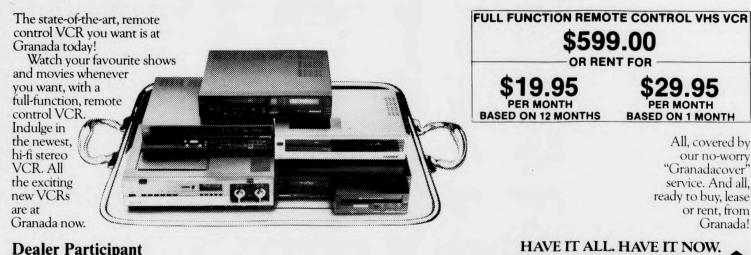


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### Osgoode workers kept in the dark about asbestos

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ing to Tucker, it therefore made sense to work on the mechanical rooms—a project which also requires that the building be empty—at the same time.

Vice President Bill Farr (Finance and Administration), who is responsible for overseeing the departments of both Physical Plant and OHS, would not respond to *Excalibur*'s phonecalls. Farr's secretary deferred all queries to Kurosky and Struk, although both directors noted that they have only worked at York for 14 and seven months respectively, and were therefore unable to account for previous asbestos-related decisions concerning Osgoode.

Struk said that he is "not directly involved in the asbestos removal" at the present time. "I'm leaving it in the hands of the (OHS) department to consult with the Administration," he said.

#### unavailable for comment.

According to Celia Harte, president of YUSA, "the bottom line is that people have a right to be informed . . . that the five rooms were 'forgotten' doesn't help credibility."

Harte is concerned about the University's attitude toward the situation. "We're told the rooms are safe even before the test results are in," she said. "We're told that no one was aware of the situation, yet then there's the memo from May 1985." Harte is presently consulting with the Occupational Health and Safety branch of the Ministry of Labor about the case.

"The whole affair is negligence bordering on the criminal," concluded one Osgoode employee, who wished to remain anonymous to protect his job.

### Incident reports will now be given to 31 Division and Excal

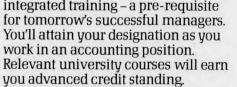
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to Metro Police immediately." He added that victims of lesser crimes are told by security to report the incident directly to the police.

All security officers are presently issued "significant incidents reports" two to three times weekly, Pond noted. These reports will now be forwarded directly to 31 Division and to *Excalibur*, starting this week, he said.

Pond noted that the department already has an *ad hoc* security committee, formed in October 1986, which includes Naomi Black, Advisor to the President on the Status of Women at York, Provost Tom Meininger, and Lake among its members.

Lake, however, criticized the committee as being comprised mainly of Administrative members who "refused to discuss major security problems." She is looking to form a new security board with "broader and more balanced representation between students and the Administration." At the present time, York has no permanent Director of Security and Parking. Pond is one of two people being presently considered for the position. The other applicant is from outside the University Pond and the other applicant were interviewed last week by a committee comprised of Black, Cora Dusk (of the Office of Student Affairs), Pamela MacDonald (from Farr's office), Professor A. Grant (Osgoode), and Susan Watt (of the Creative Arts Board). Peter Struk, interim Director of Security and Parking, moderated the screening. To date, Struk, Farr, and Don Mitchell, Director of Personnel Services, are actively pursuing the issue of hiring a new director.



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