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- Faculty and Staff Take Study Tour of WWII, Holocaust Sites
- Dr. Claudine Keenan to Attend 'Becoming a Provost Academy'
- Brian Jackson at dedication of Rosa Parks Statue in D.C.

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Faculty and Staff Take Study Tour Continued

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"The study tour was one of the most moving and informative experiences of my life," said Dr. Posner, who was among three second-generation children of Holocaust survivors on the study tour. Leo Schoffer, an attorney, member of the Stockton College Board of Trustees and the son of Sam and the late Sara Schoffer made the journey along with Samuel Krantz, an attorney in Somers Point whose parents, Chana and Joseph Krantz, were both Holocaust survivors from Lithuania.

"Because of the dedicated and talented staff at our Holocaust Resource Center, I was able to walk in the same steps that my father did when imprisoned by Nazi Germany in the Buchenwald Concentration Camp," Dr. Posner said. "Once again we are reminded of the critical role that education plays in a civil society."

The group visited Munich, where Adolf Hitler began his rise to power; Nuremberg, where the Nazi Party held massive rallies and also the site of the post-war International Military Tribunal of Nazi leaders; the Buchenwald Concentration Camp Memorial; Berlin, the Nazi seat of power after 1933; and Amsterdam, which was Nazi-occupied.

Participants visited Jewish museums in Berlin and Munich, as well as the Topography of Terror, the Memorial for the Murdered Jews of Europe, and the Diversity Destroyed exhibition.

"I was particularly struck by how Germany is still struggling with the appropriate manner of remembrance and memorialization," said Dr. Michael Rodriguez, associate professor of Political Science. "That is still an unsettled, controversial and ongoing debate not just for Germans but for all who are committed to the prevention of genocide, political violence, and crimes against humanity," he said.

Photos and moving reflections from study tour participants are available on the college's Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center website.

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Dr. Claudine Keenan, dean of the School of Education, has been accepted into the Becoming a Provost Academy (BAPA) Class of 2013-2014, according to George L. Mehaffy, vice president for Academic Leadership and Change, American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU).

"Being selected to participate in the AASCU's Becoming a Provost Academy is a significant honor for both the participant and Stockton," said Dr. Harvey Kesselman, provost and executive vice president of the College. "Having participated myself, I know it to be an extremely valuable experience for an academic leader who wishes to pursue a provost position in the future. I am confident that Dr. Keenan will perform at an outstanding level in the Academy," Dr. Kesselman added.

Dr. Keenan will start the class's formal programming at the AASCU Academic Affairs national Summer Meeting in Baltimore on July 25-27. Readings, experiential activities, executive coaching and mentoring, site visits with provosts serving other state colleges and universities, a national Winter Meeting and daylong seminars round out the program's experiences.

Offered jointly by AASCU and the American Leadership Institute (<u>AALI</u>), the Becoming a Provost Academy is designed to assist participants in gaining a better understanding of the broader context within which their own institutions operate and in developing perspectives beyond their current position, division and institution.

"The landscape surrounding higher education is changing so rapidly that I feel compelled to begin preparing for my long-term future as early as the 2013-2014 academic year," said Dr. Keenan. "I'm honored to have been accepted into this program; the opportunity to learn from a cadre of academic leaders in the public sector is extremely valuable to me personally and professionally."

Keenan had previously been the chief planning officer at the College and executive assistant to the provost. She was a Leadership New Jersey Fellow, 2008-2009 and is certified by the <u>Society for College and University Planners</u> in Steps I – III. She has also served as one of two state college representatives on a New Jersey President's Council Task Force on articulations and as an invited education dean to the Department of Education's Working Group on New Jersey Teacher Preparation.

Brian K. Jackson, chief of staff in the President's Office, attended the official dedication of the Rosa Parks statue Feb. 27 at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. at the invitation of Shirley McCauley,

