

On board

Email Newsletter of the Ministry of Women's Affairs Nominations Service

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Welcome to the April edition of On Board.

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New Appointments of women to State Sector Bodies

Congratulations to the following women recently appointed to statutory bodies.
They include:

Southland DHB
Karen Goffe

Veterinary Council of New Zealand
Barbara Benson

*Housing New Zealand Corporation
Board*
Jo Brosnahan

New Zealand Teachers Council
Kathy Smith

*Lottery Community Facilities
Distribution Committee*
Hon Margaret Shields
Enid Leighton
Frana Cardno

Northern X Regional Ethics Committee
Natalie Gauld
Sonya Hunt

Fiordland Marine Guardians
Anne McDermott

Northern Y Regional Ethics Committee
Tessa Turnbull

Toi Te Taiao: The Bioethics Council
Rosemary DuPlessis
Dr Marie Bismark
Dr Peggy Fairbairn-Dunlop

*Upper Southern A Regional Ethics
Committee*
Vicky Mitchell
Dr Nicky Murray

*Alcohol and Liquor Advisory Council of
New Zealand*
Robyn Northey

Central Regional Ethics Committee
Elaine Papps

Multi-Region Ethics Committee
Dr Margaret Horsburgh

Podiatrists Board
Julianne Jackson

Capital and Coast DHB
Judith Aitken as chair

Takeovers Panel
Pip Greenwood

Small Business Advisory Group
Lynn Currie
Bernadette Graham
Deborah Hart
Daphne Luke
Claire Vogther
Jenny Agnew
Robyn de Bruin-Judge

New Zealand Tourism Board
Glenys Coughlan
Kay McKelvie

Accident Compensation Corporation
Philippa Dunphy
Marie Bismark

Lower Southern Regional Ethics Committee
Karen Goffe
Dr Sarah Derrett

Upper Southern B Regional Ethics Committee
Dr Dee Mangin
Judge Patricia Costigan

Workplace Health and Safety Council
Carol Beaumont

Asia New Zealand Foundation
Dianne Yates
Karen Sewell
Mai Chen

National Health Epidemiology and Quality Assurance Advisory Committee
Barbara Crawford
Catherine Rae
Mary Seddon
Judi Strid
Dr Jean Hera

Child and Youth Mortality Review Committee
Dr Elizabeth Craig

Crown Health Financing Agency
Kay McKelvie

Dental Council
Helen Colebrook

Legal Services Agency Board
Jane Taylor

Weathertight Homes Tribunal
Susan Pezaro

Transit New Zealand
Hon Fran Wilde

Genesis Power Ltd
Joanna Perry

A list which includes reappointments as well as new appointments is up on our website in the 'What's New?' section.

New Year Honours for women – increasing the numbers

In the 2007 New Years Honours list:

- 198 people received awards
- 71 were women (36 percent of the total).

We think there are many more women out there who deserve recognition, and would like you to consider identifying and nominating a woman to the Appointments and Honours Committee for the 2008 New Year awards.

More nominees are needed across all categories: business women, scientists, environmentalists, health professionals and community volunteers – and especially the volunteers. We need to better recognise the women who work week after week and year after year, running our essential voluntary services such as community centres, advice bureaux, marae committees, elder care, social services, after school care and so on – the women who are always there to lend support.

If they are the sort of women who might get nominated for TV's 'Mucking In' programme, then they would be perfect for a New Year Honour!

The criteria for nominations is "Service to the community or nation, going beyond the normal requirements of duty or office....."

The nominating process is straightforward. There is a form to complete, and letters of support required, but the main thing is to provide 'evidence' of service and achievement.

You can find out everything you need to know about the nominating process at <http://www.dpmmc.govt.nz/honours/nominations/index.html>

The closing date for the next round is **1 August 2007**. So we urge you to consider nominating a woman for the next Honours round.

Thinking of standing in the Local Body Elections?

The local body elections and district health board elections are taking place later in the year, and if you are thinking of standing it's never too soon to start planning.

In 2004, Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) and the Ministry of Health (MoH) produced candidate guides (see links below). They are updating these for 2007, but the information in the 2004 versions is still generally appropriate.

- **LGNZ Make a stand in 2004. (2004 Elections): A guide to representing your community / LGNZ, 2004.** <http://library.lgnz.co.nz/cgi-bin/koha/opac-detail.pl?bib=200>
(2007 version to be posted on the site by the end of May)
- **District Health Board Elections: Information for Candidates / Ministry of Health, May 2004**
<http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/49ba80c00757b8804c256673001d47d0/935a8006273954a4cc256ea700789d9c?OpenDocument>

(This is being updated for 2007. The revised edition will include changes to candidate eligibility requirements introduced by the Crown Entities Act 2004.)

Local Body Election Women's Workshops in Auckland and Thames

Dr Judy McGregor, the Equal Employment Opportunities Commissioner, supported by the National Council of Women, is running two workshops that will be of interest to women in these areas,

Judy will cover:

- Why be a candidate?
- How to write a persuasive profile
- How to campaign
- How to use the media.

Places are limited, and priority will be given to those women who intend to stand.

The Auckland workshop is on Saturday 5 May, 10.00am to 2.00pm. For further details and registration contact Vicky Carr (09) 360 0156 or email vecarr@xtra.co.nz

The Thames workshop is on 9th June, at a venue yet to be confirmed. The contact there is Sheryll Fitzpatrick email sheryll@com-trust.org.nz

Workshops have already been held in Christchurch and Wellington.

APEC Women Leaders' Network June 2007 – Port Douglas

Registration Alert

The Women Leaders' Network (WLN) was launched in 1996 in Manila. It is a public-private network of women of all sectors representing academia, civil society, business and government of the APEC economies. It plays an important role by contributing women leaders' perspectives and expertise to the APEC region.

The next meeting, hosted by the Australian Government, is being held in Port Douglas from 24-27 June 2007.

For more information and registration details the link is www.ofw.facsia.gov.au/apec_wln/women_leaders_network.html

APEC Digital Economy Forum for Women

The Australian Office for Women and the Asian Pacific Women Information Network Center are also holding the APEC Digital Economy Forum for Women from 22-23 June. It will explore the digital technologies, knowledge and tools that advance the sustainable socio-economic future for women.

For more information contact Ms HanKyeul Oh apwinc@sookmyung.ac.kr or <http://webiz.women.or.kr/forum>

This is an alert for your action if attendance at these events is of interest to you. Please note that MWA does not have any funding to support attendees.

Women and Private Sector Governance

Aspiring Directors

A reminder that Sandy Maier and Jens Mueller's web-based matchmaking director site for the private sector is now up and running, and they are keen for people to register. (Refer our email of 5 April 2007.)

The web address is www.FindDirectors.com

If you have any enquiries or are experiencing problems with the site, please don't contact us as we are unable to help. Go straight to the FindDirectors contact ...

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The Office of Disability Issues (ODI) Nominations database

The ODI has recently launched a new nominations service for people with disabilities interested in governance roles in the state sector.

If you would like to be included in the ODI's database you can find out more from www.odi.govt.nz/leaders-achievers/nominations-service/

Updating CVs

And remember to keep your CV up-dated – just email us with any additions or amendments.

We are always happy talk with you about your CV and your potential for nomination either by phone or in person. If you are going to be in Wellington and would like to meet, then give Joan a call on (04) 916 5849 to set it up.

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