



newsletter

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IN this month's issue. . . .

Serendipity and science communication

AWIS member **Diane Dinnis** describes how she got involved in science communication and became project manager for the Biotechnology Learning Hub.

Navigation between science and policy

Navigation Network project manager Dr **Barbara Nickolas** and co-manager **Karen Cronin** tell us about their scanning network project used to forecast science technology trends.

PhD at the age of 74!

While most graduates were in their 20s, one graduate, **Waiora Port**, stood out and took the media attention at the May University of Auckland graduation ceremony.

Marsden recipient 2006

Art in Oceania: A new history

Deidre Brown, School of Architecture and Planning, University of Auckland, describes her passion for art, architecture and history, her career path, grants, awards and the most recent reward – arrival of her son Max.

RSNZ teacher fellows

We profile **Kate Norton**, **Helen McCallum**, **Sutapa Mukund**, **Margaret Vlassoff** and **Sally Richardson**.

Marie Currie fellowship GeMCap

Annick Masseot talks about her European Commission, FP6-2005-MOBILITY-6, Marie Curie Outgoing International Fellowship and her project entitled "Gender Mobility and Career development in the European and the New Zealand Scientific Markets", or in short "GeMCap".

A Network of Our Own

Article by **Susan L. Forsburg**, written for the Women in Cell Biology Committee (spotted by Liz Carpenter and reprinted with permission).

From the editors

Farewell from **Malina Storer** and introducing the new AWIS Newsletter Editor **Slavica Pavlinic**.

Striking a Balance

A conference for Women in the Sciences, 2008

Invitation to attend the next AWIS conference in Christchurch.

From the National Executive

We are in the process of getting organised for the AWIS AGM for the end of July... and are still keen to hear from any branches who might want to take over the exec duties.

Obituary - Dame Jean Herbison

The first woman to be appointed as a university chancellor in New Zealand – died in Christchurch recently.

Congratulations

Janet Grieve for Queens Birthday Honours O.N.Z.M.

Margaret Brimble for L'Oreal-UNESCO Women in Science 2007 Award

Jessie Jacobsen, **Natalie Harfoot**, **Gabrielle David** and **Sarah Cox** for 2007 MacDiarmid Young Scientist of the Year Awards

Dianne McCarthy for being appointed as CEO for RSNZ

Announcements

New Zealand Federation of Graduate Women Susan Byrne Memorial Award

UNESCO-L'Oreal International Fellowships

Manhire Prize for Creative Science Writing

Branch News

Liz Carpenter describes how the AWIS Waikato Branch met with BioLadies, an informal group of women working and studying in the Biology Dept at the University of Waikato.