

## Editorial

Administration and faculty voted yesterday to abolish self-scheduling exams. The exam period will last from December 10th through the 12th; exams being given by the professors during normal class hours. This move was precipitated by student grumblings of wanting to get home for the holidays as soon as possible and thus their disinterest in distributing exams. As stated in the official memorandum: "The present system of self-scheduling exams was a mockery of the original concept. The low percentage of student participation in the distribution process and the widespread disregard of the Honor Code are more than sufficient reasons to abandon a system distorted from within."

Did you turn a little pale as your pulse quickened? Do not panic or even draft a petition. The aforementioned changes in exam policies are merely an exercise in Salem science-fiction. The ironic thing about this type of literature is its uncanny ability to transform from fiction into reality.

It is a tiresome tirade we are privileged to hear during our Salem careers: "Self-scheduling exams are a measure of the honor, integrity and maturity of the Salem students who support this system, for without student commitment the system would be non-existent." I chose the words "tiresome" and "privileged" carefully in this instance. It is far too easy to grow tired of accepted redundancy and so demean the worth of the oft-repeated message. This is precisely why "privilege" needs to be strongly stressed. More often than not rights are not granted without having first been merited by responsible achievement. Self-scheduling exams are as fine an example of this postulate as Salem can offer. They are a cherished part of our traditions, rooted in honor and mutual respect. They work for us only because we work at them together. To shirk responsibility by not serving the system, to betray the most precious values Salem has taught us.

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## LETTER TO THE STUDENTS CONCERNING EXAMS

1. NO talking is allowed among students concerning exams. Infractions are considered Honor Council offenses and will be treated accordingly.

2. Fall exams will begin Monday, December 10, and will continue through Saturday, December 15. There will be three exam periods, each lasting three hours: 9:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. daily. On Saturday, December 15, however, only the morning exam will be offered.

3. Exams may be picked up in the building where the class is taken 30 minutes before the beginning of the period. All exams must be returned within 15 minutes after the exam period.

4. Points of distribution are the Seminar Room in the Science Building, Room 205 in Main Hall, and the Seminar Room (behind Dean Sandresky's office) in the FAC. On the last two days of exams, December 14th and 15th, all exams will be distributed and taken in Main Hall.

5. Students should estimate the number of blue books they will need for an exam and request that number from the student distributor. The distributor will write the number in the space provided on the white slip. When the student returns the exam, she should show the distributor that she is returning the same number of blue books marked on the white slip. The student must have all her blue books, or she must find them. The distributor will place a check by the number to show that all books have been returned.

6. There will be four student distributors at each distribution point. Two distributors must be present at all times; all at peak times.

7. Sophomores and seniors are responsible for distributing exams this term. Seniors will distribute in Main Hall and sophomores will distribute in the Science Building and in the FAC. After Dec. 6, the sign-up posters will be kept in Room 306 Strong, phone 727-1256 (Melanie Adams). There is a \$10.00 fine for forgetting to do what one has signed up for.

8. Students must take exams IN THE CLASSROOMS of Main Hall, the Science Building, and the FAC; exams may not be taken in hallways, laboratories, practice rooms, etc. Also, a student is not to take an exam in a room by herself; she should see that at least one other person is in the room.

9. Open book rooms are Room 106 in the Science Building, Room 212 in Main Hall, and the FAC Library.

10. Under no circumstances are books to be taken into any building in which a student is taking an exam. All books and papers should be left in the dorm or outside the building. **ALL UNUSED BLUE BOOKS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE DISTRIBUTION POINT.**

If you have any questions, contact Melanie Adams (727-1256) or Laura Lindsey (727-0220). **GOOD LUCK!**

## Foreign Affairs

The history-political science department welcomed Graham Martin and Thomas Conlon to our campus to speak on Nov. 14. Conlon is a State Department Counselor who has recently returned from Thailand and the horrors of Cambodia and Martin was the last U.S. ambassador to South Vietnam.

Ambassador Martin began by speaking about our early foreign policies. He stated that the U.S. had stayed clear of skirmishes due to its power in the Pacific. He continued that when he arrived in 1973 the American soldiers had been sent home, but there was still

a campaign to cut off aid to South Vietnam. He then emphatically said, "When the fighting stopped, the killing began."

Thomas Conlon spoke about how widespread starvation was aggravated by action against Cambodia. Laos had communist government imposed in June of 1975 and Vietnam and Cambodia also came under communist regime.

Dr. Clauss gave a summary of the historic role of Indochina in 16th and 17th centuries. There was a question and answer period. When Martin was asked what China's role or stance is in the future,

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## Rubin activates Salem

His hair is shorter now, his dress leans more toward the conservative. Jerry Rubin, at 41, looks altogether different than he did 10 years ago during his days as a yippie.

Rubin, co-founder of the yippies (Youth International Party), ex-activist of the 60's, protestor, former student of history, political science and sociology, former newspaper man, ex-convict, politician, author of four books, lecturer, educator, has most definitely lead a varied, certainly exciting life.

Today Rubin lectures on college campuses in order to counter the "apathy of the 70s." He wants to make "each person aware of his or her own power ... aware of their civic and human responsibility." Rubin shares his knowledge of 20 years of recent history and tells of his own adventurous experiences during the 60's.

The dynamic speaker gave his rousing lecture to Salem College as the finale in the Lecture Assembly program, "Years of Change".

Rubin touched on most every subject you could name: Vietnam, Kent State, the current Iranian crisis, ERA. He presented the audience with harsh realities,

vivifying them with insightful humor.

He began his lecture by saying he was going "to try on some level, to offend everybody in the room." He did keep those in Hanes Auditorium entranced as he told his stories about joining the civil rights movement, organizing protests against the Vietnam war and "concentrating 24 hours a day on making life miserable for the president of the United States ... who was waging war in Vietnam ... making life miserable there."

One of his most captivating stories was the theatrical trial of the Chicago 7. Rubin and his partner, Abbie Hoffman, organized the Festival of Life opposite the Democratic National Convention in Chicago - August of '68. According to Rubin this was the "night that innocence died in America ... It was a crucial night in the 60s - A turning point in the country."

"Never again will America go back to the pre-60's innocence." Rubin explained that the anti-war demonstrators shouted "The whole world is watching!" as police clubbed and tear-gassed people live on national television. Rubin was arrested and charged,

along with seven others, of conspiracy and inciting a riot.

The trial turned out to be a slap-stick comedy due to the antics of defendants Rubin, Hoffman, and others. Rubin recalled how he and Hoffman "tried to give Judge (Julius J.) Hoffman a heart attack." He continued, "Abbie and I got together and thought, 'How do we push this guy over?'" "Through his dress", they decided, "So we got some black robes ourselves."

The next day in court they showed up wearing the robes. Rubin remembered Judge Hoffman's comment, "I see you're wearing your academic robes." Rubin replied, "No your honor, these are judges robes. There are two of us against one of you and we sentence you to 30 years in jail."

Rubin explained that Hoffman was rather upset and ordered them to take the robes off. So they did. Rubin had on a yippi t-shirt underneath his robe but underneath Abbie's was a Chicago policeman's uniform. "Underneath judicial power is police power," Rubin said.

The seven were acquitted of conspiracy but convicted of

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## Intervarsity aides World Vision

By now many of you are aware of the grim situation in Cambodia. The starving and the diseased are rapidly becoming statistics while the necessary aid is withheld due to the conflict between the Heng Samrin (Vietnamese puppet government) and the Khmer Rong (Pot Pol's Cambodian Communists). These groups are afraid of aid falling into the "wrong hands" and subsequently everyone suffers.

As of last October, officials of the Samrin government have miraculously granted the World Vision office in Phenom Penh permission to monitor the distribution of food and medicine when such aid is available. World Vision coordinates efforts with volunteer agencies such as UNICEF and Red Cross. It also works through existing missions and national groups since aid is usually easier to accept from one's own people than from foreigners. World Vision's areas of concern include:

- 1) child care
- 2) social action; wells, dams, leprosy programs, agricultural help
- 3) leadership development; training teachers, pastors, farmers
- 4) emergency aid; help in war, famine, flood, etc.
- 5) evangelism; social action and emergency aid, etc. which are not used as manipulative tools to spread the gospel.

Despite the political turmoil in Cambodia, World Vision is supplying relief. Seventy percent of this aid is financed by individuals while churches and corporations supply the other 30 percent. Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship welcomes any amount of money that you can give. Sometime before exams a few girls will visit the dorms requesting donations. If you would like to give before then, checks should be made out to World Vision and can be given to Laura Lindsey, 3rd Strong; Ann Todd, 2nd Strong; Stephanie King, 3rd South

Thank you.

Ann Todd  
IVCF Missions and Evangelism

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