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Rural Outreach project funded

Six films shown at the AWRC



Nobody's Perfect program



One-day Housing Workshop held with the St. FX Department of Housing in 1987

AWA Receives \$7,228 Grant For Special Rural Outreach Program

The Antigonish Women's Association has received a Rural Outreach grant under the Secretary of State's Women's Program.

The \$7,228 grant will enable Lucille Harper to implement stages of a proposed three-stage program to help rural women in the local area.

Stage one calls for research and needs assessment for rural women. To this end, Mrs. Harper will conduct a Canada-wide search for existing information packages and lists about rural women to see what information, if any, is applicable to the local area.

In conjunction with this research, Mrs. Harper will be conducting a series of six Kitchen Meetings, the first starting today (Wednesday) in James River.

Other locations for the meetings are Antigonish on April 21, Lakeside on May 2, Lunenburg on May 17 and St. Andrews and Lunenburg, the dates yet to be settled.

The women will discuss such topics as how women come together, the importance of women working together to make change come about, self-esteem, self-motivation and related topics.

Also at each meeting two women will be chosen to take part in a women's seminar to become facilitators of such meetings themselves.

The last meeting of the series will also discuss women's financial problems, such as why they have no

money, employment in job ghettos, the politics of housework such as work available at home and child care for rural areas, and how to write a resume.

In addition to these Kitchen Meetings, Mrs. Harper will be travelling to other Women's

Resource Centres around the province, gaining information from their experiences.

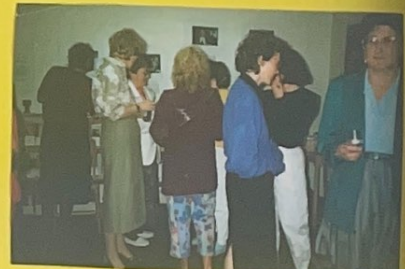
The program covers a nine-month period. Anyone requiring more information may contact Mrs. Harper at 863-4345 during regular business hours.



LAWRENCE O'NEIL, MP for Cape Breton Highlands-Canso, was in Antigonish on Saturday afternoon to present a cheque for \$7,228 for a project sponsored by the Antigonish Women's Association to aid of rural women. Amongst the cheques is program co-ordinator Lucille Harper, along with AWA members Angèle Melin and Barbara Hayes, and William Newman, Antigonish.



Women's Stories for Change (four-session workshop) * co-sponsored by Guysborough Learning Opportunities for Women (GLOW)



Women's Centres in Nova Scotia Consultations held in Halifax on March 25 & 26 (1988)

Women, Youth, and the Law (four-series workshop)

AWA facilitated a candidates meeting for the upcoming provincial elections



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