

NELSON WOMEN'S CENTRE NEWSLETTER--JANUARY, 1981.

First a reminder that centre business meetings are the second Thursday of every month at 9 am. It is essential that board (?) members be at these meetings or at least inform others if other plans interfere. These are the boardcollectivegroup gutmeetings necessary to keep the place functioning. Anyone with time and a committment is always welcome. The next meeting will deal with our responsibilities to the centre and to each other and also to discuss whats been happening this past year and what the next steps might be for the centre.

The last Thursday of every month is a night for socializing. There will be a potluck at 6:30pm. followed by some films (don't know what) A night to get to know people and sit around and talk about whatever comes up. See you there.

Three women will be hired to work on a Community development grant to build an adventure playground in Nelson. Also Secretary of State money has come in to assess and inventory and update the library.

Speaking of the library theres a lot of books out there and we really need your cooperation in getting this library back together. Please return any that are long overdue. Also--our library is a SELF-SERVE library. When you return books please allocate enough time so that you can put the card in and return the book to the shelf yourself.

WINTER HOURS

until otherwise listed. Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am. to 3:30pm.

As always volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated. And in case you haven't been told for a while volunteers
T H A N K Y O U !

Smoking in the centre: the topic has come up a lot. The signs will stay up about not smoking but everyone understands that sometimes that is just what it takes, a cigarette so if you do WASH your ashtray please.

We could use some cups and plates and utensils if anyone has some to give away.

April to April is our fiscal year so memberships will be coming up in the next few months . If you have questions, gripes or even one of those ever elusive thanks for tryings lets hear it. Don't speculate, get involved, find out for yourself.

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Birth classes will be starting up again soon so if you need them call the centre or Camille at 352-2498.

Anyone interested in meeting one night a month to read and exchange ideas about writing or even our writing itself. There's a list up at the centre.

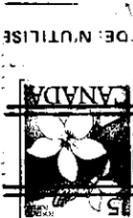
The rape line is operating through community services and women involved are taking a more educational role in bringing rape to a feminist awareness in the area.

A film about abortion is slated to be seen in Slocan Valley schools in the near future. We do not have the exact dates yet but anyone interested in attending the film and be apart of a discussion afterwards is asked to contact Bonnie Kwasnicki at the centre, Thursdays.

The women's access committee is meeting again to see if there are alternative ways of running the program to help women reenter the work or educational fields. New ideas welcome.

If you have an idea for one of the socials, a particular topic or interest let us know. Also March 8th is coming up quick. If you want something happening for International Women's Day think about it now and know that it only happens when you make it happen. The centre is a place for information to flow in and out of and to be gathered and its for you to use if you choose.

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