SEPTEMBER 22
OPEN HOUSE
Come visit The Family Tree Parenting Center! Director, Lynn Gavin, Receptionist, Evon LeJeune, and a staff of volunteers will be on hand to explain Family Tree activities and services, enroll new members, give tours of the facility, and register visitors for fall programs. As a special attraction, our newly produced videotape, "SUCH A PERFECT MOTHER", will be shown throughout the evening.
TIME: 7-9 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 25 and 26
PARENT CONFERENCE - US1 Bi-Lingual Cultural Center - Co-sponsored with Family Tree Parenting Center.
PARENTING STYLES: Avoiding The Extremes
Do I let my children get away with too much or am I always too strict with them? How do I find the middle ground?
SPEAKER: Rita McSween
TIME: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

EVERY DAY PROBLEMS OF YOUNG CHILDREN
How does the world look through the eyes of a child? Come learn why your child behaves the way he/she does. Topics include how to handle fears in children, tantrums, etc.
SPEAKER: Luke Elliot, Ph.D.
TIME: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

HOW TO INSTILL VALUES IN CHILDREN
What are the avenues for teaching values to children? How do we teach them "self-discipline", to take responsibility for their own actions, and to develop an internal set of "rights and wrongs". Yes, these values vary among us as parents, but exactly how do we reach our children? How do we instill the values we want them to have in our ever changing world?
SPEAKER: Wilmer McNair, Ph.D.
TIME: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
September 29
REPORT CARD TIME: ARE YOU READY?
What do those A's, B's, C's, D's, and F's mean? Ever wonder how to react to those letters? How much should you help with your child's homework? What exactly can you do to help your child in school? Come talk to the school professionals - a principal, a guidance counselor, and a classroom teacher will all be on hand to answer such complex questions.
SPEAKERS: Bob Adamson
          Alexis Fitch
          Sarah Hamza
TIME:  7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

October 1
THE BABY IS HERE: NOW WHAT?
Designed especially for expectant parents and those with infants. How is it that a baby that small can make such a large impact on our lives? Come and use this opportunity to ask all your questions about that new baby and your new roles as Mom and Dad.
SPEAKERS: Louise Bateman, R.N.
          Debbie Junot, R.N.
TIME:  7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

October 6
TALKING SO KIDS WILL LISTEN
A workshop for parents of all ages. What is true family communication? How do we really get through to our children? How can we keep our kids, especially our teenagers, from "tuning us out"?
SPEAKER: Skip Blair, Ph.D.
TIME:  9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

October 9 and 10
ACADIANKA MALL CHARITY BAZAAR
Come visit the Family Tree Parenting Center Booth! View our new filmstrips on families, watch our videotape "Such Perfect Mothers," browse through our collection of pamphlets and books ranging from "How to Choose a Day Care Center" to "Nutrition in Kids," and register for our "Special Family Prize!" We'll also have a survey there so you can let us know what workshop topics and services you'd like to see us offer in the future.
TIME:  10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
OCTOBER 20
DAY TO DAY WITH YOUR TODDLER: WHAT THEY CAN DO
What should my child be doing? Learn what to expect of your pre-schooler. This discussion will focus on 4 areas of child development: personality, speech, physical ability, and learning ability. Do bring your infant, your toddler. Free child care provided. Meet parents who have the same concerns as yourself.
SPEAKER:
TIME: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

OCTOBER 22
PAYCHECKS AND PARENTING: COPING TACTICS FOR WORKING PARENTS
Ever feel like there's no solution to juggling work and family? This workshop provides a discussion of the problems associated with being a working parent, with emphasis placed on practical solutions. Designed especially for two-income couples and single working parents. Topics include handling those guilt feelings of leaving a toddler, dividing child care responsibilities, choosing quality day-care for your child, etc.
SPEAKER: Edie Batz
TIME: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 27
DAY TO DAY WITH YOUR TODDLER: WHAT CAN YOU DO?
A workshop for parents who want to explore ways to enhance their child's development. What kind of toys to choose, what games to play, what activities? Learn all about what you can do to make those crucial years (0 to 4) the most stimulating for your pre-schooler.
SPEAKER: Midge Stonecipher
TIME: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER 5
DISCIPLINE
Want information on how to manage those undesirable behaviors in your children? A workshop for parents with children of all ages. Is there such a thing as a "good spanking"? If you want to encourage your children to not throw temper tantrums in the grocery store, keep their rooms clean, finish their homework- then this workshop has something for you! Our most popular topic - 2 separate offerings.
SPEAKER: Luke Elliot, Ph.D
TIMES: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. (repeat of morning information)
NOVEMBER 10   I WANT MY TURN!
What about the stress of being a parent? Although the situations may vary, we all feel a need to give some time to ourselves. An open discussion on coping with the demands of children. Is "Parent burn-out" real?
SPEAKER: Charles Halphen
TIME: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 17   MONEY: IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR
A workshop on family finances. Some say family conflicts, especially marital, arise over money matters more than anything else. Gain insight for handling family financial matters. How should you set allowances? How do you teach your children to handle money? What's the latest on childcare deductions? Come prepared to ask questions.
SPEAKER: Jeff Hargroder
TIME: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 1
THE TROUBLE WITH BROTHERS AND SISTERS OR "MOMMY, WHY IS JIMMY'S CAKE BIGGER THAN MINE?"
Will the kids ever stop fighting? How do brothers and sisters influence each other? How to handle competition and conflict among children. Will they ever be close?Sibling rivalry can be annoying, disruptive, and normal. The trick is knowing when and how to intervene.
SPEAKER: Ron Ray  TIME: 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Date to be Announced:
SUIT THE TOY TO THE CHILD:
Information vs. misinformation surrounding the selection of toys for your child - pinpointing the appropriateness of certain items for certain age youngsters. Designed to help with that Christmas shopping.

To be presented at the Acadiana Mall.

Programs are limited in size and are filled on a first come, first served basis. So, to avoid disappointment and inconvenience, please pre-register early! All workshops will be held at our facility on 708 St. John Street, unless noted otherwise. Parking is available at the rear of the house, along the street, behind the K.C. Hall at 720 St. John and at B and B Office Supply in the evening.

Free child care is available for workshop participants. Registration required in advance. Call 237-7116.