As a college, we are all instrumental in our students’ successful completion of their degrees/certificates. As such, all faculty are personally invited to participate in the graduation ceremony. Our students count on seeing the faces that help them achieve their goals in the crowd cheering them on. So, grab your regalia and meet us in the gym foyer to walk in the processional, and celebrate our students’ academic achievements and bright futures waiting for them beyond Shasta College!

**RESIDENCE HALLS**

- Upgraded Dish Network service. More channels for students with a cost savings to the District!
- Weekend tutoring is helping students with math-writing-science.
- 90% sunblock screens were installed on the upper exterior windows of the kitchen/recreation room, reducing the heat and glare tremendously, making the room more comfortable, and the students love it!
- May/June birthdays celebration is Wednesday, May 13th.
- Annual End of Year pool party and BBQ is May 14th, at the campus pool, with BBQ in the commons.
- End of semester move out is May 23rd, and then we start preparing for Upward Bound and the Lions All-Star Football Team!

**SCI*FI- Shasta College Inspiring & Fostering Independence**

SCI*FI is a grant-funded educational support program for current and former foster youth. This program is managed by Associate Dean Sandra Hamilton Slane and PT Counselor, Bob De Paul. Students also receive support from Alan Ulrey, Financial Aid Technician.

SCI*FI currently has grant funding of $55,415/year for three years. In addition, students received $160,000 in financial aid through the Chafee grant ($2,500/semester), and received $16,290 in book vouchers from the John Burton Foundation.

There were 119 current/former foster youth enrolled at Shasta College in 2013-14. In 2014-15, 87 students have participated in SCI*FI; 41 actively participating.

The SCI*FI study lab is used an average of 70 hours/month and offers computer access, school supplies, bulletin board for announcements, and food supplies. This is a prime location for students to gather for support and socializing.

SCI*FI activities have included: weekly workshops, Individual meetings with SCI*FI counselor, social/recreational activities such as bowling, holiday parties, college theater and dance performances, field trips to Chico State, Burney Falls, Whiskeytown, Shasta Lake, summer rafting trip, winter retreat and Shasta Caverns.
FINANICIAL AID 🖼️
The 2015-16 processing year is underway- To further assist students through the process a Missing Information Letter sent electronically now includes links to the forms directly in the letter. This step saving process allows students to retrieve the correct forms needed to complete their financial aid file. Once a student receives notification of their Award Letter, they will now print off their award, accept or decline each award, sign and submit to the Financial Aid Office.

Alan Ulrey, FA Technician attended the SCI*FI registration event to assist foster youth in completing their files. He also has been participating as in a work group providing input to the state on the Cal Grant Manual work group and the CHAFFE work group.

Scholarship Ceremony-- May 15th at 3:00 p.m. on the Student Center Stage. We will also be announcing the Frugal Faculty Award for Fall 2015 & Spring 2016 at the ceremony.

The Scholarship Committee met with the Alpha Delta Nu scholarship committee at the Bistro on April 29th to discuss financial need.

Stormy Sebring Award- Diane Sebring joined Connie Barton, Tim Johnston and student Rebecca Kalford for the Stormy Sebring Innovative Leadership Award scholarship selections. This scholarship has been awarded for 41 years at the college starting at $100 and has grown to $1,800 this year. The Award is given to a student who exhibits a potential for creative leadership.

Angela Nava, Scholarship Processor participated in two on campus trainings; How to Work Effectively with People who Act, Think & Work SO Differently From You and Telephone Skills for Administrative and Front-Desk Professionals. The training opportunities were sponsored by the colleges’ Professional Development Committee.

Veteran's Resource Fair– Julie Fisher, Veterans Technician and Joanne Hughes, FA Technician provided valuable information to our veteran students at the event held on April 23rd on the Student Center Stage.

Financial Aid Awareness Days– FA Staff conducted two events for FAFSA Smart. One at the main campus on April 15th, and the other at the Tehama Campus on April 22nd. Both events were well attended.

STUDENT SERVICES STAFF CORNER
Myra Urbanski: Staff Secretary for TRIO Programs

Hometown: Detroit, Michigan
Hobbies –PEZ collector with about 1100 in my collection and Genealogy– Myra said “I’m probably the only person you know that gets excited with reading obituaries and wandering around cemeteries.”

What Myra likes best about working at the college is many things ~ things that she couldn’t have foreseen when she accepted her position. She likes knowing that the direct support she offers students may have a positive impact on their lives. She is just as happy watching them receive their acceptance letters and graduating as she was of her daughter graduating from UCSB and her son from LA Sound and Recording School. Myra is thankful to have worked with wonderful and inspiring students and staff that have made an incredible impact on her life, and that will stay with her as she prepares for her journey into retirement. In the next couple of months! Congratulations on your retirement Myra!

Student Services wishes Myra all the best on her retirement!

ENROLLMENT SERVICES
Student Success and Support Plan 2015-2016. In compliance with legislative requirements, we are updating the Student Success and Support Plan. We will forward a draft to constituent groups for feedback. The plan is tentatively due by the end of October 2015. For the first time, allocations for 2015-16 will be based, in part, on the number of matriculation services that we provided during this year.

Counseling to Careers. Sponsored by Economic Workforce Development and the Doing What’s Right for Jobs and the Economy Initiative, the Counseling department will support a conference for high school and college counselors to promote the connection between career interests, pathways and educational plans.

Enrollment Management Plan. The Enrollment Management Committee reviewed progress on the implementation of Enrollment Management Plan initiatives through Spring 2015. During Fall 2015, the Committee will begin work on updating the plan.

Transcript-based Assessment. Our continued thanks to the Math and English Departments for supporting a pilot project that allows Counselors to use multiple measures, transcript-based evaluation as the primary placement tool for recent high school graduates. During this academic year, we will evaluate course success.

First Year Survival. The first annual first year survival orientation will be offered on August 6th to new students. The orientation will provide a tour, college success tips and an overview of college support resources.

TRANSFER CENTER
Students planning on transferring to a California State University (CSU) for the Spring 2016 semester should plan to submit their CSU applications between August 1st-30th, 2015. Not all CSU campuses will be open for Spring 2016 admissions so be sure to utilize the www.csumentor.edu website to see which campuses will be accepting applications and also to submit your applications online. We will be open over the summer if you need help completing your college applications or need other general transfer assistance. The Transfer Center is located in room 126 along with the Counseling Center and Student Employment Center.

CALWORKS
*Currently Employed Students
Shasta County: 15 Working Students
Tehama County: 4 Working Students
Trinity County: 0

*Number of employers employing CalWORKs students: 12
*Number of employers who have openings for students: 6
*Number of employers signed, but do not have an openings: 10

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
The 24th Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration was held on May 5th, in the Quad. There was musical performances, dancing, games, children’s entertainment and authentic Mexican food. A big thank you to all staff and students who participate in this festive event!

Student Senate Faculty Awards Ceremony– May 14th- 3:00 p.m. at the Bistro.

Ag Leadership Clubs Banquet– May 14th -4:30 p.m. at the farm pavilion.

USEFUL INFORMATION
**In order to comply with federal laws and regulations regarding nondiscrimination, all publicly disseminated materials (whether in print or electronic) will need to include a nondiscrimination statement**