

HUB gets facelift

HUB repairs await spring

by Neal Watson

Repairs to the leaking roof and other problems in HUB mall will not begin until at least spring.

Associate VP Facilities and Services A.M. Rennie says the university has just received a consultants report outlining some of the problems and their costs.

The report identified leaking in the dome of the mall as the most serious problem. "These are largely cosmetic problems," said Rennie.

Rennie declined to reveal the cost of the proposed repairs before he had a chance to discuss them with the University administration, but said they involved a "significant amount of money."

The scope of the consultants' report has been expanded, said

Rennie, to take in the total condition of the building, for example, the possibility of over-hauling the living facilities.

It was the universities intention not just to address the leaking problem, "but the whole picture," said Rennie.

"The university takes the attitude that if there is a problem it must be addressed," said Rennie. "The problem is to decide if the repairs can be a one-shot or if they must be phased in."



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Lister Hall students mount protest

by Suzette C. Chan

Housing and Food Services officials were surprised to see a protest booth set up by Lister Hall Students Association Friday to protest heavy-handed tactics of Housing and Food.

Pamphlets were distributed to passers-by outlining grievances from overcrowding in bathrooms to raids on individual rooms.

Joe Corrigan, of the Lister Hall Students Association (LHSA), said the association's main complaint is that "students are not treated with respect."

But Housing Officer Penny Hiebert believes the real problem is a lack of communication on the part of LHSA.

"We have been asking them all year if they had any concerns, but no concerns were brought up at Residents' Advisory Committee (RAC) meetings," she said.

Corrigan said he did not want to take his concerns to RAC because the LHSA "is not so much ignored turn into argument sessions."

Hiebert pointed out that Corrigan chairs RAC, so "if there were any disorganization he would be the one to alleviate it."

Much of the disagreement arises from specific points. In its pamphlet, the LHSA accuses Housing and Food officials of charging \$50 to paint a door, although Hiebert says the charge is only \$10.

The LHSA also says 35 people sharing three bathrooms is a problem, but Hiebert says there have never been any such complaint and points out each bathroom is constructed for 11 persons to share.

Corrigan also said Housing and Food officials have entered private rooms without permission to inspect for tidiness and have locked out res-

idents whose rooms do not conform to standards. Hiebert denies this has ever happened.

Although Corrigan believed an awareness campaign was a way to air concerns "in a reasonable manner," Hiebert said the move could prove "destructive."

"I can see a clear misrepresentation," she said of the campaign, "but they don't have any real solutions. Not going through the proper channels could become a destructive situation for them."

Hiebert said Housing and Food

officials and Peter Miller, dean of Student Services (which provides counselling and aid to Lister Hall students) met with Corrigan Monday.

"I think maybe he understands our position better," she said. "He

agreed the proper channels (for grievances) are there."

Hiebert said a meeting of the RAC Wednesday at 2 pm should clear up the misunderstanding. "We're looking forward for all this to be resolved," she said.

Tuition increase debate continues

by Neal Watson

SU President Floyd Hodgins believes Advanced Education Minister Dick Johnston favors no tuition increase for the 1985-86 academic year.

According to Hodgins, Johnston intends to retain the existing university funding policy which would mean no fee increase for students next year, but no increase in funds for the university.

Hodgins, External Commissioner Bruce Rabik, and the other members of the SU executive met with Johnston last week.

Randy Dawson, Johnston's executive assistant, said the policy was still "under discussion, but no increase is the direction he's taking."

Johnston wants to consult with the administrations of the various universities before making any decision, said Dawson.

According to the present policy, the university may increase tuition one-and-a-half times the increase in the base operating grant the university received from the provincial government the previous year.

The university's operating grant did not increase from the 1983-84 year to the 1984-85 year. Therefore the university cannot raise tuition fees.

Hodgins called the prospect of no

tuition increase a "victory for students that would give the executive time to lobby on other issues."

Hodgins said he believed the University Administration was lobbying Johnston to change the existing policy and therefore raise tuition for the next academic year.

U of A president Myer Horowitz said he had "no definite informa-

tion at all" on increases, but the university had indicated to Johnston their wish to have "as much increase built into the operating base as possible."

From that point the province's university community will consider an increase, according to Horowitz.

"The Minister will not decide a tuition increase," said Horowitz.

U of A honors donors

by Brougham Deegan

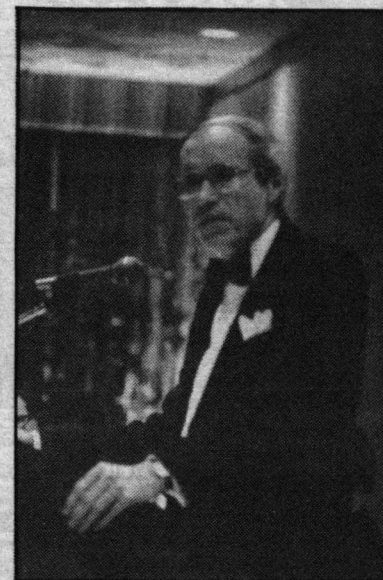
More than 300 people attended the inaugural dinner of the President's club hosted by University President Myer Horowitz and his wife Barbara, Oct. 25 at the Four Seasons hotel.

The club was established by the U of A Board of Governors to honor the 372 individual and 217 corporate donors who contributed more than 14.25 million to the University in the past year.

During the banquet, Dick Johnston, Minister of Advanced Education, made a short speech stressing continued government support for Alberta Universities. Addressing the corporate donors present, Johnston, himself an alumni of the University

Faculty of Business, told them his government recognized the importance of private sector support for Universities in Alberta and would continue to match corporate donations. He ended by calling for a "worldwide centre of excellence in Alberta."

Horowitz, in his speech, praised his fellow staff members who contributed more than one million dollars this year in endowment funds for fellowships, bursaries, and scholarships for grads and undergrads. Noting the "symbiotic relationship" between the University and the people, he appealed for more donations to keep the university as an institute "worthy of Alberta."



Advanced Education Minister Dick Johnston