## **Grand Secretary Newsletter**

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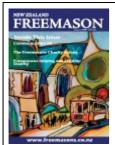
## Meeting with the Health Minister

This past week Laurence was invited by the Associate Health Minister, Damien O'Connor, to attend a meeting with various Men's Health people from around New Zealand to discuss better coordination between existing Men's Health initiatives. Interestingly, Freemasons NZ is being seen as one of the leaders who are at the forefront in Men's Health initiatives because of the awareness events we held last year. The Minister has invited Laurence and Freemasons NZ to participate in the process and be part of the organising Committee for a National Men's Health Conference/Seminar in Christchurch in June.

## Hello and Good-Bye

This week we are saying 'good-bye' to Sarah Milton - our venerable Grand Lodge front desk miracle-maker. Sarah is on her way to Melbourne to continue the adventures of her life in Aussie. We appreciate all her work and input and will miss her. At the same time, we are welcoming two new people to the Grand Lodge family: Michael Leon - the new Communications Officer, and Triona Cooney - who is replacing Sarah. Triona, who hails from Cavan, Ireland, brings a wealth of customer service and sales experience to the Grand Lodge front desk. Being the quintessential 'Farmers Daughter', Triona's love for the land and animals has found in New Zealand an old familiarity. But watch out...her mastery of kickboxing and Gaelic Football have the Grand Lodge entrance well-protected! Michael Leon is a Native-American

from Los Angeles. He brings several decades of experience in graphics design, print production, computer systems design, and more, to Freemasons NZ. Our two new staff truly makes Grand Lodge an international place. We welcome them.



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