

SLANZA Award of Merit for Information Literacy

Awarded to a member of SLANZA who has demonstrated success in implementing an outstanding information literacy programme for students which involves information literacy skills in a New Zealand School library or information centre

“To be information literate a student must be able to recognise when information is needed and to have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information. Information literate students are those who have learned how to learn”

- Jo Nees, Rangitoto College
- Brian Waddell Karori West School

Jo Nees

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Josephine Nees, trained Teacher Librarian employed as the Rangitoto College Library Education Manager, receives this Certificate of Merit for Information Literacy in recognition of the year 9 Information Literacy programme she initiated, developed and implemented at Rangitoto College.

Jo Nees, Rangitoto College Library Education Manager and trained Teacher Librarian, was responsible for the designing, planning and implementation of the information literacy programme at Rangitoto College. The programme began with all 170+ staff participating in a professional development programme so that there was a consistency of approach. All new staff are trained when they join the staff. The second stage was a trial of an Information Literacy unit with a year 9 class who were evaluated before and after the unit. Pleased with the results of the trial it was decided that all 21 year 9 classes would complete this unit in the first half of 2004. Jo was responsible for the production of all the print resources, and checking for resources, and the marking of the completed unit. The success of the programme is a direct result of Jo's enthusiasm. In addition, Jo contributes to the day-to-day running of the College library.

Brian Waddell

SLANZA Award of merit for Information Literacy

Brian Waddell, a trained teacher librarian, receives this Certificate of Merit for Information Literacy in recognition of his work at Karori West Normal School and his presentation at the SLANZA 2003 conference on Information Literacy

Brian Waddell qualified as a Trained Teacher Librarian in 1994 and began tutoring InfoLink in Northland in 1995. He was also the coordinator of Auckland College of

Education's Information Studies programme in Northland from 1995. In 1999 he moved to Wellington where he works part-time as the Auckland College of Education's Regional Coordinator for Information Literacy Professional Studies modules, And is responsible for a vast area stretching from Taranaki, and Hawkes Bay to Wellington.

Brian also works part-time at Karori West Normal School where he is the Information Literacy and ICT specialist and it is this work which has earned him this award. During 2002-2003 Brian was responsible for whole school Professional Development in Information Literacy at Karori West Normal school resulting in the whole staff collaborating to teach two information rich school-wide units each year. In addition he was the facilitator of the Karori West ICT Cluster from 1999 to 2001.

Brian presented a paper on Information Literacy at SLANZA'S Powerful Partnerships conference in 2003 and has presented at a number of conferences. One of his recent responsibilities has been supporting international teachers in their Information Literacy professional development and he has produced an introductory InfoLink video for Tokyo International schools. On top of all this Brian is conducting research on Information Literacy for his Masters degree.

SLANZA Award of Merit for Promotion

The recipients have demonstrated success in implementing an initiative which has raised the profile of their library in their school.

- Pat Bellhouse, Queen Elizabeth II College
- Lois Huston, Liston College
- Louise Robbie, Manawatu College
- Garth Rodda, Tikipunga Primary School and Whangarei Intermediate School
- Jane Shall crass, Wellington High School

Pat Bellhouse

SLANZA Award of Merit for Promotion

In recognition of her successful and wide-ranging promotional programme for the Queen Elizabeth College Library

Pat has been awarded the **SLANZA Award of Merit for Promotion** in recognition of the comprehensive promotional programmes she has implemented at Queen Elizabeth College. Pat is also a key member of the literacy team through her support of the delivery of the literacy programmes both within the English Department and across the whole school.

Pat takes a full part in the development of reading in the English department, and has also created a special and challenging programme for the gifted students. She also monitors the reading of their reluctant readers, who as a result are beginning to find their reading interesting and fun. Pat regularly promotes the library to all staff and BOT.

Pat successfully promotes the library and one of her initiatives was to run a week long programme of varied and exciting activities. The programme succeeded in promoting reading, the love of books and the way that the school library can augment or support students and teachers to gain access to many sources of information. It affirmed the central importance of the library within the school and began the literacy initiative at QEC. Students read poetry on a local radio station throughout the week and the events were published in the local papers. All the activities of the promotional strategy focused the school on the library, its many services, the love of reading and the research and recreational material it offered.

Pat is a founding member of SLANZA Central Region and has been Secretary since its inception. She has been active on the committee and was one of the team that organised seminars for the regions members.

Lois Huston

SLANZA Award of Merit for Promotion

Awarded for her role as a passionate and enthusiastic promoter of a love of reading and literature, diversified into other activities to attract and encourage students and staff

Lois has promoted the Library of Liston College, Auckland and the enjoyment of reading to her wider community with energy, drive and commitment. She particularly focuses on the crucial group of Years 7 and 8 boys within the College to enthuse the students through competitions, author visits, drama and performance based on promoting excellence in reading and life-long enjoyment of literature.

Three major promotions over the last two years:

1. Organisation of the Year 7 and 8 Kid's Literature Quiz teams which compete against other schools in the Auckland area. The teams were given fierce warrior names e.g, Crusaders or Eagles – at first, some thought it was a bit of a joke but then the New Zealand competitive spirit kicked in and they waded into battle. The Science Department devised a buzzer system (whole school involvement) and the result was seventh out of ninety schools and highest scoring boys' school. Lois's perseverance and enthusiasm has significant and tangible results
2. Author visits and Book Weeks which are often open to the public e.g. Paul Jennings in 2004
3. The writing and production of a drama based on Joy Cowley's Wild West series for performance at the Storylines Festival in June 2004 and at the Margaret Mahy Award

Lois is the Secondary School Representative on the Management Committee of the Children's Literature Foundation which extends her passion for reading and the importance of school libraries to a broader group of colleagues as well as her membership of SLANZA and contribution to network meetings

She is adamant about the value of recognition as an active member of the school community and the requirement for extra promotion to endorse the librarian as a gatekeeper to enjoyment and love of reading in a warm friendly environment.

Louise Robbie

SLANZA Award of merit for Promotion

In recognition of the excellent, professional and innovative range of programmes she initiated and implemented in the Manawatu College Library and her active national leadership in school librarianship and promotion of the value of school libraries to the wider school community.

Louise Robbie has been awarded the **SLANZA Award of Merit for Promotion** in recognition of her outstanding work at Manawatu College where she was the Librarian for seven years.

Louise was a professional, passionate and innovative librarian who demonstrated excellence in school librarianship in a variety of ways.

- **Leading the way in promoting school libraries and librarianship** through leading SLANZA in Central Region for three years; being a member of the Ikaroa LIANZA Committee and ensuring that school libraries were an integral part of the library landscape; and acting as a mentor for others within school librarianship through sharing freely her information and expertise.
- **Raising the profile of her library by developing , identifying and implementing innovative approaches to student reading and enjoyment of literature by:-** building and maintaining a quality fiction collection for a decile 2 school; extending the bicultural collection; improving the culture so that students saw the library as an “OK” place to be; ensuring the library was included in the operations of every department of the school; working with infectious enthusiasm to make the library main foci in the school; and improving the literacy skills of adult learners through tutoring a teacher aid programme.
- **Raising the profile of the library by putting in place an innovative programme through such strategies as:-** revitalizing the stock; developing training programmes for all staff in the use of electronic access tools; instigating an induction programme; providing hands-on assistance for student to develop their information literacy skills and professional development to access information the internet; ensuring information literacy goals were included in the Library’s strategic development plan and instigating professional development for all other school librarians in the region.

At Manawatu College Louise successfully raised the profile of the library in her school community, contributed to the improved literacy of the students; and promoted libraries and learning as an integral part of her professional life.

Louise is now the Information Specialist at UCOL Library.

Garth Rodda
SLANZA Award of merit for Promotion

Awarded for entrepreneurial expertise, innovation and special programmes to enhance the libraries at Tikipunga and Whangarei Intermediate Schools and SLANZA Te Tokerau

Garth previously a teacher, Principal and Deputy Principal, positively uses his influence and credibility in the Northland education sector to turn libraries into happening places, where kids choose to be to comfortably explore reading and information.

Presently the Teacher Librarian at Whangarei Intermediate School, Garth is responsible for transforming the rebuilt building into a place of activities, special events, and learning, notably for the large number of boys who find resources and activities of special appeal.

The library is fun and stimulating due to Garth's personal encouragement to students and staff, the use of appropriate music and AV material, and especially the key role in the whole school learning.

For example, the Clash of the Classes Chess Challenge, a weekly library newsletter, a year long and cumulative Library Literature Quiz with excellent results in the wider Auckland competition are highlights, as is the after school 'Homework Club' (a boon for at risk students)

Garth is a mentor for SCIS, software programmes and promotion ideas for Northland school libraries and a valued speaker and demonstrator at National Library network meetings in Northland. SLANZA Tai Tokerau value his experience and encouragement of innovation and excellence above the norm for school librarianship.

Jane Shallcrass

SLANZA Award of merit for Promotion

Jane Shallcrass, Wellington High School's librarian, receives this Certificate of Merit for Promotion for her leadership role in maintaining the high profile of the library as the centre of learning within the whole school community. She has reinforced, by her active participation in the literacy and information literacy roles of the school library, the whole school's appreciation that librarians' are professional colleagues.

Jane Shallcrass, a qualified librarian, has worked at Wellington High School since the beginning of 2002. She brought to Wellington High School a wealth of experience and knowledge from her vast library experience which has been invaluable. Jane is an active participant in the literacy and information literacy roles of the school library and teachers and students alike appreciate her friendly assistance to find a good book to read for pleasure or for information that will help solve a problem. She is a member of the local Alice Users group, School Network Cluster and attends all Wellington SLANZA events. She attended the Wellington mini conference in 2002 and the 2003 **Powerful Partnerships** national conference held in Christchurch. Jane's advice is frequently sought after, in recognition of her skills and experience, by new school library staff.

Jane has been a reference librarian for a tertiary institution, a Housebound librarian for a large public library, a Nursing librarian, a reference/cataloguer librarian for a public library, a branch librarian for a public library and worked for the School Services on two different occasions, once as a selector.

[In 2001 Jane was a reference librarian for six months at Medical School Library, Wellington. Prior to that, she worked on contract for the Ministry of Health writing a directory of useful organisation for the Health Boards. For 14 years she was the Housebound Librarian at Wellington City Libraries. She worked at Wellington Hospital as a Nursing librarian. From 1980–1981 she was a member of the School Library Service. For three years, 1977–1979, she was a reference/cataloguer librarian at the Lower Hutt Public Library and from 1974 to 1976 she was the branch librarian at the Avondale Branch Library of Auckland Public Libraries. In 1973 Jane was a selector for a year at the School Library Service.]

- **SLANZA Certificate of Recognition**

This award is given to an individual or organization which has either

- Made a contribution of a significant special service to SLANZA or
 - Made a continuing significant service to SLANZA or
 - Made an outstanding contribution to school librarianship or school libraries in New Zealand
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- Judi Hancock, Rangiruru Girls School
 - Aaire Hannah, Wellington High School
 - The Thomas George Macarthy Trust
 - Barbara Murison
 - Jill Stotter

Judi Hancock
SLANZA Certificate of Recognition

In recognition of her outstanding contribution to the innovative development of school libraries in New Zealand,

Judi Hancock has been awarded the **SLANZA Certificate of Recognition** for both her work in her own school and her national achievements.

Judi has been innovative in the field of school librarianship at Rangiruru Girls College. Since Judi gained her diploma of Teacher Librarian ship in 1992 she has successfully led the development of information literacy right across the curriculum. This is a significant achievement. Judi is also an advocate for implementing ICT using the information literacy process which has consolidated the approach at Rangiruru. Judi's innovative programme was recognised when she was selected to visit schools in USA and Canada as a member of the Apple Trip in 1994.

Judi has also taken an instrumental and national role in the strengthening school libraries through her contribution to the establishment and success of SLANZA. Judi was the second President of SLANZA and was responsible for the fruitful discussions with NZEI on their position on librarian's position in the pay structure. Judi was also responsible for SLANZA's entry in the #M competition which as well as raising the profile of SLANZA in the wider library profession also produced the graphic of SLANZA's achievements to date.

Judi also played an important role in the consolidation of SLANZA by leading the team which planned and organised the successful, and first full SLANZA conference in Christchurch in 2003.

**Adaire Hannah
SLANZA Certificate of Recognition**

Awarded SLANZA Certificate of recognition for her outstanding contribution to school libraries in New Zealand

Adaire Hannah is a worthy recipient of this award. Adaire is a trained teacher with a Teacher Librarian's qualification. She is currently a full-time teacher at Wellington High School.

Adaire has, over the years worked tirelessly for school libraries and librarianship in New Zealand. Her enthusiasm and commitment to libraries and student learning is inspirational. In 2001, Adaire was elected Convenor of the Wellington area of SLANZA and became the Wellington area representative on the SLANZA National Executive. She still holds these positions.

Adaire has been the SLANZA representative on a number of national bodies. For two years she has been SLANZA's representative on the Te Puna Strategic Advisory Committee. And for the last year she has been SLANZA's representative on PERNA now EPIC.

In 2002, the Wellington area of SLANZA hosted an extremely successful Mini Conference attracting 200 delegates. It was largely due to Adaire's ability to organise, enthuse and inspire that the committee was able to offer one and a half day's of stimulating speakers, workshops and networking opportunities. She also presented papers at the Auckland and Christchurch conferences.

Adaire has devoted an enormous amount of time and energy to the cause of school librarianship and advanced its cause.

**Thomas George MACARTHY TRUST
SLANZA Certificate of Recognition**

The Thomas George Macarthy Trust has, for several years made funding available to school libraries in the Wellington region. Thomas George Macarthy died in 1912 and the Trust created by his Will distributes as much income as the Board of Governors sees fit to charitable or educational institutions in the Wellington Region.

The Board of Governors decided that, apart from other applicants, all registered Schools in the Trust area automatically receive a biennial grant from the Trust. The amount received depends on the school roll. Trust funds are required to be spent on resources for the library. For the last few years the annual amount spent on school libraries has been in the region of \$500,000.

This funding is of enormous benefit to every school in the region. The Trust deserves our recognition for their continued support for school libraries.

Barbara Murison
SLANZA Certificate of recognition

Awarded for her innovation and contribution, over more than fifty years, to the development of quality resources and expertise in libraries for children and young people.

Barbara draws on a wealth of experience as a School Librarian, a National Library Adviser, and as the Head of Children's Services at Wellington Public Library during the last 50 years - significant times of innovation and expansion of the parameters of reading and services for children and young people. She is valued for her knowledge and her support for the profession of library services to children and young adults in the Wellington area and New Zealand wide.

In 1991, Barbara established her business, Marigold Enterprises to share her expertise. She publishes and distributes 'Around the Bookshops' and 'Too good to miss' which offer advice, reviews and suggestions for collection development in schools and libraries all over New Zealand. The value of these publications for smaller school and public libraries away from the book retailers in the larger centres is inestimable as well as broadening the knowledge of and enabling those school librarians with minimal time to become familiar with their current stock. Barbara's reviews and recommendations are an important resource in all aspects of collection development and promotion of reading. Barbara's entrepreneurship and innovation and her promotion of all that is best in children's literature is commended.

Barbara is an enthusiastic and treasured mentor for SLANZA Wellington. They quite rightly describe her as a 'National Treasure'.

Jill Stotter
SLANZA Certificate of Recognition

In recognition of her excellent work in creating and establishing SLANZA

Jill Stotter has been awarded the **SLANZA Certificate of Recognition** for her outstanding achievements in several fields.

Jill played a leadership role in the establishment of SLANZA. Jill was determined that a national association for all those involved in the New Zealand school library community should be established. SLANZA is already on a firm basis after only 4 years and has a healthy membership and a substantial list of achievements for such a young society.

Jill was also a key figure in the establishment of the SLANZA Steering Committee which led to SLANZA's emergence as a true national and vibrant association. Jill was the first SLANZA President and represented SLANZA at the IASL Conference in Malmö, Sweden where she presented a paper. Jill was also a member of the organising committee for the first and successful international IASL conference to be held in New Zealand in 2001.

Jill also provided valuable input on behalf of schools to the Ministry of Education/National Library of New Zealand publication School Library Guidelines.

Jill has made a significant contribution in Auckland at Rosehill College where she was the Teacher Librarian and introduced a successful information literacy programme throughout the school. Jill is currently making further contributions to information literacy through her work with an ICT cluster where she is providing professional development for teachers based on information literacy frameworks.

SLANZA Certificate of Appreciation

Retiring Executive Members 2004

In recognition of their work on the Executive Committee of SLANZA

- Jenny Wilson, Te Tokerau Regional Representative
- Pauline McCowan, Auckland Regional Representative
- Louise Robbie, Central Regional Representative
- Jill Barker, Southland Regional Representative
- John Kenny National Library Representative and Treasurer
- Andrea Thomson, LIANZA Representative, Webmaster and member of the SLANZA Steering Committee and IASL Conference Committee

2002 SLANZA Wellington Conference Organising Committee

In recognition of their contribution to the organising and planning of the 2002 Wellington SLANZA Conference

- Ruth Baker
- Rosalba Finnerty
- Jo Grant
- Adaire Hanna
- Janet McFadden
- Susan Marshall
- Mary Pollock
- Barbara Walker

2004 SLANZA Cambridge Conference Planners and organizers

In recognition of their contribution to the planning and organising of the 2004 Cambridge SLANZA Conference

- Gail Cochrane
- Gerri Judkins
- Linda McCullough