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NEWSLETTER TO ICANZ FAMILIES

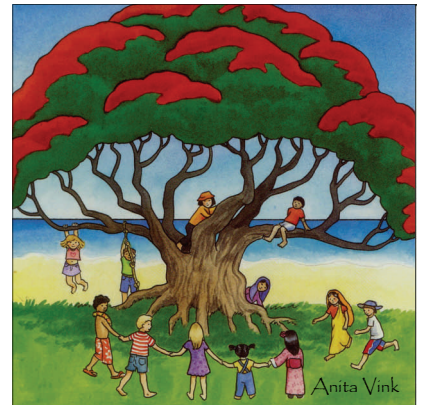
ICANZ AGM

The AGM will be held at the ICANZ offices at 3/666 Dominion Rd, Balmoral, Auckland, on Monday November 10th, at 7-30 pm, prior to the usual monthly board meeting. Any nominations for Board members must be received in writing at least 24 hours prior to the meeting please, addressed to the Secretary, PO Box 96-124 Balmoral, Auckland 1342, with a brief resume of the nominee, with contact details. The AGM is the meeting where the Board is elected for the following year and the annual report and accounts formally presented. It is not an information evening on adoption, though discussion and general administration questions are welcome. It is helpful if you advise the office or a board member of your intended attendance.

Adoption Programmes

ICANZ now assists with adoptions from Thailand, Lithuania, Philippines.

The first children from Lithuania arrived in New Zealand in the middle of 2008. Several children have been adopted from Thailand. Once accredited in Russia we will again assist with Russian adoption. We are accredited for India and expect to be able to receive applications for adoption from India soon. See www.icanz.gen.nz for details on all countries.



Funding Appeal

ICANZ has begun a funding appeal to enable us to re-establish our Russian adoption programme in accordance with the accreditation standards. A separate flier is attached. Donations can be made by internet banking, credit card via the ICANZ website, or cheque .

Travel back to Russia

If your child was adopted from Russia, they can only enter Russia on their Russian passport. They will not be given a visa in their New Zealand passport. Contact ICANZ for help with updating your child's passport.

New Zealand Citizenship by Grant

Children adopted overseas typically hold Citizenship by Descent. This does not enable them to pass on their citizenship to their children if they should have children born or adopted overseas. They need to apply to the Department of Internal Affairs for Citizenship by Grant after living in NZ for a few years. This should be done before they are 22, and is cheaper before they are 14 years old. Contact ICANZ for details or see the ICANZ Magazine.

Upgraded Website

ICANZ now has a newly upgraded website, thanks to "the little design company" in Wellington www.thelittledesigncompany.co.nz . We are deeply grateful for their support.

ICANZ Annual Report

The ICANZ Annual Report will soon be available on the ICANZ website www.icanz.gen.nz

ICANZ Magazine

You can now subscribe to the ICANZ Magazine on-line on the ICANZ website. The next edition will be printed soon and to subscribers before Christmas.

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