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Message from the Vice-Chancellor

In recent years, there has been increased attention given to the role of philanthropy in society and for universities in particular. There is a momentum within universities to focus increased attention on philanthropy as a revenue source for a range of projects and initiatives which previously relied almost exclusively on government funding and other forms of grants.

The University will launch the UB Foundation later this year. The

Foundation will be governed by a Board that determines the strategies and directions of the Foundation, and provides recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor regarding the expenditure of the Foundation income.

The UB Foundation will be a tangible example of the University seeking to engage more actively with its alumni and with the community and regions it serves.

David Battersby
Vice-Chancellor & President

Dr Wai-man Woo awarded honorary doctorate

For more than a decade, Dr Wai-man Woo has assisted UB with its various operations in Hong Kong and China.

Dr Woo has had an active association with education at all levels in Hong Kong, as a Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk, one of the biggest charitable organizations in Hong Kong and adviser to the City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Baptist University and Macau University of Science and Technology.

He is a well-established business person and leader in Hong Kong with extensive connections in mainland China. Dr Woo has been a long-term friend of UB and of the City of Ballarat. This has been formally recognised through his awards as a Fellow of the University and an Honorary Ambassador of both the City of Ballarat and UB.

Dr Woo is Managing Director of Drowland International Investments Limited in Hong Kong and

is a former President of the Australian Chinese Association of Hong Kong and Chairman of the Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Real Estate and Construction Technology

He was conferred an Honorary Citizenship by Guangzhou City of Mainland China and the City of Houston, United States. These awards were bestowed for advancing international relationships.

Dr Woo holds a MBA degree and is also a Fellow or Member of numerous professional organisations including the International Institute of Management and Hong Kong Computer Society.

In recognition of Dr Wai-man Woo's significant contribution to UB, for his support of the Rural City of Ararat and for advancing international relationships, UB honoured Dr Wai-man Woo with the degree of Doctor of the University Honoris Causa at the May graduation ceremony.



Dr Wai-man Woo

In 2002, Dr Woo was awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS) by the Hong Kong SAR Government. The Order of the Bauhinia Star acknowledges people who have given outstanding public service over a long period of time. Over many years, Dr Woo has had an association with the Rural City of Ararat and was a significant benefactor and fund raiser for the Gum Sam Museum in Ararat. Dr Woo has been instrumental in the establishment of the Sister City relationship that Ararat has with the City of Taishan in southern China.

RECENT NEWS

May 2010 graduation ceremonies



Chirugs & Asimraza

Jane, Lucy & Emily

Rebecca

TAFE graduates & Chancellor

More than 1200 Higher Education and TAFE students graduated from the University of Ballarat during the May graduation ceremonies.

Professor Wayne Robinson, former Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Professor Sidney Morris, former Head of the Graduate School of Information Technology and Mathematical Sciences were bestowed the title Emeritus Professor.

Dr Wai-man Woo, a well-established business person and leader in Hong Kong, received an Honorary Doctorate at the School of Education graduate ceremony.



The Academic Procession



The Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence was awarded to Paul Owen in recognition of excellent academic performance and involvement in University and community activities.

The recipient of the prestigious University Medal went to Luke Rogers who completed a Bachelor of Information Technology and Kirsten Symczyk was the R.W. Richards medallist for 2010.

Congratulations to all UB graduates!



Tegan, Tess & Ebony

Sanket, Niran & Niran

James & Paul

Jacinta & Samantha

UB students receive scholarships

The University of Ballarat presented a series of scholarships to eligible students at a special ceremony in April. Scholarships presented included 20 UB Scholarships worth \$2,000 each, Harold Carroll Memorial Scholarship valued at \$4,000 per year which continues for three years, two Mick Young Scholarships and five Sovereign Hill Scholarships valued at \$2,000 each.

Recipients of the UB Scholarship

Kate Boland	Adelle Brereton
Brendan Champness	Laura Cureton
Ellen Fitzpatrick	Narelle Place
Chris Radford	Chloe Sheldon
Kate Sly	Kelly Terrill
Chloe Torney	Stacey Towers
Ellie Wellington	Garry Williams
Kate Cameron	Laura Farrer
Danielle Gervasoni	Erin Keating
Jane McKinnon	Daniel Watts

Harold Carroll Memorial Scholarship recipient

Brendan Champness

Mick Young Scholarship recipients

Koang Pan Jock
Rafah Burhan Mahmood

New Aboriginal Education Centre

The University of Ballarat's new Aboriginal Education Centre opened on 7 June at the Mt Helen Campus.

The Aboriginal Education Centre provides support to prospective and current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The centre has a range of support for both Higher Education and TAFE students at the Mt Helen, SMB and Western Campuses.

Students are able to receive a broad range of educational and community support at all campuses of UB. Staff members, including TAFE Aboriginal Liaison Officers (ALOs) and an Aboriginal Education Officer, are available to provide personalised support.

Services provided include scholarship information, computer lounge, access to tutorial support, resource library, career advice, facilitation of involvement with local Aboriginal community, and referrals to child-care, accommodation, financial and transport services.

Sovereign Hill Scholarship recipients

Simon Lock
Ian Penna

The third scholarship award will be shared between:

Catherine Harris
Casey Pilmore

The recipient of the fourth Sovereign Hill scholarship (TBC) will work on a bushfire restoration project. The Sovereign Hill Museums Association and the University's heritage trades students at the SMB campus will work together to restore a rare heritage fire fighting vehicle all but destroyed in the blaze, and return it to the Kinglake community.

Third year performing arts students in Music Theatre and Acting degrees at UB's Arts Academy undertaking the Professional Practice course will benefit from the fifth Sovereign Hill scholarship.



Simon Lock
Sovereign Hill scholarship recipient

The Aboriginal Education Centre is also available to provide advice about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues to the broader UB student and staff population. The University has more than 150 Indigenous students.

For further information contact Shirley Morgan, Manager, Aboriginal Education Centre on 61 3 5327 9795 or email s.morgan@ballarat.edu.au.



Ben Atkinson

BOOK RELEASES

Professor Erica Smith releases international apprentice book

A definitive book on apprenticeships co-edited by Professor Erica Smith from the University of Ballarat has been released internationally.

The book, *Rediscovering Apprenticeship*, was edited with Professor Felix Rauner from the University of Bremen, Germany. The publication has emerged from a growing international collaboration of scholars who research apprenticeships.

Three years ago, Felix Rauner at the University of Bremen decided to convene a small international gathering of researchers in apprenticeship, and invited Professor Smith to the first meeting, which was in Bremen. At that meeting she was elected co-chair of the new network.

The book includes chapters based on presentations at subsequent meetings of the network. It includes contributions from most Western European countries, including the UK, Eastern Europe and the United States. Each country has its own particular economic

and social context within which the apprenticeship system has evolved.

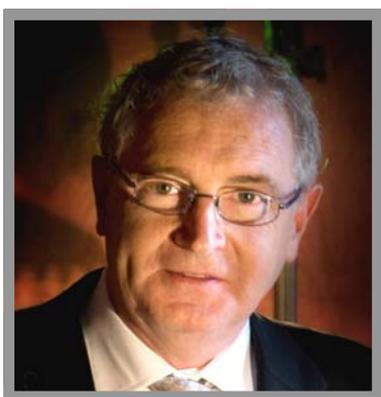
Professor Smith is currently managing a national research project on 'The psychological contract in apprenticeships and traineeships', researching the mutual obligations and commitments between employers and employees, and how these affect job satisfaction and completion of training.

Professor Smith has been invited to speak about the research at Group Training Australia's Victorian conference in Hepburn Springs in July.



Professor Erica Smith

Dr Alex Millmow releases book on Keynes



Dr Alex Millmow

Dr Alex Millmow, Senior Lecturer in Economics at the University, has released a new book on the impact of Keynesian economics in Australia during the 1930s.

The Power of Economic Ideas: The origins of macro-economic management in Australia 1929–39, explores the transformation in Australian economists' thought and ideas during the interwar period.

Dr Millmow mentioned three related themes that underscored the book.

Firstly, the professionalisation of Australian economics took a gigantic leap in this period, aided by the adverse circumstances confronting the economy and the aspirations economists held for their discipline.

A second theme relates to the rather unflattering reputation foisted upon interwar economists after 1945.

That transition underlies a third theme of this book, namely, how Australian economists were emboldened by John Maynard Keynes's *General Theory* to confidently push for greater management of economic activity.

By 1939 Australian economists conceptualized from a new theoretic framework and from one which they advanced comment and policy advice. This book should rehabilitate the works of Australian interwar economists.

Folklore book by Dr David Waldron



Dr David Waldron

University of Ballarat academic and former student Dr David Waldron has co-written a new book, 'Shock! the Black Dog of Bungay: A Case Study in Local Folklore'.

The book is the result of two years research by Dr Waldron and Christopher Reeve, historian and curator of the Bungay Museum.

Bungay is a small town on the border of Norfolk and Suffolk in rural East Anglia, United Kingdom.

The tale of the Black Dog of Bungay and the infamous attack on the church of St Mary's in 1577, has inspired and fascinated residents and visitors to the town for centuries.

To this day, sightings of the Black Dog are common through the region and form an integral part of local folklore and myth.

At the same time, the history of the legend itself tells its own tale of the town of Bungay and how the com-

munity has responded to crisis through local folklore and myth.

This book traces the rise of this story from its origins in the trauma of the English Reformation to the contemporary era where it has become a central part of Bungay's communal and civic identity and a colourful aspect of local folklore.

The book has been an unequivocal success in reviews and extremely popular in the UK (especially Bungay).

"Essential reading for anyone interested in the truth of the original published report of the Black Dog of Bungay from 1577. This is a welcome addition to the literature on Black Dog apparitions. This book considers this report in terms of its historical context and the availability of corroborating evidence and traces how the Black Dog has become an emblem of the town of Bungay in modern times."

Dr Simon Sherwood www.blackshuck.info

For further details of Dr Waldron's publications visit www.ballarat.edu.au/ard/bssh/staff/sinfo/wal.html.

SUCCESS STORIES

Professor John Smyth awarded prestigious American prize

John Smyth, Professor of Education has been awarded a prestigious American education prize.

Professor Smyth is this year's recipient of the American Educational Research Association's (AERA) Relating Research to Practice Award.

The AERA Award recognises outstanding contributions that individuals have made toward increasing practitioner and lay-group understanding of contributions of education research to improving education practice.

Professor Smyth was recognised for 'Interpretive Scholarship' and his research focus on disenfranchised youth who too often leave school before completion, and on the experiences of young adults in

disadvantaged schools throughout Southern Australia and elsewhere.

Professor Smyth was honoured for his insightful monograph 'Hanging in with Kids in Tough Times' and for a set of professional development modules designed to guide teachers and schools through a self-investigation process to serve such youth better.



Professor John Smyth

"There are an increasing number of students leaving school early and facing a bleak future," Professor Smyth said.

"This is a problem that no-one wants to face up to. Australia needs to respect its teachers more and give them additional resources to help students re-connect with school."

Martin Hale, Graduate Diploma of Land Rehabilitation, 1998



Martin Hale

Martin Hale is a successful Team Leader at GPSnet (Operations), Department of Sustainability and Environment, leading the Global Navigation Satellite Systems projects in Victoria.

Martin is retiring shortly but has been a continuous participant and contributor to the spatial sciences field in Victoria since 1973.

GPSnet is a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) augmentation infrastructure that provides real-time GNSS position correction information wirelessly via the Internet, state-wide. GPSnet position and navigation solutions deliver homogeneous and high accuracy, GDA compliant solutions to users.

The GPSnet team is extremely proud of the development of the network of stations across Victoria, which now numbers 74 and by the end of 2010 will be around 100 sites. The network is being used by a number of sectors for high accuracy positioning, navigation and guidance solutions down to a few centimetres in real time.

"I can say with great confidence that if I had not undertaken the Graduate Diploma of Land Rehabilitation

led by the inspirational Richard McEwan back in 1998, this outcome would not have been achieved as quickly or as successfully in Victoria, which now leads all other Australian jurisdictions in this technology rollout and use," Mr Hale said.

"My strongest memories while studying at UB were the field trips and projects conducted throughout Victoria and NSW with fellow lecturers and students investigating aspects of soil, vegetation and geology. This has been important in motivating me to help deliver major spatial project outcomes for Victoria and as a result, improving Victoria's long term sustainability and environment."

Martin's advice about life after study:

Find your passion and go hard to achieve worthwhile goals that fulfil that passion

Believe in yourself, your intuition and your training

Know that higher education is a privilege to be used and not a laurel to be rested upon

Don't be frightened to forge new directions

Commit to lifelong acquisition of knowledge

Never give up on your dreams

For further information visit <http://gnss.vicpos.com.au/> and/or [click to view](#) the current network rollout of stations.

Sasha Ivkovic awarded Endeavour Fellowship



Sasha Ivkovic

Sasha Ivkovic has been awarded a 2010 Endeavour Research Fellowship to be taken up with Shanghai University in China.

Sasha is a lecturer in the Graduate School of Information Technology and Mathematical Sciences.

"This award will give me an excellent opportunity to combine research and industry experience overseas," Mr Ivkovic said.

"As part of my Fellowship, I will be working on an information technology project to improve project managers' communication strategies."

The Endeavour Awards are the Federal Government's internationally competitive, merit-based scholarship program providing opportunities for citizens of the Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Europe and Americas to undertake study, research and professional development in Australia.

Awards are also available for Australians to undertake study, research and professional development abroad.

The Endeavour Awards are a part of the Australia Awards initiative which was announced by the Federal Government last year. The Australia Awards have been established to maximise the benefit to Australia of its extensive scholarship programs, and to support enduring ties between Australia and our neighbours.

NETWORKS & CHAPTER UPDATES

UB Golden Key Chapter new member reception

The University of Ballarat's top academic achievers were recently inducted into the Golden Key International Honour Society at a new member reception held in May.

The event recognised the high academic achievements of the top 15% students at the University of Ballarat. In recognition of their accomplishment, the students were presented an award by UB Vice-Chancellor, Professor David Battersby.

Golden Key, founded on 29 November 1977, is an academic honour society which recognises and encourages scholastic achievement and excellence among university students from all academic disciplines. It is the world's premier collegiate honour society, with over two million members and 375 chapters worldwide. Golden Key members have access to a vast array of benefits including over \$600,000(USD) in scholarships, discounted study-abroad programs, exclusive internships and job opportunities, as well as leadership and networking opportunities.

Guest speakers for the event included City of Ballarat Mayor, Cr Judy Verlin and Ballarat Foundation CEO, Mr Noel Trengove.

New honorary members inducted for their service to the community and support of the UB Golden Key Chapter included UB Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Ms Rowena Coutts, UB staff member, Ms Camelia Prenc, City of Ballarat Mayor, Cr Judy Verlin and Ballarat Foundation CEO, Mr Noel Trengove.



L-R: UB Golden Key Chapter President Rebecca Holmes & UB Chapter Advisor Linda Petrie

Image courtesy: The Ballarat Courier

UB Ex-Staff Association mid year event

The UB Ex-Staff Association recently visited the Ballarat Art Gallery and participated in a guided tour of the new exhibition "In Your Face! Cartoons about Politics and Society 1760-2010".

The tour was followed by lunch at the



Park Bistro for the informal mid year June gathering.

Photograph features UB Ex-Staff Association members and honoured guest and member Walter Robson.

UB graduates meet the Australian High Commissioner to Singapore

UB graduates had the opportunity to meet the Australian High Commissioner to Singapore, Mr Doug Chester at his official residence in Singapore.

UB graduate representatives who are currently living and working in Singapore Mr Chris Woo, Mr Sim Hong Yoon and Mr Josh Symes attended the alumni event.

The event provided an opportunity for the High Commissioner to meet with representatives of Australian university alumni chapters in Singapore and for the alumni attendees to network with other chapters.



L-R: Mr Wolfgang Mildenberg, Australian High Commissioner Mr Doug Chester, and UB graduates Mr Chris Woo and Mr Sim Hong Yoon

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Our Open Day
opens doors**

Sunday 29th August, 10am-3pm

Learn to succeed in your chosen career at the **University of Ballarat Open Day**
 For further information visit www.ballarat.edu.au/aasp/student/recruitment/open-day

Calling all UB graduates living in China



The University has thousands of successful graduates residing and working in China.

Every year, this figure increases as our profile in China continues to grow. With such a wonderful base from which to build, we hope to form a

ub)alumni China Chapter in 2010.

Nominations are being sought from all eligible UB graduates to fill China Chapter Council positions.

If you would like to be involved with this exciting opportunity, please nominate yourself for a Council position. [Click here](#) for [Council position information and a nomination form](#).



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