Environmental Studies Morgan Barrows reports:

- Senior day was a huge success. Program information was handed out to over 300 students and current environmental studies students talked to over a hundred seniors. Thanks to all that helped out.
- Ecology students headed down to Bolsa Chica wetlands to observe ecological systems in action.
- The Environmental Awareness Club is busy planning Earth Week. Lots of great events have been planned including a lecture series, an e-waste collection, and a campus clean-up. Look for more information to follow.
- Environmental Studies students have also worked hard in the native garden getting it ready for spring. Be on the lookout for wildflowers.

Horticulture Robert Farnsworth reports:

- Landscape Design students again have the opportunity for a hands-on, real-life project this semester. They are shown here analyzing a residence in Tustin. We are examining sustainability in this design.
- Students in the Intro to Horticulture classes have been busy working on the new Native Plants Garden at the greenhouses. We began planting what is hoped to be a leading example in alternatives to thirsty lawns.
- Enthusiastic Intro to Horticulture students are shown here on spring garden bed preparation.
- Students in the History of Landscape Design were treated to the first of several guest speakers, with a lecture on the Bahai Gardens in Haifa, Israel. Turnout was strong. The class also toured the Noguchi Garden in Costa Mesa.
- Our Spring Plant Sale is set for April 12 and 13th at the Greenhouse. Proceeds benefit student scholarships.
Foods and Nutrition reports:
Lori Hoolihan reports:
- I submitted a session proposal for California Dietetic Association’s (CDA’s) annual conference, April 26-28 in Ontario, CA, on Protein source, distribution and intakes for optimal health throughout the lifespan that will summarize the new research on protein. The speaker is renowned Douglas Paddon-Jones from Univ. of Texas, and I will moderate the session.

Lisa Inlow reports:
- Congratulations to John Lugo who has been chosen to move forward to represent Saddleback Culinary Arts at the Shelton Farms Culinary Competition on April 20th. I hope that you will all join us at the competition to support John and Saddleback. Go to www.cccfcs.com to register as an attendee.
- FN 173 Catering and Banquets students prepared passed appetizers for the Saddleback College Foundation Gala. The event drew more than 350 guests. Students enjoyed the opportunity to showcase their talents and offered them “production” experience. They did a great job! Culinary Club members also participated in the Gala. They choose to prepare a dessert trio of lemon panna cotta, poached pear napoleon & red velvet petit four. The plated presentation was a challenging undertaking, and offered them valuable experience. They did an exceptional job!

Interior Design Arlene Thomas reports:
- On March 26th, Doug Stead, representing the California Council for Interior Design Certification (CCIDC) came to talk to the Interior Design Club about professional Interior Designer ethics.

Interior Design Students to again take the Noah’s ARC Design Challenge
- Noah’s ARC is a program between the Salvation Army and the California – Orange County Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers.
- Student designers will showcase their talents in this venue created specifically for them.
- Purpose of Noah’s ARC Design Challenge:
  - to raise awareness among the general public in Orange County that they can purchase home furnishings and accessories at The Salvation Army and integrate them into well-designed living spaces
  - to emphasize the message that the proceeds from the sale of donated items at Salvation Army Family Thrift Stores in Orange County provide the sole support for the Anaheim Adult Rehabilitation Center (ARC).
- ASID student members from four local colleges will design 12’ x 12’ displays at four Salvation Army store locations: Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, Orange, and San Clemente.
- Saddleback Interior Design students will have their room on display at the San Clemente location and start installing on April 28, 2012 with opening day on May 5, 2012.
- On March 30, 2012, the Interior Design Department participated in a special event, Fashion A La Mode held at Saddleback College. The event was planned to host local
High School students interested in Fashion and/or Interior Design careers. Alinde Herron and Farida Gabdrakhmanova worked together to prepare and conduct Interior Design workshops for over 80 students. Many student volunteers from the Interior Design Department helped with set-up and directed students in completing their projects. The event proved to be an exciting, fruitful, and fun experience for all!

Interior Design Club Invited to Design the GALA
- A committee of Interior Design students put their creative talents to work once again for GALA 2012. Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication to the Interior Design Department and Saddleback College!

- Alinde Herron, full-time faculty member, traveled to Baltimore, Maryland March 18-22, 2012 for the Annual IDEC (Interior Design Educators Council) Conference. Over 300 Interior Design Educators from all over the nation gathered to celebrate their role in “Shaping the Future.” Alinde spent four days attending workshops, keynote presentations, networking sessions, and participating in various Continuing Education seminars including: A full day Workshop “Google Sketch-up Pro for Educators,” Pecha Kucha Night: Creative Teaching Ideas, IDEC regional meetings, student design competitions, and “Changes Coming to NCIDQ-Preparing Our Students Now!”

The Orange County Youth Expo and STEM Showcase event the weekend of April 13-15 (http://www.ocfair.com/ye12/) at the OC Fair Grounds is being attended by some departments.
Saddleback College RapidTech – Learn how to scan and image and make a 3D model (Exhibitor)
Saddleback College Automotive Department – see the new automotive technology (Exhibitor)
Automotive Technology Cliff Meyer reports:

**Donations**
We received a generous donation of $500 to support our auto tech program from a member of the South Orange County Electrical Vehicle Owners Association. Thanks for your support!

**Awards**
We currently have three qualified students for the Tuttle Click Scholarship program. They are Andrew Hutchins, Ismael Tejeda and Mike McAllister. They all will be receiving a $750 scholarship each semester, a complete tool box and they are now working at a local Tuttle Click dealership. Congratulations for a job well done!

**General**
The auto tech department Advisory Committee met on March 30, 2012. This was well attended by our great industry partners. We have partners from almost every type of automotive industry; new car dealerships, independent repair facilities, used car dealerships and much more! We wish to thank all that attended for your wonderful support. We would not have a “world class” automotive facility if it was not for the great industry support that we have in South Orange County.

Take a look at our new hoists. This is the cleanest shop in Orange/LA county!

**Presentations, Outreach and Tours**
During the month of March Raj Dhillon and Clifford Meyer have been working on new course offerings for the auto tech’s new certificate program. This new certificate program will be titled “Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technician”. New courses are being developed for this program and the plan is to have this new certificate program in place in 2013. Our website has also been updated. Please view the auto tech website at: (www.saddleback.edu/atas/autotech)

Professor Clifford Meyer’s Auto 220 Alternative Propulsion class visited UCI’s National Fuel Cell Research Center in March. This tour was well received by the students. We were able to learn about the current Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in testing. There are 12 Toyota Highlander Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in their testing fleet along with a GM Equinox Hydrogen vehicle. We are very happy to have UCI as one of our industry partners!

On April 3rd, Professor Clifford Meyer’s Auto 220 class will visited Fisker in Anaheim. This is a very secure facility due to the research and development that takes place at this company. Fisker as you may know has new electric vehicles coming to market. One of them is the “Karma” electric vehicle.

In March, the Auto Tech department participated in “Senior Day’ at Saddleback College. This event went well and our marketing efforts seem to be paying off. We have many students interested in taking classes in the auto tech department.
In March, Raj Dhillon and Professor Clifford Meyer attended a special event at La Vista High School in Fullerton. This was the first “College Night”. There were over 10 different colleges from Orange County/LA who attended. This was a well-attended event by the local students. The auto tech department was on display along with all the different departments in the ATAS division. Our marketing efforts were well received!

Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising reports:

Lisa Elston reports:

Fashion Interns:

Nick Borunda: Life After Denim in Los Angeles

Mark Pascal: Hot Shoppe Designs, San Clemente. Mark was just hired full-time at Hot Shoppe as a Graphic Designer!

Angelina Yeo: Working Wardrobe, Laguna Niguel
Malia Hill Reports:

- The 2nd Annual Fashion A La Mode was held on March 30th. Over 200 high school students attended a day of workshops, meeting with industry professionals, contests, and a fashion show of their work. Parents were also welcome to attend and learn more about fashion and interior design at Saddleback and as a profession in southern California.
- Faculty and students from both fashion and interior design departments worked very hard to make this event a success

Field Trips:
Lindsay Fox, JD Nowland and Diane McGroarty report:

Fashion students attended the following field trips:
- FASH 254 Fashion in Southern California and FASH 207 Eco Friendly Fashion Tours

- LACMA for Mid-century CA Design exhibit and lecture
- Wonderland
- FIDM for the Academy Award Nominated Costume Exhibit
- Oakley

Diane McGroarty reports:
Fashion 147 - Special Events Coordination and Promotion is planning and producing our annual Fashion Show, “Twisted”!
Annual Fashion Show “Twisted” will be held on May 5th at the McKinney Theater on campus. Tickets are available at the box office or from Diane McGroarty.
This is a campus wide event with Culinary, Cosmetology, Film and Fashion working together to help make our show a success!
Twisted

A Saddleback College Fashion Show

May 5, 2012
McKinney Theater
28000 Marguerite Parkway
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

Reception 5:30 / Show 7:00 p.m.
Tickets $15 pre-sale / $20 @ door
available at McKinney Box Office

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