Saddleback College Student Groups Present
“A Celebration of Black History: Legacy, Liberation, and New Beginnings”

Mission Viejo, CA – The Saddleback College Associated Student Government Diversity Student Council and Black Student Union are pleased to sponsor “A Celebration of Black History: Legacy, Liberation, and New Beginnings” on Thursday, February 26th beginning at 1:00 p.m. in room 212 of the Student Services Center. Admission and parking in lots 5 and 5A will be free.

Dr. Tod A. Burnett, President of Saddleback College, stated, “Black History Month is a time to reflect on the sacrifices made by African Americans and celebrate African American icons whose contributions and achievements have shaped our nation. Thank you to the Black Student Union and ASG Diversity Student Council for their hard work in planning these educational and culturally rich events for our college’s students, faculty, staff, and administrators.”

The Black Student Union stated, “We the Black Student Union of Saddleback College celebrate Black History everyday as a means of connecting our past to our present in order to improve our future. ‘A Celebration of Black History: Legacy, Liberation, and New Beginnings’ gives us, as a community, the opportunity to come together to embrace these ideals. We hope that the community will be inspired and moved to join us also at our weekly meetings on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in room 328 of the Saddleback College Library.”

The program of the day’s events follows:

1:00 p.m.
Dr. Richard Rose, Professor of Philosophy and Religion at the University of La Verne, will provide the opening session, entitled “The Invisible-VISIBLE Hand of History.”

2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saddleback College Cross-Cultural Studies and the Black Student Union will present an interactive workshop entitled, “It’s a Great Time to be Alive.”
5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Appetizer reception, I Have a Dream Poster Contest and Silent Auction, Choir Performance

7:00 p.m.
Reverend Mark Whitlock of the Christ Our Redeemer AME Church in Irvine will present a keynote address entitled, “The Civil Rights Movement in a Post-President Obama Era.”

Located in Mission Viejo, Saddleback College provides quality higher education and training to the greater south Orange County community. Having served more than 500,000 students since 1968, Saddleback College offers more than 300 degree and certificate programs to help students reach their personal, career, and educational goals. For more information, please visit www.saddleback.edu.

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