



Architects

The Student Union building was designed, planned and engineered as a joint venture by:

**John Carl Warnecke, F.A.I.A.
Architects & Planning Consultants
Washington, D.C.**

and

**George M. Ewing Company
Architects, Planners & Engineers
Washington, D.C.**

The building site and adjacent grounds were planned by:

**Community Planning Associates, Incorporated
Planning Consultants
Raleigh, North Carolina**

Builder

**E. H. Glover, Incorporated
General Contractor
Baileys Crossroads, Virginia**

Construction Cost:	\$1,385,000
Total Cost:	\$1,900,000
Space:	40,000 gross square feet

Groundbreaking
Student Union Building
George Mason College of the University of Virginia
Tuesday, February 29, 1972

PROGRAM

Invocation

Norman A. Yance
Professor of Religion

Welcome

Lorin A. Thompson
Chancellor

Remarks

Robert A. Turner
Dean of Students
James S. Corrigan
President, Student Government
George M. Ewing, Sr.
Senior Partner, George M. Ewing Co.
M. Paul Brott, A.I.A.
Partner, George M. Ewing Co.
Peter D. Sayer, A.I.A.
Associate, John Carl Warnecke & Associates
E. H. Glover
Builder

Groundbreaking

John C. Wood
Chairman, George Mason College Advisory Board

Benediction

Norman A. Yance
Professor of Religion

About the Building

The cover of this program pictures the Student Union as it will appear in 1975 when both phases of construction will be completed.

Expected to be completed by the summer of 1973, this three-story structure will be the first of several Student Unions since each of George Mason's future cluster colleges will have its own student center.

The first phase of the building will include a two-story lounge on the main floor together with special rooms available for listening to music and watching television as well as reading rooms and game rooms. A bookstore will round out the facilities on the main floor.

A kitchen, snack bar, dining room, and outdoor patio will occupy the lower level. The upper level will be given over to offices and meeting rooms for the Union's director, student organizations, and student publications as well as George Mason's financial aid and placement services.

The main entrance to the building, at mid-level, will face the main entrance of the Library. A nearby illuminated parking lot will provide space for approximately 50 cars.

The Student Union's second phase, scheduled to be available by the summer of 1975, will provide an additional 40,000 square feet of space.

This first Student Union building will be about twice the size of future unions and will serve as the focal point for campus-wide student activities. It will house large meeting rooms and a banquet hall, all of which will be available to any of the cluster colleges and to community organizations.

The building will be constructed primarily with borrowed money which will be amortized by the Student Union members. Operation of the building will be on a self-paying basis with revenue obtained from fees and concessionaire sales.