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POLICY PROJECTS ON FILE

Minister of Fisheries and Industry, announced that the 1982 U.P.E.I. Student Policy Projects are now on file with his department. The twenty projects completed this past year cover a broad range of topics including opportunities in the tourism, processing, agriculture, and retail sectors.

Senior Business Administration students at U.P.E.I. work in teams to prepare a detailed feasibility study to determine the viability of a potential business opportunity. Financial assistance is provided to the university and to the students to cover a portion of the costs associated with the preparations of these projects. In return, a copy of each study is provided to the Dept. of Fisheries and Industry to be maintained in the Department's library. Funding to the is provided jointly by the Government of Prince Edward Island and the Department of Regional Economec Expansion under the Comprehensive Developement Plan.

" The program has been in effect since 1970" said Mr. Binns, "and we now have on hand a reference library of more than 190 potential business opportunities. A list of the projects completed to date is available from the Industry Branch of the department of Fisheries and Industry, and interested persons are have proven to be valuable for interested/potential entrepreneurs wishing to explore the viability of a number of business ventures.

" The students are to be commended again for the quality of their work. Much use is made of these studies by entrepreneurs looking for ideas," said Mr. Binns, " and in fact, welcomed to copy any project they may wish for further study."

In addition to providing the students with the opportunity to further develope their research skills, the projects themselves a number of entrepreneurs have referenced theses studies either directly or indirectly in establishing or expanding a business."

Your inquiries are invited through Heather MacLeod at 892-3493.

UPEI Grad Off To Australia

Nancy Comeau, UPEI Class of '82 will be leaving Charlottetown on February 2, for Brisbane, Australia, where she will continue her studies on a Rotary International Graduate Scholarship. This scholarship will fund Ms. Comeau's tuition, as well as her travel and living expences for a one year period. In Australia, she intends to pursue a Master of Educational Studies Degree with a dual major in curriculum and administration at the University of Queensland

On graduating from Charlottetown Rural High School, Ms. Comeau attended the University of Prince Edward Island. In 1982 she graduated with a Bachelor of Education Degree, majoring in English. During her studies at the Island University, she was the recipient of a number of awards: University Prize for Highest Average in Freshman Education; Sisters of Notre Dame Prize for Student showing most promise as an elementary teacher; Peake and McInnis Prize for Academic Exellence in English; and the Henry Birk Gold Medal for the student displaying outstanding leadership in student and academic affairs. Last fall she took French Emersion at Laval University in Quebec City.

Ms. Comeau is active in a number of community groups PEI Right to Life Association; PEI Citizens' Council on Drug Abuse; PEI Roadrunners Club; and the PEI United Church Presbytery.

For eight years she was an active member of the Allied Youth, having held a number of executive positions during that time.

Ms. Comeau is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Comeau, Ferndale Drive, Charlottetown.

New Roof On Blanchard

Blanchard Hall will be getting a new roof to solve the leaking problems in the existing one.

There are water stains on many of the ceilings and the existing roof insulation is useless now as it is saturated with water. Since the roof is flat, water collects and seeps through its layers. The problem worsens each year.

The new roof will be similar to Dalton Hall's gable roof. It will have asphalt shingles and an 18 inch overhang, plus eave troughs for drainage. This new roof will be installed over the existing one. Construction should begin this Spring depending on the weather, and the new roof should be completed by this summer.

This roof should be an improvement to Blanchard Hall because the water will just run off its slope. A sloped roof is much better adapted to P.E.I.'s climate.

The cost will be $165,000. According to Don Coles, a member of the Building and Grounds Committee, this money will probably come from the Maintenance Department's budget, and it could possibly be budgeted over a period of five years.

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