



Kernot Fellowship Day

The recently-restored Kernot window in the Old Engineering Building was unveiled on Kernot Fellowship Day, 19 April, by Mr James Minifie, a direct descendant of Professor William Charles Kernot and Professor Wilfred Kernot.



Pictured above (L to R): Professor Jannie van Deventer, Ms Helen Whyte, MUEF Executive Officer, Mr James Minifie, direct descendant of W C Kernot and his daughter Ruth, and Dr Tim Adams, CSIRO.

The Kernot window's restoration was a gift to the Faculty of Engineering from CSIRO and Dr Tim Adams, Senior Principal Research Scientist, made the presentation on behalf of the CSIRO Molecular and Health Industries in Parkville.

Over 60 people attended the unveiling and a Welcome Back to our Kernot Medallists, concluding with a Kernot Fellowship Lunch. The regular Kernot Fellowship lunches are for Alumni and friends of the Faculty of Engineering, many of whom are donors and/or members of the Faculty's Planned Giving Program.

This was the first time that the winners of the prestigious Kernot Medal for excellence in Engineering were invited back as a group by the Faculty of Engineering. The Dean, Professor Jannie van Deventer, welcomed back to the University industry leaders Sir John Holland, AC, Dr John Connell, AM, Dr Harry Wragge, AM, Mr Patrick Boland, Professor Hugh Trollope, AO, Mr John Loton, AC, and Mr Geoff Cook, AM. After a lapse of some time the Faculty of Engineering will again be awarding the Kernot Medal in 2007.

Ms Helen Whyte, MUEF
Executive Officer and Bequest
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YOUR BEQUESTS

The Boyce Gibson Memorial Library in the School of Philosophy has recently received a substantial bequest from the estate of the Reverend Dr Eric D'Arcy (1924-2005), Archbishop Emeritus of Hobart.

A gifted scholar, Eric D'Arcy completed a Master of Arts in philosophy at The University of Melbourne and proceeded to doctoral work in Rome and Oxford. His strong connection with the School of Philosophy encompassed nearly two decades of teaching from 1962 to 1981, and a term as Head of Department from 1978 to 1979.

Staff at the School have clear memories of his work there and his doctoral gown still hangs in the School office. He went on to take up the post of Bishop of the Diocese of Sale in Victoria and was subsequently appointed Archbishop of Hobart, Tasmania, in 1988.

Reverend Dr D'Arcy is remembered both for his interest in philosophy, including the relevance of the analytical philosophical tradition for the articulation of Christian faith, and as a lover of cricket until his final years. His publications include *Conscience and its Right to Freedom* (Sheed and Ward, 1961) and *Human Acts: An Essay in their Moral Evaluation* (Clarendon Press, 1963).

The staff at the School of Philosophy are now enthusiastically exploring how best to deploy this most welcome gift to the library.

The Gibson Library is a lending library specifically for staff and students of the School, although others may apply for access, and specialises in monographs, collections and periodicals not held by the Baillieu Library.

The D'Arcy Bequest will enable the School to enrich this valuable teaching and research resource by improving and updating the collection to the benefit of all philosophers at the University.

YOU ARE INVITED

Discovering Egypt

We have arranged for a limited number of Heritage Society members to attend a 'Behind the Scenes' tour of the current exhibition 'Discovering Egypt' at the Ian Potter Museum of Art.

Dr Andrew Jamieson, the exhibition curator, will personally guide you through the exhibition and provide detailed explanations of the artefacts, many of which are drawn from University of Melbourne and Queen's College collections.

Thursday 2 August, 10.30am – 12noon at the Ian Potter Museum of Art, University of Melbourne.

Please call Suzanne McGraw on 8344 1754 if you are interested to attend this special presentation.

News from the Bequest Team

Sue Girling-Butcher and Suzanne McGraw, from the Bequest Team, have been out meeting Heritage Society members over the last few months as part of their mission to strengthen the bonds between the University of Melbourne and its supporters.

'What an enriching experience this has been for us!' said Sue. 'Our members, are such interesting people – full of fascinating stories and wonderful anecdotes. If we haven't been in touch with you yet – we are coming!'

If you would like to share your stories, or perhaps even consider having them published in one of our newsletters, Sue and Suzanne would be delighted to hear from you. Of course if you would prefer not to be contacted in person, but would like to continue receiving the Heritage newsletter and invitations, please do let them know.

The Bequest Team is also currently exploring more events around campus for your interest, enjoyment and greater involvement in the rich and diverse cultural life of the University.

The University Library's Special Collections team, for instance, would be delighted to provide Heritage Society members with the opportunity of a guided tour of some of their treasures.

Special Collections holds over 200,000 volumes of books, journals and other items ranging from early colonial newspapers to Middle Eastern manuscripts and fine prints, many of them highly significant for their age, beauty and rarity.

On a recent visit, Sue and Suzanne were allowed a close inspection of an illuminated Breviary (Prayer Book) on very fine vellum, intricately decorated with eighteen beautiful historiated initials. Produced in London between 1330 and 1350, it is one of only 40 known English breviaries from the first half of the fourteenth century.

The Library's extensive Print Collection includes works by major art historical figures, including Albrecht Durer, Rembrandt and Francisco de Goya, as well as more recent and local printmakers such as Lionel Lindsay.

WHAT'S ON

The University offers many lectures and events. Here are some highlights that might interest you.

Potter Morning Coffee Program

The Gods of Freud

Janine Burke is an award-winning author and art historian. She will speak about her new book which reveals an intriguing new perspective on Sigmund Freud - as an obsessive art collector; a passionate and reckless man intent on surrounding himself with beautiful objects.

Thursday 30 August 10.30am

Ian Potter Museum of Art, The University of Melbourne, Swanston Street

Music Concerts

VCA Concerto Concert

Friday 27 July 7.30pm

Iwaki Auditorium, ABC

Southbank Centre

www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/music

Faculty of Music

University of Melbourne
Orchestra

Monday 20 August 8pm

Melbourne Town Hall www.music.unimelb.edu.au/events

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University Open Day

Sunday 19 August

10am – 4pm

Come along and meet Bequest and Alumni Relations staff in the Alumni Lounge, Old Moot Court.

If you are thinking of attending any of the events listed here or you would like more information let the bequest team know and they can organise to meet you and get together a group of members with similar interests for discussion afterwards over tea or coffee.

These materials are rarely publicly displayed so an opportunity to view them is not to be missed.

If you are interested in seeing these and other treasures from the Library's Special Collections, please contact Sue or Suzanne and they would be delighted to arrange a small group tour.

'We would also be happy to arrange access for you to events at the University,' said Suzanne. 'If you would simply like to tour the University, we would welcome the opportunity to arrange that also. Some parts of the University have changed quite dramatically over the past few years, with a number of new buildings as well as the refurbishment of older ones, so you are sure to find much to interest you.'

Heritage Society Luncheon

Most importantly, don't forget the next Heritage Society Luncheon to be held on Wednesday 24 October. Invitations will be sent early in September, so place this in your diary now – we'd love to see you there.

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