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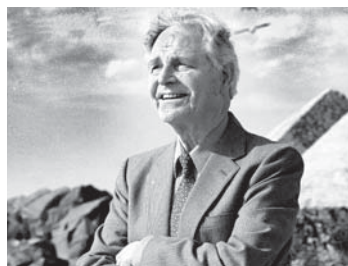
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Howard Worner - an inspiring legacy

Professor Howard Worner was a renowned Australian metallurgist and scientist from rural Victoria. He was a significant member of the UOW community and a noted philanthropist.

Professor Worner's contributions went far beyond the scientific world. He was motivated by the opportunity to expand his knowledge and apply it creatively to new challenges. Many were inspired by his generosity, energy and ideas.

To preserve Professor Worner's legacy and his commitment to UOW, the Howard Worner Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established. The fund recognises Professor Worner's



rural origins, his contributions to the scientific community and his passion for new challenges.

The scholarship will be offered in perpetuity, as a lasting acknowledgement of Professor Worner's contributions. Gifts to the Fund already exceed \$18,000.

If you would like to contribute to the Fund please contact us or donate online at [www.uow.edu.au/donations/ AU](http://www.uow.edu.au/donations/AU)

Gifts support future doctors and vital medical research

The Graduate School of Medicine has received further support this year to assist our budding doctors through their medical studies and support cutting edge medical research.

The Graham, Bell & Bowman Scholarship for Medicine will support a UOW medical student in need. The scholarship will be awarded each year with an ongoing contribution from Graham, Bell & Bowman Architects, the

designers of the award winning Medical School building on the Wollongong campus.

St Jude Medical have also provided a generous gift to the School in 2007. This donation will support student resources and the establishment of an ongoing scholarship for a medical student in need.

A further gift has been pledged by the family of the late Dr Michael Rosen, a local urologist.

The Dr Michael Rosen Memorial Fund will provide ongoing support for students and researchers in the Graduate School of Medicine, in memory of Dr Rosen.

Professor John Hogg, Foundation Dean of the Graduate School of Medicine, and the students and researchers who will benefit from these gifts are grateful for this support. AU

Staff show UOW Cares

UOW Staff are demonstrating their commitment to the community by making regular voluntary donations to charity through their salary.

The UOW Cares program was launched in June 2007 to provide staff with the opportunity to contribute to one or more of their favourite charities to ensure regular, stable and ongoing funding for a range of vital community organisations.

"Community collaboration and service is enshrined as one of the University's shared values," said Vice-Chancellor Professor Gerard Sutton. "I am delighted

that our staff are giving life to this by supporting UOW Cares."

Eight charities and two UOW causes have been chosen based on the giving preferences of staff.

These include The Smith Family, The Cancer Council, The Fred Hollows Foundation, Autism Spectrum, The Australian Conservation Foundation, Oxfam Australia, Indigo Foundation, RSPCA, UOW equity scholarships and UOW research projects.

Already, some 150 staff at the University are contributing

over \$1500 a fortnight to these worthwhile causes. This will provide almost \$40,000 each year to these organisations and projects.

Staff support for the UOW student equity and research programs will be combined with gifts from alumni and other donors to support vital student initiatives and research that contributes to the well-being of our community. AU



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Rotary - a vital partner in UOW research

The Australian Rotary Health Research Fund (ARHRF) supports community health research projects seeking to improve the quality of life for people in greatest need.

Through donations and bequests, the ARHRF awards grants each year to health projects including indigenous health, mental health, cancer research and medical and nursing scholarships.

In 2007, the ARHRF has generously funded two UOW projects in the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Science's, Illawarra Institute for Mental Health. The contribution is valued at \$72,135.

This funding will support a project evaluating the effectiveness of a residential program and recommending improved treatment for people with complex mental health problems. The project is led by Professor Frank Deane and Dr Trevor Crowe.

The second project involves evaluation of a recovery based self-help program for people with long-term mental illness, led by Professor Lindsay Oades and Dr Trevor Crowe.

It is the first time the ARHRF has funded projects at UOW.

The ARHRF is also jointly funding a PhD scholarship in cancer research in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Orange

North and the Ian and Jean Simpson family, to the value of \$75,000 over three years.

The scholarship recipient, Kristie Munro is researching the importance of arsenic based anti-cancer drugs.

Kristie and her supervisor, Dr Carolyn Dillon, from UOW's Department of Chemistry, hope that within a decade this pioneering research will result in development of more powerful arsenic anti-leukaemia drugs.

ARHRF Director, Alan Grady and staff, and Ian and Jean Simpson visited the campus in August to present plaques to the researchers. Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Professor Lee Astheimer opened the plaque presentation ceremony, with each of the researchers providing an update on their projects. [AU](#)

Above: Mr Alan Grady, Dr Carolyn Dillon, Ms Kristie Munro, Mrs Jean Simpson, Professor Lee Astheimer and Mr Ian Simpson.

Below: Professor Frank Deane, Dr Trevor Crowe, Mr Alan Grady and Dr Lindsay Oades.



Spotlight

Cancer research partnership makes Prime time

The significant partnership between the UOW Cancer Drug Research Group, Illawarra Cancer Carers, East Family of Kiama and Rotary Club of Kiama is facilitating considerable advances in cancer research.

This alliance between UOW researchers and the community is seeking to create a world where cancer treatments are more effective and pain-free. Gifts towards the research have totalled over \$100,000 in 2007, and over \$350,000 since 2005.

To recognise this significant partnership, representatives from each of the groups visited the Wollongong campus for the filming of a community service announcement. The announcement acknowledges the momentous support of these groups and the critical role they are playing in the advancement of life-changing cancer research at UOW.

As part of an agreement between Prime Television and the University, Prime generously donated their services to edit the community announcement and will provide complementary airtime. This is the third in a series of announcements produced for UOW by Prime Television.

The community announcement will go to air in early 2008. [AU](#)



Gifts in 2007

As a supporter of the University of Wollongong we would like to share with you the results of our fundraising efforts for 2007.

Below is an overview of gifts received in the calendar year commencing 1 January 2007.

Research & Innovation Fund	\$16,910.00
Learning & Development Fund	\$12,856.00
Medical Research & Education Fund	\$14,000.00
Howard Worner Memorial Fund	\$18,500.00
Cancer Drug Research Gifts	\$82,550.00
Corporate & Community Scholarships	\$681,700.00
Other Gifts	\$16,330.00
TOTAL 2007	\$842,846.00

Thank you for your contributions. If you have any queries please contact the Office of Community & Partnerships. [AU](#)



2007 appeal results - appealing to young and old

Over 150 generous alumni and friends of UOW have joined the Circle of Visionaries to support the 2007 Appeals.

Thank you to all our generous donors.

Significant gifts from alumni and friends in 2007 are helping to secure the future for talented UOW students in need, through the Learning and Development Fund, and improve the quality of life for people in our community living with dementia, through the Research and Innovation Fund.

Already, over \$26,000 has been donated to support these projects in 2007.

The Learning and Development Fund will provide scholarships for UOW students who would otherwise be unable to fulfil their dreams of tertiary study.

Over 10 per cent of UOW students are impeded by financial disadvantage. For others, their participation in university study is hindered by geography, ethnicity, family commitments or disability.

Gifts from alumni, friends and staff to the Learning and Development Fund will help change the outlook for these dedicated students.

Donations will provide scholarships for students in need to help meet some of



*Above Left: Mikylla Cook, Bachelor of Early Childhood Education
Above Right: Boris Georgiou, Bachelor of Creative Arts*



Below: Maree and Bob Batchelor

the costs and commitments associated with University study. In fact, the generosity of the Circle of Visionaries in 2007 will allow us to provide a scholarship to a student in need in each of our faculties.

Mikylla Cook and Boris Georgiou generously shared with us their personal stories for this year's appeal. Both of these students have been supported to overcome financial obstacles and realise their dream of studying at university.

Support for the Research and Innovation Fund in 2007 will contribute to the work of the UOW Eastern Australia Dementia Training and Study Centre which is training practitioners and aged-care providers to appropriately care for people living with dementia.

Dementia directly affects one in 15 Australians over the age of 65, with over one million Australians involved in caring for a family member or friend living with the condition.

With the help of the Circle of Visionaries, the UOW Dementia Centre is working with carers to delay the onset of symptoms, reduce the severity of the disease and extend the life expectancy of people in our community with dementia.

You may recall reading Maree Batchelor's inspirational story in the appeal. Maree's husband Bob died at just 64 from severe Alzheimer's disease. Your gifts will help transform the lives of others like Maree and Bob.

As we approach the end of 2007, we are hoping to reach our \$30,000 target for the Appeals. This will allow us to offer even more scholarships to students in need and provide the Dementia Centre with funding to support the extension of training programs in our community.

If you would like any further information on the 2007 Appeals or to make a contribution, please call or email the Office of Community & Partnerships or visit www.uow.edu.au/donations/AU

Thankathon

For the first time, UOW conducted a thankathon this year to recognise generous gifts received from alumni towards our appeal.

Three current UOW students were involved in calling, Maddy Phelan, Megan Koch and Matt Moffitt.



The students all thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to speak with alumni and donors and provide you with an update on how your support is making a difference to UOW students and researchers.

Thank you to all who took the time to speak with our callers. They look forward to chatting with you again next year. AU

Support Now

By supporting UOW you will share the hopes and dreams of our researchers and students and inspire them to realise their vision for a better tomorrow.

Yes, I would like to support UOW with a tax deductible gift of:

\$50 \$100 \$200 \$500 \$1,000

\$ Other

I would like to make my donation:

Monthly Annually Once Other

I would like my gift to support:

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- Learning & Development Fund
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- Art Collection Fund
- Environment Fund

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First name

Surname

Address

Suburb

State Postcode

Email

Phone

- Please send me information about leaving a gift to the University in my Will
- I have included the University in my Will

Share our Vision

– Bequests

The University of Wollongong is grateful for the support of all donors. We are committed to ensuring all benefactors are appropriately recognised during their lifetime.

Many of the University's significant donations have been made through bequests. These gifts help ensure the prosperity of future generations and for many donors provide the chance to make a significant contribution, not possible during their lifetime.

If you have made a bequest to UOW we encourage you to contact us so we can acknowledge your support.

When you make a bequest you will be invited to join the UOW Bequest Society. As a member of this group you will receive regular updates and invitations to University events where we can share the achievements our donors make possible.

For further information on leaving a bequest to UOW please contact us on (02) 4221 3918 or at bequests@uow.edu.au.

Supporting UOW offers many rewards.

At the heart is the opportunity to make a difference – to the lives of students and the skills they will attain, to important research projects, to the economic well-being of the Illawarra, and to the future of our country.

We would be happy to discuss with you further options for supporting students, researchers and other areas of UOW. Please contact us for more information.

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