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S. F. A. R. C. Reps Meet, Discuss Library & Proctors

Chairman George Geist reviewed the purposes of SPARC—to discuss matters of policy and problems of the College. SPARC's role is mainly to make suggestions and recommendations for improvements and changes throughout the campus community.

LIBRARY: Mr. Broadhead, new head librarian, said he would like to discover what students need. It has been proposed that the library be opened an additional hour, with one student attendant, possibly closing off the upper floor. This would also permit greater ease of the computer center. However, Mr. Broadhead discussed the possibility of a survey of students and staff opinion. Whatever might be done, he said that it would be on a temporary basis. Other considerations, Geist reported that the study room in the College Union has been painted.

It was the consensus that the library should conduct a survey. Mr. Broadhead will ask the USGA to help with the survey.

ENERGY: It was reported that the Energy Advisory Committee was being reactivated and that an informational bulletin will be distributed periodically.

COST OF TUITION: The question of what the cost per credit or increase in tuition will be next year was also discussed, yet, according to administration representatives. The Committee is awaiting input from enrollment numbers of a hypothetical increase of $500 next year. Student representatives felt that a high increase would result in transfers of many students.

On the other hand, it was pointed out that competitive institutions in the area are offering adequate financial aid packages, and that students would qualify for additional financial aid, as well.

SUMMER JOBS: How much the students would like to work jobs in the summer, two students were last year according to Mr. Switzer.

REIRMERT HALL: It was expressed that the design for this dormitory will become furnished for meetings under supervision and will not be available for unspecified use.

There was a general discussion of the disappearance of furniture in men's dorms and the desire for furnished areas for quiet study.

SPARC recommends that a student committee be set up to discuss with appropriate members of the administration the possibility of furnishing the space.

PROCTORING: There was a complaint that some freshmen and other students do not know their proctors and do not get or give forms or information about life in the dorms. It was suggested that Mr. Whitley make sure that the responsibilities of proctors and ways in which the proctor system can be improved are known. It was felt that proctors should serve a social function as well as an academic one.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 29, 1975, at 4:00 P.M., in the Conference Room of the College Union.

All meetings are open, and all are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
George Geist, Chairman
Richard P. Richter, Secretary

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By B. BRANT

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Union Plans

Mini-Courses

By ROBERT BRANCATI

The mini-courses sponsored by the College Union are under way this year, and the programs planned are diverse and interesting.

Fall courses have been assigned to the topics of the mini-courses this year, and for the first time, a special committee has been established to handle the ever-growing demand for courses of special interest and with a wide breadth of variety.

Courses shall deal in enriching intellectual areas with social and cultural productions as well as very informal and unusual areas.

The first mini-course is in the many art of self-defense. However, let's not forget away women who would like to keep in shape channel their energies into a meaningful and productive outlet, and learn how not to get into trouble. The theme of this first course is the learning of a practical guide to self-defense. So far, the course has progressed somewhat, its kinder students progress might seem a bit rigorous at first, it will eventually provide physical fulfillment integrated with spiritual growth.

The instructor of this Union course resides right here at Ursinus College and he holds a black belt in judo.

The second mini-course is scheduled for sometime in the month of November. It will deal with dancing.

Types of dancing shall range from ballet to jazz and Oriental dancing. Along with this program for next month will be another self-defense course; however this shall be in karate and the actual dates are not known.

Courses which will be held during this semester and possibly run into the second are arts and crafts, colonial mental art, auto repair, care for flowers and plants, photography, and hypnosis.

In addition to these regular mini-courses, there will also be held one or two special mini-courses in such topics as Mr. Nix's trip to China, a special Christmas vacation conducted by Mr. Ted Kaiser in December, and several guest speakers and acts.

There is a lot scheduled in the way of mini-courses and entertainments and it is hoped that as many students participate as is possible. These mini-courses have been established for the benefit of the student body, and the students should take advantage of them.

The mini-courses on the average will be held once a week for approximately a single month; however not all courses shall conform to this scheduling, and it is advised that the interested student check on the course at the College Union.

The Chairman of the Mini-Course Committee is myself, so if any problems do arise, don't hesitate to get in contact with the committee at the Union.

The judo program will be held October 14, 20-3:15 P.M.; October 21, 2:30-3:45 P.M.; October 28, 2:30-3:45 P.M. at Helferich Hall - wrestling room. Please attend!
homecoming really what we think it is? Are homecoming offers us a perfect example of the incon­si­stency we face. The alumni return to renew their four years of college life and we eagerly await them, picturing present time. Yet no one can actually be a part of some­thing. It is the most over­powering force.  
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For the past couple of years at least, sororities have been a sub­ject of debate among students. It seems obvious that they hold a place in the lives of many. However, note the size of the "friendship cir­cle" that gathers on the Union lawn every fall. So many of our aﬃl­iates are given out. Yet sororities are viewed by many with G.D.L.'s and contentedly ignored by others. What is all this argument for?  

As an ardent feminist (usually describe myself as "radical," but since Harnack's letter to "Feminists," I've changed my mind) I've stopped), I always looked on sororities with at least some degree of sympathy. They seem to be a reason for plenty of reasons for my feelings. For one thing, joining one was like locking yourself in a box. For still another, I spent the second half of my freshman year, with only sophomores for friends, watching the power struggles and petty rivalries going on in their sorority with an almost sickening feeling. And then when I was rushed first semester of sophomore year, I surprised even myself when I took the bid and joined. Once in, I want­ed to get out. I fought it as much as any "sisterly " by not paying my dues and doing little work. The only thing that kept me from being "inactive" was writing an essay for the school. If I had been asked, I would have said no, but I had to fill the slot.
Freedom of Speech

This is a newly-created column designed to discuss this important issue throughout the year. It's purpose is to allow the students of Ursinus College to express their opinions and feelings. The column will continue to do so for the rest of my stay at Ursinus.

"Every community needs rules. I don't think anyone can successfully function without them. There is considerable room for disagreement on the rules and their application. To a great extent, the application of these rules is determined by who makes them. The answer is to rewrite the code."

"As a senior in high school I received a copy of the rules and regulations. By the time I thought of dis­regarding them then, I couldn't believe that I had even done so. Four years and fifteen derisors later, I am still under the impression that the rules are not laws and will continue to do so for the rest of my stay at Ursinus.

Freedom of the press is not being utilized on this campus, however, because we, the students, are too often intimidated by the administration and we fear that they might take offense and/or action against us if we say what we really think. We fear the administration has never changed anything. The only way to come to a mutual understanding is to communicate with each other as reasonably and emotionally as possible. This can and hopefully will be accomplished through the Student Faculty Board and/or student publications.

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George Allen's Urnissus Redskins Offense Falters

By GEORGE GEIST

Last Saturday, our football team was on the verge of scoring a surprising 8-7 loss to the Blue Jays of Johns Hopkins. In a contest marred by offensive inefficiency on the part of both teams, Johns Hopkins maintained a two-point lead that stood at 9-7 at the start of the game, when the Blue Jays scored on a fumble recovery by running back John Wilmot. Despite two scoring chances by the Johns Hopkins quarterback, the offense couldn't convert them into touchdowns.

The game continued with Johns Hopkins scoring a field goal on a 48-yard kick, taking a 12-7 lead at halftime. The Johns Hopkins offense, anchored by the running of Wilmot and the passing of quarterback John Smith, was a force to be reckoned with.

Despite Johns Hopkins' efforts, George Allen's offense, led by quarterback Tom Smith, was able to make a comeback in the second half. Smith completed a 24-yard pass to receiver Tom Johnson, setting up a touchdown run by fullback John Hart. The extra point was good, and George Allen regained the lead, 13-12.

In the final minutes of the game, Smith threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to receiver Jim Brown, increasing the lead to 20-12. However, Johns Hopkins was not ready to give up. Smith engineered a Johns Hopkins drive to the George Allen 11-yard line, but the final pass was incomplete, ending the threat.

Johns Hopkins had several opportunities to score in the second half, but the George Allen defense, led by linebacker John Millard and defensive end John Doe, held them to field goals. The final score was 20-12, and George Allen emerged as the victor in an exciting game that kept spectators on the edge of their seats.

The victory was significant for George Allen, who had struggled in previous games. The team's morale improved, and the fans celebrated a much-needed win.

Post-game quotes:

"It was a hard-fought battle," said George Allen coach Tom Smith. "We were down early, but the team never gave up. The defense did an excellent job of limiting Johns Hopkins' scoring opportunities."  

"I'm proud of our team," said Johns Hopkins coach John Wilmot. "We had our chances, but George Allen was just a bit better on this particular day. We'll learn from this loss and come back stronger next year."  

The George Allen win was a morale booster for the team, and fans are hopeful for more successful games in the future.