

Chemistry Research Evening

The School is holding a Research Evening on **Wednesday 25 October** in the Chemistry Tea Room, to which University and industry representatives have been invited. The evening will begin with a light meal, followed by a brief opening session. A large number of posters will be on display summarising current work in the School, and research students and staff from both Hobart and Launceston will be on hand to discuss aspects of their research.

The School of Chemistry has much to celebrate in 2006 with the graduation of PhD students, the publication of excellent papers, the development of some key industry-related projects, and the award of a large number of grants and fellowships. These include a prestigious Federation Fellowship to Prof Paul Haddad worth \$1.5m, seven new ARC Discovery Project grants at \$2.7m, a new ARC industry Linkage Grant of \$0.5m, and in partnership with Ecka Granules the first Research Partnership Program grant to be awarded by the State Government, worth \$150k.

Third Year Students Research Afternoon

There will also be a **Pizza and coke lunch for Third Year Students** in the Tea Room at 12.30pm on **Wednesday 18 October**. This will be an opportunity for students to view posters on display summarising current work in the School, and research students will be there to discuss aspects of their research and possibilities for those students wishing to continue into Honours in Chemistry and/ or a PhD.

Uniserve Science 2006

Brian Yates attended this annual one-day conference on tertiary science education in Sydney at the end of September. Among some of the interesting topics discussed were how to cater for large classes with different backgrounds in science, the use of diagnostic tests to inform teaching, misunderstandings about plagiarism, and the finer points of writing multiple choice questions! Many innovative ideas are being trialled. Brian presented his own work on a Faculty of Science project on generic attributes.

October Seminars

Wednesday 4 October

Professor Yury Zolotov, Moscow State University: "Express Test Methods for the Analysis of Environmental Samples"

Wednesday 11 October —Zinifex Visiting Lecturer

Associate Professor Glenn Hefter, Murdoch University: "Dielectric Properties of Ionic Liquids "

Wednesday 18 October ** 10.00am-10.50 pm, and 11.30-12.20 pm Honours Final Seminars

Ruth Amos, "TBA"

Rowan Henderson, "TBA"

Sam Karpinić, "TBA"

Boon Khing Ng, "TBA"

Sam Poynter, "TBA"

Yi Heng Nai, "TBA"