

BAIS BULLETIN - APRIL 1991

THE JUSTIN ARBUTHNOTT BRITISH/IRISH FUND (UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH): Justin Arbuthnott was drowned with three friends on the night of 27/28 July 1989 when their boat capsized off the coast of Donegal. All four were in their early 20's and were students at the University of Edinburgh. To commemorate Justin, his parents have decided to set up this fund. They state: "If the fund could contribute towards the better understanding by the people of Britain and the people of Ireland of the complex relationships between them and perhaps, therefore, towards making those relationships more straightforward, Justin's death will have served a good purpose." The purpose of the fund is to promote, through scholarly activity, the better understanding of Ireland and the various complex relationships which link Ireland and the United Kingdom. This purpose will be achieved by facilitating through grants and bursaries the study by undergraduate and postgraduate students of the University of Edinburgh of all important aspects of Irish life and the British-Irish relationship. Contributions can be made to the fund via the Appeals Director, University of Edinburgh, Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9YL, from whom further details can be obtained.

WOMEN'S EDUCATION RESEARCH AND RESOURCE CENTRE, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN (WERRC) holds a series of discussions each term. Information: (Dublin) 693244 ext 7302/7641.

WERRC offers a postgraduate programme leading to a Master's Degree or Diploma in Women's Studies, adult education courses, seminars and public lectures. Plans to introduce a co-ordinated undergraduate programme and a Certificate in Women's Studies are also in progress. The Centre is currently involved in developing a TV Education series on Women's Studies and in a number of different Research projects.

Director: Ailbhe Smyth, WERRC, 525 Library Building, University College, Belfield, Dublin 4. Tel. as above.

EVENTS

FESTIVAL OF IRISH FILM AND CULTURE - Midlands Arts Centre (MAC), 29 March-29 April 1991: Still time to catch part of this programme, which includes "December Bride", "Mise Éire", "Budawanny", "The Irishmen". Festival includes an exhibition of photographs by the accomplished photographer Brendan Farrell, who covers the Soar Valley Conference each year for the Irish Post, "Brendan Farrell's Ireland". MAC Ticket Office: 021-440 3838.

"IRELAND: ORIGINS AND EVOLUTIONS" 42nd INTERNATIONAL UCD SUMMER SCHOOL, University College Dublin, 3-19 July 1991. Credits may be earned. Details: UCD Summer School, Newman House, 86 St Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, Ireland.

THE HOPKINS SOCIETY OF IRELAND: ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL - Monasterevin, Co Kildare, Republic of Ireland, 4-7 July

1991. Lectures by international Hopkins scholars, poetry workshop, world premiere of Willard Roosevelt's "Hopkins Suite for Baritone, Speaker and Piano". Details: The Hopkins Society of Ireland, Annual International Summer School, Monasterevin, Co Kildare, Republic of Ireland - Tel: 045-25601.

THE ANNUAL SWIFT SEMINAR: Celbridge Abbey, Celbridge, Co Kildare, 8-13 July 1991 - Speakers include: Dr Kevin Barry (UCD) "Swift and the Irish Eighteenth Century Sublime", Professor Louis M Cullen (TCD) "Swift and Economic Thought", Dr Mihaela Irina (University of Bucharest) "Swift as a Precursor of the Absurd", Privatdozent Peter Wagner (Katholische Universitat Eichstatt) "Swift and the Female Idol: the Dean as Iconoclast". Details: Secretariat, Celbridge Abbey - Tel: (Dublin) 6288161.

THE BAILEYS JAMES JOYCE ANNUAL SUMMER SCHOOL - Newman House, University College Dublin, Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, 14 -26 July 1991. Details: Helen Gallagher, Department of Anglo-Irish Literature, University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4.

COMRADES AND CONTEMPORARIES: THE FOURTH JOHN HEWITT INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL, St MacNissi's College, Garron Tower, Co Antrim, 29 July-4 August 1991. The fourth John Hewitt Summer School will focus on John Hewitt and "the Thirties generation". Topics include the poetry of Louis MacNeice and W R Rodgers, Hewitt's Scottish poetic contemporaries, the dissidence of Peadar O'Donnell and Sean O'Faolain, Socialism in Ulster, etc. Details: The Director, John Hewitt International Summer School, St MacNissi's College, Garron Tower, Co Antrim BT44 0JS, Northern Ireland. There are a limited number of scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate students (conference costs but not travel expenses). Applications (accompanied by testimonial) to Mrs E Longley, School of English, Queen's University Belfast BT7 1NN by 30 May.

PUBLICATIONS

The Irish in London: County Associations & Community, photographs and memories by Paddy Fahey (Centerprise 1991): the book offers a unique record of the Irish community, through photographs and reminiscence: their work, the earliest efforts to organise, the importance of dance-halls, sporting associations and the Church. Price: £4.95.

Attic Press Spring and Summer list (independent, Irish-owned women's publishing house): Attic Press, 44 East Essex Street, Dublin 2, Republic of Ireland.

Brandon's Spring and Summer list: Brandon Book Publishes Ltd, Cooleen, Dingle, Co Kerry, Republic of Ireland.

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