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## Backing for Music School principles

ADELAIDE University's Council has endorsed a set of principles for the development of a Memorandum of Understanding between the University and the State Government.

The principles are as follows:

That the Elder Conservatorium and the Flinders Street School of Music will merge as part of the University of Adelaide.

That the merged School will be located on the North Terrace campus or immediately adjacent to it.

That the name of the merged school will include the name 'Elder'.

That a Memorandum of Understanding be concluded, setting out the terms of agreement and specifying the financial contributions to be made by both parties for a period of five years. The arrangement is to be reviewed at the end of this period.

That the State Government will be asked to make a capital contribution to allow suitable facilities to be established.

That the new School will be an organisational unit in a Faculty of the University of Adelaide and an Executive Dean of the University will be responsible for it. It will also have an External Advisory Board to be chaired by a high profile individual, agreed to by both parties. The Elder Professor should be appointed at a date that will allow the incumbent to participate in the amalgamation process.

That the merged School will offer a single suite of degree and sub-degree programmes, and will include a range of musical sub-disciplines and styles.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mary O'Kane, said she was delighted with the outcome.

"What's important now is that we all work together to ensure that the new school is a truly leading music school," she said.

—John Drislane

## Chancellor Bruce Webb: clear and intelligent leadership

HUNDREDS of mourners attended the funeral service for Adelaide University Chancellor Bruce Webb AM at Bonython Hall on 17 March.

Mr Webb died aged 73 at the Mary Potter Hospice in Adelaide on 10 March.

He was appointed Chancellor in March 1998 after a distinguished career in the private and public sectors.

Mr Webb was Director-General of the South Australian Department of Mines and Energy from 1972 to 1983 and Managing Director of the Poseidon Ltd Group from 1983 to 1988.

He had been a member of the University Council since 1995 and also served as Convenor of the University's Finance Committee.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane said Mr Webb would be remembered by the University community with great affection, respect and gratitude.

"Bruce provided clear and intelligent leadership to the Council for a period which now seems tragically short," she said. "But the two years during which he held the office of Chancellor were important years in the history of this great institution."

The Anglican Archbishop of Adelaide, Most Rev Ian George AM, presided at the funeral service.

Recitals were given by two groups of which Mr Webb was patron, the Adelaide University Choral Society and the Australian String Quartet.

Mr Webb's daughter, Anna, performed a viola solo.

The eulogies were delivered by Mr Lee Parkin AO, Dr Brian Hickman, University Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane, and Mr Webb's son, Jonathan, a second year Science/Arts student.

The readers were Gordon Goulding, Professor Stewart Greenhalgh and Dr Helen Reid OAM.

The Rev Lloyd Irving delivered the address.

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Adelaide University Chancellor Bruce Webb AM.

## Funding boost for Adelaide University science initiatives

ADELAIDE University has won a \$1.3 million Federal Government grant to help establish its new Santos School of Petroleum Engineering in collaboration with the Centre for Oil and Gas Engineering (COGE) at the University of Western Australia.

The funding is the second major grant received by the University under the Science Lectureships Initiative.

Also announced by the Minister for Education, Training and Youth Affairs, the Hon David Kemp, was a \$350,000 grant for the Department of Psychology to enhance teaching and research into how people can interact more successfully with technology (see story on p.3).

Adelaide University Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane said the funding for the Santos School was further recognition of the unique opportunity that existed to build an internationally significant centre at the forefront of petroleum research, teaching and industry training.

"The Santos School of Petroleum Engineering is being supported by the largest industry sponsorship in the history of tertiary education in

Australia—\$25 million over 10 years," Professor O'Kane said. "This further funding will strengthen the collaborative relationship between the School and the COGE. It will be used to develop a unique joint teaching program with the COGE."

Professor O'Kane said the Federal Government was also contributing \$1 million to establish a second professorial chair at the School, to be known as the Reg Sprigg Chair.

The design process for the new building has started and the School will offer a 4-year BE(Petroleum) degree from next year. It is expected to become the pre-eminent research and teaching School in Petroleum Engineering in the Asia-Pacific region.

In addition to the collaboration with the COGE, the Santos School of Petroleum Engineering is also developing a joint teaching program with the Colorado School of Mines in the United States. Under the program, students from each institution will be able to spend six months at the other. This feature will provide students with an invaluable international perspective and will be a unique feature of the degree at Adelaide.

—John Drislane



Adelaide University graduate Fran West has ended her marathon flight around the coast of Australia.

Ms West, a 1972 Bachelor of Arts graduate, became the first woman to fly a fixed-wing aircraft around the coastline of mainland Australia last year, taking two months and three weeks to do so.

Now she has completed the challenge she set herself by circumnavigating Tasmania.

"I tackled something that was probably too big for me, but persistence got me through," Ms West said.

Her inspiration for the adventure was *Pelican's Progress*, a television series recording a flight around Australia by three amphibian float planes in 1978. During her trip, Ms West spent 145 hours in the air and touched down on 90 landing strips.

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# Bruce Webb: a life of service and achievement

BRUCE WEBB was a unique figure in the story of Australian energy and mineral exploration.

In a career spanning more than 50 years he contributed to the development of South Australia's natural resources as a geologist, businessman, government policymaker and champion of education.

As a young geologist in the 1940s, he pioneered new survey methods in the South Australian outback.

During the exploration boom of the 1970s his leadership of the SA Department of Mines and Energy was crucial in establishing the Cooper Basin oil and gas province and the Roxby Downs copper/uranium mine.

As a businessman he shaped the growth of two major Australian mining companies, Newmont Pty Ltd and Poseidon Pty Ltd (now part of Normandy Ltd).

In later life, education became his passion. He gave the benefit of his immense experience to two South Australian universities and helped to create new links between the exploration industry and academia.

His achievements were recognised formally in 1992 when he was awarded membership of the Order of Australia for services to the minerals and energy industries.

Bruce Webb came to South Australia after graduating from the University of Sydney with a B.Sc (Hons) degree in 1947.

In 1948 he joined North Broken Hill Ltd as a field geologist. He soon made his mark by conducting one of the first geochemical surveys performed in Australia. The survey—a "chemical detective" technique to identify trace elements of ore in water or soil—is now a standard tool for all exploration programs. Later he pioneered the use of airborne surveys for uranium exploration.

From 1952-62 Bruce worked as a geologist with the South Australian Department of Mines. He obtained his M.Sc. from Adelaide University in 1954.

He returned to the private sector in the 1960s, first as Chief Geologist with Geosurveys of Australia, then as Exploration Manager with Newmont Pty Ltd.

At Newmont he laid the foundations for the company's growth into a major minerals exploration operation and was rewarded with a seat on the Board.

In 1972 he returned to the public sector to head the then SA Department of Mines. It was a boom time in Australian exploration. Bruce reshaped the bureaucracy to make it more responsive to industry needs and oversaw the birth of the new SA Department of Mines and Energy in 1977. In exploration circles, it was recognised as the most dynamic mining and energy Department in the country.

Bruce played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Cooper Basin oil and gas province, source of South Australia's current gas supplies. He was deeply involved in the negotiations leading to the Cooper Basin indenture and the establishment of production facilities.

He was also a board member of the SA Oil and Gas Corporation which acquired the Commonwealth Government's interest in the Basin. The Corporation went on to become a major force in exploring and developing several other important oil and gas provinces in Australia.

Bruce was an energetic promoter of mineral exploration opportunities in South Australia. His introduction of more flexible licensing conditions encouraged Western Mining Corporation to explore the Stuart Shelf. This led directly to the 1975 discovery of copper and uranium at Roxby Downs.

The Dunstan Government's policy of opposition to uranium mining provided Bruce with the toughest test of his public sector career. Although a strong supporter of the project, he managed to maintain a good working relationship with Government in what was a highly complex political environment. The achievement was a measure of his skills as a

strategist, negotiator and analytical thinker.

In 1983, Bruce was lured back to industry again, this time to the Poseidon Ltd Group where he was appointed Managing Director. He oversaw the growth of the company's gold and other mining interests and helped to develop it into a major player on the Australian mining scene.

Under his leadership, Poseidon made successful takeovers of Australian Development Ltd. and Minerals Mining and Metals Ltd. Bruce retired in 1988 but continued as a non-executive director following the company's growth into Normandy Ltd.

He played a crucial role also in the birth of Amdel Ltd, now a major provider of services to the international mining industry.

Amdel was created in 1987 through the privatisation of Australian Mineral Development Laboratories, then a statutory authority managed jointly by the State and Commonwealth governments and the mining industry. As Chairman of the authority's Board of Management, Bruce steered through the privatisation in the face of strong trade union opposition.

He was also founding president of the Australian Geosciences Council and a member of the Joint Oil Reserves Committee.

Bruce turned his energies to education in 1987, joining the Board of Management of the Gartrell School of Mining at the then SA Institute of Technology. In 1990 he accepted a part-time academic appointment as Chairman of the School and oversaw its integration into the University of South Australia. In recognition of his achievements, the University awarded him an Honorary Doctorate in 1998.

Bruce's interest in education also found an outlet in the Australian Mineral Foundation, the body responsible for continuing education of mining professionals. It was in deep financial trouble when he took over as Director in 1988. He revitalised and re-established the organisation as a major source of information and training for the industry.

He made a significant contribution also as Director of the Australian Minerals and Energy Environment Foundation. His stature within the industry was further recognised when he was appointed President of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy in 1986.

In 1992 Bruce was appointed to the Council of Governors of Seymour College in Adelaide. He played an active role in the College's affairs for the next five years, including chairing its Finance Committee.

He renewed his association with Adelaide University in 1994 when he chaired the Leadership Gifts Committee of the Mawson Antarctic Collection Appeal. The following year he joined the University Council.

As Convenor of the Finance Committee he brought a better understanding of the need for a more businesslike and rigorous approach to the University's accounting procedures.

He was appointed Chancellor in March 1998. His mix of experience in industry, the public sector and education proved invaluable in the role.

Within the University community he was a highly respected figure. His intelligence, kindness and commitment to education earned him the admiration of all who knew him. He had a particular love of music and seeing it flourish. He especially enjoyed being patron of the Adelaide University Choral Society and was closely involved in establishing the Australian String Quartet as quartet in residence at the University.

During his distinguished career, Bruce served on many government and professional bodies. These included the Bureau of Mineral Resources, the SA Water Resources Council, the SA Pipelines Authority, the National Energy Advisory Committee and the SA State Development Council.

He was a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, the Institution of Engineers, Australia, and the Institute of Company Directors.



Bruce Webb pictured with two former Adelaide University Chancellors, Dame Roma Mitchell and Bill Scammell.



Bruce Webb cutting the cake at the Elder Conservatorium's centenary celebrations in 1998, watched by Anita Donaldson, Dean, Elder Conservatorium, School of Performing Arts, and Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane.



Autumn commemoration ceremony 1999: Pictured from left, Professor Grant Townsend with his son Benjamin (Bachelor of Arts); Alicia Thomas (Bachelor of Arts) and her father Professor Tony Thomas; and Bruce Webb with his daughter Anna (Bachelor of Arts).

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# Federal Grant for DSTO project

A \$350,000 grant from the Federal Government will help Adelaide University to meet a growing demand for graduates with expertise in cognition and applied decision making.

The funding—awarded under the Science Lectureships Initiative—will be used by the Department of Psychology to enhance teaching and research into how people can interact more successfully with technology.

Interaction between humans and technology is one of the concerns of psychologists working in the area of cognition and applied decision making. Demand for graduates with these skills is strong in the industrial, legal, and medical communities generally, and particularly within the Defence Science and Technology Organisation, one of the University's project partners.

Under the program, the University will further develop its Cognition and Applied Decision Making program over the next three years in association with the DSTO. The other institutions involved are the ARC Key Centre for Teaching and Research in Human Factors and Applied Cognitive Psychology, University of Queensland; the Department of Psychology, University of Melbourne; and the School of Psychological Science, La Trobe University.

The program will focus particularly on how people process partial—and possibly unreliable—information and make decisions under pressures of time and cost.

University Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane welcomed the funding announcement,



Celebrating the announcement of Federal Government funding were staff from the university's Psychology Department and the Defence Science and Technology Organisation: (From left back row) Helen Mitchard (DSTO), Ted Nettelbeck (Psychology), Dale Lambert (DSTO), (front row) Jeremy Manton (DSTO), Doug Vickers (Psychology) and John Taplin (Psychology).

saying it would enable the Department of Psychology to employ two extra staff for the Cognition and Applied Decision Making program.

"This is a very exciting area with great growth potential," she said.

"I'm very appreciative of the collaboration between Adelaide University and the DSTO, which is exemplified by this project. It is

another example of the university's commitment to establishing and maintaining strong links with corporate, industry and government bodies.

"Particular mention must also be made of Associate Professor of Psychology, Dr Doug Vickers, who has worked extremely hard to bring this project to fruition."

—Ben Osborne

# Honour for Roseworthy Museum

ROSEWORTHY Agricultural Museum has won official recognition for its success in preserving South Australia's rural heritage.

The History Trust of South Australia has awarded the Museum full accreditation in acknowledgment of the high standards of its management, accountability, preservation and restoration.

Museum Manager John Miels said the award would be a huge boost to the operation of the facility.

"Gaining accreditation will enable us to have access to valuable funding for support materials for the museum," he said.

"It is also recognition of a level of competence which we hope will help increase interest and participation by other groups, even schools where we are keen to teach the younger generation about history."

The Roseworthy Agricultural Museum is run solely by volunteers and is a branch of the Gawler Machinery Restorers Club. It was established following an approach to the club in 1989 by staff at the Roseworthy Campus.

Since then, the original dairy and calf shed on the campus has been transformed to house impressive exhibitions of working machinery, and the site has been expanded significantly to accommodate all kinds of farm equipment.

"The museum maintains a special emphasis on the impact of local manufacturing and the innovation and invention of South Australian farmers," said John Miels. "We are also working to provide greater recognition of the contribution of Roseworthy Campus to the agricultural community.

"Where we differ from most other museums is that we restore heritage machinery to full working condition so we can demonstrate its capabilities for the education and entertain-

ment of the general public, and as a teaching adjunct to the campus.

In the long term, the museum intends to continue to expand its collection, particularly its working engines and tractors. It also aims to improve the user-friendly nature of many of the exhibits to attract school students and elderly citizens.

There are also plans to develop a closer working relationship with the Campus with possible input into teaching programs and the development of an academic display.

Planned new additions also include working blacksmith and carpentry shops, and displays in conjunction with the National Motor Museum and the Maritime Museum.

*The Roseworthy Agricultural Museum is open every Wednesday and on the third Sunday of every month, or for tours by appointment. Details contact John Miels on 8528 2336 or Don Beaty on 8522 2198.*

# Beazley flies in for book launch

FEDERAL Opposition leader Kim Beazley made a flying visit to South Australia during Writers Week to launch a book at Adelaide University.

The book, *The First World War*, was written by Adelaide University Professor Emeritus Trevor Wilson and Adelaide University graduate Robin Prior, now Associate Professor and Head of the School of History at the Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra.

It is part of the Cassell History of Warfare series, a multi-volume history of war and warfare from ancient to modern times.

Mr Beazley, a devotee of military history, accepted the invitation to launch the book after reading and

enjoying a previous book by Professors Wilson and Prior, *Passchendaele: the Untold Story*.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane pointed out that Adelaide University itself had strong connections with World War One. More than 500 of the University's staff, graduates and students fought in the war and one of them, Law graduate Captain AS Blackburn, was the first South Australian to be awarded the Victoria Cross.

Nobel Prize winner William Lawrence Bragg's work on the technique known as sound-ranging during World War One saw him awarded an OBE.

Sound ranging was used to locate enemy guns from the sound of their firing, with Bragg helping to



Associate Professor Robin Prior and Professor Emeritus Trevor Wilson with Federal Opposition leader Kim Beazley at the book launch.

develop a microphone which distinguished between the report of a gun and the shockwave of the shell.

Bragg learnt of his 1915 Nobel

Prize while he was setting up a sound-ranging station near Ypres in November 1916.

—Ben Osborne



## Rock like

Jonathan Webb (second year Science/Arts) gave a magnificent and moving eulogy for his father, our Chancellor Bruce Webb, at Bruce's funeral in Bonython Hall on 17 March.

While other speakers had covered Bruce's distinguished service as an eminent mining geologist in both the public and private sectors, Jonathan portrayed among other things Bruce's intense love of rocks.

He told of his father's joy on a recent holiday in Spain when the family was in a train that was temporarily halted in a railway cutting. While other passengers displayed various signs of boredom and irritation at the delay, Bruce was craning his neck, delighting in this opportunity to examine the rock strata in the cutting. Jonathan pointed out that while there is popular conception of heaven as being somehow "up above", Bruce's heaven would have to contain rocks with the obvious implication of a more grounded eternity.

In preparing my own comments, I was struck time and again by just how practical and down-to-earth Bruce's approach was to almost any problem. In particular, he seemed to gravitate naturally to helping to improve the financial base of any organisation with which he was involved. Thus, after becoming a member of the board of Seymour College, he took on the role of chairing its Finance Committee. His association with the Australian Mineral Foundation was characterised also by his determination that it be financially secure.

Bruce's association in recent years with our University came about when Gavin Brown invited him to chair the Leadership Gifts Committee of the Mawson Antarctic Collection Appeal. Bruce went on to join the University Council and then chair the Finance Committee until he became Chancellor.

He was also a most enthusiastic patron of our quartet-in-residence, the Australian String Quartet, working hard (you guessed it!) to arrange financial sponsorship for the group.

As Convenor of the Finance Committee and as Chancellor, Bruce took a firm view that the constants that define a university—the excitement of exploring, researching, learning and teaching; and the obligation to engage with the broader community through debate and scholarship—are best protected and preserved by ensuring that the University is capable of securing its own future.

He thought it was naive and dangerous to expect governments or anyone else to do it for us.

He knew that financial security was the essential basis for independence, which in turn would give real meaning to the "big picture" of Adelaide as one of the world's great universities, and real opportunity for staff and students on whose work that outcome depends.

He was sceptical about the prospect of any increase in Commonwealth Government support. His experience in the public and private sectors convinced him that a strong bond between tertiary education and industry could act as a driver for all kinds of development—economic, social and cultural.

I know that, as a geologist, he was especially pleased with the agreement the University reached with Santos last year to establish a new School of Petroleum Engineering here.

For a university that was founded with the generous gift of Walter Watson Hughes, who had made his money in the mining industry, it is appropriate that we should honour a great mining man who, as our 12th Chancellor, put so much effort into helping us move towards a rock-like financial base.

MARY O'KANE

## Mars talk packs them in

ABOUT 800 people packed Bonython Hall recently to hear US space expert Dr Robert Zubrin detail plans to send humans to Mars within 10 years.

Dr Zubrin was the head of a small team which drew up the daring and controversial plan known as "Mars Direct", which outlined how humans could land on Mars within 10 years at a much lower cost than estimated by NASA.

Dr Zubrin's lecture was part of a contribution to the Adelaide Festival by the Australian Institute of Physics (AIP), Adelaide University's Centre for Biomedical Engineering (CBME) and the Astronomical Society of SA.

Director of the Centre for Biomedical Engineering, Dr Derek Abbott, said the talk was "phenomenal".

"The audience queued for autographs at the end. It was rock star status for him."

The talk was chaired by Dr. Derek Leinweber (AIP), the speaker was introduced by Professor Paul Davies (currently Visiting Professor of Physics at Imperial College in London), and the vote of thanks was given by Dr. Abbott (CBME). Event management was carried out by Dr. John Patterson (AIP).

—Ben Osborne



US space expert Dr Robert Zubrin (centre), with Adelaide University's Dr Derek Abbott (left) and Visiting Professor of Physics at Imperial College in London, Paul Davies, at the "Mars Direct" lecture delivered by Dr Zubrin at Bonython Hall.

## Walk for wildlife is on

THE Walk for Wildlife, conducted by the National Parks Foundation of South Australia, will be combined with the Parks & Wildlife Festival for the first time this year.

The Walk for Wildlife, which will take place on Sunday, 2 April, raises awareness and much needed funding for research and conservation.

It is all based at Belair National Park. Walkers start from the oval and follow well marked trails through the park. It takes less than an hour, and 8 stations along the trails will be staffed by Parks and Wildlife students, who will provide information and children's activities.

Each station deals with a particular endangered species and the efforts that are being made to conserve it. Walkers are asked to make a donation at the station (or stations) of their choice.

One species to be featured is the Southern Emu-Wren. Dr David Paton, of Adelaide University's Department of Environmental Biology, is supervising research work that will benefit this tiny and secretive bird, often detected in the field by its call rather than by sight.

David Wilson, an honours student, is identifying suitable habitats in the Mt Lofty Ranges into which the endangered Southern Emu-Wren might be re-introduced.

Dr Paton, on the recovery team for the bird, sees habitat destruction as one of its chief threats.

"The populations in the Mt Lofty Ranges are



Dr David Paton.

limited and heavily fragmented because of habitat destruction, said Dr Paton. "We need to understand the birds' ecological requirements, and protect and enhance suitable habitat for them," he said.

Dr Paton also sees threats to the little birds through decreasing research funding. "This declines every year," he said, "and any additional funding that comes about through events like 'Walk for Wildlife' can greatly increase our chances of conserving threatened species like the Southern Emu-Wren".

The Festival will run from 10.30am until 4.00pm, with the Walk for Wildlife ending at 2.00pm. It's all free. Enquiries: Parks Festival 8204 1910 or Walk for Wildlife 8231 0016.

## Timor seminar

AN EAST Timorese language expert will give a free public seminar at Adelaide University on Wednesday, 29 March on language issues in the newly independent nation.

Dr Geoffrey Hull, executive director of the Academy of East Timor Studies at the University of Western Sydney, will give the seminar "Language Issues in East Timor" at 1.30pm in the Council Room on Level 7 of the Hughes Building.

Dr Hull is currently working to address the urgent language needs in East Timor through the production of Tetum language resources, primers and readers for school programs, and edits a journal titled *Studies in Languages and Cultures of East Timor*.

The Academy of East Timor Studies works in close collaboration with the University of East Timor, Dili and the CNRT.

For more information, which will be opened by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) Professor Penny Boumelha, contact Adelaide University linguistics lecturer Dr Rob Amery on 8303 3405.

## Visitor hopes to build East Malaysian enrolments

THE UNTAPPED market of East Malaysia is the latest target of Adelaide University's official representative in Sabah, Mr Anthony Lim of AC Services Enterprise.

Mr Lim visited Adelaide University earlier this month to further develop his first-hand knowledge of the institution, which last year had 680 Malaysian students in its total of 1680 international students, or more than 40 percent.

Mr. Lim was accompanied by Mr Lim Chin Ling, Pre-University Counsellor at Sabah Tshung Tsin Secondary School, the largest Chinese secondary school in Sabah which has an enrolment of approximately 6000 students. Several students from Sabah Tshung Tsin are currently enrolled at the University.

The visitors met with Associate Deans (International) from four areas: Engineering and Mathematical Sciences' Michael Oudshoorn, Health Sciences' John Marley, Commerce's Martin Markovic and Architecture's Terry Williamson; as well as International Recruitment head Jay Jayatilaka and Student Recruitment Branch manager, Elizabeth Geddes.

Mr Lim said West Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur, Penang, Johore Baru and Ipoh in particular)

supplies by far the greater share of Malaysian students to Adelaide.

"West Malaysia has about 10 million people and East Malaysia, where my office is, has about 4 million people...but most of the students who go to Adelaide University are from West Malaysia," he said.

"This year we've got eight students from East Malaysia, and I think we will be able to get to 20 to 30 students per year soon."

High-profile East Malaysians who are Adelaide University Alumni would make the task of attracting East Malaysians easier, he said.

"The former Chief Minister of Sabah and the current Chief Minister of Sarawak are both Adelaide University Alumni, so having important people like them in the area can only be helpful," he said.

He said his visit to Adelaide was vital in being able to take back first-hand knowledge to interested students and parents in Malaysia.

"It's much easier to explain to children and parents what the university is like, having been here myself," he said.

"Certainly in my opinion, Adelaide University is ahead of those in Melbourne and Sydney



Anthony Lim. Photo: Ben Osborne.

because it is cheaper to live here, but the facilities here are also very good, which makes it an excellent and affordable environment in which to learn."

—Ben Osborne

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## UNEP meets the students

WHEN Adelaide hosts the international celebration of World Environment Day on 5 June, it will provide a chance for delegates from the United Nations Environment Programme to visit the home of one of their projects.

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) is the product of the 1972 Stockholm Conference on the Human Environment. As the environmental conscience of the United Nations, UNEP encourages partnerships in caring for the environment. The five particular strengths of the programme are in environmental monitoring, co-ordination, technology assessment and transfer, freshwater, and support to Africa.

Education and environmental management lie at the core of this programme, and UNEP and Adelaide University are partners in offering Graduate Courses in Environmental

Management that are international in outlook and designed to meet the challenges of the coming century.

Jointly run by The Ngee Ann Kongsi (an educational and charitable foundation) and Adelaide University, the programme offers three Environmental Management courses in Singapore. Conducted by the University's Mawson Graduate Centre for Environmental Studies, the courses are open to graduates from universities throughout the region.

As part of the programme, students can undertake electives in Adelaide, where various industries provide valuable examples of environmentally sound technologies.

Plans are being made to have some of the students in Adelaide on 5 June, when they will be able to meet with official UNEP delegates attending the World Environment Day celebrations.

—Rob Morrison

# Seminars focus on impact of Aboriginal languages

THE IMPACT of Aboriginal languages on Australian English is declining all the time, according to a visiting linguistics expert.

Professor of English Linguistics at the Free University of Berlin in Germany, Gerhard Leitner, was in Adelaide to present two seminars at Adelaide University.

His main seminar, titled "The Impact of Aboriginal Languages Upon Australian English" was delivered as part of the University's Centre for Intercultural Studies and Multicultural Education's (CISME) Autumn Seminar Series for 2000.

Professor Leitner said only about 200 Aboriginal words were still in use in mainstream Australian English, a figure which would only decline over time unless more was done to maintain the use of Aboriginal language.

"When I was (in Australia) in the mid 1990s with the Australian Research Council fellowship at Monash University, I did a survey of three papers for two years to gauge the extent to which they used Aboriginal words," he said.

"The three papers were the *Herald-Sun*, *The Age* and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and out of 100 Aboriginal words we were looking for, only 60 were used at all and only 10 occurred more than 1000 times.

"In this time there were some 300 million words in the papers, so 1000 times is not very many, really.

"This survey was indicative of the general population's use of Aboriginal words in everyday speech, and it also goes to show that unless words become very mainstream, like dingo, they will fall into oblivion simply because less and less people are using them.

"Some words have been, if you like, re-invented: over the last couple of years 'business' has had new Aboriginal connotations applied to it, as in 'women's business'."

Professor Leitner is the author of many books, monographs and papers based on his international research projects on language and society in Australia, India and Great Britain.

He is the author of *Australia's Many Voices: English, Indigenous, Migrant and Contact Languages* (published in Germany), and the *Bibliography of English and Its Interaction with other Immigrant and Indigenous Languages in Australia and New*



Aboriginal languages expert Professor Gerhard Leitner.

*Zealand - 1788-1996.*

\*Professor Leitner also gave a separate seminar on the subject of Australian studies, and the supposed differences between the way it is taught in Australia and in Europe.

—Ben Osborne

## Food and books on the menu

What do cannibalism, whale meat, James Joyce's *Ulysses* and Ronald McDonald have in common?

Find out at a Symposium on Food in Literature to be held on Friday 31 March, and Saturday 1 April.

The symposium is being hosted by Adelaide University's Research Centre for the History of Food and Drink, and features papers on a smorgasbord of food subjects.

Some of the papers' titles include:

"Revenge, cannibalism and self-denial" (to be delivered by Barbara Santich);

"Whale meat again? The meal in the Icelandic Saga" (Gary Martin);

"Food, the body and diurnal rhythms in James Joyce's *Ulysses*" (Jennifer Hillier);

"From Rabelais to Ronald McDonald: an examination of food in the carnivalesque" (Colin Sheringham).

The symposium will also celebrate the return of Marion Halligan to Adelaide University as Distinguished Visiting Scholar.

The award-winning author of novels, essays and stories which often feature food will deliver a paper at the symposium titled "No thanks, I'm not hungry".

Centre Director Dr Lynn Martin said the role of food in the work of Marion Halligan and other authors raised several questions.

"Why is the food there? Why do authors include descriptions of meals in works of literature?" he asked. "Does the inclusion of food serve an essential function?"

"The symposium addresses these questions while at the same time indulging in food prepared by some of the best chefs in Adelaide."

The venues for the symposium are Jolleys Boathouse (Friday only), and the Function Room of the Art Gallery of South Australia (Saturday only).

For more information contact Lynn Martin, ph (08) 8303 5916 or email <lynn.martin@adelaide.edu.au>.

## COUNCIL NEWS

Council met on 20 March and, amongst other things:

- observed one minute's silence in the memory of former Chancellors Bruce Webb and Dame Roma Mitchell, and heard a tribute by the Vice-Chancellor to them
- appointed a sub-committee, chaired by the Acting Chancellor, to select a candidate for the position of Chancellor
- endorsed a set of principles, proposed by the Vice-Chancellor, for the development of a Memorandum of Understanding between the University and the State Government in respect of the proposed merger of the Elder Conservatorium and the Flinders Street School of Music (see story on p.1 of this edition)
- authorised the Acting Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor to sign the 1999 Financial Statements, subject to a satisfactory report from the Auditor

General. Council was informed that the Auditor General was still completing his audit but that, at the time of the Council meeting, there were no matters of concern

- adopted a set of protocols in respect of Council members' conduct
- heard a presentation by the Executive Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, Professor Derek Frewin, on this year's medical admissions process
- adopted changes to the Rules for Graduation Ceremonies to provide more flexibility (primarily removing the provision that such ceremonies be formal meetings of Council).

The Council agenda, non-confidential minutes and reports to Council from senior managers are available to staff at: <<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/secretariat/council/2000/meeting00.htm>>.

SUSAN GRAEBNER  
Council Secretary

## Correction

In the last issue of the *Adelaidean*, Vol 9 No 3 13 March 2000 a caption with the photograph of the late Dame Roma Mitchell with Professor DR Stranks and Rhodes Scholar Ms Ursula Googs should have read Commemoration 1981, not 1998.

Acting Editor, *Adelaidean*

## Web redevelopment

An update on the web redevelopment project will shortly appear on the project web site.

Please check it out at :

<<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/pr/webdev.html>>.

## Australia's postgraduate students descend on Adelaide for conference

EVEN before they begin their chosen courses, postgraduate students face the problem of funding, but it won't prove the only hurdle to jump.

Students and the staff who teach them are having to deal with many novel challenges; new information technology, increased accountability, the difficulties of combining study with work and families, internationalisation and, sometimes, language difficulties.

The phrase 'Making Ends Meet' sums up the difficult struggle to get it all together. It is the apt subtitle for an international conference, Quality in Postgraduate Research, to be held in Adelaide next month.

The conference will address the many major issues that confront students from the time that they start their courses until they finish. Sessions for the two days will be held at the Hilton International Hotel, but many of the issues will surface first in a free public debate on the topic Higher Education—It's not a public good, it's a private perk, to be held at Adelaide University, Union Cinema, level 5 Union Building at 6.00 pm on Wednesday 12 April.

"These conferences offer students a chance to learn from the experiences of others," says Jill Thorpe, one of the conference organisers. "Staff get the benefit of shared experiences, and we try to make sure that there is international and indigenous input.

"Students normally give about 10-15 of the

papers, while the remaining 50 or so are given by academic staff and research officers," said Ms Thorpe.

This biennial national conference has become a must for the members of CAPA, the Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations. This year several of CAPA's past presidents will be taking part in the Conference, together with past and present research officers.

Highlighting the importance of this conference, CAPA has organised for the postgraduate research officers from its affiliate universities to hold their annual conference in Adelaide this year on April 11 and 12, rather than in Canberra. This will enable the researchers to meet with the university Deans of Graduate Studies, and their support staff.

CAPA is also holding its Annual General Meeting here, rather than in Melbourne. These two occasions are being convened with the assistance of the Adelaide University Postgraduate Students' Association whose President, Helen Kavanagh, a PhD student in English, is also the CAPA National Women's Officer.

Full registration fees for the 2-day conference are \$395, with a reduction for student registration at \$250, and ten free places are offered for each of Adelaide's three universities. A single day registration is also \$250.

—Rob Morrison

Enquiries can be made to: Janine Quigley; SAPMEA Conferences, ph (08) 8274 6060.

## New appointment for Head of CRC



Dr Read receives her award from Tim Besley AO FTSE, President of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering.

DR LEANNA READ, CEO of the CRC for Tissue Growth and Repair, was recently elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science, Technology and Engineering.

The nominations for fellowship of the Academy recognises various outstanding achievements, including research publications, patents, management skills, reputation both in Australia and overseas, community involvement and success in applying the outcomes of technology.

Dr Read, who took up her appointment with the CRC in October, 1999, was previously the inaugural Director of the Child Health Institute from 1989. Under Dr Read's leadership, CHRI gained an international reputation for high quality research with a strong focus on the commercial application of basic science.

Dr Read's major research interests are the study of milk growth factors, in particular their potential clinical application. One possible use of these factors is the treatment of toxic side effects caused by drugs used in chemotherapy.

Dr Read is also a member of the Industry, Research and Development Board and chairs the Board's Biological Committee.

—Rob Morrison

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## Award for population ecologist

PROFESSOR Frank Fenner's outstanding contributions to science have been recognised in many ways, among them the Frank Fenner Medal, established by the Australian Academy of Science to recognise the achievements of younger researchers in the plant and animal sciences.

Professor Fenner's work on the Myxoma virus literally changed the Australian landscape in the nineteen fifties, when myxomatosis all but eradicated the European rabbit, recognised as the country's worst vertebrate pest.

The inaugural winner of the Fenner Medal is Professor Hugh Possingham of Adelaide University's Department of Applied and Molecular Ecology, another scientist who has done much in the field of wildlife conservation. Professor Possingham's extensive citation lists his many achievements in the field of applied and pure theoretical ecology; work which won

him (with Dr David Lindenmayer) the 1999 Eureka Prize for Environmental Research.

Much of Professor Possingham's work has been done in collaborative teams within Australia and overseas, and he is heavily involved in developing links between the scientific community and society, through science communication, advising government and non-government organisations, and membership of many committees and boards.

Professor Possingham is recognised as a world authority on using mathematical and computational tools to gain a deeper understanding of ecological systems, combining this with a great enthusiasm and skill for solving applied problems in ecological and conservation management. He is also a skilled naturalist who plays an active role in the work of voluntary naturalist and conservation societies.

The Fenner Medal will be presented to Professor Possingham at the Academy's Annual General Meeting on 5th May.

—Rob Morrison Professor Hugh Possingham.



## Farewell to Russell Mathews, CBE, AO

RUSSELL MATHEWS passed away on 1 March after a long illness, aged 79 years.

Russell will be fondly remembered by countless students and academic colleagues as well as many in government administration. His contributions to financial accounting theory, particularly with reference to inflation accounting, account education, fiscal federalism, taxation theory and policy, and public expenditure theory and policy, were profound and prolific. Russell was the author of some 43 books, 47 official reports and over 250 articles spanning a period exceeding 50 years.

Russell graduated with first class honours in Commerce from Melbourne University in 1949 and was appointed as Personal Assistant to Professor Sir Douglas Copland, the first Vice Chancellor of the newly established Australian University. He was one of the earliest members of the ANU staff. Russell's major task was to recruit some of Australia's most prominent academics in British Universities to return to Australia for the new research university. In 1953, he was appointed to the position of Reader in Commerce at the University of Adelaide, and in 1958 was appointed to the first chair of

Commerce there. In 1965 he took up the appointment to the foundation chair of Accounting and Public Finance at the ANU; and in 1972, he transferred to the Centre for Research in Federal Financial Relations, which was being established at the University by the Commonwealth Government, as its founding Director. He held this position until his retirement in 1986.

Along with his academic work, Russell was keenly sought after by governments of both persuasions for advice on all matters to do with taxation and fiscal federalism. He served in the Commonwealth Grants Commission from 1972 to 1990 and was the principal author of most of its Reports; and on several other Government committees dealing with taxation and fiscal federalism, both in Australia and overseas. He was Chairman of the Commonwealth Government's Review of the Accounting Discipline in Higher Education 1990-91.

Russell saw active service in the Australian Army in World War II in New Guinea. He rose to the rank of Captain, and was mentioned in despatches for his bravery on the front line. Unfortunately he was wounded several times and suffered a severe leg injury which persevered throughout his life. His wartime

experiences are outlined in his official history of his battalion, *Militia Battalion at War* (1961).

Russell was in every way a brilliant scholar and a wonderful person to work with. He was a gentleman in the truest sense of the word, a devoted family man, and a person who was always willing to help others. He had a very strong sense of social equity. Russell's contributions to the nation were recognised by the Commonwealth Government in the award to him of a CBE in 1978 and an AO in 1987. Russell is survived by his wife Joan and daughter Sue in Canberra, and by his son Professor Peter Mathews, an ARC senior research fellow at La Trobe University, and Peter's wife Janet and children Vicki and David. Russell will be sadly missed by his family and many close friends. He will be remembered as a great scholar, teacher, soldier, government adviser, mentor and a thorough gentleman. It was truly a great privilege to know Russell and to work with him.

—Professor Allan Barton  
Department of Commerce, ANU

Article from: Accounting Association of Australia & New Zealand.

## WORLD environment day



5 JUNE ADELAIDE AUSTRALIA

Under the theme "2000: The Environment Millennium; Time to Act", the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) will make Adelaide the base for its celebration of World Environment Day on 5 June 2000.

Official events for the day are still being finalised, but they will include the presentation on 4 June of UNEP's Global 500 awards to people from all over the world who have made outstanding contributions to environmental protection.

The Global 500 Forum will meet in Adelaide on 5 June. The Forum exchanges environmental experiences and ideas, and is composed of Global 500 laureates from past years as well as those honoured in the current year.

Information about UNEP and its planned activities can be found on the web at <<http://www.unep.org>> in the subdirectory of Environment Calendar and Events.

Official functions aside, UNEP encourages widespread activities that will focus attention on the need for environmental protection, and enhance political action that leads to it. The website has a page where events around the world can be registered, while photographers can enrol in the UNEP photographic competition, with large prizes offered. Entries close on 30 April.

—Rob Morrison

## Mutual Community Postgraduate Travel Grant

THE Mutual Community Postgraduate Travel Grant is available to assist doctoral candidates (a) to travel to a conference at which the student will present his or her work, or (b) to travel to another institution to learn a particular method essential to his or her own work (which cannot be learned at Adelaide). Such travel may be undertaken within the state, within Australia, or overseas.

Application forms may be obtained from the Alumni Office, 44 Kintore Avenue, Adelaide (next to the Hartley Building), or requested for delivery through the internal mail, or downloaded from the University's email Bulletin Board, Scholarships website and Alumni website.

The Selection Committee will not normally provide retrospective support for travel already undertaken. The Selection Committee will not normally support an application for a doctoral candidate in his or her first year of enrolment for that degree. Grants are made on the condition that they are used for the purpose stated in the application.

Further information from Kathy Butler at the Alumni Office; telephone 8303 3196 or email <kathy.butler@adelaide.edu.au>

APPLICATIONS should be received at the Alumni Office no later than 5:00 pm Friday 28 April 2000.

The selection committee will consider applications and notify the successful candidate during May. All applicants will be notified of their success or otherwise.

The Mutual Community Postgraduate Travel Grant is made available by the Alumni Association. The Mutual Community Postgraduate Travel Grant is funded through a cooperative project between the Alumni Association and Mutual Community health insurance providers.

Applicants should note that a period of absence from the University requires approval by the Registrar, Graduate Studies. Please obtain a Leave of Absence Form "AS" from the Graduate Studies Branch and lodge it with them.

## Alumni Association Sciences and Mathematical Sciences Chapter

### Public Lecture

The first in this year's series of evening talks organised by the Sciences and Mathematical Sciences Chapter of the Alumni Association will take place on Wednesday 29 March in the Rennie Lecture Theatre and will commence at 7.30pm.

Starting the 2000 series will be the Director of the Centre for Molecular Genetics of Development, Professor Robert Saint. The title of his presentation is *How genes tell cells to make tissues*.

In this talk, Professor Saint, one of Australia's leading genetic research scientists, will explain the mechanism through which our bodies make the tissues that comprise the body parts with which we are so familiar, and how genetic research might lead to real advances in tissue growth and repair technology.

Details from 8303 4965 and bookings with the Alumni Office 8303 5800.

# Turin-based student wins grant

ADELAIDE University postgraduate student Jenny Lauritsen was the only Australian to win a grant under a Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI) internship program.

The doctoral candidate, currently studying in Italy, received money under the SPSSI's Applied Social Issues Internship Program Award.

Ms Lauritsen began her PhD at Adelaide's Politics Department in 1999, after completing a Bachelor of Labour Studies (Hons) in 1998, and is currently at the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organisation in Turin, Italy under a non-remunerated internship program.

"The work of this internship is directly related to my thesis, which will examine the relationship between new employment arrangements and the continuing problem of unemployment in OECD countries," she said.

"At the International Training Centre, I am attached to the Employment and Skills Development Programme, where I am involved



in compiling relevant materials on active labour market programmes that are a response to unemployment.

"Analysis of this data will lead to the formulation of a set of case studies that detail innovative models for use in core curriculum of the Employment and Skills Development Programme.

"Being attached to the ILO in Turin is a unique opportunity to gain access to the most recent

data available on European employment policy developments, and to evaluate national policies and strategies within the world's leading organisation on labour issues.

"It provides a base for me to obtain data for the European section of my research and to do the qualitative aspects of my research in Italy.

"It will enable me to take the fullest advantage of the research currently being undertaken by the ILO and to access the vast network of organisations with which it is associated. The latter will, of course, be of invaluable assistance in organising other aspects of my fieldwork.

Ms Lauritsen has also received funding for her work in Italy from the Politics Department of Adelaide University, and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Science Postgraduate Research Travel Fund.

At the conclusion of her time at the International Training Centre, she will attend the International Industrial Relations Association Conference in Tokyo, at which she will present a paper representing the initial findings of her research.

—Ben Osborne



Adelaide University Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mary O'Kane, hosted a morning tea on Tuesday, 14 March to officially welcome all undergraduate scholarship winners to the university. Pictured at the morning tea are Australian scholarship winners (not in order) Rohin Wood, Anne Philcox, Kim Anderson, Andrew Budimir, Samuel Robertson, William Robinson, Arna Synnot, Amber Tomas, Darren Williams, Brendan Wong, Edward Ananian-Cooper, Christopher Bishop, Angus Ch De Crespigny, Ryan Coad, Monique Cormier, Daryl Cox, Paul Crossley, Katherine Daniell, D-Yin Lin, Katherine Scutella, Nicholas Simmons, Shane Stewart and Sam Weckert. Photo: Ben Osborne.



At the morning tea hosted by Vice-Chancellor Mary O'Kane to welcome all new undergraduate scholarship winners on 14 March were international scholarship winners (back) Gayathri Sivaramakrishnan, Gene Shane Liew, Dinesha Prasanna Ranathunga, Walakulu A Chathura Gunathilake, (front) Kieu Lien Nguyen, Pravesh Jeebodhun and Siew Seen Lim. Photo: Ben Osborne.

## Searching for more 1950 Alumni

The Alumni Association is looking for the addresses of its missing 1950 Golden Jubilee Graduates.

If you know the whereabouts of any of the following, could you please contact Kathy Butler on 08 8303 3196 or email: kathy.butler@adelaide.edu.au

### Degree of Bachelor of Laws:

Bennett, Henry Trevor  
Woodhouse, Roy

### Diploma in Arts & Education:

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Hecker, Coral Gladys  
Howell, William Ewart  
Humphries, Arthur Cecil George  
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Judd, James  
Kissell, Thomas Alfred  
Lock, Dorothy Marie Jeanne  
McLay, Andrew Harold  
McRostie, Keith Henry  
Martin, John William  
Mulraney, Leslie Patrick  
O'Leary, Patricia  
Palmer, Rachel Dawn  
Peake, Archibald John  
Phillips, Ronald Osborn  
Reincke, Kevin  
Smith, Constance Ethel  
Smith, Reginald John Wayne  
Tindall, Mildred Florence  
Torr, Alison Ruth  
Vogelsang, Arthur Ernst  
Wellington, Douglas Erwin  
Wilson, Gwendolyn Moore

## University Alumni pay tribute to Mr Bruce Webb and Dame Roma Mitchell

The Alumni Association of Adelaide University would like to express its deep regret and sadness at the recent passing of the University's Chancellor Mr Bruce Webb, and of its former Chancellor Dame Roma Mitchell.

As people of vision, commitment and dedication they were greatly admired and will be sadly missed.



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# Music celebration wins plaudits for Adelaide

A TWO-WEEK celebration of new music held at the Elder Conservatorium as part of the Telstra Adelaide Festival has been hailed an outstanding success.

Forum 2000, which had never been staged outside Canada previously, proved so popular with performers and composers that it may return to Adelaide again, according to Grahame Dudley, director of the Elder Conservatorium's LIGHTS and Elder New Music ensembles.

"The Canadians had some reservations about holding the event away from its home country for the first time," Mr Dudley said.

"But their view now is that it was the best Forum they have attended.

"Already they're talking about taking the Forum to other countries but particularly about bringing it back here. They were very impressed with Adelaide University."

As well as the Conservatorium ensembles, the Forum featured Canada's leading new music ensemble Nouvel Ensemble Moderne (Le NEM) performing the works of four young composers from Australia, Canada, Portugal and the UK.

An international jury, which included Mr Dudley, selected the four from more than 150 applications from all over the world.

At the gala final performance, the jury awarded the Forum 2000 prize to Canadian composer Brian Current for his work *For the time being*. He also won the People's Choice prize, which was voted on by the audience.

The other highlights of the evening were the collaborative performances between the Australian and Canadian ensembles.

The Le NEM and Elder New Music ensembles joined forces under the baton of Lorraine Vaillancourt to perform a work commissioned by the Festival from



Adelaide University Vice-Chancellor Professor Mary O'Kane congratulates Forum 2000 winner Brian Current. His prize is a commission from the LIGHTS ensemble for a work to be performed at Adelaide Festival 2002.

Adelaide composer Quentin Grant.

In another collaboration, Le NEM players joined the LIGHTS ensemble to perform *Dancing with LIGHTS*, a work commissioned by Radio Canada from Montreal composer Denis Gougeon and conducted by Grahame Dudley.

—John Drislane



Adelaide University's LIGHTS ensemble and members of Le NEM, with conductor Grahame Dudley, applaud composer Denis Gougeon after their performance.

## Staging opera in London

A lecture on the English forestage and its effect on the staging of opera in London in the 17th, 18th and early 19th centuries will be given at Adelaide University on Tuesday, 28 March (Room 1107, Schulz Building, 7.30pm).

It will be delivered by Michael Burden MA (Adelaide University), PhD (University of Edinburgh).

Dr Burden is Director of the New Chamber Orchestra, Fellow in Music and

University Lecturer in Opera Studies at Oxford University.

He will examine the design of the forestage during the period and consider what effect it might have had on the writing of opera.

The lecture is presented by the Musicological Society of Australia (SA Chapter) in association with the Elder Conservatorium, School of Performing Arts. Refreshments will be provided a gold coin donation would be appreciated.

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The Careers Service, part of the new Student Support Services branch, held two highly successful careers fairs in the areas of Business, Commerce, Economics and Finance, and Engineering, IT and Computing Science, while the Law Students' Society held an equivalent fair for law.

Careers administrator Ms Amanda Phillis said the purpose of the two Careers Service fairs was to bring Adelaide students into contact with major employers in the state and nation.

"Students get the benefits of knowing what kind of work is available, and what kind of recruitment processes are being used. The employers are able to have access to some of Australia's best graduates-to-be," she said.

"The fairs this year were arranged in Faculty groupings so that students had their specific needs met and employers knew that they were targeting the right audience.

"Over 30 employers came to each fair, setting up their displays in booths ranged around Bonython Hall. Several of the companies and government departments have been in touch since to congratulate the Careers Service on the quality of the organisation of the days, and to



At the Engineering, IT and Computing Science careers fair on 7 March were (from left) Vision Systems human resources officer, Barrie Hinton, and Adelaide University computer science students Angelica Wardhana and Ling Hui Chua.

express their satisfaction with the students they met."

Fairs for the remaining faculties will be arranged in semester two.

—Ben Osborne

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### MISCELLANEOUS

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**SCUBA DIVING ADVENTURE:** 16 June - 2 July or 1 - 16 July, Alor, Indonesia. Visit our web site at: <http://www.jabu.com.au> for more details



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## MONDAY 27 MARCH

**1.00pm Microbiology & Immunology Seminar:** Antigenic variation in *Giardia*: exploiting subtypes of *G. intestinalis* to define variant-specific surface protein (VSP) subsets by Dr Peter Ey (Microbiology & Immunology). Departmental Library, 5th Floor, Medical School South.

**1.00pm Skindiving Club:** Leafy and weedy seadragons and how we can be involved in the database by Jeremy Gramp (Dragon Search). WP Rogers Room, Level 5, Union Building.

**1.10pm History Staff/Postgraduate Seminar:** The Impact of Industrialisation on Warfare: The experience of the First World War by Professor Trevor Wilson (History). Common Room 420, 4th Floor, Napier Building.

**1.10pm Law Seminar:** Is classical contract past its use-by-date? by John Gava. Room 216, Ligertwood Building. Sandwiches provided.

**4.00pm Soil and Water Seminar:** Cadmium uptake and distribution in two cultivars of potato (*Solanum tuberosum* L.) by Kelly Dunbar (Soil & Water). Room 301, Prescott Building, Waite Campus.

**6.00pm Centre for Intercultural Studies & Multicultural Education Seminar:** Korean Civil Society and Non-Government Organisations: Their Characteristics in the Democratic Process by Professor Kim Young-Pyong (President of the Korea Institute of Public Administration and Professor of Sociology, University of Korea). Council Room, Level 7, Hughes Building. Refreshments from 5.30pm. Enquiries 8303 5788 or email: <saraswathi.karthigasu@student.adelaide.edu.au>.

**8.00pm Classical Association of South Australia Meeting:** The Power and the Passion: Rituals of Love Magic in the Greco-Roman World. Silke Trzcionka. Room 723, Hughes Building.

## TUESDAY 28 MARCH

**9.15am Microbiology & Immunology Special Seminar:** *Helicobacter pylori* pathogenesis: Molecular mimicry between bacteria and gastric epithelium by Professor Diane Taylor (Microbiology & Immunology, University of Alberta, Canada). Council Room, Level 7, Wills Building.

**10.15am Microbiology & Immunology Special Seminar:** Studies of microbial pathogenic mechanisms and the development of novel vaccines and therapeutic agents by Associate Professor James Paton (Molecular Microbiology Unit, Adelaide Women's & Children's Hospital). Council Room, Level 7, Wills Building.

**12noon Child Health Research Institute Seminar:** The Neurochemical Characterisation of the Fractional Classes of Human Enteric Neurons by Dr Anthony Porter (Child Health Research Institute). Seminar Room, 7th Floor, Rieger Building, WCH. Light refreshments will be provided by Life Technologies.

**3.15pm Anthropology Seminar:** The British Vocabulary of 'Nation' and Sinhala Consciousness in the Kingdom of Kandy, 1795-1815 by Michael Roberts (Anthropology). Room 722, 7th Floor, Napier Building.

## COMING EVENTS

March 27th — April 7th

### WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH

**10.10am Electrical & Electronic Engineering Seminar:** Target Detection Using Support Vector Machines by Hong Gunn Chew (Postgraduate). Room EM212, New Engineering & Mathematics Building.

**12.10pm Recitals Australia 2000 Autumn Series:** Chooi Ann Lee (piano); Berenice Harrison (piano). Adults \$3/Concession \$1. Pilgrim Church, 12 Flinders Street, Adelaide.

**1.10pm Genetics Seminar:** Title to be announced by Dr Timothy Cox. Seminar Room, Ground Floor, Fisher Building (southern entrance).

**1.10pm Geology & Geophysics Seminar:** Mafic dykes in Botswana and Victoria, and their relationship to Gondwana break-up by Dr Marlina Elburg (Geology & Geophysics). Mawson Lecture Theatre, Mawson Labs.

**4.30pm Environmental Biology Seminar:** Links between estuarine and coastal populations of fish: information from trace elements in otoliths by Dr B Gillanders (School of Biological Sciences, University of Sydney). Seminar Room, 4th Floor, Fisher Building.

**7.30pm Alumni Association Sciences & Mathematical Sciences Chapter Public Lecture:** How genes tell cells to make tissues by Professor Robert Saint (Director, Centre for the Molecular Genetics of Development). Rennie Lecture Theatre. Admission free. Bookings 8303 5800.

### THURSDAY 30 MARCH

**12noon IMVS/HCCR Seminar:** A genome-scale approach to identify novel therapeutic targets in cancer by Dr Deon Venter (Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute, Melbourne). Robson Theatre, Eleanor Harrald Building (adjacent to IMVS Building on Frome Road).

**12.05pm Psychology Seminar:** Gender differences in scientific careers, productivity and (in) visibility: long term aggregate data and recent case studies by Dr I Lubeck (University of Guelph, Canada). Room 527, Hughes.

**1.00pm Chemical Pathology Seminar:** The molecular mechanisms of growth plate fracture repair by Belinda Thomas; and Functional studies of lysosome-associated protein-1 and -2 by Melissa Chang (PhD students). Seminar Room 1, 4th Floor, Clarence Rieger Building, WCH.

### FRIDAY 31 MARCH

**10.00am Animal Science Seminar:** Research project proposals by Kris Bray, Chiara Baynes and Nick Porter (Honours students). Conference Room, Davies Building, Waite Campus.

**1.10pm Elder Conservatorium Lunch Hour Concert:** Berent Korfker (distinguished visiting artist, Netherlands) - violin, Kana Yamaguchi - piano. Works by Tartini, Beethoven and Wieniawski. Admission \$3 at the door. Elder Hall.

**4.00pm Obstetrics & Gynaecology Seminar:** Melatonin: myth or fact. Its role in sleep by Dr Kurt Lushington (Centre for Sleep Research, University of SA, QEH). Seminar Rm, 6th Floor, Medical School, North Wing.

### SUNDAY 2 APRIL

**7.30pm Jazz Series 2000:** Fiona Burnett Quartet. Featuring Fiona Burnett (Soprano saxophone), Mark Fitzgibbon (Piano), Matt Clohesy (Double bass) and Darryn Farrugia (Drums). Tickets \$12/\$8 concession. Governor Hindmarsh Hotel, 59 Port Road, Hindmarsh. Bookings/Enquiries: Margaret Reines 8303 4339.

### MONDAY 3 APRIL

**1.00pm Microbiology & Immunology Seminar:** Unifying concepts in bacterial cell surface polysaccharide synthesis by Dr Renato Morona (Microbiology & Immunology). Departmental Library, 5th Floor, Medical School South.

**1.00pm Clinical & Experimental Pharmacology Seminar:** The methadone doesn't hold: opioid effects and withdrawal among methadone maintenance patients by Kyle Dyer (Flinders National Centre for Education, Training and Addiction). Seminar Room, Level 6, Medical School, North Wing.

**1.10pm Law Seminar:** Teaching about values by Helen Cameron. Room 216, Ligertwood Building. Sandwiches provided.

**3.30pm ACUE Seminar:** The concept of "dissonance" in contextualised learning engagement by Prof Erik Meyer (Director, Centre for Learning, Teaching and Research in Higher Education, Durham University, UK). Seminar Rm 2, Level 2, Schulz Building.

**4.00pm Soil & Water Seminar:** Theories and experiment on the molecular mechanisms of P translocation in arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi by Jock Nielsen (Riso National Laboratory, Denmark). Room 301, Prescott Building, Waite Campus.

### TUESDAY 4 APRIL

**1.10pm Student Workshop:** Confidential tutorial and seminar presentations by Sally Hebenstreit. Counselling Centre, Ground Floor, Horace Lamb Building.

**3.15pm Anthropology Seminar:** Forensic Anthropology: Negotiating Anthropology within Legal Parameters by Suzi Hutchings (Anthropology). Room 722, 7th Floor, Napier Building.

### WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL

**10.10am Electrical & Electronic Engineering Seminar:** Performance of File Transfer Applications in a Broadband Access Network Environment by Eduardo Mascarenhas (Postgraduate, CTIN).

Room EM212, New Engineering & Mathematics Building.

**12.10pm Recitals Australia 2000 Autumn Series:** Peter Schodde (piano); Ashley Hribar (piano). Adults \$3/\$1 Concession. Pilgrim Church, 12 Flinders Street, Adelaide.

**12.30pm Clinical Nursing Seminar:** Cardiac Arrest: Proactive or Reactive by Ms Deb Herewane (Clinical Nurse, Intensive Care Unit, RAH). Room 36, Level 3, Eleanor Harrald Building, RAH.

**1.00pm Friends of the State Library of SA Talk:** Books in My Life by Professor Mary O'Kane (Vice-Chancellor). \$6/\$4 members. The Auditorium (behind Art Gallery of SA).

**1.10pm Geology & Geophysics Seminar:** Petroleum systems of the Bowen Basin by Dr Khaled Al-Aroui (Geology & Geophysics). Mawson Lecture Theatre, Mawson Laboratories.

**1.10pm Horticulture, Viticulture & Oenology Seminar:** Recent work on red wine pigments by Mr Robert Asenstorfer (HVO). Plant Research Centre Auditorium, Waite.

**1.10pm Genetics Seminar:** Guiding the peripheral nerve through the eph/ephrin field by Dr Simon Koblar. Seminar Room, Ground Floor, Fisher Building (southern entrance).

**4.30pm Environmental Biology Seminar:** Colonisation and success in biological control: applied evolutionary biology? by Dr Rick Roush (CRC Weeds). Seminar Room, 4th Floor, Fisher Building.

### THURSDAY 6 APRIL

**12noon IMVS/HCCR Seminar:** Insect parasitoids and symbiotic viruses by Dr Sassan Asgari (Applied & Molecular Ecology). Robson Theatre, Eleanor Harrald Building (adjacent to IMVS Building on Frome Road).

**12.05pm Psychology Seminar:** Consequences of hope and the experience of cancer by Jaklin Elliott (Medicine). Room 527, Hughes Building.

### FRIDAY 7 APRIL

**10.00am Animal Science Seminar:** Making sense of feedlot data by David Rutley (Feedlot Data Analysis Service). Room 12, Callaghan Building, Roseworthy Campus.

**10.00am Social Inquiry Postgraduate Seminar Series:** Labour Studies: The Making of South Australia: A World System Analysis by Stewart Sweeney. 11.30am: Gender Studies: Poststructuralism and Feminism: A Troublesome Alliance? by Pam Papadelos. Seminar Room, Level 3, 10 Pulteney Street.

**1.10pm Elder Conservatorium Lunch Hour Concert:** Stefan Ammer - piano. Works by acclaimed South Australian composers John Polglase, Graeme Koehne and Tristram Cary. Admission \$3 at the door. Elder Hall.

**4.00pm Obstetrics & Gynaecology Seminar:** Do control trials have educational value? by Professor Mark Keirse (Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Flinders Medical Centre). Seminar Room, 6th Floor, Medical School, North Wing.

## SITUATIONS VACANT

For further information about the following vacancies please refer to Human Resources' Web page at <<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/HR/advpos.htm>> or the contact person named in the advertisement.

Please note that applications, in duplicate, addressing the selection criteria and quoting the relevant reference number should include names and full addresses of three referees. The address for applications is C/- the Department or Officer named in the advertisement. Selection criteria and applicable duty statements may be obtained from the contact officer named in the advertisement.

**Applications for the following vacancy will be considered only from members of the staff of the University\* \***

### DIRECTOR (Ref: 10192)

The Don Dunstan Foundation

Salary: \$48,913 - \$55,028

This continuing appointment is available from 1 May 2000. Further information including the duty statement and selection criteria may be obtained from Ms Judith Edwards, Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Internationalisation and Development), tel 8303 6340 or email: <[judith.edwards@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:judith.edwards@adelaide.edu.au)>. Application close 10 April, 2000.

\*\*includes only those persons who hold current written contracts of appointment with the University.

**Applications for the following vacancies are not restricted to members of the University.**

### SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW/SENIOR LECTURER REPRODUCTIVE EPIDEMIOLOGY (Part time) (Ref: 4065)

Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Full-time Salary: \$60,329 - \$69,564

This fixed-term position is available immediately for twelve months in the first instance. The position will initially be a 0.5 FTE basis, but negotiable to full time after October 2000. Further information concerning the duties of the position including the selection criteria may be obtained from Professor R Norman tel 8222 6788, fax 8222 7521 or email: <[robert.norman@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:robert.norman@adelaide.edu.au)>. Applications close 9 April 2000.

### RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (Ref: 10193)

Department of Computer Science  
Salary: \$38,414-\$46,786

This fixed-term position is available immediately for a period of three years. Further information, including selection criteria, is available from Dr David Munro, Department of

Computer Science, tel 8303 6173, fax 803 4366 or email: <[dave@cs.adelaide.edu.au](mailto:dave@cs.adelaide.edu.au)>. Applications close 7 April 2000.

### EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT (Ref: 10195)

Office of the Vice-Chancellor

Salary: \$39,402 - \$42,664

This continuing position is available immediately. Further information including the duty statement and selection criteria may be obtained from Rosalyn Chardon, tel 8303 4015, fax 8303 4407 or email: <[rosalyn.chardon@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:rosalyn.chardon@adelaide.edu.au)>. Applications close 3 April 2000.

### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (Ref: 10181)

School of Engineering Office

Salary: \$39,402 - \$42,664

This continuing position is available immediately. Further information, including duty statement and selection criteria, may be obtained from the School of Engineering, tel 8303 5450 or email: <[schooloff@eng.adelaide.edu.au](mailto:schooloff@eng.adelaide.edu.au)>. Applications close 31 March 2000.

### RESEARCH ASSISTANT (Ref: 2441)

Department of Medicine

Salary: \$35,191 - \$39,268

This continuing position is available immediately. Further information including the duty statement and selection criteria may be obtained from Dr Dee Harrison-Findik, tel 8222 3901 or Professor John Gollan, tel 8222 5502. Applications close 31 March 2000.

### RECEPTIONIST (Ref: 3798)

South Australian Centre for Economic Studies

Full-time Salary: \$25,815 - \$27,445\*

\*Junior rates apply to those persons 20 years of age and under.

This fixed-term position is available from 3 April 2000 to 31 December 2000 on a 22.05 hours per week basis. Further information including the duty statement and selection criteria may be obtained from Mrs D Dolman, tel 8303 5555 or email: <[davina.dolman@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:davina.dolman@adelaide.edu.au)>. Applications close 3 April 2000.

### HUMAN RESOURCES DEADLINES FOR ADELAIDEAN

For the Adelaidean of 10 April 2000 advertising paper work must be received in Human Resources by 24 March 2000.

For the Adelaidean of 24 April 2000, advertising paper work must be received in Human Resources by 7 April 2000.

## GENERAL NOTICES

### Changes in Student & Staff Services

Some changes have been taking place in the Division of Student and Staff Services, most notably:

#### 1. Student Services Redesign

Following a recruitment process, managers have now been appointed into a series of new roles created for the redesign of direct service and support service units. These new managers are:

- David Lamb, Administrative Services Branch
- Karyn Paukkunen, Student Centre
- Liz Geddes, Student Recruitment
- Kerry Jaeger, Student Services Policy Branch
- Susan Close, Student Support Services.

When the new managers have had the opportunity to review the outcomes of the first phase of the restructure, further adjustments will be made alongside the preparations for going live with the first suite of PeopleSoft student administration modules between June 2000 and March 2001.

#### 2. Equal Opportunity

A number of changes have been made in the University's approach to Equal Opportunity issues. The most significant is the requirement for managers to demonstrate how they and their areas are performing against goals set by the University.

There have also been a number of new appointments:

- Liz Wade is the new Student Interests Adviser
- Sam Jacobs joins Liz as Project Officer
- Jane Copeland is now with Student Support Services as a caseworker
- Andi Sebastian has moved to Human Resources to deal with equal opportunity in employment issues.

In addition, Marilyn Dunn is the Disability Liaison Officer, a role which has existed at the University for some time.

IAN CREAUGH  
Executive Director,  
Student & Staff Services

### Review of the Department of Geographical & Environmental Studies

#### Call for Submissions

The University is currently undertaking a review of the Department of Geographical & Environmental Studies. Staff, students and members of the community are invited to make a submission to the Review on matters relevant to the Terms of Reference. The primary term of

reference is to provide an overall evaluation of the performance of all parts of the Department and to advise on future academic directions.

The complete terms of reference can be obtained at the following web address: <[http://www.adelaide.edu.au/DVC/reviews/geography\\_review.html](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/DVC/reviews/geography_review.html)>, or by contacting Tim Scroop, Reviews Officer, 8303 5902.

It is requested that submissions be received by Friday 8 May 2000. They should be sent to Tim Scroop, Reviews Officer, Room G04, Mitchell Building, University of Adelaide, SA, 5005. Please indicate if you wish your submission to be confidential.

It is possible, time permitting, that those who lodge submissions may be asked to attend an interview session with the Review Committee. Please indicate in your submission whether you are interested in speaking to the Committee if the possibility arises.

PENNY BOUMELHA  
Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
(Education)

### Review of the University of Adelaide Libraries

#### Call for Submissions

The University is currently undertaking a major review of the University of Adelaide Libraries. Staff, students and members of the community are invited to make a submission to the Review on matters relevant to the Terms of Reference. The primary term of reference for the Review is 'to provide strategic advice on the maintenance of international-standard information services'.

The terms of reference can be obtained at : <[http://www.adelaide.edu.au/DVC/reviews/library\\_review.html](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/DVC/reviews/library_review.html)>, or by contacting Tim Scroop, Reviews Officer, 8303 5902.

It is requested that submissions be

received by Wednesday 26 April 2000. They should be sent to Tim Scroop, Reviews Officer, Room G04, Mitchell Building, University of Adelaide, SA, 5005. Please indicate if you wish your submission to be confidential.

It is possible, time permitting, that those who lodge submissions may be asked to attend an interview session with the Review Committee. Please indicate in your submission whether you are interested in speaking to the Committee if the possibility arises.

PENNY BOUMELHA  
Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
(Education)

### Car Parking

The renewal process for the 2000 parking permits has been completed. If you have not renewed your parking permit contact Carl Bradney now, ext 34673, email: <[carl.bradney@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:carl.bradney@adelaide.edu.au)>. 1999 parking permits will be invalid from 7 April.


#### SOME REMINDERS:

On campus permits (excepting blue permits) only allow parking in white lined spaces. Re-painting of the line marking is proceeding and all 15 minute spaces and reserved spaces are being repainted with yellow lines. Signage is being installed adjacent to reserved spaces indicating the permit numbers that may park in the spaces. All reserved, blue lined and 15 minute spaces operate as such at all times.

After hours permits including those for the Frome Street and 251 North Terrace car parks allow parking on campus between 4.30pm and 9.15am Monday to Friday and all day Saturday, Sunday and public holidays.

To have an on-campus permit does not guarantee a parking space but allows a permit holder to park if a space is available. With the reduction in on-campus spaces in recent years and an increase in usage of existing permits new on-campus permits are only being issued in exceptional circumstances. There have been and will continue to be occasions when parking spaces will not be available.

CARL BRADNEY  
Manager, Car Parking



## ASMR Workshop

Associate Professor Ed Nice will be visiting Adelaide as a guest of the Australian Society for Medical Research and will present a seminar on "The use of biosensors, fluorescence anisotropy and analytical ultracentrifugation to probe EGF/EGFR interactions". Associate Professor Nice is a principle research fellow at the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research at the Melbourne Tumour Biology Branch and is Associate Director for the CRC for Cellular Growth Factors in Melbourne. His research interests include the development of HPLC methods for the purification and structure-function analysis of growth factors and their receptors. His seminar will highlight more recent work involving optical biosensors for receptor-ligand interaction studies.

The ASMR Workshop will be held on Thursday, 30 March in the Verco Theatre, IMVS. Light supper and wine provided. Sponsored by Biacore. Enquiries to Lisa Edwards, 8303 4568.

**About the ASMR...**  
The Australian Society for Medical Research represents some 11,000 people actively involved in health and medical research throughout Australia. The ASMR aims to promote health and medical research at the scientific, political and public level. To become a member of the ASMR or for information, contact Wendy Ingman, 8303 3932.

## ATTENTION ALL NEW STAFF New Staff Orientation Program

**Wednesday 29 March 2000, Staff Development Centre, Level 2, 10 Pulteney Street. Registration 8.45am for 9.00am start.**

Human Resources is conducting an orientation program for new staff to the University of Adelaide which will address such issues as:

- Brief history of the University
- Human Resource issues, including industrial relations & OH&S responsibilities
- Adelaide University's future directions - senior management and student perspectives
- Staff & Student equity
- Information Technology
- Security services
- Staff development

This program is suitable for new staff at all of the Adelaide University campuses or any other staff member who may consider an update of information useful. The sessions, which finish at 12 noon, will be followed by an informal lunch and a tour of the North Terrace campus. For further details please contact Andi Sebastian on 34457 or email at: <andi.sebastian@adelaide.edu.au>.

## The Face of IT in the New Millennium

Information Technology Services (ITS) has recently undergone a significant restructure. The new structure will enable ITS to provide a higher standard of service to the University.

The most noticeable change is the merger of the Customer Service Centre with the Telephone Help Desk to form the ITS Call Centre. The Call Centre will be the initial point of contact in ITS for all IT queries, including telecommunications and PABX enquiries. Staff in the new Call Centre will be undergoing multi-skilling over the next few months. When this process is complete, a greater number of people will have the skill to deal with a single query. Referral of queries to other ITS staff will be reduced and consequently, most calls will be resolved more quickly.

A new Application Support Team has been formed to help ITS provide more responsive and efficient service by providing specialist support to Call Centre staff. The role of this team is to redesign the support processes within ITS, document those processes, maintain Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), and respond to ad-hoc requests for management information which require special programming. The initial focus will be to develop service definitions and service targets for all ITS "branded" services.

In response to concerns raised by some areas, the new role of "Account Manager" has been created. Each area of the University will be allocated an Account Manager, who will be an important link between ITS and area management. The role of the Account Manager is to promote communication with areas, advocate the area's needs, promote University policies, standards and procedures, identify IT issues which ITS can help address, and investigate any ongoing operational problems when dealing with ITS.

The new Strategy and Policy section will assist University Management in determining University wide IT strategies, priorities and future business plans.

The restructure will also herald in a more professional approach to project management within ITS. Projects will be managed using a formal project management methodology. This will help to ensure areas are adequately consulted and involved in projects relevant to them, and that all aspects of new projects are adequately documented.

**The full details of the new structure and interim staff assignments are on the World Wide Web at: <<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/ITS>>**

## Does God Exist? A Debate

**Monday, 10 April 2000, 7.30 - 9.00pm, Napier Building 102.**

*Speaker for the Affirmative:*

**Father Frank Brennan SJ, AO**, a Jesuit priest and a lawyer. Director of UNITA, the Jesuit Society Justice Centre in Sydney, a member of the Constitutional Centenary Convention, and author of many published works.

*Speaker for the Negative:*

**Adjunct Associate Professor Peter Woolcock**, Philosophy, University of South Australia, formerly South Australian Chief Sceptic, President of the Humanist Society and a Civil Celebrant.

*Chair:*

**Professor Chris Mortensen**, Philosophy, Adelaide University.

There will be half an hour for members of the audience to ask questions at the end of the debate, and refreshments to follow.

RVSP: greta.larsen@adelaide.edu.au or phone 8303 4817.

**Sponsored by ARCHSS and the Philosophy Department, Adelaide University.**



• Present an illustrated talk: Gardening the Mediterranean Way: Why Waste Water? by Heidi Gildemeister (Distinguished writer on Mediterranean gardens). To be held on Friday 7 April 2000 at 8.00pm in the Charles Hawker Conference Centre, Waite Campus.

All welcome. Admission free. Bookings essential by Monday 3 April.

Ms Gildemeister will be signing copies of her book *Mediterranean Gardening, a Waterwise Approach* on sale at the meeting.

• At 3.00pm on Thursday 6 April there will be a meeting to discuss forming a South Australian branch of the Mediterranean Garden Society, followed by a guided walk around the Waite Arboretum. All welcome, no charge. Bookings essential by Monday 3 April.

Enquiries & bookings: 8303 7405.

## Women's Professional Development Network (WPDN)

The WPDN is a development initiative for all women general staff of Adelaide University. It focuses on issues affecting the professional and personal development needs of women general staff.

The WPDN runs a variety of activities including breakfasts, lunchtime speakers and workshops. For more information, visit our web site at:

<<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/wpdn>>

or contact Sam Jacob <[sam.jacob@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:sam.jacob@adelaide.edu.au)>, ext 34201, or Danielle Hopkins <[danielle.hopkins@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:danielle.hopkins@adelaide.edu.au)>, ext 33937.

### COMING EVENTS

#### Breakfast

- 8.00am on Friday 14 April at Cafe Buongiorno, Rundle Street.

#### Lunchtime Workshop

- Wednesday 5 April: Making the most of your skills and abilities. Facilitated by Helen Alm.
- Friday 5 May: How to host the perfect event without a murder: tips on how to cut corners and make organising an event easier. Our guest will be Margaret Terrell.

Free event of 1hr duration, bring your lunch. Venue is the Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, 12.30pm.

## Research participants needed

### Bulimia Nervosa Study

Women who have lived with, or are living through bulimia are required for a research project being undertaken by an Adelaide University PhD student.

Participants will be required to complete a questionnaire and to meet for informal discussions. Participation is at all times voluntary and women can choose how much or little they wish to be involved.

Please contact Corrie Hosking, tel 8339 8074 or email: <[chosking@cobweb.com.au](mailto:chosking@cobweb.com.au)> if you wish to participate.

## Research Branch Update

### AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE (AHURI) - PROJECT FUNDING FOR 2000

The University is a participating organisation in AHURI which aims to link quality research and the development of ideas with policy development, program evaluation and project development in the public and private sectors. AHURI is keen to fund a variety of different kinds of projects, including broad exploratory analysis of emerging issues, monitoring and forecasting of relevant data and strongly practical program evaluation.

The overarching objective of the AHURI research program over the next four years is to make a substantial contribution to:

- better understanding of the dynamics of the housing system and its effects on economic and social outcomes;
- effective and efficient housing assistance programs based on knowledge of their impact upon the people supported, the housing market at large and the range of associated opportunity costs and benefits; and
- the building and strengthening of viable communities in urban, regional and remote Australia.

Applications for funding in 2000 close with the Research Branch on 30 March and applicants will be notified progressively of which projects will be supported from 20 April.

Further information and application materials can be obtained from the Research Branch web site or from Professor Graeme Hugo, Director, National Key Centre for Social Applications of GIS.

### AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ARC) GRANTS FOR 2001

#### International Researcher Exchange (IREX) Scheme

Applications for funding under the IREX scheme in 2001 will close with the Research Branch on Friday 7 April. Application materials and

guidelines are available from the Research Branch web site. Further information is also available from Professor Russell Baudinette, Department of Environmental Biology who is a member of the ARC's Committee on International and National Co-operation, which is responsible for the scheme.

#### Strategic Partnerships with Industry-Research and Training (SPIRT) Scheme

This scheme is designed to encourage and develop long-term strategic alliances between higher education institutions and industry, to provide industry-oriented research training for postgraduate research students and to foster opportunities for postdoctoral researchers to pursue internationally competitive research in collaboration with industry.

Application forms and guidelines for funding in 2001 are now available from the Research Branch web site. Applications will close with the Research Branch on Wednesday 26 April.

#### Research Infrastructure Equipment and Facilities Scheme

The main objective of this program is to fund relatively large scale initiatives (in excess of \$100,000) to develop research infrastructure on a collaborative basis among groups of institutions, across the higher education system as a whole, and with organisations outside the system. Approximately \$20 million will be available through the program in 2001. Funding is for one year only.

The application form and guidelines, and a report on the allocation of grants for 1999, are available from the Research Branch web site.

If you are considering submitting an application please notify Cyril Brown in the Research Branch of your interest as soon as possible (ext 35137). Formal expressions of interest are due by the end of April and it is expected that final applications will be due in the Research Branch by Friday, 26 May 2000.

## Dental care specials

Dental treatment for University staff and students  
Emergency dental treatment and routine dental care is available at the Colgate Australian Clinical Dental Research Centre (CACDRC). In addition, specialist orthodontic and implant services are now available. All patient treatment is carried out by qualified staff. Competitive rates and EFTPOS facilities are available. Concessions are also available for holders of University cards. Convenient public transport access is available. **For information contact Lisa 8303 3437.**

## Bicycle Users



### REGISTRATION OF INTEREST

In a forum to discuss:

- bicycle parking on campus
- security
- levies and insurance
- equity of access

the outcome of which will be implemented in University Management of Bicycles on Campus. Reply to: Property Services, 8303 5701 or email: <rod.page@adelaide.edu.au>.

## Commemoration Ceremonies

### CEREMONY 1

**Thursday 13 April, 10.00am**  
Dental School - all courses  
Medical School - all courses  
Graduate School of Management - all courses

### CEREMONY 2

**Thursday 13 April, 3.00pm**  
Faculty of Science - all courses

### CEREMONY 3

**Monday 17 April, 10.00am**  
Faculty of Agricultural & Natural Resource Sciences - all courses  
School of Mathematical & Computer Sciences all courses

### CEREMONY 4

**Monday 17 April, 3.00pm**  
School of Engineering - all courses

### CEREMONY 5

**Wednesday 19 April, 10.00am**  
School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design - all courses  
School of Economics - all courses

The Elder Conservatorium - School of Performing Arts (including AMEB) - all courses

### CEREMONY 6

**Wednesday 19 April, 3.00pm**  
School of Commerce - all courses  
School of Law - all courses

### CEREMONY 7

**Thursday 20 April, 10.00am**  
Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences  
Doctorates, Masters, Graduate Diplomas, Graduate Certificates and Bachelors of the Dept of Education  
Honours BA - Family Names A-K\*  
Ordinary BA - Family Names A-K\*  
Ordinary BA (Jurisprudence)

### CEREMONY 8

**Thursday 20 April, 3.00pm**  
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences  
Doctorates, Masters, Graduate Diplomas, Graduate Certificates in Departments other than Education  
Honours BA - Family Names L-Z\*  
Ordinary BA - Family Names L-Z\*  
Wilto Yerlo - all courses  
\* Some minor adjustment to the alphabetic groupings may occur.

# RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER FUNDING SCHEMES

## Research Grants & Fellowships

The following is a list of grant, fellowship and other research funding schemes available for application. A more detailed electronic version of this listing (Update: Research), together with guidelines and applications for some of the major schemes, are available at: <<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/RB/>>. For hard copy applications and guidelines, contact the Research Branch, ext 35137; or email <[renae.minerds@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:renae.minerds@adelaide.edu.au)>.

**Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN):** SPIN Australia - A database containing current and comprehensive information on over 2,600 government and private funding opportunities. The SPIN web site is accessible via the Research Branch web site.

**Ian Potter Foundation and Ian Potter Cultural Trust - Grants/Travel Grants:** Various closing dates. Note: Travel Grant Applications must be submitted at least 4 months before travel. Web site: <<http://www.ianpotter.org.au>>.

**Rural Industries Research & Development Corporation (RIRDC)- Conference & Workshop Travel Support Program:** Applications will be accepted throughout the year but must be received by the Corporation at least three months prior to the planned travel date. Web site: <<http://www.rirdc.gov.au>>.

**National Institute on Drug Abuse, USA - Centers for Drug and Aids Research Core Grants:** Internal closing date: 29 March 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-00-008.html>>.

**Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute - Project Funding:** Internal closing date: 31 March 2000

**Environment Australia - Australian Biological Resources Study:** Internal closing date: 3 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.anbg.gov.au/abrs>>.

**Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care - Applications Sought for Community Grants:** Internal closing date: 10 April 2000. Web site: <[www.health.gov.au/pubhlth/strateg/childnutrition/](http://www.health.gov.au/pubhlth/strateg/childnutrition/)>.

**Australian Greenhouse Office - Renewable Energy Commercialisation Program Round 4:** Internal closing date: 11 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.greenhouse.gov.au/renewable>>.

**National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, USA / National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, USA / Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International - Neurobiology of Diabetic**

**Complications:** Internal closing date: 11 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-NS-00-002.html>>.

**NSW Environment Protection Authority - Community Waste Reduction Grants Program:** Internal closing date: 11 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/waste>>.

**Office of Dietary Supplements, USA / National Center for Complementary and Alternative / Medicine, USA / Fogarty International Center, USA / National Cancer Institute, USA / National / Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, USA / National Institute of General Medical Sciences, USA / National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, USA / National Institute on Aging, USA / National Institute on Drug Abuse, USA / National Institute of Environmental and Health Sciences, USA / Office of Research on Women's Health, USA - Centers for Dietary Supplement Research: Botanicals:** Internal closing date: 11 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-00-004.html>>.

**National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, USA / National Institute on Aging, USA / National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, USA / National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, USA / National Institute of Mental Health, USA / National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, USA, / Office of Behavioural and Social Sciences Research, USA - Health Disparities: Linking Biological and Behavioural Mechanisms with Social and Physical Environments:** Internal closing date: 12 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-ES-00-004.html>>.

**The Wellcome Trust - Overseas Senior Research Fellowships in Biomedical Science:** Internal closing date: 14 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.wellcome.ac.uk>>.

**National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases, USA - Laboratory Methods to Assess Responses to HIV Vaccine Candidates:** Internal closing dates: 17 April, 18 August & 22 December 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-99-044.html>>.

**National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, USA / National Institute of Mental Health, USA / National Institute on Drug Abuse, USA / National Institute on Aging, USA - Mechanisms in HIV Dementia and Other CNS Diseases:** Internal closing

dates: 17 April, 18 August and 18 December 2000. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-00-065.html>>.

**NHMRC - Program in Medical Genomics:** Internal closing date: 18 April 2000. Details: <<http://www.health.gov.au/nhmrc/research/2000/desc2000.pdf>>. Proforma: <<http://www.nhmrc.health.gov.au/research/contents.htm>>.

**National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, USA - Genetic Disorders Causing Mental Retardation:** Internal closing dates: Various. Web site: <<http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/1994/94.02.18/pa-genetic-disorders009.html>>.

**The George Alexander Foundation - Grants:** Internal closing dates: 20 April, 25 July and 23 October 2000. Web site: <<http://www.gafoundation.org.au>>.

**Emergency Management Australia - Australian Disaster Research Grants:** Internal closing date: 21 April 2000. Web site: <<http://www.ema.gov.au/ausgrants.htm>>.

**National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, USA / Office of Research on Women's Health, USA - Pathophysiology, Epidemiology and Treatment of Vulvodynia:** Internal closing date: 21 April 2000. Web site: <<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HD-00-008.html>>.

**National Library of Australia - Harold White Fellowships:** Internal closing date: 21 April 2000

**Primary Industries and Resources SA - The AW Howard Memorial Trust Travel Grants:** Internal closing date: 21 April 2000

**Sylvia and Charles Viertel Charitable Foundation - Applications for 2000 - 2001**

• **Senior Medical Research Fellowships**  
• **Establishment Grants for Viertel Clinical Investigators**  
Internal closing date: 21 April 2000

**Anti-Cancer Foundation of Australia - Research Grants:** Internal closing date: 27 April 2000

**Radiological Society of North America - Research and Education Foundation - Seed Grants:** Internal closing dates: 1 May & 1 September 2000. Web site: <<http://www.rsna.org>>.

**Australian Academy of Science - Rudi Lemberg Travelling Fellowship:** Internal closing date: 5 May 2000. Web site: <<http://www.science.org.au/awards/lembert.htm>>.

**Parke Davis/Pfizer - Cardio Vascular Lipid Research Grants:** Internal closing date: 5 May 2000. Web site: <<http://www.cvlgrants.com.au>>.

## Scholarships

Unless otherwise indicated, further information and application forms are available from the Student Centre, Level 4, Wills Building. Please lodge all applications with the Student Centre unless otherwise stated.

**Australian Minerals and Energy Environment Foundation Travelling Scholarship:** Value: up to \$15,000 to enable an individual to travel overseas to study new developments in some aspect of environmental management, research or practice, so that the knowledge gained may be applied to the benefit of environmental management in the Australian minerals and energy industries. Details: <[www.ameef.com.au](http://www.ameef.com.au)> or by tel (03) 9679 9911, fax: (03) 9679 9916, email: <[ameef@ameef.com.au](mailto:ameef@ameef.com.au)>. Closing: 5 May 2000 (Melbourne)

**British Federation of University Women:** A booklet providing details of awards provided by the Federation is available on request to the Student Centre.

**Constantine Aspromourgos Memorial Scholarship for Greek Studies 2000:** Open to Bachelors or Masters graduates of Queensland University undertaking a postgraduate course involving studies in at least one area of Greek studies in language, culture, literature, history, archaeology, society, religion, economy, politics or geography; and are undertaking the course at another university, or Queensland University, provided that part of the course involves studies at another university. Details, University of Queensland tel: (07) 336 51984, email: <[l.munro@mailbox.uq.edu.au](mailto:l.munro@mailbox.uq.edu.au)>. Closing: 14 April 2000 (Qld)

**Dairy Research and Development Corporation General Training & Development:** Available for study tours, attendance at conferences, seminars, workshops and short courses. Overseas travel applications should be built into specific DRDC-funded projects within the Farm and Manufacturing Portfolios. Closing: 31 March 2000 (Melbourne)

**Konig Bequest Awards for Aboriginal Postgraduate Students:** Open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders undertaking Masters or PhD (by full-time research or coursework). Value: up to \$5,000. Closing: 31 March 2000.

**National Heart Foundation Postgraduate Research Scholarships 2000 (Medical and Non-medical):** Open to Australian citizens or permanent residents for full-time postgraduate research studies leading to a PhD at an Australian university. Research should be concerned with cardiovascular function, disease or related problems. Closing: 26 May (Medical)/25 October (non-medical).