There are different types of aerial work platforms, such as elevating work platforms, scaffolds, scissor lifts, and cherry pickers. They provide temporary work surfaces and access to heights, are designed to be moved and used where needed, and are used to lift and hold limited weight. Special precautions and procedures are necessary for safe use of aerial work platforms. OSHA addresses safety for scaffolds and platforms in Standards 29 CFR General Requirements 1926.451 and 1926.452. Aerial Work Platforms are utilized throughout the District in Maintenance & Operations, theatre operations and during construction/renovation activities.

Aerial Work Platform Accidents Can Be Avoided By:

- Training on Fall Protection (Contact EH&S x4070 for training options)
- Applying Safe Work Practices
- Avoiding setting platforms on uneven/unstable surfaces or bases
- Avoiding overhead objects
- Using fall protection (Contact M&O at x8965, SBVC or x3384, CHC for Fall Protection Equipment use & guidance)

Safety Committee Meetings—February 2012

- **SBVC**
  02/06/12 & 02/20/12

- **CHC**
  02/13/12

- **District-Wide**
  02/10/12

Call your Site Safety Officer for meeting times and locations:

SBVC x8958, CHC x3383 & DISTRICT x4031
National Earthquake Safety Month is Coming in April!

April is Earthquake Preparedness Month! The District continues its campaign to provide its employees with all of the resources needed to prepare for an emergency/catastrophic event. There are three actions everyone can take that can help make a difference.

- Get an emergency kit
- Make a plan
- Be prepared

For more information and resources log on to http://redcrossla.org/news/april-is-earthquake-preparedness-month and contact your Campus or District Office Safety Officer for more information on what will be planned for your location: CHC x3383, SBVC x8958, and the District Offices x4031.

Call x3227 and ask about the exciting CHC, Emergency Preparedness, ZOMBIE APOCOLPYSE in April!

Compressed Gas Cylinder Storage Requirements

Because of the potential for cylinder rupture, if a cylinder is damaged or in a fire, particular care needs to be taken when storing compressed gas cylinders. Below are some safety tips for the proper storage of compressed gas cylinders on campus.

- Do not store cylinders in public hallways, in unprotected areas, elevators or in narrow passages.
- Do not store cylinders where heavy-moving objects may strike or fall on them.
- Protect cylinders from damage and tampering and from the ground, to prevent rusting.
- Secure cylinders at all times to prevent tipping by using chains or commercial straps.
- Store cylinders away from direct sunlight and sources or heat & ignition.
- Ensure empty/unused cylinders are picked up immediately and not stored with filled cylinders.
When an employee receives a shock from an electrical circuit or appliance in the workplace, shutting off the source of power may be the only safe method of preventing the individual from contacting the electric source. Electrical panels contain circuit breakers designed to trip and stop the flow of current to specific circuits and appliances. Easy access to electrical panels is essential for the protection of employees in the workplace, and the panels should never be blocked or inaccessible.

To promptly respond to an emergency, it is critical that circuit breakers be clearly labeled with accurate and up-to-date directories. According to the OSHA Standard 29 CFR 1910.303 (g), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 70 110-26 code, the District is required to ensure the following:

- **Provide 3 feet of clearance around electrical service/breaker panels with between 120 & 150 volts.**
- **Provide a width of the working space in front of the service/breaker panel of 30 inches minimum or width of the equipment.**

If you need assistance in moving any heavy objects that are blocking electrical /breaker panels, please contact Maintenance & Operations for assistance at x8965 (SBVC), x3384 (CHC) or x4031 (District Facilities).
Now is the time to update your important emergency contact information.

Web Advisor is open to faculty and staff for update of emergency phone numbers, personal email address and mailing address. DCS is asking that you take time during your busy schedule to update your information to ensure that you get voice, text and/or email notifications when emergencies occur and notices are sent out.

You can access Web Advisor from any of the following web pages:

- http://www.sbccd.org/District_Faculty_-a_-Staff_Information-Forms.aspx
- http://www.valleycollege.edu/quick-login.aspx
- http://www.craftonhills.edu/CHC/Logins.aspx

or directly via:

- https://webadvisor.sbccd.cc.ca.us/WAProdSBVCSec/WebAdvisor
- https://webadvisor.sbccd.cc.ca.us/WAProdCHCSec/WebAdvisor

If you cannot update your information for any reason, please create a help desk ticket by contacting the Help Desk at (877) 241-1756 or enter a ticket on the Help Desk portal (STAC Web site) and specify the problem in as detailed a manner as possible. DCS can then follow up with a correction. Please do not call DCS directly.