

Queensland librarians farewell 'living legend'

Queensland librarians honoured the achievements of Warren Horton at a formal function at Customs House in June. Warren recently retired as director-general of the National Library of Australia.

University of Queensland librarian, Janine Schmidt, described Warren as 'one of a kind', commenting that his contribution to the development of library and information services in this country has been far-reaching and highly-significant. His retirement is a great loss to the industry. ■



(l-r) Warren Horton, Janine Schmidt, and Professor John Hay at Warren's farewell

Awarding excellence in Queensland

Nicci Page, Queensland Library Promotion Council awards and grants co-ordinator

The Queensland Library Promotion Council (QLPC) is a volunteer organisation dedicated to promoting libraries in Queensland. Each year they offer awards and grants to the Queensland library industry. The winners were announced at the State Library of Queensland on 19 May.

Queensland Library Achiever of the Year Award, sponsored by Queensland Library Supplies

This award recognises individuals working in any sector of the library industry in Queensland, and provides a mechanism to promote excellence and to increase the profile of the profession. Diane Vance, director of Community and Cultural Services at Thuringowa won the award for her long-standing commitment to libraries and her profession. Anne Robbie, librarian at Moranbah Public Library, received a highly-commended award for her energy, enthusiasm and leadership in her local community. Lynette Kellow, volunteer librarian at the Queensland Writers Centre, received an honourable mention.

The Joan Gamble – Peter Pal Library Supplier Grant, sponsored by Peter Pal Library Supplier

This grant provides libraries with funding for special services or activities for people with disabilities, the elderly, people from a non-Eng-

lish-speaking background, or adult literacy programs. Gold Coast City Council Library Service received a \$700 grant to purchase equipment to extend their existing resource library for children with special needs to include material for older persons with special needs. Highfields Library received \$300 for their Year 2000 party for elderly citizens.

The QLPC James Bennett Library Promotion Grant, sponsored by James Bennett Pty Ltd

This grant encourages library staff to promote and publicise the library to their clients, to offer the library a cash grant as an incentive to experiment with a new or different promotional idea; and to give library staff an opportunity to prove to their organisation the value and importance of promotional activities, and the use that can be made of funds in this area.

Banana Shire Library Service won \$1500 to stage their historic photographic exhibition and photograph competition to celebrate Biloela's 75th anniversary. Highfields Library and Mount Isa City Library received encouragement awards.

Congratulations to the winners. The awards and grants could not be offered without the support of Queensland Library Supplies, Peter Pal Library Supplier and James Bennett Pty Ltd. ■



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• **1/9 SA Special Libraries section.** *Feedback session on Strait to the Future: 8th Asia-Pacific Special, Health and Law Librarians conference.* Barr Smith Library, Ira Raymond Room, 4pm. Contact: Geraldine Wardle, ph 08 8203 3630, gwardle@asc.corp.mot.com

• **7/9 SA Branch Council meeting.** Barr Smith Library, Ira Raymond Room, 5pm. *Special topic: TAFE sector (6-7pm).* Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

• **8/9 SA Library Technician section [SALT].** *Breakfast and more networking.* Contact: Kathy Sharrad for bookings, ph 08 8207 8652, fx 08 8207 8434, kathysha@tafe.sa.edu.au *Bookings close 23/8.*

• **15/9 SA Information Science section.** *Thai Dyed Librarians.* Sherron Hunter and Margareta Nicholas, on IFLA conference in Bangkok. Uni SA Library, Seminar Room 5-25, City West Campus, North Terrace, (enter from Hindley Street, adjacent to World's End pub). 5:30 for 6pm. Further details from: Eleanor Whelan, ph 08 8302 6688, eleanor.whelan@unisa.edu.au *RSVP by 10/9.*

• **20/9 SA Library Technician section [SALT].** *10th ALIA National Library Technicians conference post-conference meeting.* Fleet Street Café, Hindmarsh Square, Adelaide, 6pm for tea or 6:30pm for the meeting.

• **29/9 SA UCLRS section.** *Weak in many aspects of librarianship! Talk by Ray Price, Intellectual Property Manager, SOLA International Incorporated. Is intellectual property manager just another word for librarian?* Barr Smith Library, Ira Raymond Room, 5:15 for 5:30pm. Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

• **16-17/10 SA Branch.** *State conference at Clare. Internet intoxication: excess, access and the whole damn thing!* Clare Town Hall. For further details contact: Eleanor Whelan, eleanor.whelan@unisa.edu.au, ph 08 8302 6688, fx 08 8302 6207.

• **Week beginning 18/10 SA Cataloguers section.** *Visit by Tom Delsey (keynote speaker for 13th National Cataloguing conference, Brisbane). Topic: Viewing the information universe through the Anglo-American cataloguing*

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