HONORARY DEGREE

Saturday, April 24, was an important occasion for 560 new graduates who were presented to the Chancellor, Sir Bede Callaghan, by their Deans and awarded degrees.

The University returned to the former arrangement whereby graduation ceremonies were held on one day. Degrees in the Faculties of Architecture, Economics and Commerce, Engineering, Medicine and Science were conferred in the morning and degrees in the Faculties of Arts, Education and Mathematics in the afternoon.

The array of gowns and hoods created a most colourful spectacle in the Great Hall. Outside, in perfect Autumn weather, the grounds were brightened visually and auditorially by the gowns and music from the Toronto Brass Band. (See Page 4 for fuller report.)

CAMPUS CONFERENCES

In the period May 10 to May 21 in the vacation the University is to host to three conferences.

The 26th Annual Meeting of the Australian Mathematical Society will be held from May 10 to 14.

Three days later (May 17) the Institute of Industrial Economics will open its Small Business Research Conference. Thereafter, there will be six working sessions over two days. The third conference on the campus will be an intensive course on Coal Properties, Analysis and Effective Use conducted by the Institute of Coal Research between May 18 and 21. The Australian Mathematical Society's meeting will bring to Newcastle about 150 mathematicians, statisticians and computer scientists from universities, the CSIRO, research institutes and industries. Most of the invited specialist lecturers are eminent academics from overseas.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Don George will give the visitors an official welcome and sherry party in the Union on May 10 at 5 pm.

Included among members of the audience at a forum on School Mathematics Competitions in the Drama Theatre on May 10 at 8 pm will be the school students from the Australian Mathematical Olympiad Training School. The Australian Olympiad team will be farewelled by the Annual Meeting on May 13 before leaving to compete in the International Mathematical Olympiad to be held in Budapest in July.

As well as a large number of working sessions, when members will submit papers, there will be a social programme, providing among other things for a tour of the Hunter Valley vineyards, a dinner at Edwards Hall and a concert in the Drama Theatre presented by the Friends of the Conservatorium.

The invited specialist lecturers will focus attention on a broad range of research fields. Some of the distinguished mathematicians who will speak are:

Professor Gustavus Simmons, whose field is Cryptography and Combinatorics, Manager of the Applied Mathematics Department at the Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, United States of America. Professor Simmons headed a division at Sandia that had primary responsibilities for the design and evaluation of command and control systems for American nuclear weapons. His recent work has centred on public-key cryptography and related areas.

Professor F.F. Bonsall, whose research interest is Functional Analysis, is MacLaurin Professor of Mathematics at the University of Edinburgh. At his University he has been a focus for the activities of analysts in Great Britain and has had a formative influence in stimulating the growth of a fine team of analysts in Scottish universities.

Professor Joel Cohen developed his interests in population models and quantitative analysis of health problems at Harvard University and he is now a Professor at the Rockefeller University.
A Look at Feminism

Fay Weldon will speak on "Down Among the Women," which is the title of one of her novels. Using readings she will explain how literature, in particular her own works, relates to the feminist ideals. She will also take the opportunity to discuss her views with members of the audience.

As well as writing novels, including "Remember Me, Little Sister," "The Fat Woman's Joke," "Female Friends," "Puzzle and Puffball," and plays, including "Mr. Director and I Love My Love," she is the author of more than 40 television plays for BBC TV and commercial television, including "Upstairs Downstairs" and "Your Obedient Servant."

Many people are convinced that literature, especially popular literature, has played a vital role in the success of the Women's Liberation Movement.

Fay Weldon, British novelist and playwright who has been at the forefront of the literary people who have advanced the cause of women, is to deliver the 1982 EDDY MEMORIAL LECTURE in the Drama Theatre on Wednesday, May 12, at 8 pm.

CREDIT UNION

Higher interest rates are available from the Credit Union from May 1. Members should see the next MSAC or call at the CU Office for full details.

The plan to merge with the University of Sydney Credit Union will be discussed at a special meeting of members from this University in Lecture Theatre V07 in Mathematics on May 18 at 1 pm.

Those attending the conference will represent universities, CSACE and technical colleges originating in the area stretching from Bendigo to Sydney, Cayne in the south and James Cook University in the north.

The purpose of the Institute of Coal Research's course is to introduce students to the properties of coal which determine its value and possible use.

Those associated with the coal industry, including people in mining, coal preparation, electricity generation, steelmaking, shipping and transport, who have no prior knowledge of the subject, should find the course useful.

So that some first-hand experience in the extraction, processing, use and transport of coal can be gained, a field excursion will be conducted.

The lecturers will be drawn from those members of the Institute who belong to University staff in Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Geology, Mechanical Engineering and Metallurgy.
**COUNCIL NEWS**

The Chancellor reported that Mr. Leslie Gibbs and Mr. Albert Oliver would not be available for re-appointment to the Council in June and, therefore, were attending their last meeting. Sir Bede Callaghan said that each had served the University “above the call of duty”. Council recorded its thanks to Mr. Gibbs and Mr. Oliver for their work.

As a result of its consideration of a submission from Mrs. Mary Rabbitt, member elected to consider and to report to the Council on possible means of handling grievances, complaints or disputes involving the academic staff, including the appointment of an Ombudsman, Council has asked the Vice-Chancellor and Dr. D. Dockrill to consider and to report to the Council on possible means of handling grievances, complaints or disputes involving the academic staff, including the appointment of an Ombudsman.

Council reviewed developments in the amalgamation of the University and Newcastle College of Advanced Education; a fuller report will appear in the next issue of this NEWS.

Council noted that the Newcastle Convocation Foundation was proposing to appoint a new officer from the Chairman of the Positive Initiative Committee, the Warden of Convocation and the Chairman of the Public Relations Committee indicated that their committees, as well as The Friends of the University, would need a senior person who could approach all levels of the community to interest them in various activities to help the University. It was understood that all Australian universities were now moving towards having officers like the one proposed. In the future the Federal Government was not going to be the adequate and entire supporter of universities. The University must move towards the American and Canadian pattern of extensive self-help and must slowly educate the public to this view.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that no further advice on the re-introduction of tuition fees had been received. However, if tuition fees were reintroduced and the latter defensible by academic staff then he would be prepared personally to support and recommend parity of treatment. The Academics and general staff employees (even if the University was forced to pay the fees itself for the latter category) where the additional qualifications sought were relevant to their employments with the University. Senate submitted a report on the appointment of Senior Tutors with tenure. Council approved recommendation of Senate which provide for a new policy for the transfer of Senior Tutors with tenure to be made on an ad hoc basis.

The Association of Women Employees of the University of Newcastle made a submission that no further advice on the re-introduction of tuition fees had been received. However, if tuition fees were reintroduced and the latter defensible by academic staff then he would be prepared personally to support and recommend parity of treatment. The Academics and general staff employees (even if the University was forced to pay the fees itself for the latter category) where the additional qualifications sought were relevant to their employments with the University.

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**TAPESTRY HUNG**

A 12ft. long tapestry depicting something of an academic procession was previewed for the Friends of the University in the Great Hall on April 15.

The tapestry is a stunning work by Mary and Larry Beeston and greatly enlivens the entrance to the main auditorium.

Mary Beeston explained that her husband and she had tried to make the tapestry sweep from the right to the left, building up to a crescendo of colour in the middle.

"The dignity and the intensity of colour of an academic procession are factors that impress us", she said.

"The main idea on which the tapestry is based is the flow of robes, hoods and caps. The rhythm flows right through. All colours of the spectrum are used — representing the cosmos, or the unlimited opportunities offered by the University to acquire knowledge".

Mary Beeston referred to the tapestry as her personal tribute to her late father, Dr. J.K. McDougall, a foundation member of the Council of the former University of Technology. "It was his dream to see a university established in Newcastle", she said.

Larry Beeston pointed out that the only gowns that had been intentionally incorporated in the work were those of the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Don George, commented that he was thrilled the University had the "magnificent piece of work" and he thanked Emeritus Professor Laurie Short, who had been instrumental in having it made.

The Friends of the University, formed last November to provide support to the University, organised the showing of the tapestry.

A donation of $600 was made to the Friends by the Hunter Valley Section of the Federation of University Women. Mrs. Gwen Hamilton, hand over the cheque, explained that the money had been derived from the Town and Gown Dinner last November.

Larry Beeston, Ken Goodon, Anne Von Bertouch and Mary Beeston talk about the tapestry at the special showing organised by The Friends of The University.
Robert and Christine Keady each received a Bachelor of Arts degree. The married couple are teachers at Nelson Bay, Christine being attached to the High School and Robert teaching at the Primary School. Their daughter Erin, aged two, was at the Graduation Ceremony. Pictured in the centre are David Lowe, B.Com. and Carol Seymour, B.Arch. who were fellow undergraduates, together with each's recent offspring, Daniel and Mary. Also shown above, Judith Turnbull, who received a Bachelor of Metallurgy degree with Honours. Her destination is that she is the first woman graduate in Metallurgy. A part-time Tutor in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Western Australia, Judith, who originated from Singleton, will shortly join her husband, Neville Beaton, in The Netherlands.

1982 GRADUATION

"The saddest part of the amalgamation story is the absence of any educational rationale for such Canberra decisions". The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Don George, used these words in referring to amalgamation situations involving a university and a CAE in an occasional address at the afternoon Graduation Ceremony in the Great Hall on April 24.

Professor George said that theoretical, but unspecified, financial savings had been the only driving force behind the decision of the Razor Gang, with little apparent concern for the academic implications of the amalgamation of the University and Newcastle College of Advanced Education.

"I am not prepared to rule out that, should amalgamation with the College take place, there may in the long run, be some advantages for students in the Hunter Valley and possibly some economies effected, but the cost would be too great if the University did not remain a recognised and recognisable university within the world-wide community of universities".

Professor George commented that in order to safeguard advanced educational interests some scenarios had been produced which could prove very damaging to the University and which were "a source of great concern to us".

"It must surely be of equal importance", he said, "to safeguard the University's interests, and I do not think that the citizens of Newcastle who fought so hard in the 50's and 60's to gain a 'proper', independent university for this city, will easily give up all that has been accomplished.

"Nor do I believe to-day's graduates, with your hard-won degrees so recently placed in your hands by the Chancellor, are going to be indifferent to what happens to the University of which you have now become life-long members", he said.

With the final decision having to be a political one, the University now found itself caught up in State/Commonwealth political differences and risked ending up with the worst of both worlds. Either Commonwealth funds and Commonwealth legislation, or State funds and State legislation, would be a much more clear-cut position to be in at this point in time.

"But this option is not available to us and I encourage you to take an active and, if necessary, political role in defending your University", the Vice-Chancellor advised the new graduates.

Michael Schofield, who received a Bachelor of Commerce degree, plays Rugby League for Balmain in the Sydney competition. A former member of the Cessnock First-Grade XIII, he was congratulated by his parents Barbara and Don Schofield.
COUNTRY LINK

Staff from the Department of Civil Engineering and Surveying are making a significant contribution to this University's strengthening its links with country towns. The Department offers up to three scholarships each year to help able students attend the University and complete a Civil Engineering or Surveying degree course.

Brent Guest, of Port Macquarie, and Graeme McKenzies, of Tamworth, the first recipients of the scholarships, are presently in second year of their Civil Engineering courses.

Another student from Tamworth, Richard Jenner, was awarded one of the scholarships early this year.

A Civil Engineering and Surveying Scholarship holds special appeal to students from country areas because it provides free board in Edwards Hall, the residential college on the campus, for four years. The value of this sort of accommodation is approximately $2,000 a year.

The scholarships have been made possible by the generosity of the staff of the Department of Civil Engineering and Surveying, who have set aside approximately $28,000 earned from consultancies to endow the scholarships. Private organisations and companies pay the staff in return for specialised advice.

The Head of the Department of Civil Engineering and Surveying (Associate Professor B.L. Kanthaloo) pointed out that since the inception of the scheme more than 20 applications had been received each year, indicating keen competition for them. Those students whose scholarships were making excellent progress in their studies.

This year the scholarships to assist country students to study Civil Engineering will be renamed the Frank Henderson Scholarships in recognition of the Professor who initiated the scheme.

PLAY REVIEW

by: D.B. CRAIG

In 1972, when David Williamson's play, Don's Party, first produced, it was as if people you knew had suddenly appeared on stage. On Thursday night, the shock in seeing the Drama Department's production was to realise that by now the play is no longer a contemporary costume piece. Kath's tight black skirt and high heels are generally hopelessly out of place. Finally, having exhausted his small talk about the Barossa, and provoked by the others' merciless bullying, he glovered through his heavy glasses and charged off, mouthing, like Malvolio, a curse on his tormentors. Cooley, most of all, is a role that needs theatrical heightening — he is the acknowledged floorshow of the party. Chris Kelly's performance relied too much on the inspiration of the moment and on sheer pace, and the part suffered. David Yarrow's Don was muted and a little wooden to start with, but (ever the perfect host) he served as a useful foil to the others when the role began to sit more easily on him. Gary MacLean was a fruitily despondent Mack, his bone-headed bonhomie surviving to the party's last gasp.

The women's parts are fairly thankless in the play, but Judy, Deborah Jones, was outstanding, preserving a certain innocence among the wound-ed and destructive marital warriors. Kate Gray as Kath and Vicki Zenos as Jenny sustained their roles as killjoy, depressive housewives with fortitude. Felicity Biggs was suitably kittenish as Susan, Cooley's latest. With the relative strengths of the various actors, and the paring-down of the play, the high points were the confrontation between a wildly unfair, overbearing Mal and the sputtering, outraged Simon, and the exchange late in the play (and the party) between Don, Mal, Kath and Jenny. They get no nearer to the hoped-for wife-swapping than the hugely satisfying revelation that Mal is convinced he has a tiny member and an all-out row about the money the high-flying Mal and Jenny owe the more modest household of Don and Kath, but for the audience it is a fair exchange.

Like a refrain in the play is the revelation that you shit me': we hear it from husbands, wives, old mates and new acquaintances alike. Out of such unlikely material Williamson and those responsible for the Drama Department's production creates rau-cous but unmistakable comedy.
THE HONOURABLE MR. FRANK WALKER, NEW SOUTH WALES ATTORNEY-GENERAL, HAS ACCEPTED THE SOCIETY OF ECONOMICS AND COMMERCE STUDENTS' INVITATION TO BECOME PATRON FOR THE SOCIETY.

STAFF ASSOCIATION

The University will only pay retrospective increases to part-time Tutors and Demonstrators under the Ludeke Award if they apply for it. The Staff Association advises all such persons who are members to write to the Bursar to state their claim.

Don Wright, Hon. Secretary.
STAFF ASSOCIATION.

BOOK FAIR

The Friends of the University need your second-hand books, magazines and sheet music.

The group is planning the University's first Book Fair. Funds raised by this ambitious project will be contributed to the University.

The Friends' Chairman, Mr. Ken Gordon, made a plea for books, magazines when he welcomed people at the unveiling of the Beeston Tapestry. He said that most people had unwanted books, magazines and sheet music in their homes. The Friends wanted them so that it could organise a sale to support the University financially.

The Book Fair which had been started at the University of New South Wales by the U Committee 10 years ago had enhanced that University's amenities enormously.

He said that the Friends of the University would be grateful if members of the University, staff and students, and people from the Hunter community, supported the University by donating their second-hand books, magazines and sheet music.

Books can be left in the Publicity Office in the Mullin Building. They will be passed on to the Friends of the University. Alternatively, you can arrange for collection by telephoning Extension 328.

Outside the University, books can be left at 114 Everton Street, Hamilton, or 79 Lookout Road, New Lambton Heights, or the following:

Mr. Thelma Wright (61 2059),
Mrs. Gwen Hamilton (43 8825),
Mrs. Leslie Angus (43 4360) or
Mrs. L. George (52 4170).

It is hoped that the Book Fair will be held in the Great Hall sometime next year.

KEVIN BRERETON, B.Arch.Sc., a student enrolled in the B.Arch. degree course, was one of 10 winners of a national competition for design for a residence and facilities to cater for the needs of disabled persons. One hundred and two entries from 11 Australian Schools of Architecture were received for the competition, conducted by the Department of Housing and Construction in Canberra. The competition required students to submit designs for the conversion of an existing two-storey Victorian dwelling to form a residence for a small group of disabled persons as an alternative to institutional accommodation and where the occupants could lead lives that are as close to normal and as barrier-free as possible. Above is Kevin Brereton's design for a re-modelled kitchen for disabled persons in this kind of situation.

SPORT

The University of Newcastle will be host University for this year's Inter-Varsity Rugby League Contest, at which Macquarie, Queensland, New South Wales, Australian National, James Cook, Sydney and New England Universities will be represented. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 10 to 12, will be devoted to Round Robin matches at Nos. 1 and 2 Sports Ovals. Games will commence at 1 pm and 3 pm. Roll up and support your home side!

Thursday's (May 13) game played under floodlighting at No.1 Sports Oval at 7.30 pm will involve an AUSA representative side versus Newcastle 2nd Division representative team. The final will be played on No.2 Sports Oval on May 14 between the divisional winners. It is hoped that our visitors will enjoy their Newcastle stay.

The Staff House is presently showing watercolours and crayon sketches by Assoc. Professor Ross Deamer of the Department of Architecture. Ross's personal show, comprising subjects in Australia, Greece, Britain and Norfolk Island, was introduced at a small gathering in the evening of April 29.
"Science Summit"

Academic staff from the University will be among the contributors to this year's ANZAAS Congress - the 52nd.

The congress, or "science summit", at Macquarie University from May 11 to 15 will be attended by more than 2,000 scientists from Australia, New Zealand, Asia, America and Europe and prominent members of the business and industrial community.

The Chairman of the congress, Mr. Fred Lehany, former Director of the National Measurement Laboratory, CSIRO, said that the theme, Australia's Industrial Future, was an important and timely subject.

"The main parties directly involved in our industrial future are large corporations, the community. These are the business and industrial scientists from Australia, New Zealand. Asia, America and Europe and prominent members of the community.

"At the same time the more traditional industries will be affected and the way of life of all Australians and New Zealanders will be changed in varying degrees", he said.

A wide spectrum of speakers, including eminent industrialists, trade unionists, public servants, politicians and academics, will be brought together for the congress.

Among the politicians who will address the congress will be the Federal Ministers for Science and Technology, Mr. Thomson, and Primary Industry, Mr. Nixon and the Labor Spokesman for Industrial Relations, Mr. Hawke and Science and Technology, Mr. Jonas.

The University's Radio Station, 2NUR-FM, will provide a major coverage of proceedings by ANZAAS. The station will be in Sydney to specialise in broadcasts and sessions of particular interest to Hunter Valley entrepreneurs. Reports will be broadcast either "live", or recorded for later re-play.

Each day between May 10 and 14 2NUR-FM will broadcast a coverage of the conference at 3 pm. The coverage will be provided by a team of 40 journalists, commentators and producers from the participating radio stations.

Radio 2NUR-FM, the Sydney Educational Broadcaster, 2SER-FM, and Radio 5UV, from the University of Adelaide, have combined resources to present a national coverage of the congress.

Two new sections with undoubted implications for the public are opened on robot technology and one on legal problems arising from techniques such as extra-uterine fertilisation.

The 52nd Congress also includes a section on women's studies. More than 30 papers will be presented on a wide range of subjects, together with panel discussions and a visit to the Non-Sexist Resources Centre, Department of Education, North Sydney.

Professor Michael Carter, of the Department of Sociology, and Mr. John Collins, of the Department of Community Programmes, will be on hand in connection with Social Impacts of Industrial Development in the Hunter Valley of New South Wales.

As part of the Architecture and Planning Section, there will be a symposium on the implications for education, professional development and research of socio-economic and technical developments. Dr. John Rockey, of the Department of Architecture, will be one of the speakers.

Assoc. Professor Don Parkes, of the Department of Geography, will give a paper, with Dr. Ian Burnley, of the University of New South Wales, dealing with the arid zone of Australia, urbanisation and Alice Springs. The paper will be entitled "Hats Off, Alice, My Word You've Grown! How Are You?" Also from Geography, Dr. Howard Bridgeman, of the John Chambers, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, will jointly present a paper, in connection with the Var-own Modelled Ground Surface Division in the Middle Hunter Valley. Other Newcastle University staff will attend the congress. These include Professor Allan Williams and Mr. E.J. Burke, of the Department of Commerce.

NOT EQUAL

Although women in Australia fought hard for the right to vote, it is equally as easy to make the case for women's equal responsibility as men for government decisions and law-making.

It remains difficult for women to gain pre-selection by major political parties, or pre-selection for safe seats.

In the 16 elections for the House of Representatives conducted since Federation, 6,538 people stood for election, but only 382, or about 6 per cent, were women.

Why is the responsibility unequal to the right? Dr. Jocelynne Scutt, a New South Wales Supreme Court Barrister and Associate for Mr. Justice Lionel Murphy of the High Court, speaking at a seminar in the Department of Sociology on April 19, attributed the low female score to the inability of major political parties to recognise the political abilities of women and the failure on their part to organise meetings, committee meetings and sub-committee meetings so that they coincide with schedules traditionally adhered to by women, who bear the major burden of home duties and caring for children.

Dr. Scutt spoke about equal responsibility going beyond that for the making of laws in Parliament and to the right to interpret those laws judicially.

"Can we take equal responsibility for the pronouncements of a judge?" The right to sit as a judge had been fought for long and strong by women, she said. Today, the system was represented by a lone woman Supreme Court Judge, Justice Koma Mitchell, of the South Australian Supreme Court, one District Court Judge, Judge Jane Mathews, of New South Wales, one County Court Judge, Judge J.J. Stewart of South Australia and there were five women Family Court Judges, one being the Chief Judge, Justice Elizabeth Collins.

These numbers compared most unfavourably with those for male judges. For example, on the Family Court, there were 41 male judges.

District Court of New South Wales there were 37 male judges and 97 male Magistrates.

"That was the High Court Bench", Dr. Scutt said, "is not a reflection upon Australian women. Rather, it is a reflection upon our male law-makers. From 1788 until the early 20th Century, women were not allowed to undertake the practice of law and the fight for the right to practice law parallels closely that of women to gain the right to enter university. Queen's Counsel are chosen on the recommendation of Bar Councils in the respective states", she said, "in the appointment of judges, similarly, attention is paid by the relevant Attorney-General to the bastions of the profession."

Until these bodies gave proper, adequate and equal recognition to the presence of women, and to the sheer brilliance of some women lawyers, then the right to become a judge was remote and ineffective, Dr. Scutt said.
You can make the University well-known by displaying a sticker.

Produced by Convocation following a suggestion from the Positive Initiatives Committee, the University stickers measure 15 cms by 5 cms. As a result of the financial limitations, Convocation has to sell them. So bring your money with you. A stock is held by the Publicity Office (G60) in the McMullin Building. The cost is $1 per sticker.

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**DIARY OF EVENTS**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 30**


**SATURDAY, MAY 1**

THE CHALLENGE OF CHANGE — a symposium on major issues confronting Australia — the role of religion, and of organised labour, and of alternative societies. Telephone Extension 660 for further particulars.

**SUNDAY, MAY 2**


**MONDAY, MAY 3**

KEEPING EMPLOYEES INFORMED — a seminar on staff information flow for executive personnel in industry and commerce. Telephone Extension 660 for further particulars.

**TUESDAY, MAY 4**

OPERATING A SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESSFULLY — commencement of an evening course (7 to 9 pm for six successive Tuesdays). Telephone Extension 660 for further details.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 5**

Room to German Feature Film — ANPASSUNG EINE ZERSTORTES ILLUSION. Venue: Audio Visual Room A132 (McMullin Building).

**THURSDAY, MAY 6**

9 am to SCHOOLS VISIT DAY — organised in conjunction with a visit to the NCAE for Year 12 students from schools within the Hunter Valley and adjacent districts.

**SUNDAY, MAY 9**

8 pm Newcastle Film Society presents, KNIFE IN THE WATER — Poland, Roman Polanski (1962). Venue: BO1 (Main Lecture Theatre).

**MONDAY, MAY 10 to FRIDAY, MAY 14**

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY'S 26TH ANNUAL MEETING — lectures and contributed papers by mathematicians, statisticians and computer scientists including distinguished participants from overseas. Telephone Extensions 348 or 349 for details.

**TUESDAY, MAY 11**

8 pm CONCERT — presented by staff of Newcastle Conservatorium of Music in conjunction with the AMS 26th Annual Meeting — duos featuring piano and oboe, violin or viola. Venue: Drama Theatre. Cost: $5 (includes wine & cheese supper).

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 12**

12.30 pm AMEUN LUNcheon — Guest Speaker: Fay Weldon. Venue: Staff House. Cost: $13. RSVP to either Margaret Davie (Extension 305) or Linda Aurelius (Extension 328) by Monday, May 10.