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Y.W.C.A.



10 February 1983

Dear Women,

The YWCA is an international network of women working for women in every part of the world. Since 1886 the Auckland 'Y' has adopted world policy appropriate to New Zealand women and has been involved in a very wide range of activities in response to the changing needs of women over the last 100 years. In recent times the main focus has been on accommodation and recreation, but the sale of the uneconomic Queen Street hostels meant that many facilities were no longer available for programmes, and new directions were sought.

The Auckland YWCA in the 80s continues to respond to the expressed needs of women, facilitating and assisting in the establishment of projects such as;

- : promoting self defence classes for women of all ages.
- : developing child care, leisure and education activities for mothers and children.
- : developing women's resource systems.
- : working with young women 'at risk'.
- : co-ordinating marketing and learning systems for craftswomen.

The staff and board of the 'Y' are eager to expand their activities and the support of Auckland women is needed to increase effectively our contribution to the community.

You can support the Auckland YWCA by:

- : Keeping in touch and keeping us advised of your activities, meetings, special events etc. (a copy of your newsletter would be welcome).
- : Advertising in our newsletter (rates on request).
- : Shopping at our craft shop "CRAFTYWOMEN", Mayfair Mall, 145 Queen Street.
- : Contributing to and shopping at the Nearly New shops in Balmoral and Ponsonby.
- : Attending our activities.
- : Making a donation.
- : Joining the 'Y' individually or through your organisation on an associate group membership (group membership entitles your organisation to three votes at meetings and AGM). Annual subscription \$10.

We look forward to closer links with you as we continue to weave a network of women working with women in Auckland.

Yours sincerely,


Joy Hanna President

397 QUEEN STREET

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"CRAFTYWOMEN"

Dear Women,

In December 1982 the Auckland Y.W.C.A. began a new venture, opening a retailing service for craftswomen. "Y" staff were aware that the work of many craftswomen was inhibited by the lack of a market place, that many women could fully or partially support themselves by selling their work and that others could develop their art/craft skills if they were reimbursed for materials and time.

Following discussion with staff the Board of the "Y" agreed to fund the establishment and initial running costs of a shop and a month later "CRAFTYWOMEN" opened with seventy women supplying a broad range of goods.

Now that the Christmas rush and holiday lull are both over we are aware of the need to promote "CRAFTYWOMEN" in the market place. The craftswomen have made the first step toward independence and now the support of Auckland women is needed to make the venture a total success.

"CRAFTYWOMEN" is located at Mayfair Mall, 145 Queen Street, (opposite Vulcan Lane). You can help by:

- : telling your members about "CRAFTYWOMEN"
- : advertising "CRAFTYWOMEN" in your newsletter
- : calling in to "CRAFTYWOMEN" and becoming a customer
- : bringing your out of town visitors to shop at "CRAFTYWOMEN"

The Y.W.C.A. is an organisation working for women in the community. We look forward to your support for our projects and to establishing closer links with Auckland Women in 1983.

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WOMEN'S FORUM

A Y.W.C.A. PROJECT



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Interested in joining a new lunch club being started?

- a chance to meet new friends
- to hear and meet women who are making news in a wide range of jobs and skills
- to hear a variety of topics of interest to women discussed by speakers, both women and men, who are leaders in their field

The Y.W.C.A. "Women's Forum" will hold its first meeting in March.

Dates: First Tuesday of each month.

Time: 11.30 a.m. until 2.00 p.m.

Place: Seminar Centre, Auckland Employers Assocn. 2nd Floor, 159 Khyber Pass Road, Auckland.

Cost: Half yearly (five meetings) includes sandwiches, tea and coffee:

to Y.W.C.A. members \$20
 to non-members \$25, which will
 include six months membership of the
 Y.W.C.A. and its privileges.

Themes for first half year:

- Women in the 80's
- Women in Crafts
- Women in Finance
- Women in Law
- Women in Medicine

Membership will be limited.

To join, please ring Hiku at 778-763 or 775-909 at once, or write or call at the Y.W.C.A., 397 Queen Street.

Applications will close on February 21st.

We welcome women of all ages, races and backgrounds.

We look forward to your joining us for this group to talk about Women and the Community in the 1980's.