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## Office Services Supervisors conference

• A conference for Office Services Supervision (OSS) staff will be held Jun. 11-15, in Honey Harbour, Ontario. It will be the first of its kind to be held in the Ontario region.

**Dan Kane**, assistant deputy commissioner, Operations, Ontario regional headquarters, will be keynote speaker. Other speakers will include: **John Wilson**, from Corel System in Toronto and **Brian Skerrett**, from Brian Skerrett and Associates in Guelph.

The main objectives for the conference are to share ideas, discuss common problems and plan for the future. Office management in the 1990s, leadership roles, stress, time management and action planning are among topics to be discussed.

## Cross Cultural Awareness

• As part of the Executive Committee meeting held at Dorchester Penitentiary May 23-25, **Dr. Neil MacDonald**, a history professor at the University of Manitoba and an international authority on multiculturalism, presented a one-day session on Cross Cultural Awareness. Members of the Atlantic Regional Management Committee attended the session which focused on increasing awareness of the various cultures which make up Canada's multicultural mosaic.

## Security Standards and Guidelines

• A series of regional workshops for Security Standards and Guidelines will be held in June, 1990, to review the new Security Standards Manual. Deputy wardens, correctional operations coordinators, correctional supervisors and regional headquarters managers will participate in the workshops and meet with members of the working team, chaired by **Richard Harvey**, director, Custody and Control, NHQ. The dates for the workshops are:

- Pacific region - Abbotsford - June 5, 1990
- Prairie region - Saskatoon - June 7, 1990
- Atlantic region - Moncton - June 11, 1990
- Quebec region - Laval - June 13, 1990
- Ontario region - Kingston - June 14, 1990

## CAC conference

• The Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) National Executive will be meeting in Ottawa, May 27-30. Guest speakers will include: **Fred Gibson**, chairman, National Parole Board, and from NHQ: **Brendan Reynolds**, assistant commissioner, Communications and Corporate Development; **Bram Deurloo**, acting director, Mental Health Care; **Jon Klaus**, director, Operations and Plans; **Terry Sawatsky**, director, Offender Management; and **Jane Miller-Ashton**, acting director, Native and Female Offenders.

## Security Equipment Committee meets

• The Security Equipment Committee will hold its first workshop in Ottawa, Jun. 19-21. Regional headquarters

representatives will attend the workshop presented by the Custody and Control Division, NHQ. Workshop objectives will be to: review and update the Security Equipment Manual and all procedures governing its use, address the issue of purchasing new security equipment, and evaluate its ability to meet the requirements of the Service.

## Pacific staff get FIT!

• As part of National Fitweek, May 25 to June 3, Pacific regional headquarters staff are asked to wear sneakers for "Sneaker Day," May 25. Representatives of the Union of Solicitor General Employees (USGE) will be awarding prizes, at the end of the week, to whom they see FIT.

Throughout the week, staff are being asked to use the stairs in a combined effort to climb the equivalent height of Mount Everest, 29,028 feet. Also, a two mile walk is planned in which all staff are invited to participate.

We encourage all CSC employees to participate in Fitweek activities organized in their regions. So, if the sneaker fits - wear it!

## Marathon of courage

• On May 21, Service employees in the Quebec region marked the tenth anniversary of the Marathon of Courage by taking part in activities at the Quebec Staff College in Laval. Staff generously contributed to the campaign which has raised over \$40,000, to date, for handicapped children.

## Northern Treatment Centre on target

• Preparations are underway for the official opening of a new joint federal/provincial correctional facility located in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Scheduled to open this month, the medium-security institution will treat both federal and provincial inmates, and will be staffed by 117 full-time employees.

Half the 96 beds will be available for federal inmates. Eight will be set aside for female offenders.

## ATTENTION - all Focus readers

• It has been brought to our attention that *Focus* may not be arriving, as scheduled, at some facilities. In order for us to deal with this situation we must be made aware of any delivery delays.

*Focus* should be arriving at all facilities sometime Monday, except for Port Cartier, Atlantic institution, and Thompson Area Parole Office, which should be receiving their copies sometime Tuesday. If you are not receiving *Focus* on the specified day, or require an adjustment to the number of copies received, please contact **Michele Sury**, Publishing and Editorial Services, NHQ, at (613) 992-8256.