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March Session

Education

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On March 6, 2008, the education session began at Simpson University.

The morning started with the Higher Education panel. The presenters in this panel included Daniel Valdivia with

College Options, Jered Ratliff with National University, Gary Lewis with Shasta College, and Larry McKinney with Simpson University.

Next up was the Vocational Education panel. The presenters included Jennifer Cannon with Lake College, Brad Banghart with Shasta College, and LTC Mark Connelly with the Army ROTC.

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Alumni Spotlight – Gary Hayward

Gary Hayward, General Manager of Win-River Casino, is a 2004-2005 graduate of Leadership Redding. He is a Redding native, and has been married for over ten years. Gary is a proud father of two very active children. His son 12 and daughter 13 are both involved in numerous sporting activities throughout the year. He and his wife have become proficient at juggling their schedules, while shuttling their children to the various athletic events during the week.

As General Manager, Gary is responsible to oversee the entire operations of Win-River Casino and reports to the Tribal Council of the Redding Rancheria. Win-River, which has over 380 employees, has been in operation for 15 years and has



grown under Gary's guidance for the last 13 years. He is passionate about connecting with the community and one of these organizations is the Shasta County Women's Refuge.

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Sponsor Spotlight

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REHABILITATION HOSPITAL



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Northern California Rehabilitation Hospital (NCRH) is a 90 bed hospital with approximately 225 employees specializing in long term acute care, transitional care and outpatient rehabilitation. NCRH opened in 1991 as a chemical dependency, mental health and acute rehab hospital. Programs offerings have changed over the years such that NCRH is now the only long term acute care hospital north of Sacramento and south of Portland.

Led by CEO Chris Jones, NCRH physicians and clinical staff deliver the best long term acute care in Northern California to patients with needs that range from pulmonary/respiratory management to medical complexities and infectious diseases. The pulmonary program assists area short term acute hospitals (i.e. Mercy Medical Center, Shasta Regional Medical Center and Enloe Medical Center) with ventilator weaning and rehabilitation. The NCRH wound management program has a solid reputation across Northern California as the physician's first choice in complex wound management and healing of surgical wounds. The transitional care and outpatient rehabilitation programs offer multidisciplinary therapies and the opportunity to progress to an outpatient therapy program once rehabilitation is complete.

NCRH Director of Business Development, and Leadership Redding graduate, Laura Zumkehr, provides some insight from the NCRH perspective on why they choose to be a program sponsor. "Leadership Redding offers an important look at the greater Redding region and cultivates future leaders to improve our community." This way of looking at Leadership Redding aligns well with the mission statement of the program which reads, in part, "Through education and encouragement to action,

Leadership Redding provides individuals with an opportunity to develop as community leaders by connecting them to the people, places and experiences of the Greater Redding Region."

Laura Zumkehr (class of 2005) is not the only Northern California Rehab Hospital employee who is a graduate of the Leadership Redding program. She is joined as a graduate by Paul Ferraiuolo, RpH (class of 1994) and Wendy Tempest (who will be graduating in May with the current class). Laura believes the insights gained through Leadership Redding have helped not only the program participants but others at NCRH. "Our employees are civic minded individuals that care for their community and work environment thanks in part to Leadership Redding."

All of the members of the Leadership Redding steering committee offer our sincere thanks to the entire staff of Northern California Rehab Hospital for their continued sponsorship of the Leadership Redding program!!!

Northern California Rehab Hospital is one of over 40 wonderful sponsors who help to support the Leadership Redding program. We are grateful to every one of our sponsors for helping to contribute to a very successful and affordable Leadership Redding program. Sponsor contributions have allowed the program to maintain the same tuition rate for participants since its inception.

Are you interested in becoming an individual sponsor or an organizational sponsor of the Leadership Redding program? If so, contact the Leadership Redding sponsorship chairperson, Cathy Wyatt, at cewyatt@sbcglobal.net. It is money well invested!!!

Publication Committee would like to thank all that contributed to this edition of the Leadership Redding Compass. Remember if you have any announcements or news that you want to share, please submit all articles by May 21st to be included in April/May edition. Submit to mboise@charter.net

March Session (Continued)



At the conclusion of the Vocational Education panel, the class traveled to Sequoia Middle School, where they finished out the day.

One highlight of the day was the performance by the Sequoia Middle School Jazz Band. The students were amazing from start to finish. Upon their departure, the Secondary Education panel followed. The presenters included Steve Roberts with Liberty Christian, David Hull with Nawa Academy, Terrie Poulos with SELPA, and Mike Stuart with Shasta Union High. This panel seemed to offer a diverse perspective about secondary education

within Shasta County. The final panel was on Elementary Education. Presenters included Jean Hatch with Redding School of the Arts, Wendy Pace with Sequoia School, and Patricia Cole with St. Joseph School. This offered a balance between public, charter and private options.

For the group think tank



the class was divided into three groups, each responsible for identifying a different need and problem-solving possible solutions. As they came together in a circle to share results, there was momentum and collaboration up to the final





Daniel Valdivia

Business/Organization Name: College OPTIONS and UC Davis Educational Talent Search Programs

Title/Position: Assistant Director

Tell us about your family: Both of my parents, Salvador and Maria Valdivia, were born in Mexico. I have one brother, Adrian, his wife's name is Robyn and they recently had their first child, Josiah. Both my brother and I were born in Redding. My parents have large families giving me many uncles, aunts, and cousins. My dad is a retired college professor from Shasta College and my mother is a wonderful homemaker. I am currently engaged to be married in May 2008 to a beautiful woman, her name is Katie Avila. I will be lucky enough to get two more girls in my life since Katie has two daughters, Taylor (7 years old) and Lillian (5 years old). I look forward to the wedding and starting a new life with my new family.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I decided to participate in Leadership Redding largely because I am always looking to better myself and my community. I wanted to gain a better understanding of the Redding area and learn how I can be a future leader in our area. I see the Redding area going through many changes in the upcoming years and I hope to take part in that change in order to help make Redding a better place to live for my family and future families.

Business/Organization Name: Shasta County Public Health

Title/Position: Community Development Coordinator, Downtown Redding Center

Family: Married 14 years to David. We have two children – Jacob is 10 and Jarrett is 7. We are actively involved in our church; enjoy spending time outdoors – biking, golfing, camping, fishing; working in the yard; and watching football!

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I chose to participate in Leadership Redding because I wanted to become more engaged in our community. Part of my job is to work closely with local businesses and organizations to promote Public Health's mission and values. I am looking forward to making more connections and make some new friends as well.



Laura McDuffey



Scott Wolsey

Business/Organization Name: California Conservation Corps

Title/Position: Center Director

Tell us about your family:

- Married 10 years to wife Julie and 2 beautiful girls ages 5 & 6
- family enjoys boating, camping, motorcycle riding, bicycle riding, skiing, snowmobiling, fishing, Disneyland, and generally anything outdoors

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I chose to participate in Leadership Redding so I could become more involved and familiar with the community and find out how I could better assist and be more involved in helping to shape the future of Redding.

Business/Organization Name: Redding Convention & Visitors Bureau

Title/Position: Tourism Development Manager

Tell us about your family: Married to Zimm on May 4, 2006. No children, but four adorable nieces and nephews, and a golden lab named Meg. Both enjoy spending time with family, riding motorcycles and snowmobiles, attending church, boating, camping, and playing board games.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I saw it as an opportunity to learn more about our community, meet new people, make new friends, learn things I didn't know, and serve the community better in the position that I hold with the City.



Angele Byrd-Udovich

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Save the Date

May 31 and June 1, 2008

RELAY FOR LIFE

Join the Leadership Redding Alumni and walk to help raise funds to find a cure for cancer. More details to follow in upcoming announcements.

Meet the Class of 2008 (continued)

Business/Organization Name: Shasta County Public Health

Title/Position: Deputy Director

Tell us about your family: My husband of almost 20 years is Steve Hosler and he works for Mercy Medical Center as the Vice-President of Human Resources, plays golf, and is an avid scuba diver. We have two children that attend University Preparatory School here in Redding. Our son Christian, 15 is a sophomore who loves theater, music (guitar and the saxophone) singing, snowboarding, football and classic rock. Our daughter Taylor is 11, a 6th grader, and loves sports of all types-soccer, basketball, track, snowboarding, softball, roller hockey, as well as piano and performing for Kids Unlimited. Our dog Max and cats Malcolm and Lizzie round out our household in Palo Cedro.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I am committed to Shasta County, working in a leadership capacity here in Redding, and raising my family here. Therefore, I would love to gain a broader understanding of our community, the organizations and key community leaders that make this such a wonderful community to live and work in. As Deputy Director at Public Health, I see myself as an ambassador for public health outside of our walls. Therefore, my main goal is to meet and forge relationships with community leaders, and seek opportunities for collaboration that will aid us here at Public Health in our mission of 'working with communities to protect and improve health.'



**Terri Fields Hosler, MPH,
RD**



Brian Barner

Business/Organization Name: Redding Police Department

Title/Position: Investigator

Tell us about your family: I am married with a 3 year-old son

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I wanted to learn more about my community and what my community has to offer.

Alumni Spotlight (continued)

He wants to make sure that what he does has a direct beneficial impact on this community.

He prefers to give a lot of time to few organizations rather than a little time to one. Gary currently dedicates most of his time to the Redding Rancheria Economic Development Corporation. He has been serving on the board for the last 10 years. The Economic Development Corporation is responsible for current and future business opportunities of the tribe. The Economic Development Corporation has been responsible for bringing various new businesses and jobs to the North state.

Personally, Gary's involvement in Leadership Redding has provided him with a network of close friends and colleagues, many of whom he still sees on a regular basis. Leadership Redding has also been a revelation to the many facets of this community he never knew existed. It has provided him with new avenues to connect and serve this community though his work and personal investment.

One of Gary's fondest memories of Leadership Redding was the orientation retreat. As part of a class exercise members working in groups presented their personal ideas for the future of this area. He was amazed at the number of thoughts each group presented and how each of these seemed naturally connect with the other groups. "I would encourage anyone with a passion to get to know this community and find ways to connect, to become a part of Leadership Redding," says Gary.



Susan Thomas

Business/Organization Name: Northern Sierra Rural Health Network

Title/Position: Sr. Telehealth Program Manager

Tell us about your family: I have two sisters, a stepfather and an awesome boyfriend. I am blessed with a slew of very dear friends that I also consider family.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

To gain knowledge about the community I live and work in. To increase community connections for the organization that I work for. I am looking forward to sharing what I learn in Leadership Redding with co-workers, family and friends.

Business/Organization Name: Redding Rancheria

Title/Position: Senior Directory of Information Technology

Tell us about your family: I have a 15 year-old son who is a junior at West Valley High School. He is on the tennis team and wants to become a math professor or find a career he can use advanced mathematics.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I have seen my co-workers participate in Leadership Redding and they were always amazed at how much they learned about the Redding area. I want to take this opportunity to further educate myself about Redding and what areas I can focus on and contribute to the community.



Dave Christopherson

Business/Organization Name: Laing Construction

Title/Position: Chief Executive Officer/Certified Managerial Accountant

Tell us about your family: I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Todd Ratley for 26 years. We have two children. Our first child is a daughter named Desiree who recently graduated from M.I.T. with a master's degree in Civil Engineering and employed in Sacramento. Our second child is a son named Chase who is currently serving in the U.S. Navy as a sonar technician and currently deployed on the submarine Topeka.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I have heard of Leadership Redding throughout many years and have always wondered what it was all about. Then a college and friend participated in the 2007 graduating class of Leadership Redding and suggested I look into it. Once I began researching more about the group I began to realize that I knew and respected many of the people that have been a part of Leadership Redding and that is when I knew Leadership Redding was something I wanted to experience.



July P. Ratley

Business/Organization Name: Redding Rancheria's Win-River Casino

Title/Position: Chief Financial Officer

Tell us about your family: I have an amazing husband Joe. We have been married for three years and still consider myself a newlywed. I have two step children, Amanda and Kurtis. I have two dogs, a Jack Russell Terrorer (no I did not misspell) names Simon and a stray we adopted we call Oreo.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

I love life and spending time with family and friends. I also like to get to know people in the community. I feel that being a part of shaping the North State is exciting and interesting. I joined Leadership Redding to become more informed about the area I grew up in and also to meet other professionals interested in making Redding an amazing place to live and work.



Christi Ross



Del Lockwood

Business/Organization Name: Shasta County Opportunity Center

Title/Position: Opportunity Center Manager

Tell us about your family? My wife Becky and I have been married for twenty years and have two boys that attend elementary school in the Redding School District.

Why did you choose to participate in Leadership Redding?

We have lived in Redding since 1979 and love the area. We would like to preserve the clean air, water, and beautiful surroundings through smart development. Affordable housing is important so our children can afford to stay in the area. Leadership Redding is an excellent way to learn more about the community and how to help the area prosper.