

# Value adding in the profession

## Promoting growth, research and excellence in practice

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On 16 September the Education for Librarianship and Information Services National Section will be hosting the forum 'Value adding in the profession' at the Baillieu Library.

The speakers will be Associate Professor Maxine Rochester, from Charles Sturt University, Dr Rochester is also a member of the IFLA Education Forum; Barbara Paton a research librarian from La Trobe University; and Dr Angela Bridgland, associate librarian, Management and Development Services at the University of Melbourne.

Dr Rochester will talk about *Research, education and librarianship now and in the future*. She will outline the major research efforts underway and the issues that educators will have to face to respond to the challenges of the workplace and technology.

Barbara Paton will provide a view of research from a practitioner's perspective and how it operates in the workplace. Job descriptions at La Trobe include a research

brief and Barbara will discuss the implications and practicalities of this role.

Dr Angela Bridgland will discuss the needs and training of staff and the implications for management to help them pursue research in her organisation. There have been some practical examples of research done at Melbourne and Angela will share their experiences.

There will be drinks and nibbles prior to the event at 5.30.

This forum is a must for librarians looking to secure their future by examining how they may add value to their services by using and developing their skills and knowledge.

The forum will be held in the Ballieu Library's Tutorial Room, Ground Floor, at 5:30 for 6:00 pm. People may enter from Gate 4 Monash Road, or Gate 10 Grattan Street, see *Melways* map 75A. The cost of the seminar is \$2.00. ■

## Appeal for donations

The Papua New Guinea Canberra Students' Association is appealing to the community for donations for the survivors of the tidal wave in Papua New Guinea.

While the immediate need for food, clean water and medicines has been met, many in the affected

communities have lost everything, including the tools needed to rebuild their homes and lives.

These communities require tools (including axes, saws, hammers, nails, files, shovels, spades, bush knives, crop seedlings/seeds), and water tanks. There is also a need for materials to be

used in rebuilding the local schools, including text books, pencils, rulers, and erasers.

For information on what to send and where to send donations, contact the president of the appeal committee, Rona Nadile, on 02 6249 2163, or vice president Amos Wama on 0412 484 415. ■



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• **13/10 ACT Library Technicians meeting.** *Who you would like to see nominated for the 1999 committee?* 5:30-7pm, CIT Reid, D Block (notice on main door). All welcome. Contacts: Margaret Drury, [mdrury@agso.gov.au](mailto:mdrury@agso.gov.au); or Marion Boyd, ph 6270 6912, [mboyd@hcourt.gov.au](mailto:mboyd@hcourt.gov.au).

• **16/10 ACT UCRLS.** *Online services: how far, how fast? Libraries' transition from print to digital.* Uni Canberra Conference Centre. 9-2pm, \$50 ALIA members, \$60 non-ALIA members (including lunch). More details later. Enquiries: Nancy Clarke, ph 02 6209 1117, fx 02 6209 1114, [n.clarke@signadou.acu.edu.au](mailto:n.clarke@signadou.acu.edu.au).

• **3/11 ACT Library Technicians AGM.** Contacts: Margaret Drury, [mdrury@agso.gov.au](mailto:mdrury@agso.gov.au); or Marion Boyd, ph 6270 6912, [mboyd@hcourt.gov.au](mailto:mboyd@hcourt.gov.au).

### NSW

• **7/9-1/12 NSW School Libraries section.** *Committee meetings.* Venue: Joint council rooms, Leichhardt Primary School, Corner Norton and Marion Sts. Time: 6-8pm. Dates: 7/9, 13/10, 4/11, 1/12. Contact: Andrew Barber, ph 9519 1544, [library@newton-pah.dse.nsw.edu.au](mailto:library@newton-pah.dse.nsw.edu.au)

• **9/9 NSW Library Technician meeting.** SLNSW, Level 10, Boardroom. 5:30 for 6pm. Contact: Katherine Raper, ph 02 9514 3688, [Katherine.Raper@uts.edu.au](mailto:Katherine.Raper@uts.edu.au).

• **12/9 NSW School Libraries section.** *Write your own report card: accountability and the school library.* Contact: Ian McLean, ph 02 9886 7501, [mcleani@gwise.dse.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mcleani@gwise.dse.nsw.edu.au).

• **16/9 Keeping up with internet developments.** UNSW, School of Information, Library and Archive Studies. Contact: Maureen Henninger, ph 02 9385 3589, fx 02 9385 3430, [M.Henninger@unsw.edu.au](mailto:M.Henninger@unsw.edu.au).

• **18/9 NSW Local Studies section.** *Sherlock Holmes: a workshop for library staff on researching houses.* SLNSW, McDonalds Room. 9:30-4pm. \$40 ALIA members, \$50 non-members. Contact: Leonie Mason, Stanton Library, ph 02 9936 8412, fx 02 9936 8440, [masleo@northsydney.nsw.gov.org](mailto:masleo@northsydney.nsw.gov.org).

• **28/9-2/10 Re-entry skills for librarians, week 1.** UNSW, School of Information, Library and Archive Studies. Contact: Maureen Henninger, ph 02 9385 3589, fx 02 9385 3430, [M.Henninger@unsw.edu.au](mailto:M.Henninger@unsw.edu.au).

• **30/9 Hunter Regional group.** *Heather Fisher will report back on her overseas study trip.* Tuggerah Public Library, 6:30pm. Contact: Susan Ryan, ph 02 4925 8300.

• **Oct NSW TAFE and School sections.** *Internet content man-*

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