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*New Year's Eve is not the only time for self-improvement resolutions. Here, at the Bulletin, we solemnly resolve to raise our standards and produce a higher quality magazine. It is our goal to provide you with the hottest late-breaking news we can find.*

*After months of deliberating and debating, we have finally discovered the key to this refinement: Bulletin's complete emulation of the Columbia Daily Spectator.*

*While we know we are not and cannot be the Spectator, we cannot help looking enviously across the street toward that "bastion of journalistic prowess". "America's second oldest college daily has years of integrity behind it, as everyone can see in its invariably honest and accurate reporting.*

*But, most of all, we wish to match the Spectator's unsurpassable moral integrity: the newspaper with a heart.*

*We are asking our readers to bear with us on our challenging journey to excellence. It is for your sake and for the welfare of the college that we undertake this most difficult task. Please keep in mind, however, that we cannot expect to ascend to the Spectator's height before the turn of the century.*

*We welcome your suggestions, which we will bear in mind throughout this arduous route to perfection. Thank you for your support.*

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*Have a sense of humor -- believe it or not, things could be a lot worse around here. Take this issue for what it is -- fiction.*

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A Solution to Barnard's Problems

To the editor:

As an alumna of Barnard College, I am aware of the current activities on the college's campus. I love Barnard very much and have instilled this love into my children, two of whom are currently studying at Columbia University.

Not many people share as intense a love for Barnard as my family does, and it is out of this love that grows a certain wisdom and understanding of

Barnard's past, present, and future. It is essential to Barnard's existence that this wisdom and understanding is disseminated among University students, faculty, and administrators.

The responsibility of the **Barnard Bulletin**, as the college's weekly news magazine, is to give the Barnard community a clearer understanding of the issues facing Barnard today. The **Bulletin** has done a relatively satisfac-

tory job over the past year considering its limited knowledge and resources.

I urge you to allow my son, Chris, who is a Columbia student only because of Barnard's restricted enrollment, to oversee all aspects of every Barnard club, publication, and organization: it is only with his unlimited and incomparable knowledge of Barnard that the college will survive.

Ms. Browne

## Futter, What Do You Really You Do?

To the editor:

Over the past year I have read several articles in the **Bulletin** about our esteemed President Ellen Futter. She has received countless awards, has been recognized by more organizations than I can count, and has been named to every commission and committee in the free world. With all these commitments and responsibilities, does she run this college as a hobby in her spare time? Perhaps it is because of her innumerable responsibilities other than those at Barnard, that she is unaware of the hideousness of the McIntosh Student Center; or

the fact that the brick on the top of new dorm does not match that of any other building on campus; or that there are so many unfinished renovations on this campus, people are beginning to wonder what the campus should really look like.

In addition, I would like to know if President Futter really exists because I have only seen her in that same photo which is released every time she joins a new committee.

Kyuri S. Steward (BC '88)

## NOTES FROM SGA

The power mongers of the student government are happy to share with you our activities of the past week.

Let's see, this week, the executive board unanimously decided among ourselves to reduce Rep Council to one member, which will be controlled by the Exec. Council, which would, of course, consist of the the five of us.

We also decided that this decision didn't have to be brought before the Rep Council, because, after all, they never show up and don't care anyway.

Now that we have assumed full au-

thority at Barnard, we're going to restructure the clubs' budgets so that half of all money previously allocated to clubs goes toward our jobs (after all, we're the only ones who do anything around here anyway). In addition, all publications that in any way oppose our government will be immediately silenced.

One last note, just remember, all Representative Council members are equal, but some members are more equal than others.



## Hot Truck Serves Cold Food

by Caring Combs

Barnard Vice President for Finance and Administration Sigmund Ginsburg was arrested yesterday on the charges of theft of a bright red pick-up truck from Uncle Al's Car Lot, early in October, 1987.

According to car lot owner "Uncle Al" Lemon, "I saw this man in a three piece suit running around the lot carrying a chainsaw. He had a crazed look in his eyes...like he might get his jollies sawing trucks in half, or something ridiculous like that."

Lemon later identified the "crazed man" as Ginsburg.

Lemon said that he didn't take action at the time because "all sorts of bizarre people with abnormal habits" come to look at cars and trucks every day.

The Barnard administration denies Lemon's charges of Ginsburg's theft and claims that the truck was legally obtained as part of the new decor of the recently renovated McIntosh Student Center.

"Let there be no mistake," declared Barnard President Ellen Futter,



*Courtesy of Alcatraz*

*"Sticky Fingers" Ginsburg*

"Barnard has never been involved in any sort of underhanded or illegal dealing, and she never will."

Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs Barbara Schmitter agreed, "Oh yes, yes...Everything is legal and great."

In addition to the controversy over the means of the vehicle's acquisition, many Barnard students are outraged that the Barnard administration approved of slicing a new Chevrolet truck in half to *find the continuation yourself*

## BC Creativity: New Dorm to be Named "New Hall"

by Sophocles

The new dormitory currently under construction will officially be called "New Hall" because nobody is willing to donate enough money to have their name put on such an ugly building, according to Barnard administrators.

Barnard Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs Barbara Schmitter said she has not been worried about collecting enough money to build the dorm, but admitted that she had been concerned about finding the name for it.

"Most people think it is a stupid place to build a dorm," Schmitter said, "but I don't agree. I think completing the quad and destroying a perfectly good sunlit courtyard and replacing it with an airshaft makes a lot of sense."

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## Barnard's Quick Dorm Erection Deemed Unsafe

by Alotta Westernmen

The new Barnard dormitory has been erected too quickly, construction experts say, and as a result will look like the leaning Tower of Pisa after the first major storm.

Konstruktion King owner Bill D. Lotte told Barnard administrators that the cement and other building materials were not given ample time to dry and, as a result, will not properly solidify.

"I understand that the college wants to finish the dorm quickly for immediate use," Lotte said, "But if the cement superstructure does not solidify, the building will not be stable."

Barnard President Ellen Futter denied the charge. "Barnard has always insisted upon the highest quality in all she does. These standards apply, too, to the construction of her dormitory."

Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs Barbara Schmitter agreed with Futter.

She said, "I don't know what all the fuss is about. President Futter and I were on the site last week, and I felt the walls and they felt very strong."

Lotte and his crew began investigating the quality of the building after he was contacted by the Guinness Book of World Records, which told him that Barnard was building its dorm at a rate of one and a half floors per hour.

"My concern for the safety of the students who will live there and those who will spend time there drove me to investigate," Lotte said. "I have already warned the administration several times...it is out of my hands."

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*stolen photo*

*The new dorm: How long will it last?*

## SGA Executive Board Formalizes Oligarchy *Rep Council Reduced to One Member*

by Anna Banana

After months of deliberation, the Student Government Association (SGA) announced its decision to reduce the Representative Council to one member from the current 76. Many council members whose positions have been eliminated are outraged.

"Who the hell do they think they are?" demanded health services committee member Dee Zees (BC '88). "They have no right to abolish the entire legislative body of SGA, and give themselves unlimited power."

SGA Vice President for Student Government Mithra Merrywoman (BC '88) explained: "We are tired of all the garbage that goes on at Rep Council meetings. With all this talk about making the council more efficient, we would never be able to accomplish our real goals."

She added, "Besides, Rep Council doesn't do anything anyway."

A committee to revise the SGA Constitutional by-laws and investigate ways to improve the efficiency of Rep Council had been meeting for the past several months. Council members



Courtesy of MOMA

*SGA power mongers show uncontrollable joy over their Rep Council victory*

greatly opposed the committee's preliminary proposal to reduce the council's number of voting members from 76 to 20 at a November 5 Rep Council meeting. They claimed that such a reduction would create a small, elite group which would run the school and alienate the students.

"That is a lot of crap," said Representative to the Board of Trustees and revision committee member Maryam Banikarim (BC '89). "The council members are power-mongers and saw the reductions as a threat to their own power."

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## McIntosh Decor Sparks Fear of Radiation

by My Dog Rover

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, fearing Barnard's use of dangerous quantities of nuclear power, has begun testing the air in the McIntosh Student Center. The center's glow from its interior neon decor prompted the investigation.

Commission member Ed Powers explained: "We have received countless phone calls and letters from Morningside Heights residents expressing concern about the orange glow emanating from the north end of the Barnard campus."

According to Powers, many com-

munity members contend that Barnard has an illegal underground nuclear power plant which the college uses to heat its dormitories and student center.

Barnard President Ellen Futter denied the charge.

"Let there be no mistake," she said. "Barnard has neither used nuclear power to fuel her facilities, nor has she ever cheated the government."

Students agree that nuclear power was not used to heat the dormitories over the winter.

"The heat could not have been from that because there is no heat in the

dorms," said Barnard junior Kole Feate.

Despite Futter's claim that the center's effulgent glow is from its new "festive and modern" neon interior decor, investigations continue.

The commission, in addition to trying to uncover whether Barnard actually owns a nuclear power plant, is concerned with the levels of radiation in the air on campus.

Said Powers, "Thus far we have found levels of radiation high enough to kill laboratory gerbils who were

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# CLAUDINE AND ROGER'S GUIDE TO THE TEN MOST INTERESTING PEOPLE IN THE COLUMBIA COMMUNITY



## 1. MARY DICKENSON *Night Time Televangelist for ESPN*

"I have a calling," says Mary Dickenson, our pick for the most interesting person in the Columbia community. "I began my televangelist cult show, *Count Your Blessings*, as part of a summer internship with the Bakkers, and then it just blossomed into a career." When asked why she is so popular, Mary explains, "Well, I espouse a branch of the Judeo-Christian Buddhist Paganism that seems to appeal to wide range of wayward late-night cable viewers." But Mary's successful career is not the reason why she's our number one choice. Her greatest achievement by far is that she is *The First Woman Ever To Put Herself Through Barnard*.



## 2. ELEANOR DIGBY *Socialite/Novelist*

While still a junior English major at Barnard (which she describes as "depressing"), Eleanor moonlights as a novelist for Vintage Contemporaries. Her latest well-selling novel *More Than One*, deals with disaffected college students in Manhattan. Pictured here slumming on Roger's linoleum, Eleanor says, "The important thing not to do is to confuse fiction with reality. Reality is dull, stupid, boring...Fiction should be more than that."



## 3. JASON FUTTER *Men's Rights Activist*

"I, too, just wanted all the advantages of a woman's college," says Jason after he launched an unsuccessful attempt to be the first male to attend Barnard. Perhaps it was out of spite then, that he eventually decided to enroll at NYU. Regardless, Jason, who inherited his mother's good looks and sense of style, says, "Barnard is, by nature, a sexist institute. Are equal rights too much to ask for?"



## 4. THE SIMBA TWINS *Long Lost Brothers*

Identical twins separated at birth, the Simba brothers, Bernie and Jeff, were remarkably reunited at Columbia when a keen Jason Futter noticed their uncanny resemblance in his Beginning Finnish class. Bernie, a senior, majors in Engineering, while Jeff, a freshman, plans to get his BFA in Graphic Arts. When confronted with their four year age difference, Jeff threw up his hands and said, "Must have been a leap year."



## 5. CHARLENE "THE KID" BONAVENTURE *Super Genius*

Undoubtedly, the youngest freshman at Barnard, Charlene, age 4, plans to pursue a PhD in Semiotics. When asked if she is enjoying her college experience, Charlene responded, "My classes are cool but the night life here blows. They don't even let me into the West End."

Photos by  
DEBBIE RIEDERS



6. **LESLIE BLOOMFIELD** *Realistic Sculptress*

Leslie has won several awards for her sculpture, including the prestigious Thurston Howell III Award right here at Columbia. Critics applaud her bold realism and intimacy with her materials. Asked about her sculpture featured here, Bloomfield states: "Oh, this one's totally real. I found that thing in my back yard. It was still breathing. I had to put a towel over it to kill it. I call it 'Stubby.'"

7. **KENNY** *Ivy Leaguer*

"Don't ask me how. It just happened," said Kenny Weedle about his miraculous acceptance to Columbia as a transfer student from DeKalb Community College in Atlanta where he maintained a solid D average as a Women's Studies major. "My Columbia interviewer seemed to like it when I talked about my dyslexia. So then I told him that I couldn't talk until I was 12. He felt real sorry, and I could tell that he was beginning to like me. So I told him that I didn't know how to write; damn me if he wasn't weeping for joy. Seemed the dumber I got, the better my chances. So I showed him my SAT scores, and that clinched it."



8. **KRISTY VON BULOW** *Heiress/Witness for the Prosecution*  
Shown here with her latest beau, Raymonde, the Greenwich native seems unscarred by her family's infamous past. "It happened," she says with a smile. Currently a Psychology major at Barnard, Von Bulow has no definite plans except a desire to hitch hike to Bangkok. When asked about the situation with her father, Klaus, Von Bulow said, "It came. It went. It's gone. C'est la vie."

9. **BOB POLLACK** *Botanist*

You might recognize Bob as one of the battalion of Security Guards need to keep Butler Library safe from students who forget their ID's. But that's not his only profession. Bob, who takes night courses, is pursuing his Masters in Botany at CU and, after graduating this year, hopes to teach at Sarah Lawrence College. "I think it's about time I became a functioning part of suburbia," he says, seemingly weary of urban life.



10. **RALPH "RAZOR BLADE" MERRIWEATHER**  
*Corporate Raider or School Teacher?*

Ralph, who is a first year student at Teacher's College, joins the Columbia community after receiving his MBA at Stanford. At this point in his life, he is unsure of his destiny, as Ralph either wants to be a corporate raider or teach elementary school. "I don't know what happened," he says. "Maybe it's because the two people I most admire are Asher Edelman and Fred Rogers. Regardless, I either want to teach first grade or ruin Exxon."



*Barnard senior Carla Mazzio recently published her first book entitled **Organization: The Key to Success in College**, soon to be available in paperback.*

## Rep Council

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SGA Treasurer and member of revision committee Debbie Schwartz (BC '88) agreed, as always, with Banikarim.

Said Schwartz, "None of our proposals would have been satisfactory to the damn council anyway. An oligarchy of the executive board and one Rep Council member is the only way to get anything done around here."

Columbia College Liaison and revision committee member Lisa Gersten (BC '90) applauded the decision.

"I'm glad a final decision was made," said Gersten. "The whole issue was out of control. SGA is finally learning to take a stand."

Rep Council members, however, refuse to be "cut out of the picture," as one council member commented. The council plans to form an Adhoc Committee Against Tyrannical Rule to fight SGA's decision. The committee will be headed by Columbia University Senator Veena Sud (BC '89).

Said Sud, "Our fight for universal freedom and democracy must begin in our own backyard."

However, Sud is not hopeful that the committee will produce any changes.

SGA President Lisa Kolker (BC '88) was smoking in the SGA office and was unavailable for comment.



## Dorm Erection

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Despite Lotte's warnings, Futter maintains that the building's safety and strength are of superior quality.

"Let there be no mistake," she said. "Barnard's dorm will be the safest building in Morningside Heights."

Students have been surprised with the speed at which the building has been constructed.

Lotta Noize (BC '91) said, "I live in Reid, so I have heard every inch of construction. It seems like I just woke up one morning and suddenly there was an ugly dorm outside my window."

Another student commented, "If they sent me my grades as quickly as they put up this dorm, I would be quite happy."

## Hot Truck

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use as a food cart.

"I am disappointed in President Futter," said Dianne Irving (BC '88). "I thought she had better taste."

Recently an Ad Hoc Committee for the Truck's Reunification was formed. Committee head Gitta Ford (BC '89) explained the group's complaints.

"We feel that it was a great waste of money to buy a new truck and then use it to serve chocolate chip cookies. This is not a theme party at a catering hall. Barnard is a small liberal arts college for women which offers students the vast resources of a large, prestigious university and a location in the world's most vital city. We

have too much class and sophistication for such a thing."

She added, "Besides, the red clashes with the neon."

Barnard students are not the only ones distressed by what has been done to the truck. Members of the American Society Against Cruelty to Trucks (ASACT) plan to file suit against Barnard on the charges of "ruthlessly mutilating a perfectly healthy truck."

"The time when people thought they could mistreat motor vehicles has come to end," said Society President Riddy Q. Luzz.

Ginsburg will appear in court on Friday, April 1.



# Barnard Goes Coed, Abandons Women's Colleges College To Break from CU in Favor of Starting Own University

by Ms. A. Lainieous

Barnard President Ellen Futter announced today that Barnard College will celebrate her second century with the acceptance of men into the class of 1993. The decision was made after secret deliberations between Barnard trustees and Futter.

Though Barnard will go coed, the College will not merge with Columbia College. In fact, Barnard will join with the other Columbia affiliates, Union Theological Seminary and Teacher's College, to form a new university, separate from Columbia altogether.

"Barnard University will now be able to develop its own individual bureaucratic system," Futter said. "Today's world is much too cold and systematic for a warm, small women's college atmosphere. The days of nurturing are over."

"Nothing could be better for Barnard's relations with Columbia than a full separation..."

-Barnard Vice President for Finance Sigmund Ginsburg

"Since I came to Barnard as president, I began planning for this momentous occasion," said Futter. "As I said in my inaugural address, 'The mission of Barnard College has been and shall continue to be the provision of undergraduate education of the highest quality in an environment which is particularly sensitive to the intellectual and personal needs of its students...This has been accomplished without isolating women from social, intellectual or instruc-

tional activities with their male counterparts.' Now it's official."

Futter has been building up Barnard's resources since 1981. The endowment has doubled, admissions are up, tuition is up, and there is more corporate funding than ever before. The decision to go coed was primarily financial, according to Futter. "After all," she said, "isn't that why Columbia

The much-publicized financial talks between Barnard Vice President for Finance Sigmund Ginsburg and Columbia Vice President for Finance and Treasurer Anthony Knerr will finally be terminated as soon as the loose financial ends are tied up.

Ginsburg said, "Nothing could be better for Barnard's relations with Columbia than a full separation. Now



*Athena and Alma Mater: Will they still be friends? Bulletin self portraits*

went coed?" she said.

"Barnard is now self-sufficient," Futter said. "We have a new dormitory, a new dining hall, new neon, our own new bureaucracy, and, for the first time in our history, our own men."

Barnard, TC, and UTS will remain in their present Morningside Heights site. Barnard, which has always prided itself on being "a small liberal arts college for women with the vast resources of a large, prestigious university, and a location in the world's most vital city," will still be able to cling to her New York City PR pull.

According to Futter, Barnard will one day be its own prestigious university with several undergraduate colleges and graduate schools.

there are no points of tension -- things are looking great."

Columbia President Michael Sovern expressed his relief at getting rid of the responsibility for Columbia's affiliates.

"There will be so much less pressure on our administration. And as for the loss of income," he continued, "out of a total income of over \$600 million, the few pennies we used to get from the affiliates will hardly be missed."

The 1982 agreement providing for housing and facility exchange, as well as for cross-registration will be terminated with Barnard's split with Columbia. The two institutions will no longer maintain a friendly working

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# What does the neon in McIntosh represent?

"The neon's glow represents the ebullience of Barnard women. The long, windy designs depict the often treacherous paths women must follow in today's world. However, just as the neon remains shining and strong, so do our women."  
--Barnard President Ellen Futter



"I really haven't the foggiest idea of what the neon is. Don't blame me for it, I just recently became a dean..."

--Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty  
Robert McCaughey

"The neon signifies the youth and vitality of our students. Personally, I think it's beautiful and from what I hear the students think so too. It's great the way students and administrators have the same tastes."  
--Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs Barbara Schmitter





"The neon signifies Barnard's increased outreach to prospective students. Barnard's future is bright and colorful. There are so many lovely, lovely girls out there waiting for us to bring them to Barnard. It's very exciting."

--Director of Admissions  
R. Christine Royer

"Barnard is a place with endless academic opportunities for her students. Just as the neon branches out in all directions from the center light, so does the Barnard student branch out from her center light of the Barnard experience."

--Dean of Studies  
Vilma Bornemann



*Oh, I can't wait until I'm done with my term and then people will stop asking me stupid questions to which I have to make up idiotic answers only to be misquoted...*

"Could you please repeat the question, dear?"

--Student Government Association  
(SGA) President Lisa Kolker

# New Hall

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While many Barnard alumnae and other supporters were willing to donate money for the dorm's construction, most said they did not want their name associated with the building.

Richie Rich said, "I am hesitant about making a major contribution to get my name on the dorm. Look what happened to poor Arthur [Ross]. He paid about a million dollars for his courtyard, which everyone called BHR courtyard anyway, and they just destroyed it. I don't want them replacing a building named after me with a tulip patch in four years."

"I thought that Barnard would have learned her lesson about not building ugly dorms after they built Reid," said one Barnard alumna. "It's a miracle that ol' Helen [Reid] was willing to have her name on it."

Dean of Student Life Georgie

Gatch said she liked the idea of calling the new residence hall "New Hall."

She said, "I think it's an excellent new trend. When we build another dorm, perhaps in the middle of Lehman lawn, we can call it Newer Dorm."

She added, "My only regret about the new dorm is that students will no longer have the Lucerne option which so many enjoyed over the past years."

SGA President Lisa Kolker (BC '88) said she had reservations about calling the dorm New Hall. "If they insist on calling it New Hall, they should change the spelling of "New" so it sounds like a real name and not a lame substitute," she said. "Perhaps calling it Noooooooo Hall."

"I'm glad they just chose a name already," said SGA Vice President of Student Government Mithra Merrywoman (BC '88). "I was worried that it

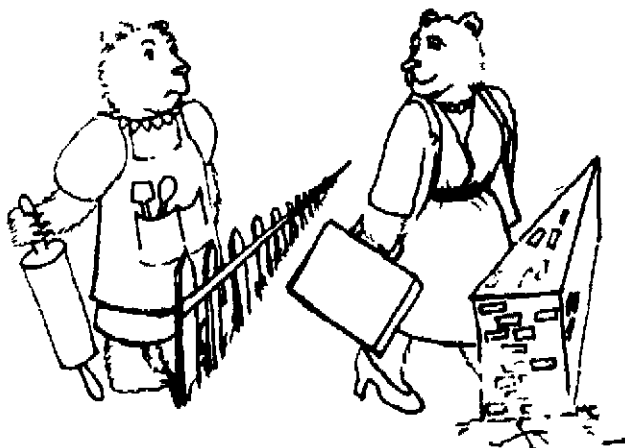
would take them as long to pick a name as it took SGA to reform Rep Council."

Not all students, however, are happy with the selected name.

"Calling the building 'New Hall,' said Anne Gree (BC '89), "is as ridiculous as having a college keep its reserve reading room open only from noon until five on Saturdays."

Columbia College Liaison Lisa Gersten (BC '90) was equally dissatisfied. "Calling the building 'New Hall' reflects the inability of this school to take a stand on anything," she said. "But I really shouldn't argue because this is a free country, and they have the liberty to call the dorm whatever they like."

Let there be no mistake, Barnard President Ellen Futter was busy receiving another impressive-sounding award and was unavailable for comment.



# Radiation

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subject to such quantities for seven years in tropical conditions."

These lab results, however, are inconclusive because the gerbils were also injected with high levels of valium.

"The students' health is at risk," explained Powers. "Even if the radiation recorded is not from a nuclear plant but is from the neon as Ellen [Futter] claims, something must be done."

Dean of Student Life Georgie Gatch recommended housing all students at the Lucerne, the Barnard dormitory located at 79 Street at Amster-

dam Avenue, to reduce the students' exposure to radiation.

Powers, however, disagreed with Gatch. "I would recommend removing the neon. Its glow lights up all of upper Manhattan, the Bronx, and parts of Westchester. Its radiation emissions are dangerously high."

Powers added, "It's also vile to look at."

The Barnard administration has not yet announced how it will rectify the situation.



*"Boy am I mad! I've been pedaling this thing for half an hour and I haven't moved an inch. I demand my money back!"*

## Barnard to Institute New MRS Degree

by Leophus Josephus

Barnard President Ellen Futter announced that beginning with the class of 1992 Barnard students will receive an MRS degree in addition to the standard AB degree. The new degree will ensure that all Barnard graduates are qualified wives.

"Just like marriage reflects a new stage in a woman's life, the institution of the MRS degree reflects a new stage in the College's development," Futter said.

Though students were not consulted about the institution of this degree, Student Government Association (SGA) Vice President for Student Government Mithra Merrywoman (BC '88) said she is thrilled about its initiation.

"I see no reason why the students should have been asked. It is a great idea, and as always, President Futter is in tune with the students' needs and concerns," she said.

Merrywoman will now be holding monthly mock bridal shower parties.

Robbi Waldman (BC '90) who will serve as chairperson of the Barnard Bridal Shower Committee (BBSC) said she is very excited about the committee's role in shaping Barnard women's lives.

She said, "I have some really great ideas for the mock showers, like comingware presentations and price information on teddy bear sheets and other important household paraphernalia.

BBSC is not the only new program to arise as a result of the MRS degree. Beginning in the fall of 1988, the Freshman Seminar program will include *Good Housekeeping* magazine as mandatory reading.



*The new Barnard woman will be ready to enter the world equipped with an AB and an MRS -- the perfect combination for success*

Political Science Professor Dennis Dalton commented, "Finally, Barnard is doing something about a woman's role in our society. The MRS degree is an archetypal degree; it seems that Barnard might be able to reach her ideal as a women's college after all."

Director of Career Services Jane Celwyn said she is equally enthusiastic about the new degree, "We at Career Services will do our best to help

women prepare for the MRS degree -- the most important of all degrees."

Career Services plans to hold monthly training workshops to prepare women for the difficult aspects of being an MRS.

Susan Zealous (BC '90) said, "Barnard has been criticized for having too much liberal arts without any practical career training. Finally my education will have a useful purpose to it."

Columbia College Liaison Lisa Gersten (BC '90) said she is delighted about the administration's decision. "Finally Barnard has done something to assert her independence from Columbia by [instituting this degree]. It really is so beautiful, especially since the institution of the degree marks the Barnard Centennial."

Not everyone, however, is so optimistic about the degree.

One student said, "I am thoroughly disappointed with Barnard. The brochure that convinced me to come here described Barnard as a small liberal arts college for women which offers students the vast resources of a large, prestigious university and a location in the world's most vital city. It's bad enough that Barnard is turning coed and seceding from the University, but now our obscure college is handing out useless degrees."

She added, "Next thing you know Barnard will decorate its buildings with pink neon."

At this year's May commencement exercises, Futter will present National Organization for Women (NOW) founder Betty Friedan with an honorary Barnard MRS degree.

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relationship. Now they will become rivals for the same applicant pool of both students and faculty.

"It's a competitive world," Futter said, "and Barnard can stand up to it. Let there be no mistake."

Barnard students welcome the relief to the anxiety caused by the tenuous connection between Barnard and Columbia.

"I used to lay awake in bed at night worrying about what would happen when the 1982 agreement was up," said Lotta Stress (BC '91). "Now, at least, I don't have to worry anymore. Barnard took the initiative before we got thrown out of the University. I wonder, though, will we still be able to read the *Spectator*?"

Many Barnard students are enthusiastic about the decision to go coed, but they regret the break with Columbia.

"The reason I came to Barnard in the first place was Columbia," said Cici Wannabee (BC '89).

Columbia senior Christopher Browne supports Barnard's decision to go coed.

He said, "It's a shame I'm a senior; I would definitely transfer to Barnard if I were going to be here. I've always wanted to go there."

Some Barnard women, however, are furious. "How can Barnard do this? I know that feminism hasn't been big around here in years, but this compro-

mise of Barnard's principles sets us back decades in the fight for equality," said one Barnard sophomore who refused to be identified.

Director of Admissions Christine Royer announced her resignation with Futter's news. "I simply can not accept the fact that Barnard is abandoning everything...that Barnard is accepting men!"

Barnard Student Government Association (SGA) President Lisa Kolker (BC '88) said, "I truly believe that President Futter knows what is best for Barnard. She has my full confidence."

SGA Vice President for Student Government Mithra Merrywoman (BC '88) said, "I'm not happy about it, but I can understand that Futter didn't ask us our opinions. -We don't represent the student body very well, and they have no opinions about anything anyway."

Columbia College Liaison Lisa Gersten (BC '90) said, "It's unfortunate that we couldn't work out our differences with Columbia through some more open dialogue. I am glad, however, that no one will have to serve in this position anymore. It really was extremely frustrating and useless."

Barnard faculty members are glad to be rid of the tenure requirements imposed on them by Columbia. Yet, according to Futter, Barnard will now advocate the ever-popular "publish or perish" tenure policy.

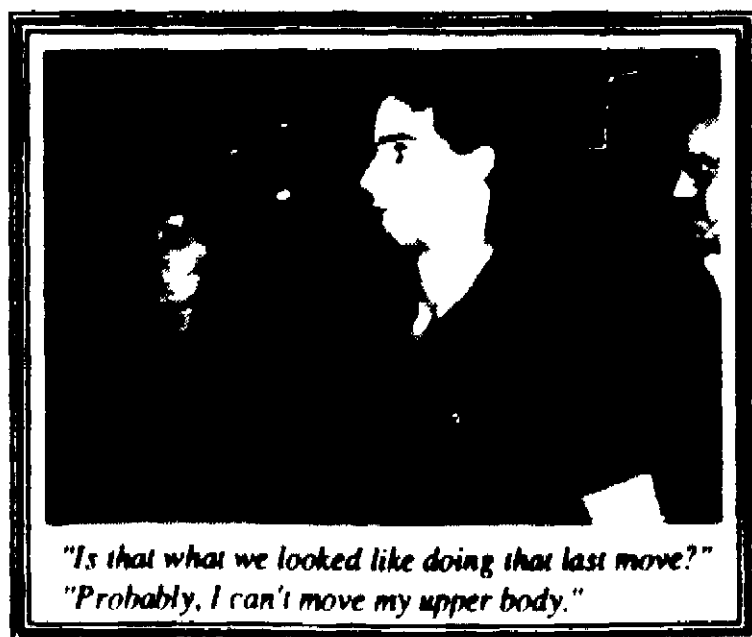
"Our faculty has got to start achieving on a broad scale," said Barnard Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty Robert McCaughey. "I understand the importance of teaching undergraduates, but we've got to look further than that. Students aren't everything, they don't earn prestige [and prestige is, of course, everything]."

Barnard will join with Vassar College, which has also recently gone coed, to form a splinter group of the Seven Sisters. The new group, Separate Siblings, will confront issues that have nothing to do with gender roles in society. They proclaim that the idea of a women's college is completely anachronistic.

Their charter reads, "We believe that in this truly egalitarian society, there is no longer a need to fight for women's rights. We celebrate the fact that the hard work of the feminist movement has paid off, and that there is no longer a need for segregational women's education. Finally, men and women can join as equals to discuss issues that are infinitely more important."

Futter said in a November, 1987 interview with *Bulletin*, "Barnard could exist without [Columbia]. Let there be no mistake."

Now she will be able now to put her money where her mouth is.



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## FRIDAY

★BARNARD FILM FESTIVAL: *EXCITING WOMEN OF THE 1360'S*, COST \$2, ALTSCHUL AUDITORIUM, 6&11 PM

★FRIDAY NIGHT PEANUT & EGG TOSS, COST \$2, ALL PROCEEDS GO TO RESEARCH TO FIND A CURE FOR DANDRUFF, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 8 PM

★WOMEN'S VARSITY FISHING VS. PRINCETON, HUDSON RIVER, 4 PM

## SATURDAY

★CAMPUS-WIDE HIDE AND GO SEEK TOURNAMENT, MUST PRE-REGISTER IN SGA 116 MCINTOSH, COST \$1, MEET ON CONSTRUCTION SITE, 1 PM

★ANTEDELUVIAN NIGHT, DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE NOAH'S ARK ANIMAL, PRIZE GIVEN TO BEST COSTUME, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 9 PM

★FILM *THE BEST OF THE PARTRIDGE FAMILY*, COST \$2, ALTSCHUL AUDITORIUM, 7,9,11 PM

## SUNDAY

★WOLLMAN LIBRARY WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 2 PM SO ALL STUDENTS CAN GET A GOOD NIGHT SLEEP AND HAVE A LEISURELY BRUNCH SO YOU SHOULDN'T GET SICK, DARLING

★USED TURTLE AND SNAKE SALE, LEHMAN LAWN, 1 PM

★GUEST CHEF SERIES: *101 USES FOR LEFTOVER ORANGE RINDS*, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 5 PM

★HEWITT DINING HALL KITCHEN TOUR, FIND OUT WHAT GOES ON BEHIND THE SCENES IN THE MAKING OF A QUALITY MEAL, TOUR LEAVES PROMPTLY FROM FROM HEWITT LOBBY, 2:30 PM

★WOMEN'S VARSITY TETHER BALL VS. YALE, AWAY, 4 PM

## MONDAY

★ALL FRESHMEN MUST FILE THEIR PROGRAMS FOR THE FALL SEMESTER 1988 & SPRING SEMESTER 1989, & DECLARE A TENTATIVE MAJOR, DEAN OF STUDIES OFFICE, 105 MILBANK

★ALL SOPHOMORES PLANNING TO GO ABROAD DURING THE 1988-89 ACADEMIC YEAR MUST BRING ALL APPLICATIONS TO THE DEAN OF STUDIES OFFICE FOR APPROVAL

★CONVERSATION WITH WOMEN GOLFERS: *MANAGING A FAMILY AND A GOLFING CAREER*, JAMES ROOM, 7 PM

## TUESDAY

★WOMEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY ICE CARVING VS. BROWN, AWAY, 4 PM

★BARNARD ALUMNAEFEST: SEE FAMOUS ALUMNAE INCLUDING JOAN RIVERS, LORI ANDERSON, SUZANNE VEGA, & OTHERS, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 7:30 PM

★ADMINISTRATION HOUSING LOTTERY FOR 1988-89 ACADEMIC YEAR, UPPER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 2 AM

## WEDNESDAY

★DOCUMENTARY FILM, *ALASKAN WOMEN: WORKING MOTHERS AND WIVES*, ALTSCHUL AUDITORIUM, 7,9,11 PM

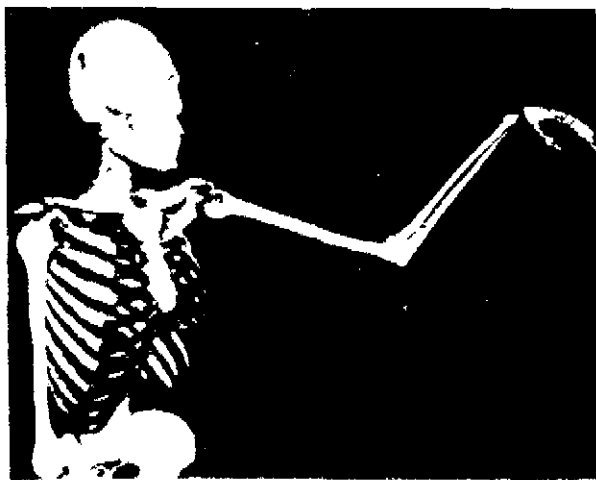
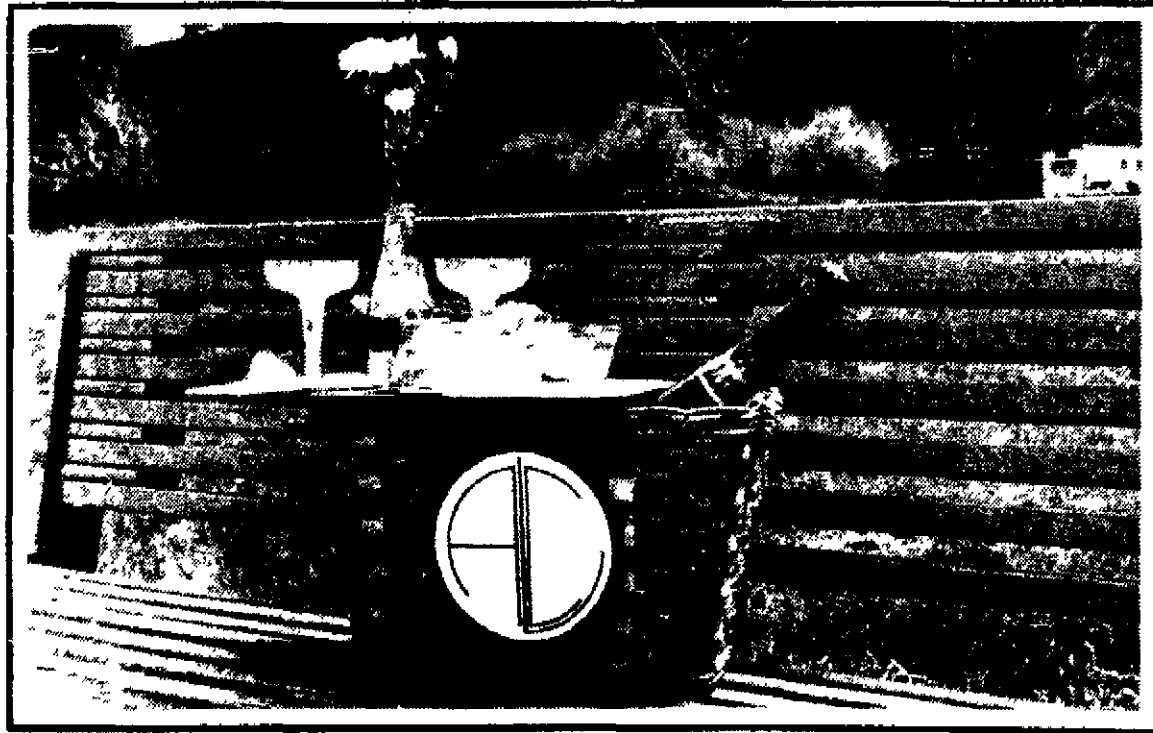
★LIFE PLANNING WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES, UPPER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 1-5 PM

## THURSDAY

★CONVERSATION WITH WOMEN INDIAN CHIEFS: *CORN VS. CORPORATIONS*, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 12 NOON

★DINNER WITH THE DEANS, EAT DINNER WITH YOUR FAVORITE DEAN, RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY, CALL DEAN OF STUDIES FOR MORE INFO, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 6:30 PM

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