

# BOOKENDS

Friends of the California State University Sacramento Library

Spring 2020

## FEBRUARY AUTHOR LECTURE CHANGED TO MARCH

**Because of unforeseen circumstances, the appearance by Lauren Markham, which had been set for February 12 has been rescheduled. The new date for her appearance is Tuesday, March 10. The time and location remain the same – 3:00 p.m. in the University Library Gallery.**

According to a *New York Times* book reviewer, "*The Far Away Brothers* is impeccably timed, intimately reported and beautifully expressed and makes vibrantly real an issue that some see only as theoretical, illuminating aspects of the immigrant experience normally hidden from view," which perhaps explains why it was named a *New York Times* Book Critics' Top Book of 2017.

This will be the third presentation in the 2019-20 Charles Martell Author Lecture Series sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The fourth lecture by Jennifer Laam is still scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2020, at 3:00 P.M. in the University Library Gallery.



President Bill Dorman, left, greets Randy Shaw

## RANDY SHAW PRESENTS POWERFUL TOPICS

Capacity crowds listened attentively to the first two speakers in the 2019-20 Friends of the Library Charles Martell Author Lecture series, both of whom addressed powerful topics. Randy Shaw's September presentation on his book, *Generation Priced Out*:

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*Who Gets to Live in the New Urban America* led off the 2019-20 series with a forensic look at why increasingly throughout the US even those in the middle class have difficulty finding affordable housing, let alone the working poor. His talk held particular interest for a Sacramento audience, given the region's sky-high rents and ever-increasing housing costs. He pointed to a recent federal study that reported more than a third of Americans have had to reduce spending on such essentials as food and utilities as a way of paying for housing. Both students and senior citizens in the audience found this housing topic hit close to home. He pointed out that 2017 census data indicated that some 100,000 people between the ages of 21 and 30 in the Sacramento region live with parents or grandparents, a figure that has tripled since 2000.

Perhaps Shaw's major point is that Americans have been conditioned to believe that a single-family home on its own acreage is the ideal model for land use for housing, and local zoning for political reasons has tended to support this model, making higher density approaches difficult if not impossible. According to Shaw, highly regarded director of the Tenderloin Housing Clinic in San Francisco, if there is to be anything resembling equality in housing opportunity, there must be an end to exclusionary zoning that supports "not in my backyardism." He provided a number of alternative models that do not undermine neighborhoods yet will do much to make it possible for millennials and others who aren't in higher income brackets to have affordable housing. - Bill Dorman

## **BANCROFT PRIZE WINNER ANDRÉS RESÉNDEZ LOOKS AT A DIFFERENT SLAVERY**

Andrés Reséndez, Professor of History at UC Davis, turned to a much different topic at our November lecture, enslavement of indigenous peoples in North America, a subject that has long gone unexamined. His book, *The Other Slavery: The Uncovered Story of Indian Enslavement in America*, a winner of the prestigious Bancroft Prize for History, provided the basis for a learned examination of a dark topic. According to Reséndez, there have



Board member Jean Torcom and President Bill Dorman greet Andrés Reséndez

been some 16,000 books on African slavery in the Americas but only about two dozen monographs dealing with Indian slavery, which is what prompted his book-length study. That this history is not often well known locally may be evidenced by what is so often missing from the story of Captain John Sutter, who arrived in California in 1839 and began acquiring Native American slaves to work his land. Sutter eventually owned several hundred "Indian slaves," whom, in the words of NPR reviewer Genevieve Valentine, Sutter "treated notoriously badly by the standards even of fellow slave-owners".

At the same time, the reviewer noted, Reséndez “keeps a deliberate scholarly distance from the material” and depends on evidence and “even conservative arguments.” Nevertheless, the reviewer continued, the evidence “speaks for itself, and the horrors quietly pile up.” Tracing the practice of European slave traffic back as far as Columbus, Reséndez said that while the Aztecs practiced slavery as part of warfare, it was Europeans who commercialized it and established practices that are not all that much different from human trafficking today. Disturbingly, the majority of Indian slaves were women and children.

- Bill Dorman

## JENNIFER WARE JOINS THE FOL BOARD

We both first met Jennifer Ware at the Card Catalog in 1985/6 so we know lots about her! We invited her to tell you herself, so here is a snapshot of Jennifer:

She started her career as Gerontology Librarian at University of Oregon (Eugene, Oregon) 9/1978-6/1982. At the time she was one of a handful of gerontology librarians in the US; only two on the West Coast. She maintained a small special library on campus, and created curriculum and wrote grants.



In 1982 she became a Reference Librarian at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. In addition to general reference she supervised Circulation and Reserves. She also did online database searching. At that time students had to work with a librarian who created the search strategy for online database searches. She said she loved the attention to students from librarians and faculty at this private residential university.

She was hired as the Card Catalog Librarian at our University Library in 1985 before we had an online catalog. She then became Head of the Serials Department, which then merged into Acquisitions. She was Head of Acquisitions, Serials and Collections until June, 2014. She served as the Interim Associate Dean for two years until she retired in July, 2016. She

returned as Collections Librarian, half-time from September 2016 to February 2019.

Jennifer graduated from Kennedy High School locally here in Sacramento. She is earned her ; BA from Sac State in 1976. She went to University of Oregon for her Masters in Library Science in 1978 and also did post-graduate work in Business Administration at Gonzaga.

Jennifer said, “I travel whenever I can. I also love reading and all types of needlework, particularly Scandinavian.” - Roz and Linda, your editors

## BOARD WELCOMES SHARI GONZALES

We asked Shari to tell us something about herself:

Books and libraries have been a part of my life since early childhood. I have fond memories of trips to the library as a child and then with my own children. I believe libraries are fundamental to society and a place where everyone can enjoy the resources available. As such, I am honored to serve on the Board of the Friends of the Library.

I retired from Sac State in December 2018. My most recent position was Donor Relations Coordinator in University Advancement. It was my privilege to work with donors and witness how their generosity positively impacted the lives of students. As a Board member I hope to help increase awareness of the Friends of the Library and potentially increase private financial support for the Friends and the University Library overall.

My greatest joy is being Nana to three granddaughters, two are five and the youngest is two. They have already developed a love for books. In addition to my involvement with the Friends of the Library, I am active in my church, belong to a book club, and play bunco. When I don't have my nose in a book, I hook traditional wool rugs, knit, garden, and travel.



## EXHIBIT HONORS LONG-TIME GALLERY DIRECTOR, PHIL HITCHCOCK

*Into the Lion's Mouth*, an exhibition honoring Phil Hitchcock for his work as the director and founder of the University Library Gallery and Annex at California State University, Sacramento, will have its opening day reception on March 5, from 4:30 to 8:00 P.M. in the University Library Gallery.

During the last two decades over 80 exhibits were mounted in these spaces under his direction. The current exhibition highlights his work in bringing art and artists to Sacramento from around the country and the globe.



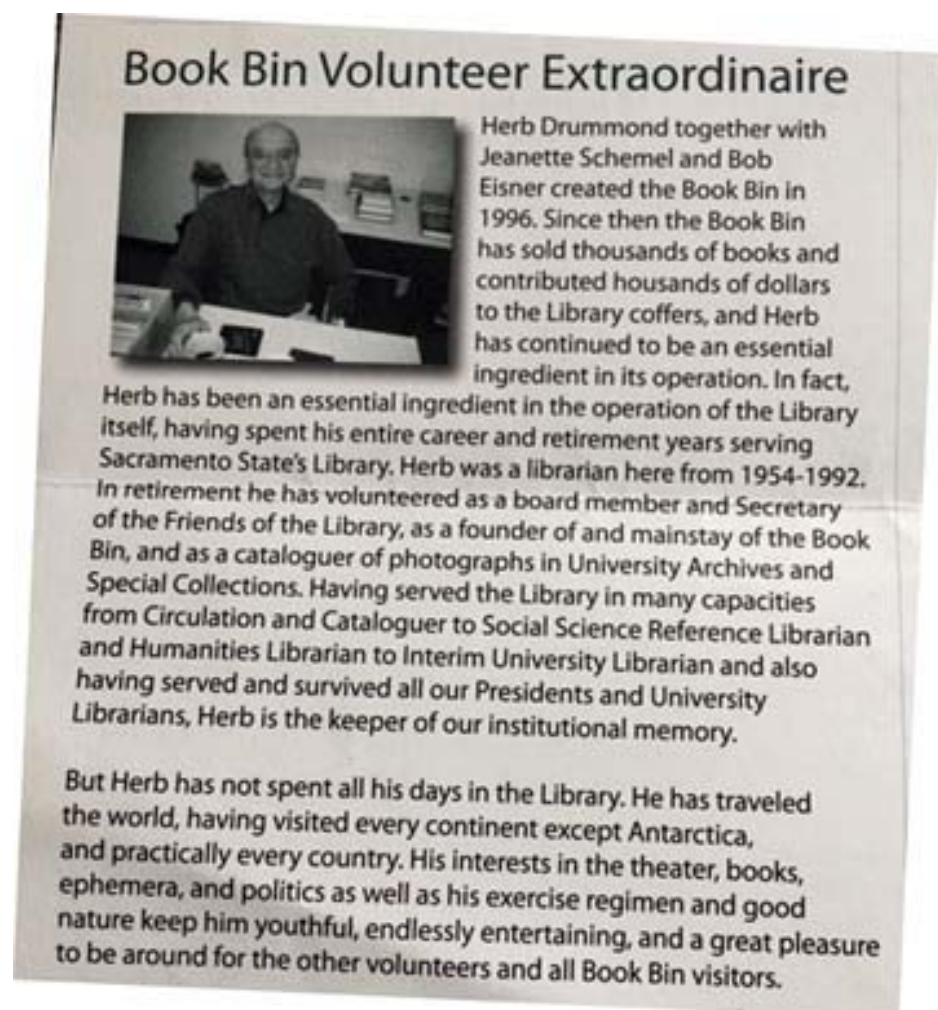
## FAREWELL TO A VERY SPECIAL FRIEND HERBERT W. DRUMMOND, JR.

We lost a dear friend on January 10, 2020. Herb Drummond passed away at the age of 96. He grew up in Washington State, served in the Navy in WWII, got his BA in History from University of Washington, and studied History and Library Science at U. C. Berkeley. Herb worked for Sac State Library from 1954 through 1992, a total of 38 years. He was our institutional memory. He served as Interim University Librarian in 1980, was a long-time faculty advisor to Sigma Alpha Epsilon, was active in the Sacramento Book Collectors Club, and was an avid world traveler reportedly traveling to every continent except Antarctica. His personal archives reside in the Don and Beverly Gerth Special Collections and University Archives. He was a generous benefactor and friend of the University Library. Dean Amy Kautzman said, "Herb was a friend and champion of the Library. He served us well and was lucky enough to have had a long and exceptionally good life". We will all miss his wisdom and warmth.

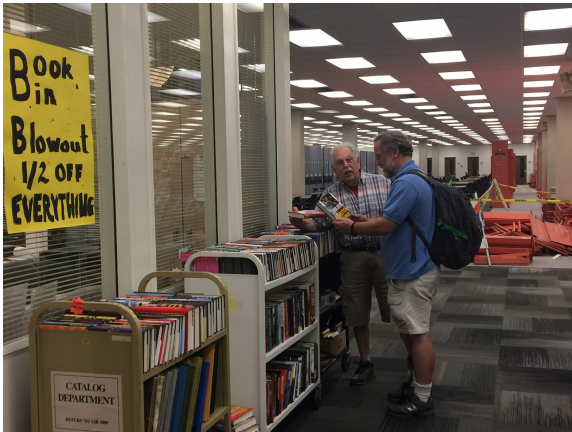
- Roz and Linda, your editors

The memorial service for Herb will be held on February 25, 2020, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Carlsen Center, Room 1520, University Library.

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## WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS !




At left: Board member Terry Kastanis rocks the sales floor at our December Book Bin Blowout sale. The blowout half price sale brought in over a thousand dollars in three days.

On January 12, the Friends of the Library Board held our third annual Volunteer Appreciation Brunch at the home of Roz Van Auker. The fabulous food was provided by the Board members (recipes available upon request). A good time was had by all, as seen below:



## EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS!

Your Board is busy planning several special events to benefit our members. This spring we are working to schedule a special show at the new Sacramento State Planetarium which will be limited to members of the Friends and of the CSUS Retirees Association. According to Kyle Watters, Director of the Planetarium, it is "a centerpiece of the new state-of-the-art Ernest E. Tschannen Science Complex."



We are hoping to schedule the show in early April to coincide with Spring Break so that parking won't be an issue. Watch for an email from Sally Hitchcock with the date and time announcement.

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There will be another Book Bin Blowout sale in 2020 as the first two in 2019 were so popular and successful. Dates to be announced.

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## FRANCE ANYONE ???



The most ambitious event we're negotiating is a small group tour to Paris and the South of France. This guided tour will be led by one of our French professors and is targeted for May of 2021, just after graduation. Details to follow in the next newsletter. Mark your calendars now!

