—COLLEGE TO CAREER—

Tyler Stickney, a second semester student in the College to Career (C2C) program, has fulfilled a long term goal to blend his love of sports and his desire to find fulfilling work. Since graduating from Redding Christian High School in 2006, Tyler has been a frequent volunteer with multiple local sports teams. Stickney was accepted in the first cohort of C2C this past fall, with a goal of completing the college’s Customer Service Academy Certificate and working as a greeter. He thought that volunteering at sporting events might have to take a lower priority to being in school and preparing for paid work.

After taking fall classes such as Worksite Readiness with Desireé Lesicko (a C2C instructor), Tyler began meeting with the C2C job developer, Jamie Rayborn, to talk about job opportunities at Big League Dreams. With her support, Tyler successfully completed a multi-round interview process and started work as a greeter there in late January. Tyler intends to continue as a Shasta College student and in the College to Career program to build his skills for long term success. This semester Stickney intends to “focus on school and work,” and then consider what goal to set his sights on next. The College to Career Program at Shasta College exists as a contract with the Department of Rehabilitation, to support adults with intellectual disabilities in completing a college level course of study and training, in order to reach their employment goals.

—EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES—

- February 5 — Last day to register/add a full-term class. Last day to drop a full-term class without record
- February 10 — Native People Embracing Courage — 12:00 pm — Student Center Stage
- February 10 — Student Social — 10:00 — 2:00 — Quad
- February 12 — Lincoln Day Holiday
- February 15 — Washington Day Holiday
- February 17 — Show Me Some Love and Help Me Belong — 12:00 pm — Student Center Stage
- February 18 — Black History Month events
- February 25 — Geophilla — 12:00 pm — Student Center Stage
- February 25 — Got Your Back: Finding the Right Mentors — 4:00 pm — Student Center Stage
—ENROLLMENT SERVICES—

Position Announcements: We want to thank Sara Holmes (pictured at right) for her service as the Administrative Secretary for Enrollment Services and wish her all the best in her new assignment with student support services. Mindy Marlatt is supporting the Health Sciences Division and will work with Dr. Spillane to assist students on probation. Rebecka Renfer will support students in the newly designed ACE (Accelerated College Education) program.

Waitlist Self-Registration: We want to thank faculty for feedback on the waitlist self-registration process. The “reg codes” located on the waitlist roster indicates that students have faculty permission to enroll into a class and provides waitlisted students with the ability to enroll online. We have found that this process is more convenient for the student and reduces lines in Admissions and Records.

Non-Credit SSSP: Beginning fiscal year 2018-2019, Non-Credit Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) funding allocations will be based, in part, on the number of core matriculation services provided in 2016-2017. Counselors have begun work on constructing an education plan template for students in non-credit programs.

High School Outreach: The Counselor Outreach Team will begin visiting area high schools to provide orientations and education plans for second-semester seniors. Our focus is to continue to support enrollment for Fall 2016. Counselors will take this opportunity to also promote the newly developed Honors Program.

CCSSE: This spring, Shasta College has an opportunity to participate in a national survey focused on teaching, learning, and retention in community colleges—the Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE). The survey will be administered in classes randomly selected by the Center to ensure a representative sample and to preserve the integrity of the survey results. Instructors whose classes are selected for survey administration will receive specific information from the appropriate administrator. This survey can assist us in improving course completion rates, as well as the rate of student persistence to the completion of their educational goals. To learn more about CCSSE visit www.cccsse.org, or contact the Center for Community College Student Engagement at 512-471-6807 or info@cccse.org.

—FINANCIAL AID—

Processing Time: The Financial Aid Office is roughly two weeks out in processing for the Spring 2016 semester. The office is working diligently to stay up on processing to ensure that students receive a disbursement of any aide they are eligible for in a timely manner.

Scholarships: Spring 2016 scholarships opened the week of February 1st and more will continue to open. More information on scholarships can be found at: http://www.shastacollege.edu/Student%20Services/Financial%20Aid/Pages/Information-for-Students.aspx

FAFSA: The Financial Aid Office is gearing up to start processing FAFSA’s for the 2016-17 academic year and is anticipating having an automated process in place by May of 2016. To complete your 2016/17 FAFSA go to: https://fafsa.ed.gov/. We should be ready to start accepting/processing 2016/17 FAFSA’s beginning in mid-March, if not earlier. The office will send out communications as soon as we start processing.

Summer: As a reminder, if a student is interested in attending this summer, they should let our office know and we will be in touch as soon as we start processing Summer 2016 awards/eligibility.
Now that we’re a couple of weeks into the spring term, classes are starting to settle in for the semester, and the lines of students trying to register are shrinking. As things begin to slow down, we are getting back to our usual semester processes, including evaluating fall semester degree applications.

We are pleased to announce a new addition to our team! We would like welcome Elsa Gomez as our new full-time Student Success Facilitator. Elsa has been working in various temporary positions around campus, and joined us permanently in early January. She is great with students and staff alike, and we are very lucky to have her.

**Nursing and Dental Hygiene Applicants:**
The application filing periods for prospective nursing and dental hygiene students are rapidly approaching. Application packets can be picked up at the Admissions & Records Office beginning the day after the corresponding program’s information meeting. Completed application packets can be turned in to Admissions & Records during each program’s respective filing period. The packets are **not** turned in to the Health Sciences department downtown.

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**February’s Important Dates:**

2/1 Last day to drop and receive a full refund for full-term classes*
2/5 Last day to register / add full term classes*
2/5 Last day to drop full-term classes without record*
2/12 Lincoln’s Day Holiday
2/15 Washington’s Day Holiday
2/15 End of filing period for ADT paperwork to be turned in to A&R
2/22 Filing period for Associate Degrees and Certificates for Spring
3/25 Grads
2/26 Last day to declare pass/no pass option for full-term classes*

*Dates for short-term classes will vary. Please check with A &R Office.

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**Arlene Miranda:** Sr. Staff Secretary / Gateway to College

**Hometown:** Redding, CA

**Hobbies:** Arlene absolutely loves trying and doing new things! At home, her latest craze is making gluten-free goodies. At church, apart from teaching sweet, rambunctious preschoolers, she enjoys the challenge of learning and playing new songs on the keyboard with the music team. When she and her husband of 28 years are not on the bleachers watching their youngest son (17) play sports, they love visiting their three older daughters who live in the Bay Area. Together they enjoy hiking, biking, kayaking, and exploring new towns and restaurants.

Moving to Redding from the Bay Area seven years ago was a major turning point in Arlene’s life. After raising their four children and home schooling them for 13 of those years, she finally began her quest for a college education. In 2014, Arlene, who is the youngest of seven, was the first in her family to graduate with a college degree. Arlene is now working toward her bachelor’s degree. “I have always had a love for learning! But growing up in a home that believed in working hard yet not understanding the value of higher education, college was pushed to the wayside. This is one of the reasons I love working at Shasta College with the Gateway to College team! We have the incredible privilege of affecting the lives of high schoolers who, for many of them, will not only be the first in their families to graduate from high school, but will continue on to pursue a college degree! Now that’s a cherry on top!”
—WELCOME TO STUDENT SERVICES—

Student Services would like to welcome the following new (or newly promoted) employees:

Tina Duenas—Director of Student Life & Title IX Investigator (Student Life)
Sara Holmes—Administrative Secretary I (EOPS/ DSPS)
Nick Webb—Interim Director of Residence Life (Residence Life)

—ACCESS AND EQUITY—

The Office of Access and Equity will be hosting a series on Love and Belonging in February and March, with the following topics being covered:

Native People Embracing Courage—2/10/16—12 pm
Show Me Some Love and Help Me Belong—2/17/16—12 pm
Geophilia—2/25/16—12 pm
Got Your Back: Finding the Right Mentors—2/25/16—4 pm
Conversations on Connecting: Diverse Experiences of Successful Students—3/2/16—12:30 pm
Policing, Cultural Responsiveness, and Racial Equity—3/2/16—4:00 pm
Finding Our Place—3/3/16—4:00 pm
Islamaphobia: The Reality of Intolerance—3/8/16—6:00 pm
The Mask You Live In—A Film Screening—3/10/16—4:00 pm in Room 802
All events are held on the Student Center Stage unless otherwise noted.

Black History Month: On Thursday, February 18, there will be a full day of activities, including a short film in room 812 at 11:30 am, a poetry workshop in the library at 4:00 pm, and an evening event from 6:00—8:30 pm on the Student Center Stage. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Access and Equity at 242-7625.

Finally, on Friday, February 26 from 8:30 am—2:30 pm there will be a Workshop on Exploring Equity that is open to faculty and staff. Presentation topics include integrated planning, affective domain, culturally relevant teaching, Universal Design Learning, and more. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. To register for this event please follow this link: www.eventbrite.com/e/equity-workshop-series-part-1-far-north-california-learning-network-tickets-20080715962

—GATEWAY TO COLLEGE—

On December 18, the final day of the fall semester, 12 Gateway to College students completed the credits necessary to earn their high school diplomas! We congratulated these graduates at our end of the year celebration in the Student Center. The GtC staff and students would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Sheree Whaley and Sharon Strazzo for the delicious and fun cookie decorating activity, Jessica from the library for assisting students in making cool buttons, and Justin, a former GtC graduate, for helping students make colorful duct-tape wallets. Special thanks also goes to Buffy and Dave Tanner, for donating board games to the program and staying to play games with the students. 30 GtC students continued into the spring and were joined by 30 new students, creating a full house for the Gateway to College program this semester!