Welcome back from Spring Break everyone! Last week Martha Conlin, who has been on our grounds crew staff for more than a decade, created a bouquet of spring blooms from the many varieties of plants on our campus and it was delivered to my office.

I appreciate the beauty of our campus every day and

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This month.....

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I know you do as well. From the Grand Champion Eucalyptus Tree in parking lot F in the corner by my office (that is the largest specimen of its kind in the US) to the native meadow and the turtles in the pond our campus is unique and spectacular throughout the seasons. Please take a walk today and enjoy the environment around you.

Our Career Technical Education programs are in bloom as well. Just this week I received a letter from the Executive Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Digital Futures, Von Ton-Quinlivan citing special recognition of Gavilan’s Career Technical Education programs with outstanding workforce outcomes. Analysis of many of our programs have resulted in post-college gains for our students in employment, earnings gains, and regional living wages, based on Strong Workforce Program LaunchBoard data.

The programs recognized include Cosmetology, Licensed Vocational Nursing, Water and Wastewater Technology, Computer Programming, Accounting and Administration of Justice. In looking at the data further, Gavilan achieved the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Stars recognition because graduates attained one or more of the following thresholds for economic mobility:

- An increase in earnings by 50% or more
- Attainment of the regional living wage by 70% or more
- 90% or more are employed in a job similar to their field of study

Fantastic work CTE Division staff, Dean Sherrean Carr and faculty! Look to the future for more innovative programs "in bloom" to include HVAC, Concrete Industry Management, Construction Management and more. Of course interested students can always check out our ever-popular drone technology programs, AMT programs at the San Martin Airport and Digital Media programs on the Gilroy Campus.

In addition, stay tuned next month for a special feature in my column on the Child Development program and our Teacher Training Pathway grant that is offering an opportunity for students to prepare for teacher certification and community-based internships that is super exciting!

Happy spring everyone!
Congratulations Dahveed Behroozi, Jessica Gatewood, Patrick Yuh, and Carla Velarde-Barros, granted tenure at the April Board of Trustees meeting.

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**New 2+2 concrete industry management pathway with Chico State**

Partnering with CSU Chico, Gavilan College has launched 2+2 CIM, a fast track degree pairing business administration and concrete industry management. Read more

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**Actors' Workshop presents A Midsummer Night's Dream**

Actors Workshop students in Theater 13 present Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream in May. Read more
Super Saturday is coming
On May 5, high school seniors and their families are invited to the Gavilan College Gilroy Campus for the second annual "Super Saturday" event. where future Gavilan students will be able to accomplish many of the steps for new students -- including enrolling in classes -- all on one day.

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