



Australian Women in Computing Newsletter Spring 2008

1. Presentation by Carla Romero, Director of Programs CRA.

Carla visited Australia to give several presentations and workshops. One session at Swinburne University of Technology was attended by Careers teachers. Carla provided excellent information on CRA activities in the USA. Comments from my colleagues who have been working in this field for over 20 years were that they picked up new information. Carla also spoke at a dinner hosted by Vic ICT for Women Network and ACS-W.

2. Go Girl, Go for IT

This IT career showcase event is scheduled to run once more this year, on October 28 & 29. Mark your diaries, volunteer time, expertise, other. More information at: <http://www.vicictforwomen.com.au>

3. Index of IS journals

All academics are aware of the importance of ratings of journal publications. There is an index of all IS journals available at <http://lamp.infosys.deakin.edu.au/journals/>. Thanks to John Lamp.

4. No boys allowed in this club

Swinburne University of Technology's Women in ICT group has been awarded a Telematics Trust Grant to develop and run a girls-only computer club called Digital Divas. The primary aim of the initiative is to allow the students from Brentwood Secondary College to have fun with IT in a club environment while attempting to promote careers for women in ICT. "The Digital Divas elective trial and ongoing research is trying to change the embedded and often incorrect stereotypes surrounding women in the ICT industry," said club co-ordinator Dr Catherine Lang. http://www2.swinburne.edu.au/corporate/marketing/mediacentre/core/releases_article.php?releaseid=1182

5. Girls just want to have fun

Article of interest – see: ITNOW 2008 50: 8-9; doi:10.1093/itnow/bwn090.
<http://itnow.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/50/5/8?etoc>

6. 5th Melbourne Computing Education Conventicle (MCEC 2008)

University of Melbourne, 14 November 2008

2nd Call for Presentations - Due 30 September 2008 Registrations now open:

<http://139.132.118.116/mcec2008/index.html>

Key note speakers:

Professor Richard James, Director of the Centre for the Study of Higher

Education (CSHE) and Professor in Higher Education, University of Melbourne and

Dr Shanton Chang, Assistant Dean (International Programs), Faculty of Science, University of Melbourne

7. Women in Electrical Engineering & Applied Sciences in Europe

Prof Roma Rinkeviciene, Vilnius Gediminas Technical University, Lithuania

Venue: RMIT University, Building 8, Level 10, Room 22, 368 Swanston Street, Melbourne

Time: 12pm refreshments for 12:30 - 1:30 pm talk

Date: Wednesday, 1st October 2008

There is no admission fee and non-IEEE members are most welcome. RSVP to wie.victorian@ieee.org

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