Calendar of Events

March
28th – Community Advisory Network Forum

Postgraduate Study

Places available in the Master of Education (Teaching)
Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) are available in the Master of Education (Teaching) MC039 (PDF 675.0Kb)
Students can improve their learning and teaching skills, potentially increase their promotion opportunities, or embark upon further studies, leading to a PhD.
For more information, email Associate Professor Heather Fehring, Program Manager (Phone: 9925 7840) or Bernard Larsen, Senior Program Support (Phone: 9925 7866).
[Source: Associate Professor Heather Fehring, School of Education]

Helen & Geoff Handbury Fellowships 2006

Applications closing soon
RMIT University is calling for applicants for the 2005-2006 Helen & Geoff Handbury Fellowship Program. Potential applicants have until 30th March 2006 to apply.
The Fellowship program supports innovative research projects in any area or discipline from individuals or groups in the Southern Grampians region and surrounds in partnership with RMIT University. This community-university partnership scholarship fund provides financial support for research projects that mutually enhance the Southern Grampians region and RMIT University communities.
Information Prospectus and application forms can be obtained from RMIT University, Hamilton from Terri Nicholson on 5572 0513 or Dinah Hallam on 5572 0505, or by visiting http://www.communitysustainability.info/assresearch/handbury.html

Australian Society Studies Visit

Australian Society Studies Student Visit
Over the past fortnight, over 70 international RMIT students visited the area as a part of the Australian Society Studies course. The next visit by is due in June/July. Thanks to the Community people what attended the barbecues.

Book Launch

Indigenous Peoples and Poverty – An International Perspective.

Edited by Robyn Evesole, John-Andrew McNeish and Alberto D. Cimadamore

Launch:
28th March 2006, 7.00pm
RMIT Hamilton
All Welcome to Attend!

This book looks at the urgent need for poverty reduction and the situation of indigenous peoples in both developing and industrialised countries.
It analyses patterns of indigenous disadvantage worldwide and explores some difficult questions, including policy tensions and how indigenous communities have their say.
The book contains a rich collection of country case studies and the experiences of diverse indigenous case studies.

Fashion and Textiles

Keith Cowlishaw, Head of RMIT Fashion and Textiles, visited Hamilton this week to look at opportunities to work with the region.
Thanks to all who participated in the consultations with Keith.
Community Advisory Network Forum

The first in the 2006 series.
A Community Advisory Network Forum will be held on March 28 at 7.00pm at RMIT Hamilton. These forums are entertaining, informative and give perspectives on a whole range of issues, local and global. This forum will launch: Indigenous Peoples and Poverty – An International Perspective, as edited by Dr Robyn Eversole. Drinks and nibbles will be provided. For further information please contact Kaye Scholfield on 5572 0501 or Dinah Hallam on 5572 0505.

LLLEN News

Somebody’s Daughter
GSG LLLEN in conjunction with the Southern Grampians Youth Network will be working in partnership to bring the latest production by the Somebody’s Daughter Theatre Company "Catch A Star, Falling" to the region in October 2006. Somebody’s Daughter Theatre is a unique company that works in art, music and drama with women in prison and after they have been released. In recent times, it has worked extensively with rural young people. With more than 24 years of experience, it has established itself as one of the truly contemporary voices in Australian theatre.

Hamilton Heroes Day
July 4th & 5th
The Heroes Days aim to build self esteem, confidence, resilience and focus in each young person, as well as create a positive peer group shift within the year level. This is done by exploring the themes of peer respect, authentic expression and leadership in a fun, dynamic and engaging way. These high energy workshops use dance music, movie clips, performances, special guests and DJ’s to give students the chance to escape into a different world for a few hours and discover more about themselves. For more information about Somebody’s Daughter Theatre Company or Hamilton Heroes Day, contact Marg at GSG LLLEN on 5571 9302.

Scibblers Ink!

Coming Soon
A Creative Writing Workshop with Dr Robyn Eversole, herself a published author, is planned for April. Watch this space for more information.

Consumer Participation Service

The Consumer participation project was awarded to the WDHS Counselling Service at Frances Hewett Community Service following a submission to DHS in November 2005. The aim of the project is to get constructive feedback from consumers of the counselling service about how it might best serve their needs and to obtain ideas about consumer driven improvements to service. Two focus groups have been conducted and individual sessions have also been held. Dr Robyn Eversole of RMIT Hamilton’s Centre for Regional and Rural Development has been commissioned to be the independent facilitator of the project and is currently compiling all the information gained so far.

Bachelor of Nursing News

The 2006 academic year has officially begun. New student orientation was held on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week and was filled with fun and informative activities. The highlight of the program was a bus tour throughout the district concluding with an “o week party” on Wednesday night. We have 25 new year 1 students and 5 new students in year 2. Week 1 of the new academic year saw all students settle into their new routines well. IT, timetabling and videoconference issues were quickly sorted out, and the program has commenced smoothly.
This year Karen Stott has joined our staff as the year 1 Biomedical and Physical Sciences 1 & 2 tutor. Karen is a Scientist and brings with her a wealth of knowledge in the areas of anatomy and physiology, microbiology and histology.
Tracey Currie
Lecturer / Program Co-ordinator

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