## The COSS Herald

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# New staff join COSS

The College of Social Sciences experienced a major transition in staff over the past year, and with the beginning of the Fall 2018 semester, added four new staff to its ranks, providing staff for Anthropology, Africana Studies, Geography, and Sociology.

Ann Berg



Ann Berg joined the History department after the transition of Susan Sandoval and Julie Watson to

the Dean's Office this past summer.

She's lived in 6 different states and 24 different cities and has resided in Clovis for almost 23 years. New to the academic world, she is truly enjoying the energy of the campus and the faculty that she supports. She has an eclectic background ranging from restaurant and retail management to office management and was once an ACI Grade 1 Concrete Technician. One of her favorite jobs was managing a proshop at a skydiving center in Southern California where she met her husband, Tom. Tom is a Fresno State Alumni and her son,

Christopher, is currently majoring in Mechanical Engineering here at Fresno State.

In her off time she loves to watch British Baking shows, go wine tasting, go on tandem skydives with her husband, and knit. For the past two years Ann has been the President of the local knitting Guild, Sheeper Than Therapy.

"I'm really looking forward to

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### Criminology Students learn about German criminal justice in Berlin

By Cynthia Villalobos fresnostatecoss.com

Eighteen Fresno State Criminology students had the opportunity to study abroad last year to gain international knowledge about the history, culture and criminal justice system of Berlin, Germany.

While in Germany, the students engaged in an array of activities including visiting the Moabit Prison, Sachsenhaunsen Concentration Camp. the Stasi Prison Museum. These opportunities helped further their studies and learning experiences about the German criminal justice system and German -U.S. relations.

On their first day, students visited many historic sites that they have learned about in their history classes, such as Hitler's bunker, the Brandenburg Gate, the government

quarter with the Reichstag Parliament and the Berlin Wall.

While visiting, students talked with representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States

#### Department of State. This opportunity gave students a chance to ask guestions on several topics pertaining to U.S. Embassies, as well as the application process for employ-

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### Randles appointed as incoming University IRB Chair



Randles, Associate Professor of Sociology, will start a four-year

term as Chair of the Fresno State Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects in Fall 2019. Randles has 15 years of research experience as an ethnographer and indepth qualitative interviewer and over a decade of experience teaching qualitative

methodology and ethical guidelines for the conduct of field research. She is looking forward to serving the University in this capacity and welcomes any questions about submitting a CPHS protocol or how to design ethical research involving human subjects.

The position is being vacated by Kris Clarke (SOC) as she transitions to Finland for her new position, and filling in for the interim will be Constance Jones (PSYCH).



### The COSS Herald

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The COSS Herald Staff:

Andrew Jones, Editor

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### **Pub Crawl**

Accepted

Book chapter. "Sisterly Reflections: Betrayal and Abandonment in Reyna Grande's Dancing with Butterflies," in New Women's

Writing: Contextualising Fiction, Poetry and Philosophy. Subashish Bhattacharjee and Girindra Narayan Ray, eds. Cristina Herrera.



Resistance on Stage: Chicana/ Latina Graduation Caps and Story-Boarding as Syncretic Testimonio." Mexican American

Educators Journal. Larissa Mercado-López, Laura Alamillo, and Cristina Herrera.

Book chapter. "Rebel Archive: A History of La Casa de El Hijo Del Ahuizote" in Regeneración: Three Generations of Revolutionary Ideology. Romeo Guzmán.



Journal article. "Fiscal Accountability in Gubernatorial Elections,' State Politics & Policy Quarterly. Jeff Cummins and Tom Holyoke.

Journal article. "After the Punctuation: Competition, Uncertainty, and Convergent State Policy Change," State Politics & Policy Quarterly. Tom Holyoke and Heath Brown.



Journal article. "The Scheme Game: How Ohio DACA recipients navigate barriers to higher education." Educational Studies: A Jour-

nal of the American Educational Studies Association. Luis Fernando Macias.

Photo Essay. "DACA Spaces: Prominence, Liminality and Obscurity," in Porous Border and Invisible Boundaries? Ethnographic Perspectives on the Vicissitudes of Migration. Jayne Howell, Deborah R. Altamirano, Faedah M. Totah, and Fethi Keles, eds. Jenny Banh and Allison Tripp.

Magazine column. "Diapers, Depression and Gender Matter

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### The Dean's Corner



This semester has flown by. Our COSS faculty and students are involved in so many projects

that it has been a blur of reading publications, attending events, and congratulating folks on awards. COSS faculty and students are involved in a myriad of current issues: prison reform, migration, student parents, income inequality, and many more. The best part of my job is constantly learning new things and being able to talk with all of you about your work. We began the semester with a symposium on "Humanizing Border Policy: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Family Separations on the Border and ended with the Los Danzantes De Aztlan performance of Christmas iN Mexico. Along the way the college participated in a sock drive to benefit homeless people, a diaper drive for student parents, and a

futsal tournament to raise money for refugees.

We launched a new College of Social Sciences Speaker Series this year which seeks to draw community, faculty, students and staff together in conversation about COSS disciplines. In September Drs. Kytle and Roberts (History department) held a forum on "Conversation & Conflict: Slavery, Memory & Monuments in America," moderated by Dr. Lori Clune. In October Professor Emerita Dr. Lillian Faderman spoke on "Harvey Milk: Gay Martyr and American Icon." The next presentation will be "The Stories in the Bones," January 31 at 6:00. Our newest anthropology professor Dr. Chelsey Juarez will discuss how forensic anthropology helps solve crimes and answer questions.

In spring semester COSS talks are back by popular demand. We will launch on January 30th

from 3:30-5:00 with Dr. Monica Summers (Criminology) and Dr. Kat Fobear (Women's Studies). March 5th Dr. Jordan Pickering (Criminology) and Dr. Romeo Guzman (History) will speak. May 1st Jenny Banh (anthropology) and Marcus Shaw (criminology) will speak. Our strategic planning committees have been meeting amd generating lots of really great ideas. We will be reconvening in spring to move forward on some of those issues.

In my own academic life, I'm working on a new project on the Russian Molokans in the Central Valley and have been learning about oral history techniques thanks to Dr. Guzman's willingness to let me sit in in his oral history class. I'm due to present a paper on this in April so I'll need to find time to complete the interviews and do the writing.

Our Day of Giving was very (continued on page 5)

## Paparazzi



(Left) Amber Crowell poses with the morning panel of Luis Fernando Macias, Jennifer Randles, Annabella España-Nájera, and Leece Lee-Oliver for the symposium she created, Humanizing Border Policy: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Family Separations on the Border. The morning panel discussed the legal, historical, and political context of family separations, while the afternoon panel presented the human impact of family separations. October 19, 2018.

(Right) Graduating sociology majors were honored at the annual Sociology Department's Recognition of Fall Graduates and Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society Inductees ceremony, held at the Peters Education Center, December 14, 2018. Guest speakers for the event were Fresno State alumni (from left, front row) Cintia Quesada, Melissa Quesada, Maria Ortega, and Houa Vang.





(Left) COSS staff participated in Red Friday events in the USU. In attendance were (from left) Kori Hansen, Ann Berg, Susan Sandoval, Linda Ragus, Julie Watson, Mai Vang, Jeremy Alvarez, Sierra Anderson, and Reyna Alvarado. Red Friday is held the first Friday of every month, and is an opportunity for all staff to get together. Each Red Friday is sponsored by a different campus organization. Starting this year, staff and faculty clubs and organizations have been featured at each Red Friday to share opportunities for employees to get involved on campus. October 5, 2018.

# **Faculty and Staff news**

#### Top ten professional women award

Gena Gong (ANTH), was selected as a recipient of the Top-Ten Professional Women Award



by the Marjaree Mason Center for her work with Central California Asian Pacific Women. Gong was honored at a luncheon event October 11 at the Fresno Convention Center. All proceeds from this event go to support the ongoing work and operations of the Marjaree Mason Center, Fresno County's only dedicated shelter and service provider for domestic violence victims and their children.

## ASA/NSF grant attained



Jennifer Randles (SOC) was awarded an American Sociological Association/ National Sci-

ence Foundation grant for the diaper project she initiated last fall. The title of the grant is: "The Diaper Dilemma: Invisible Inequalities, Inventive Mothering, and the Politics of Diapering."

### Book about YKA released



Marn J. Cha, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, has published an 85page book, *Tell Me About* 

the YKA by Young Korean Academy Publication in Au-

gust, 2018. It is an English introduction of over a century old civic institution, still functioning, Young Korean Academy, founded by a Korean sage, Ahn Chang Ho, in 1913, in San Francisco. Its goal: to help the people of nondemocratic tradition cultivate morals and ethical practice befitting democratic citizenry.

### Book tour for historians



This past summer and fall Blain Roberts and Ethan Kytle (HIST) visited fourteen cities and seven states promoting their new book, *Denmark Vesey's Garden: Slavery and Memory in the Cradle of the Confederacy*, which was named to Summer 2018 must -read books lists by the *New York Times* and the *Times Literary Supplement.* They published two op-eds in the *New York Times*, including one on a Confederate monument controversy at their alma mater, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

They also wrote op-eds and essays for the *Atlantic*, the *Washington Post*, the *Daily Beast, Civil War Monitor, Zocalo Public Square/ Smithsonian*, the *Fresno Bee*, and *Muster: The Journal of the Civil War Era* blog. Their book will be released in paperback in April.

## MIT grant conferred



Lisa Bryant (PLSI) was awarded an MIT Election Lab New Initiatives Grant, funded by MIT

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Anthropology Chair James Mullooly was honored as Professor of the Game at the Fresno State homecoming football game, Saturday, October 27, 2018.

# Second symposium on the genocide against the Ukrainian Nation

#### By Victoria Malko

2018 marked not only the solemn 85th anniversary of the genocide perpetrated by Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin and those around him that killed millions in Ukraine, but also the 65th anniversary of Raphael Lemkin's speech, presented in 1953, which highlighted the "classic example of Soviet genocide," characterizing it as "not simply a case of mass murder [, but as] a case of genocide, of destruction, not of individuals only, but of a culture and a nation." Both of these anniversaries were referenced in Senate Resolution (S. Res. 435) of October 3. The 115th Congress unanimously voted to recognize the findings of the US Commission on the Ukraine Famine as submitted to Congress on April 22, 1988, including that "Joseph Stalin and those around him committed genocide against the Ukrainians in 1932-1933."

Victoria Malko received IRA grant to host the second symposium on October 5. The theme of the symposium was "Women and Holodomor-Genocide: Victims, Survivors, Perpetrators." It opened with a poster exhibit, "We were killed because we are Ukrainians," on loan from the Holodomor Victims Memorial in Kyiv, Ukraine. The purpose of the (continued on page 6)

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## **Student news**



(Above) Some of the Fresno State entries that will be displayed at the Future IDs exhibition that will be hosted at Alcatraz starting February 16, 2019.

# German criminal justice in Berlin continued

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ment opportunities in the Foreign Services after graduating.

During their day-long tour of Moabit Prison, the Governor (Warden) and her next in command, personally walked students through the entire facility including the general population, special units, and segregated housing. The Governor talked about the philosophy of the prison and incarcerating people, inmates' rights, as well as rehabilitation and work programs and how they differ from the United States prisons.

During their visit to the Stasi Prison Museum, a political prison that was opened in 1994 in former East Germany, students learned more about processing, interrogation, torture, and how inmates were housed at this facility. They learned about the atrocities that occurred at the prison and the process by which one was selected to serve as a guard within the prison, as well as the need for allegiance to the Communist Party. After the prison was liberated, students were shocked to learn that both inmates and guards were free to live within Germany together.

All 18 students who attended the study abroad program received funding from the College of Social Sciences and The Division of Continuing and Global Education for a total of about \$1,500 each. These awards provided the opportunity to strengthen their knowledge about the criminal justice system at international levels.

### Project Rebound exhibition at Alcatraz

By Emma Hughes

Fresno State Project Rebound staff and students are participants in the Future IDs exhibition that opens at Alcatraz on February 16th. Conceived by Arizona State art professor Gregory Sale, this large scale project provides a forum for currently and previously incarcerated individuals to create an imagined identity card reflecting a dream job or role in society that they are working towards adopting or would like to adopt in future. Professor Sale worked with Project Rebound students during the summer of 2018 to develop their artworks/identity cards and also worked with incarcerated men at Avenal State Prison who had been instrumental in the Insider Art exhibition that took place at Fresno State in April 2018. The identity cards

were created on paper and the 40 selected entries, chosen from submissions throughout the state, were printed in large format for display in the New Industries Building on Alcatraz Island. Three Fresno State entries were selected. Taken as a whole, the exhibition speaks to the power of personal transformation and seeks to contribute to public discourse regarding second chances and encouraging successful reintegration for individuals returning to our communities following incarceration. The exhibition is provided in partnership with the National Park Service and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and is open through Oct. 19, 2019. Full details are available here: https://

www.parksconservancy.org/ our-work/future-ids-alcatraz

## Students respond to an ethnography about their people and community

#### By Dvera Saxton

Fresno State students Alejandra Anguiniga, Marisol Carillo, Esperanza Galbadores, Anselma Garcia, Ivan Garcia, Viridiana Huerta, Rogelina López, and Emily Wolff coauthored a book review of the ethnography, *They Leave Their Kidneys in the Fields*, by Dr. Sarah B. Horton, which focuses on the lives of workinjured immigrant farmworkers in the town of Mendota, Fresno County, CA.

The review article was cowritten by the Fresno State students who enrolled in ANTH 117 Health, Illness, and Healing in Fall of 2016 along with their medical anthropology professor, Dvera Saxton, as part of a special issue of *Anthropology of Work Review*, a peer-reviewed journal.

### Dean's Corner continued

(continued from page 2) successful this year. Day of Giving allows us to engage with our community and tell our stories. We focused this year on Jewish Studies, Mock Trial and student success. The approximately \$16,000 we raised helps to support student projects, student research and student travel. Thank you to all of you who donated, let me have time in your classes, and who helped promote the day. We now have several COSS boards up and running. The Young Alumni group, our College of Social Sciences Council and our Geography and City and Regional Planning partners all help us to expand our reach into the community, collaborate on projects, and raise awareness about COSS. I look forward to another successful semester. Onward!