



HUMAN SERVICES ACADEMY NEWSLETTER MARCH 2015



Ventura County Environmental Health Division

Paolo Quinto spoke to the juniors in the Internship Program about his occupation as an inspector. There are jobs in the federal, state, county, and private sectors. Ventura County is always hiring and beginning wages start at \$46,000 per year.

The PowerPoint presentation over-viewed the eleven programs:

- ◆ Ocean Water Monitoring
- ◆ Drinking Water
- ◆ Cross Connection
- ◆ Vector Control
- ◆ Solid & Liquid Waste
- ◆ Land Use
- ◆ Hazardous Materials
- ◆ Underground Storage Tanks
- ◆ Medical Waste
- ◆ Recreational Health
- ◆ Consumer Food Protection

Using a thermometer, inspectors make sure cold food is 41 degrees and hot food at 135 degrees. He showed them vials containing cockroaches, worms, and bedbugs. It was a great presentation that raised student awareness to health issues.



AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC

On Thursday, January 29th, Ms. Wilkinson lined up a trip to Long Beach. Each student was given a camera.



Step 1: They took twenty photos. Factual information for each fish, bird, or frog was written down in a spiral notebook. Ms. Gregory had the photos developed.

On Saturday, students could pick up their 1" notebook with supplies to begin their Educational Photo Album.

Step 2: Students keyboarded their captions and facts which were reviewed by their English teacher, Ms. Page. Information was divided onto twenty pages, font styles and sizes were adjusted, and then printed onto colored paper. **Step 3:** Background paper was cut and pictures mounted using: corner cut scissors, punchers, marker stampers, and colored tape.



Step 4: Decorative items were added. Fish stampers, bulletin board items, boarders, stickers, and coloring book pages provide the finishing touches.



SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY CENTER DEDICATION

One hundred fifty years after SPHS opened, fifty-eight H.S.A. students attended the opening ceremony on Saturday, February 21, 2015 for the new center. The SPHS Jazz Band performed, Superintendent Alfonso Gamino did the welcoming remarks, the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Alondra Navarro, and the National Anthem was sung by Pam Thompson. Five representatives gave short speeches and then the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was performed.



Mupu Visits SPHS

On Tuesday, February 17th thirteen incoming 8th graders walked onto SPHS campus. They toured Ms. Wilkinson's Biology classroom in the new Science and Technology Building to see the set up that included separate lab stations. The computer lab will be an asset to enhance curriculum once it is up and working. Dr. Williams is setting Mr. Colborn up for using the classroom iPads purchased with academy monies. Juniors did an overview of the pathway courses. Then Ms. Gregory showed a PowerPoint and distributed Pre-Academy applications. Emily Chavez was the first student to return her form.

ELEMENTARY TEACHER AIDES

Twelve interns have begun second semester with their mentors at the local schools. They have made keys for mentor worksheets. Learning to grade student work using a rubric was a challenge but recording the grades and inputting them into an online program was easy. Several interns produced worksheets with keys have been developed using formats provided by the classroom teacher. Students have gone online to educational websites to make word-searches and crossword puzzles. Each junior keyboarded an academic lesson plan with a worksheet and key. It was presented in the classroom which often required the use of an Elmo projector. Some even developed a PowerPoint presentation for their lesson.

Next quarter, an art and crafts project will be designed and presented. It is usually based around St. Patrick's Day. Last but not least, they will put up an educational bulletin board at their job site. Often times, it involves mounting student projects to enhance self-esteem. All assignments meet the Secretaries Commission on Acquired Necessary Skills for vocational programs. Best of all, they will leave the program with their individualized portfolio that contains samples of their work. Experience is a great advantage for those that are going away to college. They often times pick up part-time work at local preschools.

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w/
Cheryl Williamson
@ Glen City



Jasmin Hernandez
w/
Robert Rodriguez
@ Glen City



Aileen Orozco
w/
Kathy Simpson
@ Briggs Elementary



Marisol Escobedo
w/
Teresa Villa
@ Mc Kevett Elementary



Alexandra Luna
w/
Janice Fournier
& Carolyn Taber
@ Blanchard Elementary



Elizabeth Paredes
w/
Laurie Berger
@ Mc Kevett Elementary



Roccio Flores
w/
Sean Miller
@ Mc Kevett Elementary



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w/
Mark Robertson
@ Isbell Middle



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