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The fourth floor of the Humanities Building currently under construction and remodeling.



# Remodeling never ends

#### by Tricia Ciaravino

Rome wasn't built in a day and it seems UNLV can't be rebuilt in 365 days.

The problems started with the ill-fated remodeling of the Moyer Student Union. The original project began last year in late June and was scheduled to be finished in October. But due to problems with asbestos removal, MSU didn't open until November. Students were forced to choose a new meeting place outside and stay there through rain and cold and most of the fall semester.

Now students have a rejuvenated MSU to wait in until the Flora Dungan Humanities Building is remodeled.

Until it's finished, students will have to live with hammering and pounding, restricted elevator use and smoking construction workers.

Jerry Dove, of Facilities Management, said they had hoped to finish remodeling before Christmas break ended but couldn't because the bids came in over budget. As a result, the whole project had to be modified.

Dove said the dangerous work, removing asbestos, was completed either before students returned or at night when students weren't on campus.

"We try to make it so we cause the least amount of interference to faculty and students as possible," he said.

## Women's Center opens with support of campus community

### by Georgia West Babb

The Fireside Lounge of the Moyer Student Union was the site of a reception to mark the opening of the Women's Center on the UNLV campus.

"The center is a resource for all women to reach their full educational goals and potential," said Mary Ruth Carleton, the center's director. "These people might include single parents, displaced homemakers or women ready for a career change."

As people signed in they were asked to fill out a questionnaire on what they would like to see the center offer. Many professionals from UNLV and the surrounding community were on hand to offer their support in the form of workshops and speakers.

Regent Carolyn Sparks said the Board of Regents was "strongly supportive" of the women's center and intended to help in any way they could, including fundraising. She added that the questionnaire would help in targeting the needs for the center.

Counseling and referrals are two needs that the Women's Center is glad to provide.

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months later.



Mary Ruth Carleton, director of the Women's Center.

Other departments at the university have already begun to recognize the need for a Women's Center and have sent students there.

"We're becoming a major university and major universities need a Women's Center," Sparks added. "Perhaps we can ward off attrition here and there."

Students, faculty and staff, as well as Lt. Governor Sue Wagner, attended the reception. "I think it's absolutely ter-

rific that UNLV has a Women's

Center and I know that many, many people worked very hard to make it a reality," Wagner said.

Even though Wagner applauded the center, she pointed out that women face social problems in addition to academic ones. Campus violence and date rape are now a part of college life. She also mentioned the increasing request for day care as well.

President Maxson said the Women's Center "will be at the mainstream of the university and it will have the absolute support of the administration and it will be a success."

Notone to sitidle, Carleton detailed plans for a program on date rape to be held Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor auditorium of Beam Hall. In March, the Center will join with the Community College of Southern Nevada to sponsor a number of workshops on campus. One focus will be geared toward re-entering the work force.

The Women's Center is located on the third floor of the Flora Dungan Humanities Building. For more information call Mary Ruth Carleton at 739-4475.

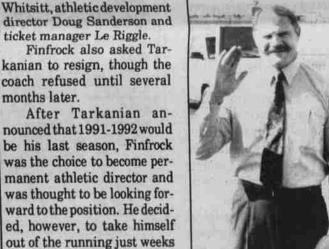
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Maxson spoke positively about Finfrock.

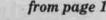
"I'm very happy for Dennis. It is a wonderful opportunity for him," Maxson said. "I hate to lose him, but it was a very good business opportunity for him and his family."

Finfrock called his new job an opportunity he couldn't refuse.

"I had what I thought was one of the best jobs in the city," Finfrock said. "Now I have a chance to be on the ground floor of one of the biggest projects this city will see in our lifetime."



Finfrock bids farewell to UNLV.



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in tuition fees. Maxson called the situation a Catch 22, because potential students may pass up UNLV if they can't take the courses they want.

Reduced enrollment, in turn, might make the university ineligible for funding for additional faculty positions in the future, said John Unrue, senior vice president and provost.

Another way that might help would be to "cut costs wherever we can," he said.

There will be no faculty layoffs, he added.

Maxson said \$100,000, planned for the law school, has

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Unrue said it would be difficult to request any large amount of money for new academic programs, but it wasn't in the system's interest to take a "blanket approach" and block all programs.

"It's a bureaucratic mind who says they'll be no new pregrams," Maxson said.

Maxson requested faculty not to become discouraged. "I know it provides us no comfort, but those of you who read higher education journals know this is a nationwide problem."

A positive sign is that Nevada's economy, and UNLV's fiscal health, will be greatly improved by resorts planned by The Mirage and the Excalibur, Maxson said.

He cautioned that once budget cutting decisions have been made, "We expect everyone to rally behind what we do and get on with business."

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their input, along with that of the students, was crucial to making the cuts as painless as possible.

Maxson said many working students and single parents attend the university and another fee hike could harm enrollment.

Since the fall of 1990, hourly credit fees have been raised \$9. Only the Board of Regents, who will meet in February, can vote to raise fees.

Although he couldn't predict whether the administration would recommend a tuition or fee hike, Maxson said, "No one wants to raise student fees, but that's what's happening all over the country. I don't think any one group will be asked to bare the brunt of cutbacks."

"I don't think we can ask

students to accept fee hikes and not ask faculty to forego raises," he said.

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He added that he would meet with student leaders on the issue.

Student opinion is important, because the administration and the Board of Regents need to know what students are willing or unwilling to pay for, he added.

Vice President of Finance and Administration Harry Neel Jr. said a raise in tuition for next year could generate \$300,000.

Although Neel wasn't sure what kind of impact higher tuition fees would have on enrollment, Maxson said it would have as much impact as the loss of 800 courses due to a hiring freeze on 50 or more faculty positions.