

Gemeinschaft News

October 25, 2006

Welcome to the New Academic Year!

Special welcome to the new faculty, Wenquan (Charles) Zhang and Lu Zheng, and the new graduate students!

Recently Appearing Publications:

Nancy Plankey- Videla, "It Cuts Both Ways: Workers, Management and the Construction of a "Community of Fate" on the Shop Floor in a Mexican Garment Factory." 2006. *Social Forces* 84: 2009-2120.



Stuart J. Hysom and Cathryn Johnson. 2006. "Leadership Structures in Same-Sex Task Groups." *Sociological Perspectives* 49:3, 391-410.



Cathryn Johnson, Amy M. Fasula, Stuart J. Hysom, and Nikki Khanna. 2006. Legitimacy, organizational sex composition, and female leadership. Pp. 117—147 in *Advances in Group Processes*, edited by Shane R. Thye and Edward J. Lawler. New York: Elsevier.

Rosalind Chou. 2006. "Beating on Drums, Not People: West African Drumming and Its effect on At-Risk Youth." *Journal of Therapeutic Wilderness Camping*.

New Babies in the Department!



Corey Zheng



Lucas Xavier Obregon



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**Aida with Democratic National Committee
Chairman Howard Dean at the LULAC
National Convention**

Aida Ramos, Sociology Major at Texas A&M University, interned this summer with LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens). Aida writes, “The most rewarding experience for me was the chance to attend the LULAC National Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The opportunities presented at the convention were endless. The connectivity and networking is incredible at LULAC. I got to coordinate workshops with LULAC’s federal relations director which led to incredible connections and networking in almost every department in the federal government. At the convention I met high governmental officials, CEO’s, and political leaders. By just being introduced as “Aida Ramos, the intern from Texas A&M,” opened dialogue with important individuals and ended with an exchange of business cards and possibly opportunities for future employment. “

Another success story from the files of Carol Albrecht, Senior Lecturer and Sociology Internship Director.

About Gemeinschaft News

Gemeinschaft News is the departmental newsletter. We publish news about the faculty, staff and students. Please send us news items. Publications and events are listed after they have occurred. We have had a hiatus (due in part to pesky software problems), but hope to resume our activities. Please send news items to: Dudley Poston (d-poston@tamu.edu) or Jane Sell: j-sell@tamu.edu) Don't be shy!

ASA Activities

Holly Foster was elected to the Council for ASAs section on Crime, Law and Deviance

Sarah Gatson was elected to the Council for ASAs section on Communication and Information Technology

Nadia Flores and Zulema Valdez are the new newsletter editors of the "World on the Move" the newsletter for the International Migration section of ASA



Scenes from October 13, 2006

