Computer Maintenance and Electronic Technology- Eugene Evancoe reports:
- The new semester has started strong, with especially large enrollments in the beginning and survey classes. Our students cover a wide age range (high school to retired) and come from diverse educational backgrounds (no college to postgraduate degrees). It is a big challenge, but also a great pleasure to instruct our students!
- Our Computer Maintenance program classes are improved and updated this year with newer lab computers and the A+ test prep class covering the new 2013 test.
- We continue to receive requests from local electronics companies for referrals of students for employment.

Foods and Nutrition
Suzanne Hewett reports:
- The more than 500 students in nutrition classes, FN 50 have completed the elementary evaluation of the individual diet utilizing the USDA's guide: Choose My Plate. They are now aware of the basic needs and their own intake vs. goals. These students are working on 16 week resolutions to improve health.
- FCS 142 class, Life Management, under the direction of dept. chairperson, Suzanne Hewitt, have completed the value evaluation process with a coat of arms and goal completion.

Lisa Inlow reports:
- CTE Grant Progress - Curriculum Development
  - An Entrepreneurship Module has been implemented into our catering class. Over the course of several weeks students will learn how to develop a business plan to open a food service oriented business. Students are really excited about this enhancement to our curriculum.
  - Sustainable Cuisine has been implemented into our contemporary meals class. This hot topic has us all excited to learn how to become more aware of where our food is coming from and how to implement best practices for a sustainable future.
- CWE – Internships
  - Last semester 50% or our internships turned into job offers! Several of the job sites were impressed with the performance of our students and offered to continue to support our CWE program in the future.

Interior Design- Arlene Thomas reports:

**SADDLEBACK COLLEGE APPROVED AS NKBA SUPPORTED PROGRAM**

MISSION VIEJO, CA (December 6, 2012) – The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) has announced Saddleback College as the newest addition to their Supported Programs.

The NKBA Supported Programs help educational institutions that do not immediately meet all the NKBA Accredited Program requirements to receive support from local NKBA Professionals as well as a host of benefits from the NKBA National headquarters.

To become an NKBA Supported Program, an educational institution must have a kitchen and bath curriculum that prepares students for the NKBA Certification Exams. NKBA
Supported Programs are evaluated with respect to mission, administration, curriculum, faculty, and resources to determine eligibility and ability to fulfill the Association’s requirements for full-accredited status.

To date, more than 60 colleges and universities have achieved NKBA Supported or Accredited Status. The Accredited Program was created by the NKBA to serve the professional needs of the industry and to ensure consistent, quality education for students striving to become kitchen and bath design professionals.

**About the National Kitchen & Bath Association**

The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) is a non-profit trade association with over 50,000 members that has educated and led the kitchen and bath industry for more than 45 years.

**Horticulture- Ken Lee reports:**

- Visiting Thailand and Cambodia during the winter break – My wife and I had visited our good friend in Thailand in January, and, had an opportunity to explore Southern parts of Thailand, including Bangkok, Khao Sok National Park, Phang Nga Bay, Phuket. Then, we continued our journey to Cambodia, Siem Reap, to explore ancient temples, including Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom, Banteay Prei, Preah Khan, etc. It was an eye opening experience to see all these magnificent temples in the middle of forest. At the same time, it was sad to see lots of vandalism (most of gods’ heads were missing), yet, quite hopefully to know many countries under UNESCO are putting money and resources to restore.

- I ran Surf City Half Marathon yesterday, my very first long distance running as a part of preparation for LA marathon in March (aiming triple 5 – finishing full marathon in 5 hours with 55-year old body). The weather was beautiful, lots of people, and, I was able to finish the entire 13.1 miles with 2 hours which was my target. So, I am a happy camper even though my legs feel pain today. To use my participation on LA marathon for Saddleback Trail project marketing and awareness, Graphic Dept. under Chris Claflin supervision will provide logos and graphics to be stenciled onto my running gear. So, I will be a running billboard for Saddleback Trail project. Hopefully, I will catch some camera shots.

**Marine Science Technology- Diane Wenzel reports:**

- Last week, (Jan. 23-26), I attended the US Sailing, National Sailing Program Symposium in Clearwater, Florida. The NSPS is the premier event for sailing education in the county and brings together over 250 directors, instructors, volunteers and industry representatives to share and learn best practices with one another about running, maintaining and improving sailing programs. The symposium format included lectures and hands on workshops. Some of the topics covered: fiberglass and polyethylene repair; tips for winning grants; implementing STEM education; social media marketing; sailing drills and rules clinics; motorboat technique; transferable skills - coaching for winning and life lessons; successful presentation techniques; and weather awareness. The event is an invaluable resource for professionals in my industry and I can’t recommend it enough. Next year's symposium, scheduled in January, will be held in San Diego.
Automotive Technology:
Kenneth Welch reports:

- The 20th annual OCADA Technology Competition on Saturday was again outstanding. I was able to help with judging at the brake system workstation. The team from Loara High School was incredible to watch in action, great team work and double checking each other through each question. They also finished with time to spare!

  The experience was educational for me. Notice that the list of finalists only includes one school from south OC. We need to get the college feeder high schools to participate and maybe we could help with their training. The OCADA competition made a difference for the program at Mission Viejo HS, I am convinced this is a reason that the Dr. Gatifield (Principal) wants to continue the program. I talked with Sean Taylor after the contest and he is looking for ideas to grow the contest. One idea was to have a station oriented contest (no vehicles) at each of the colleges that would then have the top teams move on to the finals. This could be a way for more students to experience the Automotive Technology program at Saddleback.

- 1st – Loara High School
- 2nd – Sunny Hills High School
- 3rd – La Habra High School
- 4th – Rancho Alamitos High School
- 5th – Katella High School
- 6th – San Clemente High School

Cliff Meyer reports:

Donations
Brandon Mindt working on his Eagle Scout project designed and built a table and benches for our student area. The labor and materials were donated by Brandon and his Scout troop.

Awards
- Here are the students that have qualified for the Tuttle Click Scholarship program. They are Greg Carlos, Bara Loeum, Michael Mcallister, Ismael Tejeda, Trent Heffern and James Wooley. They each will be receiving a $750.00 scholarship each semester, a complete tool box and the opportunity to work at a local Tuttle Click dealership. Congratulations for a job well done.
General
- The auto tech department for spring 2013 is offering 18 sections. We are at a 99.1% fill rate! We currently have 446 students enrolled in our program! This is great news and confirms that we are growing. Thanks to all the staff and students for making this happen!

Presentations, Outreach and Tours
- During the month of January and February Clifford Meyer has been working on updating our Auto Tech website: (www.saddleback.edu/atas/autotech). We continue to contact the high school counseling departments to market the Saddleback College auto tech program. We are sending our marketing materials to their senior class. We are growing!

- We have a great new shop vehicle. This is our electric shop truck! This is NOT a hybrid. This is a full time electric vehicle! This truck has been 3M wrapped with our marketing information. We will use this truck on campus to support our shop. It is not licensed for the street and can only be used on private property.

Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising- Lindsay Fox reports:
- The Fashion Department faculty attended the special day long Vitalink meeting at Working Wardrobes in Santa Ana. The day included an industry panel, networking with our high school fashion instructors and a PLC meeting headed by Malia Vago to help plan Fashion A La Mode for this Spring.

- Fashion Department Faculty: Diane McGroartry, Kyla Benson, and Michel Craner attended the planning meeting for the annual Fashion Symposium and competition in LA.
- The Fashion Club attended the Vintage Fashion Expo in Santa Monica.
- The new Shoe Design and Construction Class was the first fashion class to fill. Fashion students are excited and eager to develop these skills as part of the Accessory Design and Basic Costume Design and Construction Skills Awards.
- Lindsay Fox’s Sabbatical project entitled: Research and Practicum of Dye and Fiber Processes was approved for the Fall 2013 semester by the SOCCCD Board of Trustees.

Environmental Studies- Morgan Barrows reports:
- The Environmental Awareness Club is off to a great start this semester. At each meeting this semester, students will present a mini-lecture on an environmental topic of their choosing. The mini-lecture this week focused on the environmental hazards of plastics. The members are also busy planning Earth Week in April and a beach clean-up at Doheny beach on February 23rd at 9 am. All are welcome to participate.
- Students are back at work volunteering in the California Native Garden.
- A special thanks to the donors that made generous contributions to our environmental scholarships. These scholarships will be given out in May and I know the students will appreciate it.
Graphic Design and Graphic Communication:

Steve Gonsowski reports:
- The GD 240 Intermediate Graphic Design class will be designing the cover for Saddleback College’s annual student handbook. Ten thousand copies of this publication are printed, so the student who designs the “winning” cover will end up with a published piece in their portfolio - and a feather in their cap. Stay tuned for the winning cover!

Karen Taylor reports:
- Graphic Design student Moises Tupinamba has returned to Brazil and has been accepted to the Federal University for Visual Arts. When he was in southern California Moises worked as a photographer specializing in surfing photography. In Brazil, he's continued to do photography but has also continued to develop his illustration work and has had his work on t-shirts, public art mural projects and in galleries. Inserted are photos of a mural Moises just completed for a music school and a photo from a gallery show of his work.

- Karen is a member of the California Statewide Work-based/Employment Services Advisory Committee. She attended the committee’s recent meeting in Sacramento where the primary topic of discussion was the current challenges facing CTE programs.

- Some truly stunning examples of student digital illustration are now on display in the case on the ground floor of the TAS building. The illustration shown to the right is by Olivia Muesse, and is just a sample of the impressive work being produced in Ms. Taylor’s GD 149 Digital Illustration course.

Christopher Claflin reports:
- Within days of completing his course work, Graphic Design graduate Tim Allen landed a job with a local full-service printing and graphic design company, Moonlit Graphics. Tim recently emailed Mr. Claflin and wrote, “Just wanted to say thank you for the past 2 years I had with you. I learned so much from you, and vastly improved my skills. I had a blast with you in all my classes. Thanks so much again for everything!” We wish Tim the best of luck as he begins his career. Below is an example Tim’s work from GD 200 Photoshop Skills For Graphic Designers.
Each Spring term the GD 145 Graphic Illustration class partners with the English Department to assist with the production of Wall, Saddleback’s annual literary and arts journal. Students of GD 145 produce editorial illustrations to accompany short fiction authored by English department students. Other graphic design students volunteer to provide assistance in the layout and production of the journal. Our participation continues with this year’s edition of Wall. To the left is an example of student work completed for inclusion in Wall.

We are very proud to announce that the Spring 2012 edition of Wall, which featured 5 illustrations and production assistance by Graphic Design students, recently won FIRST PLACE in the literary magazine category in a national competition sponsored by the American Scholastic Press Association. Congrats to all who contributed to this success!

Drafting and Architecture- Susan Zimmer reports:

Saddleback Student joins the Technology Workforce

Henry Holt will be graduating this May 2013 with an Associate Degree in Drafting Technology. In January, Henry accepted a CAD Operator position with Mason West, Inc., in Placentia. It is firm of Designers & Fabricators of Vibration Control Products and Seismic Restraint Systems.

Henry Holt received mention in the August 2012 "Good Stuff" when, as a student of Glen Stevenson’s Advanced Solidworks class, Henry took a 2nd place ribbon at the California State Fair in Sacramento. Henry designed a time-trial bike with individual parts and a working, animated assembly model using Solidworks software.