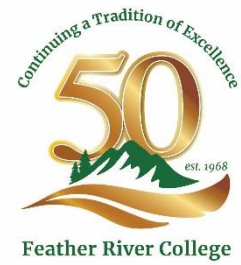


**REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT KEVIN TRUTNA, ED.D.
FEBRUARY 14, 2019**



1. STUDENT AND EMPLOYEE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Agriculture Department participated in our first ever bull sale with livestock born and raised at FRC. Both of these are a first for FRC. **JP Tanner** led students to the Klamath Falls, OR sale and he reports that our livestock did very well for a first time sale, without any previous sale history that accounts for increased sale price. The FRC bulls averaged \$3,200 each. Seven students participated in the sale from livestock that is part of our Beef Science classes and production. Some former FRC students bid on the FRC bulls and one former student's father at Bradshaw Cattle purchased an FRC bull. Other breeders were impressed with the product and specifically asked if FRC was going to bring more bulls for sale in future auctions. Students **Jake Moos** and **Molly Dunlap** are showing the bulls in the picture below.



Through the SAMHSA Grant and the Wellness Center, thirteen new staff members were trained in Suicide Alertness during Institutional Day on January 10th with **Nina Martynn's** leadership of the program.



Crystal Anderson writes that the Equine and Ranch Management Bachelor Degree students in AGAS 421 Advanced Horse Management attended the Quincy Elementary School Science Night. They were given the assignment of introducing a young audience to the science of horses. Student displays included “the physics of roping”, “horse trivia race”, and “what to feed horses”. The FRC students involved also learned how to present information to an age-appropriate audience while developing soft skills and helping our community.



Andre van der Velden and the Financial Aid Office recently offered two on-campus FAFSA workshops. Our first workshop on January 28th was in collaboration with the football team and was a tremendous success. Financial Aid staff helped 39 football players retrieve their FSA ID and complete their upcoming 2019-2020 FAFSA. The second workshop on January 30th targeted all students and the public with 16 students assisted by Financial Aid and TRIO in completing the FAFSA application.



Foundation members **Dr. Karen Pierson** and **Nancy Gambell** sold FRC glasses and Follies tickets while **Sean Harris** and **Carlie McCarthy** gave out FRC swag and free cookies during the very rainy Groundhog Fever Festival on February 2nd. The cookies, made by students in the Culinary Program, were a hit with community members!

FRC Culinary Student, **Melissa Miller** worked with **Sean Conry** to prepare “Irish Knock-Out Chili” for festival competition. Fellow students and employees of the Eagle’s Perch posed for a picture while sampling the chili.



Coach Terry Baumgartner and the Baseball team are off to a 9-2 start to the season. The first home game is scheduled for February 22 & 23, pending weather.

2019 Western Section of The Wildlife Society Conference Selected Student Comments

Liz Ramsey The event at the conference that stood out most to me was the poster session in conjunction with the chili dinner. This event allowed students and professionals to mingle and learn new things together. I learned some very interesting things. For example: I learned that the ornaments on a goose’s face indicate metabolic ability. There were so many amazing projects and getting to have the person who conducted the research tell me about them was a great way to learn and make connections.



Our group at Castillo's Mexican Restaurant in Mariposa after the conference and before our 6-hour drive home: Sydney Lasby, Amanda Gonzales-Schlegel, Darla DeRuiter, Eric Sundell, Julia Nehl, Kalah Wann, (lady photo bombs from back table), Darrel Jury, Liz Ramsey, Luke Dodge, Angela Noia, and Clint Meuser.

Sidney Lasby I would like to thank everyone that made it possible for our group of students to participate in the Western Section Conference. First I would like to thank The Western Section Board for funding half of our meals but mostly for organizing such a professional event. The Sac-Shasta Chapter for also funding for our meals and hosting a meeting that we were able to meet friendly people. The FRC Foundation for paying for our hotel rooms, they were really nice and relaxing! FRC Student Equity Funds who pitched in and paid for the conference registration. The Environmental Studies Department who made it possible for the six-hour journey to and from Yosemite. **Kristina Hunt, Don Yasuda and Rhys Evans** for providing resume workshops to improve our ability to make ourselves look good on paper and sell ourselves. Finally, I would like to thank Darla for making all this happen by finding all these sponsors to support our trip and to open our eyes up to our future careers.

Amanda Gonzales-Schlegel I greatly benefited from conference by spending time with my peers from Feather River College. We come from many different

backgrounds, social status, range in ages. I feel like the time we spent driving to conference, bunking in rooms together, and being around each other that we learned more. We discussed about which lectures we like the most, which ones we didn't really find engaging. We talked to each other and learned more about ourselves. What we have in common what we don't. How our life experiences or knowledge could help out each other. I feel like the conference brought us closer, and maybe new friendships were formed.

Eric Sundell Networking: I got six contacts to follow up with from the conference. This could help me get jobs in wildlife in the future. They could be references, they could be a source of information and or mentorship. I learned that I have to sell myself, presenting myself professionally.

Liz Ramsey Personally, watching the concurrent talk about the possibility of reintroducing Grizzly bears affected my professional direction. I have always

been slightly cautious to pursue a degree in Environmental Studies as opposed to something like Biology or Forestry just because it is less technical. But, the more I observe interdisciplinary studies that focus on the social impacts of a lot of environmental issues, I find that I am much more passionate about that side of things. After seeing that presentation about grizzlies and a poster by a girl named Savannah about diversity in the field of wildlife, I was shown that there is a huge impact that can be made on the social side of things. Which motivated to keep following my heart.

Big Thank You to our Sponsors:

- FRC Student Equity Funds
- FRC Foundation
- The Wildlife Society Western Section
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- FRC Environmental Studies Department

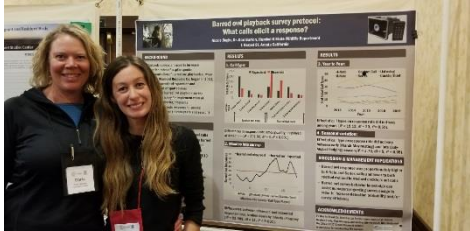


For ENVR 194 Current Environmental Issues, this group attended three days of The Western Section of The Wildlife Society's Conference at the Tenaya Lodge in Yosemite National Park.

Students were able to select scientific talks from concurrent sessions, attend the plenary session, banquet, and participate in a number of student-centric activities such as a résumé workshop and student mixer.

The theme of this year's conference was "Death And Taxes: Extinction and Speciation During the Anthropocene", and there were also tracks specific to birds, mammals, fish, amphibians, and reptiles, as well as research in Yosemite. Something for everyone!

Angela Noia The person I met who influenced my profession was a woman. I cannot remember her name, but I had talked to her out in the hallway after the chili bar and poster session. She had graduated from Humboldt State with a Masters of Biology and began working for a private consulting company which allowed her to paint in her off time. She told me that doing work that felt meaningful was just as important as the time it allowed her to be creative. This is the exact balance that I am looking for in my life. It was so refreshing to hear a person say that it was attainable!



Darla with Environmental Studies/Biology graduate Nicole Bogle (2014), who presented a poster *Barred owl playback survey protocol: What calls elicit a response?* Nicole will graduate from Humboldt State in May with a degree in Wildlife Biology, and accepted a permanent position as a Wildlife Technician with Humboldt Redwood Company on the day the photo was taken! (2/7/2019)

Nicole attended the conference 5 years ago with the class and presented about the FRC deer collaring project. A first!

2. SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT PREVIOUS MONTH'S ACTIVITIES REPRESENTING FRCCD

- a) January 18 – FRC Foundation meeting
- b) January 22 – lunch with Trustees **John Sheehan** and **Bill Elliott**
- c) January 24 – spoke at Eastern Plumas Health Care Board meeting, Portola
- d) January 24 – Ski Stoke Festival fundraiser
- e) January 25-27 – Community College League of California Effective Trustee Conference, Sacramento
- f) January 27-28 – Community College League of California Legislative Conference, Sacramento
- g) January 29 – meeting with Foundation President **Kris Miravalle** and Director **Dr. Karen Pierson**
- h) January 30 – meeting with Plumas District Hospital CEO **JoDee Tittle**
- i) January 31 – meeting with Feather Publishing Editor **Debra Moore**
- j) January 31 – conference with EPHC Board Member **Theresa Whitfield** about potential partnerships
- k) January 31 – attended PUSD Community Café group discussion at Greenville High School, Greenville
- l) February 1 – Office of Administrative Hearing meeting, Sacramento
- m) February 4 – Quincy Rotary meeting
- n) February 4 – UC Davis Fellowship Orientation
- o) February 5 – campus closed due to weather
- p) February 6 – spoke at Plumas County Mental Health Commission Advisory Committee meeting
- q) February 6 – attended women's and men's basketball games at Butte College, Oroville
- r) February 9 – briefly met with **Assemblyman Brian Dahle**, East Nicolaus
- s) February 10 – Quincy Star Follies Rehearsal kick-off
- t) February 11 – Quincy Rotary meeting
- u) February 12 – lunch meeting with Trustee **Guy McNett**
- v) February 12 – meeting with **Keith Barnett**
- w) February 12 – attended Black History Month showing of *The Hate You Give* at Town Hall Theatre
- x) February 13 – attended men's and women's basketball games vs. Shasta College
- y) February 14 – attended Feather River Adult Education Consortium meeting

3. POINT-IN-TIME HOMELESS SURVEY

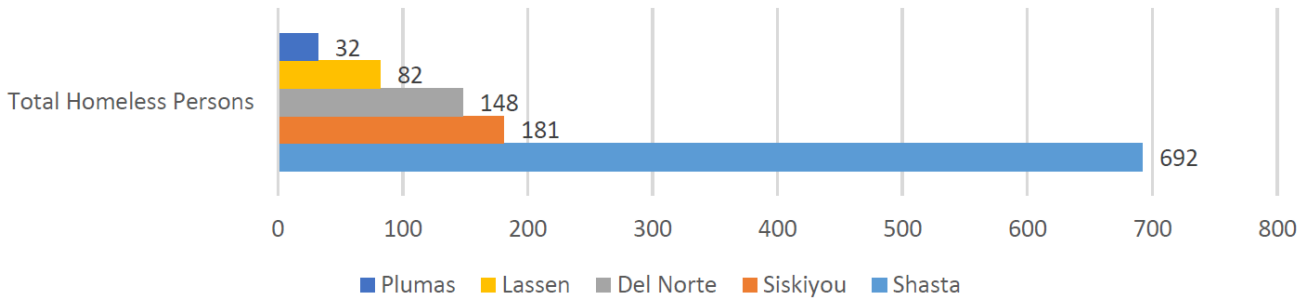
The following report was presented at the Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission and includes homeless statistics for our county. I thought this was pertinent given the FRC Book in Common *Evicted* that describes many people in similar circumstances. I am presenting this for information as FRC is committed to helping train mental health professionals and those who provide social services. We have been discussing appropriate mental health trainings that FRC can develop for PCBH Department, and this information supports this partnership.

The Northern California Continuum of Care (NorCal CoC) is a seven-county consortium, required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to conduct a Point-In-Time (PIT) study each year allowing communities access to important, person-specific data that has helped them prioritize their most vulnerable and chronically homeless neighbors for permanent housing to begin moving them off the streets more quickly and efficiently. The PIT helps HUD and local CoCs to understand the number and characteristics of homeless individuals sleeping in shelters or on the street or other places not meant for human habitation. This one-night, unduplicated count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless people within each CoC is reported using a standardized chart with various populations and subpopulations of homeless individuals and families. HUD requires that each CoC use reliable methods to conduct its count and reserves the right to ask communities to verify their data. For more information on PIT counts, please visit: <http://www.hudhre.info/2012PIT/>.

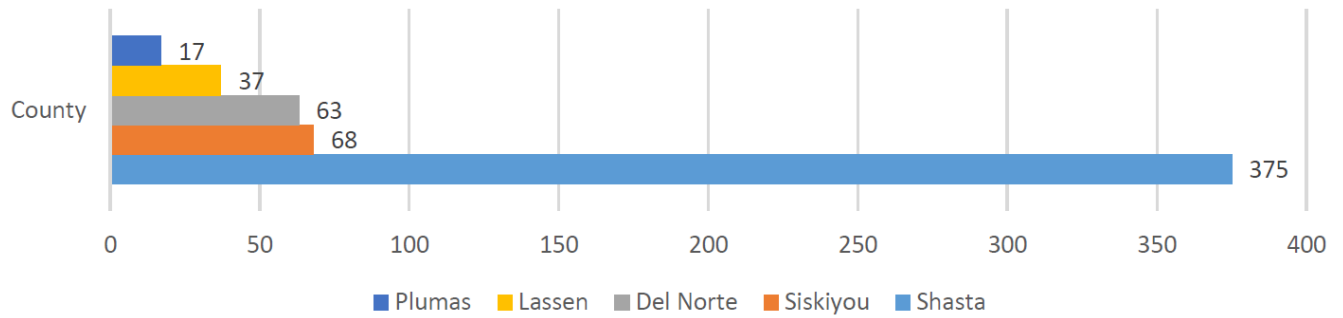
The annual Point-In-Time (PIT) Count of the Homeless, provides a statewide snapshot of homeless households in our communities; where they find shelter, what their needs are, and what factors contribute to making them homeless. The 2018 Count reveals important demographic and other information about families and individuals who were homeless on the night of January 22, 2018 and was carried out with the help of government agencies, community-based organizations, and local volunteers.

Because this report focuses on those respondents who meet HUD's definition of homeless, it does not include information about those who may be at risk of homelessness, precariously housed, or considered homeless under other federal statutes. Persons who, on the night of the count, were living doubled up with another household, living in illegal or overcrowded units, being discharged from a jail or health facility with no subsequent residence, scheduled to be evicted, or paying for its own motel unit were not considered homeless. All survey information collected for respondents who were at risk of homelessness or precariously housed was preserved and shared with each community for local planning purposes, but is not included in this report unless otherwise noted.

Number of Homeless Persons by Reporting County



Chronically Homeless by Reporting County



Additional Point in Time survey statistics for Plumas County

Homeless Veterans	1
Gender	20 male 9 female 1 did not identify 2 transgender
Age	23 were over 24 years 7 were between 18-24 years 4 were children under age 18
Victims of Domestic Violence	6
Disabling Condition	22 mental illness 20 substance use disorder

4. ECOLOGICAL FARMING CERTIFICATE UPDATE

Students were posed the question: "What motivated you to enroll in this course?" (ENVR 130-Intro to Sustainable Food Systems)

- Part of what motivated me to enroll in this course are my children and knowing they'll be inheriting this Earth someday, and what impact I have on the condition in which I will leave it to them. That alone has great implications. Also, being able to provide healthy and wholesome meals for my family with heartfelt effort and dedication from our own garden is a tremendous motivation of mine. Being able to pass the knowledge I gain from this course to my children will be a joy.
- We own 70 acres in Twain that we have been farming now for 5 years each year something has cause us to fail from the cold to the chickens eating my entire crop. We want to raise food for ourselves and sell food to local places I want to put in a greenhouse to raise fresh vegetables for the schools during winter and the food bank also we want to raise the feed for our livestock. I am very excited about this class. It is like it was made for me.
- I recently created a small business on my 5-acre parcel of land (named Forest & Farm) and am confident this community based project will fulfill my dreams of wellness through positive contributions to society. Ultimately I foresee a seasonal, weekly Farmer's Market along with other uplifting enterprises at Forest & Farm. I have a greenhouse that is in desperate need of help, and have plans to construct one or two more really large greenhouses...but would love advice on "doing it the right way first." I also planted 60 lavender plants this last Fall, but could definitely benefit from more guidance on how to care for them, year-after-year. I'm so excited to begin this learning journey with Professor Mazar and fellow students!
- There's just something so fulfilling about growing your own food. I want to become as self-reliant as possible, so I want to learn all that I can. Honestly, we have no idea what is done to the food we eat. That makes me super nervous. If I grow it myself, I'm the one in control. I secretly dream of becoming a real farmer...I also plan to pass this knowledge on to my kids, who will hopefully continue to pass it on to future generations. (My two-year-old already loves helping me in the garden.)
- I am community minded and have a need to be personally responsible or connected to what I wear and eat. I try to keep consumerism low. It is time for a major USE and OUTPUT shift and this class seems to have attracted those types. I am very happy to have signed on.
- I am taking this course to learn more about growing vegetables, herbs, and flowers and it is part of the Eco Farming Certificate. I have been gardening for over 20 years in Northern California, both on the coast and in the mountains. I currently live in Meadow Valley and have grown a wide array of vegetables in the past two summers. I am excited to learn farming/gardening techniques that are applicable to this region, including dealing with the cold nights.
- I enrolled in this course to learn more about making my property self-sufficient and sustainable. I thought this class would be a start and also a good way to network with people and farmers of the same mind. I think this course will also get me excited to put some work into my food garden!
- I am interested in learning how to better manage my property and grow interesting and healthy food.

5. FRC HATCHERY IN THE NEWS



Members of the Almanor Fishing Association learn how to recognize and extract dead fish eggs from the thousands currently being nurtured in the incubators at the Almanor Research Institute lab at Chester High School. These new eggs are triploids that will produce fertile brown trout for Lake Almanor. Photo submitted

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Fishing association continues to nurture Lake Almanor

February 1, 2019 Gregg Scott, Staff Writer

In their continuing efforts to nurture the health and welfare of Lake Almanor and its fishery, members of the Almanor Fishing Association (AFA) traveled to the Feather River College fish hatchery.

The FRC hatchery donated several thousand brown trout eggs to the Chester High School limnology program last spring that were hatched, raised to fingerlings and delivered to the AFA holding pens in Hamilton Branch about a month ago, and in mid-January delivered another 50,000 that will be nurtured by AFA members toward the same end.

At the college, AFA members were met by **FRC Hatchery Director Adam Fuller**, who gave them an informational tour of the facility and its relationship to the Environmental Studies program at the college.

John Crotty, president of AFA, mentioned that, "One of the high points was when we got our first look at our 30,000 or 40,000 new 'grandbabies' that were hatched on Christmas Day."

Crotty also noted that both the hatchery and the ARI lab are being maintained by a single individual and both are in need of some TLC.

The AFA is developing a plan to help both facilities with needed maintenance and upgrades as a means to increase the sourcing of quality trout for Lake Almanor and help both schools offer expanded educational opportunities for students.

The process for the CHS program has already begun as several AFA members met with **Dallas Tognotti** at the high school and learned how to extract any dead eggs from the incubator.

AFA volunteers will continue to check and remove dead eggs whenever school is out of session.

Once the eggs have hatched, they will also feed and care for the fish during the summer months.

Crotty said, "Tognotti is planning on having an ARI limnology class next year, and our goal is to see browns in most if not all of the tanks in the ARI lab."

AFA members also recently joined Tognotti as he and hatchery expert Brian Hayes evaluated the equipment currently in the Chester High ARI lab.

Hayes is one of the individuals involved in the original installation of the hatchery equipment and is quite familiar with it.

Everyone agreed the lab tour was very helpful in identifying the most crucial needs to keep the facility working properly.

The two main areas of concern are the chiller unit and the oxygenation pump that has been running non-stop for several years and needs to be replaced.

Plans for the Veterans' Fishing Day on June 23 are already in process and the association is looking for veterans that would like to spend a day on Lake Almanor.

"Our fishing day has been growing each year and we are hoping to accommodate 75 veterans for this years event," said Crotty.

AFA along with Field of Dreams and numerous local fishing guides are planning an excellent day of fishing on the lake.

Most of the guides will be trolling for trout, but there will be a few boats that will target bass and/or offer fly-fishing.

There will also be a couple of pontoon boats that can accommodate veterans with physical disabilities.

Following the day on the lake the Lake Almanor Elks Lodge is hosting a barbeque at LACC Rec.1.

With many sponsors, the afternoon will include drawings for four custom fishing rods by Duncan McIntyre and other items.

Each participant will also receive a special event T-shirt.

If you are a veteran and would like to participate, contact John or Deb Crotty by e-mail at: quailodgelakealmanor@frontier.com. Include name, phone number, email address, preferred fishing method and shirt size.

IN CELEBRATION OF
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FRC is Hosting a Presentation
by Sandy Holman -Author,
Educator, Activist, and the
Director of The Culture COOP-
which promotes understanding
and respect for equity/diversity,
cultural competency, and more.



*Thursday February 27th
12:00-1:00 in the Gallery*

*Meal tickets for FREE lunch at the
Perch for all who attend!*



Feather River College



FEATHER RIVER COLLEGE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES						
1. Communicate effectively	2. Demonstrate critical thinking skills	3. Locate, evaluate, and apply information	4. Demonstrate a sense of personal and professional ethic	5. Develop a clear sense of self, purpose, and ability to achieve goals	6. Demonstrate relationship skills through interpersonal communication, compromise, teamwork and collaboration	7. Value their education, understand its privilege, and become responsible citizens