

A gift for Alberta's 75th Sing-along

by Wes Oginski

Annette Driessen, announced that the Songbook Committee has completed its project for the 75th Anniversary. That is Alberta's 75 Anniversary and not the university's.

"In the spring of '79 we submitted a proposal into the '75 Culture Program," says Driessen, vp of the Songbook Committee. "The proposal was accepted as a project for the 75th Anniversary. The delay really started when we did not receive our budget until four months later."

Four volunteers, worked practically nonstop to produce the book called *Alberta Sings*. These books sell for five dollars apiece, containing about 256 songs with illustrations and music (mostly piano but some guitar).

"A lot of the songs were selected in regard to Alberta's birthday," says Driessen.

A collection of recreation

songs, pioneer songs, and small activity songs comprise the collection.

"The books were researched," she says, "But we generally had to go with public domain songs because of our budget."

Eventually 10,000 books were made in a vinyl cover.

"We also allowed for a different version of the book," Driessen adds. "Of the 10,000 copies made, 1000 copies were made into a larger size for special groups."

These special groups include senior citizens, youth groups, the public library, the dean of Physical Education and Recreation, and the president of the university.

"We donated 600 large and 400 small books through Edmonton Parks and Recreation," she says.

The profits from the books will go back into the Recreation Students Society and will be put into a scholarship fund, for which

the guidelines have not been set. The Songbook Committee is a part of the society.

"We had hoped to get it out earlier but we are satisfied," says Driessen. "We were out Friday selling and were getting good comments."



LTAB will extend itself

by Richard Watts

There is now hope for students living off campus who have to deal with landlords.

Hope comes in the form of the Landlord and Tenant Advisory Board (LTAB).

Established and maintained by the City of Edmonton, the board's main functions are advisory. However it is willing to extend itself to mediating disputes, investigating complaints,

and providing education on tenancy matters.

The board operates under the provisions of the Landlord and Tenant Act, passed in 1979. Although the act is designed to provide reasonable safeguards for tenants, frequent breaches do occur, and this is where LTAB comes in.

"Many students are first time renters and are not aware of their rights, and some landlords will try to take advantage of this," says Mary Harisam executive director of LTAB.

If a student is having landlord problems the board will investigate the complaint, and if necessary will call together an impartial board to arrive at a solution. If this fails the board will assist in taking the complaint through Small Claims Court.

"The biggest problems arise

over the damage deposit," says Harisam. "For instance many people are unaware that the damage deposit cannot exceed the amount of one month's rent."

Located downtown on 102 Ave. across from the law-courts, the board is staffed with individuals eager to help. They will inform tenants of their rights and will provide any appropriate literature, including copies of the Landlord and Tenant Act.

Any student having problems with their landlord, be it eviction, rent-hike without proper notice, or failure to live up to any of a Landlord's responsibilities, are urged to contact LTAB.

"We would like to see any potential renter come down and learn about their rights," says Mary Harisam.

LTAB is located at 10237-98 St., ph. 426-4951.

Women reform laws

A three day conference on women and legal reform will be held this weekend at King's College here in Edmonton.

The conference will focus on the ways in which the law does not work for women, and the ways in which change can be effected.

The two keynote speakers of the conference will be Kathleen Barry, author of *Female Sexual Slavery*, and Andrea Dworkin, feminist activist and author of *Pornography: Men Possessing Women*.

Several workshops are on the agenda during the weekend: child care; sexual harassment; abortion, reproductive rights; sex use industry; battered women; and sexual violence.

Registration will take place Friday and Saturday morning between 8:30 and 9:30 at King's College, 2nd floor, 10766-97 street.

The regular fee is \$30, and only \$5 for those who can not afford the regular fee.

Fees include lunches on Friday and Saturday, as well as a reception Sunday afternoon. Registrants are asked to provide a light snack for Sunday as the sessions run through the lunch hour.

The conference is being sponsored by the Legal Reform Project, Student Legal Services, and the U of A.

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