



NEWS

June 2006

SAWISE National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF) winners!



Prof. Candace Lang (above) of UCT's Mechanical Engineering Department was awarded the NSTF award in the Research Capacity Development category.

Dr. Tania Douglas (left) of UCT's Human Biology Department, won the NSTF Distinguished Young Black Researcher award. Tania also recently received a UCT Fellows Award in recognition of research excellence.

A second SAWISE Scholarship!

I am delighted to inform you that Element Six will be sponsoring a SAWISE scholarship. The SAWISE-Element Six Scholarship of R11 000 will be awarded to a woman in her 4th year (honours level) of study in Chemistry, Physics, Metallurgy or Mechanical Engineering at any university in South Africa. Details of how to apply will shortly appear on our website.

We are now going to be able to support two bright young people through our SAWISE Angus Scholarship and the SAWISE –Element Six Scholarship. Please advertise both these bursaries at your departments/institutions.

Time Management Workshop

This workshop is intended to help women professionals manage their time more efficiently. It is scheduled for 20 June 2006 from 9am- 4pm. Please contact Catherine Wynsculley (sawise@botzoo.uct.ac.za) for more details.

Dr. Dianne Wilcox, Maths Department, UCT

On the 25th May (“Take a girl child to work day”), Diane spoke to a group of Grade 11 girls at Eskom about careers in science. She has kindly uploaded her talk onto her website (<http://www.mth.uct.ac.za/~diane/inclusive.htm>) so please feel free to look at it and if there are points you want to talk about, you can use our listserver or otherwise ask Louise Bezuidenhout to circulate for you.

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Celebrations for the 50th Anniversary of National Women’s Day: 7th August 2006

We’ve decided to pack the day with events to make travel to Cape Town especially worthwhile for our out-of- Cape Town members! We are hoping that most of our members will be able to attend.

SAWISE AGM: 14h00 – 14h30 7th August 2006 (venue to be confirmed).

SAWISE and HERS - SA Debate: 14h30- 16h30 7th August 2006

Topic: “Do assessment systems discriminate against women scientists?”

We intend having a series of short 10 minute “perspectives” by 5 women and then plenty of time for discussion.

Special celebratory Dinner hosted by UCT and SAWISE: 18h30 for 19h00, 7th August 2006, Jamison Hall, UCT.

This promises to be an evening to remember. Personal invitations will be sent out shortly. In the meantime.... diarise the date!

NRF Ratings

Congratulations to all our SAWISE members that were recently rated by the NRF!

General

Please send me “news” to include in our SAWISE newsletter.

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