recommendations to promote better educational programmes.

Membership is by invitation and is open to Fellows and non-Fellows of the RSM. People who wish to submit their names for membership should write to: Dr James Hogg, Chairman, Forum on Mental Retardation, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE, indicating their particular area of interest. The annual fees are: Fellow RSM – free of charge; non-Fellows –£30. No-one may join a Forum as a non-Fellow member who is eligible for Fellowship, i.e. those with medical, dental or veterinary qualifications.

## New address

The address of the National Schizophrenia Fellowship (formerly 78-79 Victoria Road, Surbiton) is now 28 Castle Street, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey KT1 1SS (telephone 081 547 3937; fax: 081 547 3862).

## **August Bank Holiday**

The College will be closed from 7.00 pm on Thursday, 23 August and will re-open at 8.00 am on Tuesday, 28 August 1990.

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## **Forthcoming events**

The 36th Two-Stream Revision Course for MRCPsych Part I and Part II examinations will be held at the University of Surrey, Guildford from 12–19/20 September 1990. Further details: Mrs Olive Wellden, Administrator, Belmont Postgraduate Psychiatric Centre, Chiltern Wing, Sutton Hospital, Cotswold Road, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5NF (telephone 081 642 6090, extension 365).

The First European Symposium on Drug Addiction and AIDS will be held in Vienna from 22–23 February 1991. Further information: Dr R. Schmid, Psychiatrische Universitätsklinik, Währinger Gürtel 18–20, A-1090 Vienna, Austria.

The Institute of Psychiatry will be holding a conference entitled **Psychiatric Audit** on 1 October 1990. Course fee: £50 (including lunch and refreshments). Further information: Conference Organiser, Conference Office, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF (telephone 071 703 5411, extension 3170).

The Third Cardiff Psychogeriatric Symposium will be held on 10 October 1990 at Cardiff County Hall. Further details: Dr Karl Rice, St Cadoc's Hospital, Caerleon, Gwent NP6 1XQ (telephone 0633 421121, extension 232).

The IAAE (International Association Autism Europe) is holding its major International Congress in The

Hague, Holland from 8-10 May 1992. It aims to heighten the understanding and awareness of autism among professionals, the 'policy makers', and the public generally. All areas relevant to autism will be covered. The Programme Committee requests proposals for topics and presenters. All proposals should be sent, preferably by the end of September 1990, to: Mies Hoffmann, The General Secretary IAAE, Rue Emile Leger 4,B-6320 Villers-la-Ville, Belgium (telephone 010 32 71 879594; fax: 010 32 71 876690).

Institute of Psychiatry Biometrics Unit Short Courses: Latent Variable Models Using LISREL and EQS on a PC will be held on 10 and 11 December 1990. An Introduction to the Analysis of Epidemiological Data using GLIM-PC will be held on 25 and 26 September 1990. Fee for each course: £250 (covers tuition, comprehensive notes with example data sets, and refreshments, including lunches). Further details and application forms: Lee Wilding, Conference Office, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF (telephone 071 703 5411, extension 3170).

The Fifth Congress of the International Psychogeriatric Association will take place in Jerusalem, Israel from 18–23 August 1991. Further information and abstract submission forms: Fifth IPA Congress, POB 50006, Tel Aviv 61500, Israel (telephone 972 3 654571; fax: 972 3 655674).