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PARENTS, Inc. Newsletter

Fall
October - December 2011

Aloha, Friends, Family & Colleagues:

As a non profit organization, with the goal of servicing the community to the best of our ability and continually being cognizant of our duties and obligations within our state contracts, it can be challenging and frustrating at the same time. While pondering over the theme of this fall newsletter, it struck me that not only should we encourage our parents to be positive role models and practice positive praising (see Resources below) but PARENTS, Inc., as an organization, must do the same.

Although it is typical human nature to point out the negative aspects or be critical of situations, we are choosing to focus on all of the positive aspects and build upon our weaknesses to strengthen our agency, our community, our clients, and our ohana.



Executive Director
Lisa Groulx

Please join us in this effort as we launch a new movement of positive thinking. We are positively thinking that this year will be our best year ever! We are positive that we can help strengthen our communities by positive parenting techniques. We are positive that the communities will support our efforts by getting involved in our activities and events. We believe that every child should grow up in a loving and nurturing family.

Please take time to review the information below and all of the ways you can volunteer and help us throughout the year.

URGENT Call for Volunteering

We are celebrating Make A Difference Day by Adopting-A-School and volunteering at **Castle High School** in their beautification project on **Saturday, October 22, 2011**. If you are interested and available, please join us at **9am** for a day of painting and gardening projects.

Upcoming Festivals of Giving

Ward Centers

Tickets are **\$10 each** and good for exclusive store discounts, entertainment, free gift wrapping, and many more savings at shops and restaurants of Ward Centers, from **Nov 4 (Fri) to Nov 6 (Sun), 2011**.

100% of our ticket sales go to PARENTS, Inc. Click [here](#) for the list of participating merchants and



Professional Workshops on Identifying and Understanding Child Abuse & Neglect

We are presenting two Professional Workshops on **Oct 28 (Big Island)** and **Nov 4 (Oahu)**. The content is the same for workshops held in Hilo and Honolulu.



Workshop 1 (9am - Noon)
Identifying, Reporting, and Understanding Child Abuse and Neglect

offers.
Please contact us at 235-0255 or email to fanny@hawaiiiparents.org to learn more or purchase tickets.

Windward Mall



Unstoppable shopping in the holiday seasons! Windward Mall will celebrate their 7th Festival of Giving from **Nov 11 (Fri) to Nov 13 (Sun), 2011.**



Shopping passes are \$5 each. 100% of our sales go to PARENTS, Inc. Click [here](#) for details of discounts and offers. Purchase passes

from our Administrative Office in Kaneohe or visit our on-site booth (entrance by IHOP) on **Nov 12 (Sat) from 10am to 3pm.**

Resources for Families:

Click on the links below to download parenting resources:

[Great Ways to Praise Your Child](#)
[Children Learn What They Live](#)
[If I had my Child to Raise Over Again](#)

Mini Quiz

Test your knowledge using our mini quiz below!

1.) Children learn best by what their parents:

- a.) Say, not do.
- b.) Do, not say.

2.) It is important for me to examine the way I was raised because:

- a.) I want to do everything the same as my parents.
- b.) Many of my beliefs about parenting and discipline come from the way I was raised by my parents.

3.) Which of the following ways is the best way to praise a child:

- a.) Sally, you washed the dishes, you are such a great kid.
- b.) You washed the dishes; I only wish you could have also put them away.

by **Ms. Kathi Kreinik**, MSW, ACSW, DCSW, BCD, LCSW

Workshop 2 (1pm - 4pm)

Understanding Developmentally Age Appropriate Sexual Behavior

by **Ms. Danielle Spain**, Master of Counseling

***** \$30 for one workshop
\$50 for both workshops *****

Download the [flyer](#) and [registration form](#) for further details.

For inquiry, please contact:

(808) 934-9552 for Big Island workshops on Oct 28
or **(808) 235-0255** for Oahu workshops on Nov 4.

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c.) You sure did a great job washing the dirty dishes.

answers: 1.) b, 2.) b, 3.) c



Children's Halloween Costume Contest

PARENTS, Inc. will sponsor a Halloween costume contest in Windward Mall. There will be arts, crafts, a magic show, and many treats! Come join and have fun!

October 29, 2011 (Sat)
10am - 1pm
Center Court, Windward Mall
Kaneohe



Download the [entry form](#), win the fabulous prizes!!!

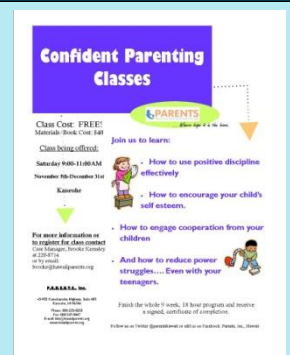
Confident Parenting Classes

FREE 9-week parenting class will be offered from **Nov. 5 through Dec. 31** on Saturday mornings from **9:00am-11:00am** in our Kaneohe office.

Download the [flyer](#) for further details or contact our Case Manager Brooke Kemsley if you have any questions.

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Farewell to Laura Tamashiro

Our Oahu Program Director Laura Tamashiro left us in July.



Her family and friends organized an event to celebrate her short but meaningful life on Aug 27, 2011. People shed some tears and burst into laughter when listening to touching stories about her. Laura, you are missed and loved...



We would like to acknowledge and thank those who donated to our cause in Memory of Laura.

Mahalo to our donors, sponsors and supporters:

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