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Newark Fire Department to the Rescue!

Over the years, the Mission Valley ROP fire engine has been given a new lease on life several times. However, it has grown increasingly difficult to find parts to maintain and repair the older model engine. Thankfully, Newark Fire Department Chief Shaffer and Battalion Chief Caminada, heard about the needs of the MVROP Fire Science Program and came to the rescue. In March, MVROP Governing Board Members Ray Rodriguez and Nancy Thomas, NUSD Board of Education Member Jan Crocker, Superintendent Charles Brown, MVROP Fire Science Instructor Sal Jacquez and MVROP Fire Science students gathered to receive



Chief Shaffer and Battalion Chief Caminada of Newark Fire Department donate a fire engine to the MVROP Fire Science Program

the school's new engine from the Newark Fire Department. At the event, Superintendent Brown stated, "Mission Valley ROP is thankful to have a valuable

community partner like the Newark Fire Department. They make a tremendous difference in the success of our programs."

Rain or Shine

Mission Valley ROP Automotive Technology students at Washington High held the 6th Annual Classic Car Show on Saturday, May 2nd. Although Mother Nature provided the first part of the day with grey skies and rain, true car lovers could not be daunted. Cars

and low-rider bikes alike were on display for the public to admire. Raffle tickets sold at the event awarded winners with prizes any car enthusiast would love. "After putting on this show for six years, we have never had rain on the day of the show," said

MVROP Instructor Doug Nahale. With a chuckle and a twinkle in his eye he went on to say, "You can't stop a true car lover with a few sprinkles. They are die-hard fans and we love them for it."

“Strike a Pose”



Students put on the Annual MVROP Fashion Show

High school students showcase graphic art, digital photography and video productions.

On Sunday, March 29th Fashion Merchandising and Interior Design students put on the Annual MVROP Fashion Show “Revival Rhapsody” in the Grand Ballroom at the Newark Hilton Hotel. Student models worked the catwalk wearing original student clothing designs from MVROP Fashion Merchandising Designers. Students work all year to

put on a show demonstrating their talent and passion for the fashion industry. Prior to the collections being shown, the show played video interviews with the featured student designers filmed by Digital Video Arts students. Waheed Wahidi, one of the featured student designers in the show, stated after he graduates, he plans to design his own green

clothing line.

A collection by a professional designer, Carol Wang, was also showcased at the event. The packed house cheered for their favorite designs and laughed at the models’ well-rehearsed choreography throughout the show. It is safe to say, there was a good time had by all.

MVROP Fourth Annual Multimedia Fest

MVROP’s Arts, Media and Entertainment Technology students presented the 4th Annual Multimedia Fest in the Little Theatre located at James Logan High on Thursday, February 26th. The annual event was planned to provide a venue for students to experience their art before a live audience. Students enrolled in Arts, Media and Entertainment Technology Programs throughout the Tri City Area submitted their work

to be displayed the night of the event. “People’s Choice Awards” were voted on by the event audience. Congratulations go out to:

Video Production Winners:
(Tied for 1st)
Erica Andrada, “Catch”- KHS
Jose Montoya, “Brain Geek”- KHS

Digital Sound Design:
Trevor Shimizu, “Violins Army Anthem”- AHS

Digital Design:
Lauryn Tom, “Untitled”- COIL

Interactive Media:
Anthony Cortez, “3D Maze Game”- KHS

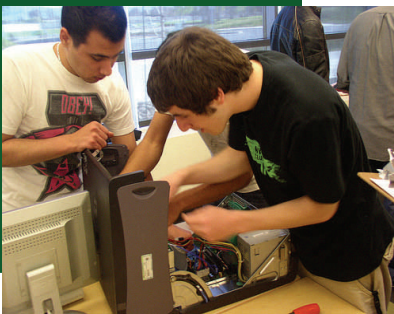
Animation:
Michael Sandoval, “Bathroom Disaster”-AHS

Best Edited Photo:
Shanna Selsor, “A Burning Passion”- IHS

Best Edited Photo:
Damian Torres, “Sun Cat”- JLHS

Students “STRUT” Their Talent

On Saturday April 4, 2009, Irvington High sent two teams of three students each to the annual STRUT (Students Recycling Used Technology) competition at the Ohlone College Newark Campus. This



event has proven to be very competitive and enjoyable for students in technology. This competition has drawn entrants from as far away as Santa Rosa, CA. Students were required to disassemble and rebuild a computer, give an oral presentation on the steps taken, troubleshoot computer problems,

and complete a 100-question examination. The Quiz Bowl consisted of questions based on A+ certification content; it was timed and conducted as a single elimination event. The students responded well under pressure and showed they were up to the challenge.

Students Impress with Their “SKILLS”



Students receive their first place medals

The MVROP SKILLSUSA Forensic Science Student Chapter participated in the SKILLSUSA California Leadership Conference in Fresno. Over 800 students competed in the Crime Scene Investigation Event.

Students processed secure crime scenes, identified and documented critical evidence, triangulated the scenes for reconstruction at a later date, and lifted latent finger prints for evidence.

Congratulations go out to the MVROP student team consisting of: Mardo Pereira (NMHS), Andre Dubeck (Ohlone) and Jesse Ramirez (NMHS) who took first place at the post-secondary level. Another round of applause goes out to team members Andew Rivera (IHS), Stephanie Trujillo (KHS) and Kevin Suddarth (KHS) who placed 3rd at the high school level. Way to go!

Mission Valley ROP... Going, Going, Green!



Forensic Science students help gather recycled CPUs for the MVROP E-Waste Collection Event

It is the responsibility of this generation to change the standards by which we live to ensure future generations will have a clean and healthy planet. Mission Valley ROP has set Green Technologies as a priority for its courses. Through budding relationships and valuable partnerships, MVROP is setting out to become a leader in creating new curriculum where students can learn the technologies that will be the industry standards for the next twenty years. According to the American Solar Energy Society, “The US Renewable and Energy Efficiency Industries are expected to create between 19 million and 37 million jobs and generate up to \$4 trillion dollars in annual revenue by 2030.” Recently, MVROP held an E-Waste Collection Event that successfully recycled over 18,000 tons of recycled electronic waste. Proceeds of nearly \$2,000 will go towards the MVROP Green Initiative and the Forensic Science Program.

A Little Bit of Elbow Grease Goes a Long Way

Bruce Hawkes’ 1949 Chevy Half-ton Delux Cab pickup had seen better days before he purchased it almost two years ago. So what did Brad do? He enrolled himself in MVROP’s Auto Body Refinishing course and got straight to work restoring the promising pickup.

Over 16 months of hard work and elbow grease have resulted in what many would call a successful restoration. All work on the ‘49 Chevy took place in Mr. Cimino’s classroom. Brad’s labor of love included shaving off the door

handles, installing a custom gas tank door, and trimming off the pickup’s hood. Brad also installed mahogany wood in the bed. Originally, the wood had been painted black. Brad took the wood to the MVROP Woodshop Class at Mission San Jose High and had it drum sanded off. It then was refinished to its current glory. The pickup was re-chromed and fitted with a new headliner and interior to complete the transformation. Brad laughs when he admits that he originally bought the pickup for his wife but

now she is too apprehensive to drive it for fear of damaging it after its impressive overhaul. So now Brad drives his newly restored ride all around town, which he doesn’t mind one little bit.





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Fall Adult Registration!

Fall Registration Begins:

Monday, August 3, 2009

Classes start:

Wednesday, September 2, 2009

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Student Finds Career Success in Medical Field

After working at NUMMI for thirteen years, Marcelo Ruiz grew tired of the daily monotony of his job. Marcelo decided to take a chance and change the direction of his life by enrolling in the EKG Technician Program at Mission Valley ROP.

He attended Mission Valley ROP's EKG Technician course in the Fall of 2006 and graduated in the Fall of 2008. Marcelo was successful in securing temporary employment at Fremont Kaiser Permanente. He worked there for a year before pursuing a job as an EKG

Technician at two locations: Sutter Health in Sacramento and Eden Area Medical Facility in San Leandro.



Former MVROP student Marcelo Ruiz enjoys a successful career in the medical field.

Now when Marcelo talks about work, a smile comes to his face. He enjoys his work in the Cardiology Pulmonary Department and says it is a constant learning experience. The challenges presented to him while at Mission Valley ROP helped prepare him for what he does today. Specifically, learning how to identify arrhythmias has proven to be a critical skills when diagnosing patients for doctors. Marcelo plans to further his skills in the future by continuing his education. He plans to learn anesthesiology as additional skill set.