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## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Public Libraries

It was a great day to celebrate 50 years of public libraries at the Fremantle Esplanade on Sunday 21 November 2004. The festivities ranged from a party picnic, celebrity readings from local celebrities Monika Kos, Kate Lamont, Nathan Hobby, a speaker's corner as well as free entertainment, face painting and a sausage sizzle. It was great to see the number of red balloons saying "I love my library" walking or floating around Fremantle

The very first West Australian public library service commenced at York in 1954. Today there are 238 public libraries around the state. They vary from a few shelves in council shire offices through to state of the art buildings in metropolitan Perth. All of them aspire to the same principle; the freedom to read.

Thank you to everyone who came and big thanks to the working group who worked tirelessly to make this event a success. Sister events in Geraldton, Bunbury and Rockingham were also well attended.

Michelle Ledger



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## **ANZIIL Perth Forum: Catering for international students: an information literacy focus**

October 6<sup>th</sup> 2004

The Australian and New Zealand Institute for Information Literacy (ANZIIL), which supports organisations, institutions and individuals in the promotion of information literacy, held its first Perth forum at Murdoch University on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2004.

The ANZIIL Perth Forum was a great success with over 70 participants from the university, TAFE and school sectors attending. We were very pleased to have Hilary Hughes, Campus Librarian, Brisbane International Campus (Central Queensland University) as our guest speaker and two other interstate librarians choosing to take the long haul to Perth to attend. A number of colleagues from regional WA also attended.

Professor Jan Thomas, Pro Vice Chancellor Academic (Murdoch University) began the forum with an overview of international students at universities in Australia. She was followed by Dianne Van Rhyne, Accounting Lecturer (Murdoch University) who gave an academic's perspective of teaching international students. Both Jan and Dianne emphasised the need for international students to be integrated as much as possible with their Australian peers, a point which was reiterated throughout the day. John Frylinck, Deputy University Librarian (Curtin University) highlighted the challenges of negotiating library services for new offshore courses where little or no consideration for library services had been given.

After morning tea Kathryn Shortland-Jones, English Coordinator (Murdoch College) talked about her experiences living and teaching overseas and highlighted some examples of the cultural nuances she experienced. Pauline Hodson, Manager, Learning Resource Services (Challenger TAFE) discussed how librarians can make the transition to TAFE WA easier for international students. Julia Gross, Library Account Manager (Edith Cowan University) and Michelle Mahoney, Reference Librarian, Business (University of Western Australia) talked about their experiences in teaching offshore and outlined how they provide information literacy to their overseas students – something they both do regularly. Jan Harmsen, Librarian, Information & Education Services (Curtin University) provided practical solutions to particular problems we as librarians may face with international students.

After lunch our guest speaker Hilary Hughes, Campus Librarian, Brisbane International Campus (Central Queensland University) provided us with an insight of her research into international students' use of online resources and implications for information literacy. Hilary highlighted the diversity of backgrounds of international students and emphasised that information literacy for these students (as for all students) should be needs-driven, flexible and curriculum based. This was followed by an excellent workshop provided by Colin Beasley, Senior Lecturer, Academic Affairs (Murdoch University) and Carmella Briguglio, Manager, Communications Skills Centre, Curtin Business School (Curtin University) which addressed language and culture issues for international students. This was nicely interactive and allowed us to share our experiences and learn from others.

All of the speakers were excellent and very well received and the forum provided an opportunity for the lively exchange of questions and comments. The day ended with wonderful dances by the Chung Wah Association followed by refreshments. The committee (Merrilee Albatis, Murdoch University, Nancy Stokes, Central TAFE and Gill Westera, Curtin) would like to thank everyone for their enthusiasm for the day and great feedback. We hope to continue the success of the Perth ANZIIL Forum in future years.

Gill Westera on behalf of the ANZIIL Perth Forum Committee



Hilary Hughes, guest speaker from Central Queensland University and the ANZIIL Perth Forum Committee members Nancy Stokes, Central TAFE, Gill Westera, Curtin and Merrilee Albatis, Murdoch

## **Blogging and Libraries**

On November 17, over 40 eager practitioners gathered in the State Library lecture theatre to hear visiting professor Dr Anne Clyde share her research on "Blogging and libraries". Dr Clyde is Professor and Chair of the Department of Library and Information Science at the University of Iceland. Her teaching responsibilities include courses relating to online searching, library automation and database management.

To get us all on the same page Dr Clyde explained blog is short for web log, a live journal that is updated periodically. Blogs can be interactive allowing viewers to add comments. Wikis allow the viewer to change the original text and post new text. Whatever blogging software you use, we were assured it is an easy and immediate way of publishing information on the Internet.

Dr Clyde posed the question why are there so few library blogs in a sea of over 4 million personal blogs worldwide. With a readership of millions wouldn't libraries want to be involved? Perhaps libraries are happy maintaining their websites and using listservs, bulletin boards and forums to share information. But as we learned, more sites are appearing in blog format, using uncomplicated design, with most recent posts appearing first.

There are few search tools to retrieve information from blogs. Their content is not necessarily listed on Google. Some blogs develop cult status, some are private not for view. There is scope for librarians to assist with finding, creating and indexing blogs. We were reminded blogs of a library nature should link back to the library's online services and include street addresses and opening hours, to advertise the entity that created them.

The audience asked what is the difference between a website and a blog? Dr Clyde answered not much and it doesn't matter in the grand scheme, but blogging software is easy to use, can bypass IT departments and can be less formal. She also spoke of the legitimacy of blogs and that they should not be mistrusted as reliable sources of information.

The audience also asked why Iceland has so many personal bloggers? We all mused maybe it was the weather, or not much on TV, but Dr Clyde answered it may be the wireless links offered in many public areas or the scope for interactivity that this modern society craves. For more on blogging and libraries visit <http://hi.is/~anne/weblogs.html>. An example of a blog is this one that was created within 30 mins <http://sharmedal.blogspot.com/>

Thank you to Dr Anne Clyde, ECU's School of Computer and Information Science and ALIA West for providing this event.

Belinda Grayson for ALIA West

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## **SOUTH WEST LIBRARY LINK**

For our November meeting, the South West Library Link (SWELL) headed to the Fremantle Children's Literature Centre Open Day on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November. We travelled up together by mini-bus - a "mixed bunch" we were. Shire, School, Prison and Specials Librarians, all eager to absorb what the Centre had in store for us. We were not disappointed. We saw exhibitions of Possum Magic (Mem Fox and Julie Vivas); Are We There Yet? (Alison Lester) and Antarctica: The Heart of the World (Coral Tulloch). There was also artwork and books for sale. The highlight of the day was a relaxed, impromptu question time with Boori Pryor. Boori, from Queensland answered questions in regard to his books, his life, what it meant to be an aborigine, his love of children and much more. Boori has visited Western Australia on many occasions. He commented on how impressed he was with the Fremantle Centre, we too were impressed with him! Our thanks to Frances Matthews from Capel for "gearing us into action" and making the trip together possible.

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## Award-winning thesis available from Curtin

Curtin University of Technology PhD graduate Gianluca Paglia has been awarded the Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering gold medal for his research into the structure of alumina. Dr Paglia's award-winning thesis has been processed by Curtin Library staff and is now available online via the Australian Digital Theses (ADT) program.

Curtin was one of seven Australian universities, with leadership from the University of New South Wales, to initiate the idea of the ADT in 1998. The program is aimed at establishing a database of digital theses produced by postgraduate research students and making this research available worldwide in order to promote Australian research to the international community. In 2002, the Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) agreed to transform this project into a sustainable program. All 38 Australian university libraries are members of the ADT Program. In 2004, the Council of New Zealand University Librarians (CONZUL) expressed interest in joining the ADT, with the University of Canterbury in Christchurch becoming the first New Zealand member. The number of active members is increasing steadily, with 25 of the 38 CAUL members actively participating in adding content. All the universities use the same metadata standards to ensure compatibility. The common document format is Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format (PDF) ensuring that the data is independent of the platform on which it is created and that a high quality printed version can be provided if needed.

During the last few years the Curtin Library staff have been sorting out the practicalities of processing the theses to make them available online, including issues of copyright and publishing, and the challenges of contacting previous graduates to retrospectively process theses. Currently digital deposit of theses is voluntary at Curtin; however, digital deposit will become mandatory for newly enrolling research students in 2005. The program at Curtin has grown to nearly 500 theses available online and approximately 3000 available throughout Australia. As Dr Paglia's thesis can attest, the quality of the research is world-class.

Curtin is pleased to note that ADT is gaining recognition as a new model for deposit and archiving of theses that takes into account the tools and technologies that students are now using to prepare their theses.

ADT Program <http://adt.caul.curtin.edu.au>

ADT at Curtin <http://library.curtin.edu.au/theses/>

Paglia Thesis <http://adt.curtin.edu.au/theses/available/adt-WCU20040621.123301/>

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### Did you know?

Did you know that ALIA awards research/ study grants for ALIA members wanting to engage in research or study projects? These grants are self nominating and more information can be obtained by contacting ALIA National Office –

ph: 02 6215 8222 [freecall 1800 020 071]

fax: 02 6282 2249

e-mail: [awards@alia.org.au](mailto:awards@alia.org.au).

Listed below are the self nominating research / study grants available.

### Ray Choate Scholarship (Nominations close on 1 June 2004)

The Ray Choate scholarship is a biennial award which will enable the recipient to investigate a particular aspect of reference or information services that will lead to improved practice in the area. The research topic should relate to the objects of the Association. Applicants are required to be financial members of ALIA.

The project is to culminate in a detailed report and the recipient will be required to make a presentation at an ALIA conference or event. Nominations will be considered by the research panel for recommendation to the Board of Directors.

### **Study Grant Award** (Nominations close **1 June 2004**)

There are funds available to members wishing to undertake a study project. Study grants are offered to provide an opportunity for librarians to undertake projects that they would otherwise be unable to do because of the time and costs involved. Study grants are open to practising librarians or library technician members who have been personal members for at least two years with a minimum of three years' experience.

Some previous Study Grant Award recipients include:

- 1999 **Alisdair Wardle** DipGS GradDipLib AALIA, *Public libraries in the USA: performance evaluation and key performance indicators*
- 1998 **Ann Ritchie** BAppSci, *Critical appraisal skills program*
- 1996 **Heather Fisher** BA DipEd, *Study of American and Canadian children's and young adult reading programs*
- 1995 **Margaret Small** BA DipEd, *Role of libraries as electronic services and as physical facilities in the context of the Virtual University*
- 1994 **Jennifer Durran** BA DipEd GDipLib AALIA, *Visual information systems in art libraries*

### **Dunn & Wilson Scholarship** (Nominations close on **1 June**)

The Dunn & Wilson Scholarship is a biennial award (presented at the biennial library technicians conference) and provides the recipient with an opportunity to investigate a particular project relating to the practice of library technicians which will increase the recipient's professional occupational experience. The inaugural scholarship was awarded in 1991. The scholarship is open to practising library technician members of the Association who are required to prepare a comprehensive report on their studies, suitable for publication as a journal article. The report must be forwarded to the national executive of the library technician's group within four months of its completion. Recipients must also present the 'Dunn & Wilson Oration' at ALIA biennial conferences. The oration should include a report on the project, detailing the project's outcomes, benefits to the individual and to the practice of library technicians.

Previous Dunn & Wilson Scholarship projects:

- *2001 Comparison of education and training opportunities for library technicians in the UK, USA, NZ and Australia.* Kerrie Blyth, AssocDipApplSci DipLibInfSt CP ALIATec, [in progress] 1999
- *Changing roles, changing goals: transferring library technician skills beyond the library* Meredith Martinelli, BSc(LT) ALIATec, 1999
- *Job descriptions: Improving their currency, accuracy and usefulness* Lorraine Denny, ALIATec, 1997
- *Case study of higher-level library technicians* Jean Bailey, LibTechCert, 1995

### **YBP/Lindsay & Howes Research Award for Collection Services** (Nominations close on **1 June 2006**.)

The ALIA YBP/Lindsay & Howes Research Award for Collection Services is a biennial award that aims to increase the recipient's professional knowledge and experience; to provide the recipient with the opportunity to investigate and research a particular aspect of the development of collection services and to encourage practice-related research or projects that will inform and advance practice in collection services and management. The successful recipient will be required to prepare a comprehensive report for publication in the Australian Library Journal and pursue other publishing and presentation opportunities, present the report to the ALIA Research Committee within 12 months of the date of completion of the award and make a presentation at the next ALIA biennial conference. Nominations will be considered by the research award panel for recommendation to the Board of Directors. Applicants are required to be financial members of ALIA

## **ALIA 2004 Biennial Conference: Challenging Ideas: a personal account by Camille Peters**

The conference started for me at 9am on Tuesday 21 September with the full day Brisbane library tour. The libraries in the tour were Chermside Public Library, North Lakes Community Library, Queensland Parliamentary Library, and the University of Queensland Ipswich Library. The distinguishing features of the libraries were lots of windows and natural light, a sense of spaciousness, the integration of print and electronic resources, good signage, and the adoption of new technologies such as RFID tags. From the perspective of a librarian or a library user, I found the libraries attractive and welcoming spaces, the sort of place you would want to visit. From the perspective of someone studying a conservation and preservation unit, I have to admit a certain unease about the amount of light the collections were exposed to and ambivalence about the internal garden and water feature of the University of Queensland Ipswich Library (gorgeous, yes, but what about the risk of insects, water leaks, etc?).

Being able to view the O'Donovan Collection of the Queensland Parliamentary Library was a privilege. Denis O'Donovan was the Parliamentary Librarian from 1874 to 1902 whose catalogue of the collection was widely recognised as a scholarly work. The brochure on the O'Donovan Collection points out that the Queensland Parliamentary Library was voted one thousand pounds (\$400,000 in today's money) to establish its collection just one week after Queensland Parliament's inaugural meeting in May 1860 - an unfortunately rare example of the importance of a well-funded library being recognised early on. The funding would certainly explain why the collection is rich in rare material.

I did feel the organisers of the tour had set themselves a difficult task in trying to get everyone back to the bus on schedule (probably the same level of difficulty as herding cats) and we slipped nearly an hour behind schedule. We did, however, manage to get back in time for the welcome reception. An important point was to get back in time as people go to conferences for the networking, the food, the trade exhibition, the chance to run away from work for a few days, and maybe even listen to a few papers and new ideas along the way.

Rather than comment briefly on all the papers I listened to, I have decided to comment in more detail on the papers which were of most interest.

Pamela Leuzinger's paper: "'But you're restricting access to information!' - the ethical and cultural dimensions of installing access gates in the UTS City Campus Library" discussed the practical and ethical aspects of the decision in 2003 to install access gates at Blake Library to prevent the theft of personal property from library clients. As Blake Library is in the Sydney CBD it is a magnet for professional thieves and the security measures previously implemented were not reducing the number of thefts. UTS staff, students, and associate members of the library have a card which allows them entry to the library. Non-members are permitted access to the library on their first visit provided that they register and have sufficient ID. Community users (people not studying but who want to do some research) may apply for membership. The majority of those who apply for continued access are approved (8480 out of 9439 applicants in the first year, mostly students). Some of those initially rejected are accepted on a second application (stating the reason for using the library as "researching Australian history 1900-1950" or some other specific topic apparently works much better than stating "research").

Thefts have gone down dramatically since the access gates were first used, the library is less crowded, and the number of missing books has decreased. Community users still have access to the library, although they must go through a registration process first. Some interesting points from Leuzinger's paper are:

- only 32% of the university's funding comes from the government (this makes the 'as a taxpayer I help pay for these facilities and should be able to use them' argument 68% less credible)
- reciprocal borrowers from other universities have to pay a \$50/year fee for borrowing rights (I'm really glad that I've been able to turn up at UWA and ECU with my current enrolment form and only had to pull out my wallet to get my Curtin student ID)
- within two weeks there was confirmation that many private colleges were sending their students to UTS. Year 11 and 12 students, community users, and students from other tertiary institutions are allowed to use the library but students from private colleges are excluded from continued access. I agree with this policy as it should be the responsibility of private colleges to provide and pay for their own library facilities from the substantial fees they charge and not freeload on other institutions.

I would recommend Kate Burnham's paper "Why do I have to explain what I do: The challenge of language and definition in Librarianship" to everyone. It is clear, concise and makes the important point that librarians need to explain what they do in terms that library users and those who control the budget will understand. The examples from the NSW Pay Equity Inquiry and the 2002 Pay Equity claim make clear how professional status and pay are affected by the ability to articulate in plain English the skills and qualifications needed to be a librarian. There is also a warning about moving from the terms "library" and "librarian" to other terms as this has not worked in the past and allows employers to downgrade positions (a timely warning - see Linda Lee Elford's letter in *Incite*, September 2004 for an example).

Generational change was one of the issues of the conference. This was evident in the youth of some of the presenters, one or two so new they were waiting for the ink to dry on their degrees. There was a "challenge session" with presentations from three new generation librarians and an interactive question session. I found this quite a confronting session because I did not always agree with the views of the new generation librarians, even though I belong to Generation X, and found some of the responses a bit too flippant. The flippancy may be partly due to the format and shortness of the session not contributing to a nuanced consideration of the issues. While I feel there is perhaps too much discussion of the image problem of librarians and too little positive action, saying "get over it" does nothing to fix the problem or the effects it has on career paths, pay rates of library staff, and on library budgets.

There seemed to be a significant gap between the expectations of new librarians and employers. One public librarian complained that she received around 30 applications for a library clerk position but only 6 for a librarian position. I suspect this is due to the way advertisements for librarian positions often implicitly or explicitly demand experience in that type of library which discourages some potential applicants who are not able to meet what is evidently an essential criterion.

Sue Hutley presented a paper co-authored by Terena Solomons "Generational change in Australian librarianship: viewpoints from Generation X" as Terena had taken her own advice in the paper about younger generations taking time off to contribute to the birth rate. This paper raised questions about the effects of Baby Boomers retiring and suggested some strategies for dealing with the changeover of generations in the workplace. The most significant statistics were the ABS statistic that 52% of Australian librarians are over 45 and the projected figure of 40-60% of librarians retiring in the next 10-15 years based on a retirement age of 60. Hutley and Solomons call for better data on the number of graduates from Australian library schools and for research on whether there will be sufficient new librarians to maintain the status quo given that many new librarians are mature age.

From my own struggles to find work I would have to say that I find it difficult to believe that there will ever be an undersupply of librarians rather than the reverse. However, there is a need for good quality research into the current and future state of the library job market and the supply of librarians and library technicians. A potential PhD topic for anyone wanting to heed the call of Peter Macauley in his paper "Challenging Librarians: the relevance of the doctorate in professional practice". There is also a need for leadership from those in senior positions to develop the library staff they have now and provide opportunities to develop or improve skills. Biddy Fisher commented in her paper "Workforce skills development: The professional imperative for information services in the United Kingdom" that:

"It is not always possible to recruit those with existing skills for LIS posts. What is possible is to find development opportunities that prepare staff for their roles." Imogen Garner paid tribute to past leaders of the profession at the conference for, among other qualities, "their nurturing and mentoring of future generations of leaders and damned-good library professionals" ("A tribute to our past leaders" *Incite* November 2004: 12-13). Leadership was one of the themes of the conference; one of the "challenging ideas" of the conference should be not to just talk about leadership but, as some of the new generation librarians would probably phrase it, to "just do it".

When I last checked the conference website thirty-four of the papers were available. The timely publication was quite pleasing but I was disappointed that some of the main papers such as Glyn Davis's "The power of your influence: a personal prescription for leadership", and Belinda Weaver's "New stars in the sky - how open access is transforming the information universe" were not there.

I would also have liked to read the presentations from the "challenge session" as one of the presenters made a comment about librarians with their "lights on" (engaged in their profession, innovative, enthusiastic, etc.) and those with their "lights off" (it's just a job) that became the buzz phrase of the conference. It was good to see that of the papers that have been made available, only one was a Powerpoint presentation rather than a real paper. A Powerpoint presentation is a visual aid; it supplements but cannot replace a written paper (see the letters in *Incite* January-February to April 2004 for more on this issue). The Powerpoint version of the Gettysburg address (see <http://www.norvig.com/Gettysburg/making.html> for a link to this and some background information) aptly demonstrates the difference between the written paper and the Powerpoint presentation.

My general impressions of the conference were that it was well organised with an interesting programme and social events. A few things didn't go quite to plan but that is inevitable with anything as complex as a conference. I particularly enjoyed CarnivALIA, the conference dinner which was held at Dreamworld. For a profession with a reputation for telling people to shush, there were certainly a lot of librarians making a lot of noise that night. The band had to work hard to be heard above the sound of all the maracas. Eleven pm seemed too early to wrap up the fun.

Other personal highlights of the conference were winning Friday's quick quiz (name the ALIA presidents for the last 10 years) and getting a signed copy of Nick Earls' *The Thompson Gunner* after the thought provoking "one book one conference" session where Nick Earls discussed his latest book. I don't know whether I will hold onto the conference bag permanently (the distinctive green colour showed up remarkably well against the more sober colours of the other items on the baggage carrel at the airport at 12:30am) but I will certainly be retaining the conference papers, my signed book and my memories of an eventful conference.

Camille Peters

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## Meet the Committee

### **Belinda Grayson B.App.Sc (Information and Library Studies)**

Systems Librarian Cambridge Library (Coordinator of Sharr Medal)

After graduating, I missed having contact with a large group of librarians, so became interested in ALIA. I started by ordering Continuing Professional Development packs for myself and the other librarians I work with, then I requested to be put in touch with a mentor, who encouraged me to stretch myself and join a committee. Along the way I have found many CPD activities that have helped me to grow professionally and personally. I am proud to be responsible for coordinating the Sharr Medal, an honour awarded annually to the most promising new graduate.

### **Alison Underwood (Committee Member)**

I was born in England and grew up in Wales. I am a qualified primary school teacher, and spent several years teaching in the UK before migrating to Australia in September 2000.

After completing a Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Studies at Curtin University in 2002, I was employed by WMC Resources Ltd for whom I currently work four days a week as a Records Officer and one day a week as a Librarian.

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## **Nominations for FA Sharr Medal 2004 now open!**

Students who have completed their course in 2004 are encouraged to applying for the F A Sharr Medal. This prestigious medal, coordinated by ALIA West, is awarded in honour of Ali Sharr, State Librarian from 1953 to 1976. The Medal is awarded to the candidate who displays the most potential to have a positive impact on their preferred stream of librarianship.

Information about the medal is available at <http://www.alia.org.au/awards/merit/sharr.medal/?ID=9>

The nomination form is available at <http://www.alia.org.au/awards/nomination.form.html?ID=9>

If you need more information please contact Belinda Grayson [bgrayson@cambridge.wa.gov.au](mailto:bgrayson@cambridge.wa.gov.au)

Closing date for nominations is 31 December 2004.

## Net Notes: The Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement

The Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement will make significant changes to copyright law, particularly in the extension of the length of time that works remain copyrighted, and thus is of importance, if not interest, to librarians. There has been much commentary and argument on the subject of the agreement so in order to keep this column to a reasonable length I have focused on the basics – the agreement itself, the enabling legislation, the official reports, and a few fact sheets and commentaries.

### *TEXT OF THE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT*

Draft (8 February 2004)

<http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jsct/usafra/treaties/niandannexes.pdf>

Final text [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade] (3 June 2004)

[http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us\\_fta/finaltext/index.html](http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us_fta/finaltext/index.html)

*US FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT 2004 [No. 120, 2004]*

[http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/num\\_act/uftaia2004n1202004390/](http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/num_act/uftaia2004n1202004390/)

### *FACT SHEETS/GUIDES*

These are produced by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The fact sheets are very brief but the guide to the FTA is 135 pages, a reflection on the complexity of the agreement.

Guide to the Agreement (6 March 2004)

[http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us\\_fta/guide/index.html](http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us_fta/guide/index.html)

AUS-FTA at a Glance

[http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us\\_fta/fact\\_sheets/ausfta\\_at\\_a\\_glance.pdf](http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us_fta/fact_sheets/ausfta_at_a_glance.pdf)

Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement Fact Sheets (6 March 2004)

[http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us\\_fta/outcomes/index.html](http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us_fta/outcomes/index.html)

### *INQUIRIES*

*Senate Select Committee inquiry into the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement*

## **Submissions to the Senate Select Committee inquiry into the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement**

Australian Library and Information Association

<http://www.alia.org.au/advocacy/submissions/free.trade.html>

Joint submission by the ALCC and ADA to Senator the Hon Helen Coonan in relation to Fair Use and the AUSFTA

Joint submission by the ALCC and ADA to the Hon Philip Ruddock MP in relation to Fair Use and the AUSFTA

Both available from the ALCC and ADA websites:

Australian Libraries Copyright Committee <http://www.digital.org.au/alcc/submissions.html>

Australian Digital Alliance <http://www.digital.org.au/submission/submission.htm>

All 548 submissions available from:

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade\\_ctte/submissions/sublist.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade_ctte/submissions/sublist.htm)

## **Senate Select Committee on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America**

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade\\_ctte/index.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade_ctte/index.htm)

Summary of Inquiry on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America

2 August 2004

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade\\_ctte/report/summary/index.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade_ctte/report/summary/index.htm)

Interim Report on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America

24 June 2004

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade\\_ctte/report/interim/index.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade_ctte/report/interim/index.htm)

Final Report on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America 5 August 2004

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade\\_ctte/report/final/index.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/freetrade_ctte/report/final/index.htm)

*Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (JSCOT) inquiry*  
**Submissions to the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (JSCOT) inquiry into the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement**

Australian Library and Information Association <http://www.alia.org.au/advocacy/submissions/jscot.html>  
 All 214 submissions available from: <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jsct/usafta/subs.htm>

**Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (JSCOT)**  
**Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement**

<http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jsct/usafta/>

Includes links to the report, media releases, terms of reference, submissions, and public hearings.

Report <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jsct/usafta/report/front.pdf>

*PARLIAMENTARY PUBLICATIONS*

Arguing with a Friend: Dispute resolution under AUSFTA Research Note 14 (2004-05)  
<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/pubs/rn/2004-05/05rn14.pdf>

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Intellectual property rights and the Australia-US Free Trade Agreement Research Paper 14 (2003-04)  
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*MISCELLANEOUS*

Office of the United States Trade Representative

[http://www.ustr.gov/Trade\\_Agreements/Bilateral/Australia\\_FTA/Section\\_Index.html](http://www.ustr.gov/Trade_Agreements/Bilateral/Australia_FTA/Section_Index.html)

Home page for information on the FTA from an American perspective.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade <http://www.dfat.gov.au/trade/negotiations/us.html>

Home page for information on the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement.

Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee media release

Intellectual Property Issues and the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement

[http://www.avcc.edu.au/news/public\\_statements/media\\_releases/2004/avcc\\_media\\_30\\_04~attachment.pdf](http://www.avcc.edu.au/news/public_statements/media_releases/2004/avcc_media_30_04~attachment.pdf)

"The Economic and Cultural Impacts of the Free Trade Agreement Provisions relating to Copyright and Patent Law - draft background paper" [Roger Clarke]

<http://www.anu.edu.au/people/Roger.Clarke/II/FTA17.html>

Intellectual Property & the AU-USA Free Trade Agreement 2004 [Electronic Frontiers Australia]

<http://www.efa.org.au/Issues/IP/#fta>

Links to parliamentary reports and other commentary on the FTA as well as EFA submissions and papers on the subject.

Camille Peters

## WA Library Technicians Group End of Year Lunch

Join us in Freo on Sunday December 5  
Partners and friends welcome Limited Numbers! Book early!  
Pay on the day [no separate billing, so cash is preferred]

December 5th 2004  
1 pm  
Sandrino Café & Pizzeria  
95 Market Street, Fremantle

RSVP to Judy Allan by Monday 29 November - please note that, as a deposit per person has to be paid, we will ask you to pay this if you book and do not tell us that you are not attending. Looking forward to seeing as many Library Tech, Assistants, Officer and Students as possible for our last event of 2004.

Judy Allan  
Convenor  
ALIA WALTG  
allan@arach.net.au

Menu : Set Menu \$30.00 per Person (plus \$2 corkage BYO)

### Primo

Served in the middle of the table for all to share

- Dips and Pizza Bianca - Roasted Capsicum and Chili, Artichoke puree & white bean hommous
- Bruschetta - Fresh tomato with basil, garlic, feta & extra virgin olive oil topped with basil pesto & tapenada
- Barbequed Italian sausage - A classic Italian sausage flavored with fennel & chili served with fresh lemon

### Principale

Choice of one of the following

- Pennoni - Tube pasta tossed with marinated chicken, mushrooms, English spinach and oven dried tomato splashed with white wine and cream.
- Calamari - Dusted with spice lightly fried, served on mixed leaves with a lemon aioli
- Cotolette - Crumbed veal served with fresh lemon atop spaghetti with ragu.
- Mussels - Local mussels flavoured with garlic, basil & chili finished with tomato pasatta
- Fish & Chips - Served with salad Chicken Breast - Barbequed & served on mixed leaves, cucumber, tomato & topped with sweet potato chips & Honey seeded mustard dressing

Finishing with Coffee & Chocolates

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Make it a Day in Freo and come and listen to our own Wendy and 149 other singers - People's Messiah: with a massed chorus of 150 including: Collegium Symphonic Chorus Guest singers Conductor: Margaret Pride  
Enjoy Handel's marvellous work in an open-air picnic setting Sunday 5th December 6.00pm Gilbert Fraser Oval  
John Street North Fremantle

The performance will take place from the historic 102-year-old grandstand BYO Picnic dinner, rugs, chairs and sunscreen.

Costs: Per adult \$20.00  
School aged children \$10.00

Seniors and student card holders: \$15.00  
2 adults & up to 4 school aged children \$50.00

Bookings: 92842137

## ALIA West End of Year Breakfast



Celebrate an early start to the festive session by enjoying breakfast with other Western Australian Information professionals. The breakfast will include a continental selection of fresh fruits, cereals, preserves, pastries and yoghurt as well as a hot plate of grilled morning flavours consisting of bacon, sausage, grilled tomato, mushrooms and delicious scrambled eggs. Fruit juices and freshly brewed coffee/tea will also be provided.

**When:** 7.30 am, Wednesday 1 December 2004

**Where :** Chifley Hotel, 185 St Georges Terrace, Perth.

The Chifley Hotel is close to the main Perth busport, buses also go outside the door, or the nearest paid car parking is Wilson Parking on the Esplanade.

**Cost:** ALIA Members \$20 Non-members \$26

**Payment:** Cheque or credit card by 26 November 2004 (attached form for credit card payments)

**RSVP:** Judy Allan email: [jallan@legalaid.wa.gov.au](mailto:jallan@legalaid.wa.gov.au)  
Phone: 9261 6217



**ALIA West End of Year Breakfast**

**7.30am, 1 December 2004**

**Chifley Hotel, 185 St George's Terrace, Perth**

Name of attendee/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Details: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT ADVICE**

**PAYMENT IS DUE BY 26 November 2004**

Please print this form out, complete the details and either  
FAX direct to: Judy Allan, Library, Legal Aid Western Australia Fax: 9261 6213

or POST to: Judy Allan  
Treasurer, ALIA West  
12 Ardagh St  
MORLEY WA 6062

If paying by credit card the full amount of this account may be debited to your Bankcard, Mastercard, or  
Visacard account. Your signature below is authority for the amount shown. The Association is unable to  
process American Express. A tax invoice/receipt will be issued on receipt of payment.

\$20.00 ALIA Member Membership No/s.: .....

\$26.00 Non member

Payment by credit card  Payment by cheque (enclosed)

Card Type: **BANKCARD** **MASTERCARD** **VISACARD**

Card Number: ...../...../...../...../ Expiry Date:.....

Cardholder's Name - Please print: .....

Cardholder's Signature: .....

For further information regarding payment or for confirmation of receipt of fax, contact  
Judy Allan email: [jallan@legalaid.wa.gov.au](mailto:jallan@legalaid.wa.gov.au) phone: 9261 6217

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**Diary Dates****DECEMBER**

DATE: 1ST (WED)

EVENT: ALIA West Breakfast

VENUE:

Chifley Hotel, 185 St George's Terrace, Perth

TIME: 7:30am

COST: \$20 ALIA members, \$26 non-members

RSVP &amp; payment by 26/11 to Judy Allan 9261 6217

jallan@legalaid.wa.gov.au

DATE: 3RD (FRI)

EVENT: RMAA 2004 Christmas Function

SPEAKER: Judith Ellis

"Stakeholder Engagement in Archives and Records"

VENUE: 4th floor board room

Alexander Library Building

TIME: 2:30 - 5pm

COST: members free, \$10 non-members

RSVP by 26/11 to Trissa Dent 9420 3242

Trissa.dent@watercorporation.com.au

DATE: 3RD (FRI)

EVENT: Author talk @ Subi Library

SPEAKER: Liz Byrski

VENUE: Evelyn H Parker Library

Corner Bagot and Rokeby Roads, Subiaco

TIME: 5:45 for 6pm

RSVP to 9381 5088 or library@subiaco.wa.gov.au

DATE: 5TH (SUN)

EVENT: Australian Society of Archivists (WA Branch) Christmas Breakfast

VENUE: Red Herring Restaurant

26 Riverside Drive, East Fremantle

TIME: 8:30am

RSVP by 2/12 to Martin Fordham

mfordham@sro.wa.gov.au 9427 3363

DATE: 5TH (SUN)

EVENT:

WA Library Technicians Group end of Year Lunch

VENUE: Sandrino Café and Pizzeria

95 Market Street, Fremantle

TIME: 1pm

COST: \$30

RSVP by 29/11 to Judy Allan

allan@arach.net.au

DATE: 8TH (WED)

EVENT: IIM WA Branch Christmas party

VENUE: Hotel Grand Chancellor

TIME: 12 - 3pm

COST: \$20 members, \$29.50 non-members

RSVP by 26/11 to Celia Chesney 9368 3948

cchesney@agric.wa.gov.au

DATE: 8TH (WED)

EVENT: ALLG (WA) AGM and Christmas Dinner

VENUE: AGM

Central Park Theatre

152 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Dinner

CBD Restaurant

Corner Hay and King Street

TIME: AGM 5:30 - 6:30pm, Dinner 7pm

COST: \$35 members, \$45 non-members

RSVP by 26/11 to Natalie McDonald

natalie.mcdonald@malleasons.com

Payment required by 3/12

DATE: 15TH (WED)

EVENT: Australian Geoscience Information Association AGM WA Branch

VENUE: Brass Monkey Brasserie (up stairs)

209 William Street, Perth

TIME: 5:30 for 6pm

RSVP for dinner by 13/12 to Elizabeth Amann

elizabeth.amann@wmc.com

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**From the editors**

The deadline for copy is the 25th of the month. Articles and photos about recent events, news about upcoming events, suggestions for columns, and contributions from groups maybe sent to Bonnie-Rae Bruce at b.bruce@curtin.edu.au

From the Biblia team we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

