St George Building Society signs up

THE Chairman of the University of Wollongong Foundation, Harold Hanson, has announced that the St George Building Society has become a Founding Corporate member of the foundation.

Mr Hanson said that the Sydney-based society would begin its association with the University next year for at least four years. The commitment would be reviewed in 1996.

"St George Building Society's decision to join the foundation recognises a relationship between the University and the Sutherland area that has been growing steadily in the last 10 years," Mr Hanson said.

In announcing St George's support, the building society's General Manager Corporate Affairs, Warren O'Rourke, said: "St George is delighted to be associated with a prestigious university such as Wollongong. "We want to demonstrate that Wollongong is in the home area of St George and therefore it is appropriate that we support the exciting initiatives being developed by the University. "I sincerely believe that the Foundation will go from strength to strength."

Foundation executive member and University Pro Vice-Chancellor Professor Lauchlan Chipman said the establishment of the University of Wollongong Foundation in April this year was a major step to broaden the University's funding base.

"The foundation is raising funds for major capital projects that are important for the University's future development," Professor Chipman said.

The foundation's first project is to raise $2.5 million towards the establishment of a multimedia and open learning laboratory.

ITC to hold staff forums

THE Illawarra Technology Corporation Limited is holding the first in a series of occasional forums on October 30.

These forums will deal with the role of the ITC in major areas of activity providing opportunities for participation by staff of the University.

The forum will be held in The Illawarra Technology Centre Conference Room on Thursday October 30 from 12.30-1.30pm.

Managing Director of ITC, Jim Langridge, said the forum will deal with two matters:

- the relationship between ITC and the University, and
- opportunities for participation in international consulting projects.

It will be divided equally between presentation of information on the topics and the opportunity for questions.
THE University of Wollongong through the Department of Civil and Mining Engineering has joined the AISC National Steel Design Award for Engineering students. This award acknowledges excellence in steel-related subjects of third year engineering students. Twenty-three Australian universities are involved, and each awards a $200 prize to its top third year student in steel-related subjects. These 23 students are then given an opportunity in their fourth and final year to compete for a graduate award, which offers an overseas trip for work experience. The inaugural third year awards will be made at the end of the 1991 academic year. The universities will select their own third year winner, and the fourth year students will be assessed by the AISC Education Committee. AISC Chief Executive, Ian Hooper, said the awards extend AISC’s already pivotal education role. “AISC contributes significantly to the education of future building and construction professionals, and sees the awards as a means of acknowledgement of the high level of talent among students,” Mr Hooper said. For more information contact Michael Charlton (02) 929 6666.

UNIVERSITY personnel are advised that the cashier’s office will be open from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm on all normal working days with the exception of Tuesday December 24. The office will close at noon on December 24. All creditors’ cheques must be collected before noon. Uncollected casual salary cheques for the period ending December 20 will be posted on Monday December 23.

THE Children’s Christmas Party will be held on Saturday November 30 from 11am on the field west of the Recreation and Sports Centre. There will be plenty of entertainment, rides and surprises. The cost per child is $8. The usual Christmas Hamper Raffle will be drawn on the day, but the organising committee needs donations of to fill the hamper.

SOME 300 HSC English students attended a study day at Wollongong University on Saturday, September 28. This was organised by the New Literatures Research Centre with assistance from staff of the Department of English. The program offered 15 revision lectures and discussions on aspects of the two and three-unit syllabuses. Co-ordinator of the day, Dr Paul Sharrad, said that demand had far exceeded expectations. Students came from 40 high schools as widely spread as Moruya, Colo and Springwood. Response from both students and their teachers was so favourable that this may well become a regular annual event, possibly with an extra day for the two-unit general syllabus.

THE University Council met on Friday 11 October, 1991. Amongst the decisions taken at the meeting were:

- Approval of the draft University Budget for 1992. This is the detailed submission on allocations to University units and activities recommended by the Planning and Development Committee in full consultation with the Deans. The 1992 Budget allows improved funding for development and staffing in quickly growing areas such as Commerce, Law and Health and Behavioural Sciences and also for the Library.
- Establishment of the Graduate Business School within the Commerce Faculty, headed by Professor Don Lewis.
- The introduction of the joint degree of Bachelor of Arts-Bachelor of Engineering.
- An increase in late charges for failure to enrol or re-enrol and in application charges for amendments to academic record (where there are no acceptable grounds for application).
- The receipt of the illustrated History of the University written by Josie Castle from the Department of History and Politics. (see story Page 4)
- The new University theatre was to be opened that afternoon by the Hon Bill Hayden, Governor-General of Australia and Council unanimously agreed to name the theatre the Hope Theatre in honour of the Chancellor, the Hon Dr Robert Hope AC. (see story Page 4)
Bert Halpern lecture

A WORLD authority on the neurochemistry of amino acids will present this year’s Bert Halpern Lecture for the Department of Chemistry tomorrow.

The Professor of Pharmacology at the University of Sydney since 1980, Professor Graham Johnston, will speak on Amino acids and the brain.

His lecture will focus on the neurochemistry of the simple amino acids - GABA and glutamate - which he considers to be the most important chemicals in the brain, being the major inhibitory and excitatory transmitters. The lecture will be presented at 5.30pm in the Kemira Room in the Union Building.

No ifs or buts with non-smoking program

FIFTEEN staff members recently participated in a smoking cessation program, ‘Quit at work’, organised by the Centre for Staff Development.

The presenter was Vicky Pintos from Industrial Program Services (IPS). The program took place over two months; one half-day meeting each week for four weeks and then a meeting one month later.

All sessions were within work hours and at no cost to the individual. The 15 participants included both academic and general staff.

The program was based on nicotine reduction, health awareness, effects of smoking, stress management, lifestyle and nutrition.

This program does not expect participants to necessarily quit immediately, but to acquire the skills, tools and understanding about why one smokes and to make an informed choice about lifestyle and behaviour.

Comments from the participants included: “For me it worked, thanks!”, “The relaxation techniques covered were a great help” and “The presenter was excellent”.

In light of the University’s smoke-free work place policy, the Centre for Staff Development is keen to help those staff who wish to quit smoking. The program will be offered again next year if there is sufficient interest by staff.

Contact Jan James, Staff Development Officer CSD, if you would like to take part in such a program in 1992.

LINDON Cvitanovic, a Year 12 student at Dickson College, Canberra has won the prize in the Open Day questionnaire draw - an Apple Macintosh Classic 2MB 40 HD personal computer with Microsoft Works software donated by Campus Personal Computing.

Lindon is pictured in front of staff from the college and Anne-Marie Cooper, the University’s student adviser in Canberra (right), receiving his prize from Éric Meadows of the International Office at a ceremony at the college on Friday September 13.
AT THE Council lunch on Friday 11 October, the Chancellor launched an illustrated history of the University of Wollongong by Josie Castle from the Department of History and Politics.

Covering the period from 1951-1991, the writing of this history has long been the ambition of Jim Langridge, Vice-Principal (Development) who commissioned and funded the project.

In the introduction Josie Castle says that the Illustrated History, like any history, is selective and thematic. It seeks to provide an interpretive view of the University, why it was founded and how it became to be the organisation it is today.

The book is on sale at the Union Mini-Market and the University cashier for $14.

The Hope Theatre

Within hours of the launch of the publication by Josie Castle - The University of Wollongong, An Illustrated History, further significant events were unfolding.

Only twice in the history of the University has the Council voted to name a building after an individual.

The Austin Keane Building was named in recognition of the research and teaching undertaken by Professor Austin Keane in the Department of Mathematics. In 1964 Professor Keane was the first professor appointed with purely academic responsibilities.

The Michael Birt Library was named after the first Vice-Chancellor of the University.

On Friday 11 October, Council agreed to name the new theatre in Building 40 the Hope Theatre in recognition of the outstanding contribution being made to the development of the University by the Chancellor by the Hon RM Hope.

The announcement of the name of the theatre by the Governor-General His Excellency Bill Hayden was greeted by enthusiastic applause by staff, visitors and students when he opened Building 40 on 11 October.

On this occasion the Governor-General acknowledged the high quality and contemporary nature of the work being undertaken by the two faculties resident in the building, the Faculties of Commerce and of Law, and remarked that the theatre would be a welcome addition to the facilities of the School of Creative Arts and would attract major companies from outside the region.

In the evening 430 guests were treated to a rich and varied program of entertainment to mark the birth of the theatre.
Graduation: focus on quality

Another 400 students joined the growing ranks of University of Wollongong graduates following ceremonies held on October 10 and 11.

Three distinguished speakers presented occasional addresses of a complementary nature.

Professor Helen Gamble, Chairperson of the University’s Academic Senate and former Chairperson of the NSW Law Reform Commission, spoke of evaluating Australian universities and the increasing public scrutiny.

She referred to the publication of guides to universities and the role of graduates in assessing their own institutions.

Professor Gamble asked the graduates not to ‘turn in a result that confounds those of us who are left behind. If we haven’t turned you out with the ability to think independently - don’t tell us we are a first class institution.’

His Excellency, the Hon. Bill Hayden, Governor General of Australia, spoke in a national context of the world the graduates would be entering as they left the University and joined the workforce.

He warned of the ‘tough challenges Australia faces over the long haul as it struggles to maintain a healthy foothold in the competitive commercial world in which we exist.’

As in Professor Gamble’s address he stressed the need for graduates to have ‘maturity, experience, ability to analyse problems, to make judgements, to conceptualise one’s way through a proposition, (and) resourcefulness in seeking solutions’.

An international perspective was provided by the address given by Dr S. Okinaga, President of the Teikyo University Group in Japan.

He gave a little known assessment of Japanese universities. “Frankly speaking,” he said, “education at Japanese universities should not be called excellent. It is difficult to find Japanese universities among the world’s most prestigious universities.”

Dr Okinaga said he believed that the real problem lies in the fact that there is no clear philosophy on what a university is.

“The foundation of Australian education exists in the acquisition of knowledge in order to live in a turbulent natural environment. Because you have rid yourself of impractical desk...”
Making and recording history

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theories, your country has been able to produce brilliant scholars in many fields."

Dr Okina commented that Teikyo University emphasises globalisation.

He believed that the person that can develop the skills for participating in an international society can be called a true specialist. Teikyo University has made it their mission to foster these people for the world.

"I am devoting myself to establishing an educational system in which students can study everywhere in the world," he said.

Two new Fellows joined the ranks of those recognised by the University as making significant contributions to the University and to the community.

Des Davis was acknowledged for his work in easing the contact between the more esoteric concerns of literary theory and the practical world of theatre production, and in particular for establishing Theatre South through which he nurtured local talent and polished the image of the region.

Barry Kelly, retired General Manager of the Illawarra Credit Union, was honoured for his contribution to business and education in the Illawarra; for the role he played in establishing the Illawarra Credit Union Scholarship scheme at the University, which gives undergraduates the opportunity to gain work experience, and for his involvement in community organisations.

Two outstanding scholars received honorary degrees.

Emeritus Professor Geoffrey Sawyer served as foundation professor in law and later Dean of the Australian National University's Research School of Social Sciences.

In 1974 he was appointed Pro Vice-Chancellor of ANU.

He was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws in recognition for his role as a teacher, scholar, commentator and kindly adviser.

He has given his support enthusiastically to the formation of the Faculty of Law at this University.

Professor Joseph Gani was recognised for the international role he plays in the fields of mathematics and statistics. He is currently Professor and chairman of the Statistics and Applied Probability Program at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Professor Gani had an important influence on the development of the Department of Mathematics at this university.

Centre for Advanced Manufacturing and Industrial Automation

October 23: Dr Ken Russell, Statistical Techniques for Manufacturing.

November 8 and 15: Dr Peter Gibson and Paul Bryant, Accreditation (Quality Standards).

November 14: Dr Yixin Yao, Condition Monitoring in Manufacturing.

November 27 and 28: Professor G. Arndt, Ross Kennedy, Rex Honey, Total Productive Maintenance.

December 2: Dr Des Tedford, Industrial Ergonomics Today.

December 3: Dr J.D. Tedford, Project Planning and Control.

December 4, 5 and 6: Professor G. Arndt, Dr P. Gibson, Advanced Quality Techniques.

December 10: Dr S. Gahreman, Dr C. Gulati, Introduction to Statistical Process Control.

All of the seminars will take place at the Wollongong Surf Leisure Resort Conference Centre, Pioneer Road, Fairy Meadow starting at 9am.

Department of Biology

October 29: Dr Valerie Morris (School of Biological Sciences, University of Sydney) Early development of the endemic sea urchin Holopneustes purpureascens.

November 12: Associate Professor Tony Bullert, Oils aren't oils - why cats eat meat.

November 19: Associate Professor Ted Steele, Somatic hypermutation in antibody V-genes.

November 26: Dr Glenda Sullivan-Taylor - to be announced

December 3: Associate Professor Rob Whelan - to be announced

Location: Lecture Theatre 35.G19 at 12.30pm - 1.30pm.

Advertisements

Due to the increased demand for this section, in future it will be available only to staff and present students. Anyone wishing to advertise must complete a form in Planning and Marketing, Administration Building. This advertisement will be run once. For a repeat it will be necessary to complete another form.

FOR SALE


Department of Business Systems

October 25: Bruce Rowlands, School of Information and Computing Sciences, Bond University, Estimating effort for software enhancement projects. Kemira room 4. 12..30pm.

Department of Civil and Mining Engineering

Research Seminar

October 24: Associate Professor Y.C. Loo, Structural Engineering and Construction Research Program, Punching Shear Strength of Reinforced Concrete Flat Plates with Spandrel Beams.

October 31: D.W. Xu, Geotechnical Systems Reliability.

All seminars will be held in photogrammetry room, building 4, room 139 at 12.30pm.

Enquiries: Judy Thompson, ext 3040.

Department of Economics

October 30: Frank Huynh, Department of Econometrics, La Trobe University. Commodity Concentration and Exports Earnings Instability: A Stochastic Approach.

November 6: Richard Bryan, Department of Economics, University of Sydney, Coal Mine Closures.

All seminars 11.30am-pm. Room 40.224 (unless otherwise stated).

Enquiries: Associate Professor Tran Van Hoa. Office: 40.207, Fax: (042) 21 3725, Ph: (042) 21 3659.

Department of Human Movement Science

Research Seminar Program

October 23: Professor Tony Parker, Adaptation of Skeletal Tissues.

October 30: Mrs Julie Steele, Relationship Between Movement Patterns Performed in Match Play, and in Training, by Skilled Netball Players.

All seminars to be held in the seminar room, building 39.2 (ITC), at 12.30pm on Wednesdays. Enquiries to Dr Mark Brown (ext. 3495).

Department of History and Politics

October 23: Komla Tsey, Creating a
Australian Vice-Chancellors Committee
1992 Korean Government Scholarship
Applications are called for one scholarship available for Australian students wishing to pursue a higher degree in Korean higher education institutions. Applicants must have a degree, be under the age of 35, and may be undertaking study in any area. The scholarship includes 6-12 months language training. The University closing date is 8 November.

1992 Netherlands Government Scholarship
Applications are called for two scholarships available for Australian students wishing to pursue postgraduate study at a higher education institution in the Netherlands. Awards are tenable for 1 academic year. Applicants must have a degree, be under the age of 36 and should have a good working knowledge of Dutch, German or French. The University closing date is 29 November.

Australian Institute of Tertiary Education Administrators
AITEA Scholarships
Applications are called for scholarships for AITEA members to undertake study related to their professional development. Five scholarships are available, valued at $1,000 each. The External closing date is 31 October.

Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering
Postgraduate Research Awards 1992
Applications are called for two forms of scholarships, one is research award supplementation for a recipient of an Australian/University Postgraduate Research award and is valued at $7,500. The Studentship scholarship is for candidates who are ineligible for an APRA, but has outstanding academic ability. Applicants for both awards must be PhD candidates and have research projects associated with nuclear science and require access to the facilities at the Lucas Heights Laboratories. University closing date is 20 December.

Grain Research and Development Corporation
Postgraduate Awards, Fellowships, Industry Development Awards and Visiting Fellowships for 1992
Applications are called for a vast range of funding from the Grain R and D Corporation. Applicants should be undertaking projects/research at any level (eg postgraduate, fellowship, industry etc) in the areas relevant to the Australian grains industry. The University closing date is 1 November.

Land and Water Resources Research and Development Corporation
Project Grants 1992-1993
Applications are called for preliminary proposals for research projects which will lead to results enhancing the better management, sustainable use and conservation of land, water and vegetation resources in Australia. The University closing date is 25 October.

Women's Bureau (Dept of Employment, Education and Training)
Women's Research and Employment Initiatives Program
Applications are called for research projects in areas of priority to the Women's Bureau; Part-time work, Casualisation of the workforce and its impact of women, Disadvantaged women, Aboriginal women and employment/training, and others. The University closing date is 25 October.

Cotton Research and Development Corporation
Project, Fellowship, Travel and Industry Development Awards
Applications are called for the above ranging of funding for projects and persons involved in the areas of priority for the Cotton industry in Australia. The University closing date is 31 January 1992.

Pig Research and Development Corporation
Project Grants, Study and Training Awards
Applications are called for the above range of funding for projects and persons involved in the areas of interest for the pig industry in Australia. The University closing date is 22 November.

Wool Research and Development Corporation
New Research Grants 1992/93
Applications are called for new research grants in 1992/93 in the following research areas; Textiles, Raw Wool Marketing, Production, Wool Harvesting and Economics. Applicants who did not submit submissions in the preliminary round will need to justify why they did not. The University closing date is 15 November.

Coopers and Lybrand
Accounting Education and Research Fund, Honours Fellowships and Research Grants
Applications are called for a variety of funding, including $5,000 fellowships for students undertaking their Honours year in Accountancy. Funding is also available for scholarships for postgraduate students in Accountancy to the value of $5,000 pa. Research funding is available to help meet expenses in an accounting related area. Travel and equipment is not supported. Preference is given to projects dealing with current and topical problems. The University closing date is 20 December.

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Kobe Steel Scholarships
ATERR Project Grants
NSW Coal Preparation Scholarship
Canadian International Postdoctoral Fellowship

Grants Received

Prof D Calvert, Dept of Public Heath and Nutrition, Merck, Sharp and Dohme, $78,000, Illawarra GP Screening Program
Prof L Kane-Maguire, Dept of Chemistry, IDP Aust. China Institutional Links Program, $75,000. IDP Environmental Protection Program

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What's On

from the ICOS office in the Union Building next to the Careers and Appointments Service, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am-2pm.
Tel. 21 3158 or ext. 3158.

Centre for Staff Development Workshops:
November 6: Liz Ellis, CSD Subject and Course Design - 9.30am-4.30pm.
November 7 and 8: Ian James, CSD. Selection Techniques for Academics.

November 7 and 13: Dr Robyn Iredale, CMS. Cross-Cultural Communication 10am-1pm
November 11 and 12: Dr Max Gillett, CSD. The Lecture Method - 9.30am-12.30pm.
November 13: Barry Russell, ACS. Small Group Teaching 9.30am-12.30pm.
November 14: Dr John Panter, CSD.

Department of Physics
October 31: Dr W J Zealey, Imaging in the Physics Department.

Department of Psychology
Staff and Postgraduate Seminar
October 29: Dr Nigel Mackay, Believe it or not? Conceptual problems in cognitive therapy. 12.30-1.30 pm. Building 19 -Room 1056.

Education Policy Program
November 1: Nita Temmerman, Perception of the music community about the role of the Australia Council Performing Arts Board.
November 15: Associate Professor John Hedberg, Information technology and education organisation.
All seminars will be held in building 21, room 101 at 12.30pm.

School of Creative Arts
Research Colloquia
October 31: Studies in Contemporary Arts Practice and Performance in Australia. Presented by members of the University research program: Diana Conroy, Ian McGrath, Sue Rowley, John Senczuk, Andrew Schultz, Peter Shepherd and David Vance.

All colloquia are held in Building 24, G01 - Music Auditorium from 4.30-6.30pm.
Enquiries: (042) 21 3302.
A postgraduate seminars will be held on October 31.

Stop Press

Don't miss Seized

A WILDLIFE exhibition with a difference is being held at the Wollongong Science Centre.
Called Seized, the exhibition displays items of endangered and threatened species from around the world seized by Customs Officers under the Wildlife Protection Act.
There are also many products made from the skins and shells of endangered species.