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# Notes and Comments/Notes et commentaires

# Ninth International Conference of the International New Towns Association

The I.N.T.A. Conference will be held in Glasgow, Scotland between September 8 and 14, 1985. Joint hosts with the East Kilbride Development Corporation and the Scottish and English New Towns will be Strathclyde Regional Council and Glasgow District Council. It is the first time this conference has been held in the United Kingdom.

In addition to a variety of plenary sessions and workshops, a number of study tours have been organized. The official conference languages will be English and French.

For further information, contact:

INTA-AIVN Wassenaarseweg 39 NL-2596 CG Den Haag The Netherlands

### CAP-AUX-DIAMANTS-Revue d'histoire de Québec

CAP-AUX-DIAMANTS est une nouvelle revue d'histoire consacrée à la ville de Québec et sa region. Fondée par des passionnés d'histoire ayant à leur actif plusieurs années de recherches sur le passé de Québec, CAP-AUX-DIAMANTS a comme objectif de favoriser la diffusion des connaissances historiques, d'encourager les nouvelles recherches, et de fournir aux professeurs et étudiants d'histoire un nouvel outil pédagogique.

Comptant sur l'appui de nombreux collaborateurs — universitaires, chercheurs autonomes, historiens affiliés à des organismes publics et privés, ou encore, amateurs d'histoire — CAP-AUX-DIAMANTS offre à ses lecteurs des articles variés touchant les événements marquants, la vie sociale, l'activité économique, les modes de vie et la culture. De plus, diverses chroniques renseignent le lecteur sur les livres, les archives, la généalogie, les recherches archéologiques et toute activité ou dossier d'actualité à caractère historique concernant Québec et sa région.

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## FOURTH B.C. STUDIES CONFERENCE October 30-November 1, 1986

The fourth B.C. Studies Conference will be held at the University of Victoria, October 30 - November 1, 1986. Proposals for conference papers are now invited.

#### **PURPOSE**

The B.C. Studies Conference is interdisciplinary with an historical focus. The organizers invite proposals for papers that will enhance our understanding of any aspect of British Columbia's past, current and future development.

#### **FORMAT**

Approximately ten sessions will be held at the conference, each session made up of two papers on a related subject followed by a commentator's critical assessment. One special evening session will also be held.

#### **DEADLINE**

Suggestions for conference papers will be considered as they are received; the deadline for proposal submissions is November 1, 1985.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Enquiries should be directed to Peter Baskerville, Department of History, University of Victoria; R. McDonald, Department of History, University of British Columbia; and Robin Fisher, Department of History, Simon Fraser University.

# Rural and Small Town Studies at Mount Allison Unversity

A Rural and Small Town Studies Program was recently established in the Department of Geography to identify and research issues crucial to the future development of rural and small town communities. The program is supported by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and Mount Allison University. CMHC made a substantial financial commitment in the form of a \$1,000,000 grant to be allocated over the five year period 1985-1990. Mount Allison provides the full resources of the University, including office space on campus in the historic "President's Cottage."

The major goal of the program is to address, as comprehensively as possible, a wide range of issues and concerns relevant to the short- and long-term development of rural areas and small towns, particularly in the Maritimes, but also across Canada. Recent trends emphasize the importance of this goal. Rural areas surrounding small towns are now experiencing sprawl as the preference for rural living increases. Housing in rural areas is therefore much in demand, but its provision and financing is little understood. Some small towns continue to suffer from lack of economic stability and throughout the Maritimes the incidence of rural property is a source of concern. As well, there is an increasing need in both rural areas and small towns for a wide range of local government services, including water, sewer, recreation, and education.

It is recognized that the major issues and concerns of rural and small town communities are closely interrelated. Attempts to deal with any issues must be multi-faceted and comprehensive if solutions to problems are to be identified successfully. The strategy of the program is to focus on community development as a whole. This will involve putting forward a research agenda that recognizes the complexity of the problems and the need to address a wide range of land use, economic, social, and cultural issues.

The objectives of the program can be divided into three functional areas:

### Research

The research interests of the program will cover a broad spectrum of rural and small town issues and concerns. The program's intent is to provide a range of opportunities for interdisciplinary research by both housing and planning professionals and academics. Consideration will be given to funding and publishing external research papers of special interest to the program. Staff research will be published on a regular basis.

#### Outreach

Emphasis will be placed on providing links between the planning and academic communities and the public at large. Opportunities will be provided for professional development through a variety of forms, including lectures, seminars, workshops, and conferences. The program will actively share results with all levels of government, professional groups, universities, and the private sector.

#### Academic Instruction

Several courses will be offered within the Geography Department's curriculum at the third and fourth-year levels to introduce students to the fields of planning and housing. These do not constitute a degree program, but complement course offerings in geography, economics, sociology, and several other disciplines. The courses are 1) Rural and Small Town Canada; 2) Housing and Society; 3) Planning and the

Social Sciences; and 4) Rural Development and Planning. It is hoped that some students enrolled in these courses will consider graduate training in planning and housing studies upon graduation.

Several people have been hired to work on research. The Research Director is Floyd Dykeman, previously Director of Planning, Regional District of Central Kootenay, British Columbia. Ron Corbett is Senior Research Associate. He was most recently Policy Planner, Municipality of Kings, Nova Scotia. Both of these people will also teach part-time in the program. Dr. Larry McCann, Head of the Geography Department, serves as Chairman of the Rural and Small Town Studies Program. Other faculty are Dr. Peter Ennals and Dr. Eric Ross, both of whom are currently engaged in research on rural and small town themes. Research projects will provide opportunities to hire students. There are also four scholarships awarded to students participating in the program.

Mount Allison University is itself located in a small town in a largely rural region, and while Sackville will be only one of many possible research settings, such a location considerably enhances the focus and purpose of the new program. People wishing to receive more information should contact Dr. Larry McCann, Head, Department of Geography, Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB, E0A 3CO.

#### **Native Studies Review**

The Native Studies Review is a new journal published by the Native Studies Department of the University of Saskatchewan. It is a refereed publication under the



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management of an editorial board made up of leading academics in the native studies field. Included in their number are Professor Tony Lussier, Head of the Native Studies Department of the University of Saskatchewan; Dr. A. Long of the University of Lethbridge; and Professor Paul Chartrand. Head of Native Studies at the University of Manitoba.

The content of the Review is broadly

native, including topics of every description concerning Indians, Metis, non-status Indians and Inuit. Unlike other journals of its kind, however, the *Review* focuses exclusively

on the western Canadian context. Indicative is some of the material found in the first issue. There is an article on the changes in the native economy of Northern Manitoba between 1870 and 1900; a discussion paper on the attitudes of the Roman Catholic clergy towards the rebellions in 1870 and 1885; an article summarizing the evolution of federal Indian policy in the West; a biographical essay on Louis Schmidt, Riel's secretary; and a student paper on the fallacies of recent affirmative action initiatives in the native employment field.

In addition to scholarly articles and reviews, the *Review* regularly features a Documents Section devoted to unpublished source material of either historic or contemporary importance. There is also a section entitled "Native Images" which contains black-and-white photographs graphically depicting the western native and his society.

The Review welcomes submissions by academics, students and others who have an interest in native studies. Contributors are asked to forward three typewritten copies of their work, each without reference to authorship and accompanied by an abstract, to the NATIVE STUDIES REVIEW, 114 McLean Hall, University of Saskatchewan, SASKATOON, Saskatchewan, S7N 0W0. It is the policy of the editorial board that authors will receive a decision on their manuscripts within ninety days of submission.

The annual subscription rate (Vol. 1 no. 1 and no. 2) is \$10.00 for individuals and \$20.00 for groups and institutions.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Institute of Urban Studies University of Winnipeg 515 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada R3B 2E9

#### REPORTS

Earl A. Levin, A Model for Joint Public Sector/Private Sector Participation in Core Area Housing Development and Core Area Revitalization. Report No. 8. \$10.00.

A study to develop a model for the joint participation of the public sector and the private sector in the production of market rental housing in the core area of Winnipeg has now been completed. The study was conducted by Earl Levin, Senior Fellow of the Institute of Urban Studies. It is based on the premise that the revitalization of the core area cannot succeed without an increase in core-area housing, that present programs are not producing enough rental housing, and that a new system of residential development is required if the objective of core area revitalization is to be realized.

The model consists of two components — a financial component and an organizational component. The financial component proposes that the cost of a housing project be financed from three sources: 50% of the cost to be provided by government in the form of an interest free loan; 25% to be provided by private long-term investment; and 25% to be provided by conventional mortgage. On the organizational side, the model proposes the establishment of locally based, non-profit development corporations in each of five sectors contained within the central part of the city.

Dan Chekki and Roger T. Toews, *Organized Interest Groups* and the Urban Policy Process. Report No. 9. \$10.00.

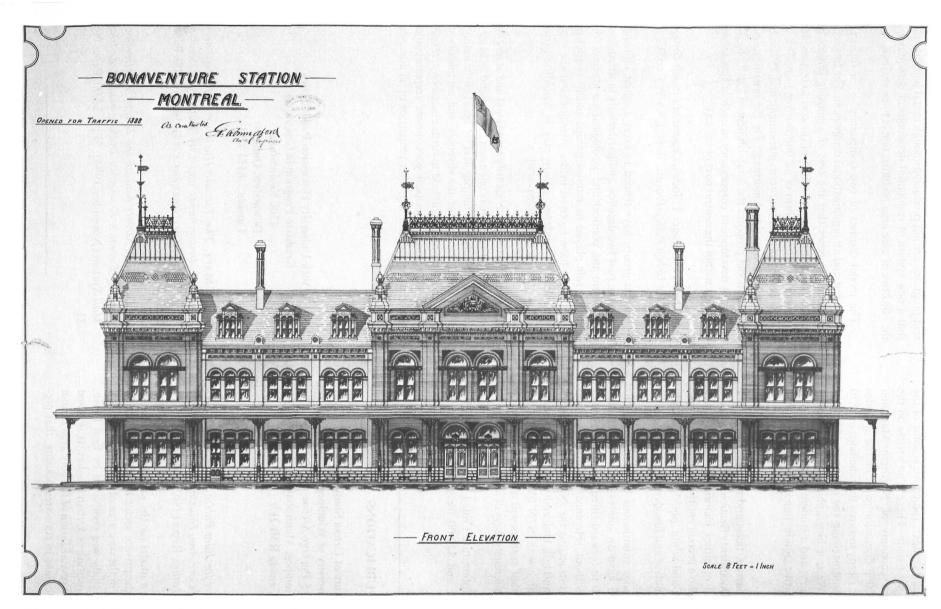
Interest groups have tended to exert a major influence during the past two decades, and particularly in urban contexts. From the political and ideological standpoints, the advocacy role played by interest groups and its impact on public policy have received media attention, but the symbiotic role which interest groups play in moulding urban policy remains largely unexplored.

This study attempts to identify traditional and emerging relationships between areas of citizen interest and local government in the City of Winnipeg. It is the belief of the authors that an understanding of the diversity and complexity of groups and their needs will lead towards altered civic rationale and, therefore, new local government responsibilities designed to better serve a greater proportion of all interests.

York University Discussion Paper Series Graduate Program in Geography 4700 Keele Street Downsview, Ontario Canada M3J 1P3

James O'Mara, The Toronto Harbour Commissioners' Financial Arrangements and City Waterfront Development 1910 to 1950 (November 1984), 14 pp. \$2.00. Paper No. 30.

Lindy Goodman, Streets Beneath the Towers: The Development of Toronto's Downtown Underground Pedestrian Mall System (November 1984), 51 pp. \$4.00. Paper No. 31.



C.R. Hannaford. Bonaventure Station, Montreal, 1889.

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