

"Visitors guide becomes environmentally conscious"

Charlottetown -- Gordon MacInnis, Minister of Tourism and Parks, and Roy Francis, Deputy Minister of Environment, announced on Feb. 20 that the 1992 Prince Edward Island visitors guide will be produced on recycled paper as part of a new tourism policy to use recycled/recyclable materials whenever possible.

Mr. Macinnis said that all paper used to publish and distribute the 1992 visitor information kit, including the guide, the province's official highway map and envelopes, will fall under the policy.

"Island tourism is following a universal trend to be more environmental conscious" said Mr. Macinnis. "The volume of printed matter we produce for consumers demands the introduction of this policy."

The department of tourism and parks prints and estimated 250,000 english and 30,000 french visitors

guides annually, each containing an official highway map. An additional 100,000 highway maps are produced for distribution separate from the guide. As well, an estimated 130,000 envelopes are printed for shipping and distribution in response to toll-free and written inquiries each year.

Mr. Francis said that as one of the largest users of paper within government, it is important for the department of tourism and parks to recognize its responsibility to find ways in which to conserve.

"North American consumers are highly sensitized to the use of recycled print materials," said Mr. Francis. "They have come to expect that the printed products they see and use every day will be produced with the environment in mind."

All material produced for the guide will bear universal symbols which indicate that recycled/recyclable paper has been used.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Did you know that UPEI has a SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMMITTEE? Well, like every other university in Canada.... it does! And the reason it does is that, unfortunately, universities - like workplaces - are areas where unacceptable, sexually oriented behaviour can be exhibited.

Not everybody is aware that his or her behaviour could be interpreted as inappropriate or sexually harassing. However, there are certain types of behaviour which, at the present time on the UPEI campus, could result in complaints to the SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMMITTEE.

The University formulated a policy on sexual harassment about two years ago after much consideration and discussion in the campus community. The SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMMITTEE was established in the fall of 1991 to deal with the implementation of the policy.

Dr. Elizabeth Spangler, chairperson of the committee, says, "The role of the committee is threefold: to educate the campus community in understanding and

preventing sexual harassment, deal with cases of alleged sexual harassment and monitor the effectiveness of the policy."

Members of the committee are representative of a wide cross-section of the campus. Student representatives are Ray Murphy and Suzanne MacPherson and can be contacted through the Student Union. Dr. Philip Smith, Department of Psychology (0422) and Dr. Elizabeth Spangler, AVC (0848) are faculty members. Ernie Trainer, Maintenance Department (0414) represents the support staff. Representing Student Services is the Director, Jennifer Goddard-Sheppard (0568).

The committee plans to start the educational process in the near future with production of a brochure. However, those who are interested may obtain a copy of the University's sexual harassment policy at Student Services.