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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Alumni and Community reception last Friday night. A report and photos from the event are attached.

SCHOOL SEMINAR

Stars, supernovae and meteorites: laboratory studies of nucleosynthesis using accelerator mass spectrometry

Dr Anton Wallner

Department of Nuclear Physics

Thursday 24 May, 4.00pm

Leonard Huxley Lecture Theatre
Building 56, Mills Road

Refreshments will be held in the Tea Room after the Seminar (around 5pm)

ALL WELCOME

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Plasma Research Laboratory

Dr Cormac Corr will give an invited Physics colloquium at the University of Melbourne on Tuesday 15 May.

WELCOME

Laser Physics Centre

Please welcome Dr Marcus Doherty to Laser Physics and RSPE. Marcus started his Postdoctoral fellow on 10 May and is working with Prof Neil Manson over the next two years.

Nonlinear Physics Centre

Please welcome Dr Alex Savin who arrived today to commence work with NLPC for two months.

He will have a desk in L2.15, Telephone – 51068

Email – asavin00@gmail.com

FAREWELL

Electronic Materials Engineering

Farewell to Dr David Sprouster who is leaving EME to take up a position in AMPL.

VISITOR

Nuclear Physics

Professor Bruce Barrett, University of Arizona, will be visiting Nuclear Physics in the period 17-28 May.

He will give a series of lectures, aimed particularly at honours and graduate students, on the topic:

The Current Status of Nuclear Structure Theory, with an emphasis on microscopic approaches.

Nuclear Seminar Room, 3.15-4.15 pm

Thursday 17 May, Friday 18 May, Monday 21 May,
Tuesday 22 May, Thursday 24 May, Friday 25 May and
Monday 28 May

ALL WELCOME

REFURBISHMENT

RECEPTION will be relocating back into the Oliphant Building early next week.

RSPE TEAROOM is expected to relocate back to the Oliphant Building next week.

OLIPHANT LINK will be closed for refurbishment from next week.

OHS BULLETIN

The University has developed the following duty statements to ensure compliance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 and, the continual improvement of OHS at ANU. These can be found online under HR OHS ANU work health & safety duties.

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OHS TRAINING COURSES

Laser Safety

Wednesday 16 May, 9.00 – 1.00pm

Flammable Liquids

Friday 18 May, 9.00 – 1.00pm

OHS Training for Supervisors

Tuesday 22 May, all day

Corrosives

Wednesday 23 May, 9.00 – 1.00pm

Ionizing Radiation Safety

Thursday 24 May, 9.00 – 1.00pm

Elect Appliance Testing Refresh

Wednesday 6 June, 9.00 – 1.00pm

To enroll please email ohstraining@anu.edu.au

PURPLE SHIN

The Purple Shin is a social soccer competition for ANU staff and postgraduate students and an ANU institution that goes back to the early 1970s. We are looking for players to join the Physics team for this year's competitions. Games are usually held once a week either on Tuesday or Thursday, at lunchtime. If you are interested please contact Andre Carvalho (andre.carvalho@anu.edu.au).



RSPE Alumni and Community Reception: *Launching a new era*

The RSPE alumni and community farewelled Professor Jim Williams AM on Friday 4 May. Over 90 people, including the VC, Professor Ian Young, gathered at the ANU Classics Museum last Friday to acknowledge Jim's leadership and contribution towards development initiatives and to welcome Professor Stephen Buckman in his role as the new Director of RSPE.

Jim also updated guests on the School's new development initiatives which include the introduction of Commercial Development and achievements of Philanthropic Development.



The VC Professor Ian Young with Professor Jagadish and Dr Molly Carver

The evening also celebrated the launch of the Ben Williams Endowment Fund, established by Professor Williams and his family. The fund is intended to assist students enrolled in the School experiencing difficult circumstances, such as mental illness, disability, extended sickness, family or financial hardship, to continue and complete their studies. The Ben Williams fund will be available to Physics undergraduate and postgraduate students from 2013.



Professor Stephen Buckman thanking Professor Jim Williams AM and his family for their support towards the Ben Williams Endowment Fund.

Guests had a unique opportunity to explore and learn about the ANU Classics Museum and its exhibits from museum guides.



Professor Nanda Dasgupta learning more about the exhibits at the ANU Classics Museum



Our alumni and friends



Donors and friends of the School