

New Horizons for Women Trust

Supporting education, innovation and research for women

Celebrating 21 years

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From the Chair

As I come to the completion of my term as a Trustee and Chair of New Horizons for Women I look back on my years with the Trust and am proud of the immense amount of work that has been achieved by a small and dedicated team of volunteers and I would like to emphasise 'volunteers' as that is what NHWT Trustees are – they juggle family and work commitments to give time to this organisation because they strongly believe, as I do, that education for women is extremely important and the way forward for the future of both our awardees and their families.

The self-esteem our second-chance awardees gain from being recognised is huge, along with easing the stress of financial burden.

I always look forward to reading their reports at the completion of their year's studies which is mandatory on receiving an award, but I am saddened by the struggle many have to endure to get to class let alone complete papers. For all it is the opportunity to gain meaningful employment and for some coming off the unemployment benefit – I truly believe we do make a difference.

We could not have awards without sponsors and donors who have contributed over the years to make all this happen. I'd like to thank you for your continued and generous support.

The Awards are now open for applications and I would ask all to promote these in your communities.

Dr Jo Innes, Palmerston North, will take over my role after the Annual Meeting in March and I wish her every success in her term as Chair.

Mavis

Annual Meeting and Dinner, March 2015

The Annual Meeting of the Trust will be held at 6.30pm on Friday 27th March in the Lecture Room, Royal Society of New Zealand, 11 Turnbull Street, Thorndon, Wellington.

7.00 pm: Guest Speaker

7.30 pm: Drinks followed by Buffet Dinner

Dinner Cost: General \$50; Previous Award Winners \$25

RSVP by Sunday 22nd March if you will be staying for the dinner with details of your method of payment to: <u>enquiries@newhorizonsforwomen.org.nz</u>

Payment Methods:

Direct Credit to – 03 0502 0164566 00. Please ensure your name is in the Payer Details and write "Dinner" as the reference; OR cheque payable to: New Horizons for Women Trust, PO Box 12498, Wellington 6144.

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Upcoming Events

SATURDAY 21st MARCH

Second Chance Preloved Fashion Sale Wesley Church Hall, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington 9am-1pm

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH, 6.30pm

NHWT Annual Meeting and Dinner Royal Society of New Zealand 11 Turnbull St, Wellington

30th APRIL

Applications for all Awards Close

Board Appointments

Administration Officer

Ally (Alison) Clark has resigned her position to train as a primary school teacher this year as she indicated she planned to do. As our first paid Administrator, Ally did a wonderful job and eased the pressure for the Trustees. We wish Ally well in her future endeavours.



Rachel Nankivell has taken up this position. Rachel has worked in the community sector for many years and is looking forward to bringing her organisational and administrative abilities to support the work of the Trust. She is passionate about supporting women in the community and enabling people to reach their finest potential. Rachel recently lived for three years in Samoa, and during this time retrained as a fine art photographer. She and her partner, Pete, have four children and live in Petone.

Farewell to Gaye Barton, Hermien van't Klooster and Emma King who have completed terms with the Trust. Gaye and Hermien having completed two terms.

Thank you for your valuable contribution to the Trust.

New appointments are being made this month and will be announced in our next newsletter.

2014 Awardees

Congratulations to the following Awardees who have completed their study: *Narges Hamidi, Maria Veletaloola, Sandi King* and *Deshannon Matthews*.

A requirement of a NHWT Award is to submit a report to the Trust once they have the results at the end of the year. These are then sent on to their sponsors. I would like to share with you exerpts from these reports.

Narjes Hamidi - Second Chance Diploma/Degree Award

The New Horizon for Women Award made a huge difference in my life as I was able to purchase a computer and get internet at home to access the library database to do research and type my essays. A massive thank you to everyone at NHWT and sponsors who manage, support and fundraise to make dreams a reality.

Maria Veletaloola - Zonta Auckland West Second Chance Award (Degree/Diploma)

This Award gave me the ability to focus on my studies without being overly stressed about picking up shifts. Without this award, I don't know if I would have been able to continue through my degree. I have successfully completed my Bachelor of Nursing (Pacific) and I am now working as a Registered Nurse in the area I wanted – Primary Health Care.

I would like to say a big thank you for the award, I really appreciate what New Horizons for Women is all about and I am so grateful to have been a recipient. Thank you again for the support you have given, not only financially but also mentally and for easing the stress of tertiary studies for adult students.

Sandi King - Monica Hissink Second Chance Award

On November 17th 2014, I completed my final day of my 3 year Bachelor of Education - Primary Teaching. On Friday 27th March 2015 I will participate in graduation locally in Whangarei.

The award enabled me to purchase necessary textbooks and stationery items required for my 3rd Year at University and to use towards my fees/loan.

As I am a single mother I chose to place a portion of the award into a high interest saving account as a safety net, accruing interest.

I would like to sincerely thank New Horizons and my sponsor for the generous award. Not only did this help me financially but it also showed me that someone out there believed in me and my ability to achieve which to a single mother is a really amazing feeling.

Deshannon Matthews - Graduate Women Manawatu Second Chance Award

I successfully completed my Bachelor Degree in Nursing in November 2014 and I have gained employment as a Registered Nurse. Next year I will be working as a Practice Nurse in a General Practice.

I would like to thank the Board of Trustees, New Horizons for Women Trust once again for such a wonderful gift, my family and I are so blessed.

Fundraising

Eva's Attic

The lease in the current Wellington shop in the Grand Arcade finishes at the end of this month.

Theresa Gattung and Margaret Doucas have reluctantly made the decision to not renew the lease but are committed to maintaining the Eva Doucas Charitable Trust and want to make a contribution to sustaining many of the marvellous charities they have worked with. They thank their supporters for their enthusiastic support and custom over the years.

The clothes in the shop will go to the Second Chance preloved sale.

New Horizons have been a beneficiary over the years and thank Margaret and Theresa for their wonderful financial contribution and to the volunteers who have worked in the shop on our behalf.

Awards News

Career Change Awards - new for 2015

Career Change Awards are to assist women who are changing the focus of their career and entering a sector under-represented by women. We are offering two awards for \$3,000. The Awards are a one-off grant to help with study and/or living expenses.

Expansion of the Second-Chance Education Study Awards

We have expanded the criteria for the Second Chance Education Study Awards to include women who have a history of re-engaging in school prior to enrolling in tertiary study. There is one award of \$1,000 for a women enrolled in a certificate/ foundation study programme, and one award of \$3,000 for a women enrolled in a diploma/degree programme. The funding for these awards will come from the Alexandra Kilpatrick bequest along with two more Second Chance Awards.

Teupoko'ina Utanga Morgan Memorial Award - offered again in 2015



This Specific Purpose Award for \$5,000 is to advance innovative Pacific early childhood education. Early childhood education refers to both informal and formal pre-school teaching of young children by people outside the family or in settings outside the home. If you are interested in applying and need help to complete the online application please contact our administrator.

Sponsor Spotlight: Edward Kay Charitable Trust

Ted Athy Second Chance Scholarship

Ted was a builder who spent most of his working life in the Papatoetoe/Manukau area.

He died in 2009 from cancer and in his will wanted some of his estate to provide for scholarships for second chance education through a Trust set up on his death. He believed that education was the best way forward for our young people and was keen that these Scholarships be awarded to students where there was a good chance of good paid employment at the end of their studies.

The two Scholarships given to nursing students so far have fallen entirely into this category and the Trustees look forward to a long relationship with NHWT.



2014 recipient Tania Kapita received her award from Barbara Astill, Director Edward Kay Charitable Trust

2014 Sponsors

The Trust would like to acknowledge the support of our 2014 Sponsors:

Anonymous sponsor, Second Chance Award Barbara Wood Memorial Foundation, NZ Federation of Womens Institutes Edward Kay Charitable Trust Ellen McCrae and Graeme Matheson **Chenery Memorial Trust** FW Trust Dawn and Arthur Ibbotson Graduate Women Manawatu Charitable Trust Inc John llott Trust Margaret Bailey Mike Brodie NZ Federation of Graduate Women Charitable Trust NZ Federation of Graduate Women (Wellington Branch) Charitable Trust NZ Federation of Graduate Women North Shore Charitable Trust Second Chance Group State Services Commission Zonta Club of West Auckland Zonta Club of Whangārei

Donors

Each year a range of awards are funded by Endowment Funds managed by New Horizons for Women. These funds are the result of the generosity of many donors – both individuals and groups. The funds continue to grow through the support of the Donors and Friends of NHWT and this is very much appreciated.

NEW HORIZONS FOR WOMEN TRUST

Friends Membership Form

 I enclose an annual donation to join <i>Friends of NHWT</i> (Registered Charity No: C23206) OR: I have made payment to Westpac bank account 03-0502-0164566-00 - New Horizons for Women Trust. (Please use reference "NHWT Friends"). 		
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