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CONGRATULATIONS

Professor Mahananda Dasgupta was the first woman in the history of RSPE to be appointed to a permanent position in 2003, more than 50 years after its establishment. She is one of three women amongst the 17 top Australian scientists being admitted as new Fellow of the Academy of Science this year. She was the Woman in Physics Lecturer of 2004, travelling around Australia to help communicate physics to the public, and in 2006 she won the prestigious Pawsey medal from the Australian Academy of Science. From all RSPE - congratulations Nanda !

DIRECTORS COLLOQUIUM

Thursday 19 May 12.30

Leonard Huxley Theatre

Chernobyl 25 years on: Is there a future for nuclear power after Fukushima?

Professor Aidan Byrne, Dean of Science

The Director's Colloquium is the prime physics forum at the ANU aiming to advance the School's research profile by attracting talks from high profile, internationally renowned researchers. It is particularly important in our research-led education program that we provide all our staff and students with the opportunity to learn from research leaders from inside and outside the School in the broader disciplines of physics and engineering. We expect all students and staff to make an effort to attend the Director's Colloquium as a key part of their academic life. In particular we encourage all physics undergraduate and postgraduate students to attend. Snacks will be provided from 12pm prior to Colloquium in the RSPE Link Tea room, Oliphant Building.

CLOSING DATE LIEF - 22 JUNE

All academics please note that the process for submitting applications for the ARC Linkage Infrastructure and Equipment Facilities (LIEF) closes on 22 June.

WELCOME

The Plasma Research Laboratory warmly welcomes Ms Uyen Nguyen as their new Departmental Administrator. Uyen, who will be working with them on a half time basis, has replaced Maxine Hewitt who has taken a job with the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Dr Fouad Karouta and Dr Kaushal Vora from EME Department will be travelling to Austria to attending a training course 14 - 23 May

OHS BULLETIN

Training Sessions in May

Laser Safety: **18 May, 9am – 1pm**

OH&S for Supervisors: **23 May, 1 - 4 pm**

Ionizing Radiation Safety: **26 May, 9am – 1pm**

Contact OH&S Manager, Anthony Hyde 50105

SCHOOL SEMINARS

Monday 9 May 2011, 11.15am

Nuclear Physics Seminar Room

Nuclear astrophysics studies using AMS

Dr Anton Wallner

Institute for Environmental Research, ANSTO

INTERACTIVE PLASMA TALK

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11.30am

Room 325 Oliphant Building

Professor Rod Boswell

Teaching basic physics for space, processing and fusion plasmas.

JAZZ HARMONY

The science and logic of harmony in music will be explained in a series of 'hands on' lectures by Christine Charles. If you would like to be part of this exciting new development, please contact christine.charles@anu.edu.au