

# AUCKLAND PARENTS CENTRE

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Well this is the last newsletter for our 1981/82 year. Many thanks to the Committee for all the work they have done and also to others who have helped with classes etc.

Auckland Parents Centre also says "au revoir" to members in West Auckland who now have their own Centre. Our very best wishes to you.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given of the Annual General Meeting of Auckland Parents Centre, to be held

Wednesday, 17th February 1982, 7.30pm (sharp) at the Demonstration Room, Normal Intermediate School Epsom (Use Disraeli St, Carpark)

Theme: "What do you want from Parents Centre?".

June Connor, a past President of the N.Z. Federation of Parents Centres and long time member of Auckland Parents Centre who has always given us help and support with leadership training etc, will speak on the history and philosophy of Parents Centre. This will be followed by workshop discussion where you will be able to air your feelings and views on Parents Centre.

Do come along - we would like to meet you.

The 1982/1983 Auckland Parents Centre Committee will also be elected at the A.G.M. Nominations for the Committee should be with the Secretary, Karla Rix-Trott, Phone 501445, 13A Warrington Rd, Remuera by 16th Feb. At this stage we need to fill the following Committee positions:

- Vice President
- Secretary
- Publicity/Newsletter Convenor
- General Meeting/Seminar Convenor
- Librarian,

as well as additional Committee members.

If you do not feel able to make the commitment of being on the Committee you may be interested in a Sub-Committee - these will meet during the day, probably only 3 or 4 times a year. Being on a Sub-committee is a really good way of helping Parents Centre. Sub-Committees will be:

- Antenatal
- Toddlers
- Parenting
- Financial
- Publicity
- Meetings/Seminars

If you would like to know more please ring Karla, 501445, or me, Marie Alpe 767742.

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CLASSES TO BE HELD EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR

Starting dates for Antenatal classes:

West Auckland	February 8th
Meadowbank	March 10th
Bethany	February 9th

Enrolments to Helen Child Ph. 8149-802. If unable to contact Helen Child, Meadowbank people may ring Diana Maher, Ph. 503624 and Bethany people may ring Karla Rix-Trott Ph. 501445.

Toddlers Course: Normal Intermediate School, Epsom, 2nd March 7-9pm.

Enquiries to the Community Centre Ph. 688790. Enrolling days: 8th Feb. 7-9pm, 9th Feb. 1-3pm, 7-9pm, 10th Feb. 1-3pm.

WEST AUCKLAND PARENTS CENTRE

As from March 31st 1982, West Auckland Parents Centre will operate as an autonomous and separate body...we hope to be an "incorporated Society" by then - we have applied for incorporation following a rather lengthy preparation of documents and rules.

To those members who live in Auckland postal districts 7 and 8, we hope you will stay with us. We will offer the same service of Bulletins and Newsletters and will give notices of meetings and courses held by Auckland Parents Centre. So please return your subscription renewal to our P.O. Box 80-071.

EVENING MEETINGS IN WEST AUCKLAND will be on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The next meeting is the 18th February, 8pm. Our Annual General Meeting will be on the 18th March. Both meetings will be at 8pm at the Titirangi Community House.

Please see the Western Leader Community House Column for details of speakers for both these meetings. (or phone Sandy) (PH 5849TGN)

Thanks to coffee group members and friends who baked for our November cake stall. We took \$34.70 and could have done with a few more customers, but it was a worthwhile effort. Special thanks to Catherine Connell and Kay Carrington for their work.

FINGER PUPPETS: We have some beautiful finger puppets (left over from our stall) available - Meg, Mog and Owl (set of 3) \$2.50; - others - assorted \$1.00 ea. Phone Ann Shields 677-059, to purchase or order.

NEW PRODUCT: Kangaroo Safety Harness, (blue or red). These will be available through Parents Centre at a cost of \$14.75 (retail \$17.75). A sample will be sent around coffee and play groups. Remember too the Trichair now called FUNCHAIR, which is still available and can be ordered through us. NAFPIES too Ph. Sandy 5849TGN.

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Since the election of our steering committee, we have 3 new committee members, Jackie Hill, Elizabeth van Renen and Margaret Batey. If you are able to consider assisting Parents Centre in any way we'll always be pleased to hear from you.

1982 COURSES Term 1.

Antenatal Class - 6 weeks, commencing Mon. Feb. 8th, 7.00pm: (Ph. Helen 8149-802.)

Communication in the Family, (PET) 8 weeks, Tues. March 2nd, 7.00pm (Ph. Sandy TGN5849)

Towards School - a course for parents of 4-6 year olds, 6 weeks commencing Mon. March 22nd 7.00pm. (Ph. Ann 677.059)

All courses - pre-enrolment by phone essential, as the classes are limited in size. Course fees will be payable to Green Bay High - but we will provide enrolment forms on request.

POST-NATAL COFFEE GROUPS: These are functioning well, and look to be an essential follow-on from our antenatal classes. Groups meet informally, and may have an invited speaker to talk on subjects such as Family relationships, Contraception, Crying, Feeding, Sleeping, in the early

Post-natal period.

There were sufficient West Auckland women at the recent Bethany class to establish a further coffee group, the only problem being that at the time everyone was still working, so may be for the New Year????

WE'd like to welcome to Parents Centre, babies of the following antenatal class graduates:

Elizabeth & Bill van Renen - Julie;	Linda Simpson & Paul Dean-Natalia;
Hester Robson & Joop de Ruiter - Osha;	Kelly Ann- Dale & Peter Maung;
Gillian & Bruce Waldock - Kimberley;	Jenny & Bob Mairs - Caroline;
Irene & Bob Roswell - Stephenie;	Brendon - Kay & Tony Millicich;
Mavis & Terry Seymour - Jared;	Michelle & Phil Wallace - Genna;
Tuia & Graeme Hart - Liam;	Denise & Jeff Lawson - Kate.

SEMINARS

Adoption, Fostering, and ChildCare Sat. 13 March, 9.30am-4.30pm

Peace Education in a Violent World Sat. 17 April, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Menopause and Related Problems for Women Sat. 1 May, 9.30am - 4.30pm

For further information and detailed brochures phone The Centre for Continuing Education, University of Auckland PH.792-300, extns 457 or 320. or call at 1st Floor, Old Choral Hall, 7 Symonds St, Auckland. Course Director: Dr Judith Elphick, extension 9986. All Welcome.

Seminar for Tutors and those interested in tutoring, 13-14 Feb. Sat 13th 9.30am-3.30pm, Sunday 9.30am-12.30pm. arranged by North Shore Parents Centre, Tutor Betty Robb, Fee \$3.00 Please bring lunch. For further details phone Barbara Matthews 4795496.

OBSTETRIC QUESTIONNAIRE

We have been asked by the Federation of N.Z. Parents' Centre to complete a questionnaire in the obstetrics field - facts and figures about General Practitioners doing obstetrics, the obstetric hospitals etc. In a place the size of Auckland this is rather a major task as we will need to contact the Health Dept, Medical Association and the Obstetric Hospitals. However the work could be divided amongst a group. If anyone has some time to spare over the next month and would be interested in helping with the questionnaire could they please ring me Marie Alpe Ph. 767742 or Karla Rix-Trott, Ph 501445. Thanks.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are now due for the 1982/83 year. Please cut off and complete the subscription form below and send it with your subscription to Auckland Parents' Centre, c/- Sue Mockridge, 20 Jesmond Terrace, Mt Albert, Auckland or West Auckland Parents Centre, c/- box 80071, Auckland 7.

PARENTS CENTRE SUBSCRIPTION FORM

NAME:

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Enclosed \$8.00 for 1982/83 Membership. Renewal  New Member   
(Tick as appropriate)

Are you able to help Parents Centre in any way? Yes/No  
If so how: