



# Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee

## GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

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Golden Jubilee Committee: Dr Catherine A. Lawrence (Chair), John Martin, Juliet O'Brien, Pauline Beames, Dr Steve Papas.

*The late Meryl Papas OAM is a much-missed member of the original committee. We also acknowledge the input of former committee members (Teagan Thompson, Dr Christine Dauber & Jason Yu).*




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*[...] people devoted to the University, determined to stay connected to it and keeping it connected to the wider community, dedicated to the concept of giving back, and of finding practical ways to contribute to the University's growth and wellbeing. And this they have done handsomely - but mostly without fuss or fanfare. Working away quietly and diligently - all on a volunteer basis - to raise funds for Awards, Prizes, Scholarships and Grants, organising networking and social activities, establishing and sustaining special interest groups, producing and distributing informative newsletters, and now an excellent website also, presenting educational and cultural events, lectures, seminars and activities, and more.*

The Honourable Dr Penelope Wensley AC  
Patron, Alumni Friends of The University of Queensland

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*Alumni Court, February 2017. Extract of speech made by our Patron at the celebratory event. Photographs courtesy UQ*



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*Pictures: Geoff Lawrence (1, 3, 5), Cathi Lawrence (2), and courtesy Petra Jones (4).*



*Alumni Court, February 2017  
(Photographs courtesy UQ)*



**Above:** Fryer Library, June 2017 (N Chan, Book Fair volunteer, in foreground, R). **Right:** Mrs Joan Cribb presenting the Great Court Race trophy, and an Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary, to Max Whiteoak, at the May 2017 Alumni Friends Great Court Race.  
**Below Right:** Gala Lunch, July 2017. Pictures: Geoff Lawrence.



**Above:** Ching Chong (centre), recipient of the Martin Family Bursary for a student from the School of Economics, pictured with John Martin (L) and Barbara Martin (R). Picture courtesy UQ.

## Executive Summary

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Alumni Friends of The University of Queensland Inc (*Alumni Friends*) was founded in 1967, when The University of Queensland (UQ) sponsored the formation of an association to foster relationships with UQ alumni. The Association continues to connect engaged alumni and friends to support the endeavours of UQ's 'future alumni,' educators and researchers.

The aims of the Golden Jubilee (50<sup>th</sup> celebrations) program were simple: to create a cost-effective celebration to attract *positive* attention, to provide celebratory events to reconnect Members with UQ and with 'future alumni,' and to raise sufficient funds to present Bursaries to students across the University.

The 2017-18 program exceeded our expectations: funding and Awarding 50 Bursaries, recognition of four exceptional Foundation Members, the *50 Stories* Project (59 stories on the website), a well-received Gala Lunch, and a program of events and Exhibitions that reached across UQ. Creating many memorable and exciting occasions, the program lives on in the memories of our Members—as well as in plaques, pictures and in a website, and in the impact it will have on the careers of 50 exceptional students.

This document details the results, and summarises activities and outcomes, including:

- **Connection:** The program reached *every* School and Faculty across UQ, extending the traditional areas of interest and focus. Each Executive Dean and Head of key centres received a letter outlining donations made by *Alumni Friends* over the previous 50 years—a total of over \$4m at actual value, or in excess of \$8m, inflation-adjusted.
- **Philanthropy:** A successful program of 2017-18 fund-raising. To date, 69 individuals and two organisations have donated a very generous **\$44,231.35** to fund the Awards. **50** Golden Jubilee Bursaries were presented, **35** of which were individually named and funded.
- **Celebration:** A high-profile program of **15** major events was held during the Golden Jubilee year. In addition, **13** functions incorporated the presentation of Golden Jubilee Bursaries (including three Customs House events, two Abel Smith Theatre lectures and a function held in the Sir Llew Edwards Terrace Room), with many additional Bursaries awarded at special School-based gatherings.
- **Experience:** The project created eight internships (and six additional volunteer roles) for students from the School of Communication & Arts (Writing Editing and Publishing program). *50 Stories* benefited from their enthusiasm, and it has been pleasing to hear that many of our former interns have now gained paid employment, citing their experience on the project as helping them gain confidence and relevant experience.
- **Profile:** 2017-18 has seen extensive promotion of *Alumni Friends* across the University (including four related exhibitions, three of which continue online), a Facebook page, and a website that is now included in the National Library of Australia *Pandora* Project.
- **Consistent communication:** The late Meryl Papas OAM was emphatic that the celebrations were acknowledged as a 'Golden Jubilee.' 2017-18 proved to be a golden program, identified with a special logo (created and donated by Dominic O'Donnell).
- **Cost-effective:** The *Alumni Friends* program budget closed at expenditure of just over \$1,500.





***The Great Homeric Feast and The President's 'At Home':*** 1990's memories shared by UQ Sculptor Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM as part of 50 Stories. Picture courtesy Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM.

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*"Nostalgia is an unreliable prism. The lived life is rarely the replica of the remembered life. But in my memory, those four years at UQ were halcyon days."* Mr Peter N Varghese AO

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***Halcyon Days:*** Mr Peter N Varghese AO, BA (Hons), H.DLitt Qld. Chancellor, The University of Queensland, Brisbane.



***'Commem' Memories:*** Recollections illustrated with a photograph from the collection of Petra Jones (pictured far left). Fellow Commemoration 1951 participants include Geoff Price, Kathleen (seated), Pam Jones (seated) and Dolly.



***My most powerful experience in Peru:*** Study-abroad experiences shared by current student (and Golden Jubilee Bursary recipient) Dominic McCrea.

**50** ALUMNI FRIENDS OF UQ **Stories**  
1967 - 2017

## Introduction: Background and Objectives

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Alumni Friends of The University of Queensland Inc (*Alumni Friends*) was founded in 1967—the first such association to be established in Australia. The Association continues to connect engaged alumni and friends to support the endeavours of UQ’s ‘future alumni,’ educators and researchers. In 2015, the *Alumni Friends* Executive Committee formed a 50th Celebrations Committee, appointing the incoming Vice-president as Chair (June 2015). The core members of the quickly renamed Golden Jubilee Committee—Pauline Beames, Dr Catherine Lawrence [Chair], John Martin, Juliet O’Brien, and Dr Steve Papas—are responsible for this report.<sup>1</sup>

Inspired by the 2015 AGM lecture, given by the *Alumni Friends*’ Patron, The Honourable Dr Penelope Wensley AC, the Golden Jubilee Committee proposed that the anniversary year was celebrated with a program of activity which:

- attracted *positive* attention (and possibly even new Members);
- raised sufficient funds to present fifty \$1,000 Bursaries to UQ students;
- created a vehicle/focal point to attract, record and share memories of the first 50 years of the connection of the Association (and *Alumni Friends* Members) with the University;
- encouraged the recognition of the service and philanthropy of *Alumni Friends*;
- created a program of functions and events to celebrate (and honour) the contribution of *Alumni Friends* (at an individual level and for the organisation);
- minimised the organisational load, integrating with the existing annual calendar, and encouraging the organisation of events by Faculty and School personnel;
- was as inclusive as possible; *and*, in particular...
- was appropriate to the mission and objectives of the Association.

### The program proposal had 4 key elements:

1. **Fund-raising/special Bursaries:** 50th celebrations are an opportunity for special program of fund-raising. The Committee proposed a target of 50 Bursaries, each of \$1,000, to be awarded to UQ students.
2. **2017 Events:** With the aim of minimising expenditure (and spreading the organisational load), the Golden Jubilee Committee approached Executive Deans (and relevant Schools/Centres/ groups which had previously benefited from the support of *Alumni Friends*) to encourage ideas for their own celebration/alumni events. This included suggesting that the Golden Jubilee act as a focus for existing events, including the UQ Alumni Book Fair® and Great Court Race.
3. **50 Stories:** A website-based program of collecting, recording and sharing stories and memories of fifty years of philanthropy and connection with the University,
4. **Honours:** To create a limited number of special *Alumni Friends* Golden Jubilee Awards, and to seek recognition for key activities/Members from UQ/with other Awards programs.

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<sup>1</sup> During 2015-18, at various times, the Committee also included Teagan Thompson, Jason Yu, and Dr Christine Dauber. The late Meryl Papas OAM is a much-missed member of the original Committee.

When recommending the approach, the Committee anticipated several strengths/benefits, and considered weaknesses/threats, of the proposals, including:

### Strengths/Benefits:

- **Profile:** The program of events, stories collection, fund-raising, and presentation of Bursaries created high-profile, targeted publicity (2016-18).
- **Building on contacts and previous ‘investments’/benefactions:** The program required active reconnection with Faculty and School teams, creating opportunities to recognise the contribution of *Alumni Friends*, and to reconnect donors with individual areas of interest.
- **UQ profile-raising:** The aim was to reach every UQ School, creating the opportunity to build new contacts across UQ.
- **Academic & community linkages:** The program created the opportunity for internships and work-experience for current students (from the School of Communication & Arts).
- **Collecting stories:** *50 Stories* encouraged students to submit their stories, and to research their family connections—creating the opportunity for current students to reflect on the experience of their predecessors.
- **Programming:** The approach integrated with *Alumni Friends* and UQ calendars.
- **People:** The plans sought to spread the organisation and budgetary load.
- **Publicity & Events:** The Bursary presentations had the potential to augment the Golden Jubilee events program, at no additional cost to *Alumni Friends*.
- **New Members:** Every Bursary recipient was to be offered free membership (individuals were required to opt-in, but the program had the potential to add up to 50 new Members).
- **Fund-raising:** A new program to attract the interest of donors.
- **Connecting donors with UQ:** It was anticipated that the program might encourage individuals to consider some of the Awards an annual part of their philanthropic support.

### Risks/Weaknesses/Threats

Any fund-raising and celebratory program has associated risks. Major areas of concern included:

- **Workload:** The Committee anticipated that the program might create additional work.
- **Onerous fund-raising target:** Announcing a target of 50 Bursaries was a risk. To mitigate this, the Hon. Treasurer made a budget provision (as a contingency). The UQ Alumni Book Fair® team were also strong supporters of the concept, requesting that profits from the 2017 Fair could be used to support the program.
- **Unproductive time:** Approaching every School and Faculty would take time—following-up, scheduling, promoting, organising—and might not result in the desired outcomes.
- **Limited resources:** Careful planning was required to ensure the program was achieved with limited resources (personnel and funds).
- **Issues associated with functions:** Concerns raised by the committee included funding, processes to identify guest lists, St Lucia venues (availability/parking), and the importance of inclusiveness, variety, and attracting different audiences.
- **Changes required by UQ:** UQ’s requirements for *Alumni Friends* to relocate (August 2017), and also to relinquish the established website and email addresses for transfer to UQ Advancement) created additional distractions and risks during 2016-18.
- **Book Fair year:** In addition to the Golden Jubilee Celebrations, 2017 was a ‘Book Fair year’ (i.e. a time of particularly high workload).



## The Result: 50 Golden Jubilee Bursaries

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The proposal that the Golden Jubilee year centred on a fund-raising program to award 50 Bursaries, each of \$1,000, received early approval from the Executive Committee.

### UQ Student Recipients

Initial discussions centred on reaching every School, but an option to link the Awards to the UQ Young Achievers Program was also explored. The final list of Bursaries presented during 2017-18 was developed as follows:

- **Every School:** One student selected by each Head of School (29 in total). For these Awards, candidates were required to be students of the University (minimum 50% load), and it was recommended that preference was given to students meeting at least one of the following criteria:
  - **Service:** In recognition of Service (for example, for mentoring support to fellow students, and/or in recognition of volunteer involvement with the University, community and/or *Alumni Friends*),
  - **Innovation:** In recognition of a specific innovation or creative activity contributing to the research interests of the School.
- **Postgraduate Students:** 8 Awards linked to the 3MT® competition.
- **Connection:** Awards which celebrated the long-standing connection of the Association with UQ Library, UQ Museums, and the Great Court Race.
- **Awards which reflected the specific interests of donors**—including the Awards for female students, and to students associated with the Gatton Campus and with the QBI.

The full list of recipients is attached as an appendix to this report (pages 29-33).

### Exceptional Donor response

To date, **69** individuals (and two organisations) have donated a very generous **\$44,231.35** in support of the Golden Jubilee Bursaries. **35** of the 50 Awards were 'named' (i.e. donations of \$1,000 or more), which did provide the occasional challenge, as some donors requested naming in overlapping areas of interest.

### Connection & Publicity

**Connection:** The aim was to present every Award at an event where the recipient might meet the donor—creating the opportunity for publicity and connecting donors with areas of interest. This was a highly successful aspect of the program. Donors, Members and volunteers were invited to fifteen Bursary-related events (including the Great Court Race, 3MT® Competition, the School of Music Prize Winners Concert, and high-profile celebrations held at Customs House, and at the Sir Llew Edwards, Abel Smith and AEB Buildings.

**Right:** Chris McMillan (centre), recipient of *The Lorna McReadie Bursary*, as the Faculty of Science UQ 3MT® Finalist. Award presented by Dr Melda and Ms Topsy Moffett at the UQ 3MT® Customs House Final, September 2017. *Picture courtesy UQ.*



Donors also connected with students in smaller events, generally hosted by the relevant Head of School, giving the opportunity for extended conversation and high-quality donor-student engagement. An outline of the different types of presentation, is included in the Events section of this report (pp 10-17).

**Publicity:** Every student received an individual letter from the member/volunteer/donor who presented the Award. Each presentation was reported on in *Alumni News*, and some were included on the Facebook page. In addition, a photograph from each event is available on the Golden Jubilee website ([fifty.alumnifriendsuq.com/fifty-1000-golden-jubilee-student-Bursaries/](http://fifty.alumnifriendsuq.com/fifty-1000-golden-jubilee-student-Bursaries/)). Several Schools used the Bursary for a competition open to students studying in a particular program (most notably, the School of Music *O'Brien Prize*), two Bursaries were presented to winners of the Great Court Race, and three additional Bursaries were used as prizes in competitions which were open to students from across the University. Each competition received extensive publicity—through social media, posters and other promotional communications:

- **Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary:** Awarded to the winner of a UQ Art Museum competition #UQArtInspires.
- **Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM Prize** for the winner of the November Fryer Library 'Hidden Treasures' Competition. Award announced by Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM at the UQ Library Awards evening, 6 December 2017. Details [here](#).
- **The Lawrence Family Award** for the winner of the UQ Library competition where students were encouraged to think about what the UQ Library means to them (details also [here](#)).

## Issues

This aspect of the program was not without challenges. Every Award required the drafting of a donor letter (with contact to ensure personalisation), transfer of funds to UQ, arrangement of the presentation, photography and addition of information to the website. The biggest issue was chasing up on the awarding of Bursaries with UQ Advancement & Schools (and then the date, venue and parking for presentations), which took an inordinate amount of time and energy.

## Feedback

Attending even one meeting between a donor and recipient was ample reward for bringing the idea to fruition. Occasionally some recipients (and staff) dropped us a note after the event, including:

- *Thanks for arranging yesterday, it's always great to meet donors. Bringing scholarship recipients together with the donors can be a more rewarding experience than you anticipate, it's quite a powerful process and I think [the student] is the sort of person that [the donors] will be extremely proud to have helped. I look forward to following what she does post-UQ. One student from all of our Schools has now been fortunate to receive one of your Golden Jubilee Anniversary Scholarships. I would like to say on behalf of everyone at [our Faculty] how thankful we are for you and your fellow Alumni Friends Members for supporting our students. With kindest regards. Alumni Officer, Advancement*
- *I wanted to send this email to thank you all for your support. This prize not only helps immensely with the life as a student, but it really does show support. It was a pleasure meeting some of you at the Awards event, I hope to one day to be able to support someone like you, [...], and so many other families did. Student (Bursary recipient)*

## The Result: Events

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A key aim for the program was to have as many celebrations as possible which were organised by others, leaving the Gala Lunch as the main event to be managed and underwritten by *Alumni Friends*. 2017-18 events held in celebration of the Golden Jubilee were in three main areas: events directly linked to the Golden Jubilee, events which incorporated the presentation of Golden Jubilee Bursaries, and a sequence of Morning Tea/more informal, School-based meetings for Bursary presentations.

### Fifteen 2017 Events Celebrating the Golden Jubilee

Fifteen major events were inspired by, or named 'for' the Golden Jubilee during 2017 (more if including the related events included within the program for the UQ Art Museum Exhibition):

#### UQ Senate Function, Alumni Court

"Recognising and celebrating the valuable contribution of Alumni Friends of the University of Queensland," the University Senate hosted an afternoon tea in the St Lucia Campus Alumni Court. 60 guests, including many Foundation Members and Past Presidents of *Alumni Friends*, were invited to the event as guests of the Senate.

Following speeches by Peter Varghese AO ([Chancellor, The University of Queensland](#)) and by The Honourable Dr Penelope Wensley AC ([Patron, Alumni Friends](#)), a commemorative plaque was unveiled by (see picture, right, L to R) Professor Peter Høj (UQ Vice-Chancellor and President), The Honourable Dr Penelope Wensley AC, and Peter Varghese AO. The plaque unveiled to recognise the Golden Jubilee is on the wall of Alumni Court, replacing the original 1971 'Gift of the Alumni Association' plaque (see picture page 23). Copies of the speeches from the event have been added to the Golden Jubilee website



Picture courtesy UQ

#### UQ Art Museum Exhibition: Philanthropists and Collections

The UQ Art Museum team curated and produced a special exhibition, [Philanthropists and Collections](#) (11 March–4 June 2017), which focused on the relationship between philanthropy, collectors and artists. Although not limited to donations by *Alumni Friends*, Samantha Littley (Curator) included several works from the Museum Collection which resulted from *Alumni Friends*/Member donations. During the almost 3 months of the Exhibition, several related events attracted visits from Members, students, and the wider community, including:

- **Special Preview** (By invitation only, 11 March 2017, 2pm): 10 places for *Alumni Friends*.
- **Official Opening** (11 March 2017, 3:30pm): Open to all Members, taking the form of official speeches, and an afternoon tea hosted by the UQ Art Museum.
- **Panel Discussion** "In Conversation: Art and Philanthropy," Thursday 23 March 2017, 11am.
- **Alumni Friends of UQ Study Room White Gloves Talk**: Invitation-only (3 May 2017).



- **School of Music Concert:** A one-hour program, for Members and the wider community, with performances by UQ's School of Music Chamber Singers and a small number of instrumental accompanists performing in the Art Museum (UQ Art Museum, 7th May, 2017, 11am).

### **The Golden Jubilee UQ Alumni Book Fair®**

The Rare Book Auction and Fair was officially opened by Professor Peter Høj, UQ Vice-Chancellor and President, on Friday, 21 April 6pm, at the St Lucia Women's College Playhouse. The Golden Jubilee UQ Alumni Book Fair® was held from Saturday 22 April to Wednesday 26 April 2017 (at the UQ Centre, St Lucia Campus).

### **Alumni Friends 51st AGM**

The University Chancellor, Peter Varghese AO, was the special guest speaker at the *51st Alumni Friends AGM*, marking the official start of the Golden Jubilee year. The Chancellor was introduced, and warmly welcomed, by *Alumni Friends'* Patron, The Honourable Dr Penny Wensley AC.

### **Government House Reception**

A special Reception was held at Government House on 18th May 2017 (5-6pm) to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Alumni Friends of The University of Queensland.

The Reception was hosted by the Governor and Mrs Kaye de Jersey, where His Excellency addressed guests, congratulating *Alumni Friends* on this important milestone. A copy of the speech is available [on-line](#).



**Pictured (L to R):** John Martin (Hon. Treasurer & a Past President), Juliet O'Brien (Hon. Secretary), Dr Catherine Lawrence (President), Jason Yu (Immediate Past President) and Teagan Thompson (Vice-President). The first official event for our new Office Bearers, pictured awaiting the start of the Reception at Government House (no photography permitted inside).

*Picture credit: Geoff Lawrence.*

### **The Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Great Court Race**

The *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Great Court Race* (24 May 2017, 1pm – 2pm) included a special pre-event function for 15 invited guests from *Alumni Friends* (mainly Book Fair volunteers). The event included the presentation of two *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursaries* to the winners of the Male and Female student finals (Awards presented by Mr Peter Jell and Mrs Joan Cribb on behalf of *Alumni Friends* and the UQ Alumni Book Fair team). See *photograph page 3*.

## UQ Library: Fifty Years of Friendship

A special digital Exhibition continues to be available on the UQ Library [website](#). The Exhibition was officially launched at the June 2017 Fryer Library event, and extracts were included in the digital display associated with the Level 1 SS&H exhibition (see below).

## Fryer Library Exhibition

A Morning Tea and white gloves viewing of materials donated by *Alumni Friends*, by the UQ Alumni Book Fair® team, and/or purchased with funds donated by the Association, was held at the Fryer Library. An invited audience included Book Fair volunteers and Members (10th June 2017, RSVP required, details [here](#)).

The celebration featured the presentation of a \$50,000 donation for the new Study Room at Fryer Library, and was marked with speeches by [Dr Catherine Lawrence](#), [Peter Hadgraft](#) (with fascinating memories of Book Fairs and of book donations to Fryer), Bob Gerrity (UQ Librarian), and Simon Farley (Manager, Fryer Library). Copies of the *Alumni Friends* speeches are available on the website).

## Social Sciences & Humanities Library (SS&H) 50 Stories Exhibition

The SS&H Library team produced celebratory display for the level one exhibition space, which included a number of artefacts and a special digital Exhibition promoting the *50 Stories* project. The Exhibition remained in situ, and open for students and visitors, from June-August 2017.

## Gala Lunch, with Dr David Malouf AO ‘in conversation’ with Madonna King

Dr David Malouf AO was the 1992 Inaugural *UQ Alumnus of the Year* (and Madonna King is a UQ alumna). The 15th July 2017 event was well-attended, with over 100 guests, including a number of Foundation Members, and many former recipients of the UQ Alumnus of the Year Award. The event opened with the recognition of the service of four Foundation Members (Steve Papas, Dalma Jacobs, Joan Cribb and Don Barrett)—each presented with a small gift, framed citation and an engraved paperweight by our Patron, The Honourable Dr Penny Wensley AC. *See photograph, p21.*



*Pictured (L to R): Dr David Malouf AO and Madonna King. Photographs: Geoff Lawrence.*

All feedback has been extremely positive. The Lunch program included an on-stage conversation between Dr David Malouf AO and Madonna King, which held the complete attention of the audience. Every guest received a printed copy of the Gala Lunch program and an Alumni keyring. With the support of UQP there was a draw for lucky door prizes, and a guest from each table also received an item of UQ alumni memorabilia.

Copies of the [welcome speech](#) by Dr Catherine Lawrence, and of the [Gala Lunch Program](#), are available on the Golden Jubilee website.

### **Betty Fletcher Presentation**

A celebratory *Friends of Antiquity* Sunday Series Lecture Program Event took place on 13 August 2017 (2pm). Dr Janette McWilliam, James Donaldson and Jaime Cubit presented *Betty Fletcher: Lover of Wisdom, Lover of Beauty, Lover of Humanity*, with an overview of the [online exhibition](#) celebrating the role Betty Fletcher played as an alumna of the University, supporter of Classics and Ancient History and donor to the RD Milns Antiquities Museum.

The presentation included an update on the Summer Scholar research into recipients of the Betty Fletcher Memorial Travelling Scholarship (a scholarship established by *Friends of Antiquity*).

### **Marks-Hirschfeld Museum of Medical History Celebration**

The Medical Special Interest Group, and Members associated with the Marks-Hirschfeld Museum of Medical History, hosted a Morning Tea for Members on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017 (9:30am). After the Tea, held in the Board Room, Members were invited to join small-group conducted tours of the Museum and of the heritage-listed building.

### **School of Music Competition for the O'Brien Prize**

The School of Music reintroduced a discontinued competition for wind and brass students, awarding the *O'Brien Prize* (an *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary*) to the winning student. The School of Music competition was held on 1 October 2017 (judging panel including a member of the O'Brien family), and the Prize-Winner's Concert and presentations took place on 5 October 2017 (see photograph page 26). The *Horner Family Bursary for a Student from the School of Music* was also presented at the prize-winners concert.

### **Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Concert**

The School of Music QPAC performance by the UQ Symphony Orchestra was a special event, attended by many our Members on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017 (2pm). It was lovely to note the many positive acknowledgements of the support of the Association—including in the program, and also in the opening speech by the UQ Provost.

### **RD Milns Antiquities Museum Exhibition**

The 27 October 2017 early-evening opening of two student-curated Exhibitions—a *50 Years of Giving* (also [online](#), and as a 'trail' around the Museum), and *Patronage: Emperor and Empire*—was well-attended by Members (including members of *Friends of Antiquity*). The opening included a presentation by each of the interns involved in the Exhibitions, and speeches by the Museum Director, the Head of School, and by our President. The support of *Alumni Friends* and of *Friends of Antiquity* was generously acknowledged, and the Golden Jubilee logo was used throughout the



Museum (annotating each of the 17 exhibits purchased with the support of *Friends of Antiquity/ Alumni Friends*), and in advertisements for the exhibition across the University

**Pictured, left (L to R):** Dr Janette McWilliam, Victoria Crossland, India Dixon, Em. Prof. Robert Milns AM, Mrs Lyn Milns, Georgina Jansen, Alexandra Garavelis, James Donaldson, Kaeli Krakowski. Alexandra and James curated *50 Years of Giving*, and Janette supervised the student interns (Victoria, India, Georgina, and Kaeli) in the curation of *Patronage: Emperor and Empire*.



*Opening event celebrations. Picture credit: Geoff Lawrence*

### Thirteen Additional Events: Incorporating Golden Jubilee Awards

Thirteen events were hosted at a School or Faculty level across UQ, where agendas were expanded to incorporate the presentation of one or more Golden Jubilee Bursaries. The donor/their representative was invited to attend, often accompanied by the President, Hon. Treasurer or Hon. Secretary. Specific mention was made of *Alumni Friends* and of the Golden Jubilee at each event—either by the MC or through a speech made by the President (at the 3MT® event, by the Honorary Treasurer). These events included:

#### UQ TC Beirne School of Law Awards Celebration

John Martin presented a Bursary at the 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 event, held in the Customs House Long Room.

#### School of Languages and Cultures Awards Celebration, Terrace Room

Mrs Svetlana Hadgraft (Book Fair volunteer) and the President represented the Association at the July event, which included the *in-absentia* congratulation of Dominic McCrea.

#### UQ 3MT® Final, Customs House

The invitation-only, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017, event incorporated the presentation of eight Golden Jubilee Bursaries, including the *Dr Konrad Hirschfeld CBE*, *Fisher Family*, *Lorna McCreadie*, and *Moffett Family* Bursaries. Promotion of the competition, and at each of the Faculty heats, included acknowledgement of each of the individual Bursaries and also of *Alumni Friends*.

#### Gatton Campus Awards presentation

The October event included the presentation of four Golden Jubilee Awards presented by three Past Presidents of the Association.

### Science Faculty Prizes Event

The Science Faculty held a special November gathering at the St Lucia Campus to present many students with Awards, Scholarships and Prizes. Hosted by the Faculty of Science Executive Dean, the program incorporated the presentation of five Golden Jubilee Bursaries (*see photograph, below right*).



### School of Psychology Research Day

Pauline Beames made a short speech before presenting a Golden Jubilee Bursary, holding the rapt attention of a group of research higher degree students who attended a Psychology Department Courtyard pizza gathering (held at the end of a November 2017 Higher Degree Research Day). The picture, left, is of Pauline (R), with Nicole Walker (L), recipient of the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary for a Student from the School of Psychology*. Picture courtesy UQ.

### Friends of Antiquity Sunday Series Lecture

Three Golden Jubilee Bursaries were presented to students associated with the School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry, at one of the Friends of Antiquity Sunday Series talks (5 November 2017, 2pm, Room E302 Forgan Smith Building).

### School of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering's Annual Innovation Showcase event

The *Dr Colin Gan Cheong Kiat Golden Jubilee Bursary* was presented on behalf of the donor by Professor Aleksander Rakic, Associate Dean (External Engagement), Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Information Technology.

### School of Economics Annual Scholarships and Prizes Evening

John and Barbara Martin presented the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Martin Family Bursary for a student from the School of Economics* at the October 2017 School of Economics event (see page 3).

### UQ Library Awards

The annual Library event included the presentation of two Golden Jubilee Bursaries (Fryer Library, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017).

The UQ Library team used the *Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM Fryer Library* and *Lawrence Family UQ Library* Bursaries as prizes in two student competitions, which promoted the Libraries and *Alumni Friends* to students (on social media, and Library posters). See also page 9.



**Above:** Marielle Ong (L), receiving the *Dalma Jacobs Award (Female Student) for Excellence in Mathematics* at the November 2017 UQ Science Event. Golden Jubilee Bursary presented by Dalma Jacobs (R). Picture courtesy UQ.

### UQ School of Communication & Arts Celebration of 40 Years of Art History

The School of Communication & Arts event included a short speech by our President and the presentation of the *Lawrence Family Bursary* (Terrace Room, Sir Llew Edwards Building, on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017). See photograph, page 31.

### School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work Pre-Commencement Seminar

The *Alumni Friends* Golden Jubilee Bursary for a student from the School was presented at the February 2018 Abel Smith Lecture theatre event. See photograph, page 33.

### School of Education 2018 Professional Foundations Program (PFP) event

The PFP was held on 8-9 February 2018, at the Abel Smith Lecture Theatre, with the presentation of the Horner Family Bursary taking place on the morning of Thursday, 8 February.

### Mayne Connection

Some students were unable to attend the presentation of a Bursary—often due to travel commitments linked to study or family visits. Two memorable student meetings took place at on-campus locations with important Mayne connections:



Hayley Kake, recipient of the #UQArtInspires prize, was unable to attend the *Philanthropists and Collections* opening night. The presentation of the first Bursary therefore took place earlier that day, at the point where Hayley took the winning image. Margaret Blaszczyk (R) and Hayley (L) were photographed outside the Mayne Centre—holding both the Award letter, and a copy of the winning entry. Picture Credit: UQ Art Museum.

Dominic McCrea, recipient of the *Alumni Friends* Golden Jubilee Bursary for the School of Languages and Cultures, was to receive his Award at the School Awards Celebration. However, as Dominic was about to start a year of study abroad, an impromptu meeting also took place. Dominic is pictured (right), holding his letter of congratulation from Mrs Svetlana Hadgraft, alongside the Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM sculpture of UQ philanthropist Dr James Mayne. Picture Credit: Cathi Lawrence.



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*It was lovely to meet you recently and I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Alumni Friends for the award. I truly appreciate the Bursary and the special recognition for my contribution to both the School and importantly the community.* **Student (Bursary recipient)**

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## Informal/Morning Tea Bursary presentations

Not every School has an annual event at which the Bursary for ‘their’ student might be presented. Some of the most enjoyable means of connecting donors (and representatives of *Alumni Friends*) with the student recipients were at School-based events—predominantly Morning Teas, but also including lunch and pizza gatherings.

Each occasion was different. One unforgettable meeting between the donors, student, President, and two members of the Advancement Team took place in the Great Court. Another special event included a personal tour of the QBI for the donor and friends with the student recipient.

What every event had in common was a personal connection between the student and donor that often led to an exchange of email addresses and mobile numbers—and even one invitation to attend a Graduation Ceremony. Even many months after the meetings, many donors still speak about the presentation event and of ‘their’ students.

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... a very big thank you for the generous Bursary that I received today [...]. I am truly honoured to have been recognised and have the opportunity to speak and connect with such esteemed individuals. Dr Lawrence spoke to me about joining the Alumni Association with the free one-year membership offered with the Bursary and I would like to very enthusiastically take this up. [...] Once again, thank you kindly for all the *Alumni Friends* do to supporting and encouraging students. I am deeply touched! **Bursary recipient**

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**Above:** John de Bhal (R), recipient of the *Colin Power AM Award for a Student from the School of School of Political Science and International Studies*, pictured at the School Lunch alongside Emeritus Professor Colin POWER, AM, BSc, DipED, BEd (hons), PhD (UQ). Emeritus Professor Power AM (L).



**Above:** Brianna O'Regan (centre), with Neil and Patricia Jones at the Great Court Morning Tea presentation of the *Neil and Patricia Jones Bursary for a UQ Business School student*.

## The Result: 50 Stories

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At an early Committee meeting Pauline Beames provided invaluable feedback on the 25<sup>th</sup> Celebrations and associated book. In addition, early research on costs indicated that producing a book, detailing the history of the Association, would be prohibitive and might attract very limited sales.<sup>2</sup> With ‘no book’ ringing in our ears, the *50 stories* project was developed.

The concept was simple: to encourage Members, friends, students, parents, academics (well—anyone really) to share their story through a special website. Each story to be no more than 1,000 words in length (exceptions were made) and ideally a first-person account/memoir of connection with UQ. All stories to be illustrated with an image and to include a one paragraph biography/information on the author. No anonymous stories, no fabrication, and no breaking of privacy or decency.

To encourage student participation, the program included a student writing competition. Support from the School of Communication & Arts also meant that student interns participated as authors, editors and ‘story miners.’



For simplicity, the program was referred to as *50 stories* (complete with associated logo, also designed by Dominic O'Donnell, based on the main Golden Jubilee logo). But the aim was to collect fifty years of stories—from the earliest students and from their contemporaries. The target was to attract 50 stories, but the interns and volunteers working on the program were open to the possibility of attracting 5 or 500 stories.

### Program Outcomes

The project resulted in over 50 stories shared through the website, extensive promotion of *Alumni Friends* across the University (including a related Exhibition at the SS&H library—both online and in the level 1 display space—and a student writing competition), a Facebook page, and a website that is now included in the National Library of Australia *Pandora* Project.

The website includes over 50 stories: from a centenarian, the UQ Chancellor, the *Alumni Friends* Patron, and many recent UQ Students (including the 2016 UQ Graduate of the Year). See page 5 for a small sample of images, and an extract from one of the stories (*Halcyon Days*, by Peter Varghese AO)—or visit the website for [more](#).

The project also provided valuable work-experience opportunities for School of Communication & Arts students. Without their support, the program would not have been such a success. It has also been pleasing to hear that many of our former interns have now gained paid employment, citing their experience on the project as helping them gain confidence and relevant experience.

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<sup>2</sup> Early discussions about the possibility of producing a 200pp high-quality, full colour book for 2017 were put on hold. Likely costs, excluding professional editing, were \$25-\$30k (using, as a comparator, a proposal for a different project which outlined UQP costs of c\$20k).

## Student Writing Competition

The 50 Stories student writing competition was an important focus for the interns and had the potential to attract publicity and interest in a key target group (current UQ Students). The official launch was in August 2017, and entries closed on 30 September 2017. The 'slushing'/review process completed by early October, when the Panel were presented with eight entries to [review](#). Prizes were awarded by end October 2017.

The response was not as extensive as initially hoped, but did result in the addition of eight stories to the website, with highlights including:

- **Publicity:** The competition was launched with posters (print and electronic, *see image, right*) distributed to Schools, Faculty offices, and venues across UQ (including at the Library, and in the level 1 SS&H space, which then still had the 50 Stories display on show). All material included the *Alumni Friends* logo and website/Facebook.
- **Student Societies/publications:** The interns also connected with a large number of student societies and publications (including *Semper* and *Jacaranda*).
- **Social Media Program:** Student input to the program and competition improved the social media profile of the association, and the judging of the *People's Choice* prize led to the first 1,000+ Facebook likes.
- **Prizes:** Up to \$1,000 was budgeted for prizes, but the interns recommended a lower level of expenditure, and sought prize sponsors. The final prizes included \$400 from *Alumni Friends* budget (\$300 top prize and a \$100 'People's Choice' Award). As a result of Hannah Tower's contact with two bookshops (Co-op and Avid Reader) two additional prizes were donated for the competition (a \$100 and \$50 voucher respectively).
- **Judging Panel:** The intern team approached potential judges for a Panel to be chaired by Associate Professor Ros Petelin (information [online](#)). The interns undertook to brief and support the Panel, producing judging criteria, promotional material (including the Facebook page), and undertaking a 'slushing process' (the pictographic for 'slushing' process is shown right—posters and process documents produced by intern, and volunteer, Hayley Baxter).





## The Result: Awards/Recognition

Awards provide an opportunity not only for the recognition of exceptional service but also to promote the contribution and impact of the Association. In addition to creating four special *Alumni Friends Awards*, the Committee identified a range of opportunities to nominate volunteers and Members—including Honorary Doctorates, Distinguished Service Medals, Volunteer Queensland Awards, Pride of Australia Awards, and Brisbane City Council Australia Day Awards.

### Special ‘Golden Jubilee Awards’

Special *Golden Jubilee Awards* were presented at the Gala Lunch to four Foundation Members who the Executive Committee determined had made a special, unique and extended contribution to the work of *Alumni Friends*. The Awards were presented by our Patron at the 2017 Gala Lunch to Steve Papas, Dalma Jacobs, Joan Cribb, and Don Barrett.



**Pictured, left:** The Honourable Dr Penny Wensley AC (Patron, pictured centre), accompanied by the four Foundation Members honoured at the Gala Lunch (L to R: Dr Steve Papas, Dalma Jacobs, Joan Cribb and Don Barrett). *Picture: Geoff Lawrence.*

### UQ Fellowship

Following our nomination to the University, Don Barrett was recognised with the Award of a UQ Fellowship. The picture, *right*, shows Don (L) speaking at on the conferral of the Fellowship at a UQ Graduation Ceremony (2pm, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017), in a speech which memorably began “I love this University.”



### Pending (at time of printing)

Jane Atkins, 2018 UQ Staff Excellence Awards.

### Unsuccessful nominations

- Three nominations for UQ Fellowships/UQ Honorary Degrees,
- Book Fair team (Volunteer Event, Queensland Volunteer Awards 2017),
- Book Fair volunteers (focus on the 2017 UQ Alumni Book Fair) nominated in the ‘Community Event held in 2017’ category, Lord Mayor’s Australia Day Awards (2018),
- Batonbearer nominations (2 individuals), for Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

## The Result: Other Committees/Interest Groups

A key aspect of the program was to encourage recipients and associated groups to consider how their own programs of activity might connect with the Golden Jubilee opportunity. Some of these initiatives and activities included:

### Friends of Antiquity



Picture credit: Geoff Lawrence

A celebratory *Friends of Antiquity* Sunday Series event took place on 13 August 2017 (2pm). *Betty Fletcher: Lover of Wisdom, Lover of Beauty, Lover of Humanity* included the launch of an online Exhibition and an update on the Summer Scholar research into recipients of the Betty Fletcher Memorial Travelling Scholarship (Scholarship established by *Friends of Antiquity* [FOA]). See also page 13.

*Friends of Antiquity* also supported the Golden Jubilee Bursaries initiative, donating the *Friends of Antiquity Bursary* for a student selected by Museum staff. Samantha Levick (R), is pictured left receiving the Award from Dr Janette McWilliam (L, presented on behalf of FOA, at the November FOA Lecture).

Dr Stephen G Papas, Foundation Member (and a Past President, Member of the Golden Jubilee Committee, Member of the Executive Committee, and Chair of the Three Score Club), also made a generous donation to mark the Golden Jubilee. The RD Milns Antiquities Museum used the funds to purchase two Athenian black-figure Lekythoi (oil flasks) of the early 5th century BC. The vases have been described by the Museum Director as “an important addition to the Museum’s Greek collection,” and will be included the 2018 Exhibition, *Dionysus: Portrait of a God* (opening 29 June).

### UQ Alumni Book Fair®

The 2017 Fair was named in recognition of the Golden Jubilee of the Association. In addition, the UQ Alumni Book Fair® team were enthusiastic supporters of the Golden Jubilee initiative. Many of the Book Fair volunteers presented Golden Jubilee Bursaries during 2017-18—including the presentation (pictured right) *Alumni Friends’ Golden Jubilee Bursary for a student from the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work*, to Elizabeth Bartetzko, by Jan and Harry Thompson.

### Medical Special Interest Group

The caretaker Committee of the Medical Special Interest Group, and Members associated with the Marks-Hirschfeld Museum of Medical History, hosted a Morning Tea and small-group tours for Members on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017 (9:30am).



Picture courtesy UQ (L to R): Harry, Jan, and Elizabeth, together with John Martin (R), who spoke at the Abel Smith event on behalf of Alumni Friends.

### Dentistry Special Interest Group

Dr Steve Papas, a member of the Dentistry Special Interest Group and of the Cadmus Society (study club) connected *Alumni Friends* with the Cadmus Society. The Association is delighted that the Society funded the *Cadmus Society Bursary for a Student from the School of Dentistry*.

### Membership Committee

A Membership drive was proposed by former Chair of the Membership Committee, targeting a net gain of 50 paying Members (i.e. in addition to the offer of complimentary membership for the 50 Golden Jubilee Bursary recipients). As part of this, a membership desk was partly-staffed at the 2017 Book Fair, and leaflets were handed out to Book Fair visitors, inviting them to join the Association. In addition, discounted membership fees were approved and on offer during 2017.

### Funding/Benefactions Committee

\$50,000 donation was presented to the Fryer Library at a special event, with funds to act as the 'seed-funding' for a new study room (see picture, below, of UQ Alumni Book Fair® volunteers pictured at the cheque presentation, which took place at the special Fryer Library event held to celebrate *Fifty Years of Friendship*).

This donation resulted from a Benefactions Application by the UQ Library team, and was championed by Mrs Juliet O'Brien, Chair of the Benefactions Committee (and also Honorary Secretary of *Alumni Friends*, and a Member of the Golden Jubilee Committee).



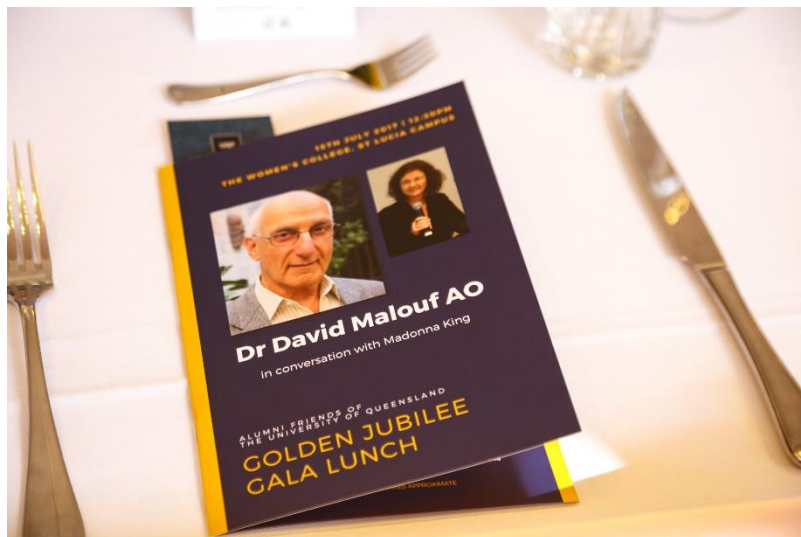
**Pictured, above:** Book Fair volunteers celebrating the donation of \$50,000. Simon Farley, Manager Fryer Library (L), and Peter Hadgraft, Book Fair volunteer (R), pictured kneeling and holding the 'cheque' at the 10th June 2017 Fryer Library event.

*Picture courtesy UQ.*





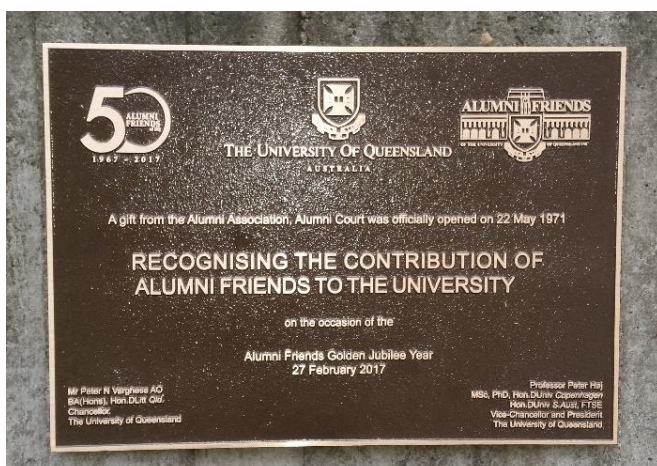
RD Milns Antiquities Museum  
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Picture credit: Geoff Lawrence



**Recipient letters:** Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences UQ 3MT® Finalist Michael Jennings (R), pictured in September 2017, receiving *The Fisher Family Award*, presented by Dr Steve Papas (L), on behalf of Dr Catherine Lawrence. *Picture: UQ*



## The Result: ‘On the Record’

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Several initiatives will ensure that the Golden Jubilee year lives on in a tangible form, as well as in the memories of our Members (and recipients). In addition to some of the key aspects of the program, many of the Bursaries were associated with high-profile, targeted communication. For example, publicity for the UQ 3MT® competition included the *Alumni Friends* logo and references to each Award (for example, [click here](#)).

### Golden Jubilee & Logo Design

The Golden Jubilee Committee owes its naming to the late Meryl Papas OAM. Meryl was emphatic that the ‘50<sup>th</sup> Celebrations’ should be acknowledged as an important milestone, proposing the use of the term ‘Golden Jubilee.’ The 50<sup>th</sup> Celebrations Committee agreed, and immediately changed its own name, and all terminology, to reflect what became a *Golden Jubilee* Celebration.

The logo was designed by a volunteer, and UQ alumnus, Dominic O’Donnell. In addition, a special logo for *50 Stories* was created by Dominic, based on the Golden Jubilee logo. During the Golden Jubilee year (May 2017–May 2018), the logo was used on all stationery/letterhead, on event name badges/programs and invitations, for exhibition labels and signage, on posters and websites, and on the brass plaque displayed in Alumni Court. The Association is most grateful to Dominic for the quality of the design, and for supplying it all at no charge.

### Website

The special [website](#) created for the Golden Jubilee will continue to be maintained by the Association, and is also included in the *Queensland Memory Project* and the National Library of Australia *Pandora Project*. The website includes:

- **Event information:** [Photographs](#), and a listing of [events](#) and links to a number of the speeches made at those events during the year.
- **Golden Jubilee Bursary presentation [photographs](#)**
- **50 Stories:** Or, more accurately **59 stories!**

The website was greatly improved during the internship of Hannah Towers and Hayley Baxter (with thanks to Hayley for her design and development of the site).

### Alumni Court Plaque

The plaque unveiled at the special UQ Senate Function (27 February 2017) is now in place on the wall of the Alumni Court (*see photograph, page 23, courtesy Cathi Lawrence*).

### Photographs and collateral (including Social Media)

Photographs and associated collateral (e.g. programs and posters) have been supplied to the Library for UQ Archives. This includes [copies](#) of the special Gala Lunch program (*see also page 23*), which contains the citations for each of the four recipients of the special Golden Jubilee Awards.

In addition, a Facebook site was established by student interns for the 50 Stories project, and their expertise was also used for work on the main *Alumni Friends* Facebook page.

## On-line Exhibitions

- **50 Years of Friendship**: The special digital Exhibition was available on the UQ Library [Website](#) from June 2017. The Exhibition was produced by Mandy Swingle and UQ Library colleagues.
- **Betty Fletcher: Lover of Wisdom, Lover of Beauty, Lover of Humanity** explores the life and legacy of Betty Fletcher, a keen supporter of *Alumni Friends*, *Friends of Antiquity*, the Museum and UQ. The [exhibition](#) is the result of work by the staff of RD Milns Antiquities Museum (and was linked to work experience for student interns and summer scholars)
- **50 Years of Giving**: R D Milns Antiquities Museum Exhibition, resulting from work by the Museum staff and through work experience for student interns, is still [available](#) online.

## Competitions

In addition to the *50 Stories* student writing competition, Golden Jubilee Bursaries for the Library, Fryer Library, and UQ Art Museum were used as prizes for competitions open to all UQ undergraduates. In addition, several Schools used the Awards as prizes for competitions for their own students (for example, a wind and brass competition for School of Music Students, an essay-writing assessment for School of Nursing and Midwifery students). *See photographs on this page and on page 34.*

## Alumni News

2017-18 copies of *Alumni News* (which are automatically added to UQ Archives, as well as issued to every Member) featured reports of events, information on the Bursary presentations, and updates on *50 Stories*.

## Semper Floreat

Two of the *50 Stories* featured in the November 2017 issue of the UQ Union creative magazine, *Semper Floreat*, each with a prominent acknowledgement of the Golden Jubilee of the Association. In total, the stories ran over 6 pages of the publication (*samples on page 23*).

## Contact Magazine

An article on the Golden Jubilee was included in the Winter 2017 issue of the UQ Alumni Magazine, *Contact* (page 23). In addition, a feature based on one of the *50 Stories*—linked to the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration of a Member (Mrs Marjorie Godfrey) was published in *Contact* following work by our President and by Luciana Arcidiacono (*50 Stories* student intern).

## Golden Jubilee Bursaries

Each student received a personalised letter from the donor/presenter representing *Alumni Friends*.



**Above:** Cassie Slater, R, receiving the O'Brien Family Prize, October 2017 (Mrs Juliet O'Brien, L). *Picture credit: UQ.*



## Budget

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A core objective for the program was to spend as little as possible: events were to be self-funding, and a focus throughout was to be on raising money to donate to UQ students.

A limited budget was approved by the Executive Committee. Expenditure (\$1,555.30) was below all pre-approved levels (*BvA* \$194.70). A more detailed note of expenditure is available on request. In summary:

- **Student competition/50 Stories Project** (budget \$1,000): Total costs \$465 (\$15 for the use of an online image bank for poster design, and \$450 for prizes).
  - The budget benefited from donations of gift cards as two prizes (thanks to an approach to donors by Hannah Towers, student intern).
  - The Judging Panel all donated their time to participate.
- **Logo design**: Designed by volunteer Dominic O'Donnell (no charge).
- **Website**: Included within main website budget (i.e. no additional costs). The website design benefited greatly from the support of Hayley Baxter (then an intern on the project).
- **Golden Jubilee Awards** (budget \$750): Total expenditure \$582.66
- **Gala Lunch**: Net expenditure by Alumni Friends \$507.64.
  - Tickets sold at \$75-\$80 per head (ten people attended as speakers/guests of the Association).<sup>3</sup>
  - In addition to the costs for the ten working guests/speakers, the two largest areas of expenditure by *Alumni Friends* were a return flight and small gift for our Guest speaker (total \$394.89), and decorative balloons (\$105.75).
  - The budget for the Gala lunch benefited from support from UQ's Advancement Office (e.g. funding cab charges for Dr Malouf, the fee for Ms King, and the printing of the Gala Program).
  - Savings were made on potential additional costs, due to donations by Dr David Malouf AO (expenses only and no fee), Jane Atkins (event organisation), Teagan Thompson (technical support & PowerPoint slides, and work on program design/content with Cathi), Cathi Lawrence (staff gifts and program design/content with Teagan), Women's College (table flowers, and 14 bottles of wine), Hannah Towers and Hayley Baxter (support on the day).

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<sup>3</sup> 'Guests': Speakers and presenters (The Honourable Dr Penny Wensley AC, Mr Stuart McCosker, David Malouf AO, Madonna King, and two guests of David Malouf [invited at our suggestion, in lieu of offering a fee for the event]), Adjunct Professor John Story AO & Mrs Georgina Story (in lieu of traditional invitation to a special Executive Committee dinner for the UQ Alumnus of the Year), Professor Iain Watson (representing the Vice-Chancellor), and Patty Danver (in recognition of Advancement funding support for the event).

## Work in Progress

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The aim of the Committee was for each Bursary to be presented, every event completed, and all stories collected no later than May 2018.

Inevitably there is still a little ‘work in progress. In particular:

### Book?

A Member who prefers to remain in the ‘off-line’ world, and who is delighted at the range and quality of stories submitted, expressed a strong interest for *50 Stories* to appear in print. Despite the initial ‘no book’ mantra, a proposal is therefore in development for a *50 Stories* book. It is likely that, if this is to go ahead, the Executive Committee will be asked to consider a ‘self-publishing’ (and self-funding) route, with a limited edition/short run.

### Website/records

The Golden Jubilee website will be further updated with photographs from events, and also a copy of the latest Benefactions/donations record (1967-2017) will be completed following the publication of the May 2018 audited accounts and will then be posted on the Association website.

### Recognition

The Association will continue to explore suitable Awards for the recognition of *Alumni Friends* and of the service of key Members and volunteers.

### App/Walking Tour

During 2017 discussions about the program with UQ Advancement, there was interest expressed in creating audio/video of some stories, which might be linked to the UQ walking tour App. After extended discussions, the App concept was approved by UQ’s Office of Marketing & Communications. Extensive discussions with the School of Communication & Arts journalism team did appear at one stage to lead to agreement to create a project/work experience opportunity for UQ students to produce content for an App. Regrettably, the School later advised that internships in this area would only be offered if students were to be ‘embedded’ within UQ departments. At that time, the Faculty and Central marketing teams were unable to provide such support/office space. We will continue to keep this matter on the agenda, just in case the situation changes.

### “Golden Jubilee” Bursaries

As a result of the positive donor response—and following enquiries from many of the Schools—the Executive Committee requested an approach to each donor outlining possible options as to ‘what next.’ The President is now in contact with individual donors, to enquire as to whether any of the named Awards might be continued in future years (via *Alumni Friends*). In line with UQ policy, donors have been invited to consider a 3-year minimum commitment for any future Awards.

## Conclusion: Lessons Learned

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The program has exceeded our expectations: funding and awarding 50 Bursaries, a website with over 50 Stories, recognition of four exceptional Foundation Members, a well-received Gala Lunch, and a program of events and Exhibitions that reached across UQ and created many memorable and exciting occasions for our Members. The program lives on: in the memories of our Members; on a plaque; in many photographs; in the Fryer Study Room; through the special website and in on-line Exhibitions; and in the impact it will have had on the careers of 50 exceptional students. Should any of the donors decide to continue with the individual Bursaries and Awards created in 2017-18, the Celebrations will have an ongoing impact on future UQ students and alumni.

If we had to do it all again (i.e. what would we tell the organisers of any future celebration), our advice would be:

1. **Start early:** Our first Committee Meeting was held in June 2015, and the program objectives and 'four areas' were approved by the Executive Committee in November 2015. But recognise that other teams may have to focus on current year KPIs (e.g. many discussions started with a 'Oh, you weren't talking about *this year* when you asked for a meeting').
2. **Agree, and stick to, your objectives.**
3. **Work your network:** For example, within UQ, turn to recipients of previous Benefactions.
4. **Identify an 'early win':** In our case we were delighted that the UQ Art Museum team had a window in their schedule for 2017 (the benefit of discussing the idea with them in 2015) and were receptive to the idea of scheduling an Exhibition that connected with our Celebrations. This enabled us to use their event proposals as an exemplar in discussions with other parts of the University.
5. **Hands on deck:** Have more members on the Committee who can devote time to undertaking tasks/activities.
6. **Consistent design and naming pays off:** Agree and implement design standards for all collateral (and have a logo!).
7. **Seek student interns:** Some of them have been truly exceptional. But recognise the associated workload, and the risk that not every student is equally motivated/hard-working.
8. **Not everything that everyone thinks is a great idea will come to fruition:** Recognise when to stop 'pushing water uphill.' Discussions of activities which did not happen included a musical evening/recital, an auction of items donated by alumni, Special Interest Group Reunions, and a Moot/Inter-College alumni vs students competition. In addition, the 50 Stories Lunch, app and possible walking tour never happened (too much activity during the 'campaign launch, and a lack of paid UQ staff available to act as student mentors).
9. **Policy can be worked on:** Pushing back is a challenge but it can be possible to achieve goals. For example, we had our 'gender-specific 'challenge,' when one donor funded four Bursaries on condition that they were 'female-only' Awards. After what felt like 40+ emails and discussions later, there was agreement for Awards to four female students—two each in Mathematics and in Vet Science.
10. **Communicate—and be prepared to follow-up (a lot):** Staff at UQ are likely to need much follow-up for 'one-off's' that are not in their busy plan of activity/KPIs.



## Appendix: Golden Jubilee Bursaries: Awarded 2017-18

NB: Numbers indicate the chronological order in which the Bursaries were presented (and refer to the photographs in this section).

1. **Hayley Kake**, winner of UQ Art Museum competition, received the first *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary* in April 2017, from Mrs Margaret Blaszczyk. *See photograph page 16.*
2. **Milan Gandhi**, recipient of the *T C Beirne School of Law Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary*, presented by John Martin at the annual School of Law Awards Ceremony (May 2017, Customs House).
3. **Max Whiteoak**: Winner of Great Court Race (Male) received the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary* in May 2017, from Mrs Joan Cribb, long-standing Book Fair volunteer, at the Great Court Race event. *See photograph page 3.*
4. **Josephine Auer**, winner of Great Court Race (Female). received the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary* in May 2017, from Dr Peter Jell, Book Fair volunteer.
5. **Dominic McCrea**: Recipient of the Alumni Friends Bursary for the School of Languages and Cultures, presented *in absentia* by Mrs Svetlana Hadgraft, Book Fair volunteer, at a School Awards celebration in the Sir Llew Edwards Terrace Room). *Photograph page 16.*
6. **Chris McMillan**: Recipient of *The Lorna McReadie Bursary* as the Faculty of Science UQ 3MT® Finalist, presented by Dr Melda and Ms Topsy Moffett. *Picture page 8.*
7. **Edwin Davis**: Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Information Technology UQ 3MT® Finalist, and recipient of *The Brian McGrath Bursary*, presented by Mrs Heather McGrath. *Picture, below, courtesy UQ.*
8. **Michael Jennings**: Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences UQ 3MT® Finalist and recipient of *The Fisher Family Award* presented by Dr Steve Papas (on behalf of Dr Catherine Lawrence). *See photograph page 23.*
9. **Joana Revez**: Faculty of Medicine UQ 3MT® Finalist and recipient of *The Dr Konrad Hirschfeld CBE Bursary*, presented by Emeritus Professor Dr Mary Mahoney AO. *Picture, below, courtesy UQ.*
10. **Melissa Brinums**: Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences UQ 3MT® Finalist and recipient of the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Award* presented by Dr Patrick Mahoney.
11. **Anahita Mizani**: 'All Institutes' UQ 3MT® Finalist and recipient of *The Moffett Family Bursary*, presented by Mr Doug Moffett. *Picture, below, courtesy UQ.*
12. **Ashley Ding**: Faculty of Business, Economics and Law UQ 3MT® Finalist and recipient of an *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary*, presented by Mrs Patricia Jones.

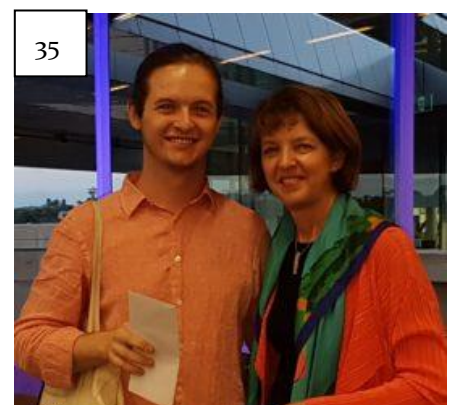




13. **Shari O'Brien:** Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences UQ 3MT® Wildcard Finalist and recipient of an *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary*, presented by Mrs Juliet O'Brien.
14. **Amelia Lane:** Recipient of the *School of Music Horner Family Bursary*, presented by Juliet O'Brien (on behalf of Mrs Susan Horner) at the 5 October 2017 concert.
15. **Cassie Slater:** Winner of the *O'Brien Family Prize*, presented by Juliet O'Brien at Prize Winners' concert (5 October 2017). *Photograph page 25.*
16. **Lina Marcela Walker:** Received the *Feona Walker Award (Gatton Campus)*, from Feona Walker (no relation!) at an October Gatton Campus event. *Picture, above, courtesy UQ.*
17. **Alicia Kelly:** Recipient of the *School of Agriculture and Food Sciences Alumni Friends Bursary*, presented by Patricia Jones at an October Gatton Campus event.
18. **Shuting Jin:** Recipient of the *School of Veterinary Science Jacobs Family Bursary*, presented at the Gatton Campus by Dalma Jacobs in October 2017. *Picture, above, courtesy UQ.*
19. **Reem Felemban:** Recipient of the *Veterinary Science Jacobs Family Prize for a Female Student*, presented by Dalma Jacobs in October 2017. *Picture, above, courtesy UQ.*
20. **Ching Chong:** The *School of Economics Martin Family Bursary*, was presented by John and Barbara Martin at the Annual School Scholarships and Prizes Evening, on 31st October. *Photograph page 3.*
21. **Jason Weigel:** *Dr Colin Gan Cheong Kiat Bursary*, presented on behalf of the donor at the School of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering: Annual Innovation Showcase.
22. **Samantha Levick:** Recipient of the *Friends of Antiquity Bursary* (student selected by RD Milns Antiquities Museum staff), presented by Dr Janette McWilliam on behalf of FOA, at the November FOA Sunday Series Lecture. *See picture on page 21.*
23. **Tiffany Hales:** *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary for a student from the School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry*, presented on behalf of the donors (Mr Denis & Mrs Gina Brosnan) by Dr Catherine Lawrence, at the November FOA Sunday Series Lecture.
24. **Sally Birkett:** Recipient of the *R.D. & L.V. Milns Bursary for Excellence in Greek &/or Latin*, presented by Emeritus Professor Bob Milns & Mrs Lyn Milns, at the November FOA Sunday Series Lecture. *Picture, right, credit Geoff Lawrence.*



25. **Nicole Walker:** Recipient of the *School of Psychology Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Bursary*. Pauline Beames presented the Award at a Psychology School event, 9 November 2017 (Psychology Courtyard). *UQ photograph page 15*.
26. **Alexandra Brown:** Recipient of the *Alumni Friends Golden Jubilee Bursary for a Student from the School of Earth & Environmental Sciences*, presented by Dr Peter Jell at a special Science Faculty event, 30 November 2017.
27. **Stephanie Green:** Recipient of the *Dalma Jacobs Bursary for the School of Mathematics & Physics*. Professor Melissa Brown, Executive Dean, Faculty of Science, received the Award on behalf of the student from Dalma Jacobs at the November Science Faculty celebration.
28. **Marielle Ong:** Winner of the *Dalma Jacobs Award (Female Student) for Excellence in Mathematics*. Dalma Jacobs presented the Award at a special Science Faculty, 30 November 2017. *Photograph page 15*.
29. **Tim Staples:** Recipient of the *Libbie Wilson Bursary for a student selected by the School of Biological Sciences*. Mrs Elizabeth Wilson was represented by our President at the special Science Faculty event, 30 November 2017.
30. **Imogen Bermingham:** Recipient of the *Dr Frances Thomas Bursary for a Student from the School of Chemistry and Molecular Biosciences* presented by Dr Frances Thomas at a special Science Faculty event, 30 November 2017. *UQ photograph, below left*.



31. **Yvonne Chan:** *Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM Prize* for the winner of the Fryer Library 'Hidden Treasures' Competition. Award announced by Dr Rhyl Hinwood AM at the UQ Library Awards evening, 6 December 2017 (the student was overseas and unable to attend).
32. **Reuben Heim:** *The Lawrence Family Award* for the winner of the UQ Library prize announced by Geoff Lawrence, at the UQ Library Awards evening, 6 December 2017 (the student was overseas and unable to attend).
33. **Kali Marnane:** *William Curnow AM Award for a Student from the School of Architecture* presented by Emeritus Professor William Curnow AM, B Arch RAIA at the School 'Long Lunch' on 7 December 2017. *UQ photograph, above*.
34. **Sean Johnston:** *Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Bursary for a Student from the School of Mechanical and Mining Engineering*, presented by Peter Hadgraft at the School AEB pre-graduation event, 8 December 2017.
35. **Christian Rizzalli:** *School of Communication & Arts Fisher Family Award* presented by Dr Catherine Lawrence, at the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Art History Celebration, held in the Terrace Room on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017. *Picture, above, credit Geoff Lawrence*.
36. **Brianna O'Regan:** *The Neil and Patricia Jones Bursary for a Student from the UQ Business School*. Patricia and Neil met with Brianna in the Great Court for coffee, conversation, and



a presentation on 13 December 2017 (also attended by the President, and members of the Faculty and School Advancement Teams). *See photograph page 17.*

37. **Olivia Choice:** *The Horner Family Award for a Student from the School of Education* presented by Ros Craig-Smith (Book Fair volunteer, and former teacher) on behalf of Mr Gary Horner on 8 February 2018, at the Abel Smith Lecture Theatre School Professional Foundations Program event.



38. **Elizabeth Bartetzko:** *Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Bursary* for a student from the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work presented by Jan and Harry Thompson (Book Fair volunteers—Harry is also a long-standing member of the Executive Committee, and Jan is the co-convenor of the Rare Book Auction). The Abel Smith Lecture Theatre presentation was held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018, as part of the pre-commencement seminar for nursing and midwifery students. *The UQ photograph, on page 21, is L to R, Harry, Jan, and Elizabeth, together with John Martin, who spoke on behalf of Alumni Friends.*

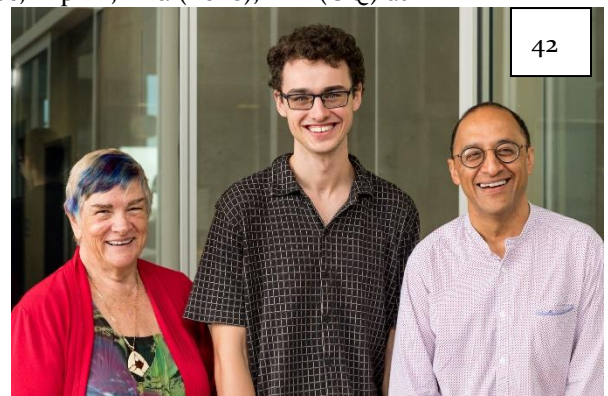
39. **Anna Sze Ni Chang:** *Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Bursary* for a Student from the School of Pharmacy, presented by Gary Lambrides and Deb West (members of the Book Fair team). The presentation took place over morning coffee, 27 February 2018, at PACE, Woolloongabba (meeting included the Head of School, our President, and Faculty Advancement Director).

40. **Trishala Kalra:** *Blaszczyk Family Award for a student from the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences*, presented by Mrs Margaret Blaszczyk at the School on 20 March 2018. See UQ photo, page 33, of Trishala (centre L), with Margaret (centre R), accompanied by Professor Wayne Wilson, Head of Discipline (L) and Dr Dunay Schmulian (R).

41. **John de Bhal:** *The Colin Power AM Award for a Student from the School of POLSIS*, was presented by Emeritus Professor Colin POWER, AM, BSc, DipED, BEd (hons), PhD (UQ) at a small lunch prior to an already-planned research forum, on Friday 23 March. *See photograph page 17.*

42. **Paul Marshall:** The Feona Walker Award for a QBI Student was presented by Feona Walker at a QBI event (morning tea and tour) on 4 April 2018. Picture (L-R) Feona, Paul and QBI Director Pankaj Sah. *Picture, right, credit: Nick Valmas.*

43. **Lauren Peck:** *The Dr Konrad Hirschfeld CBE Bursary* for a student from the School of Clinical Medicine was presented by Emeritus Professor Mary Mahoney AO & Dr Patrick Mahoney at the Faculty Prizes and



Scholarships evening, on 12 April 2018. Emeritus Professor Mary Mahoney AO is pictured, on page 32, at the event with fellow donors (picture courtesy UQ).

44. **Emily Krusz:** *The Adj Prof Joan Lawrence AM Bursary for a Student from the School of Public Health* was presented by Adj Prof Joan Lawrence AM at the Faculty Prizes and Scholarships evening, 12 April 2018. Adj Prof Joan Lawrence AM is pictured L (in the picture, top right on the previous page), at the event with fellow donors (picture courtesy UQ).
45. **Katherine Liu:** *The Dr John H Casey Bursary for a Student from the School of Biomedical Sciences* was presented by Dr John H Casey at the Herston Medical Awards evening, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Dr Casey is pictured centre (in the picture, top right on the previous page), at the event with fellow donors as the student was unable to attend on the evening (UQ picture).



46. **Emma Kukulies:** *Alumni Friends' Golden Jubilee Bursary* for a student from the School of Human Movement and Nutrition Sciences. Svetlana Hadgraft presented the Award at a School Morning Tea on 17th April 2018.
47. **Amanda Lin:** *Cadmus Society Bursary for a Student from the School of Dentistry* was presented by Dr Zeb McNamara, President of the CADMUS Society, at a morning tea hosted by the Head of School, Professor Pauline Ford. Steve Papas and Cathi Lawrence also attended. See picture on page 32, top left (picture credit: Cathi Lawrence).
48. **Rhiannon Webb:** *De Gruchy Bursary for a Student from the School of Chemical Engineering* was presented at a morning tea on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 by Cathy Urquhart on behalf of the donor, Dr G F De Gruchy.
49. **Kagi Y. Kowa Makki:** *The Penny Wensley Award for a Student from the School of Social Science* was presented by Anne Mullins (Book Fair volunteer and co-convenor Rare Books Auction) on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at a special School event, held in Alumni Court.
50. **Jeff Lee:** *Patricia Moffett Bursary for a Student from the School of Civil Engineering* to be presented by Mr Doug Moffett. The funds transfer to the student took place in April, with the presentation scheduled for October (as the student was overseas in early 2018).

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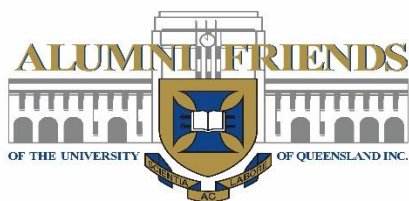
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*Pictured, above right: Many of the Past Presidents, volunteers and Members at one of the final events held at Cairngorm (until 2017, the St Lucia campus base for Alumni Friends). Picture credit: Geoff Lawrence.*



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