HONOUR SOCIETY INDUCTIONS

In August, the annual inductions for Beta Gamma Sigma and Beta Alpha Psi were held at the Faculty in a ceremony presided over by the Pro-Dean, Professor Marcus O'Connor.

Over 150 students were inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma, the honour society for outstanding students and graduates of business programs accredited by AACSB International. On the same night, 11 students were inducted into Beta Alpha Psi, a society for outstanding students of AACSB International business programs who have also given a commitment to professional development and service.

Congratulations to all inductees! For more information on these societies, visit www.betagammasigma.org or www.bap.org.

ALUMNI REUNITE OVER COCKTAILS

The Faculty hosted cocktail receptions for our Sydney-based alumni in April and October this year. Both events were a great success with over 200 alumni and friends taking the opportunity to hear updates from the Dean, Professor Peter Wolnizer, as well as reunite with old friends and network with other alumni.

At the April event, held in the Union Club, the guest speakers were Dan Vickerman from Australian Rugby and Gordon Bray AM, the “Voice of Rugby”. The October function was held at the Tattersalls Club and the guest speaker for the evening was alumnus Dr John Laker (BEC ’72), chairman of the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).

RECONNECTING IN CHINA

Over 350 alumni and friends based in Hong Kong and China seized the opportunity to reconnect with each other and the Faculty at three alumni receptions held in May.

The Hong Kong dinner was held at the Craigengower Cricket Club in Happy Valley and was hosted by the Faculty’s Dean, Professor Peter Wolnizer. Luncheons were then hosted by Professor Charles Areni in Shanghai at the Four Points Daning Sheraton Hotel and in Beijing at the Jianguo Hotel Ballroom. All three events won a very enthusiastic response from alumni, with many reporting how much they enjoyed the chance to meet old friends and expand their networks.

SPRING BACK TO SYDNEY

In late October, the University of Sydney hosted Spring Back to Sydney, a special reunion day for alumni who graduated in years ending in seven. Over 1,000 alumni and their friends and family attended, taking part in a range of cultural, sporting and family activities including a Comedy Debate featuring notable alumni Adam Spencer (BA ’92), ABC Radio presenter, and Lisa Pryor (BA ’00 LLB ’04), Sydney Morning Herald journalist.

On the day, the Faculty hosted a Dean’s Morning Tea for our alumni and also organised a series of mini-lectures presented by leading academics from various Faculty disciplines which covered a range of newsworthy and controversial topics.

STAY TUNED FOR MORE EVENTS IN 2008

To stay informed about upcoming events for alumni in Australia and around the world, please send an email to alumni@econ.usyd.edu.au.

WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK!

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