Horticulture and Landscape Design Robert Farnsworth reports:

- The Department of Horticulture and Landscape Design was invited to design a demonstration garden for the Laguna Beach County Water District, for their 2012 "Smart Water Days" exhibition. Students eagerly volunteered to build a redwood deck, storm water swale and bridge (shown here), and also "planted" over 400 plants. The plants were all California Natives. The event was well received.

Environmental Studies Morgan Barrows reports:

- Environmental Awareness Club is off to a great start and has decided to hold a joint activity with the Honors Student Council. The event will be a presentation and discussion on the pros and cons of genetically modified foods.
- Water and Soil Conservation students toured the wastewater treatment facility in Laguna Niguel to gain a better understanding how our water is treated and what is done with the water after treatment.
- Ecology students visited the Fullerton Arboretum to see ecological systems and interactions first hand.
- Water and Soil Conservation students went on a fieldtrip to assess the Groundwater Replenishment System at the Orange County Water District. The learned how treated wastewater that would have previously been discharged into the Pacific Ocean is further treated using a three-step advanced treatment process, which produces high-quality water that exceeds all state and federal drinking water standards.
- Student volunteers are working hard in the California Native garden.
- The Environmental Awareness Club, in conjunction with the Honors Society, held a discussion on genetic engineering...what it is, the pros, the cons, and its relation to Prop 37.
- The Environmental Awareness Club will hold a plant sell during Club Rush.
Automotive Technology Cliff Meyer reports:

**Donations**
- Tuttle Click Group donated another $50,000.00 to support the Saddleback College Auto Tech program. This funding will be used to provide current and future scholarships for our students.

**Awards**
- New students have qualified for the Tuttle Click Scholarship program. They are Greg Carlos, Bara Loeum, Michael Mcallister, Ismael Tejeda 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 participated in the fall CAT California Automotive Teachers Conference held at Cerritos College in Cerritos California. This two day event featured industry seminars and training events. This event is for all high school and college instructors throughout California. There were over 200 instructors who attended this conference.

- There was also a very special tour available to just 12 instructors. This was a private tour of Jay Leno’s Big Dog Garage in Burbank, California. Casey Moir and Cliff Meyer attended this tour. Jay Leno was present and took the group on a private tour of his garage for over 1 hour. We finished the tour with one of Jay’s assistant who spent another 1 ½ hours showing us his vehicle and motorcycle collection. This was a one in million tour…………..

**Presentations, Outreach and Tours**
- During the month of October 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 them are marketing materials to their senior class. We are growing!
- Clifford Meyer provided tours to two groups of local high school students through Vidal Link. These two groups were very impressed with the facilities and the auto tech educational program.
- Raj Dhillon’s Auto 231 Hybrid Technology class visited UCI’s National Fuel Cell Research Center. This tour was well received by the students. They were able to learn about the current Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in testing. They also were provided current updates on electrical vehicles and how they are researching the power grid. We are very happy to have UCI as one of our industry partners!

Foods and Nutrition Suzanne Hewitt reports:

- Cindy Marshall, Assoc. Faculty, attended the California Association of Diabetes Educators Annual Meeting in Long Beach, Oct. 18-20. Clinicians and researchers presented published works pertaining to care of patients with diabetes and current trends to use with obesity/weight management counseling and adult learning strategies.
• Cindy also attended the planning committee meeting for colleagues in the field of diabetes education throughout the state of California.
• All FN 50 Nutrition students have completed 3 day diet analysis, the same analytical tool used in the clinical setting and required by all 4 year universities in California. The results were very enlightening for most of the students.

Culinary Arts Lisa Inlow reports:

• The Culinary Arts Catering Class catered the luncheon for 100 guests at the Horticulture Department’s Native Plants Symposium on October 13th.
• The Culinary Principals I class took a field trip to tour Ingardia Brothers Wholesale Grocers on October 24th.

• 33 High School students from the Vital Link program visited the Culinary Arts Lab. While the students prepared and baked their signature pizzas, they learned about our program and the possibilities of a career in the exciting Culinary field.
• You will find photos of these and many other events on our Culinary Arts Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Saddleback-College-Culinary-Arts-Program/162691630487348?fref=ts

Interior Design Arlene Thomas reports:

• The Saddleback College Interior Design Club held its first fall semester monthly meeting on October 22nd. A large group of club members, interested students, and faculty gathered to hear a special presentation given by the Director of CCIDC, Doug Stead. CCIDC is responsible for certifying Interior Designers in the State of California. Doug’s in-depth PowerPoint presentation, covering the various requirements necessary to become a Certified Interior Designer (CID) in the state of California, focused on the IDEX (Interior Design Exam) which is administered by the CCIDC. Our design students found out that they are eligible to sit for the exam, apply their educational units and submit their professional design experience to eventually become a CID.
Fashion and Fashion Design Lindsay Fox reports:

- Mark Martinez, current Saddleback Fashion Student, just was hired this month at Hot Shop in San Clement as a patternmaker. His credentials included Tukatech pattern making which helped him with his career goals. Congratulations Mark!
- Fashion Department field trip to Vintage Fashion Expo was enjoyed by many of the department’s fashion classes.
- Fashion in Southern CA class visited FIDM museum, Saint John Knits, and CA Mart with tour of the fashion district.
- FASH 100 went on a class trip to Element.

Architecture and Drafting Blake Stephens reports:

- The Architecture and Drafting Technology Department reports that a student led field trip to the Getty Villa in Malibu on Saturday, October 27th to see the 'Last days of Pompeii' exhibit was enjoyed by 14 students and faculty Lem Chin and Blake Stephens.

Graphics and Graphic Design Chris Claflin reports:

- Jori Johns recently wrote to Professor Christopher Claflin to let him know how his graphic design course has helped her discover an exciting new occupation.
- "Hi Professor Claflin! I took your GD148 - Digital Graphic Design course this past semester and I just wanted to thank you for the doors it has opened since. I've been doing social media marketing and graphic design for a little boutique in Laguna Beach and create an advertisement almost every week. My first ad was published in Laguna Beach magazine which was just about the most exciting thing ever. I still have so much to learn it's almost overwhelming, but I just wanted to take the time to thank you for igniting the passion for graphic design in me!"
- Jori is now transferring to University of California Santa Barbara to attain a Bachelor’s Degree in Graphic Design. We wish her the best of luck in her new career!
Karen Taylor reports:

- I attended Graph Expo (http://www.graphexpo.com/) in Chicago. Graph Expo is a national trade show for prepress, printing, finishing, converting, mailing, wide format and digital technologies. The show includes an area set aside as "Education Main Street" where universities and colleges showcase their graphic communication programs and students. I attended the conference as part of our Perkins grant for our Graphics Communication accreditation process. Both of the accreditation organizations we’re looking at were represented at the show. I was able to meet with and network with other colleges and discuss their programs and accreditation, discuss and get copies of their curriculum, as well as meet with representatives of both accreditation groups. The Expo has invited our program to be represented and included in the conference next year.