

Advanced Technology and Applied Science “Good Stuff”- January 2008

Environmental Studies Morgan Barrows reports:

- The semester is off to a great start with lots of enthusiastic students. The Department has 90% more students this semester when compared to Spring 07.
- Some Ecology students, in conjunction with The Bolsa Chica Stewards, participated in restoration efforts down at Bolsa Chica Wetlands. They spent the day removing non-native vegetation and replacing it with native plants.
- The Department established two \$500.00 scholarships that will be given out in May to incoming or current Saddleback College environmental studies majors.
- An ENV 1 student from last semester, Max Henderson, “created a forum where members can become active in environmental issues and voice their opinions on these issues...The site will be held at www.conserveyourworld.com.”

Communication Arts

Charlie Myers reports:

- Alum from a year ago, Jill Schrag premiered her feature film “Magdalena” in Los Angeles and is expecting a world-wide release.



- Red Digital Cinema (<http://www.red.com/>) continues to interview and hire our department’s students almost exclusively. Considering their level of fame and potential in our arena, that is a strong endorsement of our program.
- Alum from last semester, Saira Vasquez, has scored perhaps the oddest double I know of in radio: She picked up two jobs, one on Radio Disney (1110 am) and another on Playboy Radio (Sirius 198). I love this one.
- Alum Kenny Ryan was hired and completed the feature screenplay on the life of Ronald Reagan. Though it will still be some time before this picture will be released, to be hired for a story of this magnitude is tremendous for him.
- Alum Robby Newsom just edited his first 35mm feature “Fuego” starring David Carradine. He also just completed two 35mm music videos.
- Alum Sia Abderazai, who just transferred to Cal Berkley, got his picture into the Pacific Film Archives.
- Student Robbie Moore scored a guest role on the show “Bones”.
- The Newport Beach Film Festival is again accepting a full slate of films from Saddleback College. We look forward to showing the competition what we got with our best line-up to date.

Hiro Konishi reports:

- Peter Shafron, a student in the Documentary Production class last semester, has a premiere screening of his 28-minute documentary, 88 Years in the Closet, in Laguna Woods on Monday, February 4. The documentary follows a lesbian woman who came out of the closet last year after 88 of hiding.
- Christy Snider, a student in Television Production 1 last semester, was chosen to be one of the 10 interns of a TV show, Dr. Phil. She has already started working on the set and is being involved in actual production activities in Burbank.
- Two students in Television Production 2 are working with a local artist, Drew Brophy to produce a TV show featuring his work and activities. Drew is a well-known surfing artist in San Clemente; his work is immensely popular not in the United States but all over the world.
- Three Television Production 1 students have started a short documentary project about homeless people in Laguna Beach. They are helping The Friendship Shelter and working with Saddleback adjunct faculty, Scott Hayes.

Mark Kruhmin reports:

- The Spring Semester '08 has begun and enrollment has exceeded our expectations.
- Our number of production classes has doubled! We've got a good group of students in our classes and are hoping for some good shows and films this semester.
- We have been doing final evaluations and research for equipment and technology purchases with an eye on upcoming digital/HD requirements looming in the near future as well as the impending move to the Village next year.
- We aired on Channel 39 many student projects over the Christmas holidays including shows from the Television classes and student films. Also airing are college promos produced by students in Professor Konishi's TV classes.
- For the first time we are having people from the community contacting us to be on our programs for either music segments or segments on cooking shows.
- Keep an eye out on campus for students with cameras, lights, microphones, and other equipment shooting for either films or TV programs they are fulfilling assignment, shooting scenes for films, or practicing techniques learned in class.
- The students from the News class will be looking for stories for the Channel 39 News. The first newscast for the semester will be shot on Feb.6.
- Speaking of the news, a new set is being built by Global Entertainment Industries in Burbank that will be used for the news and other programs shot in the studio. We are all looking forward to the new look.



- If you've got a news story please contact me at 582-4509.

Aquarium & Aquarium Science Julie Anderson reports:

- Congratulations to Wendy Lee. She completed the Aquarium and Aquaculture certificate end of Fall 08. Wendy has been working at the Aquarium of the Pacific, as an Aquarist, but wanted to ramp up and upgrade specialized skills by enrolling in our programs courses.
- Ben Vallejos, a student almost finished with the program, works as a Senior Aquarist at the Chula Vista Nature Center, was recently featured in the CBS 8 News with their new Sea Horse exhibit! <http://www.cbs8.com/video/> scroll down to "Visitors Get Up Close With Seahorses".
- The power shut down over the holidays apparently fried the server supporting the 2 Live Web cams for the shark tank and aquarium lab. SmartVue has graciously replaced, through donation, the server and one of the cameras for us and our IT technicians, Mike and Quinten are working to upgrade the server. Hopefully we'll be back up on the web (many emails letting me know that the cameras aren't working!)
- We are very busy coordinating arrival of new equipment AND also, beginning to order the recently approved equipment too!
- Although our enrollment started low, we have picked up a bit. We have very serious-minded students that are willing to track their way to our very specialized program. We have commuters from Encino, Chula Vista, Riverside, Duarte, Escondido and Long Beach (not to mention Japan, Palau and Ecuador) – So we are drawing from a rather large area!

Saddleback Radio KSBR Terry Wedel reports:

- Students from several Saddleback radio classes will be teaming up to provide coverage of "Super Tuesday" election results on KSBR. The coverage will concentrate on California results, but the students will also gain experience in integrating news reports and sound bites from the Associated Press network. The reports are scheduled every half-hour beginning at 8:30.
- Ryan Flournoy (along with other members of his family) have used their Saddleback radio education to start up and operate the Internet radio station of their church (Life Church). You can check it out at: www.legacyradioonline.com.
- As a Saddleback College student, one of the duties Victoria Stalker had as a morning host on KSBR was to introduce the traffic reporter. Now, Saddleback students are introducing her! Victoria (who's air names are "Tori Scott" and "Helen Bremner"), has been hired as a reporter for the Airwatch Traffic and news network, and besides KSBR, she is heard on a number of stations from San Diego to Lancaster including KTLK and KRLA in Los Angeles.
- Former Saddleback student Chris Hughes has let us know that he has just segued from his position "on the mainland" with Clear Channel, to become the Operations

Director for the entire VRE radio group, which owns 15 radio stations in Hawaii. He says he can walk to his main office from his new home in Honolulu, but will spend much of his time hopping among the 5 islands where all of the stations are located.... Tough life!

Horticulture and Landscape Design Charles Harrison reports:

- The application period for our annual Horticulture Scholarships opened this month. Each year the department along with our Garden Club partners award scholarships to students majoring in Horticulture and Landscape Design. The awards, presented at the annual Scholarship Ceremony in May, total approximately \$14,000.
- Several of our students volunteered their time and expertise to prune the 75 rose bushes at Covington Heights Assisted Living Community in Aliso Viejo. The rose garden was established one year ago through the efforts of one of our CWE students. The residents have established a trust for the Horticulture and Landscape Department and make large yearly contributions to our program. Pruning the roses was just a small "Thank You". It also gave our students a great opportunity to practice their skills.





Fashion Design and Merchandising Lindsay Piper reports:

Class Trips:

- The Vintage Essentials class, Fashion in Southern California class and the Fashion Trends classes went to Vintage Fashion Expo where the students were treated to a lecture from a vendor who specializes in garments

Student Internships:

- Fashion student Amber Materna is interning at “The Globe Showroom” in downtown LA. www.theglobeshowroom.com.
- Cassandra Delvey is interning at the patternmaking dept. at Quiksilver.

Saddleback Fashion Dept. In the News:

- The Lariat featured the new Fashion Special Topics Class Vintage Essentials, taught by Meredith Byron.
- **Excerpt from an Interview** with Irma Salazar done by Kara Willingham for the Lariat CWE story

Irma Salazar
47 years old
Fashion Design

Which department/major did you do your internship for?
Fashion Department

Where was the internship and how long did it last?
Cachcach, Santa Ana, CA
(High-end children's apparel manufacturer)
5 month internship

Why do you feel the CWE is a good program?
CWE is an excellent program offered by Saddleback College. Professors in Fashion Department have excellent contacts in the Fashion and Apparel industry, in the Orange County and Los Angeles areas. With these contacts, they have placed students in many internship positions which have led to permanent employment positions.

How did the program help you specifically?
I was fortunate in my experience with the CWE program in that the manufacturer I worked for brought me in as an Assistant Fashion Designer. I learned firsthand the business cycle of developing a garment from concept, design, patterning, sampling, and then being approved for production. It was very exciting to later see this product produced and sold in the following season.

Would you recommend the program to other students, why?
Yes absolutely, I would recommend this program to other students. The experience is invaluable, and establishing a network of contacts in your particular field of interest is very important. It gives the student hands-on experience with reputable, established companies and carves the road for future employment. It's an absolute must!

Was the faculty/employer helpful/active in your experience?

I cannot say enough good things about the faculty in the Fashion Design department. They are the most proactive, supportive group of individuals that truly care about the development and success of their students.

Give me an example of what you did on daily basis at your internship.
Fabric and trim selection for garments in the conceptual/design phase.
Computer sketches of garment design concepts. Created and modified patterns for garment designs. Worked with sewers to create sample garments of design concepts. Tagging, labeling and shipping process for design garments.

How many units did you receive?
I received full units for the program; I believe its 3 units.

What is something you learned from the program?
I learned to step through my fears of approaching a new field and allow myself to apply the skills I've learned in the Fashion department. I learned that I have a support system at school that allows me to venture back into the world to work, knowing that I can always refer back to what I've learned and tap into the faculty for ongoing career advice.

Would you do it again?
Absolutely yes! It has been a great experience, of which I appreciate very much.

Once again please feel free to add anything else that I may not have asked. Also, if you have any pictures please send them over and contact me if you have any questions!

Kara Willingham
Op/Com Editor- The Lariat



Saddleback Alumna Write In:

- Kris Hammes, moved to the San Francisco Bay Area and has opened an online jewelry business - "Things here are good. My boyfriend, Jesse, & I started our website and have it up and running! You should check it out! "

www.blackribbonsociety.com

- Tina Richards, moved to Washington and is putting together her own fashion line for young men and women - she writes:
"I'm doing my first photo shoot with a professional photographer on Wednesday so I have been working on a small collection for the last month... It was originally a 10 piece line but I took two garments out in the patterning phase when I realized I was in way over my head. I'm down to the last two items that I need to get finished up by tomorrow or I won't have time to get shoes, and accessories planned out for the models. I'm super excited because a friend of mine is a hair stylist who specializes in 30's and 40's style hairdos. One of the looks I put together is a suit wool blend princess seam, peplum jacket, matching skirt with pleated lower back yoke, and a bias sleeveless top that has a tiny stand collar that comes together center front with a bell shaped tie. I don't know what it is called but basically I cut out two mini circle skirt shaped pieces and attached them to the collar. The result is such a pretty drape.

I'm so excited, everything looks really vintage. I'll let you know how things go. I will have my own camera there too and Brady will be taking behind the scenes pics so I will email some pics by the end of next week. This is totally a big deal for me, we are even renting an RV for the day to have a place to keep warm and change between shooting. It's going to be fab!!"

- Tina Richards UPDATE:

It's crazy how quickly things have been happening. We got here a week before Valentines Day last year and I cannot believe how much has changed from my life in California. I am so happy that I have already achieved certain goals and that I seem to be headed in the right direction for my future goals. The photo shoot went great. It could have been smoother, but I think that for my experience (or lack of) it was well coordinated and fruitful. I saw a few pictures on the photographer's camera during the shoot and they looked amazing, so I am really excited to see the actual photographs.

So as much as I am always following in your footsteps, now I can say I really am... I put out an ad on Craigslist for sewing lessons a week ago and have my first student next Monday afternoon. I have another prospect who is 18 years old and wants to learn to sew but nothing is confirmed with her yet. I am pretty much going to model the sessions after your class and even give a boiled down version of your baseline quiz to get an idea of what level of understanding they all have. I'm such a copy cat, I hope you don't mind. I wish you were here... I wish we could open a sewing school together and teach the Byron Method and have a clothing line... oh if only life were perfect!

Anyway I will for sure be begging you for tips and need lots of advice, so I will be in touch.

- Audrey Messick, who is involved in local dance productions - both performing AND designing the costumes!

“...I convinced my choreographer to costume the girls the way I envisioned us being costumed. I drew some pictures for her to see what I had in mind and I won her over... I guess you can take the fashion student out of the classroom, but you can't take the classroom out of the fashion student.”

- **Meredith Byron, Saddleback Alumnae and faculty**

Is launching a new baby gown business. Her designs can be seen at her booth at the 2nd annual Baby Celebration show at the Los Angeles Convention Center - the weekend of April 12th & 13th.



VINTAGE FASHION EXPO



WORKING ON THE
COLLECTION

- Fashion A"wear"ness Day pictured Amanda Schultz and Chelsea Smithson



Foods and Nutrition Suzanne Denton reports:

- Faculty member Haley Nguyen recently opened a new restaurant--of her own....at Edinger & Brookhurst named **XAHN**. She is a proud restaurant owner and we are very proud of her.

Interior Design Arlene Thomas reports:

- The Saddleback Interior Design Club held their first meeting of the spring semester on Wednesday, January 30, 2008. The meeting was highlighted by a guest speaker from Gettys (www.gettys.com), an award-winning global hospitality design and development firm with offices in Chicago, Hong Kong, Irvine and Miami. Gettys' portfolio includes nearly twenty years of experience creating the world's finest hotels, resorts, spas and mixed-use developments in partnership with the industry's most discerning clients.
- Another highlight for that meeting was the fact that David Romero, past-president of the Saddleback Interior Design Club has been hired by Gettys Irvine office. Congrats to David! Don't be a stranger!!
- Please continue to check out our Design Club website at www.scidc.org to check out what our department is all about!

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