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A LONGER BREAK THIS CHRISTMAS

The University Council has agreed that staff be granted an additional three days' leave in conjunction with the Christmas-New Year holidays.

Approval was given on the basis that, if at some future time staff are granted additional annual leave, the length of the Christmas-New Year close-down will be reviewed with a view to reverting to arrangements that have existed in the past few years.

The University will close down this year at 5 p.m. on Friday, December 22, 1972, and will resume on the morning of Monday, January 8, 1973.

If any staff are required to work during the close-down period, they will be compensated in accordance with the relevant awards or determinations covering their employment. In the absence of any such awards and determinations, they will be credited for each day worked with an additional day's recreation leave to be taken in accordance with the normal conditions of recreation leave.

DEAKIN HALL WARDEN: APPLICATIONS INVITED

Applications are invited for the position of warden of Deakin Hall. The appointment will be for a period of three years initially, and is open to any present male or female member of the University staff, or to persons who have accepted appointments which they will take up early in 1973.

The appointee's career prospects will remain with his initial University position, but he will be expected to devote some of his time to the Hall.

The warden will be responsible to the University Council through the Vice-Chancellor for all aspects of the running of Deakin Hall, apart from those administrative functions which are within the province of the chairman of the committee of wardens. In particular, he will be responsible for the maintenance of a suitable climate in Deakin Hall, having regard to the individual and group needs of students.

Further information may be obtained from the Staff Branch and applicants are also invited to get in touch with Dr. J. R. Lawry, warden of Roberts Hall, or Mrs. B. L. Cumming, warden of Howitt Hall, to discuss any details of the position.

Application should be made by letter, addressed to the Staff Administration Officer, and be received by December 1, 1972.

(Mrs B. L. Cumming has been appointed acting executive warden of the North-East Halls until December 31, 1972, and Dr F. Ng has been appointed acting warden of Deakin Hall.)

ELIZABETHAN ORCHESTRA TO RETURN TO MONASH

The Elizabethan Trust Melbourne Orchestra will give a second free concert in Robert Blackwood Hall on Friday, December 1, at 8 p.m.

The conductor will be Mark Elder and the soloist, baritone John Pringle, both appearing by arrangement with The Australian Opera. The program will consist of the Overture to Othello (Dvorak); a song cycle, Songs of a Wayfarer (Mahler); Octet for Wind Instruments (Stravinsky) and Symphony No. 5 in F Major (Dvorak).

Scottish Night:

On the preceding night, November 30, the Hall will be the scene of a Grand Variety Concert, organised by the Combined Auxiliaries of St Andrew's Hospital, to celebrate St Andrew's Day.

Two hundred performers will take part, including: Scotch College Cadet pipes and drums, PLC Choir, Melbourne Ladies' Pipe Band, Jimmy Strachan's Scottish Band, Victorian Scottish Union reel set, Royal Scottish Country Dancing Society, Victorian State Committee of Highland Dancing. Soloists will include Eunice McGowan (vocalist), David Johnston (organist), Margaret Mayers (folk singer), Tommy Gordon (comedian), Rev. Alec Fraser (Scottish verse), Andrew Heggie (piper), Michelle Mussett (dancer).

Tickets (adults \$1.50, children \$1) from St Andrew's Hospital (63 4411) or Robert Blackwood Hall.

NATIONAL BOYS' CHOIR, DECEMBER 3

Another free Sunday concert in the series supported by the Australian Council for the Arts will be given on Sunday, December 3, by the National Boys' Choir. The choir will present a program of Early Polyphonic Christmas carols, and Australian and traditional carols. The concert will begin at 2.30 p.m.

Footnote: The Vice-Chancellor, Dr Matheson, reported to Council on Monday that, by the end of this year, more than 150 separate functions will have been held in Robert Blackwood Hall.

CHRISTMAS CARDS STILL AVAILABLE

Limited stocks of University Christmas cards (SOUND No. 94) are still available at the Information Office.

There is a choice of four cards, showing different parts of the University. They are a single-fold design, 6½ in. by 4½ in., and are printed with or without the words "Season's Greetings". The price (including envelopes) is \$4 for 50 cards.

BUY A CAKE TO SAVE SIGHT

The Lions Clubs of Australia are currently selling Christmas cakes to aid the Save the Sight Appeal. All proceeds from the exercise are directed towards the prevention of blindness and, in particular, school clinics are being set up to detect eye disease in its early stages.

The cakes are first quality 3lb., boxed in attractive gift cartons. They are ideal for gifts or home consumption and cost \$1.90 each. Persons requiring cakes should ring Mr A. J. O'Brien on extn. 3650. Cakes will be delivered up until mid-December.

STAFF ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

The ordinary general meeting of the Staff Association of Monash University for second semester will be held in R5 on Thursday, November 23, at 1.15 p.m. Business will include a proposed amendment to the constitution and a report on academic salaries.

RIVALLING THE ELECTION

By coincidence more than design, Caroline Piesse, Assistant to the Union warden, has chosen December 2, election night, for the opening of her new play. Appropriately it is called "The Rivals."

Caroline is producing the play for the Malvern Theatre Company, 29 Burke Rd., East Malvern. It will run from December 2 to 9. Tickets for the opening night are \$2.50 (with a chicken and cider supper); price for the other nights is \$1.20. Bookings can be made with Caroline on Ext. 3101.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY, DECEMBER 2

The Monash Women's Society's annual Christmas party for the children of members of the University will be held in the Vice-Chancellor's garden on Saturday, December 2, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Attractions this year will include pony and pony-cart rides, rockers, roundabouts and slide; a party tea for the children and tea and biscuits for parents. Admission is 60c per child, with a maximum of \$2 per family. Children under 12 months admitted free.

Apply to Mrs M. Coates, c/o Dr D. W. Coates, physics department (inquiries 232 7540).

CHRISTMAS MUSIC ON NOVEMBER 29

The Monash Chapel Singers with conductor Gerry Almond will present a program of Christmas music in the Religious Centre at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 29.

The program will include works by Handel, Quantz and Gibbons. The soloists will be choir members Marjorie Austen (soprano), Denise Lansell (soprano) and Jane de Hugard (contralto) and guests George Hegan (tenor) and Peter Pianella (baritone). Mr Pianella won this year's Sun Aria.

A staff-student chamber orchestra will accompany the singers and will present a flute concerto by Quantz. Soloist for the orchestra will be Associate Professor I. B. Donald, from civil engineering.

THE PROBLEMS OF NATIVE PLANTS

The next meeting of the recently-formed Monash Plant Society will be held in lecture theatre H2 at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 22. There will be a discussion on the ecological problems arising from the planting of suburban gardens and their effect on native plants.

TAXI!

In the absence of precise directions, taxi-drivers frequently waste valuable time seeking their prospective fares — and sometimes missing them.

University members calling taxis, therefore, are advised to instruct taxi companies that their drivers should inquire at the main gatehouse for directions to the relevant building.

Authorised by K. W. Bennetts, Information Officer.