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Garneau endangered

by Mike Walker

North Garneau is in for major changes within a year, and residents are worried. But the university seems in no hurry to let them in on what will happen to the area.

The university-owned section of North Garneau was chosen in last year's Woods Gordon housing study as the preferred site for new student housing to be built within the next decade. It may also be forced to accommodate a new fieldhouse for the 1983 World Games.

Edmonton's successful bid for the 1983 World Student Games is also "putting some real pressure" on the university to step up the pace of new housing development, according to U of A vice president of planning Ron Phillips. About 1,000 new places will be needed for the Games.

"If we don't make a decision on it pretty soon, we won't make it for the games," Phillips said this week.

But Phillips stressed any new housing must be developed with consideration of students' needs after the Games.

"It has to be suitable for long-term student use," he said.

Students' Union president Nolan Astley agrees.

"The Games are only going to be here for ten days," he said Wednesday. "The university has a responsibility to those people that are living in the area."

But Astley is dissatisfied with the university's slow decision-making.

"It's almost a year (since the Games bid was launched) ... they could have had a lot of this stuff pretty well done and a lot of our questions could be answered," he said.

The uncertainty has raised interest among North Garneau's student tenants.

Last year there was so little interest among the residents of the area no executive was elected by the North Garneau Tenants' Association. The association lay dormant all year.

This year, however, the association's elections attracted over 25 percent of the tenants (a higher turnout than in the recent civic election and most Students' Union elections).

The association is concerned that residents will not be able to preserve the character of North

Garneau in the midst of changes to the area, according to executive members Don Archibald and Phil Soper.

"We're interested in solutions to preserve the character (of North Garneau)," Archibald said Tuesday.

"The majority of the executive want to preserve the structures," said Soper. "The character of Garneau lies in the front streets."

Soper and Archibald are also concerned students may be asked to leave some houses in North Garneau to make way for new construction before final exams are over in April.

North Garneau tenants have been promised preference in Lister Hall if that happens, Archibald said.

Information on the North Garneau Tenants' Association is available from U of A Housing and Food Services at 432-4281.



Look quickly! These houses may not be here next April.

Photo Bill Ingler

One really big union

WINNIPEG (CUP) The framework of a new student movement in Canada was laid last week-end by delegates attending the National Union of Students (NUS) and Association of Student Councils (AOSC) joint conference in Winnipeg.

Delegates representing over 70 post-secondary institutions passed motions which will see the political-lobbying NUS merge with the student service organization AOSC in an effort to provide students with a full range student movement, said Mike Miller, NUS fieldworker in British Columbia.

The new organization will also create closer ties between provincial student organizations and the national student movement.

The founding convention for the new organization, which

remains nameless, will probably be held within three years, Miller said.

Until then NUS, AOSC, and the provincial student organizations will continue normal operations. The conference expects in the meantime, referendums approving the concept of the new student movement will take place on campuses across the country.

A new feature of the proposed organization will be exclusive use of AOSC services by members of the new student movement. Student associations will have to be members of the new organization before they may receive the services of the organization, said Max Johnson, member of the Board of Directors for AOSC.

Currently, student associations can be members of either the service oriented AOSC

or NUS, or both. U of A is a member of only AOSC.

The new organization will also feature joint membership for students in both the provincial and national bodies. Instead of needing two separate referendums on campuses to join in the provincial and national bodies, only one referendum with one question will be needed to join both.

In the past, separate referendums were needed on each campus if the student association there wished to join the provincial and national bodies.

Both Johnson and Miller say the new organization will offer students a better run higher profile student organization. They feel it has a chance to "truly unite students in one organization."

The most tangible benefit,

Johnson said, will be that all students at member institutions will receive, free of charge, the international student identification card. This card entitles the holder to discounts in a large number of retail stores and restaurants in Canada, as well as discounts overseas.

In addition, the services side of the organization will provide an entertainment booking coop, a travel service, and a number of other services.

The per capita fee for membership in the new organization will be \$4.00 - \$5.00 higher than the current per capita fee for members of NUS.

The new student organization will also provide a better run, and more responsive student movement to students, Miller said.

With the larger resource base provided by the higher fees, Miller said, the organization will be able to hire more staff to service the members as well, the national component of the organization will be able to provide a "data bank" which would provide student councils with information "on everything from how to operate a student council, to preparing a brief for government, to holding a dance," Miller said.

The congruent membership of students in both the provincial and national components of the organization will also eliminate the current overlap in work by the two groups, Miller said.

Structural details of the new organization will be worked out at the next NUS conference slated for Lethbridge Alberta next May.

*Evelyn Wood
really is a ripoff,
according to
letter page four*

FAS pass at Calgary

by Keith Krause

The Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) came out on top yesterday after a rough and tumble referendum campaign at the University of Calgary.

Sixty percent of the students who turned out voted to remain in FAS.

Not surprisingly, the FAS executive members and staff are happy with the results.

"To say the least I'm pleased," said Kris Farkas, FAS executive member.

Less than 13 percent of the students voted, which according to Farkas is a fairly high turnout for the U of C.

Nolan Astley, U of A Students' Union president, attributed the victory to better campaign organization.

"It was a real grassroots campaign," he said. "The anti-argument just didn't hold any water."

FAS executives see the victory as a green light for their expansion plans to be presented at the fall conference. This expansion

would require referenda at all member campuses in the spring.

"The demands being put on us by the membership are so great, the proposal going to the fall conference is for expansion," said Ferrington.

"It means FAS can continue on the path it was on before ... we don't have to worry about whether or not students support us," said Farkas.

Astley also said the victory may turn off an anti-FAS campaign at the U of A. Other member institutions in Calgary, Mount Royal College and SAIT have also discussed FAS referendums.

"What we've demonstrated is that students in this province do need a provincial organization," said Ferrington.

The Engineering faculty had the only poll with a majority vote against staying in FAS.

Look out Dinos

O.K. all you sports fans. It's time to come out and support the Golden Bears.

This Saturday, the Bears — ranked number one in Canada — take on the fifth ranked Calgary Dinosaurs.

A win by the Bears will assure them of their second straight Canada West regular season title.

The game will likely be a preview of the conference final on November 8. The winner in that game will represent the WIFL in the Western Bowl the following weekend.

Calgary is coming out of their early season slump and should provide some stiff competition for the Bears.

Come out and hoot and holler to blow away those post exam blues.

Game time at Varsity Stadium is 2:00 p.m. and students are reminded that admission is free with U of A ID card.