

SWWS Newsletter

January 1999

Annual General Meeting 1999
Saturday afternoon at 2:00pm
on 6 March 1999
at Drop In Centre, Jalan Batu Lintang

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\$ The new \$
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**Meet our new DIC
co-ordinator Miss
Alveana Valentine**

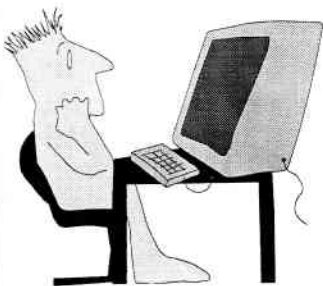
ONE STOP CRISIS CENTRE

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7PM-9PM)**

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9AM-9PM)**

**LEAFLETS FOR DISTRIBUTION
AVAILABLE.**



NOT GOT A
CLUE BUT
WANT TO
LEARN?

SWWS is thinking of running a couple of introductory classes for complete beginners to encourage you. Once phobia is conquered maybe a group may like to enrol together in a private night class.

Interested - phone Alveana

WOMEN IN THE MEDIA

Angie and Gill convened a feedback session on the issues raised at the Penang Seminar on *Monitoring Gender in the Mass Media*. Problems identified within Sarawak included:

- the shortage of women willing to be interviewed for either radio or newspapers making it difficult for sympathetic reporters to promote issues of concern to the women's movement
- the soft-porn videos sometimes screened on express boats
- the need for a range of material in various dialects so there was something for women from all the various communities and lifestyles across the State.
- the difficulty of discovering exactly what women across the State would find helpful and how they would like to be portrayed.

A letter raising these points is being sent to the Women's Bureau asking them to consider appropriate action. On SWWS's part we will be submitting a grant application to APDC to run a gender sensitising workshop for members of the media and will try and encourage closer networking amongst local lecturers in media studies and women working in the media. The strategy is to encourage others to take up the work as our own resources are already fully stretched. Unless some of you out there are keen to be involved.

< Calling for photographs >

We would like all members to submit a passport size photograph for the photo gallery that we plan to put up.

WOMEN'S CRISIS PHONELINE

082-422660

Sounds familiar?

Yes, the CPL is still on.

KEEPSAFE CODE

The Keepsafe Kit was launched at the STU Biannual Conference on 9/9/1998.



Training of primary school teachers is being planned in Kuching and Sibuluan. If you are interested to join in the work of the education group, please contact Amy at Tel: 236669 or Alveana.



Leaflets have been printed in Bahasa Malaysia, Mandarin, Iban and English.

1-HUGS

Hugs and kisses are nice, especially from people we like. But even hugs and kisses that feel good and that you like should never be kept secret.

3-NO

Don't talk to anyone you don't know when you are alone, or just with other children.

5-SHOUT

Wherever you are, **IT IS ALL RIGHT TO SHOUT** if someone is trying to hurt you.

7-SECRETS

Some secrets should never be kept. No older person should ever ask you to keep a kiss, a touch, or a hug a secret.

2-BODY

Your body belongs to you and not to anyone else.

4-RUN

If a stranger or a bully or even someone you know tries to harm you or touch you in a frightening way, **RUN AWAY** and get help.

6-TELL

TELL a grown-up you trust if anyone frightens you or tries to touch you in a way which makes you feel unsafe.

8-BRIBES

Don't accept money, sweets or a gift from anyone without first checking with your parents.

9-CODE

Have a code word or sign with your parents or guardians, which only you and they know.