Dear {FIRST_NAME},

As this is the first edition of @auckland after the Summer break, we'd like to wish all our alumni and friends a very happy and successful 2008.

This year the University, which held its first classes in May 1883, celebrates its 125th Jubilee. This is a chance to enjoy what the University has to offer, to appreciate the achievements of those who came before us and take pride in what we have accomplished together.

We'll keep you informed of all of the events throughout the year and hope you take the opportunity to celebrate the Jubilee with us.

2008 Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series Lectures
From March 3 - 10, the University hosts free public lectures from each of the recipients of this year's Distinguished Alumni Awards. Information about the lectures is given below and on the Alumni and Friends website.

"A Writer Reflects"
Emeritus Professor CK Stead is a poet, novelist, essayist and literary critic, who has been one of New Zealand’s leading literary figures for almost half a century. Get the lecture details online.

"Towards Auckland"
Awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Engineering from The University of Auckland in 2001, Sir Ron Carter is a Distinguished Fellow and former President of the Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand. Get the lecture details online.

"20 years in the wilderness..."
Dr James Church reflects on his experiences as a medical practitioner in the United States. Get the lecture details online.

Upcoming events
18 February
"Computer Companions: Are they possible?" - Hood Fellow lecture

19 February
Engineering alumni and friends Perth reception

3-10 March
Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series 2008

7 March
Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner

Book of the month
A Good Handful: Great New Zealand Poems About Sex. Edited by Stu Bagby. PB; RRP $27.99; Alumni price $23.79.

From Shakespeare's sonnets to Japanese haiku, poetry is the literature of love. But do the poets have lustier moments? Do they ever think about sex? In this collection, many of New Zealand's most well loved poets give a great grunt in the affirmative. Published for Valentine's Day by Auckland University Press.

Go to the AUP website
Get the 15% alumni discount
"Removing Barriers and Creating Opportunities..."

Lynette Stewart is a distinguished Māori leader. She is recognised for her innovative leadership at governance and senior management level. Get the lecture details online.

"The Role of Women in the Legal Profession"

The Hon Justice Lowell Goddard is a highly respected member of the judiciary who has been at the forefront of criminal law and procedure. Get the lecture details online.

"Finding and funding: highlights in the career of an academic botanist"

Emeritus Professor Carrick Chambers is an eminent Australasian botanist, whose distinguished career began at Auckland University College and culminated with his appointment in 1986 to the prestigious position of Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney. Get the lecture details online.

The Cursive Line: Adele Younghusband exhibition at the Gus Fisher Gallery

Younghusband's complex body of work includes themes from Māori mythology, religious symbolism, allegory, and modern life depicted in styles which range from cubism through symbolist surrealism to conventional landscape. The exhibition is free and is at the Gus Fisher Gallery 15 February - 8 March.

Four Nudes/ Studio Studies, 1947, Charcoal, conte on Paper, Whangarei Art
Museum Collection Younghusband Family Bequest

More details on the Gus Fisher Gallery website

The prodigal returns Stephen Chan's Hood Fellow memoir
In October/November 2007, New Zealand-born alumnus Professor Stephen Chan visited The University of Auckland as a Hood Fellow and Chapman lecturer. Read Stephen's memoir

Uncommon Enemy
Dr John Reynold's latest novel imagines life in New Zealand if Germany had won World War II. The Asia Pacific Journal wrote "Uncommon Enemy is a fast-paced, action-filled, suspense-ridden novel which will have the reader not wanting to stop except for a cappuccino to keep the energy going to reach the end." Hear extracts from the book on Dr John Reynold's website

Faculty of Engineering Alumni Reception in Perth
Alumni and friends of the Faculty of Engineering are invited to attend a complimentary reception in Perth on 19 February. The reception will provide the opportunity for you to meet our new Dean of Engineering, Professor Michael Davies. Get event details on the Alumni website

Until next month,

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