

Who's where

Sandra Pyke, library services manager, Rusden campus, Deakin University will soon be leaving for Boston, United States of America as part of the Rotary District 9810 Group Study Exchange team. The aims of the exchange, which lasts for five weeks, are to provide business and professional people the opportunity to observe their profession in another country through an organised program of study and discussion and to further international understanding through personal contacts. The vocational component of the exchange is tailored to each of the team members' professional interests.



Sandra Pyke

Sandra will be visiting some of the notable libraries in the Boston area such as those at Harvard University and is keen to explore issues such as collection development and reference service provision with American academic librarians.

Each of the Rotary Districts in Australia sends a Group Study Exchange team somewhere in the world each year. Interested librarians should enquire about

the exchange through their local Rotary Club.

Electronic Library/Dynix award to ECU

The Electronic Library/Dynix Best Paper Award for 1995-96 has gone to **Edith Cowan University** library and information science lecturer **Julie Johnson**. The prize, which included a cheque to the value of

£1000, was presented by the Managing Director of Dynix (Netherlands BV), David Murray, at the Online Information 96 Conference held in London in December. Julie's winning article 'Government Web pages: The lights are on, but nobody is home' critically examines underlying assumptions made by the designers of government Web pages and why pages succeed or fail. The article which appeared in the April 1996 edition of *Electronic Library* argued that many pages were dysfunctional and involve a misunderstanding of user information needs. Recommended reading for aspiring Web page designers. ■



Julie Johnson

Overseas posting



John Seselejr, NLA

Oliver Mann (right) was farewelled by the former Indonesian Acquisitions Officers before he set off for Jakarta to take up his post as the National Library of Australia's Indonesian Acquisitions Officer. **George Miller** (left), **Ilse Soegito** and **Andrew Gosling** attended the send-off in mid-December. The Office acquires Indonesian publications for the National Library of Australia and other libraries.

DUNN & WILSON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Dunn & Wilson Scholarship is a biennial award (presented at the biennial Library Technician Conference) and provides the recipient with an opportunity to investigate a particular project relating to the practise of library technicians which will increase the recipient's professional occupation experience. The Scholarship is open to practising library technician members of the Library Technician Section of the Association.

Nomination forms are available from ALIA National Office, PO Box E441, Kingston ACT 2604 ph 06 285 1877, fax 06 282 2249 e-mail awards@alia.org.au URL <http://www.alia.org.au/awards.html>

Nominations close 1 April 1997

This scholarship is jointly sponsored by LJ Cullen Bookbinders and Apollo Moon Bookbinders, Divisions of Dunn & Wilson

ALIA

STUDY GRANT AWARD 1997

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

The number of awards in any year will depend upon the funds available and the estimated costs of proposals received.

Nomination forms are available from ALIA National Office PO Box E441, Kingston ACT 2604 ph 06 285 1877, fax 06 282 2249 e-mail awards@alia.org.au URL <http://www.alia.org.au/awards.html>

Applications close 1 September 1996

ALIA