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Susan Smirk, one of the Otago Girls High School students who won last year Freemasons BIG Science Adventure competition has discovered there are a lot of spin offs from her hard work and experiences through the competition offered by the Freemasons.

Recently Susan has been involved in the Dunedin International Science Festival and the New Zealand Association for Environmental Education conference where she was asked to make a presentation on her experiences after winning the 2007 Freemasons BIG Science Adventure competition and going on the trip to the UK and Greenland. As a result of her presentation at the NZAEE conference, she has now been selected as the Youth Ambassador for WWF project “Earth Hour”, which originated in Australia as Australia’s

largest climate change initiative and has now been adopted here in New Zealand.

At the publicity launch of Earth Hour, Susan got to meet with many big corporate names and even Prime Minister Helen Clarke.

It is fantastic to see that the Freemasons, and the competitions and experiences that are offered through the Freemasons, are inspiring the pursuit of excellence and community spirit in people such as Susan Smirk – keep up the good work!

The Freemasons Charity Survey

The Freemasons Charity will be embarking on a new project this year but in order to select the right project, we need your help. We want to know what **YOU** think **WE** should be concentrating on for 2008, and where **YOU** think **OUR** energies should be spent.

The Freemasons Charity Survey is your opportunity to tell us what you think we should be doing and where you think we should be heading. Complete the survey either online at www.freemasons.co.nz or the hard copy attached in the next issue of the NZ Freemason magazine and you could **WIN!** Yes, that's right, complete the survey by **30 April 2008** and you will go in the draw to win:

For the brethren, a return flight for two to the Communication 2008 in Christchurch, or, if you live in Christchurch, accommodation for the three nights of Communication.

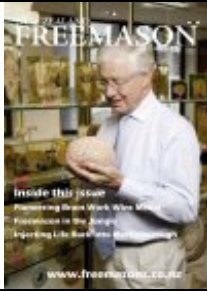
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This is your opportunity to tell us what you think so **GET YOUR COMPLETED SURVEY IN TODAY!**

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The current interest rate for February is 8.14%

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