



# U3A WAKATIPU

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THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

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NEWSLETTER

**The Third Age is seen to provide the greatest opportunity for learning and understanding because it is during this period of retirement that the idea of a university as a community of those who seek greater understanding through learning can be put into practice**

Thank you for supporting our first successful three sessions that were based on The Antarctica. Paul Hargreaves, Grahame Sydney and Trevor Chinn were incredibly interesting, informative and mind-stretching bringing different aspects of their journey in the Antarctica.

Please could you contact us if you have any areas of expertise and you are willing to hold an interesting talk. We will be holding presentations for 2010 in February which are currently being organised but please see over leaf for speakers in November 2009. We are interested in any ideas or information that you may have for future speakers but in the meantime, the Committee would like to welcome Alan Townsend and Bob Cranfield aboard!

For those of you who have been wondering....we present each presenter with a \$30 book voucher and, if they have travelled some distance, a petrol voucher. With monies supplied so far this will be going towards a large Projector Screen and also towards catering resources which have been kindly supplied by Southern REAP to date.

For those of you who are interested in organic gardening, we received an email informing us that the QLDC is subsidising a worm farm. They are \$50 instead of \$150. They are a great idea and if you would like one go to [www.easy-veg.co.nz](http://www.easy-veg.co.nz) and click on the worm farm icon or telephone 0800-327-9834. They are local and provide organic vegetable gardening solutions as well.

Overleaf is our final presentations for 2009 to which we hope you are able to attend. We look forward to learning and developing more in 2010 bringing you many interesting and exciting people to meet within our Community and beyond. The Committee Members would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



## Dates for your Calendar of Upcoming Events:

**Date:**

Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**Venue:**

St Margarets' Wakatipu Community Church, Frankton

**Time:**

1030am – 1230pm

***Living and Working Abroad –******Turbulence in the Fertile Crescent: Iraq, Lebanon/Syria, and Israel/Palestine***

**Professor Bill Harris** from Otago University, Political Studies Department went on sabbaticals and has been invited to the Middle East many times. He has a PHD and at present is writing a book on the History of Lebanon. He obtained an Outstanding Academic Title award in 2005 from Choice Magazine in the US for his book 'The Levant: A Fractured Mosaic'.

**Date:**

Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**Venue:**

St Margarets' Wakatipu Community Church, Frankton

**Time:**

1030am – 1230pm

***Living and Working Abroad –******Iran: Revolution and Creation of a Modern Theocracy***

**Bill Dolan** has a Masters Degree in Economics and worked for the Trade and Industry, Treasury and seconded while overseas to Foreign Affairs where he was posted to Washington DC, Tehran and Melbourne as Consul General for the CER Negotiations. His speciality is International Trade and Development Economics.

**Date:**

Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2009

**Venue:**

St Margarets' Wakatipu Community Church, Frankton

**Time:**

1030am – 1230pm

***Living and Working Abroad –******Exploration in the Saudi Desert***

Whilst teaching and travelling around the world **Hilary Hunt** has worked with all age groups – Kindergarten to Adult and lectured at Universities in Canada. Hilary also has Consulted for School Boards and written programmes whilst culminating 10 years working in Saudi Arabia. A very interesting lady!

*A small charge of \$5 per person for each presentation is payable on admission to cover the costs of venue hire, refreshments and administration. Please contact Adelle Bond at the U3A office to register.*

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