including Hispanic students, and appreciate the recognition of our success," said José M. Ortiz, Ed.D., Allan Hancock College superintendent/president.

Allan Hancock College enrolls approximately 11,000 credit students each semester. About 43 percent are Hispanic students.

#### Photography instructor's work permanently installed

Allan Hancock College part-time photography and graphics instructor Kam Jacoby has completed a permanent installation of his work titled "Burton Mesa: A Closer Look." The six-part photographic installation is displayed inside the County Fire and Sheriff Station in Lompoc. Jacoby's photographs mirror the diverse beauty of the chaparral landscape of the Burton Mesa Preserve.

The exhibit was coordinated by the County Arts in Public Places Committee (CAPP), in collaboration with the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission. in New York City in spring 2012 and in New Jersey in fall 2012.

In addition to these spring exhibits, Navar's work was showcased last fall in Mexico, California and Germany.

All of Navar's art can be found on his website at www.gabrielnavar.com and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/gabrielnavar.

#### **Professor addresses media representation**

Associate professor of English, Marc García-Martínez, has been invited to present his paper, "Revolution Cinematized: Alfred Hitchcock, Oliver Stone, and the Pink Tide of Hugo Chávez – a case of [Id]Entity and [In]Dependence," at the Latin American Studies Association International Congress. Accepted, among others, from thousands of sub-

missions worldwide, his paper examines the media representations of Venezuelan President Hugo Chávez, whose leftist populism is the subject of U.S. director Oliver Stone's film *South of the Border*. Four women's volleyball players received All-Conference honors this season. Kayla Brooks was named first team All-Conference. Mallory Pina was named second team, and Cameron Lizaraga and Felicia Bowen received honorable mention. The women's volleyball team, expanded their community service efforts this season by participating in the Coaches vs. Cancer game at Cuesta College.

Go to athletics.hancockcollege.edu

## Message from the President

Forget the bleak economy for just a moment; instead I want to talk about how incredibly lucky we are to be situated in a region that honors and supports higher education. As the president of Allan Hancock College for the last 6+ years, I cannot tell you how invigorating it is to, as they say, "feel the love" from our community.

### And let me say, the feeling is mutual.

It is because of the support

of this community, and *because* of the perseverance of our students and the dedication of our staff, that Allan Hancock College this year was ranked as one of the top five community colleges in California. The Aspen Institute, in its quest to find the best, identified Hancock as one of the best community colleges in the state and among the top 10 percent in the nation.

In addition to that recognition, the college was recently awarded a five-year, \$4.3 million federal "STEM Select" grant that will enhance the college's ability to provide state-of-theart science and math education. The project will create a model pathway from local high schools to Allan Hancock College to a university, especially Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, with an emphasis on students choosing teaching as a career option. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

This grant is one of the best things that could happen to Allan Hancock College, our students, and this region. The global economy, and California in particular, needs more students pursuing science- and math-related careers. Overall, we need more underrepresented students succeeding in higher education. This grant and the mechanisms it will put in place will support those goals.

We also received word that once again, Allan Hancock College students enjoy the highest overall transfer acceptance rate to Cal Poly, SLO.

I have not even mentioned the major facilities transformation under way with the support of Measure I, the bond passed by voters in 2006 to support capital construction and technology! Several buildings will be complete in 2012 or 2013, including the Public Safety Training Center, a \$39 million project that will truly be the best in the west.

The list of fantastic developments is long although my space here is not. In closing, I will confirm that our funding challenges continue, but so does our enthusiasm. It is my intent to make sure the first does not douse the latter. This community and our mission are too important for us to ever let up. You share the love and our job is to keep spreading it.

## Report to the Community ANNUAL REPORT 2010 - 2011



Through payroll, purchasing, and other expenditures, Allan Hancock College infused more than \$226 million into the local economy in 2010-2011, up \$20 million from 2009-2010.

### 2010-2011 Student Enrollment: 24,901

Noncredit 5,324 · Credit 19,577

Fall 2010 Credit Student Profile

FALL 2010 STUDENT ENROLLMENT: 12,087



We're on it.

José M. Ortiz, Ed.D. Superintendent/President

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## Selected Accomplishments • July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

- Expanded the college bookstore's textbook rental program, saving students up to \$250,000 during the 2010-11 school year.
- Offered a wide variety of public events, among them: faculty lecture series; foreign film series; Film Fest; Community Reads events; educational bus tours; financial aid workshops; University Transfer Day; Military Appreciation Night; band performances; choral concerts; art exhibits; pottery sales; dance concerts; and more.
- Offered free training to out-of-work Santa Barbara County residents in conjunction with the Santa Barbara County Workforce investment Board. Classes focused on social media marketing, health records and energy efficiency.
- Established the first CARE Center in the state. AHC's CARE (Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education) program remains one of the largest in the state and serves single parent students and their families.
- Through shared governance, created a new collegewide decision making process known as *Councils and Committees: Pathways to Decisions (CCPD)*. CCPD allows for wider participation among college constituencies.
- Established the Sustainability Task Force to develop a District Sustainability and Energy Plan.
- Hired a new associate superintendent/vice president of academic affairs, Luis Sanchez, J.D., L.L.M.
- Recreation management students hosted the second annual "Splash and Dash" fundraiser a 5K run/walk and 500 yard swim to benefit college athletic programs.
- The EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs Lending Book program loaned 1,004 books to students to help make college more affordable. The program saved students more than \$75,000 in textbook costs.
- The Bridges to the Baccalaureate program sent 12 students to participate in summer research internships at Cal Poly; six Bridges students transferred to four-year universities; and Bridges funding helped create an anatomy lab with one of the best human cadaver dissection programs in the state.
- Held the eighth annual Career Exploration Day. Industry representatives and educators provided career advice to more than 2,000 high school and college students.
- Held a grand opening of the Small Business Entrepreneurship Center (SBEC) at the Santa Maria campus.
- Car club students put on a car show to promote the auto body and automotive technology programs.
- New certificates and/or degrees were developed for entrepreneurship and paralegal programs.
- Fifty MESA students helped train members of the community in basic computer use as part of a state-wide program designed to increase public digital literacy rates.
- The public safety program received a fire truck donated by the Montecito Fire Department.
- The Law Enforcement Academy graduated its 100th class.
- Hosted four Friday Night Science events attended by thousands of community members and students of all ages.
- The Children's Center was chosen as a participation site for the Center on the Social Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL) program.

- Students in the dental assisting program earned the secondhighest pass rate in the state on the California Dental Association Registered Dental Assistant practical exam.
- Fine arts instructor Gabriel Navar simultaneously exhibited his art in several national and international venues including Washington State, Germany and California.
- Student Eddie Triste was chosen President of the Year for the Southern Region of California by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges.
- Student Katie O'Neill took first place in the technology and learning category of "College Seen," an annual state-wide photo competition.
- Pablo Ramos, an architectural engineering student at Cal Poly and AHC transfer student, was named Cal Poly's 2010 Hearst Scholar.

#### **PCPA**

- Received national recognition as the recipient of a \$15,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.
- *Peter Pan* broke all previous box office records with 20,000 in attendance.
- Won numerous awards for *Westside Story* and *Songs for a New World* from Stage Scene LA.

#### Foundation

- Awarded more than \$245,000 in scholarships to 204 Allan Hancock College students.
- Received contributions totaling \$907,673 to support program funding, capital improvement projects and scholarships.
- Cohosted the third annual *Celebrate Philanthropy!* luncheon to honor selected recipients for their dedication to improving the community.

#### **Measure I**

#### **Capital Construction Projects:**

- Construction continued on the Student Services Center and Administration buildings and the new campus loop road. The project will be completed in fall 2012.
- The board approved the Final Project Proposal for both the Industrial Technology and Physical Education/Athletics, Remodel Building N projects.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) approved project plans for the Public Safety Training Complex and the Children's Center Lab Addition, and bids were awarded for both projects. A bid was also awarded for the Industrial Technology project.

#### **Technology:**

- Opened the 30-station Solvang Center computer lab in fall 2011.
- Launched the text messaging option for waitlist, drop for nonpayment and important college announcements to ensure that students receive timely registration notifications.
- Launched the new online 1098T option for student tuition tax form so that they can have instant online access.
- Completed the single sign on to Blackboard from the myHancock portal.

#### **Sports**

- The Hancock baseball team reached the state playoffs for the third time in three years.
- Every member of the baseball team's sophomore class transferred to a four-year university.
- Ten baseball players were named All-Western State Conference and five players were named Gold Glove Winners.
- The men's basketball team won the Western State Conference Championship for the first time since 1974.
- Men's basketball coach Ralph Gorton was named Western State Conference Coach of the Year.
- Basketball player Ali Langford was named the Most Valuable Player in the Western State Conference and received a scholarship to play for Niagara University. Joey Araujo and Danijel Mihailovic both received scholarships to Post University.
- Three men's basketball players and two women's basketball payers were named All-Western State Conference.
- Two men's golfers represented Hancock at the state tournament and placed fifth and eighth.
- Three men's soccer players ranked in the top ten scorers in the state, and the state's top scorer, Rosario Bras, received a scholarship to play for California State University Los Angeles.
- Women's volleyball coach Julio Molina was named Western State Conference coach of the year.
- Five women's volleyball players were named All-Conference, and Sadie DeQuattro received a scholarship to play for Lindenwood University.
- Seven football players were named All-Conference, and three players received scholarships to play for four-year universities.

### 2010-11 Key Stats

- Allan Hancock College serves a population of approximately 300,000 in a 3,000 square mile area on the Central Coast.
- 747 students earned 1,067 degrees in 68 different subject areas.
- 611 students completed 696 certificates.
- The college offered 79 degrees and 103 certificates ranging from accounting to viticulture/enology.
- Credit enrollment increased by 8.4 percent and noncredit enrollment decreased by 17 percent.
- Processed 10,444 financial aid applications, an increase of 18 percent over last year.
- Awarded Pell grants to 2,467 students, an increase of 22 percent over last year

#### **Standing Ovations**

- The Aspen Institute for College Excellence Program ranked Allan Hancock College as one of the five best community colleges in California and among the nation's top 120 community colleges.
- For the tenth year in a row, Allan Hancock College students enjoyed the highest transfer acceptance rate in the state to Cal Poly, SLO.
- Five AHC MESA students earned National Science Foundation Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

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- Implemented an online employee evaluation survey system that will help streamline the process while giving more access for input.
- Upgraded the wireless network controller for expanded Wi-Fi coverage across the Santa Maria campus.
- Installed data projectors and computers in numerous classrooms for teaching support.
- Installed adaptive software, computers and readers for computers labs.
- 22 percent over last year.
- Total financial aid awarded: \$18 million, an 80 percent increase over last year.
- Approved five new courses and 10 new experimental and special topics courses.
- The college received funding for 19 grants totaling \$2,820,915. The grants and business offices managed 32 projects valued at \$9,426,252. These projects included five federal awards, 22 state awards, one county award and four private foundation awards.



### One last chance (for sure!) to take advantage of the IRA Charitable Rollover

As part of the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010, the ability to roll annual IRA distributions directly into charitable organizations has been reinstated through 2011. Contributions for the 2011 tax year can be made retroactively through January 2012.

Taxpayers age 70 and older are required to make annual distributions from their IRAs, which are then included in their adjusted gross income (AGI) and subject to taxes. Through the IRA Charitable Rollover, taxpayers can use these distributions from their IRAs to make donations directly to charitable organizations. Taxpayers do not have to count these distributions as part of their AGI and do not have to pay taxes on them.

Since the provision was first enacted, Americans have donated millions of dollars in new contributions to nonprofits. This type of gift provides donors the opportunity to leverage their giving. Using these funds to make an unrestricted gift to the Allan Hancock College Foundation allows for great flexibility as funds are applied to meet the most pressing needs of the college district.

While there is a proposal (S.557) in Congress to permanently extend the Charitable IRA Rollover incentive, it is unclear whether or not this will be written into law. With this much uncertainty, consider taking advantage of this provision this year.

If you would like to learn more about IRA Charitable Rollovers and how they can make a real difference, please call Jeff Cotter at 805-925-2004.

## **President's Reception**

The foundation welcomed more than 100 guests to the annual President's Reception, hosted by Allan Hancock College Superintendent/President José Ortiz. Rebecca Alarcio, director, Public Affairs and Publications, gave a stirring talk about the opportunities made possible by the college's new facilities and what they will mean to future generations of students.



(Above) Guest Erik Frost and Director Maggi Daane

(Below) Superintendent/President José Ortiz chats with guest John Ross





(Right) Directors Jeff York, CEO CoastHills Federal Credit Union, and R. Bruce Coggin





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- A named scholarship award can start at \$500. We invite individuals, businesses and organizations to participate. The annual scholarship banquet to honor donors and announce recipients will be Thursday, May 24, 2012.
- If you have an interest in creating an annual scholarship, please call the foundation at (805) 925-2004.



### (Above) Board President Mario Juarez and Executive Director Jeff Cotter welcome guests



#### (Above) Guest Speaker Rebecca Alarcio



(Above) Director john Everett shares a moment with faculty representative Karen Tait and guest Patricia Solorio

(Left) George and Marion Patterson representing the American Association of University Women

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## From the foundation president



It has been my pleasure to serve on the board of the Allan Hancock College Foundation for almost nine years, two years as the president of its board of directors. As my term at the foundation comes to an end, it is with gratitude and pleasure that I reflect back on my time with the foundation.

Mario A. Juarez

I have seen dramatic changes at the college that have changed it in ways that will benefit our community for generations to come.

When I started at the foundation in 2003, our assets were \$3.8 million; currently our assets total more than \$6 million, a 59 percent increase. It is due in large part to the tremendous generosity of our community that the foundation has been able to continue to grow and have such a positive effect on the college and countless numbers of students.

The bond that was passed several years ago has begun to have a significant effect on the face of the campus. The new buildings and improvements that are occurring, such as the Public Safety Training Complex and Student Services Center, are improve-

## Our fiscal strength

AHC Foundation Financial Assets/Obligations

#### As of June 30, 2010



ments that will, I believe, stand the test of time as great investments in our community's future and give Allan Hancock College a position of prestige and excellence not only in California but throughout the West Coast.

I would also like to thank the members of the foundation's board of directors. Their hard work and love for the college brings a smile to my face.

To all our donors and supporters, thank you for your foresight and generosity. Your investment in the foundation and the college is truly helping make our community a better place to live and a place I thank God my children are growing up in.

I would like to thank the foundation's executive director Jeff Cotter and his hard-working staff of Toni McCracken and Marlyn Cox. Their professionalism and dedication has been something I very much appreciate.

I hope to remain involved in the future with the college and the foundation.

**Mario A. Juarez** President Allan Hancock College Foundation

## The Allan Hancock College Endowment Fund

The Allan Hancock College Endowment Fund was established this year when a long-time friend of the foundation gave a gift to launch a permanent endowment fund to support the mission of the college. Gifts to the Endowment Fund remain in the foundation and grow through investments. Only the investment revenue is spent. Here is a great way to help the foundation help the college in perpetuity. Call the foundation office if you have any questions.

## Leaving a lasting legacy...

A bequest to the Allan Hancock College Foundation is one of the best ways to ensure that your commitment to students reaching for their dream of a higher education and your confidence in Allan Hancock College will continue for generations to come.

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## How can we help you?

The Allan Hancock College Foundation supports the mission of Allan Hancock College. Members of our board of directors and the foundation staff are available to answer your questions about how your gifts can support student success. You will find lots of information on our website: www.ahcfoundation.org. Or, call us at (805) 925-2004. Our fax is (805) 739-1064. You are always welcome to drop in at any time. Our address is 936 South College Drive. We are located at the southeast corner of the campus, across from the soccer field. Look for our foundation sign on College Drive in front of our building.



#### **Scholarship Endowments**

- ► General scholarships
- Program area scholarships
- Continuing & transfer scholarships

#### All Other Funds (Restricted & Unrestricted)

- Scholarships
- Departmental funds
- General operations
- Capital improvements

#### Non-Scholarship Endowments

- Program funding
- ► Foundation operations (3%)

FOOTNOTE: The above Financial Assets/Obligations graphs represent unaudited fiscal periods. Complete audited financial statements and tax documents are available from the Foundation Office upon request. Here is an example of a simple addition to your will:

"I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Allan Hancock College Foundation of Santa Maria, California, a not-for-profit California charitable corporation, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (or, the following described property or securities), to be used in such manner as its Board of Directors deems best to carry out its work and affect its purposes."

Please consult with your own advisors before making any changes or plans. And, let us know when you have included the foundation in your estate plans. Thank you!

## **Register now for spring 2012 classes**

All students register online at www.hancockcollege.edu

via myHancock. This system allows for 24/7 access to the services and information you need: search for classes, apply, register, add and drop classes. No more standing in line. All registration transactions are processed online!

#### **Registration dates**

 Open Registration Continues through Jan. 27, 2012

- College Now! Registration Jan. 9-27, 2012
- Classes begin Jan. 23, 2012

For a complete look at classes offered this spring including course descriptions, prerequisites and other class details, go to www.hancockcollege.edu and click Spring 2012 Class Search on the home page.

#### Fees

All California residents pay \$36 per credit, plus other minimal fees. Financial aid is available. Call 922-6966 ext. 3216.

### Need help with registration?

For registration assistance on the Santa Maria campus, visit the Admissions and Records and Counseling offices, bldg. A, during regular office hours or call (805) 922-6966 ext. 3248 or 1-866 DIAL AHC (342-5242) toll-free from Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

For registration assistance at the Lompoc Valley, Vandenberg AFB and Solvang centers, please call the center of your choice for hours of availability:

 Lompoc Valley Center: (805) 735-3366 Vandenberg AFB Center: (805) 605-5915 (805) 693-1543 Solvang Center:

### Need access to a computer?

Computers are available at the Santa Maria campus Admissions & Records and Counseling offices (bldg. A) during regular office hours. For access to computers at the Lompoc Valley, Vandenberg AFB and Solvang centers, please call the center of your choice for hours of availability.

### **Student Helpdesk**

#### Now serving all students five days a week - and it's free!

#### Trained peer advisors will provide help with...

- logging on to the myHancock portal
- reading the online class schedule
- completing registration
- and more

#### The Student Helpdesk opens Jan. 17 for the spring 2012 semester.

Monday – Thursday	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday	11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Call (805) 922-6569 or email studenthelp@hancockcollege.edu.

### **TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS!**

Students can sign up to receive text message alerts about important student information, such as wait list notification.

#### Sign up in the *Receive Text* **Messages** channel on the Home tab of myHancock.

NOTE: The online registration system is sometimes unavailable due to periodic maintenance requirements. These outages are usually announced on the portal and website home page; please check regularly for the latest information.

## 2011-12 Degrees and Certificates

Accounting Bookkeeping Administration of Justice Agribusiness Enology/Viticulture Wine Marketing & Sales Viticulture Pairing Wine & Food Geographic Information Systems (GIS) with Agricultural Applications **Applied Design/Media** Animation Graphics Multimedia Arts & Communication Photography Website Design Architectural Drafting Art Auto Body Technology Auto Body Metal Auto Body Refinishing **Automotive Technology** Auto Service Management Auto Tune-Up & Diagnostic Procedures Auto Engine Rebuilding Automotive Chassis High-Tech General Mechanic Tune-Up Emission Control Specialist High-Tech General Mechanic -Engine, Power Trains Specialist Biology **Business Administration** Business Managemen Marketing Business Business Law Customer Service Executive Leadership Human Resource Management Supervisory Management Sales & Marketing Chemistry **Computer Business Information** Systems Computer Business Office Software

Database Administration Information Architecture Information Technology Fundamentals Office Systems Analysis Office Software Support Small Business Webmaster **Computer Business Office** Technology Administrative Assistant/Secretarial Legal Secretarial Word/Information Processing Administrative Office Skills Computer Business Office Skills Computer Business Presentations & Publishina **Computer Science** Cosmetology **Culinary Arts & Management** 

Baking

**Emergency Medical Services** Academy EMT 1 (Basic) Refresher First Responder Update Paramedic Training Engineering **Engineering Technology Civil Engineering Engineering Drafting** Mechatronics Enalish Entrepreneurship Entrepreneurship & Small Business Management **Environmental Technology Environmental Health & Safety** Technician Family & Consumer Sciences General

**Fashion Studies** 

Machine Technology General Maintenance Machining Production Machining Mathematics Computer Science Physics **Medical Assisting** Medical Assisting Medical Billing and Coding Music Nursing Registered (LVN to RN only) "30 Unit" Option Vocational Certified Nursing Assistant Certified Home Health Aide EKG/Monitor Observer Restorative Aide Paralegal Studies **Physical Education** Physics Psychology **Recreation Management** Social Science Sound Technology Spanish Speech Communication Communication Skills for Public Safety & Health Professionals Communication Skills for the **Business Professional** Communication Skills for the Professional Speaker Transfer Studies CSII General Education Breadth Intersegmental General Education Transfer (IGETC) UC/CSU Transfer Studies (Math. Engineering & Science majors) Welding Technology Metal Fabrication Pipe Welding Wildland Fire Technology Operations Prevention, Investigation, Prescribed Burning Logistics, Finance, Planning

## Where to Find Us

#### Santa Maria Campus

800 South College Drive Santa Maria, CA 93454 (805) 922-6966 Admissions & Records Office ext. 3248 Mon, Wed, Thurs: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tues: 8 a.m.-6 p.m. • Fri: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Academic Counseling ext. 3293 District Cashier ext. 3626/3582/3270 Financial Aid ext. 3216 START Testing ext. 3090

#### **Lompoc Valley Center**

One Hancock Drive Lompoc, CA 93436 Mon-Thurs: 8 a.m.-7 p.m. • Fri: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (805) 735-3366 From Santa Maria: (805) 922-6966 ext. 5200

**Catering & Events Management Dietetic Service Supervision** Food Production Supervision Food Services Production **Restaurant Management** Culinology® Dance **Dental Assisting** Drama Acting Design/Technical Theater **Early Childhood Studies Elementary Education** Elementary Education: Bilingual/ **Bicultural Emphasis** Preschool/Infant Toddler Program Director Special Education **Electronics Technology Digital Systems Technician** Electronic Training Mechatronics Network Maintenance/Digital Technologies Electronic Engineering Technology **Emergency Medical Services** Advanced Cardiac Life Support **Emergency Medical Technician 1** (Basic)

Fashion Merchandising Interior Design Merchandising **Film & Video Production Fire Technology** Firefighter Academy **Global Studies** Human Services General Addiction Studies **Co-occurring Disorders** Family Studies Family Services Worker 1 Family Services Worker 2 Family Services Worker 3 Specialized Helping Approaches Law Enforcement Training Basic Law Enforcement Academy Liberal Arts—Non-Transfer Option Arts & Humanities Mathematics & Science Social & Behavioral Sciences Liberal Arts—Transfer Option Arts & Humanities Mathematics & Science Social & Behavioral Sciences Liberal Studies—Elementary **Teacher Preparation** 

#### Vandenberg AFB Center

144 Wyoming Ave., bldg. 14003 Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437-6312 Mon-Thurs: 1-6 p.m. (805) 734-3500, (805) 605-5915 From Santa Maria: (805) 922-6966 ext. 3250

#### Solvang Center

320 Alisal Road, Suite 306 Solvang, CA 93463 Mon-Thurs 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. & 2-6 p.m. Fri 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., 2-5:30 p.m. (805) 693-1543 From Santa Maria: (805) 922-6966 ext. 3355

Toll-free from San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties:

1-866-DIAL AHC (342-5242)

#### www.hancockcollege.edu

Hours are subject to change when classes are not in session. Call the center of your choice to confirm.