



August/September Newsletter

Here is your August/September newsletter, bringing you information about coming events, current volunteering opportunities and campaign news.

Events:

Occupation 101: Voices of the Silenced Majority – Tues 26th August.

SWB and the Australian Friends of Palestine bring you 'Occupation 101', a thought provoking and powerful documentary on the current and historical causes of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The film covers a wide range of topics, including the wave of Jewish immigration from Europe in the 1880s, the 1920 tensions, the 1948 war, the 1967 war, the Oslo Peace Process, settlement expansion, the role of the United States Government, the separation barrier and the Israeli withdrawal from Gaza. It also contains heart wrenching testimonials from victims of this tragedy. The movie will be screening in the **Kim Beazley Lecture Theatre at 5.30pm** and will be followed by a chance for discussion. Café Kadjinyiny will be open for refreshments.

Cross Dress for Red Cross – Fri 5th September.

Wear the clothes of the opposite sex for the day to raise money for the Red Cross. Go to the [website](#) to register or donate. If you would like to collect money on campus, please contact Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY Climate Change Forum – Thurs 11th September.

While climate change affects us all, poor communities in developing countries (who contributed the least to the problem) are feeling the worst impacts. According to the UN, 150,000 people are killed each year as a result of climate change. Hear what's happening in Africa, how people are adapting and what Australia should do from Charmaine Consul – Program Coordinator from Mozambique for Oxfam Australia. Charmaine has spent 15 years working in Mozambique on development issues.

11.30– 12.30 Education and Humanities Common Room (EH 2.21)

RSVP: paddyc@oxfam.org.au by 7th September

MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY Take Action on Climate Change – Thurs 11th September.

Take action on climate change and poverty by enjoying a carbon-neutral barbecue and adding some colour to a giant climate change canvas of the world. The more people that help the greater the impact - school groups welcome.

Murdoch University, Bush Court from 12.30 -1.30

RSVP: paddy@oxfam.org.au by 7th September

Poverty Reduction – Professional Development for Teachers – Thurs 11th September.

In the lead up to Anti-Poverty week in October, this workshop will explore the causes and consequences of poverty across the globe and will look at ways to reduce poverty, including the Millennium Development Goals. This will be done through interactive activities that could be used in upper primary or lower secondary classrooms.

Time: 4pm - 6pm

Venue: One World Centre, 5 King William St, Bayswater, WA

Cost: \$20 for students and OWC members, \$30 for non-members

Contact: Kylie Hosking education@oneworldcentre.org.au

Social Justice & Spirituality Retreat – Wed 10th – Sunday 14th September.

The Edmund Rice Institute for Social Justice are holding their annual, non-residential Social Justice & Spirituality Retreat at the Institute in Fremantle. It includes opportunities for reflection, community and live music, and a catered-in meal together at the close of the retreat. For more information, or to book your place, please visit the ERISJ website – erisj.org.au

Body Image and Eating Disorder Awareness Week – Mon 1st – Sun 7th September.

Body Image and Eating Disorders Awareness Week was established to draw attention to the hidden problems of eating disorders and the widespread nature of body image concerns.

The week aims to draw attention to some key facts:

- * Body image is the number one concern of Young Australians
- * Australians spend about \$1 million a day on weight loss attempts
- * One in five Australian girls experience disordered eating
- * 15% of Australian females experience an eating disorder in their lifetime
- * Anorexia Nervosa has the highest mortality rate of any mental health disorder
- * Boys and men are affected too!
- * Help is available and recovery is possible.

The Eating Disorders Sector in Western Australia is providing three key events to recognise and acknowledge Body Image and Eating Disorder Awareness week in 2008. This is only the second year that Western Australia has recognised this week. The Bridges

Association Reference Group which includes Women's Health Works, Princess Margaret Hospital for Children, Centre for Clinical Intervention, Hollywood Hospital, Carers WA, ARAFMI, Peel Eating Disorders Sub-Program, Department of Education, Black Dog Project and Australia Association are hosting the events.

Launch Breakfast - Mon 1st September - 7.30-9.00am

VENUE: Fraser's Restaurant, Kings Park, Perth

Keynote address, services expo and a delicious Fraser's breakfast.

Ticket Price: \$30.00

RSVP: Melanie Hannah biedaw2008@hotmail.com

Unravelling Her—A Play

Performance dates:

Sat 30th August 8pm

Sun 31st August 7pm

Mon 1st September 7pm

VENUE: Spare Parts Puppet Theatre

South Terrace, Fremantle

Tickets: \$25 adult—\$20 concession

On sale 4th August through theatre 93355044 or via Bridges website www.bridges.net.au

Bridges Inspiration Evening - Wed 3rd September – 6.30-8.00pm

Inspirational Stories of Hope and Recovery

VENUE: MacDonald's Lecture Theatre, PMH, Roberts Road Subiaco

Entry by donation \$5 or more to Bridges Association

RSVP: sharyn.marshall@health.wa.gov.au

Volunteering Opportunities:

Young People We Care (YPWC) is currently recruiting new Youth Action Ambassadors for its 2008/2009 programme year. Interested individuals from any part of the world who meet the stated requirements in the application form are encouraged to apply. This year we have applications available in French and English.

Application form available [here](#)

Expressions of interest are sought from volunteers interested in helping to maintain the wildlife corridor on campus. Please contact Neil Goldsborough for more information –

neilgau@yahoo.com.au

Volunteers are needed to help on the SWB stall on Murdoch University's Open Day. The stall will be running from 10.00am-4.00pm on Bush Court. If you can spare any time to help out, please contact Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

Tutors required

Have you received a Distinction or above for any of your units? If so, why not join the Students Tutoring Students Program and help other students to achieve their goals??

We are currently searching for tutors for the following:

BUS361 – Microeconomics A

LAW369 – Legal Practice & Transactions

BUS375 – Human Resource Economics

BIO301 – Industrial Bioprocessing & Bioremediation

MAS230 – Biostatistical Methods

EDU113 – Intro to Science

Physics (for TAFE student – only basic level required)

English & Maths for primary school students

Computer Tutor Required

A new Murdoch student is looking for assistance with learning how to use Word, Excel and Powerpoint. He is looking for somebody who can help him for a few hours each Friday, or between 12.30-1.30 Monday - Thursday. If you can help, please contact Vicky Noonan - swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au for more details.

8Ball Computer Recycling Program:

Do you have good IT skills? Can you spare a couple of hours each week to help refurbish computers? The 8Ball Computer Recycling Program needs you!

We are currently preparing to send up to 500 computers overseas and need as many volunteers as possible to help us achieve our goal. If you can help please contact Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

We also need more computers – if you have any surplus computers that you are willing to donate to the 8Ball Program, please contact Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au Computers must be no more than 5 years old, monitors must be minimum 17” and in good working condition.

General Information:

HOT SHOTS

Equity, Access & Diversity (EAD) is introducing 'Hot Shots' to the Murdoch community from

the second semester 2008 onwards. Hot Shots is an informal and open discussion forum on contemporary topics that relate to cultural and social diversity around us. Events that create a lot of uncertainties and diverse reactions in our social lives are hot favourites to take a shot at.

Students and staff at Murdoch University are encouraged to go online at www.murdoch.edu.au/goto/hotshots and let the University know of their take on current hot topics. Each campus library will have displays of Hot Shots leaflets with hot topics to ponder on. You are invited to visit www.murdoch.edu.au/goto/hotshots to access Hot Shots topics online.

Equity, Access & Diversity explores the Murdoch community's views on society, culture and diversity in the spirit of "an open, critical, equitable and participatory" environment, one which the University embodies. The idea is to create a stream of dialogue on current/contemporary issues being reported in the media ... issues that are controversial and fall within the broad topic/definition of culture/diversity/discrimination/social policies/political decisions

A topic will be selected each month. It will be a 'visible' yet contentious news item in the media. Responses will be uploaded online at www.murdoch.edu.au/goto/hotshots.

1. Hot Shots can be accessed by people even from outside the Murdoch community. It's really open to the whole world.
2. Hot Shots will have questions that are brief, catchy and provocative. This is done so that people feel almost compelled to respond.
3. Hot Shots news-items will be ones in the media that students can immediately relate to.

Language Classes

This semester we are offering the following conversational language classes for beginners:

Mandarin – Wednesday 1.30-3.00pm

German – Wednesday 3.30-5.00pm

Korean – Friday 11.30am-1.00pm

Arabic – Saturday 10.00-11.00am

There are still spaces available for all of these classes – to enrol please contact Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

Halal Home Cooked Meals Available

Mature Muslim Lady provides:

- Halal home cooked meals on a monthly basis
- Ready to freeze meals for one
- Ready to grill home-made beef patties
- Ready to grill marinated lamb chops
- New meals can be added (subject to demand)

- Collect from home or delivery can be arranged
- Shopping Service
- Contact: myfabfood@gmail.com.au

SWB Magazine

The second edition of the SWB magazine will be out in October – if you would like to write for the magazine, please submit your article by mid-September. Send it through with any pictures that you wish to include to Vicky Noonan – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au. A one page article = 1000 words.