# **AWIS Newsletter**

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Cal State Los Angeles
Professor Seeks
Information on Important
Issues for Women in
Science, or Curriculum
Development

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Heather Henter, an Assistant Professor of Biology at Cal State Los Angeles, is looking for anyone who is either; conducting research on issues of specific relevance to women in science, or working on curriculum development targeted for female university science students. She would like to develop a course which will address some of the issues female science students face at CSULA. The students, as both females and generally ethnic minorities, have few role models. If you are interested or know of anyone who might be interested in speaking to the department about any successful curricular strategies, please contact Heather, Call Dr. Henter at (213) 343-2086 or via e-mail: hhenter@calstatela.edu



## Internet Workshop

On October 5, 1996, AWIS - Los Angeles will be hosting a workshop entitled, "INTERNET RESOURCES - WHERE AND WHEN TO LOOK", which will be presented by Melanie Ball, Information Consultant, Amgen. The tentative program includes: "Strategies for Internet research and list of useful addresses", and "Introduction to the World Wide Web. Creating your own web page."

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon LOCATION: Amgen Conference Center Room: R1-J-10 1840 De Havilland Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA Questions? Call Margaret De Rose of AWIS at (805)447-6711 or e-mail her at mderose@amgen.com Register by SEPT. 14, 1996. Space is limited. If you would like to register through the mail, fax, or e-mail, please include the following information: Name, Title, Address, City, State, Zip, E-mail, Phone, Fax, Indicate if you are a member or non-member of AWIS-LA

Send completed form to: Margaret De Rose - AWIS-LA, 3641 Radcliffe Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360, OR Email: mderose@amgen.com, OR Fax: (805) 447-1982

#### On the Net

From the AWIS-LA Newsletter

For the biologists here are some sites on the web you might want to check out.

Human Genome News is now available from the Human Genome Management Information System home page at: http://www.ornl.gov/TechResources/H uman\_Genome/publicat/hgn/v7n6/01t ocont.html or type http://www.ornl.gov/hgmis and click on "Human Genome News".

News in Bioscience and Medicine: http://www.informatik.unirostock.de/HUM-MOLGEN/NewsGen/

HUM-MOLGEN WWW: http://www.informatik.unirostock.de/HUM-MOLGEN

#### National Events

From the AWIS-LA Newsletter

On September 18 - 21, 1996, the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville is hosting a conference entitled, "Women in Evolution: A Gathering of Scientific Perspectives." The goals of the conference are to recognize the achievements that women have made

and continue to make in the field of evolutionary biology. Participation is free, and all who are interested are welcome. Register by contacting Sydney Cameron, conference organizer, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, phone 501-575-5349, e-mail: cameron@comp.uark.edu, FAX: 575-4010.



### Formation of a San Diego Section Women Chemists Committee (WCC)

The group will have it's first Planning Meeting/Happy Hour to discuss and organize future events on Thursday, October 3 at the Sheraton Grande Torrey Pines Torreyana Grill from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in becoming part of a fun, highly motivated group focused on career development please join us for an informal meeting of the minds on October 3rd. For more information please call Michele Ramirez-Weinhouse at (619) 480-2264.

### California Biomedical Forum

On October 11, 1996, BIOCOM will be sponsoring it's annual CalBio Summit from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. This is an annual legislative and business issues forum for the California biomedical industry. It's a great place to meet company representatives (including CEOs, etc.), and a great opportunity to learn what is going on in the local biotech industry, who the players are, what sort of research the companies are doing, and what career alternatives there are for people having a scientific background. If you would like more information please call Ann Randolph at (619) 455-0300.

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## Leadership Skills Workshop

On October 18, 1996, UCSD CONNECT's Special Industry Group for Women Executives and Deloitte & Touche LLP will be holding the second conference of Athena entitled, "Developing Essential Leadership Skills" from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the La Jolla Marriott. Some of the speakers include: Barbara Bry, Director of Programs, UCSD CONNECT; Lynn Martin Chair Council on the Advancement of Women, Deloitte & Touche LLP and former U.S. Secretary of Labor; Teresa Young, Deloitte & Touche LLP; Tim Hoerr, Consultant with McGladrey & Pullen; Patricia Sbarbara, Consultant with McGladery & Pullen; and Dr. Marjorie Blanchard, President and Cofounder, Blanchard Training and Development.

This interactive workshop will explore the leadership and management issues and examine the core fundamentals and components of effective leadership. The workshop will focus on the development of skills in key leadership areas including visioning, stewardship delegation, and collaborative teambuilding. You will come away with practical tools which you can apply personally and in your company.

Fee: \$150 per person; \$125 per person for CONNECT members and sponsors. Fee includes parking, lunch and conference materials.

For more information: UCSD CONNECT, La Jolla, CA 92093-0176, (619) 534-6114, FAX (619)

552-0649, E-MAIL connect@ucsd.edu, WEB http://www.connect.org/connect

Who should attend this conference? Professionals at all levels, male and female, who are interested in better developing their leadership skills and potential.

About Athena: Athena was established by UCSD CONNECT to facilitate networking opportunities among senior women executives at CONNECT member and sponsor companies to address the business issues that women in senior management roles confront.

#### Local AWIS Scientist Sought- Margaret wants YOU!

By Gail Butler, MMFF Committee

The Human Genome Project is heralded as the work of scientists on a mission for mankind, safeguarding against genetic extinction by collecting DNA from isolated corners of the world. It is also decried as an arrogant alliance of science and business, a fresh hell being visited upon Third World cultures by the imperialist West.

Visual anthropologists explore the intense controversy surrounding this unprecedented project in "Gene Hunters," a provocative film that is one of the documentaries to be featured in the Second Exhibition of the American Museum of Natural History's Margaret Mead Film and Video Festival, a day-long event taking place on the UCSD campus-Sat., Feb. 8, 1997.

The festival's offerings are films chosen to travel to a dozen select cities by the American Museum of Natural History in New York. The San Diego event is presented by the Del Mar-Leucadia branch of the American Association of University Women

(AAUW) in cooperation with the UCSD Eleanor Roosevelt College. Proceeds will benefit the AAUW education fund, for research grants and scholarships awarded each year to women and local girls to help them pursue a college degree.

In the spirit of famed anthropologist Margaret Mead, for whom the festival is named, the films will be presented in the manner of a symposium, with knowledgeable experts on hand to conduct lively question-and-answer sessions with the audience about the regions and issues raised by the documentaries. That's where you come in! We would be honored to have an AWIS scientist on the panel for "Gene Hunters," maybe you? If you are interested, or know someone who is (maybe someone at Sequana Therapeutics), please call me for further details (436-8559). We offer a stimulating event; a thought provoking film for discussion; refreshments and-you guessed it-a free T-shirt bearing the festival logo.

If you are interested in tickets to this event, please call 436-3338. Leave your name and mailing address, and an order form will be sent to you.

Thank you for your interest in the Margaret Mead Film Festival (MMFF).

#### About the AWIS Newsletter

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