



# Community News

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## Record enrollments!

This fall, credit student enrollment at Allan Hancock College broke the previous record set in fall 2007 by 8.3 percent. That translates to about 11,000 total students enrolled in fall 2008. "We have to say 'about' because our enrollment changes daily," said Salvador Castillo, the college's director of institutional research and planning. "As students enroll in Fast Track classes and other opportunities throughout the semester, our numbers change."

Castillo said the college is expecting record enrollment for spring 2009 as well. "We believe the weak economy is a strong driver in pushing up the enrollments as students seek to upgrade their skills for a more competitive job market."

Community members will find many opportunities this spring in the credit schedule, which was mailed to all



Architecture instructor Saad Sadig (R) with student Gerardo Ortiz.

district homes in late November, and is available on the college Web site at [www.hancockcollege.edu](http://www.hancockcollege.edu).

"We have programs of study that provide great career options such as mechatronics (a combination of

robotics, computers, and electronics), culinary arts, fashion design, automotive repair, Web development, and hundreds more options," said Rebecca Alarcio, the director of public affairs.

Although funding cuts to community colleges have been threatening statewide to limit access to classes, Allan Hancock College has addressed that concern and believes students will have many options. "To address our funding challenges, we have cut some class sections, meaning selected repeats of the same courses, but we believe we will have a wide breadth of courses available, and student access will not be limited this spring," said Anna Davies, the college's associate superintendent/vice president of academic affairs.

Spring classes start the week of January 26. See page 8 for details.

## Hancock/Cal Poly partnership promotes science transfers



Science instructor Len Miyahara (L) with student Andrea Guerrero in the anatomy lab.

Allan Hancock College and Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, have formed a new partnership to increase the number of underrepresented minority students who successfully transfer from Hancock to Cal Poly and other four-year universities in the biomedical and behavioral sciences. Funded by a Bridges to the Baccalaureate grant from the National Institutes of Health/National Institute of General Medical Sciences, this five-year, \$848,598 grant program

Ortiz, Ed.D, Hancock's superintendent/president. "This ground-breaking partnership will go a long way in creating a clear and manageable path for students to be successful in their journey toward a bachelor's degree—and higher-- in the sciences."

The program provides comprehensive support and guidance for a total of 60 Bridges scholars during their two years at Allan Hancock College.

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will give "Bridges scholars" the academic skills, research experience, and support network necessary for success in these fields, including paid summer research internships with Cal Poly faculty.

High school and community college students who are interested in participating in this academic support program must meet certain eligibility criteria that include being a full-time student, intent to pursue a degree in biomedical or the behavioral sciences, specific minimum GPAs and be a member of an underrepresented minority group.

Only 11 of these prestigious awards were funded nationally, four of which went to community colleges. The overall goal of the program is to increase the number of students from underrepresented groups who complete a baccalaureate degree in the biomedical and behavioral research fields.

The program is accepting students now with a Feb. 2, 2009, deadline for the spring semester. For information regarding how to apply, contact Mark Fernandez, Bridges program specialist, by phone at (805) 922-6966 ext. 3820 or by e-mail at [mfernandez@hancockcollege.edu](mailto:mfernandez@hancockcollege.edu).

"There is a clear and compelling need for more students of all backgrounds, and most especially, minority students, to pursue the sciences," said José M.

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## Zero gravity flight provides weighty experience



Instructor Rob Jorstad (R)

Physics instructor Rob Jorstad will use his recent Zero-G (weightlessness) flight experience to relate the physics of microgravity to students in his classes.

The flight, which was sponsored by the National Science Foundation—SpaceTEC®, gave Jorstad a personal experience he can relate to his students. “There’s a bunch of physics problems you can talk about,” Jorstad said, “such as a plane flying on a parabolic path, what speed you have to reach to achieve zero gravity, what happens when you push on something, and how you can design equipment to be operated in zero gravity. I can bring in my personal experience, which they like.”

Jorstad is all about personal experience. For example, he lies on a bed of nails and in another instance, creates volcanoes with liquid nitrogen to demonstrate physics applications in the classroom. “I feel students are more interested and they learn more if you keep them engaged.”

## Nobel laureate visits Allan Hancock College



Superintendent/President José M. Ortiz greets Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menchú.

Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menchú spent the day with students, staff, and the public recently with a series of presentations focused on “Breaking Barriers.”

Menchú is an author and peace activist and one of the Western Hemisphere’s leading advocates of indigenous peoples’ rights. Born into a poor peasant family and raised in the Mayan culture of Guatemala, she reveals in her book “I Rigoberta Menchú” how from humble beginnings she overcame adversity to become a social reform crusader early in life. Her book chronicles the atrocities her family suffered at the hands of the Guatemalan army during the country’s civil war and, as a result, Menchú became

a champion for human rights. She was forced to flee her country and later helped found the United Representation of the Guatemalan Opposition.

She has returned three times to Guatemala to plead the cause of the peasant people, but threats on her life have forced her to return into exile, where she currently remains.

Menchú, 49, was awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1992 in recognition for her work for social justice and ethno-cultural reconciliation. Her book was translated into more than 12 languages and received several international awards.

## Measure I update



Standing left to right: Erik Frost, Felipa Velasco, José M. Ortiz, Greg Castle, David Schmarje, Terry Dworaczyk

Seated left to right: Barbara Nelson, Hugh J. Rafferty, Joannie Jamieson

The Allan Hancock College Board of Trustees welcomed three new members to the Measure I Citizen’s Oversight Committee (COC) in November. Five members of the committee have chosen to remain active, and the remaining three were either termed out or did not pursue a second term. The committee was formed in October 2006 following the passage of Bond Measure I, the \$180 million general facilities

bond that voters supported in June 2006. Funding from the bond is helping the college to modernize technology, upgrade the failing infrastructure of decades-old classrooms and labs, and build new teaching and learning spaces. New committee members include Erik Frost, community-at-large representative (two-year term); Hugh Rafferty, taxpayer’s association representative (two-year term); and Greg Castle, student representative (one-year term). The Board of Trustees thanked former committee members Jack Pellerin, Camillo Wilde, and George Baker for their service.

The COC meets quarterly. The next meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2009. For more information about the committee and its charge, go to [www.hancockcollege.edu](http://www.hancockcollege.edu) and click the green “Measure I” icon on the homepage.

## Progress builds

Shovels will hit the dirt next fall when the college breaks ground for its One-Stop Student Services Center at the Santa Maria campus. That will be followed by a groundbreaking for the Children’s Center expansion in spring 2010. The construction for the Public Safety Complex in Lompoc will begin in summer 2010. All projects are made possible by Measure I funding.

The 64,894-square foot, \$39.3 million, One-Stop Student Services building will house student services under one roof, including admissions and records, financial aid, counseling, university transfer services, EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs programs, the learning assistance program, the testing center, and more. Students will enjoy excellent access to the information and resources they

need to successfully use college support services.

The \$6.5 million expansion of the Children’s Center will allow consolidation of the preschool and toddler programs into one complex, and will expand both inside and outside facilities and teaching areas.

The new, \$46.2 million, 51,450-square foot Public Safety Complex will be built at the college’s Lompoc Valley Center with additional land provided by the City of Lompoc. It will include state-of-the-art training facilities for police, fire, and emergency services personnel. High-tech classrooms, hazmat situational training rooms, a burn tower and burn building, a high-speed driving skills track, and more will provide world-class training opportunities.



Public Safety Complex



Childcare Addition



Student Services building

# Hearst Castle performance tops off busy choir schedule

There is nothing more resplendent than the famously ornate Hearst Castle dolled up for the holidays—except when you add the crowning touch of a special performance by the Allan Hancock College Singers. Still glowing from their December 6 performance at the castle, the singers, under the direction of Dr. Ann Lucas, and by invitation of the castle foundation, regaled the participants with beautiful music at their \$1,000 per plate event. They performed in the same theatre where William Randolph Hearst himself screened movies and entertained friends from Hollywood.

The singers performed arrangements from the Renaissance all the way up to present-day music. “It was magical,” Lucas recalls of the holiday evening.

“This choir has shown an extreme level of dedication, especially considering

requests for extra practices and everyone’s personal time invested in our performance projects,” Lucas said.

The choir includes a variety of experience levels, with some singers new to the world of music, and others, seasoned performers. Lucas welcomes them all. “With all this variety, there is one common thread: our love of music and our belief that music is a healing art,” she said.

“Our motto is ‘We live to perform.’ And to perform at Hearst Castle was an unforgettable experience.”

The choir welcomes new members. This spring the class (MUSIC 133, Chamber Voices, ticket #5034) will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:45 to 2:50 p.m. on the Santa Maria campus. For more information, contact Lucas at 922-6966 ext. 3412.



# Create a career in Hancock fashion studies classes



Fashion design instructor Edda Hayes

Dawn Farrier wore a vintage-style, yellow flower, tulle dress when she and her husband recently renewed their marriage vows. Farrier created her one-of-a-kind gown in a fashion sewing class at Allan Hancock College.

“I own a fabric store in Buellton,” Farrier said. “I have sewn my whole life and probably always wanted to go into fashion, but I couldn’t afford it. My parents thought I should learn to type. You need to know how to type, but you need to know how to fix a hole in your seat, too.”

Farrier hadn’t known about the fashion program nor did she like attending school in general, but when her friend decided to take “Apparel Construction” at Allan Hancock College, Farrier did, too. “I thought if Nancy could do it at 54 years old, then I should pursue this. I had heard of Edda Hayes. She’s taught some

of my customers. I made sure I got in here before she decided to retire or something.”

Hayes has taught sewing and alteration at the college for 23 years along with several other classes that lead to a degree and/or certificate

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in Fashion Studies and a certificate in Fashion Merchandising. Hayes has an extensive background in fashion design including a master’s degree from a fashion institute in Vienna, Austria. To complete her degree, she worked two, year-long internships, one in Austria and one in Italy. She gained experience drawing patterns and creating couture fashion, including many ball gowns.

The coursework led by Hayes and others teaches students what they need to know to pursue careers or

further their education in apparel design, custom dressmaking, bridal gown alterations, boutique ownership, patternmaking, alterations, couture sewing and tailoring, children’s clothing design, textile design, visual merchandising, and fashion illustration. Other careers include wholesale and retail purchasing, marketing, make up, color coordination, wardrobe planning, and historic costume design.

For details, look under Family & Consumer Science in the spring schedule of classes or contact Hayes at ehayes@hancockcollege.edu.

**This spring, courses offered within the program include:**

- *Textiles (FCS 139)*
- *Apparel Construction (FCS 140)*
- *Historic Fashion/ Costume (FCS 144)*

# Award winning photo

Dustin Peterson, a multimedia student at Allan Hancock College, was the grand prize winner in a statewide photo contest sponsored by the Foundation for California Community Colleges. His winning photo competed against 339 other entries—and won him \$500 and other prizes. He plans to pursue a career in photography and graphic design.



Peterson's winning photo

## Message from the President

I am pleased to share this Annual Report to the Community with you. It covers the academic year 2007-08 and touches on just some of the events over those 12 extremely busy months. I hope you take the time to review not only the list of selected accomplishments and key stats, but study the student profile and the range of community members we are serving.



Of course as I write this, we are in the throes of a serious budget situation statewide and nationally. That will translate to major mid-year cuts for Allan Hancock College, for which we are working together right now to address. But even with that threat of major budget reductions, I want to point out one line in this annual report that I think is extremely important for everyone in this community to realize: last year alone Allan Hancock College, through payroll, purchasing, and other expenditures, infused more than \$208 million into the local economy. I emphasize this because, in addition to being the state's economic engine by training the majority of the nurses, firefighters, and law enforcement professionals across the state, and providing career opportunities for millions of other Californians every year, our state's 110 community colleges also support their local economies. In our case, Allan Hancock College is the 12th largest employer in Santa Barbara County.

Another piece of this annual report I'd like to point out is the modest detail we provide on the progress made to date on Measure I, the \$180 million bond passed by the electorate in 2006. This entire report could focus on that topic alone. We have accomplished so much since the bond passed 2.5 years ago. Thanks to the people of this community, last year Allan Hancock College spent more than \$1.4 million in bond funding to upgrade and enhance technology for students and the college. We have completed three new buildings and are in the final planning stages for three more, with more capital construction on the horizon. Our 50+ year old infrastructure is being rebuilt and we are on a path of amazing renewal at Allan Hancock College that will benefit our students for decades to come.

Let me take this time to thank you for your ongoing support, for your keen understanding of the important role community colleges play in the success of this state, and for continuing to believe that at Allan Hancock College, you can **start here—go anywhere.**

Happy New Year,

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

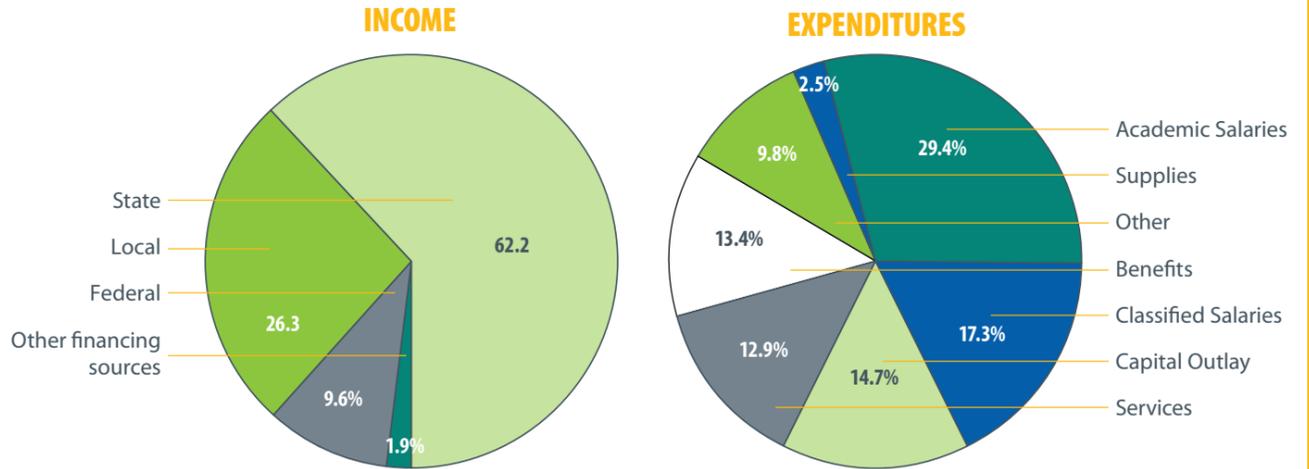
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# Report to the Community

## ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008

### 2007-2008 District Expenditures \$78,694,944



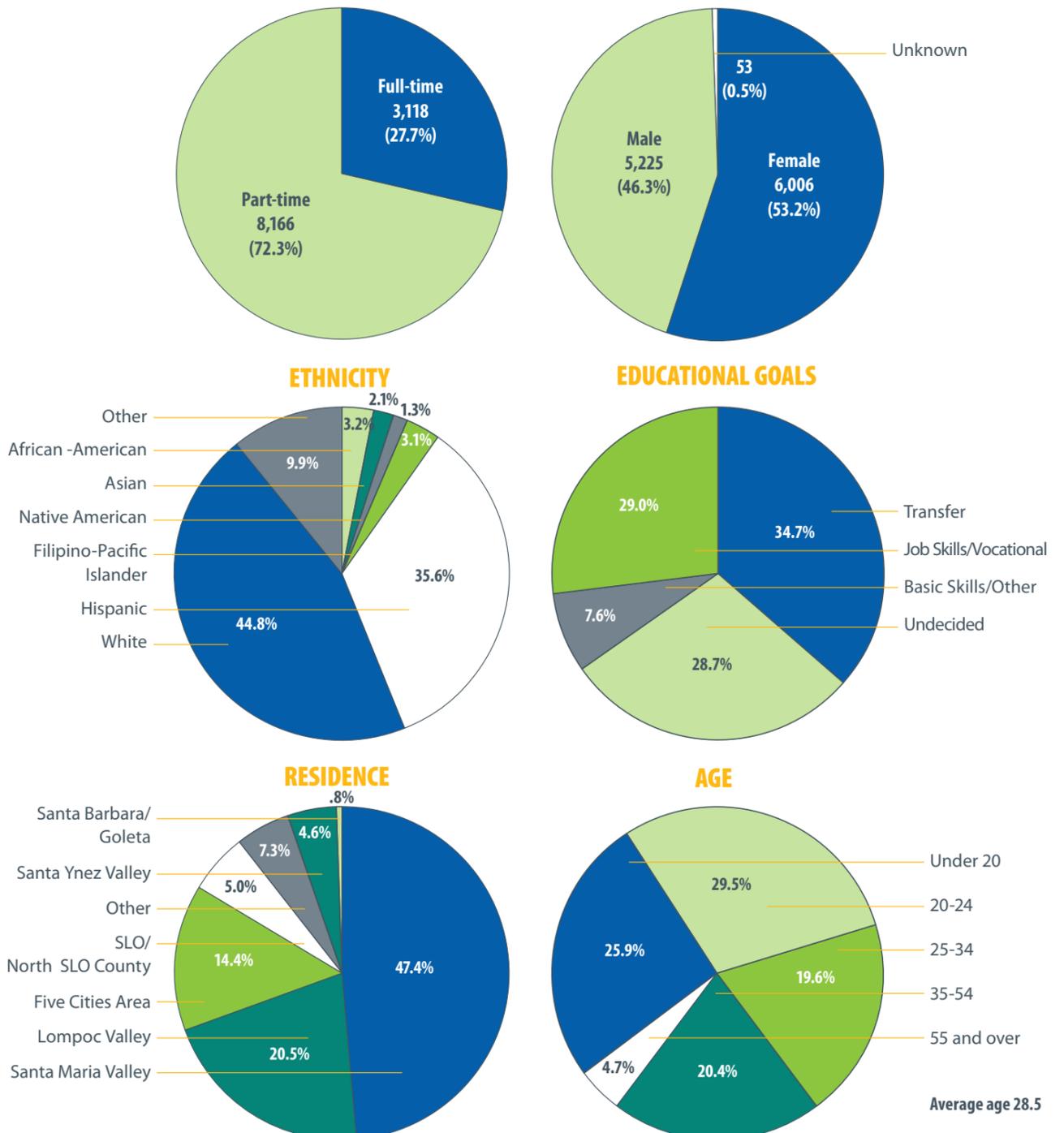
Through payroll, purchasing, and other expenditures, Allan Hancock College infused more than \$208 million into the local economy in 2007-2008.

### 2007-2008 Student Enrollment: 26,808

Noncredit 7,469 • Credit 19,339  
(unduplicated headcount)

#### Fall 2007 Credit Student Profile

FALL 2007 STUDENT ENROLLMENT: 11,283



Average age 28.5

# 2007-2008 Selected Achievements

- Celebrated with gala grand opening events the completion of two new buildings on the Santa Maria campus: Community Education and Science.
- Received a \$2.8 million, five-year U.S. Department of Education Title V grant to further establish a "Learning College" approach at Hancock, allowing for new and innovative opportunities for classroom learning.
- Opened an on-campus winery and began production of six varietals as part of the viticulture and enology program. Students in the program also organized a Viticulture and Enology Club.
- Nearly two dozen AHC MESA students gained hands-on experience in various summer internships at locations such as NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center and John H. Glenn Research Center, the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, MIT, and other prestigious institutions.
- Continued progress with Bond Measure I funds. Design for three new buildings is under way—the One-Stop Student Services Center, the Public Safety Complex, and the Childcare Addition. Two buildings, Community Education and Science, opened their doors to students in August 2007; both were partially funded with Measure I dollars.
- With Measure I funds, invested \$1.4 million for college-wide technology upgrades and modernization while continuing work toward installing a new \$6 million mainframe system.
- Hired 13 new tenure-track faculty.
- Received recognition from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, for the excellence of our mid-term accreditation report.
- Established high speed fiber links between the Santa Maria campus and the Lompoc Valley Center.
- Worked with Antioch University to offer a new bachelor's degree in psychology on the Santa Maria campus. Antioch also offers a liberal studies degree at AHC.
- Conducted a survey of northern Santa Barbara County residents as part of the college's strategic planning process. Results helped complete the plan's environmental scan to identify needs.
- Angela Caballero de Cordero, coordinator of the college's noncredit matriculation and counseling program, was named a winner in a 2008 national Outstanding Dissertations Competition.
- Dave DeGroot, articulation officer, was reappointed to the California Community College Transfer & Articulation Ad Hoc Committee for the Academic Senate.
- Fine arts instructor Gabriel Navar, who is also a poet, had his poetry set to music composed by a music professor in Florida. He was the honored guest at the world premiere concert.
- English Professor Bob Isaacson published two books: a collection of poetry, and a family history about his childhood on an Arizona cattle ranch.
- History Professor Roger Hall was selected from a national pool of applicants to attend a workshop supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities.
- Police Academy Coordinator Greg Dossey was named to the Martial Arts Black Belt Hall of Fame for his contributions to the martial arts and for developing a training program for police officers to safely subdue combative arrestees.
- Implemented a compressed semester calendar for better student retention and success.
- Three instructors received Outstanding Faculty Awards from the AHC Foundation: Thomas Sadowski, reading; Charles Pasquini, mathematics; and Rayvell Snowden, welding technology.
- Created 30 new credit courses and modified 72. New courses range from Human Relationships to Advanced Medical Insurance and Coding to Vineyard Irrigation.
- Offered a new degree program in Culinology®, which blends the study of culinary arts, nutrition, and food science into one field. The vocational degree is also transferable to four-year universities, and articulates directly to Cal Poly, SLO.
- Staged 30 dance performances for approximately 12,000 audience members.
- Celebrated Black History Month with an Associated Student Body Government event featuring local speakers, food, and entertainment.
- For the second year in a row, received recognition by Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education magazine as one of the top 50 community colleges in the nation in graduating Hispanic students. Previously, the college was named as one of the top 100 two- and four-year colleges.
- Cosponsored a Y.E.L.L. (Young Educated Latina Leaders) conference to motivate more local young women to attend college. More than 400 teenagers attended.
- Cosponsored the 11th annual high school welding contest with more than 85 local high school students from seven local schools.
- Celebrated Arbor Day by planting new trees at both the Santa Maria campus and at the Lompoc Valley Center.
- Administered two middle school career exploration grants to promote career awareness
- Received recognition in a national magazine for an innovative software application that gives employees 24/7 print order options.
- Received 11 new grants and 10 renewed grants, for a total of \$5,497,641. The college is currently managing 44 active grant projects totaling \$11,544,582.
- The Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts (PCPA) produced nine full-length productions for the main stage in addition to the informal InterPlay, reading productions of three new plays.
- PCPA received three Indy Awards—two best director nods and a costume design award—presented by the Santa Barbara Independent newspaper.
- PCPA produced the world premiere of "The Heart's Desire," by José Cruz González.

## Sports

- In women's tennis, doubles players Brady and Kacie Guggia earned second team honorable mention from the Western State Conference.
- Thirty-one Allan Hancock College student athletes were named by the Western State Conference as Scholar Athletes for the spring 2008 season. Each of these students finished their season of sport in good athletic standing while completing at least 12 units with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Three softball players—Monique Aguirre, Shana Jackson, and Genica Mowatt—received honorable mention by the Western State Conference.
- The Bulldogs football team finished the season with a 6-4 record; several players were recognized as All-Conference selections.
- Women's basketball player Elisa Ayala was named to the Western State Conference Honorable Mention team.

## AHC Foundation

- Awarded \$313,000 in scholarships to Allan Hancock College students at the 39th annual scholarship banquet.
- Received contributions totaling \$1,070,688 to support program funding, capital improvement projects, and scholarships.
- Expanded the President's Circle, a group of community leaders and businesses, to 102 members. In just the past two years, the President's Circle has contributed more than \$160,000 to fund projects that encourage innovation and promote student success.

# Key Stats

## Credit Enrollment

- 780 students earned 1,062 degrees in 59 different subject areas
- 794 students completed 869 certificates in 59 subjects
- The college offered 86 degrees and 107 certificates ranging from accounting to viticulture/enology.
- Summer 2007 credit enrollment: 5,474, a 10 percent increase over summer 2006; noncredit enrollment: 2,868, an increase of more than 22.5 percent
- Fall 2007 credit enrollment: 11,286, an increase of almost 6.7 percent over fall 2006; noncredit enrollment: 4,169, a decrease of approximately 3.1 percent
- Spring 2008 credit enrollment: 12,549, an increase of more than 2.5 percent over spring 2007; noncredit enrollment: 4,881, an increase of 1.75 percent
- Distance learning courses grew by 14.9 percent from fall 2006 to fall 2007, and by 12.4 percent from spring 2007 to spring 2008. Since fall 2004, student enrollment in distance learning classes has grown by more than 92.5 percent. Distance learning class enrollment was 3,518 for fall 2007 and 4,080 for spring 2007.
- Named 551 students to the fall 2007 deans honors list and 555 to the spring 2008 list for maintaining GPAs of 3.5 or higher.
- 5,936 financial aid applications were processed, an increase of 16.72 percent over last year
- 1,306 students were awarded Pell grants
- Total financial aid awarded: \$5.1 million, an 18.7 percent increase over last year
- Served 1,047 students in the EOPS program
- The Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) program was recognized as one of the largest in the state with 253 students and \$235,600 in direct aid provided to students who are single parents with children under the age of 14 receiving state or federal aid.
- The CalWORKs program served 362 students from both Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties. CalWORKS offers public cash assistance to students to help them successfully complete their welfare-to-work plan.
- The EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs Lending Library loaned 743 books to eligible AHC students to help make college more affordable.
- Allan Hancock College is the 5th largest employer in northern Santa Barbara County, and the 12th largest employer in the entire county, according to the UCSB Economic Forecast.
- Allan Hancock College serves a 3,000 square mile area on the Central Coast with a population of about 309,000 stretching from New Cuyama to the Channel Islands.

## Transfer

- AHC students enjoyed one of the highest transfer acceptance rates at California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo, with 46 percent of fall 2008 AHC transfer applicants accepted compared to 27 percent statewide.
- Top four-year university transfer destinations for Allan Hancock College students in 2007-2008 were:  
UCSB  
Cal Poly, SLO  
San Diego State University  
CSU Fresno  
CSU Long Beach



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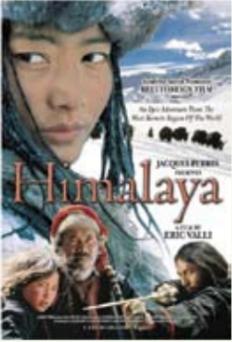
## Foreign film series coming in March

Allan Hancock College will continue the tradition of its March international film series on the Santa Maria campus. All films are Fridays in the Forum (bldg. C, room 40) at 6:30 p.m. and all are free of charge.

Pre-film lectures and post show discussions will be led by faculty members. Films are:

### L'enfance d'un Chef (Himalaya)

Presented March 6 by Cheryl Weiss



A classic story of power, pride, faith, wisdom and adventure unfolds in a land of breathtaking beauty. A proud, old Tibetan chief who honors ancient rituals is locked in an ancestral battle with a head-strong, young caravan leader who dares to defy traditions. "Himalaya" captures the fast disappearing traditions of a remote Tibetan culture with lush visuals, an exquisite score, and fascinating adventure story. [France 1999 (Filmed in Nepal). Academy Award nominee. Not rated. Run time: 104 minutes]

### La Misma Luna (Under the Same Moon)

Presented March 13 by Sofia Ramirez-Gelpi, Ph.D.

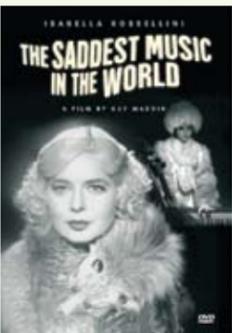


A 9-year-old boy is left behind in Mexico by his parents who came to the U.S. seeking a way to provide for their families. Taking fate into his own hands, he crosses the U.S./Mexico border to find his mother. [Mexico, 2008. (Filmed in Mexico, Los Angeles).

Rated PG-13 for mature thematic events. Run time: 109 minutes]

### The Saddest Music in the World

Presented March 20 by Cheryl Weiss



This artful film is compelling in its very different style and story-telling than conventional films. Set in Winnipeg during the Great Depression with a wildly convoluted plot, a cynical beer magnate with ulterior motives sponsors an international contest to award the nation with the most sorrowful tune. The film is a thought-provoking brew that explores the relationship between music, memory, personal tragedy, and more. [Canada, 2003. Not rated. Run time: 99 minutes.]

All films are subtitled or in English dialog. Registration is required. Attendees must be at least 18 or older. To register, visit the Santa Maria campus Community Education office (building S), or download the registration form from the spring 2009 Spectrum by clicking the blue "Class Schedules" icon on the home page, then select Spectrum and scroll down to "Registration Forms." Registration will be taken at the door on a space-available basis only. Please note that films may contain violence, adult language, and mature themes.

## HP grant puts more technology in the classroom



Students Sharon Metcalfe (L) and Simone Jackson use the new Tablet PC technology in class

A grant from HP has put new technology at students' fingertips inside Allan Hancock College classrooms.

The college received an award package of HP products and a faculty cash award valued at more than \$77,000. These include wireless HP Tablet PCs to enhance learning in engineering, math, science, or computer science classrooms. Hancock was one of 39 two- and four-year colleges and universities in the United States and Puerto Rico to receive the HP Technology for Teaching grant, which is designed to transform teaching and improve learning in the classroom through innovative uses of technology.

Right now, students in engineering and physics classes are working problems requiring drawings and equations on Tablet PCs. Using classroom management software, the instructor quickly monitors all student screens simultaneously to check their progress.

Students receive immediate feedback from the instructor who electronically "inks" hints and

corrections on each student's screen. Students are able to ask for help electronically without feeling embarrassed in front of fellow students. The instructor will be able to quickly discern topics that cause individual and class-wide confusion.

"Practice is key to learning technical subjects," said engineering instructor Dom Dal Bello. "Tablet PC and classroom management technology enables instructors to be more effective in helping students succeed. Immediate feedback from the instructor to individual students will allow us to do more in-class problems with greater understanding."

The engineering program at Allan Hancock College prepares students to transfer to such universities as Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, and UC Santa Barbara. Allan Hancock College has one of the most extensive engineering course offerings of any California community college, including hands-on laboratory courses.

## College surveys Santa Ynez Valley community

Following a series of community meetings late last year in the Santa Ynez Valley, Allan Hancock College is now developing a survey for a wider response from valley residents. The survey will be distributed this spring to elicit details from Santa Ynez Valley residents regarding how the college can serve the valley in a more effective way.

"The Santa Ynez Valley is part of Allan Hancock College's district, meaning we are the official community college for that region," said Rick Rantz, the college's dean, The Extended Campus. "In August 2000, we established our Solvang Center as a step to better respond to the needs of our students who live in the valley, but we know there is always more that could and should be done."

Rantz and a group of Santa Ynez Valley leaders organized two community meetings to hear from business leaders and residents about their needs. The ideas that emerged from those meetings were



Participants in one of the Santa Ynez Valley community meetings

varied and exciting. Suggestions ranged from hospitality training to delving into the Danish culture and language.

"All participants were enthusiastic about the college's presence in the valley and appreciated our efforts to increase our offerings," Rantz said.

For more information about this effort, contact Rantz at (805) 735-3366 ext 5203.

# Celebrating our donors



LEFT: (l-r) Dan Payne, part-time instructor and member of the President's Circle, and Walt Rosebrock, former AHC trustee and foundation board member, enjoy a conversation.

BELOW: Joannie Jamieson, president, foundation board of directors



BELOW: (l-r) Leslie (back to camera) and Ernie Zomalt, members of the President's Circle, share ideas with Dr. José Ortiz.



ABOVE: (l-r) Janice Hoffman and Gini Adams enjoy the hors d'oeuvres.

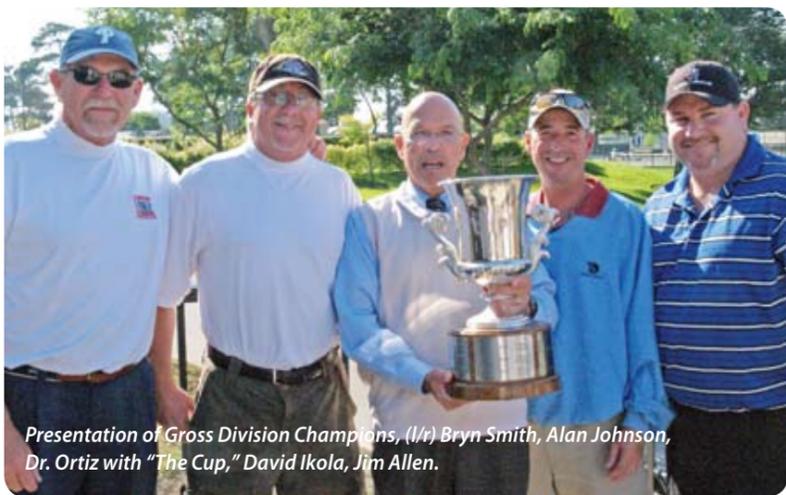
It was an "Evening to Celebrate Success." More than 175 donors came together Thursday, Nov. 13, to honor and recognize those individuals and businesses whose contributions have supported the students and programs at Allan Hancock College.

Joannie Jamieson, president of the foundation board of directors, and José M. Ortiz, Ed.D., superintendent/president of Allan Hancock College, welcomed and thanked everyone for their generous support. Jamieson said at the event: "Contributions to the

foundation make it possible for some of the brightest and most promising young people in our community to attend college. They also make it possible for the college to complete capital improvements and to secure state of the art technology for classrooms and laboratories—projects that might otherwise not be possible given budget constraints that the trustees face each year."

The Allan Hancock College Foundation celebrates our donors. THANK YOU, DONORS!

## Close to millions



Presentation of Gross Division Champions, (l/r) Bryn Smith, Alan Johnson, Dr. Ortiz with "The Cup," David Ikola, Jim Allen.

If close counted, two golfers would have each walked away from the 7th Annual Hancock Cup Golf Tournament with an extra million dollars in their pockets. The tee shots for Mike Portman and Bill Koster in the Million Dollar Hole-in-One ShootOut dropped within inches of the cup, only to roll away from the big prize. With 128 golfers looking on, the excitement was on par with the day, as it was another perfect day in paradise to play golf for a good cause. The big winners at this tournament are

up of Alan Johnson, Bryn Smith, David Ikola, and Jim Allen. This foursome shot 17 under par to post a final score of 55. In the net division, championship honors went to Rob Stowasser, Michael Rocha, Mike Sell, and John Tunnell, shooting a final net score of 50.6.

If you missed this year's tournament, be sure to circle Monday, September 14, 2009, on your calendar now and be part of the fun at the 8th annual Hancock Cup Golf Tournament.

students at Allan Hancock College who benefit from the proceeds the foundation infuses into Allan Hancock College scholarships and programs.

The Hancock Cup is a perpetual trophy on which the names of each player for the gross and net division champions are inscribed. The cup is then placed on permanent display at the Santa Maria Country Club. This year the gross division championship team was made

## President's Circle grows

In just two short years, the Allan Hancock College Foundation President's Circle has grown in size and accomplishments. A key role of the President's Circle has been to draw prominent community leaders, alumni, businesses, and corporations back to the college in ways that reinforce communication. More than 100 names are engraved on the new President's Circle Honor Roll plaque recently installed in the lobby of the college's administration building. Dr. José Ortiz, superintendent/president of Allan Hancock College, noted that "When I pass by the Honor Roll, it reminds me of the responsibility that Allan Hancock College has to meet the needs of our communities. But just as importantly, it reminds me of all of the good people who have generously given to help us reach goals."

To learn more about becoming a President's Circle member, contact the Allan Hancock College foundation office at 925-2004 or log onto the Web site at [www.ahcfoundation.org](http://www.ahcfoundation.org).

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  - 9 a.m.-6 p.m. (Solvang)

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- ▶ **January 26-29, 2009**
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Basic Law Enforcement Academy

### Agribusiness

Viticulture/Enology  
Wine Marketing & Sales  
Viticulture  
Pairing Wine & Food

### Applied Design/Media

Film & Video Production  
Animation-Traditional Drawing  
3D Computer Animation  
Graphics  
Multimedia Arts & Communication  
Photography

### 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  
Auto Chassis  
Tune-Up Emission Control Specialist  
Engine, Power Trains Specialist

### Biology

### Business Administration

### Business

Management  
Marketing  
Business  
Administrative Assistant  
Human Resource Management  
Business Law  
Customer Service  
Supervisory Management  
Executive Leadership  
Entrepreneurship &  
Small Business Management  
Sales & Marketing

### Chemistry

### Computer Business Information Systems

Computer Business Office Software  
Information Architecture  
Office Systems Analysis  
Office Software Support  
Information Technology Fundamentals  
Small Business Webmaster

### Computer Business Office Technology

Legal Secretarial  
Administrative Assistant/Secretarial  
Word/Information Processing  
Computer Business Office Skills  
Computer Business  
Presentations & Publishing  
Administrative Office Skills

### Computer Science

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Restaurant Management  
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Food Services Production  
Catering & Events Management  
Baking

### Culinology®

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### Dental Assisting

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Acting  
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General  
Elementary Education  
Elementary Education-Bilingual/  
Bicultural Emphasis  
Preschool/Infant Toddler Programs  
Special Education

### Electronics Technology

Electronics Technology  
Digital Systems  
Communication Systems  
Electronics Engineering Technology  
Network Maintenance/Digital Technologies  
Electronic Training  
Space Operations  
Mechatronics

### Emergency Medical Services

Paramedic Training  
Emergency Medical Technician 1 (Basic)  
Emergency Medical Services Academy  
EMT 1 (Basic) Refresher  
Advanced Life Support  
First Responder Update

### Engineering

### Engineering Technology

General  
Civil Engineering  
Mechatronics  
Engineering Drafting

### English

### Environmental Studies

Social Science  
Natural Science

### Environmental Technology

Environmental Health & Safety Technician

### Family & Consumer Sciences

General  
Fashion Studies  
Fashion Merchandising  
Interior Design Merchandising

### Fire Technology

Firefighter Academy

### Graphic Communication

### Human Services

General  
Addiction Studies  
Family Studies  
Co-occurring Disorders  
Family Services Worker 1  
Family Services Worker 2  
Family Services Worker 3

### International Studies

### Liberal Arts

Transfer: Arts & Humanities  
Transfer: Mathematics & Science  
Transfer: Social & Behavioral Sciences  
Nontransfer: Arts & Humanities  
Nontransfer: Mathematics & Science  
Nontransfer: Social & Behavioral Sciences  
Liberal Studies -  
Elementary Teacher Preparation

### Machine Technology

Maintenance Machining  
Production Machining

### Mathematics

Computer Science  
Physics

### Medical Assisting

Administrative  
Clinical  
Medical Billing  
Phlebotomy

### Music

### Nursing

Assistant  
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Assistant-Restorative Aide  
Assistant-EKG/Monitor Observer  
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Exercise Science/Pre-Physical Therapy  
Teaching

### Physics

### Psychology

### Social Science

### Sound Technology

### Spanish

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Communication Skills for the  
Business Professional  
Communication Skills for the  
Professional Speaker

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Education Transfer (IGETC)  
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(Math, Engineering & Science Majors)

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Pipe Welding

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Operations  
Prevention, Investigation, Prescribed Burning  
Logistics, Finance, Planning