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Lady Beaverbrook Residence

....to receive internal facelift

UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES \$313,000 GRANT FROM THE BEAVERBROOK FOUNDATION



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Lady Beaverbrook Residence

..... not exactly your typical residence

Chambers Brothers ...

... From Blues to Gospel

Carnival group combines a lick of everything

Pepita Ferrari

About this time of year, sort of sleazed into the heavy words passing around about exams, there's the mention of big names rumoured to be coming for Winter Carnival.

So, here it is people—may your minds rest in peace with your studies.

Get this—the Chambers Brothers are heading for this year's activities. Quite a let-down for those expecting Joe Cocker to find his way to Fredericton. But it seems that the big act finally chosen by Winter Carni-

val is always met with groans, disinterest, or at the best restrained support.

Why not break with the masses strung out on hard rock at the moment and lend a willing ear to something different? Take into consideration the fact that this is not a "thrown together, overnight success" act we are getting. The Chambers Brothers have been performing for over six years now, which is a bit more impressive than the two or three year run the majority of other groups on the scene.

THE CHAMBERS BROTHERS



eldest of the boys, it goes like this: "We are trying to deliver some kind of a message like getting people together with peace and love instead of so much violence."

Naturally they are a combination of first rate instrumentalists but in addition they stress voice harmonizing in their music. The Chambers Brothers can hardly be a bum deal since they have always been asked back for a second performance—even during their European tour of last year.

So how about it? Can we receive this year's Winter Carnival headliner with an open mind? Why start throwing shit at something the majority of people on campus know little about?

There will be two performances on Monday, Feb. 1 1970 at 7 PM and 9:30 PM. The accompanying act is to be something along the lines of a blues performance

but this cannot be verified at the time of writing since it's all still in the negotiating stages.

SPECIAL CARNIVAL SUPPLEMENT

Detailed info in Special Carnival Supplement January Issue

ROOM RENOVATIONS MAY CREATE DIFFICULTIES IN STUDENT HOUSING

The University of New Brunswick has received a bonanza grant of \$313,000 from Sir Max Aitken through the Beaverbrook Foundation of Canada for the modernization of the Lady Beaverbrook Residence, the BRUNSWICKAN learned over the weekend.

LBR residents and the BRUNSWICKAN have been pushing for improvements in one of the first residences on campus which is still in use all fall. The Board of Governors found \$10,000 for immediate renovations.

In early November, Ron McBride, Development Officer for UNB, hinted, "An unnamed agency has been approached by the University to provide a considerable amount of money for the renovations to the Lady Beaverbrook Residence".

This figure of \$313,000 was the blanket estimate made by an architect last year of the cost of completely renovating the Residence.

UNB has been the recipient of many grants from the Beaverbrook Canadian Foundation. The last grant was for one million dollars to construct the Law Building, Ludlow Hall, presented at Convocation in 1967. Previous to that a gift of one and a half million dollars to the gym was announced by Sir Max Aitken at Convocation ceremonies in 1966.

The Lady Beaverbrook Residence is in desperate need of repairs. It is a risk to be living in the building in its present condition. In 1969 a ceiling caved in. There are no fire alarms and insufficient fire extinguishers and fire exits.

The building was designed to house fifty students, but seventy-five men now live there. Although the official news release im-

plies that the renovated building will accommodate seventy-five students, as it does now, it is probable that this number will be decreased.

Vice-President Macauley directly involved with the plans for the renovation, says, "I wouldn't be a bit surprised if the existing capacity is lessened".

He also suggests, "The Beaverbrook Foundation would not want radical changes to alter the building from the original concept, because of the connections with Lord Beaverbrook".

The building was a gift to the University from Lord Beaverbrook and was in tribute to his wife, Sir Max Aitken, the chairman of the Beaverbrook Foundation, is the Beaverbrooks' son.

The complete renovation of the building will begin with the resurfacing of all floors, walls, and ceilings. At present the plaster in walls and ceilings is chipped and cracked.

Closet space, drawer space and desk area for each student will be increased.

The plumbing system will be modernized and more bathroom facilities added. Present conditions are such that twenty people share three flushes, four sinks, and two showers.

In the dining hall of LBR the men have to file out through the kitchen to pick their meal cafeteria-style. This is inefficient for both the staff and the students. Renovations will include the installation of a serving area, as well as kitchen improvements.

"The needs of the modern concept of a residence will be taken into account, including study areas, reading rooms and lounges," says Dr. Macauley.

The present lounge is a large foyer between the two entrances, with no particular colour scheme or style of decoration.

Anticipation of a new wing to the building will be considered in the restoration and redecoration of the Lady Beaverbrook Residence. The administration has hopes of eventually adding an extension to the building, but nothing definite is planned because of lack of money.

The disgraceful condition of the building was placed at the forefront of the House Committee of LBR in preparing a report comparing the facilities of LBR and Jones House. This report was presented to Dr. Macauley, L. Dawson and E. Roberts at a dinner at LBR, on October 14th.

The Alumni Association formed a committee and presented the report to the Board of Governors.

Variance of facilities between the two houses included detailed items such as forty cubic feet of closet space in Jones House as compared to fifteen cubic feet in LBR; the surface area of the desk in Jones House is nine square feet, as compared to five square feet at LBR.

On October 28th, the Board of Governors allotted \$10,000 for minor repairs to the residence, to be spent on what the students felt

were the most pressing needs. The first four thousand dollars was spent on carpeting, lighting, and shelving for the residence library.

The rest is being used for the installation of mirrors, shelving and luxu lamps in each student's room. On the first floor, bumpers and cork stripping is being put on doors opening to the corridors. The old door locks are being changed and new surface mounted locks are to be installed by the end of January. Fire extinguishers were recharged and new ones ordered.

These minor improvements don't scratch the surface of the intolerable situation at LBR. Major renovations sponsored by the Beaverbrook Canadian Foundation, will begin at the end of this academic year. The Residence will be closed for at least one term next year while repairs are being made.

Temporary accommodation for the boys of LBR will be found by the Accommodations Officer, Mrs. Ruth Spicer. The Dean of Women, Mrs. Kidd, has suggested the Maggie Jean Residence might be used.

Sir Max Aitken



at convocation they gave him the royal tour and for Christmas he decided that the house named after his mum had to have a face lifting.