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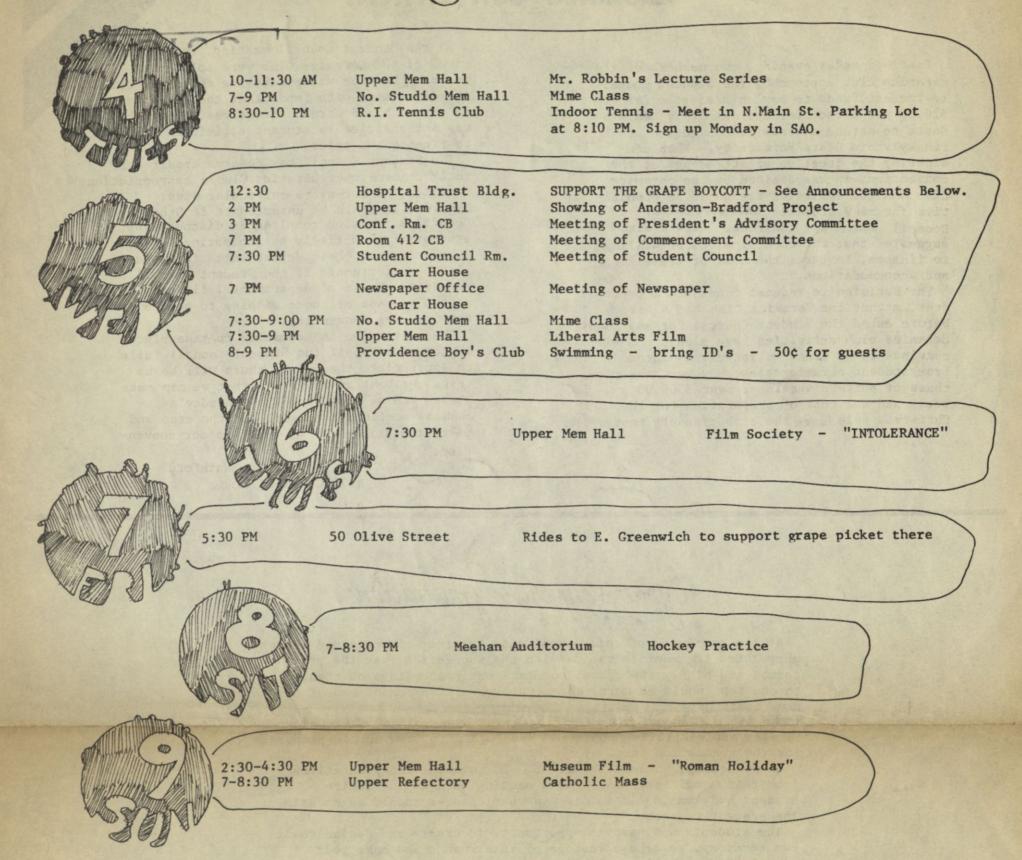
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Grade Poll

745 students gave their opinions about grades on Monday October 20. Approximately 600 favored a pass/no credit or pass/fail system. These statistics were prresented at the faculty meeting on Tuesday, October 21.

The committee is now working on a formal proposal to move to a pass/no credit system; but before any vote can be called, questions about scholarships graduate schools, probation, dismissal and honors must be carefully considered. We hope to bring our proposal to the faculty meeting in December.

Thank you for your help.

Myrna Lamb.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL CONTRACT -- \$550 per year, mandatory for students in RISD dorms, optional for other RISD students. Any other RISD student and outsiders may eat at Refectory and pay for individual meals: Breakfast, .85, Lunch, 1.40, Dinner, 1.85, Sunday Brunch, 1.60.

DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF GRAPE BOYCOTT, Fri. Nov. 7, East Greenwich, R.I. A candle light march from the Post Office of E. Greenwich to Almacs on Rt. 1, Main street in E. Greenwich. For rides come to 50 Olive Street (off Thayer St.) at 5:30 PM. For further info about time of march call 331-6495.

CERAMICS CONVENTION?

Last Wednesday evening, two members of the ceramics club approached the Student Council to request funds to pay an admission fee of \$20.00 per person for approximately ten students to attend a ceramics convention at Pennsylvania State University. When considering the question of attendence at the convention, it was decided by the ceramics club that the admission fee would be prohibitive for many students unless Student Council would pay the fees. It was also suggested that the council might be willing to finance, in part, the cost of travelling and accommodations.

The decision to request funds set a precedent in that the Ceramics Club had never before asked the Student Council for any funds. Ceramics club activities have always and will continue to be financed largely by income from student ceramic sales; however, the purchase of potters wheels at over \$300.00 a piece and the cost of preparation for the Christmas sale leave the club treasury empty.

At the Student Council meeting, representatives of the Ceramics Club were told that, because the club was purchasing equipment for the department with funds that the students in the club had earned themselves, the club was not entitled to student activities funds to finance the trip.

The Student Council may deserve credit for their concern over Ceramics Club's appropriation of funds for not-extra-curricular uses; however, it would be unfortunate if Student Council's position resulted in discouraging students from actively participating in the improvement of their department. It would also be unfortunate if the Student Council raised the issue of departmental finance at the expense of those wishing to attend the upcoming convention.

The convention is scheduled to take place in three weeks; if the Student Council fails to appropriate the funds, there will be no trip. We want an answer so that we can make plans, and we hope that by Wednesday's council meeting, they will cut the crap and make it possible for us to go to our convention.

Phil Fox and Sam Wainford RISD Ceramics Club

your Very Own Graduation

At the beginning of this school year, a group of concerned students approached the administration with the suggestion that the present formal and highly impersonal commencement proceedings be changed to one that would be more representative of the school and of our time spent here.

The basic idea met with Administration approval and a student/ faculty/administration committee was formed to draw up new proposals for the graduation ceremony.

On Wednesday, November 5, at 7:00 PM, student representatives from this committee will hold a meeting open to the entire student body in CB 412 to discuss what changes should be made in the present ceremony.

The students now have an opportunity to create and design their own ceremony, so take advantage of this chance and make your wishes known at this meeting.

Dicran Derderian

KARATE

Through the coordinated efforts of the Dean of Students, Director of SAO, and Director of Security at RISD, the feasibility of starting a defensive Karate class is being considered. Anyone who may be interested in joining this class is requested to sign up at the SAO of fice. The mechanics of this class will be worked out at a later date, and when we are sure the program can be started, all concerned will be notified through this communication.



A show must be written, and tickets and a poster designed. If interested, please leave your name in the S.A.O.