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## Volunteers and Community

**I**n 1906, when Priscilla Lockwood Loomis '13 was 16 years old, she and several of her schoolmates were encouraged by teachers to volunteer their services at the Union Settlement in East Harlem. This past April, in a ceremony marking National Volunteer Week, New York's Mayor Edward Koch presented Mrs. Loomis with an award for 75 years of work as a volunteer for the Settlement and for the Day Care Council of NYC, which she helped to start.

This extraordinary record began with one-day-a-week piano lessons for young children and focused almost continuously on the needs of families and working mothers. During World War II, seeing the growing need for safe places for children as women entered war factories, Mrs.

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# LETTERS

*The Alumnae Magazine welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be signed; names will be withheld on request.*

## Continuing the Celebration

To the Editor:

Thank you for including me in your splendid issue on Barnard writers.

In the past few years, as I have watched Mary Gordon and Lynne Sharon Schwartz burst upon the literary scene with excellent new novels, as I have read with delight Belva Plain, Hortense Calisher, Rosellen Brown, Jan Burroway, it has often occurred to me to propose that *Barnard Alumnae* do a series of interviews with Barnard writers—and you have, in a sense, done this.

The tradition of Barnard writers goes back to our grandmothers' generation. In *Blackberry Winter*, Margaret Mead talks about her own early days as an aspiring poet at Barnard. While she left poetry for anthropology (which she infused with her own special poetry), her friend, Leonie Adams, became one of the foremost poets of her generation.

There may be even more literary names you have overlooked—Babette Deutsch, the poet, also comes to mind. Have we overlooked others?

Erica Mann Jong '63  
Weston, CT

*Editor's Note: There are indeed many literary names which could have been included in our Spring issue—names of scores of alumnae whose talent and insights have brought great pleasure to readers of poetry, drama, novels, and stories, as well as non-fiction of all types. We could not possibly include them all, and would surely leave out some despite our best efforts. We regret any apparent oversight and are grateful to Ms. Jong for re-*

*mindings us all of three of the most eminent. We hope through an expanded "Events in the Arts" section to keep readers informed of future alumnae publications, exhibitions, and performances as fast as we learn of them.*

To the Editor:

As a sister writer who has nodded with appreciation the several times that Erica Jong has told the story of the Distinguished Male Critic (aka book reviewer) and the Barnard creative writing class, I'd like to elaborate on this anecdote. I too sat in that class, silent. However, the performance and display of the very blatant opinion that women could not be writers evoked no interior meekness but a violent sense of contradiction which, at that time, was expressed familiarly as polite, inarticulate paralysis. I knew even then that there was such an extreme difference between what Anatole Broyard was saying and what I was feeling. He had the authority; we had only discredited, impossible-to-articulate intuition in two forms: mildly, that he *could* be wrong, and violently, that he *must* be wrong. Or even morally, that he must not be right. Further, in that classroom, the atmosphere was so paradoxically close to the drama of brash young cockerels and the plump little chickens in its sexual politics that some of the downcast eyes were averted in embarrassment—for the men—for their obviously over-anxious display which, even for that time, did protest too much. A number of these contradictions about women and institutions of cultural production, added to others, would mature into feminism.

Rachel Blau DuPlessis '63  
Philadelphia, PA

To the Editor:

It was a pleasure to appear, in the Spring 1981 issue, among the half dozen Barnard writers featured, and to know  
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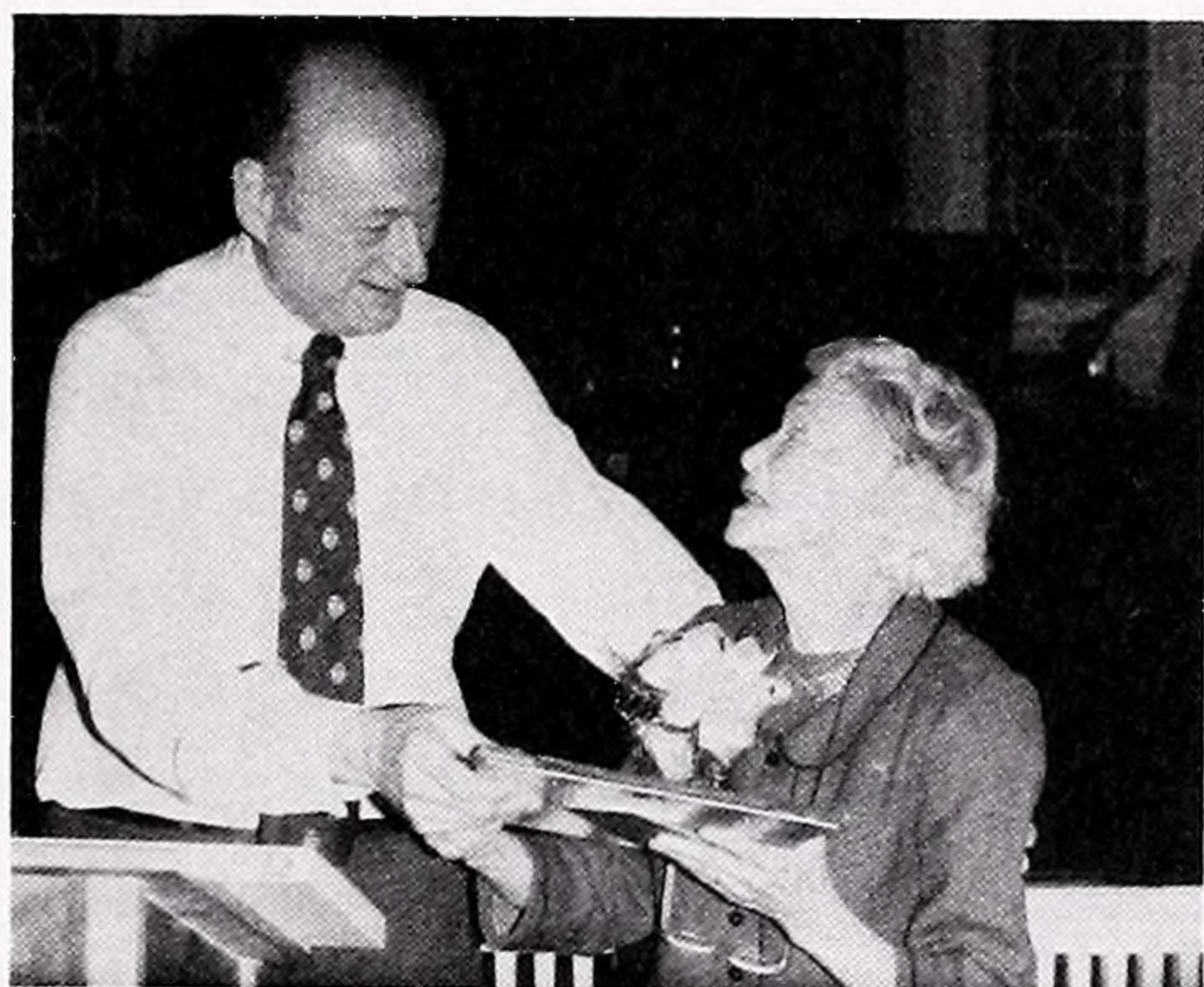
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# President Futter Looks Ahead



*On the 6th of May, the Board of Trustees elected Ellen V. Futter, '71, to be the ninth president of Barnard College, effective immediately. Their action followed the unanimous recommendation of the Search Committee, which had considered a total of 159 candidates over the previous eight months. The committee had narrowed the field to five individuals of exceptionally high*

When I was asked if I would become Barnard's president, my first thoughts, as one would expect, ranged over a variety of concerns, but they very quickly became focused on Barnard's history, its role today, its future, and the enormous possibilities I see for its continued growth and improvement.

I believe that difficulties create opportunities, or, as Francis Bacon wrote, that "adversity is not without comforts and hopes." And we can read in Thoreau that "most of the luxuries of life are positive hindrances to the elevation of mankind." If Thoreau was right, and I believe he was, at least to some degree, then Barnard's future is without obstruction—for surely we are far from weighed down by luxuries of the materialistic type which Thoreau had in mind.

And so, it was my sense of our possibilities, coupled

*caliber before concluding that Ms. Futter, having provided extraordinary leadership over the past year as Acting President, was clearly the most qualified of all.*

*At the annual luncheon during Reunion, President Futter spoke to alumnae about her new position and her view of Barnard's future. This article is a modified version of those remarks.*

with temptation by the challenge and a constant awareness of how much this College has done for so many, including me and many of you, that led me to accept the presidency. My acceptance is also a re-affirmation of my confidence in the College and the importance of those non-materialistic but very real attributes, not all intangible, in which the College is so rich.

There are none who question the outstanding quality of the education that we provide, the caliber of our student body, the commitment of our gifted faculty or the extraordinary success of our alumnae—and those are the things that this institution is all about. As the team from the Middle States Association of the Commission on Higher Education stated, following its decimal evaluation of Barnard this spring, this College enjoys "unqualified" excellence in most areas.

*To preserve what we are-- not only  
an outstanding college for women  
but also a small and caring community.*

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Even in those areas where we have not historically been wealthy, we have, like good gardeners, taken the time to cultivate, prune and nurture, and we see today the fruits of that labor. Our applications have increased by about 51% over the last three years. We have had four straight years of balanced budgets, and recently we have seen an upsurge in annual giving to the Barnard Fund. We have devoted a great deal of time and energy to the housing needs of today's students and have now purchased a building at 49 Claremont Avenue which is being renovated to provide dormitory space for 131 students. We have a capital improvements plan and a program for its implementation, and a vital and exciting \$20 million capital campaign is well under way. With more than \$5.7 million of that sum in hand, we look forward to the restoration of our physical plant and an increase in our endowment so that we will have more income to apply to academic and scholarship purposes.

What then are the key elements of the College's program for the next few years?

First, we must and we shall clarify our relationship with Columbia University. In this context, let me reaffirm, yet again, my own and the College's abiding commitment to Barnard as an independent women's college, with its own outstanding faculty, and an affiliated relationship with Columbia University. From time to time, you may have heard that Columbia College wishes to admit women, or, on the other hand, that they would like Barnard to be merged with Columbia. Let me assure you, first of all, that there is no merger of any sort under consideration.

As far as coeducation is concerned, we have been engaged in discussions with the University concerning our relationship with Columbia throughout the course of this year. These discussions have included consideration of means to facilitate increased co-educational life at Barnard and Columbia, while at the same time continuing our mission as an independent and outstanding women's college. The discussions have been cordial and productive and it is my hope that the coming months will see the beginnings of a resolution which will be beneficial to both Barnard and Columbia. With this in mind, I would suggest that, happily, the next period of years for Barnard ought not be ones which are dominat-

ed by questions regarding our relationship with Columbia, but rather that we shall become more worldly in our view and that we shall find it enriching, relieving, and refreshing to do so.

With regard to other areas of our future—in very general terms:

— I am committed to devoting a substantial portion of my own and the College's resources and efforts to fund-raising. This area is absolutely vital to the continued survival and success of the College, and I can't emphasize enough the importance of your support.

— Similarly, I am determined that we shall pursue and develop new ways of generating revenue, other than tuition and fees, through, for example, the use of our facilities in the summer.

— I am committed to restoring our physical plant—to having it well-maintained, landscaped, groomed, and safe, as well as catching up with deferred maintenance and making adjustments for energy conservation.

— I believe that we must begin some serious long-range planning in all aspects of College life, and this includes the academic side as well as finance and administration. It is time for a serious review of our curriculum and degree requirements—for an analysis of our distribution requirements and our science offerings, including what we are doing in math and physics and computer technology.

— I am determined, too, that we shall preserve that which makes us what we are—not only an outstanding undergraduate liberal arts college for women, but also a small and caring collegiate community—an institution which holds human values and individual concerns in high regard.

I am pleased, honored, and excited to be Barnard's president. The spirit of the '80s was set recently by the Class of 1981 who, as they stood to have their degrees officially conferred upon them, released an armada of Barnard Blue balloons which soared into the atmosphere and were carried forward by the wind.

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*President Futter and her husband, John Shutkin, Esq., expect their first child in October. The inauguration will take place on November 22.*

# Reunion and Rediscovery



Marjorie Marks Bitker '21 (l.) presented the Distinguished Alumna Award to Mary Ellis Opdycke Peltz '20.

This year's celebration of Alumnae Days/Reunion got off to a rousing start on Friday, May 15, when more than 350 gathered in McIntosh Activities Center for the 1981 Annual Meeting and luncheon. They paid tribute to Florence Lilienthal Gitterman '06, the oldest alumna present, greeted President Emerita Millicent McIntosh and newly-appointed President Ellen V. Futter '71 (see page 2), and applauded the recipients of graduate fellowships (see page 11) and other awards.

The Distinguished Alumna medal was presented to Mary Ellis Opdycke Peltz '20, in honor of her fine work as music critic and editor.

The Alumnae Recognition Awards draw special attention to individuals who have given extraordinary service as class officers or committee members, or in some other form of "unsung heroism." They were given this year to Madeline Russell Robinton '29, former trustee; Else Zorn Taylor '31, class president; and Barbara Glaser Sahlman '53, former chairman of the Barnard Fund Alumnae Committee. (Alumnae are invited to submit nominations for these awards for 1982; see page 32.)

A special award for service to the College was presented to Margaret Dykes Dayton '39, who retired last year after many years as Associate Director of Admissions.



Recognition award recipients (l. to r.) Robinton, Sahlman, Taylor.

The program for Alumnae Days/Reunion 1981 was built on the theme, "The Rediscovery of Community in American Life," which was the subject of a panel discussion on Saturday morning. Speakers were Ada Louise Huxtable, architecture critic for The New York Times, who had been named "1981 Woman of Achievement" by the Reunion Committee; Maxine Meyer Greene '38, William F. Russell Professor in the Foundations of Education at Teachers College; Marcia Sells '81, the recent president of Undergrad; and Samuel Beard, president of The National Development Council.

Moderator Ronnie Myers Eldridge '52 introduced the panelists and also raised questions about the possibilities for a sense of community among people who feel threatened or closed off from the benefits of organized society. Mr. Beard spoke of the renaissance of neighborhoods in the U. S. since the 1960s and the growing desire for local solutions to local problems. Ms. Huxtable described community as a sense of shared needs and shared beliefs; she pointed to its historic relationship to buildings, from barn raising to landmarks preservation. Ms. Sells, offering "the hindsight of two days," directed the group's attention to the nurturing, growth-oriented community which Barnard provides for undergraduate women.

Dr. Greene, who described herself as "obsessed" with our nation's tradition of rationality and acceptance of diversity, spoke of the need for individuals to speak and work together in order to restore a sense of community in American life. Her presentation follows.

John Dewey, pointing to the erosion of community in American life more than fifty years ago,<sup>1</sup> said that the achievement of democracy is the achievement of community. He was aware of the sense of "remote and invisible organizations" already afflicting people in their face-to-face relations. He had some notion of the impacts of technology on what he called "associated living." He realized that freedom was being eroded by the shrinkage of social concern. Most significantly, however, he drew attention to the absence of an "articulate public," enlightened men and women able to perceive some common interest, to come together on behalf of that interest, to speak with their own voices as they worked to bring about change. He knew well that any such common interest, no matter how de-



finied, had always to expand. He knew that diverse publics had to come together over time in order to create—and keep creating—a fabric of interdependence and support.

But he could not have had any idea of the estrangement, the distrust, the neglect, the privatism we see on all sides today. He could not have anticipated the sick and elderly people walking the streets of a city, abandoned in the absence of community. Nor could he have imagined the passivity, the credulousness, or the loneliness to which media addiction and the conviction of powerlessness have led. He wrote continually about communication and said that democracy, "a name for a life of free and enriching communion," had its seer in Walt Whitman. He would have shuddered at the proliferation of special interest groups turned in upon themselves. He would have been appalled by the lack of communication among so many people today—what I think of as a terrible speechlessness due to the domination of technical talk, consumerist talk, salestalk, gobbledegook, and the peculiarly truncated, elliptical talk of the young.

What can be done? What can we do, each of us in his/her own space, in his/her own work life, to bring about the rediscovery of community? Being an educator, I have to think about what can be done in schools, in colleges, in classrooms, in corridors, to empower persons to come together in speech and action. I have to think about what can be done to help them identify what they have in common, to name what Hannah Arendt called the "in-between"<sup>2</sup> and to move outward, into the world. I have to ponder what is involved in the creating of small commu-

nities in the interstices of the educational bureaucracies, in teachers beginning (surprisingly) to speak to one another in corners, in cafeterias, in lounges. I would like to imagine them being together as participants, as members with a project pursued in common: a project that has to do with releasing the young to learn how to learn, not only for the sake of personal sense-making but for the sake of a continually enlarging communication and the kind of *praxis* that might engage them, as they grow, in a shared pursuit of possibility. And then I think (because I am interested in the arts) of creating art spaces in the schools, open spaces where parents and children and visiting artists and teachers and studio people can move with one another, open windows in the actual, make shapes, make sounds. I see them (I cannot help seeing them) sharing passions, sharing discoveries, "growing older together" (as one philosopher put it), "making music together,"<sup>3</sup> existing in a vivid present in a world gone barren with technicism, quantification, and lack of care.

In my own classes, in the domains of the university and Teachers College, I have to try to create situations that release persons to discover what it is to live in norm-governed communities, where values like fairness and freedom and regard for others and reasonableness are made visible, where they become the hallmarks of students' and faculty's being together, whether it is to learn how to do philosophy or physics or history. John Rawls speaks of the "self-esteem" that accompanies doing justice,<sup>4</sup> taking fairness seriously. He has in mind the shaping of situations in such a fashion that they are to the benefit of the least advantaged, people who suffer from deficits and lacks that are due to contingencies, disadvan-

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### REUNION DATES PREFERENCE SURVEY

A number of alumnae have requested that we reconsider the timing of Alumnae Days/Reunion. To help us with our planning, please indicate your preference and return by August 25th to the Alumnae Office, Barnard College, 606 West 120 Street, New York 10027.

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# Professor Robertson Retires

By Remington Patterson

Hundreds of Barnard graduates must remember sitting down to a final examination that began: " 'Your name, fair gentlewoman?' (*Lear*, I.iv,256) \_\_\_\_\_ ." They will remember having found, three hours later, at the bottom of the last page: " 'Is this the promis'd end?' (*Lear*, V.iii.263). Meanwhile, they had responded to such a question as: "Sort out your thoughts about one of the assigned plays . . . Having considered, write an essay about the play."

The course was Professor David Robertson's Shakespeare, but the courteously phrased question will be familiar to hundreds of other students who have read Victorian literature with Professor Robertson or taken his course in literary analysis. To sort out their thoughts about literature, to consider, and then write is what Professor Robertson has asked Barnard students to do for forty-one years. He will do so again, fortunately, but this June marked his formal retirement from full-time teaching and from his chair as Millicent Carey McIntosh Professor of English.

It is a measure of how much David has meant to Barnard that his recent contributions to scholarship, teaching, and ser-

vice to the College have been on a scale surpassing the most rigid demands for promotion rather than typifying a senior professor approaching retirement and emeritus rank. In 1978 he published his *Sir Charles Eastlake and the Victorian Art World* (Princeton), a study of the first director of the National Gallery in London, which has been widely reviewed and highly praised here and in England. Last year David shared in teaching the ambitious and exhausting "triple course" that he described in a recent number of this magazine (Fall, 1980)—three instructors and twenty-eight students who met two full days a week in class and over lunch to immerse themselves in the texts and the political, economic, social, and intellectual backgrounds of the prose fiction written in England, France, and Russia between 1855 and 1869. Having at the same time accepted the chairmanship of the Self-Study Committee formed to prepare for the evaluation of the College by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association, David brought to completion this March a report, 197 pages long, that is the most comprehensive survey of Barnard we have ever had. Many contributed, but the report's clarity, rigor, and voice are the chairman's. This past winter he accepted a place on the President's Advisory Committee on Tenure Policy, to report on one of Barnard's most vexing issues. And this is not to mention a host of current and pressing professional commitments outside Barnard: membership on the Advisory Board of *Victorian Studies*; chairmanship of the Advisory Council of the Department of Art and Archaeology at Princeton, as well as membership on Princeton's Councils for the Department of English and, until recently, the University Library. In addition, David has continued to serve as a trustee of the Dwight-Englewood School in New Jersey and is active as a clubman in the affairs of the Century Association, to which he can occasionally escape.

It was to an academic life that David Allan Robertson, Jr., was born in 1915, in Chicago. His father was Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Chicago and later, in 1930, became President of Goucher College. From Baltimore and the Gilman Country School, David entered Princeton, where he graduated in 1936 with High Honors and a double major in English and German. As a Henry Fellow he went on to Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1937-38, returning to Princeton to complete gradu-



ate study and receive a Ph.D. in 1940. In the same year came appointment as Instructor in English at Barnard and marriage to Beridge Leigh-Mallory, a physician, daughter of the famous mountaineer, George Mallory, who was lost on Everest in 1924. These beginnings were interrupted by service in the Navy between 1942 and 1945, from which, among much else, David acquired his respect for clear and orderly procedure. How often he has had to remind us all of the need for "completed staff work." Behind the Professor of English speaks Lieutenant Commander Robertson, U.S.N.R. (Ret.).

Returning to full-time teaching and research after the War, David edited three successive volumes of *English Institute Essays* (Columbia) between 1946 and 1948 and established his specialization in the Victorian Age with articles on Tennyson, Clough, and Arnold, besides a long survey article on "The Nineteenth Century" for the *Encyclopedia Americana*. During this period he was also co-editor of the *American Alpine Journal*, to which he brought his experience and love of far travel and the high mountains. An associate professorship and tenure were awarded in 1950. Then, cruelly, the death of his wife in 1953 left David to bring up three young children. A Howard Foundation Fellowship in 1953-54 recognized the already significant scholarship and made possible a leave from teaching.

In 1956, with promotion to full professor, David began the first of three terms as Chairman of the Department of English (1956-59, 1964-67, 1975-77). It would be hard to exaggerate the importance of his leadership and example to the department throughout these years. Whether discharging the obscurer responsibilities for budget and staff or exercising the more visible supervision of course offerings and student programs, he combined skill, fairness, and courtesy to a remarkable degree. In these years, too, David served on every major committee in the College, directed dissertations at Columbia, and contributed reviews and articles to the leading journals in his field. Between 1959 and 1964 he also served on the Commission on English set up by the College Entrance Examination Board to survey and make recommendations about the state of English in the secondary schools, an undertaking that paralleled the restudy of the mathematics and science curricula in the post-sputnik era. An evening in the late Fifties even brought a moment of television celebrity when a Barnard student reached the final plateau

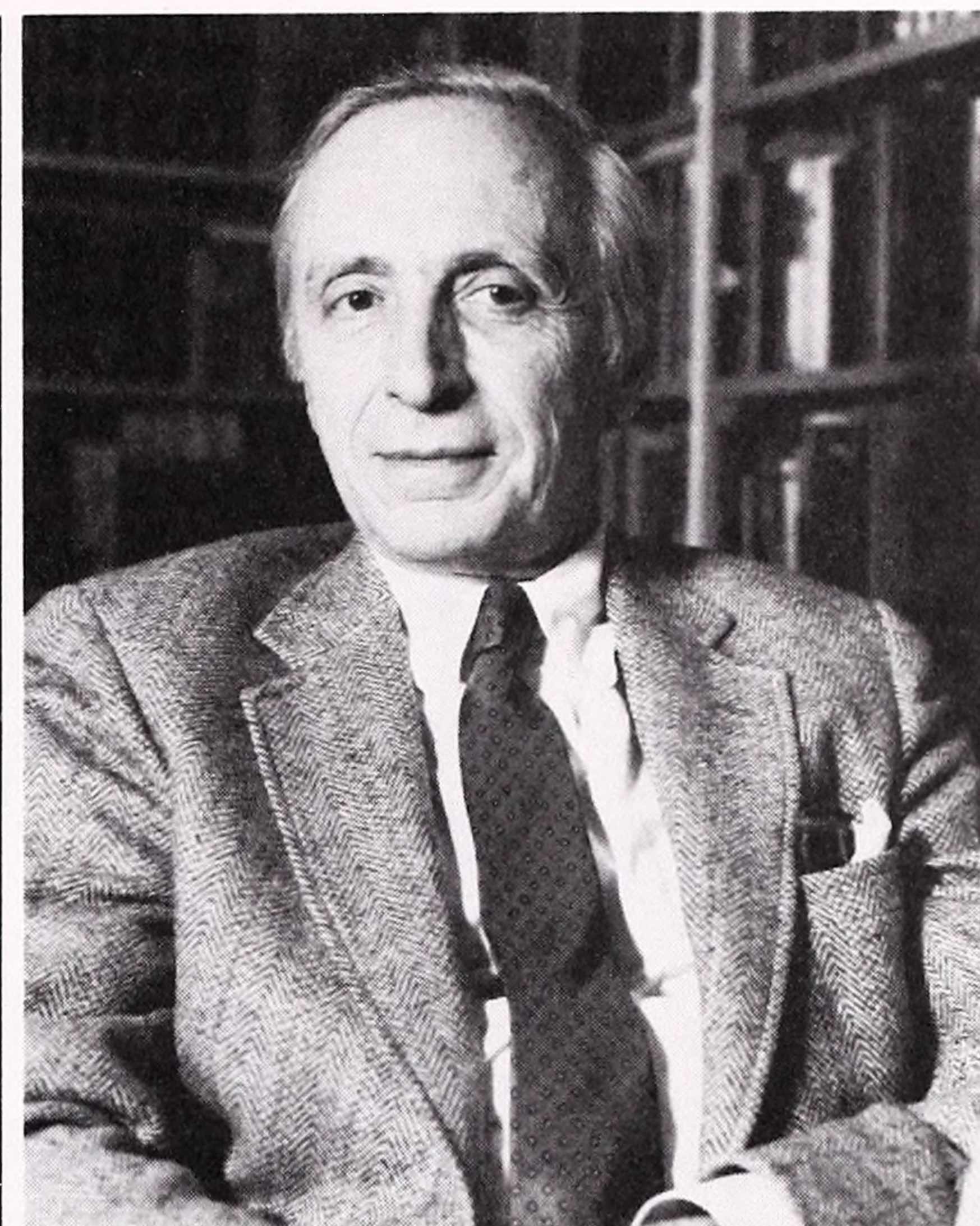
on "The \$64,000 Question" and asked David to join her in the isolation booth as expert advisor. (They failed to name the field commander at Balaclava and missed some Victorian hymn writers, but they left the stage riding in the student's consolation prize—a red Cadillac convertible.) One must hear him tell the story.

David's marriage to Victoria Adams Bryer in 1964 has brought a new family. With Tori, an artist, he has travelled again—to England and the Continent, of course, but also a long swing by car around the Mediterranean, which landed them in Paris in May, 1968, for the riots they were missing here. Named McIntosh Professor of English in 1966, succeeding Cabell Greet, David was at this time also finishing his *George Mallory* (Faber, 1969).

In more recent years, David has written, lectured, and taught a variety of courses while also assuming the chairmanship of the department once more. In 1975, he and Tori took themselves to northern India, Bhutan, Sikkim, and Bengal, and David added Kashmir, Ladakh, and Punjab a year later. His "Mid-Victorians amongst the Alps" appeared in 1977 in *Nature and the Victorian Imagination* (California), and just published is "Weave a Circle: Baron Kirkup and his Greatest Friends," in *From Smollet to James* (Virginia). The major work, however, has been the Eastlake book, and it is scholarship at its best. In *The Times*, John Russell wrote: "Mr. Robertson pans the dust of one set of institutional archives after another and comes up with gold every time." (He rightly noted too: "It is also very funny, by the way.") Some friends have seen a likeness between the author and his Victorian subject, but to others the true parallel is with Matthew Arnold.

The future promises a book about Victorian travellers in the Himalayan regions David has visited and revisited himself, and where he wants to be next fall before returning to teach some of his courses again. We must hope he will also find time some day to put down his recollections of Barnard. His career covers almost half of the College's history, and he is one of its most distinguished teachers. Without having to consider at all, his students and colleagues can answer another of Shakespeare's questions: "Your name, honest gentleman?" (*MND*, III.i.184). ■

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Priscilla Loomis honored by Mayor Koch

## VOLUNTEERS: A Vital Force In Community

*(continued from front cover)*

Loomis worked for the establishment of standards and guidelines for day care centers.

Still a member of the Settlement Board of Directors, she claims no credit for this lifetime of volunteer service: "It has been such a pleasure and so worthwhile. It has been wonderful for me," she says. (Sharing in the festivities at City Hall was Mrs. Loomis' friend and classmate, Helen Dana Howard '13, visiting from England.)

Many a Barnard alumna shares Mrs. Loomis' view of volunteer work, and a number of communities and causes across

the U. S. have benefited as a result. Observers wonder, however, if this pattern of helping one another—so much an American tradition that it was even noted by de Tocqueville nearly 150 years ago—is not fading from our landscape. All the statistics regarding women in the labor market and single parent households, combined with concern that problems are becoming too big for volunteers to solve anyway, seem to cast doubt on the future of volunteering. And indeed the numbers may be fewer, but the work which is still being done suggests that there's life in the movement yet.

In Dallas, for example, a shelter for battered women came into existence largely as the result of the unpaid, but very professional, work of Gerry Beer (Geraldine Danzer '42). Gerry describes herself as someone who wants to do something besides chair committees and who "can only be effective if I narrow myself to one major project at a time." She had previously helped to bring about a day-care program in a Dallas housing project and then led a fund-raising campaign to build a model facility "where there could be a demonstration of good quality day care" for children of low income families.

In 1977, after the Salvation Army had drawn the attention of community leaders to the needs of battered women and their children, Gerry became the first president of the Domestic Violence Intervention Alliance (DVIA). Evidence of her effectiveness can be seen in the breathtaking speed with which an idea was transformed into reality, with the well-placed help of foundations, government, and a lot of other volunteers. A telephone counseling service came first, along with efforts to make the police and other agencies more responsive to the needs of battered women. The first shelter opened in February, 1979, in a rented house which could accommodate up to 12 women and 30 children. It was called The Family Place, and it was always full. CETA funds were used to train the nine-person staff and community organizations contributed operating expenses. Gerry acted as director of the shelter until funds were obtained for a professional administrator. She then concentrated on a fund-raising program, using personal contacts developed over 30 years of participation in the Dallas community. In 1980, a single gift of \$150,000 permitted The Family Place to purchase a larger facility and it can now provide a safe, supportive atmosphere for 16 women and their children. For many it is their first opportunity to learn about community services which are available to them and to make choices regarding their future.

DVIA has now been accepted as an affiliate of Dallas' United Way, a clear signal that the community sees the organization as both necessary and effective. Gerry Beer's own contribution has been recognized by several awards, which she acknowledges to be "personally gratifying, but even more important, it directs the focus of the publicity on The Family Place and the problems of domestic violence. This in turn generates the financial



Ruth Bilenker

support needed by such projects . . . I'm very proud of my part in creating two major institutions in Dallas at a time when there is often a denigration of the word 'volunteer'."

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For Nanette Hodgman Hayes '40, volunteer work has provided a framework in which she "learned an awful lot about things and people, and explored talents I never knew I had."

In May the Columbia Alumni Federation awarded her a medal for Conspicuous Alumni Service, for her work as chairman of the Barnard Unit of Everybody's Thrift Shop in mid-town Manhattan. Her participation in the Thrift Shop, which began while her three children were still young, was in large part in response to her own experience as a student who had been awarded a restricted scholarship. "I felt indebted to Barnard," she says, and when she was able to take a day a week away from home, "I wanted to do something where I could see results. The Thrift Shop raises money for Barnard that wouldn't come in any other way, and it helps students by providing unrestricted scholarships." Since Mrs. Hayes has been chairman the Thrift Shop has raised over \$600,000 for Barnard; its annual contribution to the Barnard Fund now exceeds \$40,000.

Although she has enjoyed the relative freedom which volunteer work permits,

especially to accompany her husband on extended business trips, she sees it as a commitment to be taken as seriously as any paid job. "People have to do what they say they'll do, and be there when you expect them." In her case, this is particularly true on Tuesdays, Barnard's day to provide sales staff at the Thrift Shop. (The eleven participating organizations price their own "thrift" on color-coded tags, but work cooperatively on the selling side.)

In addition to Barnard, Nanette Hayes has shared her time and talent with the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers. As president of its Women's Auxiliary, she has been involved in another kind of scholarship program, for students in the earth sciences. "I'm a frustrated geologist," she says, "and my husband is the third generation of his family in the copper business, so this effort is important to me." Another youth-oriented project which has drawn her attention is English in Action, which supports the teaching of English as a second language.

Recently she has undertaken a new challenge, as president of the James Lenox House, a home for adults on Manhattan's East Side. Experienced executive that she is, she brings to the job the ability to think and plan, and to bring out the best in others.

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And then there are those who work full time at a paid professional job and are active volunteers as well. Ruth Margaretten Bilenker '46 is one of these—a

Gerry Beer



Nanette Hayes

school administrator, she manages a home and is also president of Jewish Family Service of Central New Jersey. She and her husband have three grown children, including daughter Susan, Barnard '72, but her participation in community activities was always a part of their family life.

Why does she volunteer?—to pay back some of the benefits she and her family have enjoyed. "We make our society," she says, "and we deserve the society we get."

How has she chosen her volunteer activities? "You become involved because you see a need," whether it has to do with a safe play area for your own and others' children or services to the aged and resettlement of refugees. She prefers to be involved at a level where she is close to the performance of services. In her profession this means being a supervisor of teachers, not a building administrator; as a volunteer it means having close contact with the staff members who work in the community, in order to keep in touch with changing needs.

For the next two years, however, her focus must be on her organization's need to reach out into the community and develop new leaders, as it seeks to fill the growing gap between actual and desirable circumstances for so many families.

One of the problems it faces, along with other organizations which depend on volunteers, is the feeling among many potential workers that they must seek paid jobs in order to develop creditable experience, "just-in-case," even when their family's circumstances do not pres-

ently require a second salary. Often they have heard that volunteer experience is not seen by employers to have value, regardless of the levels of knowledge and skill it required, and they have not heard that times are changing.

One of the most recent changes with regard to employability occurred in 1980, when the New York State Civil Service Department agreed to accept the experience derived from volunteer work on an equal footing with that of paid employment. The action was part of the settlement of a sex discrimination case which had been brought a year earlier by Damaris Walsh McGuire '70, after she applied for a position as ombudsman with the State Commerce Department. "Imbedded in that application," she wrote, after it was all over, "was the stipulation that minimum qualification for the position must include 'ten years of fulltime, salaried work.' Right then I realized that the cards were stacked against me and against most other women who might apply for the job. Like so many women, my paid work history was sporadic."

Although she had helped found, staff, and run a day-care center, chaired a tenants' committee that negotiated the saving of her apartment building, worked with a neighborhood coalition that got a playground rather than parking spaces built on an empty lot, and spent two years as president of the Parents' Association at her children's school, she did not have enough "fulltime, salaried" work. "It was irrelevant that I had dealt with city, state and federal agencies, local and central school boards, administrators, teachers, parents. Or that I had learned the hard facts of budgets and how to influence budgetary decisions . . . I learned how to evaluate, how to negotiate, how to diagnose problems and where to find solutions," but none of it mattered to the Civil Service Department. She "took a deep breath" and appealed their decision. The State Division of Human Rights investigated for a year, by which time she had found another job, which she likes, outside of state government. She continues to work for the rights of volunteers, however, as a volunteer, and recently helped gain approval in the New York State Senate for a bill which would permit tax credits for certain numbers of volunteer hours and provide verifiable employment records for people who do volunteer work. If this bill catches on, personal gratification may not always need to be the sole reward for the important work these people do. ■

## LETTERS

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that there are dozens more still who might as easily have published essays alongside ours. I wish, though, that we had thought to commend, in greater detail, some of the exceptional teachers of writing with whom many of us studied at Barnard. I know that I, for one, was taught to read hard, revise hard and, in general, to expect a lot of myself—more than I initially dared ask of my talent and my capacity for persistence—by Robert Pack with whom, in the late '50s, I took the same poetry writing course again and again (and found, each time, that it was not the same course at all since the students changed and so did the round of visitors who came to read for us).

But I wanted to tell those readers who knew George P. Elliott and who might not have seen his obituary, that this wise and gentle man who was our teacher of poetry, fiction and literature-at-large, died last year after having taught at Syracuse University since the early '60s. He had been for me and for many others at Barnard an exemplar of a number of virtues which were rare twenty years ago and are more rare today: he was a versatile writer, a man of sobriety and wit, of such extraordinary modesty that it was sometimes hard to imagine him the biting writer of his essays on our culture's inanities; and—most important to me—he taught his classes something far more valuable than technique or stylistic flash. He brought us back, always, to the compassion of Chekhov, who did not judge his characters but who said to them, in a voice that must have been as kind and unwheeling as his own, "Look how you live, my friends. What a pity it is to live like that." We must look to teachers like George Elliott as the good soil in which so many of Barnard's writers have thrived and grown.

Rosellen Brown '60  
Peterborough, NH

To the Editor:

Thanks so much for the excellent Spring '81 magazine, celebrating Barnard writers. That is the most interesting issue you've ever done.

That format, allowing various women to write about (or be interviewed about . . . not everyone is a writer!) the *process* of doing whatever they spend the majority of their energy doing, would seem to be one you could use for other topics as

well. I'd be interested in reading a series of articles on combining motherhood and career (or motherhood period); also articles on women in science, law, etc.—not scholarly articles, but articles on what it is like to be a woman doing that, or what the personal/political issues were for each woman.

Thanks again.

Ginny Bales '72  
Branford, CT

## Education for What?

(The following letter was originally sent to Maureen Miletta, past president of the Associate Alumnae; we are grateful to her and to the writer for sharing it with us, and would welcome alumnae reactions.)

To the Editor:

I am writing as a Barnard alumna and parent. For a long time, I have been alarmed by the political (i.e., power-centered) focus of Barnard's approach to women's issues. Since my years in college, I have noticed many exciting changes—a more open curriculum, more human and easy-going connections with faculty. Again and again I am impressed with the quality of my daughter's education, and she is too. But I find a distressing lack of interest in helping young women recognize the judgment, commitment, and purpose that govern the choice to make mothering a full-time profession.

In our own time, the mechanics of child-rearing have become so much simpler, so much less time and energy consuming. Instead of an awareness of newly-available opportunities (to make deeper and more meaningful relationships with

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## ALUMNAE INVITED

Delegates from Barnard, Columbia, and the University of Rome will meet on Morningside Heights on October 13-17 for the first conference of the Center for International Scholarly Exchange. Public lectures and symposia will cover such topics as Italy and America in contemporary fiction, inter-cultural education and new directions in Italian history.

For further information, write or call Prof. Maristella Lorch, 206 Milbank, 280-5418.

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A highlight of the AABC annual luncheon during Alumnae Days/Reunion was the announcement of fellowships awarded to six outstanding seniors and alumnae "who show the most promise in their chosen careers." The Fellowship Committee, chaired by Shulamith Stromer Talansky '75, gave especially careful consideration this year to applicants planning to return to school after a long absence.

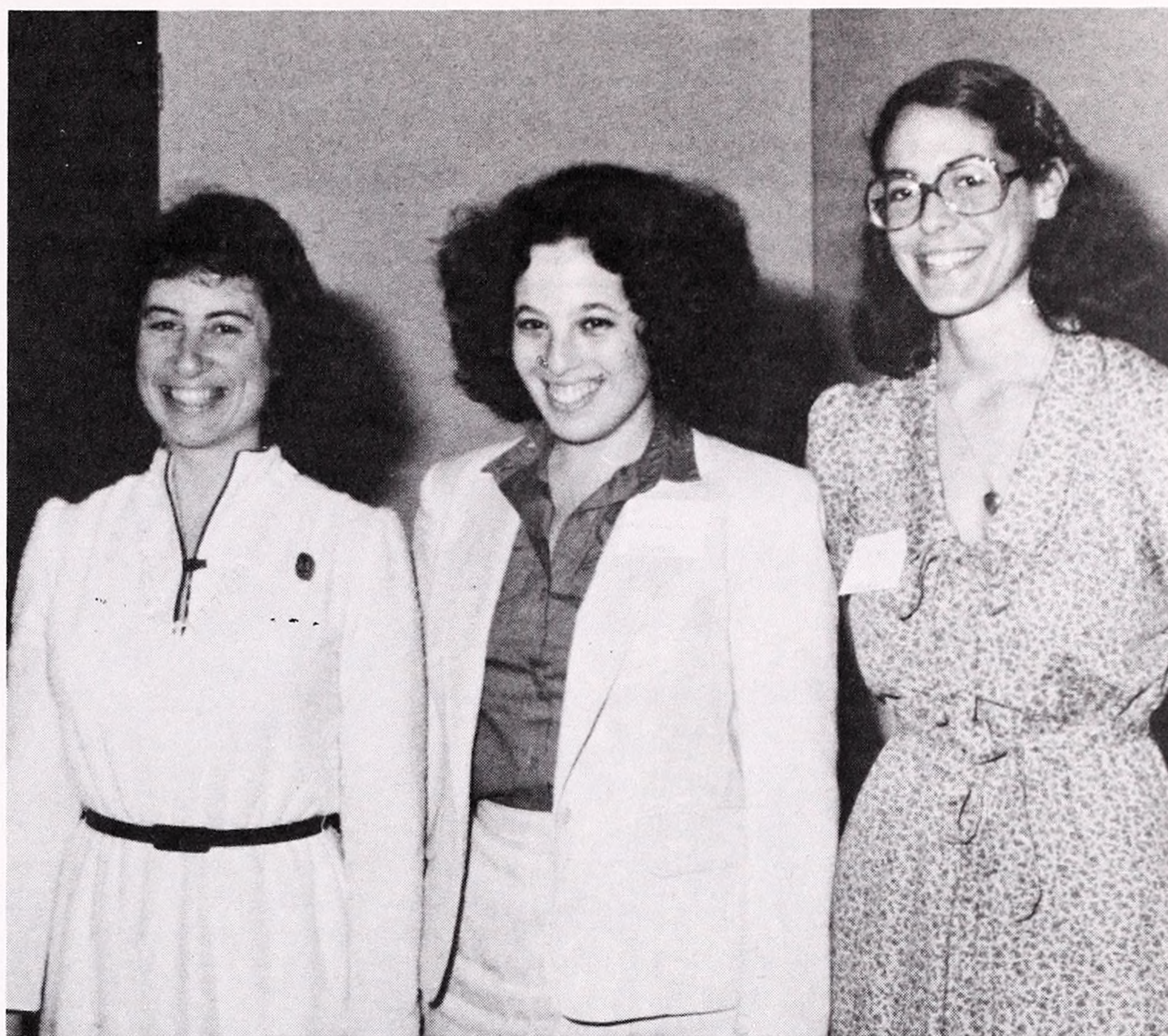
The money available for these fellowships is the income on a fund which was established several years ago and this year yielded \$4500. Awards ranged from \$1700 to token amounts of \$250 for two candidates of great excellence and promise who received substantial financial aid from other sources.

Of the 45 highly qualified applicants, twelve were invited for interviews with the committee. The six recipients are remarkable in their ability to bridge several disciplines and in their command of languages.

Evelyn Wortsman Deluty '76, for example, is fluent in German and French and can handle some aspects of Hebrew, Chinese (Mandarin), and Latin. She is a Ph.D. candidate in philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania and intends to complete her dissertation this year. Noting the gradual disintegration of values and objective standpoints of judgment in society today, she has chosen for her topic, "The Problem of Objectivity in Ernst Cassirer's *Philosophy of Symbolic Forms*." She has been a teaching assistant at Penn for the past four years and intends to write and teach again when the dissertation is finished.

Juliette Levin '81 is pursuing a double career as a theoretical linguist and a professional translator. She will begin graduate work in linguistics at MIT next year and is translating Marie Cardinal's *Les mots pour le dire*. She can also work in Spanish and Mandarin Chinese. Juliette was awarded a fellowship at the Linguistic Institute in 1980, the Eleanor Keller prize in French literature at Barnard, and for three consecutive years received Columbia's Robert Emmett Dolan Prize in Musical Performance (she is a concert flutist). She was captain of Barnard's cross-country team last year and intends to continue to compete as a long-distance runner.

Robin Hochberg '81, an outstanding chemistry major at Barnard, plans to attend the Columbia Graduate School of Business this fall. She would eventually like to continue her studies in chemistry, with the goal of working in a field related



Fellowship winners at AABC luncheon: Nina Moliver '68, Evelyn Wortsman Deluty '76, Juliette Levin '81.

## Alumnae Fellowship Winners

to the management of world energy resources—a problem, she notes, "that I hope to make some progress in solving during the span of my lifetime." Robin is the recipient of several honors and awards for her scholastic achievements in chemistry. She has a thorough command of French and, among her other accomplishments, runs four miles a day and swims one to two miles per week.

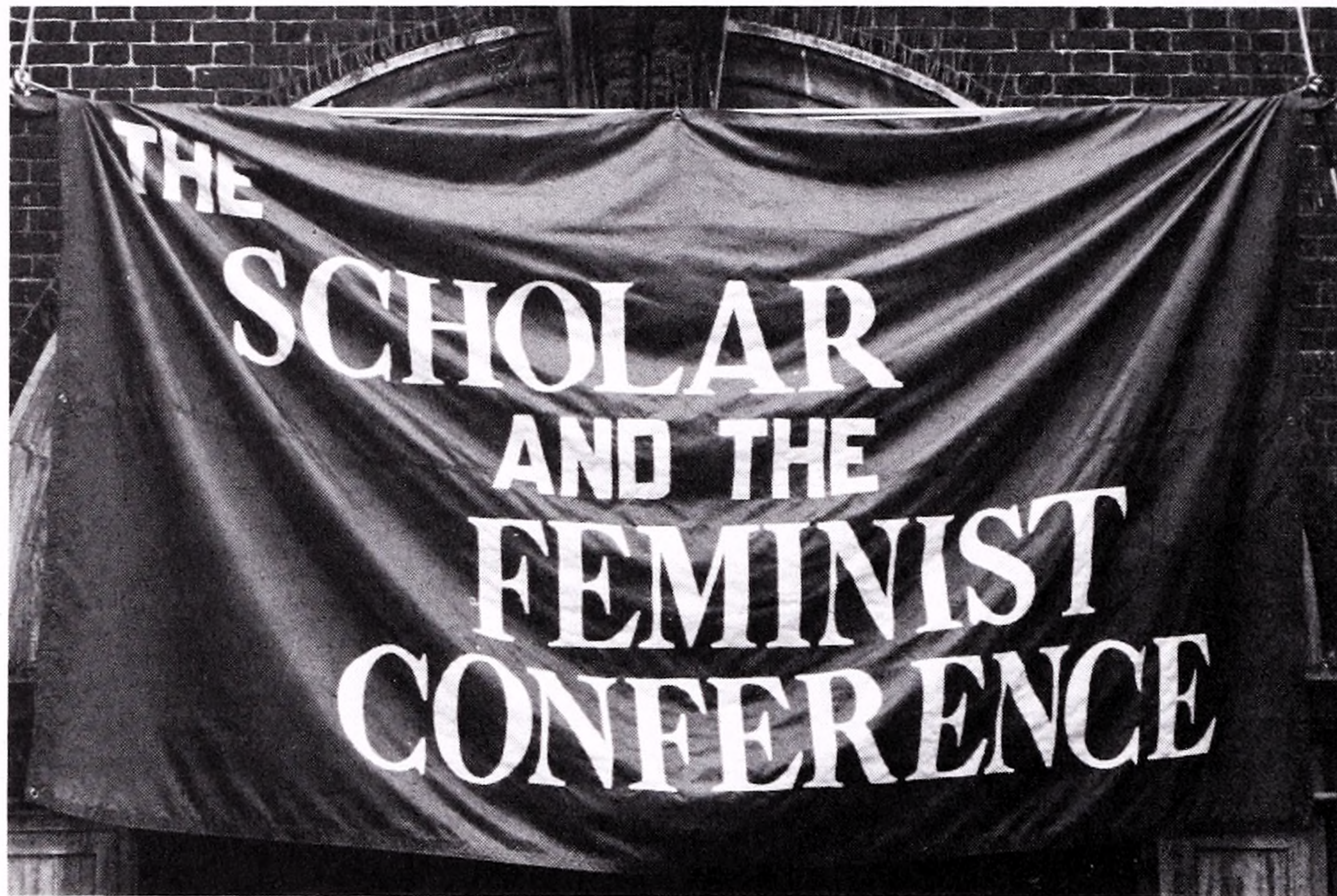
Priscilla Schuster '81, a junior Phi Beta Kappa student, will be working toward a Ph.D. in anthropology/archaeology at the University of Michigan next year. She is also a recipient of a National Science Foundation Fellowship. Her special interests are the causes and effects of increasing cultural complexity and the problems of developing nations in the modern world. Priscilla participated in the 1980 University of Utah field school in archaeology.

Rhonda Rubinson '80 is already a seasoned professional in the field of theatrical lighting, having worked as technical director of several plays at Barnard and interned with Ballet West in Colorado and The American Place Theatre in NYC. Rhonda completed her MA in compara-

tive literature at Columbia this spring and will do further graduate work in comparative literature, specializing in modern drama. She intends simultaneously to pursue her career in theatrical lighting design. Among her other honors: the Saint Agatha-Muriel Bowden Memorial Prize for proficiency in medieval literature, the Sidney Miner Poetry Prize, and graduation *magna cum laude* with honors in English.

Nina Moliver '68 was one of Barnard's most distinguished anthropology majors and worked as a research assistant to the late Dr. Margaret Mead '23. Her honors include membership in Phi Beta Kappa and graduation *magna cum laude* with distinction in Anthropology. Nina has been studying towards a graduate degree in computer science at McGill University, making use of her gifts in mathematics and her interest in, among other things, bio-medical applications of computer science and archaeological correlations through computer techniques. She is fluent in French and Italian, has limited fluency in German and Spanish, and reads Russian. She is the mother of an eight-year-old child. ■

# Notes from the WOMEN'S CENTER



## THE SCHOLAR AND THE FEMINIST VIII: THE DYNAMICS OF CONTROL

On Saturday, April 11, an atmosphere of seriousness and anticipation filled the Barnard gymnasium, where more than 600 women gathered for the eighth annual Scholar and Feminist conference.

In selecting this year's topic, "The Dynamics of Control," the conference planning committee had responded to widespread concern that the emergence of the "new right" and rapid economic and social changes (inflation, recession, cuts in government services) will undermine advances made by women in recent years.

The committee had organized its inquiry around a series of questions: 1) What are the mechanisms of control enacted through legislation and socio-economic policy, and what are the more subtle ideological kinds of control exerted through media, education, religion, and the medical establishment? 2) To what extent is control part of public policy and/or social institutions and to what degree do women internalize and perpetuate their own control? 3) How does control operate in relation to existing social hierarchies based upon class, race, sex and sexual orientation? 4) How does control limit women's productive and reproductive activities? 5) Under what circumstances do women organize in order to

resist control?

The conference began with a panel discussion in which the question of how and why women are controlled—in the context of a strong right wing—was examined by three feminist scholars: Blanche Cook, historian from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY; Zillah Eisenstein, political scientist from Ithaca College; and Cheryl Gilkes, sociologist from Boston University. The moderator was Hanna Lessinger, academic coordinator of the conference and visiting professor of anthropology and Women's Studies at Barnard.

Zillah Eisenstein's talk, "Anti-Feminism, the 'New Right' and Reagan," explored similarities and differences between the anti-feminist efforts of the Reagan administration and those of the "New Right" to reaffirm patriarchy and the traditional family. She warned against the small but vocal ultra-conservative wing in this country which has made so-called "pro-family," anti-feminist politics the thrust of its domestic and foreign policy. She stressed the need for the women's movement to broaden its base of support and unite in order to defend itself. Gilkes' presentation, "From Slavery to Social Welfare: The Control of Black

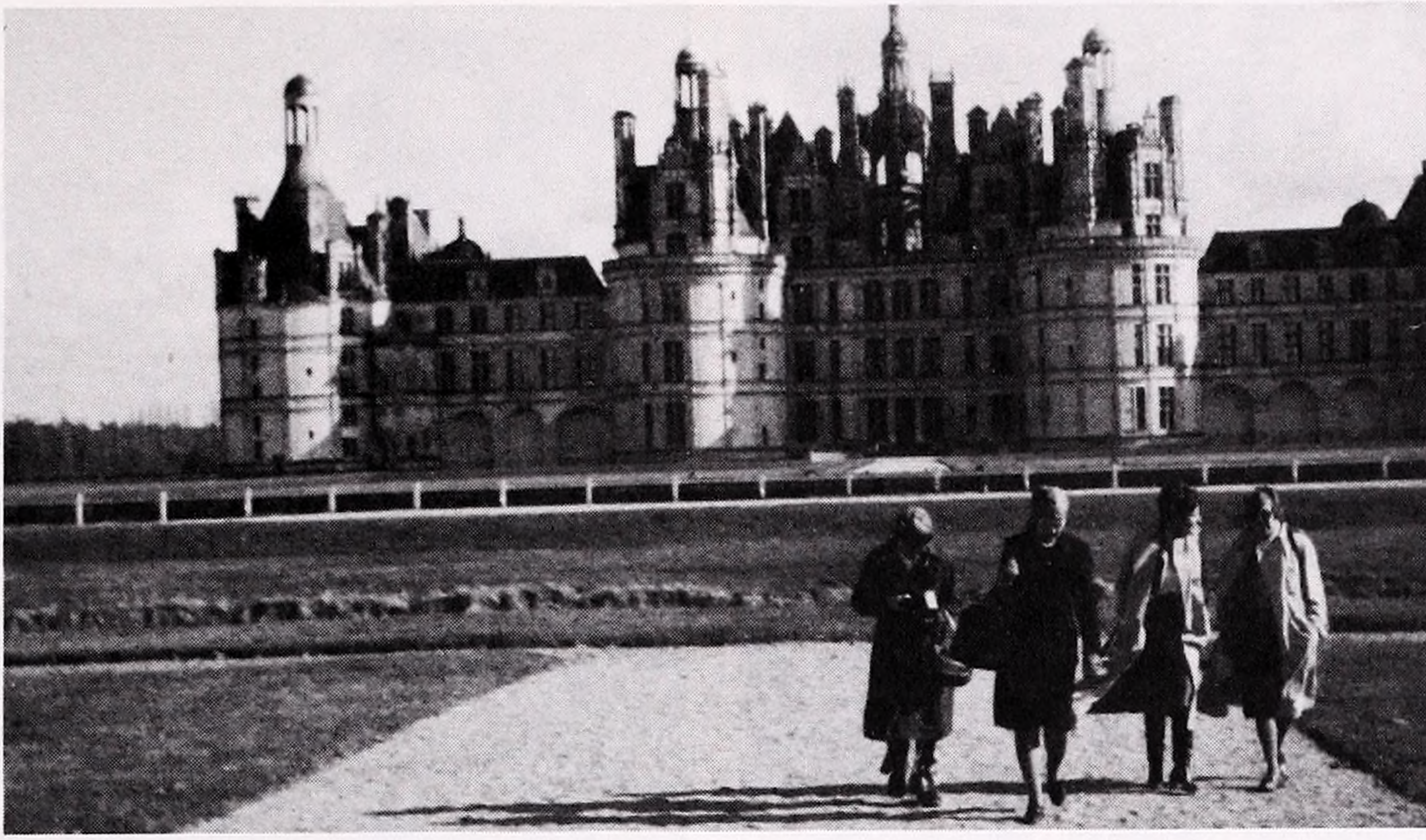
Women," argued that the oppression of black women cannot be seen apart from a persistent policy of racism. Throughout history black women have played a pivotal role in the black community but have been labeled "deviant" by the dominant white culture. Gilkes expressed concern that racism in this country has not diminished. Blanche Cook spoke about "Repression and Resistance: A Historical Perspective," comparing FBI and CIA surveillance since World War I to contemporary styles of political oppression directed against civil rights groups and women's groups, such as the Black Panthers and Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. She made the point that similar tactics were used to discredit the women's movement in the 1970s.

Eighteen concurrent afternoon workshops continued a dialogue of these themes and covered a wide range of topics. Some of the titles were "Crises, Reaction and Resistance: Women in Germany in the 1920s and 1930s," "Same-Sex Networks, Compulsory Heterosexuality and the Family," "Images of Women in Latin America's Literature of Protest," and "The Controversy over Sterilization among Puerto Rican Women."

There were two artistic additions to this year's conference. Anna Deavere Smith gave a dramatic reading of excerpts from Eve Merriam's new play, "And I Ain't Finished Yet," which portrays the lives of seven black women. "Generations of Women: Private Lives," a photography exhibit on display in the gymnasium, contained 80 sepia enlargements—some dating as far back as 1880—collected from the family albums of Women's Studies students and staff at Jersey City State College.

Many of the papers from the conference will be available in a book, tentatively titled, *Race, Class and Sex: The Dynamics of Control*, to be published by G. K. Hall in 1982. The book will be co-edited by Hanna Lessinger and Amy Swerdlow (academic coordinator of the Scholar and Feminist VII, 1980) and will combine papers from the 1980 and 1981 conferences into one volume.

Since 1974, the Scholar and Feminist conferences have been funded by the Helena Rubinstein Foundation. Planning and administration are handled by the Women's Center, an academic coordinator, and a committee—which this year had sixteen members, eight of whom were from the Barnard community. ■



# Barnard Week in Paris

By Mary Doyle '45

For 39 Barnard travelers, the departure for Paris was set for 9:30 on a Friday evening from Kennedy Airport in New York. We returned nine days later with new friends and new or repeat experiences under our belt, not to mention a lot of champagne, and a keen desire to DO IT AGAIN!

The first question everyone asks when one comes back from such a trip seems to involve the weather, so I might as well mention it first. Paris, or France for that matter, in March is not the Caribbean, but it also offers more than beaches and casinos! Although it was overcast much of the time and rainy for some of it, the temperature was above normal and nothing was really spoiled.

The trip began with a friendly check-in at the airport and time to gather in an upstairs lounge for introductions—all in all a triumph of civility. Our in-flight movie was a feature length cartoon in French, but cold salmon and champagne compensated for any lack there. By the time we landed, our holiday mood overcame even the frantic, less than pleasant arrival at De Gaulle Airport.

We were booked at the Grand Hotel, on the Place de l'Opera; it is a busy, safe area close to fine shopping, such as Hermes and Fauchon, and the Church of the Madeleine, so there was much to see within easy reach during our free moments. We arrived there for check-in with enough time to get ready for our afternoon orientation tour.

This first tour was well done—long enough to get us acquainted or re-acquainted with the city and ending at Notre Dame with time for picture-taking and a look inside the cathedral.

On Sunday morning those of us who had elected the day trip to the Cathedral at Chartres attended the lecture by Olive G. Lorsignol, an expert on the history of this beautiful church. With the rest of the day free, we headed in all directions—the Louvre, the Jeu de Paume, the Champs Elysees, the Left Bank.

On Sunday night there were cocktail parties at the homes of Barnard alumnae living in Paris and this was an outstanding part of our trip. Although it is fantastic to meet Directeurs and Ambassadors, to be invited into a Parisian home makes one feel truly a Parisienne. We owe special thanks to Genevieve Ramos Acker '61 for organizing the parties and to hostesses Odette Goldmuntz Chertok '44, Simone Dreyfus '49, Ginette Girardey Rainbault '43, and Judith Lebowitz Deloux '61.

Monday offered optional excursions—the Centre Pompidou or a fashion show at Nina Ricci's with Tonia Schilling, followed by a reception at the Ambassador's residence to see its rotating art collection and antique furnishings. I chose the Fashion Show and it was great fun, with background music—American—from the '30s and '40s.

Tuesday it was off to Chartres, accompanied by lecturer Lorsignol. The Cathedral, the first dedicated to the Madonna, has survived fire after fire, but was made more magnificent by constant rebuilding. After a delicious lunch, we had time to return to the Cathedral or walk around

the ancient town itself before heading back to Paris and our reception at Reid Hall.

Some of us had studied in Paris and knew Reid Hall well, while others from the WW II years had never had the opportunity. Again, that wonderful champagne accompanied the warm reception we received from our hostess, Danielle Haase-Dubosc '59.

Many of us ate that night on the Left Bank where, contrary to what you read, one can still get a decent dinner for a reasonable sum at some of the restaurants the students patronize. I found two excellent places that were no more expensive than a first class New York restaurant.

The week was going by much too fast! Wednesday, a free day, found most of us headed for shopping and the landmarks of Paris. Paris remains relatively unchanged, compared to New York, because

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## TELL US YOUR TRAVEL PREFERENCES

We need your help in planning other Barnard trips. Please check below the sort of travel that would interest you most and send it to Irma Moore, Director of Alumnae Affairs, 606 W. 120 St., New York, NY 10027.

I would be interested in the following type of Barnard-sponsored trip:

- City tours with theater, museums, etc., and all arrangements taken care of
- Study tours with Barnard professors lecturing and accompanying the tour
- Camping, wildlife tours

My preference regarding length of such a trip would be:

- 9 days     15 days     longer

An appropriate price range for me would be:

- \$1000—\$2000 (per person)
- \$2000—\$3000
- over \$3000

I would like to visit the following places: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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*Mary Glading Doyle lives in Connecticut. She writes promotional advertising but wouldn't mind traveling for a living.*



Hester and Ann Bernays Kaplan '52



Meredith and Judith Rudansky Goldsmith '46



Caroline and Elizabeth Mayer Stern '56



Jean and Althea Pedersen '55



Janet and Inez Schapiro Reiser '52

## IT'S IN THE FAMILY

Alumnae families were much in evidence on graduation day for the Class of '81 as 21 alumnae daughters received their degrees and parents came to share their joy. In addition to those shown here, the group included Deborah and Anna Schaffer Ascher '56, Susannah and Anne Ralph Barton '49, Serena and Agatha Nadai Castelli '55, Leonore Checci and Dr. Marie Rosati '47, Pamela and Martha Kahle Diefenbach '50, Miriam and Ruth Rapp Dresner '52, Dale and Patricia Frost Eisenberg '57, Ann and Elaine Musgrove Guenther '55, Ariel and Judith Kaufman Hurwich '54, Jill and Pauline Conomos Nikas '53, Dilys and Betty McCormick Portugill '57, Sheila and Madeleine Kessler Ramsey '45, Sarah and Edith Goldsmith Rosenthal '45, Susana and Maria Teresa Escoda Roxas '50, Julia and Rebekah Porter Wells '57.



Anne and Elizabeth Elliot Bolles '49



**F**or several dozen alumnae every year, Reunion festivities mark the end of their term of office as directors of the Associate Alumnae or officers of their class, and the occasion is noted with warm expressions of thanks all around. A special "thank-you" was offered this year at a Recognition Breakfast in Brooks Living Room on Saturday morning, when AABC president Maureen Miletta presented special Barnard mugs to the outgoing class officers. In a brief talk which obviously reflected the feelings of the group, Diana Shapiro Bowstead '60 spoke of her experiences in alumnae service and her hopes that more would realize that it is an opportunity to have a good time while also performing needed jobs for Barnard. The work, she felt, is truly its own reward.

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It was announced at the Annual Meeting on May 15 that the AABC candidates presented by the Nominating Committee had been approved. They are: Renee Becker Swartz '55, president and alumnae trustee; Duane Lloyd Patterson '55, secretary; Cecile Singer '50, Fund Chairman; Weslie Resnick '70, Budget Chairman; and Jacqueline Fleming '69, Director-at-Large. Elected to three-year terms on the Nominating Committee were: Barbara Ridgway Binger '39, Nona Balakian '42, and Ruth Klein Stein '62.

For the Reunion classes, slates of class officers were presented on Friday evening, at well-attended class suppers all over the campus. Elected to serve for the next five years were:

#### 1906

President: Jessie P. Condit  
Vice pres.: Florence Lilienthal Gitterman

#### 1911

President: Florrie Holzwasser

#### 1921

President: Leonora Andrews  
Vice pres.: Alice Johnson Watson  
Correspondent: Helen Jones Griffin  
Fund Ch.: Eleanor Tiemann Fraser

#### 1926

President: Edna Mae Ruckner  
Vice pres.: Georgia Hamilton Wilson  
Sec'y-treas.: Marion Burrough Clifford  
Correspondent: Eleanor Antell Virgil

#### 1931

President: Else Zorn Taylor  
Vice pres.: Edna Meyer Wainerdi  
Correspondent: Beatrice Zeisler  
Treasurer: Theresa Landes Held  
Fund Ch.: Esther Grabelsky Biederman

# NEW LEADERS TAKE OFFICE AT REUNION

#### 1936

President: Nora Lourie Percival  
Vice pres.: Margaret Davidson Barnett  
Correspondent: Vivian Neale  
Treasurer: Katharine Hand  
Fund Ch.: Elizabeth Dew Searles

#### 1941

President: Eleanor M. Johnson  
Vice pres.: Jeanette Halstead Kellogg  
Correspondent: Mary Graham Smith  
Treasurer: Dorothy Wilson Dorsa

#### 1946

President: Lillian Oswald Layton  
Vice pres.: Doris Clark Tucher and  
Lorna Pitz Bunte (also Treas.)  
Correspondent: Charlotte Byer Winkler  
Fund Ch.: Virginia Heller Turner

#### 1951

President: Marisa Macina Hagan  
Vice pres.: Naomi Loeb Lipman  
Correspondent: G. Brooks Lushington  
Fund Ch.: Paula Weltz Spitalny

#### 1956

President: Janet Bersin Finke  
(also Corresp.)  
Vice pres.: Diana Cohen Blumenthal  
Fund Ch.: Nicole Satescu

#### 1961

President: Sharon Doyle Spring  
Vice pres.: Elaine Rae Schlozman  
Chapnick  
Correspondent: Hinda Rotenberg Miller  
Treasurer: Marilyn Umlas Wachtel

#### 1966

President: Susan Halper  
Vice pres.: Dr. Elena Zegarelli-Schmidt  
Correspondent: Anne Cleveland Kalicki  
Fund Ch.: Kathy Candel Epstein

#### 1971

President: Dr. Cheryl Weiner  
Vice pres.: Joyce Pollack Montgomery  
Correspondents: Julia Hong Sabella  
Rose Spitz Fife, M.D.

Treasurer: Muriel Desloovere

Fund Ch.: Dana Lindsay

#### 1976

President: Diane Price Baker  
Vice pres.: Judith Anne Murciano  
Correspondent: Lisa Lerman  
Treasurer: Jody Sheff

Fund Ch.: Christine Li

#### 1981

President: Teri Sivilli  
Vice pres.: Anna Hay  
Correspondent: Chendy Kornreich  
Treasurer: Ramona Goodman  
Fund Ch.: Vivian Altman

### NOMINATIONS WELCOME

The Nominating Committee will meet at the end of the summer to select candidates for positions which will become vacant in May 1982. Any alumna who would like to be considered or to propose someone else for office should write to the Nominating Committee—AABC, Rm. 221, 606 W. 120 St., NY 10027, by Aug. 25.

Offices to be filled are: Alumnae Trustee (4 years), Director-at-Large and chairmen of the Student Affairs, Club, Advisory Vocational, Council and Publications Committees (all for 3 years), and three members of the Nominating Committee (3 years).

# EVENTS IN THE ARTS

## NEW BOOKS

**Agnes Vlavianos Arvanitis '57**, *Reflections*, a collection of poems privately published, in Greek.

Agnes Vlavianos Arvanitis' poems in her native Greek are lyrical reflections on life's multiple experiences. The most moving among them is "Golden Anniversary." Other poems that stand out are "Mother," "Life," and "Sky-Blue." A few poems in English are included.

**Suzy McKee Charnas '61**, *The Vampire Tapestry*, Simon & Schuster, 1980, \$11.95; Pocket Books, 1981.

This new addition to vampire lore gives us a contemporary—and very believable—vampire in the form of the sophisticated Dr. Edward Weyland, anthropology professor, a man of chilling intelligence with a voracious appetite for survival.

**Kitty (Spalding) Cunningham '57** and Michael Ballard, *Conversations with a Dancer*, St. Martin's Press, 1980, \$12.95.

"This is a book about performing, and about the work and pleasure that one dancer has experienced in his chosen profession." In this interview with Michael Ballard, a dancer with the Murray Louis Dance Company, we're given insight into a dancer's life and art and the creative process. Jacket design by Betty Binns (Esner) '49.

**Elizabeth Robson and Gwennyth Edwards '71**, *Getting Help: A Woman's Guide to Therapy*, E. P. Dutton, 1980, \$12.95/7.95.

Everything you always wanted to know about therapy but were afraid to find out. This is a guide "for the woman consumer that will help her select an effective therapist and get the most out of therapy." The authors begin with the recognition that psychotherapy as a profession has been delinquent in eliminating sexist discrimination. By surveying the different schools of psychoanalytic thought and practice, and by providing interviews with women clients, the authors have compiled a sensible guide to choosing and evaluating the right kind of therapy for you.

**Caroline Fairless '71**, *Hambone*, Tundra Books, 1980, \$7.95.

"We sold most of the piglets, but we still have two left. I'm not going to name them this time . . . Neither one of them will be a pig like Hambone." This is a tender story about a boy's life on a farm and how he comes to understand the ritual of loss and recovery. Great illustrations, especially of Hambone, the heart-warming, prize-winning pig.

**Ronnie Friedland '67** and Carol Kort, eds., *The Mothers' Book, Shared Experiences*, Houghton-Mifflin, 1981, \$14.95/8.95.

64 mothers tell how having children changed their lives. Working and non-working mothers, breast-feeders and bottle-feeders, single mothers, step-mothers, biological and adoptive mothers all candidly discuss a range of issues concerning motherhood and one's sense of self. "We feel we have provided a forum for mothers undergoing emotional transitions of all kinds to speak about themselves and their issues honestly." (Contributing author **Cathy Sloat Shaw** is Barnard '72.)

**Mary Gordon '71**, *The Company of Women*, Random House, 1980, \$12.95.

Mary Gordon's second novel focuses on the relationships among an enclave of middle-aged women who have flocked around the domineering personality of Father Cyprian, a stubborn, arrogant, but spiritually nurturing priest. Felicitas, the daughter of one of them, bears the weight of their all-too-encompassing love until, as a student at Columbia, she rebels and suffers painful consequences. The novel's strengths are its handling of human weakness and compassion, its vision of forgiveness and redemption, and the quality of its graceful, often lyrical, prose.

**Francine du Plessix Gray '52**, *World Without End*, Simon & Schuster, 1981, \$12.95.

Francine du Plessix Gray's well-received second novel focuses on the obsessive relationships among three gifted people—Edmund, Claire, and Sophie—who have come together in their middle years to tour the Soviet Union and "to figure out how to live the last third of their lives." Their nebulous and long lasting friendship is examined through flashbacks to Nantucket, New York, California, and Florence. Mrs. Gray's language is rich and her scope is wide: her characters' struggles evoke the aesthetic and religious concerns of the past 35 years.

**Erna Olafson Hellerstein '60**, et al., eds., *Victorian Women*, Stanford University Press, 1981, \$27.50/11.95.

This is "a collection of historical documents by and about women in the three different yet related Western cultures—England, France, and the U.S.—in the 19th century." Derived from diaries, letters, medical records, etiquette manuals, and a variety of other private and public records, this collection chronicles the major divisions of a woman's life: the girl, the adult woman (personal and work life), and the older woman. **Estelle Friedman '69** was an Associate Editor of this volume.

**Tama Janowitz '77**, *American Dad*, G. P. Putnam's Sons, \$11.95.

In this funny first novel, the misadventures of one Earl Przepasniak are portrayed with bite and relish. Molded by an eccentric, verse-writing mother and a libidinous, psychiatrist father, Earl barely survives his parents' divorce. His coming-of-age is a coming-to-terms with the love/hate he feels for his "American Dad"—a paragon of the overweening, conquering male.

**Coppélia (Huber) Kahn '61**, *Man's Estate: Masculine Identity in Shakespeare*, University of California Press, 1981, \$17.50.

"Today we are questioning the cultural definitions of sexual identity we have inherited. I believe Shakespeare questioned them too, that he was critically aware of the masculine fantasies and fears that shaped his world, and of how they falsified both men and women." These six essays combine literary criticism, psychoanalytic theory, and a feminist perspective to explore how Shakespeare perceived problems of masculine identity in the plays (and in the early narrative poem, *Venus and Adonis*). Some of the topics covered are: fatherhood and mortality, fathers and sons, fathers and daughters, and cuckoldry and marriage.

**Alice (Beck) Kehoe '56**, *North American Indians, a Comprehensive Account*, Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1981, \$16.95.

"This is a straightforward history of North America," writes Ms. Kehoe. "It begins when humans first inhabited the continent, at least 30 thousand years ago, and it continues, chronologically, region by region, to the present . . ." A thorough study of the histories of North American Indians for the non-specialist reader.

**Linda (Kaufman) Kerber '60**, *Women of the Republic*, The University of North Carolina Press, 1980, \$19.50/9.00.

This book is the result of seven years of research into diaries, letters, and legal records describing women's participation in the American Revolution, how that participation affected women's education, and how they came to see their role in private and public life. "This book assumes that women's work and women's words did make a difference. . . The early republic does look different when seen through women's eyes."

**Norma Klein (Fleissner) '60**, *Domestic Arrangements*, M. Evans & Co., 1981, \$11.95.

A New York family deals with the complexities of "the new morality" and changing family structures. 14-year-old Rusty discovers sex (with her 16-year-old boyfriend), fame (she appears in a nude scene in a movie), and divorce (her parents decide to move in with their respective lovers), all told with humor and sympathy.

**Flo (Fischman) Morse '43**, *The Shakers & the World's People*, Dodd, Mead & Co., 1981, \$17.95.

Shakerism has "outlived all other religious and social 'utopias' founded in early America," writes Ms. Morse in this detailed, illustrated history of the American Shakers phenomenon. Founded by Ann Lee (one of the few religions founded by a woman), the Shakers lived communal lives that denounced marriage and sexuality. They were famous for their fine workmanship, their lack of crime and poverty, and the unusual method of worship—dancing and whirling—that gave rise to their name. Excerpts from Shakers' writings and writings by "the world's people" (their name for those outside their ranks) vividly portray three centuries of Shaker life.

**Mary Carroll Nelson '50**, *The Legendary Artists of Taos*, Watson-Guptill Publications, 1980, \$25.00.

This is an enlargement of *American Artist's* special issue on the Taos Society of Artists, in a handsome, coffee table-sized book replete with fine reproductions. The text provides a major study of the life and work of 28 artists, but it's the paintings that capture the imagination. What's striking is their extraordinary richness of color, light, and shadow.

**Louise M. Rosenblatt '25**, *The Reader, the Text, the Poem*, Southern Illinois University Press, 1978, \$10.95.

"The premise of this book is that a text, once it leaves its author's hands, is simply paper and ink until a reader evokes from it a literary work . . ." Prof. Rosenblatt describes a process of "transaction" between reader and text whereby the reader plays a crucial, creative role. This is a fresh approach to literary criticism that makes use of philosophical developments in criticism and aesthetics and discusses other critical approaches. Amply illustrated with various texts.

**Lynne Sharon Schwartz '59**, *Balancing Acts*, Harper & Row, 1981, \$9.95.

Max is a resourceful, ex-circus performer at the end of his days; Alison is an imaginative 13-year-old, lonely and full of yearnings. Their unconventional friendship eases Alison's difficult coming of age and allows Max to relinquish gracefully his hold on life. The author's second novel, *Balancing Acts* is a touching, funny, and insightful celebration of friendship.

**Arlene (Steinlauf) Stern '74**, ed., *Legal Looseleaves in Print 1981*, Infosources Publishing, 1981, \$20.

This bibliography lists over 1380 legal looseleaves published in the U.S. by over 100 publishers. Indexed by subject.

**Sylvia Thomas '33**, *Saga of a Yankee Whaleman*, Old Dartmouth Historical Society Whaling Museum, 1981, \$10.

"From earliest childhood I heard tales of a 'family whaling voyage' on board a ship named the *Merlin* . . ." The author reconstructs the whaling career of her grandfather, Albert Alexander Thomas, from letters, logbooks, and journals of five 19th-century whaling vessels. This fascinating account tells how Thomas worked his way from the foc'sle (where the "green hands" slept) to the captain's cabin, culminating in the voyage aboard the *Merlin* with his wife and young son. Rich in flavor and history; bibliography included.

**Jacqueline Thompson '69**, ed., *Image Impact: The Aspiring Woman's Personal Packaging Program*, A & W Publishers, 1981, \$10.95.

18 "image consultants" contribute their expertise in this guide to putting together a successful professional image. Chapters focus on clothing and make-up, body language, controlling nervousness, voice and conversational ability, color coordination, and much more. In short, how to present yourself to the business world in the best possible way.

**Lynn H. Fox, Linda Brody, and Dianne (Hodas) Tobin '60**, eds., *Women and the Mathematical Mystique*, The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1980, \$5.95.

"Is the world of mathematicians truly a masculine domain, into which women must venture with caution and trepidation?" To answer this the authors investigated the question of sex differences in the study of mathematics, with special attention given to the attitudes of teachers, parents, and peers. In-depth profiles of creative female mathematicians are also included. The editors are affiliated with the Intellectually Gifted Child Study Group at Johns Hopkins University.

**Ellen Willis '62**, *Beginning to See the Light, Pieces of a Decade*, Knopf, 1981, \$12.95.

Witty, iconoclastic, lucid—these 28 essays collected from *The New Yorker*, *The Village Voice*, and *Rolling Stone* span the '70s: rock music, feminism, the family, abortion, pornography, and Judaism are some of her topics. There is a freshness to her radical politics that avoids the foregone conclusions and biases of much leftist journalism. "A natural dissident who is always taking unpopular positions" (as one reviewer described her), Ms. Willis's intelligence and commitment to freedom and social justice inform these essays.

## EXHIBITIONS

**Mariana Cook '78** exhibited her photographs at the Ankrum Gallery in Los Angeles throughout May.

**Chrystyna Chytra Kinal '67**. An exhibition of Ms. Kinal's prints and watercolors was held at Gallery West in Alexandria, VA, May through June.

**Marcia Rackow '60** participated in a group show, "Aesthetic Realists & Friends," at the Terrain Gallery in NYC, February through April. She exhibited her paintings and drawings.

**Nina Howell Starr '26** exhibited photographs and examples of contemporary roadside folk art in "A Survey of Folk Art" at the Robert Freidus Gallery, NYC, in April and May. She also participated in an exhibition representing four generations of the Howell and Starr family at the Jehu Gallery in San Francisco, May through June.

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## EVENTS IN THE ARTS *(continued)*

Adeline Tintner '32 delivered a slide lecture entitled "The Poetics of Collage: An Iconographic Approach to Henry James' American Stories" in the James Room at Barnard College last April.

Alice Aaronson Zlotnick '53 opened her showing of prints at the Jerusalem Theater Gallery in Jerusalem, Israel, on April 6.

music

## DANCE

Shulamith (Strassfeld) Saltzman '67, currently living in Israel, recently performed with an Israeli modern dance company at The Pompidou Center in Paris.

## MUSIC

Eileen Parsons '65, mezzo soprano, performed in a general recital at Holy Names College at the Kennedy Art Center, NYC, on March 15.

Jeanne (Walsh) Singer '44 was guest of honor at a festival concert of her music presented in Bogotá, Colombia, on Dec. 18, 1980. The program consisted of 24 of her compositions, included solo vocal and instrumental works, vocal and instrumental ensembles, and three choral works. It was sponsored jointly by the National University of Colombia and the Conservatory of Tolima (performers were faculty and advanced students of both institutions, plus two choirs) and was video-taped for national TV.

## THEATRE

Judith Rudansky Goldsmith '46 performed her one-person theatre presentation, "The Town of the Little People," special adaptations of stories by Sholom Aleichem and I. L. Peretz, at the Port Washington (NY) Library, in connection with the Nassau County observance of Jewish Heritage Week (May 3-10). The performance was taped for future use by library patrons.

Martha Mahard '70 presented an illustrated lecture, "Prompt-books and Playhouse Editions: the Drama from Stage to Study" at the Smith College Museum of Art in May. She is Assistant Curator of the Harvard Theatre Collection.

Ntozake Shange '70 presented a new work combining poetry, dance, and music—"Mouths: A Daughter's Geography"—in April at The Kitchen Center for Video and Music, in Manhattan. Ms. Shange was awarded the University Medal for Excellence at the Columbia University graduation exercises on May 13. She was cited for her "important contributions to American drama, literature and poetry, and for bringing all of us to a better understanding of human kind."

## AND IN THE SCIENCES...

Vicki (Wolf) Cobb '58 and Kathy Darling, *Bet You Can't!, Science Impossibilities to Fool You*, Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, 1980, \$6.95.

Vicki Cobb won the New York Academy of Sciences' Tenth Annual Children's Science Book Award for *Bet You Can't!*, an entertaining introduction to basic scientific principles. The authors have set up a series of "dares" that youngsters can try on their friends and win every time, with the help of gravity, mechanics, and logic. Delightfully illustrated.

Helen Block Lewis '32, *Freud and Modern Psychology, Vol. I: The Emotional Basis of Mental Illness*, Plenum Press, 1981, \$19.50.

What is the value of psychoanalytical therapy in our post-Freudian era? This text integrates Freud's discoveries with nearly a century of research into emotional and social behavior. Ms. Lewis begins by recognizing the paradox that while Freud's theories of behavior pervade our thinking, the influence of psychoanalysis on contemporary psychiatry is waning. This scholarly, insightful book focuses on Freud's major diagnostic categories: guilt, hysteria, phobias, obsessional neurosis, paranoia, and depression, culminating in the author's assessment of psychoanalysis as therapy today.

## BARNARD WEEK IN PARIS

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new building is regulated to be sure that no World Trade Tower will ever rise over the Bastille.

All of us were looking forward to the Barnard banquet that night as one of the trip's high points and, by now, most of us knew one another. Our guest speaker, Bernard Kaplan, the Hearst correspondent, spoke of Franco/American relations in the Reagan era.

Thursday was Versailles for those of us who elected this option. Our guide was Aimee, a delightful young Frenchwoman, who was so good that we would have acquired an entourage of other tourists if our group leader had not, very gently, steered people away from our group.

At Versailles the weather gods were on our side. We drove there in pouring rain

but we were able to skip between the showers to enjoy the outdoors as well as the interior. What can one say of Versailles? Restoration is going on so that another visit five years from now would likely be another new experience. Another carefully selected luncheon did its share in making this a special day.

From Versailles we were taken to the Sorbonne and were received by its charming Directeur. The reception was held in the Directeur's private living quarters—one more facet of this trip that is out of reach of the usual tourist, and which made the trip so memorable.

Some of our group stayed two more days in Paris while others went on an excursion to the Loire Valley. There is a delicate beauty in Chenonceaux, Langlais, and the other chateaux in contrast to the larger-than-life landmarks of Paris. Our

hotel, the Meridien in Tours, was, at the risk of being unfashionable, pretty and unostentatious; Tours is a provincial city in contrast to sophisticated Paris, and we all enjoyed the change in atmosphere.

Our two days were long enough to get only a taste of the French countryside, and much too soon we were on our way to rejoin our Paris contingent for the trip home. Leaving De Gaulle Airport was distinctly more pleasant than arriving, and the movie, "All that Jazz" in French, was fun to watch along with the visiting, now that most of us knew each other—from our youngest member (18), who had had the time of her life, to our eldest, whose age shall be our secret, with enough *joie de vivre* for all. If anyone had told me how much I would enjoy a group trip, I would surely have disagreed, and I would have been very wrong! ■

# IN MEMORIAM

- 11 Mary Polhemus Olyphant, April 6  
16 Marian Kelly McCormick, 1981  
Bertha Rabinowitz Zuckerman,  
March 19  
17 Elizabeth Gilbert, 1981  
Ruth Kannofsky Sengstaken, July 7,  
1980  
Alice Huie Yen, August 18, 1980  
18 Esther Rogers, May  
19 Gertrude Geer Talcott, December 7  
20 Luda Reynolds Davies, May 16, 1980  
Elsa Meissner, March 5  
21 Bertha Tompkins Atz, February 15  
Eloise Boeker Cason, July 1977  
Clara A. Weiss, January 16  
22 Ruth McK. Schlesinger Scott,  
January 25  
23 Elizabeth McGuire Langslet,  
February 12  
26 Leola Conroy Hostetter, February 12  
Sylvia Weyl Stark, January 20, 1980  
Belle Otto Talbot, February 28  
27 Eleanor Martin, March 14  
Lucy Sperry Wolf, April  
29 Ethel Callan Burgess, May 23  
Megan Laird Comini, February 26  
Elizabeth Hughes Gossett, April 25  
Norma Stiner Segalla, March 24  
30 Helen Leuchtenberg, March 11  
Lois McIntosh, January 27  
31 Nessa Leight Sears, December 25  
32 Mary Leak Caine, January 25  
Elsie Stix Wechsler, November 30  
Helene S. Zahler, April 26  
42 Antoinette Senn Buehler, August  
1979  
45 Elizabeth Schreiner Armstrong,  
February 26  
Anita Klein Halpert, 1978  
Babette Fishel Rosenfeld, June 1,  
1980  
51 Linda Howe Hale, March  
52 Patricia McCurdy Bensen,  
February 26  
62 Roberta Zwerling De Giralamo,  
March 1, 1979  
75 Susan Chesner Einbinder, March 30  
Monica H. M. Shander, January 31

## Megan Laird Comini '29

Megan Laird Comini, professor emerita at Southern Methodist University, died in Dallas on February 26.

Founder of the SMU Italian Department, she was knighted by the Italian government in 1975 in recognition of her contributions to Italian culture in Texas.

Except for our life-long fight over her smoking (she smoked three packs a day right up to the last, and died of lung cancer), we were the best of friends and allies: she edited every one of my books, articles, and speeches. With her thorough Barnard training and her eagle eye, she was an ideal (and merciless) editor and co-adventurer in the world of the mind. I'm so grateful that she encouraged me to follow in her footsteps by going to Barnard, the only possible college in America.

*Alessandra Comini '56*

## Elizabeth Hughes Gossett '29

Elizabeth Gossett died on April 25th. She would have been seventy-four in August. She worked all her life for Barnard, starting when a young housewife as a director of the Westchester Barnard Club and including seventeen years on the Board of Trustees. Her rotation off the Board in 1970 was a mere chronological detail since her interest in the College and her service to it were a habit that Trustee bylaws could not control.

All of her many Barnard friends will have different memories of her. Surely her classmates will recall her special loyalty to 1929. She would fly in from Detroit for class dinners and was delighted when Board and committee meetings, which she rarely missed, coincided with a chance to be with other '29-ers.

Elizabeth was a natural feminist, a natural supporter of women, and a natural promoter of Barnard's mission and its leaders. She worked most closely with Presidents Millicent McIntosh and Rosemary Park. Of her McIntosh said recently: "Of all the alumnae I remember that Elizabeth was the one most acute in her perception of the kinds of things Barnard needs. She had the courage to say them openly."

And Park remembered her as "clear-headed and positive with sound judgment. She was warm, affectionate, simple—one of the best trustees to work with."

An ironic sidelight of her Barnard trusteeship came from her husband's simultaneous trusteeship at Columbia. She always said firmly that Barnard was her business and Columbia his, and that she would never dream of discussing Barnard with him. In Barnard circles, however, she spoke out, and the only time I ever saw her angry was when she felt Barnard's integrity as a women's college was in jeopardy.

Elizabeth Gossett's life had many highlights away from Barnard. Her husband, her three children, her love of art, her delight in collecting paintings, her worldwide travels. She was a director of innumerable organizations concerned mainly with education, the arts, and racial equality. But next to Barnard, the two organizations she loved most, and which owe most to her, are The Charles Evans Hughes Foundation, which gives fellowships to Columbia law students interested in the legal problems of the disadvantaged, and The Supreme Court Historical Society. This organization is, as it were, a museum of the Court, collecting art, memorabilia, documents, and archives of the Justices, and providing a place where Americans can study historical opinions and learn from a growing oral history library. Elizabeth founded the Society in 1972 and served as its first president for eight years. If she had wanted a monument (and she didn't!), the Supreme Court Historical Society would be it.

As I wrote my first draft of this memorial I was struck that I had come almost to the end without mentioning that Elizabeth's father was Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, one of the great figures of the first half of our century. And I had mentioned only in passing that her husband, William T. Gossett, is a man whose career as a lawyer and public servant is one of the most distinguished of the second half. I realized that this said something about Elizabeth that I wish I could have told her. One of the most self-effacing of women, she might have been surprised to learn that, in the minds of her friends and those like myself to whom she gave so much backing, affection and guidance, she stands alone, only secondarily "the daughter of" and "the wife of" American leaders.

When she died, Chief Justice Burger said: "She was an extraordinary woman who showed talents for organization and

leadership. She has made an unusual contribution to the education of the public on the role of the Supreme Court in American life." Her Barnard friends would say: "Exactly right," and add: Elizabeth Gossett is a classic example of what a Barnard education hopes to produce: good thinking, hard work, integrity, heart, humor and, with luck, the dividend of wisdom.

*Eleanor Thomas Elliott '48  
Chairman of the Board 1973-76  
Trustee Emerita*

## Helen Leuchtenberg '30

A devoted and dedicated alumna, Helen Leuchtenberg was interested in many Barnard activities. She was a faithful volunteer at the Thrift Shop and was most pleased to have the opportunity to audit classes at the College.

During World War II, Helen used her knowledge of German to work for the Board of Censorship in New York City. Her hobby was ballroom dancing and she was proficient enough to win several contests.

We shall miss her, and extend sym-

pathy to her sister Gertrude Leuchtenberg Lewis '32.

## Belle Otto Talbot '26

Belle Otto Talbot, retired professor of chemistry at Goucher College, died on February 28.

Dr. Talbot joined the Goucher faculty in 1928 and headed the Chemistry Department there from 1959 until her retirement in 1966. A classroom was named in her honor in 1979.

A former president of the Maryland Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, she was a member of the Professional Council of the Maryland Academy of Science. She was also a life member of the executive committee of the Maryland section of the American Chemical Society, which gave her its Maryland Chemist Award in 1966.

## Lelia M. Finan

Lelia Finan, retired Associate Professor of Physical Education, died in New York on April 7, in her 88th year.

Professor Finan joined the Barnard faculty in 1919 and helped develop a curriculum which became the prototype for

physical education in women's liberal arts colleges. As the old team games gave way to activities which individuals could enjoy throughout life, Professor Finan helped many students develop competence and the desire to continue in such sports as horseback riding and tennis.

She was also Director of Athletics and Business Adviser for Greek Games, and co-authored a definitive volume on the Games, published in 1932. In the year of her retirement, 1959, the Greek Games Committee honored her with a laurel wreath, a frieze of ancient Greek athletics, and a triumphal circling of the racing oval in a chariot drawn by student "horses"!

Lee Finan embodied the qualities often associated with the New England character—strength, courage, tenacity, forthrightness, loyalty, frugality, integrity, compassion, and discipline... for both herself and her students. A tinge of awe may have sharpened the learning edge of students taught by Lee Finan, but they were left with a sense of respect, admiration, appreciation and affection for a dedicated teacher.

*Edith G. Mason*

## REUNION AND REDISCOVERY

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tages they do not deserve. Somehow, we in education must learn the priority, not only of justice, but of compassion and responsibility. We must learn, particularly at this moment in our history, to reincarnate the ideals that define our society. I want to see shared inquiry for the sake of justice; I want to see cooperative action for the sake of care. It is not simply a matter of intellectual recognition. It involves turning to the concrete, to the situation: it involves seeing the faces of those old ladies on the stoops, seeing the eyes of children trying to understand, feeling the grasping fingers, attending to the need.

There will be no rediscovery of community in American life, there will be no achievement of democracy unless we reconstitute and act upon those values we associate with concern, with the "in-between."

*Maxine M. Greene*

1. John Dewey, *The Public and Its Problems* (New York: Henry Holt and Company, 1927).
2. Hannah Arendt, *The Human Condition* (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1958).
3. Alfred Schutz, "Making Music Together," in

*Studies in Social Theory* (The Hague: Martinus Nijhoff, 1964).

4. John Rawls, *A Theory of Justice* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1971).

## LETTERS

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children, to take on the increasingly complex job of bringing individuals and families into constructive relationships with the world, to influence society in the direction of increased responsiveness to human needs), a gaping vacuum seems to have developed. Instead of emphasizing the socially crucial aspects of mothering, women's colleges traditionally have implied that it is socially irresponsible for their graduates to indulge in education unless they put it to use in a profession that is accredited by the world—a point of view which now, somewhat ironically, has the blessings of the women's movement. Today's young women, perhaps more than ever, need help in making enlightened choices in these matters, in having their consciousness raised about *all* the options and in being liberated from the pressure to perform in multiple directions at an all-too-often catastrophic personal cost.

I would like to see the Barnard community moving to explore some of these

issues. As a relatively passive member of that community, I have no way of knowing to what extent my interests are shared. I would like to work in these directions should they turn out to be of general concern.

*Zeva Rudavsky Shapiro '54  
New York, NY*

## Is it Ms., Miss, Mrs., or \_\_\_\_\_?

A number of readers have commented on the letter in our Spring issue regarding the failure of this magazine to adopt "Ms." as our preferred form of address. Many alumnae have requested that we use "Ms." in their individual address record, and we are happy to comply. Many others, however, still prefer "Miss" or "Mrs.," and similar diversity of viewpoints also exists among the writers and subjects of our articles and Class Notes columns. Our only policy in this area is to reflect individual wishes as far as possible.

### SAVE THESE DATES

Alumnae Council — November 20-21  
Inauguration — November 22

# REUNION NOTES



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## 21 *Helen Jones Griffin* 3030 Park Ave., Suite 6N8 Bridgeport, CT 06604

Members of 1921 who attended the luncheon: *Marjorie Marks Bitker*—at speakers' table—*Gertrude Ammermuller, Rhoda Hessberg Kohn, Deborah Kaplan Mandelbaum.*

Present at the elegant supper: *Marjorie Marks Bitker, Ruth F. Crabtree MD, Thelma B. De Graff, Eleanor Tieman Fraser, Rhoda Hessberg Kohn, Alice Johnson Watson.*

Ruth described herself as having been a general specialist, including pediatrics, roentgenology, anesthesiology, and, during the war, obstetrics—having delivered over 200 babies in one year. She retired from practice ten years ago.

Thelma, retired head of Greek and Latin at Hunter College, also worked administratively, tho' not linguistically, in the Russian and Chinese language departments.

"Johnny," who protected our health from bacterial harm during her career, still dances the Viennese waltz for fun. Rhoda enjoys international conferences such as the World Population Conference in Bucharest in 1974 and Habitat in Vancouver in 1976. She represented the American Ethical Union.

Eleanor has 7 great-grandchildren. Gertrude is employed by the College to sift through old Barnard records and correspondence, readying them for microfilming to store in the archives.

Midge works for the Milwaukee Journal. Two novels written years ago were rescued from attic storage and published in paperback. She has traveled extensively with her husband, who was actively involved in the work of UNESCO. Before we separated Midge read aloud a delightful article she had written called "Reunion."

Greetings had been received from *Gladys Edwards Kranz*, married 57 years, *Ruth Clendenin Graves, Venn Milbank Olmstead, and Ruth Jeremiah Matson.*

The sad news for her classmates and other friends at Barnard is that *Bertha Tompkins Atz* died on February 14 after a long illness and much surgery. She is survived by her husband, Arthur B. Atz, and friends. Their home for several years has been at 3030 Park Ave., Bridgeport, CT 06604.

*Marjorie Arnold* writes that she is in a period of great sorrow because her last cousin recently died, as well as her greatly esteemed friend. "Two deaths are difficult to handle emotionally at one time." Our sympathy goes out to her.

*Edith H. Rogero* sent this note to the Alumnae Office: "I taught school for 32 years in the Dural County Public Schools. Retired in 1954. I am in good health except for arthritis and other minor ailments due to age."

## 26 *Eleanor Antell Virgil* 190 Mineola Blvd., Apt. 5L Mineola, NY 11501

Despite the fact that some of us may not have fully recovered from our astonishment at the figure, our 55th Reunion is now history, a very pleasant bit of history. Forty-four people, including five faculty guests, 31 class members and their eight guests, attended class supper on Friday, May 15. Professor Henry A. Boorse, Professor Joseph G. Brennan, Professor Hubert A. Doris, Professor Florrie Holzwasser and Dean Barbara S. Schmitter were the faculty guests. The classmates and their guests were *Corena Berman Bear, Frances Bernheim, Ruth Coleman Bilchick* and Dr. Edwin B. Bilchick, *Eleanor Newcomer Bratley* and daughter Carol A. Bratley, *Florence Andreen Brinckerhoff* and Mr. Charles Brinckerhoff, *Marian Meade Champlin* and guest Ruth F. Roberts, *Marion Burrough Clifford, Iona Eccles Comstock* and Mr. Ralph Comstock, *Geraldine Gutkin Crasson, Christine Hopkins Damon, Ruth Friedman Goldstein, Aimee Goldmann Greenberg, Virginia Ehrman Greenwald, Betty Kalisher Hamburger, Dorothy Slocum Johnson, Eleanor Kraus Johnson*, Professor Edgar Johnson and daughter Judith Johnson Sherwin '58, *Lucy Stryker Kanouse, Mirra Komarovsky (Heyman), Sylvia Surut Lewis, Aida Mastrangelo, Edith Ross Mulwitz, Eleanor Ray Nichols, Elizabeth Patterson, Emily Taylor Paul, Edna Mae Ruckner, Elizabeth Weiss Schoenfein, Nora Scott, Adele Epstein Stein, Eleanor Antell Virgil, Elinor Hillyer Von Hoffman, Georgia Hamilton Wilson* and Professor H. Van R. Wilson.

Classmates came from Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York (city and state), and Pennsylvania.

*Mary McClelland* and *Marian Frank Simon*, who had originally accepted, had to change their plans. At almost the last moment *Mildred Hill*

found herself unable to join us and telegraphed greetings to all.

For the reception our Reunion Chairman Ruth Coleman Bilchick had arranged a table of delicious hors d'oeuvres and a variety of drinks. This quickly became the center of attraction for the talkative and hungry, in other words all of us.

Later, when we had seated ourselves at the supper tables, Ruth sang (yes, sang) a toast to the guests, a toast for which she had written the words and music herself. Then all the guests were introduced.

Adele Epstein Stein and her Nominating Committee (Florence Andreen Brinckerhoff, Geraldine Gutkin Crasson, Aimee Goldman Greenberg and *Edith Wiltbank Meyer*) presented a single slate of candidates for class offices for 1981-86: For president—Edna Mae Ruckner, vice president—Georgia Hamilton Wilson, secretary-treasurer—Marion Burrough Clifford, class correspondent—Eleanor Antell Virgil. This slate was elected unanimously.

This bit of business taken care of, we trooped to the buffet where we helped ourselves to the food and admired the flowers.

After supper Ruth Bilchick suggested that, since she had attended so many of our reunions, Professor Holzwasser should be made an honorary member of '26. We happily agreed and she accepted.

Our outgoing president, Ruth Friedman Goldstein, eulogized the late *Helen Moran O'Regan*, our popular and competent classmate who was also a dedicated, effective fundraiser, as much missed by the Alumnae Office as by her many friends.

The Reunion booklet, compiled and edited by Ruth Bilchick, was distributed and we sang a Barnard song, accompanied by Ruth at the piano.

After that Ruth Goldstein called for a stand-

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ing ovation for Ruth Bilchick to thank her for the wonderful evening and it was heartily given.

It was now 8 p.m., in this age the equivalent of Cinderella's midnight, so the goodbyes had to be said.

**31** *Beatrice Zeisler*  
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We had a golden two days in the middle of May. Those who basked in the glow of our 50th reunion at the luncheon, class dinner, or at *Esther Grabelsky Biederman's* cocktail party were: *Esther Grabelsky Biederman, Elberta Schwartz Buerger, Ethel Couch Callaghan, Margaret Mitchell Caruthers, Junia Schonwald Cassell, Betty Samuels Chambers, Sylvia Schweitzer Chaplin, Edith Eardley Coleman, Harriet Formwalt Cooke, Frances Markey Dwyer, Olga Kallos Ellissen, Erna Jonas Fife, Jeanette Krotinger Fisher, Dorothy Appel Furtsch, Lillian Auerbach Gluckman, Anne Tusten Graham, Evelyn Anderson Griffith, Cornelia Merchant Hagenau, Theresa Landes Held, Eva Michaelis Jacoby, Jacqueline Silverman Kaufman, Helen Foote Kellogg, Helen Metzger Kleiner, Virginia Samson Koblisch, Sylvia Kamion Maibaum, Beatrice Ackerman Melzak, Rose Warshaw Oliver, Josephine Jacquin Penn, Gertrude Lerner Plosky, Frances Kyne Regan, Caroline Ratajack Rogozinski, Josephine Grohe Rose, Betty Chambers Samuels, Catherine Kennedy Scott, Ruth Abelson Seder, Dorothy Rasch Senie, Blanche Luria Serwer-Bernstein, Alma Champlin Smythe, Edith Gutman Socolow, Beatrice Klipstein Stocker, Else Zorn Taylor, Harriet Brown Total, Helen Bosch Vavrina, Agnes Brodie Von Wettberg, Margaret Wadds, Edna Meyer Wainerdi, Helene Blanchard Weintraub, Leocadia Kukowski White and Beatrice Zeisler.* Enjoying our special reunion with us were about twenty guests, including husbands, relatives and friends.

We shared two wonderful highlights. The first came at the Friday luncheon when our president, Else Zorn Taylor, received one of the three Alumnae Recognition Awards. Her citation reaffirmed the fact that Barnard and our class have had a treasure in Else for fifty years.

At our dinner we had another golden moment when the Medalie Award was presented. It was given posthumously to *Beatrice Kassell Friedman* who was noted nationally and internationally for her contributions to science. This award goes each year to a member of the 50th Reunion Class

"who has shown unusual evidence of character during the 50 years since she was graduated from Barnard . . . or who, in addition to fine character, has achieved recognition in her chosen field of work or in her own community." Beatrice's husband, Dr. Harris Friedman, accepted the award and five other members of her family joined with us in feeling joy and pride. The Medalie Award citation was beautifully written and read by Lillian Auerbach Gluckman.

Else Zorn Taylor opened our business meeting with a welcome to more than sixty classmates and guests. Esther Grabelsky Biederman reported that 1931 had achieved an annual giving total this reunion year of over \$22,500. Of this amount over \$11,000 represents our Memorial Fund. The slate of newly elected officers was read by Evelyn Anderson Griffith. They are: president, Else Zorn Taylor; vice president, Edna Meyer Wainerdi; fund chairman, Esther Grabelsky Biederman; secretary, Beatrice Zeisler; treasurer, Theresa Landes Held; nominating chairman, Margaret Wadds.

The three who traveled the farthest to be with us were Sylvia Kamion Maibaum, Betty Samuels Chambers, and Lillian Auerbach Gluckman—all from California.

Reunion chairman Edna Meyer Wainerdi thanked her committee who, among many other duties, had assembled two beautiful bulletin boards of "family" pictures, "as we were" photos, and a case of very nostalgic memorabilia.



A souvenir booklet was distributed and will be sent to those who could not attend. The treasurer or secretary would be happy to receive a dollar from those who receive it in the mail. Postage is high and our treasury is low. Edna read letters from *Anne Gary Taylor, Dorothy Freile Thompson, and Alice Niederer.*

**36** *Vivian H. Neale*  
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Our 45th was a low-keyed but thoroughly warm and happy Reunion. If my count is accurate these 31 of us gathered for supper: *Barbara Meyer Aronson, Margaret Davidson Barnett, Rhoda Klein Breitbart, Lillian Wise Burd, Alice Corneille Cardozo, Electra Guizot Demas, Marie Ward Doty, Blanche Kazon Graubard, Phyllis Hadley, Mary Lou Ross Henrich, Gertrude Graff Herrstadt, Lenore Metzger Klein, Leonore Glotzer Klein, Hilda Knobloch, Barbara Pointer Kovaleff, Harriet Taplinger Leland, Regina Loewenstein, Kathryn Speyer Murkett* (and husband), *Vivian Neale, Nora Lourie Percival, Anna Goddard Potter, Sylvia Shimberg Reay, Margaret Bowman Reilly, Miriam Roher Resnick, Alice Olson Riley, Sonya Turitz Schopick, Elizabeth Dew Searles, Anne Johnston Sessa, Claire Wander Stein, Helen May Strauss, Eleanor Galenson Weinroth.* A hearty repast and most potable potables were provided and the decibels increased as we reminisced in intimate groups.

President Futter and President Emerita McIntosh visited the group briefly. Over coffee, Blanche gave a brief report on the status of Barnard from a trustee's seat and Eleanor spoke of her psychiatric counseling to partners, parents and children. (Her discourse deserves more space than this column allows.)

Electra presented the incoming class officers: president, *Nora Lourie Percival* and vice president, *Margaret Davidson Barnett. Kay Hand, Elizabeth Dew Searles* and your correspondent will (*deo volente*) continue in their present positions until our 50th.

Barbara Pointer Kovaleff and her committee are to be thanked for their splendid efforts to make the Friday evening so successful.

Other events of this Reunion weekend were attended by some of the '36 members—the Friday luncheon at which President Futter spoke, a performance of dance-theatre work, Saturday breakfast for class officers, the Saturday panel discussion on "The Rediscovery of Community"





and the lunch following this.

Notes from classmates were much enjoyed. *Charlotte Haverly Scherz* and *Marion Louise Wright Knapp* sent regrets from California and added that at their recent meeting they talked of a 1986 "bash."

*Marcy Dolgenas Shapiro* sent not only her best wishes but a program from Junior Show. In case you have forgotten, it was "Life in the Rah-Rah," starring *Dorothy Combs* and *Dona Eaton* with most lyrics by Marcy and *Miriam Borgenicht*.

*Florence Ribakove Bar Ilan*, in Israel, had to make a choice between coming to Reunion or coming in February for the birth of twin grandchildren—numbers 11 and 12. A no-choice choice, surely, and we hope Florence's family reunion was joyous.

Our gathering had no personal horn-tooting but we did learn that Marie Ward Doty and her husband George were about to receive honorary degrees from Fordham U—Marie's in Humane Letters, George's in Law. This is a unique husband and wife achievement. Congratulations!

We learned also that the trustees of Barnard have established a scholarship in the name of our own Blanche Kazon Graubard.

*Dorothy Botwen Parker* was unable to be with us because she was in "Bangkok, Bali or Singapore." It would have been interesting to hear about her career in government service. She is a member of the faculty of the Federal Judicial Center and serves on the US Parole Commission National Appeals Board, to which she was appointed in 1976 by President Ford.

Because our next Reunion will be such a momentous one, it has been suggested that the class may wish to present a special gift to the College to mark the occasion, making contributions toward it for the next five years. Nora Percival would like to hear from you all on the subject. Shall we plan a special gift, and if so, what should the gift be? Please send your comments and ideas to Nora at Box KH 45, Kent, CT 06757.

This quinquennial report would be sadly incomplete without sincere thanks to Electra Guizot Demas and Barbara Pointer Kovaleff who have served so efficiently and graciously as our president and vice president.

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Perhaps outgoing president *Helen Sessinghaus Williams* inadvertently keynoted our 40 post-graduate years when she greeted me (*Elaine Briggs Wyckoff*) at the Friday night Reunion dinner.

"Before I forget," she began, "*Tatiana Dje-neeff Dominick* came to today's Reunion luncheon, but now she's on a plane headed for Africa." Tanya, Helen added, has entered the travel business.

Although few of us may dash to Africa, this somewhat heady bit of news was to be typical of much gleaned during our Reunion super-evening. We are not stagnating!

In the jammed Brooks Hall living room, nearly 70 classmates and husbands wine, dine, and told of the years after Barnard. New vistas, family and career achievements, events bitter and sweet—all were shared, punctuated by cries of delight and recognition.

We came from Germany (*Ilse Wiegand Peters*) and from Fun City, from British Columbia (*Betty Smith Neill*) and from Florida (*Marjorie Nettleton Bosco*). And from many other points came the rest of us: *Joan Aiken Baugher, Alberta Waters Albig, Merry Andrews Austin, Vera Arndt Bush, Rita Benson, Lois Berberich, Marguerite Binder Zamaitis, Elizabeth Bishop Trussell, Adeline Bostelmann Higgins, Athena Capraro Warren, Phyllis Carrie Zimmer, Betty Clifford Macomber, Alice Corduke Wahmann, Estelle Cross, Ellen Davis Goldwater, Patricia Draper, Lorna Drummond Johnson, Beverly Gilmour Lee, Ethel Ginsburg Rosenthal, Cecil Golann, Jane Goldstein Berzer, Roberta Hadley, Jeanette Halstead Kellogg, Elizabeth Harris Mersey, Victoria Hughes Reiss, Babette Jacobson Sommer, Charlotte Johnson von Wodtke, Eleanor Johnson, Judith Johnson Snyder, Cynthia Laidlaw Gordon, Patricia Lambdin Moore, Martha Lawrence Wieners, Marian Linn Wright, Irene Lyons Murphy, Mary Molleson, Marion Moscato, Madeline Shields Powell, Naomi Sells Berlin, Mary Graham Smith, Elaine Steibel Davis, Jane (Penny) Stewart Heckman, Betty Throop Wells, Marie Turbow Lampard, Marie Louise Walbridge McChesney, Clyde White Hamm, Phyllis Wiegand Kelly, Doris Wil-*

*liams Critz, Dorothy Wilson Dorsa, Jacqueline Wirsching Murray, Ethel Stone Lefrak, Mary Donnellon Blohm, Bettina Boynton, Dorothy Sharley Riley, Mary Sirman Martin, Marion Geer Wood, Elizabeth Dorman Peterson, Alice Drury Mullins, Nancy Wagner Landolt, and Estelle De Vito Milio.*

Honored guests at the Reunion were Professor Helen Bailey, Barnard '33, under whose tutelage many of us enjoyed French, and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Youtz. Dr. Youtz' psychology courses were included in many a 1941 academic program.

Incoming president Eleanor Johnson headed the committee for the highly successful Reunion dinner and for the party that followed at Low Library. Special plaudits go to Eleanor for, among other successes, her ingenuity in having dismembered a 1941 Mortarboard to make for each of us badges bearing "as we were" pictures. Ready recognition resulted as we eyed the ancient likenesses with mixed reactions.

Arrangements for the Low party were made by Marion Moscato and Dorothy Dorsa.

Twenty of the class attended a luncheon in the Deanery Saturday, at which Irene Murphy, Marie Lampard, and Elizabeth Mersey were panelists in a discussion of women's rights.

Reunion participants tendered a large round of applause to Helen Williams, who has completed a most successful term as president, and who worked hard and ably to ensure the success of our "40th." Helen invited us all to a brunch at her home in Leonia on Sunday morning—a wonderful affair and very well attended.

And, finally, classmates welcomed to office our new president, Eleanor Johnson; Jeanette Kellogg, vice president; Mary Graham Smith, correspondent; and Dorothy Dorsa, treasurer.

Much interesting news came in before Reunion but space limitations require us to hold that till next time.



The class of '46 celebrated its 35th Reunion on Friday, May 15th, with 28 attending. We started with a happy hour on the upper level of McIntosh Hall, followed by a hot buffet supper. Those present: *Lorna Pitz Bunte, Ingrid Lange Burkhard, Nanette Newell Cerisoles, Helen Doherty Clark, Gemma Fastiggi, Mary Graham Fern, Patricia Evers Glendon, Vivian Kaye Haig, Gloria Callen Jones, Rosemary Sullivan Keating, Charlotte Hyak Lally, Ann-Truth West Lange, Edna Choi Law, Frances Liebesman, Margaret Kee Marr, Mary Brogan Mahon, Cecilia Diaz Norris, Emily O'Connor Pernice, Mary Brown Potter, Florence Butler Quinlan, Mary Louise Stewart Reid, Marcelle Rousseau, Dolores Drew Russell, Dorothy Reuther Schafer, Doris Clark Tucher, Jane Weidlund, Jean Boeder Wetherill, Charlotte Byer Winkler.*

Our president *Lillian Oswald Layton* had hurt her back and was unable to attend. We missed her and we thank her husband George, who delivered the pastries and special welcome cake. Reunion chairperson, Lorna Pitz Bunte, introduced our guest—Annette Kar Baxter '47, Professor of History. Prof. Baxter answered questions concerning Barnard students today, their career choices, and the importance of a small liberal arts women's college. The silent auction of donated arts and crafts netted \$125 for the scholarship fund. A 35th Reunion issue of the Barnard Bulletin had been prepared by editor *Marjorie Dahl Hasl* and her staff: Lorna Pitz Bunte, Lillian Oswald Layton, and Doris Clark Tucher. Responses to our questionnaire (96 were returned) were evaluated and reported. It was especially noteworthy that 70% of respondents would choose Barnard if they had it to do all over again. In future class columns additional excerpts from this revealing Bulletin will be included.

The list of elected officers for the next five years was read by Lorna Bunte: president, Lillian Oswald Layton; vice president, Lorna Pitz Bunte; 2nd vice president, Doris Clark Tucher; treasurer, Marjorie Dahl Hasl; nominating committee chairman, Cecilia Diaz Norris; fund chairman, *Virginia Heller Turner*; secretary/correspondent, yours truly again. The new president of Barnard, Ellen V. Futter, stopped in to visit us and we all wished her the best.

Cecilia Diaz Norris, one of four alumnae trustees, traveled the farthest distance, from Wisconsin; Emily O'Connor Pernice and her husband Paul traveled from Charlotte, NC; Dolores Drew Russell will be moving to New Jersey; Margaret Kee Marr and her husband Gil will be moving to



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Saudi Arabia. Dorothy Reuther Schafer, a math teacher, plans to retire; she and her husband are planning to build a home in New Hampshire. Marcelle Rousseau, also a math teacher, will retire and teach languages part time. *Audrey Middlebrook DeVoto* sent her greetings; she was unable to attend the reunion because of her daughter's graduation. Also attending graduations were *Charlotte Beckwith Mitchell, Anna Modigliani Lynch* and *Phyllis Hoecker Wojan*. Anna sends her best to all the Spanish majors.

The following news was received before Reunion: *Charlotte Heidenblad Hammond* (Bristol, VT) ran for State Senate and did so well that she will run again in '82. She will be returning to Africa for a travel/study seminar sponsored by Kent State U. *Christine Donna* has been law librarian for nine years at the County Law Library in Pittsfield, MA.

*Cecile Parker Carver's* youngest daughter graduated from Barnard last May, making theirs a three-generation Barnard family. Her older daughter is an occupational therapist and her son is working on his MBA. *Jean Corbitt Hedrick* is now living in Japan. Her husband is corporate representative for Tektronix and she expects to be there 3 years. Anyone visiting Japan is welcome to contact her.

*Virginia Warfield Briant* is director, Contributions to the Arts, for Warner Communications. One daughter and one son are law students. Another daughter is a college sophomore. Her third daughter has three children.

*Margaret Roberts Voorhis* built a passive solar house in the Berkshires. Several poems by *Jeanne Lewis Fitzgerald* were published in the Beloit Poetry Journal.

NOTE: Because of the large volume of mail received and the limited amount of space avail-

able, not all the news items could be included.

The reunion ended on Saturday with 15 classmates going on a Circle Line tour around Manhattan. Special thanks to Lorna's daughter, Donna, who tended bar.

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The theme of Reunion 1981 was "The Rediscovery of Community in American Life." I was amazed at the number of women who at different times and in different places on those two days admitted that coming back to Barnard was indeed a homecoming, a return to a community that had nurtured and educated them. One even said, "I know that if I fall flat, I can come back to Barnard, be dusted off, put back on my feet and sent back to the world with renewed confidence." I'd thought I was the only one who felt like that; it was wonderful to discover how many of us, of all ages, feel that way about Barnard.

It's hard to have much perspective on a 30th Reunion that occurred less than a week ago; much of it is a melange of scenes and remarks. It was exciting to learn that Ellen Futter had been elected President of Barnard. How can Columbia possibly compete with a brilliant woman who is thirty-one and pregnant? In her short address on Friday, Pres. Futter quoted Bacon: "Adversity is not without comforts and hopes." She applied this statement to the difficulties facing Barnard College: the struggle to clarify our relationship with Columbia; the tremendous need for increased fund raising; the need for long-range planning and the renewal of Barnard's physical plant.

The Saturday panel on "The Rediscovery of Community in American Life" included Ada Louise Huxtable (Recipient of the Alumnae



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Days/Reunion Woman of Achievement Award) and the president of the Barnard Undergraduate Association, Marcia Sells. Ms. Huxtable said she was herself an advocate of "constructive chaos," and that any "community will always be made up of individuals and individual acts." Looking back at Barnard, with "two days' hindsight," Marcia spoke of the maternal aspects of the Barnard community that enable us to function in the wider co-ed communities of Columbia, New York City and the world.

The Friday class supper in McIntosh Center had a crowd of about forty members of '51, and Professors Marion Philips, Emma Stecher, Richard Youtz, and Henry Boorse stopped by to talk with us. Mrs. McIntosh stopped by, too, looking just as we remembered her. She was amused to see that Naomi had copied our yearbook photos and pinned them to us; making us readily (?) identifiable.

Highlight of our reunion was the absolutely wonderful cocktail party and buffet at *Ginnie Kraft Payson's* lovely apartment on Saturday. We gathered as the sun set behind the trees in Central Park and sipped our drinks as the lights came on in the buildings on the periphery of the park, a memorable scene. The company was superb, the drinks plenteous, and the food ambrosial, especially after a day and a half of middle-aged-lady salads at Barnard. Thanks again, Ginnie; it was all perfect.

*Marisa Macina Hagan* has been elected our new class president. *Naomi Loeb Lipman* is vice president; *Paula Weltz Spitalny* is fund chair, with *Vivienne Feigenbaum Garfinkle* as co-chair. *G. Brooks Lushington*, having been programmed to write Class Notes, is unable to stop and will continue as class correspondent.

Who will forget the exciting weather, with an hour of continuous downpour and lightning Friday night? Or the showers that inevitably fell just as we exited one building or another; the friendly glow that enveloped both days; a flight of north-bound geese honking their way over the library; Mrs. Mac making us all feel like undergraduates; Naomi's proclamation: Fifty-one forever, and ever . . . and ever.

Thanks to all who planned, to all who came, to all who have deluged me with letters and news. In due time, it will all be seen in these pages. It was memorable. Indeed, '51 forever, whatever ages we are and shall be.

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It's the day after a great Reunion, and I'm trying to convey to you the warm feelings that remain. By my reckoning, 78 of us came to at

least one activity. The lectures and panels offered by the college were stimulating, and we were honored to have newly-appointed President Futter speak to us, but the outstanding memories will be of our delight in rediscovering one another, of hearing of the diverse routes we have taken to arrive at purposeful, creative lives, and of an easy, open exchange of matters important to us. Using our Mortarboard as a reference, we agreed that everyone looks better now! For many of us, the highlight was Friday's session in the Deanery with Mrs. McIntosh, where she sought to clarify the advice she had given us about career, family, education and fulfillment. It seems she's been misquoted, and thereby condemned, for years. She says she advocated graduate work or career entry soon after college, then time off for a family, augmented by part-time work or study or community service, and then return to career. She denies having suggested that we be Superwomen; merely that we keep our minds active at all times. In retirement, she continues to be an inspiring model of articulate, involved, contributing womanhood.

*Jessica Raikin Gushin's* committee handled the details of the cocktail party and the dinner which followed, where Professor Rosenberg was our guest. At the brief meeting, *Julia Keydel*, Fund Chairman, reported that our goal of \$10,000, set in 1976, was well exceeded. The new class officers are: *Nicole Satescu*, fund chairman, and *Diana Cohen Blumenthal*, reunion chairman (thinking ahead to 1986). Your correspondent is also president, and honored to be so. Bob and *Nancy Brilliant Rubinger* were the gracious hosts of a buffet dinner on Saturday, where good food and drink abounded. Their relaxed hospitality set the scene for more talk and reminiscence. Thanks again, Bob and Nancy (and son David).

Now, some of the news gathered at Reunion: *Ellen Batt* is teaching biology at Columbia, where she obtained her PhD. *Liz Moody Buchmann* will soon shuttle between her Cleveland home and Washington, DC, where she will be a visiting professor of corporate law at the George Washington U National Law Center. *Sarah Gray* came to her first Reunion, and it sounds as if she's had a fascinating life which has led her to teaching physiology at the U of California at Davis Medical School. *Barbara Florio Graham* was here from Canada, where she does freelance work in communications, and seems to have enough energy to fuel her entire city of Ottawa. *Christine (Flo) Farley Jenkins* lives in Irvington, VA, manages a shop, and continues her nursing part time for the area Public Health Department. *Carol Richardson Holt* has been a psychiatric social worker since 1977 and is living in New Haven, CT with her

two children. *Louise Sadler Kiessling-Fair*, who became an MD 20 years after Barnard, teaches pediatrics at Brown U. Congratulations to *Lorraine Handler Sirota*, who just completed her EdD in nutritional education, which she teaches at Brooklyn College. Also at Reunion, with equally interesting tales which I'll tell in future issues, were: *Myra Adamthwaite*, *Alice Salzman Adler*, *Joan Meltzer Alperin*, *Anna Schaffer Ascher*, *Sherry Blumenthal Autor*, *Abby Avin Belson*, *Carmencita Hoge Bissell*, *Barbara Blumstein Blechner*, *Debra Ackerman Blum*, *Ellen Newman Bressel*, *Sandra Poretz Breslau*, *Alayne Reilly Brown*, *Elizabeth Cater*, *Toni Crowley Coffee*, *Naomi Stone Cohen*, *Stephanie Horton Cohen*, *Dena Ferran Dincauze*, *Muriel Savitz Finegold*, *Elaine Politi Finkel*, *Piri Halasz*, *Catherine Comes Haight*, *Dorothy Rubin Hertling*, *Judy Frank Jablow*, *Judith Schwack Joseph*, *Carol Cabe Kaminsky*, *Naomi Schulman Kanarek*, *Phyllis Jasspon Kelvin*, *Marjorie Gallanter Kopel*, *Janet Kaback Leban*, *Susan Lederer*, *Liane Reif-Lehrer*, *Loretta Lambert Leive*, *Vera Schlesinger Levett*, *Roberta Wallace Longworth*, *Bernice Rubinstein Moskowitz*, *Else Weiss Moskowitz*, *Doris Nathan*, *Susan Helpern Nettle*, *Harriet Wilner Pappenheim*, *Barbara Koenig Quare*, *Geraldine Fuss Reichel*, *Rebecca Young Press*, *Carole Lewis Rifkind*, *Gloria Richman Rinderman*, *Roberta Green Schaffer*, *Hazel Gerber Schizer*, *Harriet Harwood Schwarz*, *Lilly Spiegel Schwebel*, *Alyce Degen Scimeca*, *Edith Tennenbaum Shapiro*, *Peggy Gilcher Siegmund*, *Ruth Young Silbert*, *Sarah Barr Snook*, *Ann Sperber*, *Toby Stein*, *Betty Massell Stuart*, *Cherie Gaines Swann*, *Renee Cohen Taft*, *Ruth Lanter Tyler*, *Reva Schwartz Wiseman*, *Barbara Foley Wilson*, and *Judith Rubin Ullman '55*.

This impressive attendance was largely due to the efforts of Toby Stein and Julia Keydel, who in 1976 re-awakened interest in the Class of '56, and to Toby's columns, which have sustained that interest. Let's keep it going!

P.S. Several items have been sent in recent months, but were pre-empted by Reunion news. Have patience; they will be reported.

**61** *Hinda Rotenberg Miller*  
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It was an absolutely fantastic reunion, we all agreed, good enough to repeat sooner than in five years. What say you all? We had nostalgic, reinforcing conversation with old friends, and many of us came away with new friends too. Why is it we all look so much better than those pictures in Mortarboard? Thanks to the efforts of *Sydney Oren Brandwein*, *Marilyn Umlas Wachtel*, *Sylvia Elias Elman*, *Mary Varney Rorty*, *Suzanne Yor-*

mark Scherby, Sharon Doyle Spring, and Dena Evans Hopfl, we had a turnout of 68 of our classmates, some with husbands/partners, some with children.

Attending the Friday events and/or the Sat. cocktail party were the above and Carol Feist Dickert, Althea Rudnick Gliick, Regine Plaut Wald, Lore Willner Dickstein, Norma Wilner Zack, Susan Freeman Kestelyn, Jane Godwin Engelman, Joan Taig Slavin, Sherry Hyman Miller, Linda Rosenblum Reinfeld, Nancy Engbretsen Tompkins, Christine Reitlinger Angiel, Mary-Jo Kline, Mary Strunsky Wisnovsky, Shareen Blair Brysac, Ina Weinstein Halperin, Tobe Sokolow Joffe, Joyce Hoffman Newman, Marcia Levitt Schiffer, Naomi Barash Schmidt, Sandra Crystal, Linda Feldman Janower, Marina Braude Etingin, Esther Rotenberg Strassman, Kathy Seiderman Martinot, Marietta Saravia-Shore, Murrie Weinger Burgan, Dorothy Memolo Bheddah, Elsa Adelman Solender, Judith Dulinawka Wesling, Judith Hamilton, Coppélia Huber Kahn, Joan Rosof Schultz, Judy Deutsch Raab, Madeleine Rotter Grumet, Joan Finklestein Merdinger, Brenda Furman Kreuzer, Judy Kurz Foster, Nancy Goodman Berlin, Patricia Povilitis Trzaskoma, Susan Riley Solberg, Janet Gregory Seery, Robyn Winkler Shoulson, Nancy Chezar Milgram, Eleanor Kavelle Schwartz, Laura Heath Reboul, Jane Arbiter Latane, Ruth Weichsel Hoffman, Chelly Shaner Gutin, Margaret Niederberger Dickey, Elaine Schlozman Chapnick, Ruth Schwartz Cowan, Suzy McKee Charnas, Louise Bernikow, Hanita Frymer Blumfield, Cynthia Barber Birenbaum, Phyllis Poplack Kornguth, Joan Chabrowe, Sheila Charas Lehman, Nancy Blonder Schiffman, and Lorraine Dauber Silverstein.

The following officers were elected to a five-year term: president, Sharon Doyle Spring; vp reunion chairman, Elaine Schlozman Chapnick; treasurer, Marilyn Umlas Wachtel; and corresp. sec'y, Hinda Rotenberg Miller.

The personal profile (20 years summarized in four lines for those who sent in their data) and the anonymous questionnaire compilation will be mailed, as soon as the latter is finished, to those who have paid for them. If anyone wants to receive them who hasn't yet paid, send \$2 to Sydney Brandwein, 903 Curtis Pl., No. Brunswick, NJ 08902.

And now for the news! Not everyone is out wowing the world, and even those who are are faced with the same petty concerns that make up everyone's life: Norma Wilner Zack's 8-year-old daughter loves her new canopy bed, Norma rejoined Weight Watchers, and her husband is in Australia. Naomi Barash Schmidt is fighting gypsy moth with burlap and vaseline. Lorraine Dauber Silverstein says "no vacation, a lot of dental work, and my husband came home every night last week for dinner." Joan Chabrowe's minor triumph was making it to Reunion. Judy Hamilton finally got carpeting in the house she's renovating in Denver but has no hot water. Ruth Schwartz Cowan's current frustration is her inability to keep the slope on the side of her house landscaped. Sydney Oren Brandwein's two boys always fight, she lost rhodos in the drought, and she is wondering how to introduce a dog into a house dominated by 13-year-old cats. Sherry Hyman Miller wore a wedding gown to her latest art opening in Portland, Maine.

There's more of both trivia and substance, but no more room. The rest will appear in the next issue. Send news to Hinda!!

Sydney Oren Brandwein



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This column is being written by Ruth Adelman.

Our class officers for 1981-86 are: president, Susan Halper; vp/reunion chairperson, Elena Zegarelli-Schmidt; correspondent, Anne Cleveland Kalicki; fund chairperson, Kathy Candel Epstein. Congratulations to them, and a reminder to the rest of us that helpers are always welcome.

Some copies of our fascinating class booklet are available for \$1.50 from Ruth H. Adelman, 13 - 7th St., Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632.

Despite our departure from standard plans, our 15th Reunion was a great success. Some classmates were able to spend Friday on campus, enjoying the events of the day and the nostalgic feelings of a Spring afternoon at Barnard. Many of us, however, found career obligations pressing, and dinner at the Terrace Restaurant atop Butler Hall proved to be a terrific drawing card for those who could not join the daytime activities. Several women who came to dinner had not attended any previous reunions!

Twenty-four classmates and nine spouses enjoyed a delicious meal in a candlelit atmosphere. More exciting than the lightning-lit view of Manhattan outside were the cries of recognition, the wonderful conviviality and conversation. At this mid-thirties point in our lives, despite the incredibly diverse paths we have taken, we have more in common than ever. We all looked better, too, and have become a very interesting group of women. We asked each other about friends not present, and wished you were here.

Those who attended were: Phil and Ruth Hachenburg Adelman, Margrit Stolz Bernstein, Mary Siegel Bleiberg, Alexandra Brown Dunn, Katherine Falk, Arthur and Anna Sachko Gandolfi, Richard and Alice Rubinstein Gochman, Holly Gunner, Susan Halper, Margaret Howland Hamilton, Marsha Kayser Hutchings, Douglas and Judi Tabibian Kurjian, Sylvia Lerman, Janet Levitt and husband Kenneth Zalkin, Vassiliki Kapri Monogenis, Martin and Nancy Tally Polevoy, Linda Rein, Jemera Rone, Connie Sayre, Judy Schatz Schaeffer, Marcia Weinstein Stern, Alfred and Margaret Steinglass Wirtenberg, Ellen Youngelson and husband Ira Newman, David Zegarelli and Elena Zegarelli-Schmidt.

If you care to comment on Reunion, or offer suggestions for 1986, please write to Elena Zega-

relli, 380 S. State Rd., Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510. We hope even more of us will come to our Twentieth!

Some news which was received before Reunion:

Betty Stafford Belfiore, after a decade (& a PhD) in California's sunshine, is teaching classics at the U of Minnesota. She and Peter and their son Michael experienced none of the expected rigors of winter—there was almost no snow this past year—and laugh off the "Just you wait!" warnings.

Another PhD recipient is Iris Polk Berke, who specialized in Curriculum and Policy Analysis at the Stanford School of Education. It took "eight years of child-rearing, husband-supporting, commuting, and being a student in the left-over time." The Berkes have two daughters, Anne, 3, and Elizabeth, 7. The latter "promised to read my thesis (Evaluation into Policy: Bilingual Education, 1978) after she finishes her next two Nancy Drew mysteries."

Pat Savoie Gottfried was in California in 1979, working as Director of Marketing for a Mexican food company, but has moved to Tyler, TX to join Curtis Mathes, television manufacturers, as vice president for corporate planning. Pat enjoys east Texas—"Things are generally what they appear on the surface to be and people are generally friendly." Besides changing jobs and locations, she is also "in the process of getting a divorce from my husband of 11 years."

In Weston, CT Andrew and Lynne Moriarty Langlois became the parents of Elizabeth Payne on Dec. 28, 1979. Lynne juggles motherhood with part-time teaching at Mohegan Community College.

More to come in the Fall.

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We had a memorable Tenth Reunion, attended by approximately sixty of our classmates. Among those present were (please forgive me if I have omitted your name): Alicia Sherman, Amy Anzalone Benton, Laura Siegel Nagler, Marsha Rozenblit, Susan Holzman, Meri-Jane Rochelson Mintz, Susan Roth Schneider, Joanna de Varon,

**Christine McDonnell, Vickie Taylor Robertson, Julia Sabella, Marion Nadel, Elizabeth Bernick, Andrea Polk, Carol Santaniello, Linda Peyster, Wendy Doniger, Naomi Levin, Nancy Garvey, Katherine J. Brewster Johnson, Margery Isaacson Goldberg, Marge Greene, Debby Worth Hymes, Constance Brown, Elizabeth Lewis, Patricia Auspos, Marjorie Weiner Marciano, Lynne Haims, Carolyn Lewis, Susan Curchack, Deborah Orlin Feuerstein, Marilyn Miller, Janis Barondess Todd, Deborah Marinsky, Deborah Epstein Nord, Eleanor Wagner, Melinda Sherer Chau, Carol Huff, Judith Wind, Ellen Futter, Cheryl Weiner, Rebecca Trachtenberg Alpert, Heidi Sigal Fink, Joyce Pollack Andrieu Montgomery, Claudette Hammer Kunkes, Debbie Schwartz Rapaport, Carla Wengren Ricci, Lisa Tumbleson, Harriet Levine Copel, Sally Button, Phyllis Lefton, and Renee Russian Taketomo.**

One of the highlights of our Reunion was the Friday evening class dinner at which fifty women, amazingly, were able to hold an intimate group conversation with each other and with our own Barnard President Ellen Futter. It was a time to talk of past and present accomplishments and future dreams, of being in our thirties, of being wives and mothers, single women, professional women, of conducting the "juggling act" so many of us seem to have chosen. We talked of Barnard's future with Ellen, who was at once warm and open with us and a brilliant and articulate spokesperson for our college. We were proud to listen to her and inspired by her plea that we support Barnard in any way we can. A laugh of recognition greeted the comment by one of us to the effect that, "Somehow, I could be a wife, a mother, a teacher and still feel like a kid . . . but when I heard that Ellen Futter had become president of Barnard, I realized I must have grown up!"

We collected pages of news about each other at the Reunion. Whatever doesn't fit in this column will appear in subsequent issues.

**Renee Russian Taketomo** received her MSW from Smith in 1974. She is currently Chief Social Worker, Adult Outpatient Psychiatry, Tufts-New England Medical Center, and an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Tufts School of Medicine. Renee is also in private practice. She is married to Toshihiko Taketomo, C '71, an architect.

**Harriet Levine Copel** is a teacher of handicapped children presently on maternity leave raising two children—Adam, 2½, and Emily, 9 months. **Heidi Sigal Fink** is a program associate at the Foundation for Child Development in New York. She recently co-authored a book on the "State of the Child: New York City."

**Joyce Pollack Montgomery** is a vice president of Chase Manhattan Bank. She commented, "This was my first reunion. It is so good to see changes and lack of change." **Claudette Hammer Kunkes** has a PhD in Clinical Psychology. She is doing research on teenage pregnancy and is in private practice.

This is the last "Class Notes" column we will be writing. We have enjoyed writing these columns and were gratified to receive much positive feedback at the Reunion. Thank you all for your support. Send news from now on to your new correspondents, who are listed at the top of this column.

—SRS & M-JRM

**76**

**Lisa Lerman**  
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The spirit of '76 was revived for an evening at

our fifth reunion dinner by a small but energetic group of alumnae. Only three per cent of our class braved a furious thunderstorm to return to alma mater and meet Barnard's new president, Ellen Futter.

Although it seems as if our five years since Barnard have gone by quickly, a number of classmates have embarked on exciting careers. I'll begin with the alumnae who attended Reunion.

**Amber Gordon**, who was celebrating her recent divorce, is vice president and asst. director of corporate finance for the investment banking firm of Weinrich, Ziltzmann & Whitehead. Amber, who said she couldn't add when she left Barnard, now lives in an airplane, flying frequently to L.A., Dallas, Boston and Chicago. Previously she served as a consultant to a mining company in Africa and had her own publishing company. Not bad for a five-year span!

**Andrea Katz Stimmel** is a management consultant for Ernst and Whinney in NYC. She has a master's in organizational psychology and is now working toward her PhD. Andrea lives in Manhattan with her husband Todd (Columbia '76). She has a direct line to a very active grapevine and was able to report on many of our missing classmates.

**Rena Epstein**, who turned down a chance to move to Chicago with the advertising firm for which she managed a department, works as an evaluator on a day care teacher-training program at Lehman College in the Bronx. She recently moved to Morningside Heights.

**Ronda Wist**, who received a master's in historic preservation from the Columbia School of Architecture, spent a couple of years in Washington, DC as a preservation planner for the Dept. of the Interior. She left her heart, however, in New York City, and recently returned to be a community planner with the Dept. of City Planning.

**Diane Justine Schiano** is a doctoral candidate in cognitive experimental psychology at Princeton. Her thesis is due in September, after which she plans to do postdoctoral work at the Learning Research and Development Center in Pittsburgh.

Two other classmates who are hitting the books are **Chris Li** and **Carol Daly**. Chris is living in Cambridge, MA while pursuing her studies in neuroanatomy at Harvard. Chris, by the way, despite the general apathy of our class, persevered and organized a very pleasant dinner and Saturday afternoon of activities. Carol will receive her MBA from the Wharton School in December '81 and is working this summer for US Steel in Pittsburgh.

**Odette Wilkens** is employed in the legal department of Home Box Office in New York. She very quickly pointed out that she is not, "thank God," a lawyer! Which brings us to the lawyers' delegation at Reunion. (Statistics indicate that 50% of us turned out to be lawyers.)

**Roberta Berman**, graduate of Northwestern Law School, is with the firm of Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson. Another Northwestern grad, **Gwen Blaylock**, works for Hawkins Delafield and Wood. Both are in NYC. Representing Fordham Law were **Susan Glover**, who works for Butler, Fitzgerald & Potter, P.C.; **Arlene Flohr**, who keeps busy at a small law firm in Manhattan; and **Miriam Birnbaum**, who had to leave before she got a chance to fill us in on her current job.

We did have a doctor in the house, two in fact; **Larysa Hun** and her husband took time out from their medical studies to attend reunion. Larysa is a resident in pediatrics in NYU Medical Center.

As for myself, I was press secretary for New York State Senator Donald Halperin until a recent promotion to director of communications for the Democrats on the Senate Finance Committee; I spend my time commuting from frosty Albany to balmy Sheepshead Bay.

A welcome guest at our dinner was Claire Fay, who served as director of student activities while we were at Barnard. Ms. Fay is currently spreading her joy at St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY.

And now for a word on those who missed Reunion but whose name surfaced through Andrea's grapevine. **Penny Krimes** is married, the mother of two, living in Bronxville and attending Teachers College. **Sylvia Wong Seid** lives in Chinatown, NYC with her husband and two sons and is expecting a third child.

More from those ubiquitous lawyers: **Joyce Ellman**, a graduate of Cardozo Law, is an assistant corporation counsel for New York City, litigating major negligence cases. She recently moved into a charming apartment on the east side. **Martha Bakos** graduated from Columbia Law and is at the firm of Reavis & McGrath. Her husband, Steve Dietz, shares an office at Cravath Swaine & Moore with Todd Stimmel, Andrea Katz's husband. **Jill Scheuer** is also at Reavis & McGrath. **Robin Grayson**, whom I saw in Albany the day she was admitted to the bar, is now back in Manhattan and working for a negligence/malpractice firm.

There is more news, but no more space in this issue. Keep in touch!

—Pat Tinto



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# CLASS NOTES

**09** *Emma Bugbee*  
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*F. May Ingalls Beggs* writes: "After a year of recovering from a cracked thigh, life continues for me in a happy atmosphere of friendships and home-by-the-sea. It is a great joy to continue to drive in my car, and to attend meetings and social events, and to read with constant interest in the many fields offered by our Library. My good wishes to classmates."

**10** *Marion Montesper Miller*  
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**11** *Florrie Holzwasser*  
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**12** *Lucile Mordecai Lebair*  
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1913 is proud to report that *May Hessberg Weis* has been named Honorary Chairman of the Committee on the Environment by the National Council of Women. Classmates will remember that May and her husband have sponsored the Weis Ecology Center in Ringwood, NJ, a lovely center for studying environment.

We regret to report two deaths, that of *Etta Fox Markham* and *Elsa Gottlieb*. Though Etta lived in Paris, she was interested in 1913 and wrote to us about her daughter's successful career and about her great-grandchild.

**14** *Edith Mulhall Achilles*  
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*Christina Grof Mowat* writes from Colorado that she is well and still active in AAUW, Columbia University Women's Club of Colorado, Garden Club, etc. She still lives at home.

*Iphigene Ochs Sulzberger* took a short trip to London in April to see a new great-granddaughter.

**17** *Freda Wobber Marden*  
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Dear Classmates of 1917,

Bravo—1917 is answering Alma Mater's call nicely. Even though we're not celebrating a Reunion this year, 1917 is Decade Leader on Highest Number of Donors and Highest Percent Participation in the Barnard Fund. But, we still have some to go—we have to keep trying to be Highest in Decade in terms of dollars. Surely, we must try, try, try again—1917ers can!

Yours ever,

Frances Krasnow

*Grace Diercks Kaas* seems to be just fine. When I spoke with her, she was busy gardening, planting vegetables and flowers. She is an active member of the Historical Society whose chief project is restoring old houses. The members conduct classes in colonial crafts and colonial cooking. They cooked dinner over the fireplace using colonial recipes, stewing meat, roasting beef and other foods and then eating the meal with mulled wine. They actually enjoyed it.

*Ruth Jennings Anderson*, although admitting to getting older and more hard-up, says she is still enjoying life.

"I have discovered that it is not necessary to do anything distinguished but only to keep going for 87 years and you get all this ballyhoo," said *Elizabeth Man Sarcka*, referring to an article in the Daily News (Mar. 2). Elizabeth, it said, "is impatient about looking back on her life of dedication to social welfare, justice and peace . . . She was recently feted by the Queens chapter of the UNA for her work in pursuance of peace dating back to the days of the League of Nations . . ." Elizabeth says that now the UN is the hope of the world.

Starting with social work as a volunteer while at Barnard and continuing with other jobs in this field, Elizabeth's interest soon focused on the League of Nations. She took a small job with the League of Nations Ass'n which later developed into the executive secretaryship of the Ass'n for Greater New York. After hopes for the League of Nations faded, she joined some old friends who were filming native culture and animal life in central Africa.

Her interest in social work appeared again as she established the first Girl Scout troop in Richmond Hill and through that work she met her husband, Wayne Sarcka, who was campaign director for charitable drives. They took their honeymoon hiking on the Long Trail in Vermont and

## CLASS NOTES DEADLINES

Copy for class columns for future issues should reach the Alumnae Office by these dates:

WINTER 1982 - October 20th

SPRING 1982 - January 21st

Alumnae, send news to your correspondent early so she can meet these deadlines!

Items received after these dates will be held over until the next issue.

came upon Spring Lake. They lost their hearts to it and bought the home and eventually about 3000 acres. Their home became, in due time, a halfway house for the mentally ill, the first in the country. "Spring Lake Ranch is still going strong," she said with pride.

The girl from Richmond Hill, the town founded by her grandfather and developed by her father, has traveled around the world and her interests have encompassed people everywhere in her drive for peace and justice.

*Minnie Cook*, who lives in St. Petersburg, extends her best wishes to our classmates. She is blind and crippled with arthritis but keeps up with some of her activities. She writes, "I do my own cooking and housework and take care of my numerous plants. I am able to read a great deal with the help of the telling book program of the National Library Services. My church work has been curtailed but I do what I can."

It was good to hear from you, Minnie. *FWM*

**18** *Alumnae Office*

*Rhoda J. Milliken* writes, "Alive and well and living in Rockport! Worked hard and long in the election—to no avail nationally but managed to help keep our Congressional delegation intact, thank heaven!"

*Edmere Cabana Barcellona* writes that her daughter, Marianne Barcellona, is a professional photographer in New York City and "leads quite an exciting life. My husband is into making color photographic prints. I am on the board of the Dallas Public Library; on the executive committee of volunteer programs of the Dallas Independent School District as well as a volunteer tutor; active in Camp Fire, Inc. (55th year); and in several church activities, etc., etc. Recently honored by having an award named for me."

If no correspondent is listed for your class, please send your news to the Alumnae Office.

**Lina Longaker Kranz** lives near her daughter at 79 Norwood, Hamburg, NY 14017. She would be happy to hear from friends.

**Shelby Holbrook** lives at the Allen Memorial Home, 735 S. Washington, Ave., Mobile, AL 35503. Her health is very poor, and she would be delighted to have any of us drop her a note.

**Dorothy Graffe Van Doren** sent the following note to the Alumnae Office: "I visited Hedwig (*Dr. Hedwig Koenig*) and she is in a fine place. All is well with me and my children—two grandsons are freshmen at Columbia."

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**Grace Munstock Brandeis**  
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Our President **Dorothy Goldsmith Michaels** writes, "Our children live in England and we usually visit them every year. Last Fall we decided that it was high time we tried out the Queen Elizabeth II before she became an old lady. We enjoyed our floating hotel greatly, aided by calm seas. I couldn't help contrasting the luxury and activities with my first trip to Europe in 1923. Then I sailed on a very old converted troop ship. It took ten days. In retrospect, it was just as enjoyable as the modern superliner.\* We are off again in two weeks. We look on London as our second home and never tire of it."

\* (GMB note: We were young then.)

We regret to report the death of **Gertrude Geer Talcott** on December 7th, 1980. She was always very active in class affairs and interested in the college. The class extends sincere sympathy to her husband and the family.

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**Elizabeth Rabe**  
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**Veronica Jentz Hill** and husband Jacques spent Autumn '80 abroad—some days in Paris, then two weeks on the Bourgogne Canal along with ten tourists on a boat manned by a crew of six. Each day a stop was made to visit points of interest—a chateau, cathedral, winery, etc. This proved a relaxing way to travel, and fine weather permitted spending most of the time on deck, seeing areas of France not on the average itinerary. Next, they enjoyed a sojourn of several weeks on the south coast of Spain.

**Helen Barton Halter** is happy to be in touch again with **Aline MacMahon Stein**, her good friend also at Erasmus Hall HS. Helen welcomes news of classmates, reads a great deal and is interested in handicrafts. She was active in the Dallas League of Women Voters prior to injury to her hip. Her address is 3105 Lariat Drive, Garland, TX 75042.

**Aline MacMahon Stein** was in Los Angeles in mid-May with her remarkable mother who is reasonably well, clearheaded and in her 104th year! So Aline could not be at Reunion with us when our **Mary Ellis Opdyke Peltz** received the 1980 Distinguished Alumna Award.

**Elaine Kennard Geiger**, our busy fund chairman, spent Christmas with son David, his wife, and their 3 daughters, and several days over New Year with son Linwood and his family. She plans a second visit to David and family prior to their moving to Vancouver, BC this summer. During a Feb. trip to Florida, she phoned **Esther Schwartz Cahen**, **Lucy Rafter Sainsbury**, and **Carolyn Oldenbusch**. She had a brief visit with a friend in Clearwater, in spite of injuries in an auto accident near Cypress Gardens.

The highlight of **Mabel Wood Naft's** news was

her Christmas visit with her sister and family in the Catskills, and pride in her 3-year-old great-nephew.

**Katharine Decker Beaven** has found the post of class president—that she assumed so efficiently on a temporary basis—rather demanding along with civic activities in Poughkeepsie. She has requested a replacement. We trust she will remain our V.P.

**Amy Raynor** reports that **Jane Chase** feels well and enjoys outings with her housekeeper friend in the latter's car.

Our condolences have been sent to the families of dear classmates **Elsa Meissner** and **Luda Reynolds Davies**.

We finally contacted **Olivia Russell** and learned from her interesting, newsy letter that she had joined our ranks in senior year by transfer from college in Decatur, GA. We were deprived of the pleasure of getting to know her because she did not live on campus. Olivia remembers only Aline MacMahon, who sat next to her in Prof. Hollingsworth's psychology class. After graduation, Olivia taught French, Spanish, and Latin in her home town of Brunswick, GA, and in two others. She spent the next 43 years in Washington, DC as translator in the State Dept. and, during the war, in the Army. For 10 years prior to retirement in '65, she taught English to foreigners of 92 nationalities in the Americanization School. She retired to the South where she likes being with relatives. She enjoys travel, spent Christmas in Mexico, and "devours Barnard news eagerly" in each issue of the magazine.

We wish **Aline Leding** complete recovery from that cruel accident, and trust that **Marjorie Lockhart** is feeling better. She writes often, such friendly notes with cute cartoons inside!

I can report chats by phone and exchange of letters with many classmates. Send us news, don't wait for requests. News is sought of **Christine Gruggel**, **Margaret Nolan**, **Frances Buel**.

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**Louise J. Schlichting**  
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Many of you have asked for news of our former leader, **Evelyn Orne Young**. Her husband died last December. During the summer Evelyn suffered a broken hip and is now in a nursing home in Greenfield, MA. Her daughter visits her almost daily and reads her mail to her. If you wish to write, address Ms. Beatrice Blain, RFD Box 70, Deerfield, MA.

Sadly we report the death of **Ruth McKinley Schlesinger Scott** on January 25. We send our sympathy to her daughter.

It was a joy to receive your many Xmas cards with news which we'll pass on to you from time to time. **Alice Peterson Brown's** children and grandchildren are all doing well. Grandson Robert Brown Knauss lives in Washington, DC with his wife, an MD. Bob is a law clerk to Justice Rehnquist. Son Howland is professor of physics at NYU. Her youngest daughter experienced serious flood damage in the Pasadena area in 1980. Alice keeps in touch with **Doris Craven**, who is doing her best to avoid another heart attack by carrying out the doctor's orders "not to drive, dig, or climb stairs more than once a day and walk, walk, and then stroll before bedtime even if it's only around the house." Good advice for all of us. We do too much sitting as we get older, in the car, sewing, playing cards, painting and watching TV. Doris tells of various painting courses at centers in England such as the Phillips

House or with the portrait artist to the royal family. "Amateur painting is the current madness in England."

**Gita Gerdau Reynolds** finally sent news about herself—thank you. "Last May my son gave his daughter and me two weeks abroad, one of which was spent in Paris in a hotel that I adore, front door facing the Opera and the back door across from the Louvre. Linda and I are nuts about pictures, she professionally. She hoped I would take a trip around the world this year but I begged postponement until 1982. I have a lot of paper work called 'editing' to do for **Grace Duncan Hooper** who left me boxes full. Also the house I've lived in for 45 years needs a broom, a pitchfork and a tractor! In October I visited my son and his family in Wyoming. He raises buffaloes! After resigning from the State Dept. I loafed and read and wandered in the hills with my lunch—a wonderful vacation. My bodily health is excellent except that I break ribs easily. Are you OK? Solid and substantial?" Yes, I'm fortunate to be doing fairly well so far.

**Florence Myers** recovered from a cold last winter. She knows about Navesink and hopes to visit **Agnes Bennet Murphy** and me sometime. Good to look forward to seeing you, Florence, and other classmates too. **Marion Durgin Doran** enjoyed our Xmas card. She and her husband spent the holidays in Baltimore with their daughter, five children, three dogs, and a boy friend. Lots doing! I know, for I've just returned from visiting my nephew in Burlington, VT, with three daughters, two dogs, and a cat.

**Alice Newman Anderson** attended the 100th anniversary of the AAUW in Boston last June. She was in the Bahamas over the holidays and then spent three weeks in March in Naples Beach Club Hotel, Florida. This summer I'm sure she's enjoying her home in Ambler, PA.

**Elizabeth Brooks** always says something meaningful and humorous on her Xmas card. "Greetings from the birds who, I believe, belong to the 'Moral Majority' party, of which I do not wholly approve. But then I do not have to approve of everything that the birds do. Even tho' I'm sure they would be for gun control. My nurse grandniece graduated from Boston U last June in administrative nursing. Another grandniece is a freshman at Duke. And not to discriminate against the males, one is a soph in NH; the other, brother of the nurse, graduated from Illinois U and then got an MA from William and Mary and is now working in NYC as a business administrator."

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**Charlotte MacNamara Guedalia**  
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As usual, **Estella Raphael Steiner** went to Taxco, Mexico in time for the Christmas season in order to observe a Mexican celebration on the plaza of the Santa Prisca Cathedral.

The weather was too cold so instead she experienced a delightful Mexican party—a Piñata party. There were five beautiful, attractive piñatas hung up on a wire with two hundred paper bags of candy for the local school children. For many it was their only Christmas celebration.

**Katharine Bouton Clay** lives with her daughter who cares for her. Katharine says it is impossible to go to our Reunion, but she can read and would love to hear from you.

**Margaret Bowtell Wetherbee** still does volunteer work at the Glens Falls Hospital, plays bridge frequently, and takes time off from house-

work to read Molière—in French! Margaret was informed by *Elizabeth McGuire Langslet's* cousin that Elizabeth had died on February 12th, in her sleep, in her home in Leisure Village, Lakewood, NJ. Our deepest sympathy goes to her family.

*Emily Galt Bready* is fine—was ready for a bridge luncheon when I phoned! A trip to Bermuda was being planned for the spring vacation.

Had a pleasant conversation with *Arcadia Near Phillips'* daughter—also named Arcadia! She says her mother is not well, but hoped that by springtime she would have improved. Try sending Arcadia a short note to Wilson Health Care Center—Room 305, 3011 Russell Ave., Gaithersburg, MD 20760.

*Mary Langton Carroll* told of her family weddings. Her grandson was married last September and her granddaughter Clare last November. Clare, who took engineering at West Point, is doing further study at Ft. Belvoir, VA. Then, she'll go overseas for three years.

*Irene Swartz Won* enclosed a newspaper clipping that tells that her husband, who served under Chennault during the China-Burma war, has a great enthusiasm for the P51 Mustang—a magnificent fighter plane!

Last fall *Filomena Ricciardi* and her sister visited the Holy Land and found it very interesting as well as inspiring. A visit to the "Upper Room with Holy Communion was especially moving.

Your correspondent's husband, Jules Guedalia, died suddenly Feb. 1st of a heart attack. He was in the class of '23 at Columbia College and '25 at Engineering. After the war we came to Washington. The Iwo Jima Statue, the Intermontary Fund Building, and Pentagon City were among his many projects.

*Emily Martens Ford* has an interesting winter hobby—making rugs! Being interested, I asked for a picture, which she sent to me. Her rugs are lovely but what a surprise I received when I looked at the large picture hanging on the wall over her sofa! The identical picture, a copy of a painting of a little girl, has hung in our home since 1850! It was a gift to my grandmother as they said it looked like her. Emily said her mother had had this picture in her home for years too!

Talked to *Agnes MacDonald*—she is busy as usual, is well, and was getting ready for the Reunion in May.

Spring is here. Saw the lovely Washington cherry blossoms, and out here on the farm all the fruit trees, forsythia, daffodils, etc., are in full bloom!

Please—write to me or to Agnes—we would like to hear from you.

## 24 *Adele Bazinet McCormick* 1900 S. Ocean Dr., Apt. 809 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

News was received from Edyth Sheehan Dineen '23 that she attended an impressive memorial service to celebrate the life of *Helen Gahagan Douglas* at the Unitarian Church of All Souls in NY in Dec. 1980. A tribute was given by *Alis De Sola* who reminisced on the play "Shadow in the Moon," on which they collaborated. Others present were former UN Ambassador Arthur Goldschmidt and former US Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas.

*Cicely Applebaum Ryshpan* received a letter from *Helen Matzke McCadden* who lives in Brewster, NY. She says she has become quite rustic and active in this semi-rural community. She writes for garden club publications and is inter-

ested in conservation. She is now a grandmother of six and great-grandmother of three little girls. Her son is on the staff at the U of Michigan. Tho' living in NY, Cicely spends much time in California where she has 2 sons, a sister and other relations. One son will receive a law degree in May.

The class has heard with regret of the death of *Helen McDermott Platte* in February 1980. We extend our deepest sympathy to her daughter, Wende Veeder, of Atlanta, GA.

## 25 *Elizabeth M. Abbott* 466 Larch Avenue Bogota, NJ 07603

*Dr. Emma Dietz Stecher* was honored at a dinner on May 18 for fifty years of membership in the North Jersey Section of the American Chemical Society.

*Aldene A. Barrington* took a Semester-at-Sea, sponsored by the U of Pittsburgh, on the S.S. Universe. She left from Ft. Lauderdale on Feb. 5 for a voyage of a hundred days around the world.

We regret to have to report the death of *Alice Mace Vaughan* on Jan. 26. We extend our sincere sympathy to her family.

## 27 *Eva O'Brien Sureau* 40 Mangrove Road Yonkers, NY 10701

*Barbara Schieffelin Bosanquet* is working for the ordination of women in the Anglican Church. She comments that in spite of a lively campaign, success is a good few years away. This month (July), she is joining her four children, their spouses, and ten grandchildren in celebrating the golden wedding anniversary of her and her husband—in Maine with a barn dance. Sounds like fun!

*Ruth McAlee Bradley* spent two weeks in Ireland last September and was looking forward to a weekend in New York in May. *Mildred Mehringer Clegg* had the pleasure of being visited in Florida by *Edith Bjorkman Weston* and Mildred Clayton Curran '29.

*Lisa Dougherty Coon* is apparently into the co-op movement. She has a granddaughter who buys fruit and vegetables for about 15,000 families, and Lisa's local has about 800 families as members.

*Dorothea West Fitzhugh* and her husband Robert, a retired college teacher, live "indolent lives" in the foothills of the Berkshires. She works in the local hospital but eagerly looks forward to gardening time. She says she is not impeded at all by her two artificial knees.

*Nina Lief's* book, "Second Year of Life," was about to go to press this spring. Her daughter, Dr. Carlotta Lief Schuster '57, gave a paper at the American Psychiatric Ass'n meeting in New Orleans in May. At this meeting Nina received a medal for life membership. Congratulations to Nina.

*Edna Morris Lund* and her family had a great reunion at Christmas—all twenty-five of them! Two were great-grandchildren.

*Mary Weldon McKeon* got a master's degree in religious education. She is interested in working with adults at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY.

*Mary Sullivan Mohair* has been retired a few years from her career as a teacher, a principal and a professor in Fordham graduate school.

*Edith Smedley Montague* is proud of the accomplishments of her two grandsons. One graduated from the U of Colorado in May and the younger will enter Malvern Prep in September

after receiving an overall mark of 96% on entrance exams.

*Edith Harris Moore* and her husband went to the Orient for 22 days in May and June. They visited China, Thailand, Singapore, and Bali. Edith said "the people relations were wonderful."

*Roslyn Schlesinger Salomon* is still enjoying art, music, and theatre, which retirement gives her time for. Her daughters are doing well: Carol in merchandising in the publishing field, and Nancy in the production of a granddaughter for Ros.

*Gertrude Hargrave Sharp* has left the north-east to be nearer her three children. Her new address is 705 So. Alton Way, Denver, CO 80231.

*Henrietta Beman Woolley* says she is involved in a lot of "little" things, to wit: community appeal, county welfare, home reading to clients and relations. Doesn't sound really "little."

*Alice Wright* is a New York girl who left the big city for the West. She ran a ranch in British Columbia (camping and riding) for 17 years, and has just retired.

And now, with real sorrow and regret, I must report the loss of our classmates *Dr. Eleanor Martin*, *Evelyn Hoffman Heppes*, and *Lucy Sperry Wolf*.

The following memorial for Lucy was written by *Frances Banner Plottel*: "Since high school days, Lucy was my best friend. For me—as, I'm sure, for many others—the happiness of our years at Barnard was enhanced by being with her. And Barnard meant a great deal to Lue—not only her four years there, but her pride in being the daughter of one of Barnard's first graduates, Rosalie Bloomingdale Sperry 1898, and the mother of Sari Minton Berliner '57.

"Her memory is fragrant with not-to-be-forgotten qualities: honesty of thought and clear-sightedness, modesty, loyalty, sympathy, and something best described as loving kindness. Her family and her many friends will miss her greatly."

## 28 *Eleanor Michelfelder* 445 Gramatan Avenue Mt. Vernon, NY 10552

On a bleak day in March, what should arrive in my mail but a lovely post card from Puerto Rico, with a fine view of El Morro fortress guarding the harbor of San Juan. Our president, *Constance Rouillion Critchfield*, was visiting our "flower and plant" lady, *Laura Orta*, and her message was, "We're having a ball. This is a lovely part of the world. Climate is perfect and the sights are fantastic." Laura added, "We are having lots of fun." I thank them so much—it sure did brighten my day!

During Holiday Week in April, I had a most pleasant phone chat with our dedicated former Correspondent, *Janet Schubert*, and it was good news that she is feeling much better these days. As perhaps some of you know, Janet has been practically a shut-in for the past two years but she is now improving a great deal. She has become somewhat resigned to her very limited activities, except that she greatly misses her volunteer work in the political field. For a long time she had assisted in the office of State Senator Franz Leichter, whom she much admires, and had found that activity most rewarding. Her phone number is: 212-795-0078—so any time you are in the NYC area, do give her a call—she would so much like to hear from '28ers.

Also during that week, *Helen Hope Dibbell* and I chatted about "things in general." She and husband Charles are still enjoying life in the "Big



Apple," with occasional visits to their Connecticut retreat—when weather and temperature permit! She says they are so proud of their grandson, 18, who lives just outside of Los Angeles. At time of writing this, the young chap had been accepted at FOUR colleges—Harvard, Yale, Columbia, and Wesleyan—but had not yet decided on THE one nor on the field in which he will specialize. Hope said he has considerable facility with languages. Since there is now much stress on the importance of young Americans learning to speak one or more foreign languages, her grandson would seem to have great potential for success. I know we extend our best wishes to him.

It is with sorrow that I report the death of **Margaret C. Booss** last November 2, after a lengthy illness. On behalf of the Class of '28, I extend our deep sympathy to her family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

The Spring issue came just as I was preparing this column, and I know we are proud to note that, in addition to her long-time devoted contributions to the Barnard Women's Center, **Myra Ast Josephs** is also a member of The Barnard Council, and that **Ruth Richards Eisenstein** is once again a member of the Publications Committee for the Alumnae Magazine, thus continuing her many years of dedication to the interests of Barnard.

I am still doing part-time work in the law office here in Mount Vernon (had my second anniversary in March), but in early May I took a week's respite from that routine to visit a friend in Vero Beach, FL. One of the highlights of the visit was a day at Disney World.

Deadline for the Fall issue is in October, so PLEASE do let me know by the middle of that month (by phone, by mail, or even Pony Express!) some info about your past activities or future plans (no item too small). I would be so grateful.

Best Wishes to all for a happy Summertime.

## 29 **Anny Birnbaum Brieger** 120 East 81st Street New York, NY 10028

It is with deep regret that we have learned of the death of our classmate **Dorothy Schaefer Genghof**, after heart surgery. Dorothy received her doctorate from Cornell U Medical College. She was professor emeritus of microbiology and immunology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. To her husband Christian and her brother Kenneth we send our deepest sympathy.

With great sadness, we have learned that **Megan Laird Comini** died on February 26th. Her daughter Alessandra '56 delivered a splendid lecture at the Institute of Fine Arts (NYU) on the subject "Different Routes to Expressionism." Alessandra is a professor of art history at Southern Methodist U. Megan was a distinguished and beloved member of the Class of '29, and she was very proud of Alessandra's achievements.

**Gertrude Kahrs Martin**, who used to lead a quiet but interesting retired life, has been caught up in a lot of volunteer activities. She is on the president's advisory committee of the Lake Mohawk (NJ) Country Club, which has tackled some juvenile problems not solved by local authorities. She was subsequently elected vice-chairman and then chairman. Gertrude is also vice-president of the senior AARP chapter, in Sparta. What with swimming, gardening, and playing bridge, she is busier than when she was a working gal.

**Helen Pallister**, who is deeply interested in the preservation of our environment, is a member of

the Sierra Club. She was part of a Questers Nature Tour of the Amazon, visiting areas in Brazil and Peru last November.

**Polly King Ruhtenberg** lives in a beautiful, active, solar house in Colorado Springs, with sunflowers in front and a mountain background.

Traveling classmates: last summer **June Freeman Allen** visited England, Scotland and a bit of Wales while **Judith Sookne Bublick** was in Israel. **Sylvia Seifert Gratz** left in January on a freighter trip through the Panama Canal and the west coast of South America.

**Alberta Strimaitis** now belongs to "Barnard in Monmouth"—a great group.

**Alice Stacey Ruffino** went to the Isle of Jersey, London and Vienna last October. She is a consulting stylist in the textile design business but also an ardent shopper of antique brass for her daughter.

**Ethel Robinson Nelsen**, with a master's degree in education, is retired and "enjoying the fruits of my labors." One son is a commercial airline pilot and the other is a marine biologist in California, which makes for pleasant visits.

**Edith I. Spivack** has been appointed a Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation.

The establishment of a Revlon Chair in Cosmetics Marketing at the Fashion Institute of Technology was announced at a recent reception honoring **Hazel Bishop**. Hazel has been appointed the first Revlon Lecturer in Cosmetics Marketing.

**Edith Kreji Bulson** missed our reunion last October because her 1865 house was open for the Historical Society house tour. It was only after living there for three or four years, in looking over the old deeds in the County Clerk's office, that her husband Emmons discovered that their house had been built by the brother of his great-grandfather.

**Elsie Barber Trask** writes, "I have sold my house in Stonington, CT and will be permanently in New York City. I continue my decorating firm of Trask and Clark. My great interests are the Abigail Adams Smith Museum at 421 East 61st St. and fund raising for the Chapin School. I spent time last summer on Martha's Vineyard and Chappaquidick next to the Dyke Bridge!"

The date for our next annual reunion has been tentatively set for Thursday, Nov. 12th, at 1 p.m., at Barnard. We're experimenting with a luncheon this year to avoid night-time travel. Please hold the date!

## 30 **Helen Chamberlain Josefsberg** 45 Sussex Road Tenafly, NJ 07670

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**Edith Kirkpatrick Dean** "derives great satisfaction from the success of Barnard-on-East-End (the eastern half of Long Island) which seems to be attracting some of our younger graduates. We meet only once a year for a covered dish luncheon . . . For me personally, there is the pleasure of acquiring an ever-growing circle of friends . . . We become involved in the lives of one another, bound, not only by Barnard, but by the discovery that we are neighbors, have common interests, etc."

**Jeanette Abelow Jarnow** is still active at the Fashion Institute of Technology in NYC and continues to serve as an educational consultant to the Israeli College of Fashion and Textiles which is patterned after FIT. She is the co-author (third edition) of "Inside the Fashion Business: Text

and Readings," published by John Wiley in April '81. It is a comprehensive treatment of the complexities involved in the design, production and distribution of clothing and accessories.

**Caroline Tietjen Everett** and her husband planned to visit her daughter in India in June. Caroline is trying to be a better gardener each year and to develop a small herb garden. **Mary Bowne Joy** sends greetings to all.

From Houston, TX **Florence Archer Neyland** reports that she is enjoying retirement; for twenty years she taught American history at Lamar Senior High School there. She says that missing the salt air haunts her, but **Gertrude Peirce** has become a full-fledged Hoosier—living in Indianapolis, IN after many years on the east coast.

**Olga Peterson** writes: "the farm is now a subdivision of 5-acre tracts, although we are still in the same house on one of them (in Knoxville, TN). I paint watercolors, go to dog shows with an Irish terrier, travel, etc. Last spring took a ten-week trip to the Mediterranean on a freighter, this summer plans for Ireland."

**Mary Pfeiffer** spent the month of March in Fort Myers, FL keeping busy identifying birds. She lives in Bridgeton, NJ.

The class extends sympathy to the families and friends of **Helen Leuchtenberg** and **Lois McIntosh**.

## 32 **Janet McPherson Halsey** 400 East 57th Street New York, NY 10022

**Catherine Riegger Harris**, PhD, of Washington, DC writes us that she has three granddaughters and one grandson, all living in the NYC area. She has been working for a long time on a very difficult project, a critical study of Karl Marx as a philosopher in the light of Western philosophical and theological backgrounds. She hopes to complete this book in springtime and move on to other less extended writing projects.

**Sylvia Gomberg Feldschuh** was a representative and observer for the Sierra Club International Earth Care Center at the UN session of the Intergovernmental Working Group for Transnational Corporation Code of Conduct in Geneva, Switzerland, in October 1980.

**Mila Shropshire Hendon** is a very proud mother of her three children. George is an international banker with Chemical Bank. He is now in Seoul, Korea, after previous assignments in London, Manila, and Hong Kong. Jeffrey is an archaeologist at Harvard's Peabody Museum. He expects his book, "The Tunica Treasure," to be out soon. Daughter Kent is married to a foreign service officer now assigned to the American Embassy in Mexico after tours in Delhi, London and Paris!

Our famous classmate, **Madeleine B. Stern**, was due at the U of Glasgow on April 29th to lecture on the role of the publisher in mid-19th-century American literature. Her partner, Leona Rostenberg, was to lecture there the following evening.

**Constance Cruse Butler** writes she had two operations in 1980, one on the eye and one on her head. She also lost her mother. Please accept our sympathy, dear Constance. This spring, however, she enjoyed a month-long trip renewing old army and post-Barnard friendships with her husband. They are looking forward to a restful summer in their Canadian cottage.

**Margery Sloss Heldt** has left Florida and is now living in New York City. She wrote that her daughter, Barbara Manter, is a professor of Rus-

sian at the U of British Columbia in Vancouver. She has two children, Gus and Elizabeth, ages 11 and 9.

*Elizabeth Kirkwood Murray* has 8 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren! Her son is Director of Personnel for Broward Community College (FL). Her daughter-in-law is Director of Student Services in Broward County. Elizabeth's husband is retired and they spend winters in Florida and summers on Long Island. They also enjoy traveling around the USA and Canada. Her daughter, Harriet Edwards, is past president of the NY State American Ass'n of University Women and is on Gov. Carey's Commission on Judicial Selection.

We have lost two classmates, *Elsie Stix Wechsler* of New York City, Nov. 30, 1980, and *Mary Leak Caine* of Greensboro, NC, Jan. 25, 1981. Elsie is survived by her sister, Mrs. Margaret Stern, and a half-sister, Mrs. Elisabeth Aleinikoff.

**33** *Grace Iijima*  
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On February 7, a springlike day, the Phonathon found *Fran Barry*, *Olga Bendix*, *Rosalind Deutchman Posner*, *Martha Loewenstein*, and *Grace Iijima* in the James Room. Besides pledges to the College we gathered some news of classmates: *Ruth Anderson Katz* has retired from teaching and has recovered from a cataract operation. *Ernestine Bowman* broke her hip in November and is recovering nicely; she needs her cane only when she goes out.

*Katherine Lewis* has retired from teaching at the High School of Music but still teaches piano and theory privately. She's studying drawing and painting at the YM-YWHA.

*Isobel Roberts* gave up surgery on January 1 but still holds office hours in GYN, her specialty, loves poker, and enjoys watching the launchings at Cape Canaveral.

*Lois Shoaf Slayton* plans to come for our 50th Reunion in '83.

*Sylvia Thomas's* news blend sorrow and joy. In 1980 she visited many friends in New Zealand, in May her brother died of a heart seizure while she was driving him on a lonely Adirondack road on the way to her cottage, and in November that cottage was destroyed by fire. Sylvia has completed her "Saga of a Yankee Whaleman," about her grandfather. The proceeds from sales of the book will go to the New Bedford Whaling Museum, which helped greatly with her research. A copy has been given to the College library. (See "Events in the Arts," this issue.)

*Priscilla Wadhams Avery* keeps very busy: She tutors a fourth grade boy in reading once a week, sings in the church choir, is active in a church group working toward peace among churches, is studying Spanish, and reads German with a group.

*Ruth Jacobson Leff's* daughter is a professor of history at Clemson College and her son is controller of a company in California.

*Frances Swainson Morgan* is still teaching.

As these notes are being written (April 15), memories of the April 7 mini-reunion are still fresh. 15 of us enjoyed a delicious lunch in the Deanery, preceded and accompanied by happy talk of past and present. Some classmates whom we seldom see were given especially warm welcomes: *Adele Burcher Greeff*, *Mathilde Camacho Solomon*, lost for a while and happily found again; *Loretta Haggerty Driscoll*, *Virgilia Kane Wichern*, *Muriel Kelly Major*, *Ruth Payne Hellmann*, *Mildred Pearson Horowitz*, *Jo Skinner*, *Laura Smith Lomo*, *Sylvia Thomas*, and *Viola Wichern Shedd*. Old faithfuls present were *Fran Barry*, *Olga Bendix*, *Rosalind Deutchman Posner*, and *Grace Iijima*.

Notes to *Fran Barry* from some who could not come gave us these bits:

*Alice Fairchild Bradley* became Mrs. May in June 1980, left for her Cape Cod house on April 1, and enjoys renewing friendships with *Betty Armstrong Wood* and with *Viola Wichern Shedd*, whom she knew in Bay Ridge High School.

*Ruth Korwan* wrote from Aurora, CO, between trips to the South Pacific: Australia, New Zealand, Cook Island, Fiji, Hawaii in March; and in May, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxem-

bourg.

*Margaret Martin* retired at the end of May and celebrated with two weeks in Portugal. She has sold her house in Arlington and lives in a high-rise; she plans to spend summers in Vermont, where she can enjoy the birds and her garden. She's still active in the American Statistical Ass'n, chairs a committee studying the problems of the census undercount.

*Irene Sweedris Hellekson* and her husband, now retired, enjoy travel and their real estate interests in California. In March they cruised to the Caribbean, Panama Canal, and Acapulco on the Golden Odyssey; they plan a Mediterranean cruise on the same ship to revisit places Earl knew during the war, and in summer will visit Alaska. Their elder daughter, a physical therapist, has adopted a fun-loving 13-year-old girl; their younger daughter attended a psychiatric conference in Hawaii this spring.

*Louise Ulsteen Syversen* is looking forward to our 50th, meanwhile is very busy on several boards: the League of Women Voters, the United Way, the Southwest Pennsylvania Regional Planning Ass'n. She is Director of her county Conservation District. Because of her husband's "itchy foot" they travel a lot, to the Orient, Scandinavia, Santa Fe, Florida, etc.

**34** *Josephine Diggles Golde*  
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*Julie Johns Krause* toured Spain earlier this year, visiting Mallorca and Costa del Sol. She is presently tutoring Japanese children in her community, enjoying their charm, courage and kindness. She also works at our thrift shop in Manhattan and suggests that more of us join her there.

*Nancy Van Riper Varney* lives on a small island in the Strait of Georgia and would very much appreciate hearing from some of us. Her address is Lasqueti Island, British Columbia, VOR 2 JO, Canada. There is no car ferry to the island and no electricity except from private generators or windmills.

*Esther Merrill Wise*, although retired, is active in volunteer and club work. She is treasurer of a day nursery and works in the gift shop for "Lucy," the Margate Elephant. She is a member of the NRTA-AARP New Jersey Joint Legislative Committee and is also scholarship chairman of ABWA and hospitality chairman for the AAUW.

Additional news of classmates was gathered in the recent phonathon conducted by *Alice Kendrickian Carskadon*, *Gertrude Lally Scannell* and *Josephine Diggles Golde*. Alice is the new Barnard Fund chairperson for our class and is also an officer of the Amore Chapter of the Eastern Star of New Jersey. This spring she spent six weeks in California.

*Anne Neumann Blashuk* is retired and living a quiet life in St. Louis. Also retired and doing volunteer work in Lighthouse Point, FL is *Sonja Borgeson Baker*. *Dr. Mary Craig Rice* is continuing her studies at Union Theological Seminary.

*Dr. Margaret Howell Wilson* is still practicing dentistry. Her daughter Martha is about to graduate from dental school, and her son Peter is in his third year at the U of Connecticut as a medical student.

*Dr. Ruth Conkey*, Professor Emeritus of Hunter College, continues in private practice as a clinical psychologist. *Dr. Helen M. Feeney* is professor of sociology at Queensboro Community College. She is Director of the Urban Internship at the college.

## AWARD NOMINATIONS

One of the highlights of the Annual Reunion Luncheon is the presentation of awards to alumnae who have distinguished themselves in their chosen work or in service to Barnard.

The "Distinguished Alumna Award" was established in 1967 as "a way to honor outstanding women, to help overcome prejudice against women, and to inspire gifted young women." Since 1976, recipients of the award have been *Dr. Helen Ranney '41*, *Elizabeth Hall Janeway '35*, *Louise Adams Holland '14*, *Babette Deutsch '17*, *Mirra Komarovsky '26*, and *Mary Opdycke Peltz '20*.

In 1975, the "Alumnae Recognition Award" was created to honor up to three persons each year whose service and devotion to the College has been outstanding.

Winners are chosen by a special committee of the AABC, which welcomes nominations for both awards. (If you know of a likely candidate please do not assume that someone else will submit her name or that the committee "must know about her already.") Names should be sent to the Alumnae Office, 606 West 120 Street, New York 10027, by January 1, 1982 and should be accompanied by as much supporting information as possible.

*Anne Augusta Simon* is now able to walk with a cane, having suffered a broken back in an automobile accident seven years ago.

*Frances Rubens Schoenbach, Esq.* has been doing some extensive traveling to the Orient, Russia and Scandinavia. *Jane Bryant* has retired and is now living in Connecticut.

*Mary Dickinson Gettel* had a reunion of her own with Sue Strait Fremon ('35) and Diana Campbell Exner ('35). *Gertrude Lally Scannell* has travelled to Japan and Ireland with her husband during the past year.

*Josephine Diggles Golde* and her husband manage to get away to the Caribbean once a year and also take trips within the States quite often. That is not the reason that your news items are delayed finding their way into the alumnae magazine; my deadline for this issue was April 28, and I had been holding some of your items since January! Send your news along and it will be printed eventually.

**35** *Kathryn L. Heavey*  
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Headlined in "Glo-Quips" Nov. 12, 1980 from Gloucester, VA: "Mrs. Hammer Saves Energy." *Rebecca Hopkins Hammer's* solar heating device is described with pictures of it and of Becky. Her arrangement uses inexpensive materials, is simple to install, and has proved to give a real saving in heating bills for her Virginia home; in the winter of 1979-1980 only about two-thirds as much heating oil was needed as was used the previous winter. A further advantage is that the units can be easily moved for storage during the summer. Rebecca has sent me full descriptions of the unit and anyone interested can get details either from me or from her.

Also connected with home matters is *Eleanor Schmidt's* letter about her term as president of her co-op. Retired after 37 years of teaching, she writes, "I was rather surprised to find myself in a new position for which I had little qualification. Areas where I was proficient, such as budgeting and finance, organization of schedules, and garbage disposal, were offset by failure to persuade the Board to recognize the inevitability of inflation or the Super to do more work, and to determine if the service people were ripoffs." She met with other presidents of the building complex and learned such things as what a "puff-explosion" is. She adds, "It is an unpaid job where a pat on the back is not reward enough to make up for the work, worry and responsibility." Last summer Eleanor had her first elder-hosteling course at St. Andrew's School in Delaware, taking Pond Ecology and Colonial Life. *Aline Blumner* is also an enthusiastic elder-hostel vacationer.

In my last notes I appealed for some memories of unrecorded history at Barnard. Perhaps our generation has been too much warned against living only with memories in our old age. I well remember the admonition of Dr. Gulielma Alsop '03, "Remember to change as the world changes," but I believe what we recall and document for coming generations is of importance. It may not be vital to Barnard's future, but it would be good for its students to know that we, too, went through a depression with the budget too tight for such things as a theater curtain. *Elizabeth Simpson Wehle* remembers mending a large hole in the old curtain the afternoon before it went up on Junior Show! Write me some other memories of Junior Show. Please. Soon our diplomas will be 50 years old. Perhaps we can have a 50th An-

## ALUMNAE OF THE 1930-1942 ERA

Come to BARNARD CAMP (now known as Holly House) on October 4—rain or shine—for a day in the country among old friends. Bring your spouses, children, grandchildren, etc.—along with enough food for your own entourage. We'll have soft drinks, ice, and charcoal for the grill.

If you're coming by car and don't remember the way, ask the Alumnae Office to send you a map (212-280-2005).

If you wish to come by train, there is one which leaves Grand Central (Hudson Line) at 9:50 a.m., arriving at Croton-Harmon at 10:42. We can provide transportation from the Croton station if we know the number in your party before September 27. Call the Alumnae Office or Ninetta Hession (914-762-2347).

Save the date—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1981—and call your friends to join you so that you can have your own little mini-picnic-reunion and also meet other Barnard sisters from the area.

niversary Memory Book. I have been reviewing class notes for several years past and find frequent news from some, nothing from others, perhaps too busy to write or even read our notes. Perhaps you do not think your news is important. You are important to your class. I will try to contact some of you. Meanwhile think about 50 years gone by.

*Elizabeth Hall Janeway* participated in a panel discussion at the Women's Institute in Manhattan in May. She also spoke at Barnard on April 8 at a conference sponsored by the Alumnae Advisory Vocational Committee, on the subject of power. A week later she addressed the Barnard Club in Wilmington, DE, on "Women in Economics."

**37** *Helen Hartmann Winn*  
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By the time you read this, *Ruth Harris Adams* will have reluctantly retired as chairman of pediatrics at the new Marshall School of Medicine (West Virginia) after seeing its first class graduate in May. Inactivity is not the order of the day, however, since Ruth continues as medical director of the Children's Liver Foundation, has initiated a West Virginia metabolic screening program for newborn infants, and has entered the field of health concerned with problems of obesity. Her husband Eugene continues his work with The Healing Community (for the disabled) and the related Goodwill Industries, and is also helping to organize and promote the nonprofit group, Overseas Development Opportunities.

The Adams family held a grand reunion at Lake Mohonk this year, bringing members from all parts of the country to the New York resort to join in celebrating the marriage of daughter Lois (Barnard '75) to Christopher Coover. The young couple is now living in a Brooklyn brownstone and completing educational plans. In May, daughter Roberta concluded 20 years of schooling with graduation from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and now, following in her mother's footsteps, embarks on a medical career.

I too have decided that enough is enough and after 27 years as librarian and English/Humanities teacher at our local high school, have joined the ranks of the retired. It is not without misgiving that I thus leave the reassuring world of regular work, and find myself thrown on my own resources again like a '50's bride just out of college. My one remaining tie of obligation is as trustee of the River Dell School for Adult Education; beyond that, I am free as a bird. My husband Burk

continues to work at his beloved law—he is Attorney of Record for Nationwide Insurance Company, Metropolitan Area, and has no sympathy whatever with half the world's desire to "loaf and invite my soul." With our daily routines now so different and opportunity beckoning, will I really do all those creative things that seemed so unattainably desirable just a year ago—paint—write—volunteer—travel—finally clean house? Tune in next year for the continuing saga of H.H.W.'s "Search for Tomorrow."

*Dorothy Watts Hartman* and her husband Lloyd enjoyed a wonderful trip last November to the eastern Mediterranean area, spending some time in London before flying on to Athens. Their tour included stops at Delphi, Heraklion and Crete, then on to Port Said and Cairo with a look at the Pyramids. Next they went to Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Rhodes, Patmos, Istanbul and Ephesus before flying home from Athens.

Dorothy continues her community work in the Los Gatos, CA, area, working with emotionally disturbed children and teaching swimming in the summer at the Ming Quong Children's Center. She also conducts classes in CPR, First Aid, and Disaster Preparedness throughout the year for the Red Cross.

**38** *Elizabeth Armstrong Dunn*  
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*Margaret Jameson Wilson's* daughter Gale (Barnard '69) lives in Balboa, CA, which is near Los Angeles on a long narrow peninsula with a view of both the bay and ocean. Gale has a managerial position with a motorcycle company in Balboa. When her parents visited her not long ago, she lent them her new car for a scenic trip north along the coast and to Yosemite.

For the last 17 years, Margaret has taught chemistry and math at a private school near her home. She and her husband have lived in Mt. Tabor, NJ, for 30 years and recently retired, both at the same time. They have at least one place where they must go—their son Tim lives in Hong Kong. A composer, he played the flute in the Philharmonic in Hong Kong for five years and conducts classes in music theory at the cultural center there. It has been a long time since the Wilsons have seen their son but they hear about him from Chinese friends who visit their home frequently. Margaret promises to send a card when she plans to go. We look forward to hearing about what has to be an unusually interesting trip.

*Catherine Kneeland Gibson* was an active senior vice-president in the advertising agency Wells, Rich, Greene, Inc. in New York until her death

of a heart attack on Jan. 8, 1981. She began working with Mary Wells in 1957. She had been treasurer of St. Andrews Church at Saltaire, Fire Island, where she and her husband Frederick vacationed for many years. Her son, an architect and Columbia graduate, is married to the former Laura Benefield, Barnard '69. They have two children and live in Cambridge, MA.

We have also received notice of the death of *Elizabeth Wharen Mainwaring*, May 23, 1980 and of *Anne Kremer Levine*, Sept. 2, 1980.

## 39 *Mildred Rubinstein Shapiro* RFD 1, Box 346 Montauk, NY 11954

Thanks to those of you who so warmly accepted my invitation to participate in a "meaningful dialogue" about the joys and sorrows of retirement. Your letters followed me to Scottsdale, AZ, where my husband and I had fled precipitously after the bitterly cold weather over Xmas-New Year's at Montauk had frozen our pipes, burned out our furnace, and destroyed some two dozen house plants. We drove there and back and eagerly contemplated Middle America, hitherto unknown to us; Scottsdale itself was a never-never land of perpetual sun and ease. Quite a contrast to windy Montauk!

Travel seems to be a universal desire for "Golden Yearlings," and some of us do get around a lot. *Margaret Dykes Dayton*, who remained pretty close to her home base, Barnard, all these years, is enjoying the activities in her community, at the U of Delaware, but states, "Best of all, I have had an opportunity to take some delightful trips—to Cape Cod in October, San Francisco after that, and Florida very recently. After all of this travel, I shall probably not go farther than Philly and NY for a while."

*Marjorie Healy Traylor* writes, "My husband has just retired. He has been Chairman of the Department of Zoology, Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago. Now he will be a Curator Emeritus in the Bird Division there. The usual 'we hope to travel more' and have more time for our activities and hobbies and for enjoying our summer home in Wisconsin. I now have two step-grandchildren and five grandchildren scattered from coast to coast."

*M. Charlotte McClung Dykema* had a delightful two weeks in Holland last fall "to see where the Dykemas come from. What a charming country!" Mary Charlotte is still keeping the flute very busy. "It's such a popular instrument these days that I always have crowds of students. Advise your grandchildren to learn the viola or double bass!"

Our peripatetic president, *Elaine Hildebrand Mueser*, returning in March from New Mexico, wrote, "Retirement keeps us so busy! Unbelievably! We head west again in May." I look forward to comparing driving routes, stopovers, etc., with Elaine; she's almost a regular commuter to Albuquerque, where her daughter, Barbara, makes her home.

Most exotic traveler is *Janet Younker Willen*. She and her daughter Valerie went to Kenya on safari in 1979. "Last year we went to New Zealand and Australia: the Outback, Great Barrier Reef, Ayers Rock . . ." The Willen's son, now 26, was an American history major at Columbia, and then a candidate for his PhD when he turned to politics. He has now completed his first year as a student at Northeastern Law School. Janet's daughter was an art history major at Brandeis and is presently employed by GEO magazine. "In my

usually retarded state," writes Janet, "I should add that I am not a grandmother yet. I work as a full-time volunteer for Scientists and Engineers for Secure Energy. Please observe (from enclosed brochure) that *Emma Louise Smith Rainwater's* Nobel Prize-winning husband is one of our members. I do fund-raising and general program development."

Janet sums it up: "Golden Age is complicated: I would love to live in a place that was physically pleasing and with less crime, dirt, and oppression. But, as there is no such place, I guess I'll stay here for now.

"I did visit *Esther (Terry) Anderson Rowe* in San Antonio, TX, a couple of times. That was great—but I wonder if one could accommodate to a small town without the commotion, the TIMES, the Wall Street Journal, etc., all the time. You get the picture."

## 40 *Louise Barr Tuttle* Adelaide Avenue East Moriches, NY 11940

In a lovely chatty letter *G. Ethelwyn Cosby* brings us up to date on what she's been "up to these many years." She received her master's in education from the U of Delaware at the age of 50 and has since accumulated 31 additional credits. Mother of one son and two daughters and a teacher for 13 years, at present a Reading Resource teacher, she is on the executive boards of the Delaware Federation of Teachers and the Newcastle County Federation. She also has a police record, having been arrested during the Wilmington teachers' strike some five years ago! As an active member of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom she attended the International Convention in New Haven last summer "where I met women from 25 countries and 50 states—a mind-boggling experience." She worked during the two draft registration periods, counseling registrants on their options, etc. For relaxation Ethelwyn plays the guitar and rides her bicycle. Two summers ago she and her grandson (one of 3 grandchildren) rode the length of Long Island, from Montauk Point to Stony Brook, to attend a family reunion at her brother's—who just happens to be the husband of classmate *Elsie Bomhoff!*

Wedding bells in *Florence Kotzian Strateman's* family—Howard Jr. was married in December to Dalal Saad K. Nasr in Armonk, NY. A second ceremony was held in Alexandria, Egypt. The bridegroom is Resident Vice-President of Citibank, Bahrain.

From out west comes word that *Shirley Ellenbogen Rothkrug* is settling into the San Francisco way of life. She is a volunteer worker for California Abortion Rights Action League where her media and public relations experience are particularly valuable—she's even on TV! Drop-in guests are always welcome—early visitors were *Nanette Hodgman Hayes* and *Florence Dubroff Shelley* and their husbands.

*Dr. Ingrith J. Deyrup-Olsen*, "professor of zoology, adjunct professor of women's studies and a biologist," has been elected by the Council of the American Ass'n for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) to the status of Fellow. A Fellow is "a member whose efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished." Our sincere congratulations, Ingrith!

*Janet Gowen Hay* has thrown down the gauntlet! She writes: "no books published, no PhD's, no art exhibits, but I still know more

about flat washers than the majority of my classmates." Anyone out there accepting the challenge? Jan has four children and one "delightful" granddaughter, and enjoys calligraphy, community theatre, and crewel work.

Hope you're all enjoying a marvelous summer!

## 42 *Kathryn Bruns Swingle* 602 Tremont Avenue Westfield, NJ 07090

All news is good news even if it comes on faint copies of notes attached to your Barnard Fund contributions. Still, I do long for inspiration too. For this issue I got lucky from one source, *Helen Cornell Koenig*, who sent us a real family newsletter. I can't convey the whole sense and sensibility of Helen's letter, of course, but I think I'll save this kind of correspondence for your reading at Reunion, unless I get instructions to the contrary. Helen's husband Ed has, with several colleagues of equal and varied expertise, started a corporation called Advanced Energy Systems. He is enjoying the challenge of a new venture while Helen continues to do volunteer work. Her long 25-year Girl Scout career has been capped by the receipt of Scouting's highest adult award. Daughter Holly is an executive secretary as well as rural housewife and "livestock manager" on several acres of homestead at Budd Lake, NJ. Daughter Laurie is a senior analyst at a very large insurance firm in NJ. Son Alex is out of the computer business and into TV. Scott is back in college at Rider after a few years off.

*Caroline Chervenie Branflick* speaks of son Robert, Jr. who is a consultant with Springs Mills and of daughter Mary Ellen Uthlaut, children's author and freelance writer. Caroline has two grandchildren.

*Barbara White Yedlin* makes a perceptive comment about the comparative "openness" of two small New England communities, one of which she has recently left and the other she is happily adjusting to. I sense a story; could I have a letter?

*Rosemary Graf McMahon*, who promised to write me as soon as she "felt retired," has come through with a short note from Paris where she was visiting foreign service officer daughter Patricia and grandson. Daughter Barbara was with them over Christmas. She is a graphic artist.

*Fran Murphy Duncan's* paraplegic son is teaching in Special Ed and will receive his MED soon from Columbus College, GA where Fran is a professor. Fran's youngest, who has muscular dystrophy, is thankfully holding her own and enjoying life.

*Elinor Schubert Brown*, an old faithful at Reunions, is now living in Phoenix, AZ with husband George, near grandchildren and son, an orthopedic surgeon. Says Elinor, "Volunteer work and travel through the beautiful Southwest fill the many sunny days." Don't forget the old Northeast at Reunion time, Elinor!

We are saddened to hear of the death in August, 1979, of *Antoinette Senn Buehler*.

Here's what the mail brought from *Elizabeth Kramer Emmons*: "I'm considering a long detailed analysis of my life and work for the 40th Reunion. It will break a 40-year silence. I am, however, a dedicated, crafty, consummate putter-offer." Advice to Funny Girl and other Silent Sisters: Forget perfection of style, completeness of detail, neatness of copy, concise statement of philosophy, enhancement of the prosaic, analysis of social trend—just get the darn thing out! Perfection is frowned on here; we escaped Barnard

40 years ago. Just give us some plain homely news in a hurry and THINK 40th!!!

**43** **Maureen O'Connor Cannon**  
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Summer is icumen in (this is early April as I rattle this off), and, as you read the words from classmates here, let's hope you'll stretch out in your deck-chair, reach for your pen, and decide to SEND some! Wouldn't that be a fine thing to do in, say, August?

**Sophie Vrahnos Louros, Eithne Colgan Wonsaver,** and class president **Lucille Osmer Hutchinson** gathered together recently, phones in hand, and made the words sing over the wires in the annual Phonathon for Barnard. Pledges were made to the Alumnae Fund, but the talk spread far beyond such, and here are some brief items gathered for sharing by the intrepid trio:

**Pat Langwell Berman** and her husband have given up their gift shop in Carmel, CA, and now live in Monterey.

**Carol Collins Patrick's** daughter, who teaches school in Denver, has just married. The four Patrick sons seem to be working in various fields and living at various addresses, but the hope is that Carol gets to see the three grandchildren and, eventually, the one that's "on the way."

Speaking of offspring, **Tillie Hoffer Roberts** reports that she's "hanging in there." She has two in college, at Hobart and the U of Maine.

A switch on the "To grandmother's house we go" theme will be **Sylvia Klion Disenhof's** visits to her children in California. She plans to enjoy such when she retires from public school teaching. Of course there's a dissertation in her future, too, and additional teaching, possibly English to Russian immigrants which she also manages to do now. She's managed to travel in France as well. Her husband is active in Boy Scouts and in temple adult education.

Following a tie in a special election, **Betty Barker Hall** lost a bid for the State Senate in New Hampshire. We're sorry, Betty, but apparently you're still very active in the New Hampshire House of Representatives.

On the political scene too is **Harriet Hirschfeld Keyserling** who represents District No. 124 (Beaufort County) in the South Carolina House of Representatives. She serves on the Judiciary and Joint Legislative Energy Committees, and is Chairman of the Subcommittee on Conservation. Harriet has lived in Beaufort since graduation.

Also active politically is **Virginia Hill Donohue**, who is working with Common Cause on "sunset laws" in Maryland.

We send our sincere condolences to **Marcia Newbill Fender** whose husband died recently. And at the same time we're very sorry to learn of the deaths of **Bobette Wiener Belcher's** mother, and the father of **Bettie White**.

If a phone call from **Marilyn Haggerty** brightens your day, don't be surprised. Marilyn claims that all those trips are business ones, but she does take her alumnae list with her and she's wonderful about making contacts. The latchstring's always out, friend.

**Rose Ruth Ellison, MD** and Professor of Medicine and Chief, Division of Oncology at Columbia's College of Physicians and Surgeons, spoke recently at a reunion on "Cancer Chemotherapy: Current Approaches and Future Prospects." Exciting topic and, I would hope, affirmative.

Happy news is the marriage of **Sybil Kotkin Harlam** to Harold Storm. Our very best wishes, Sybil.

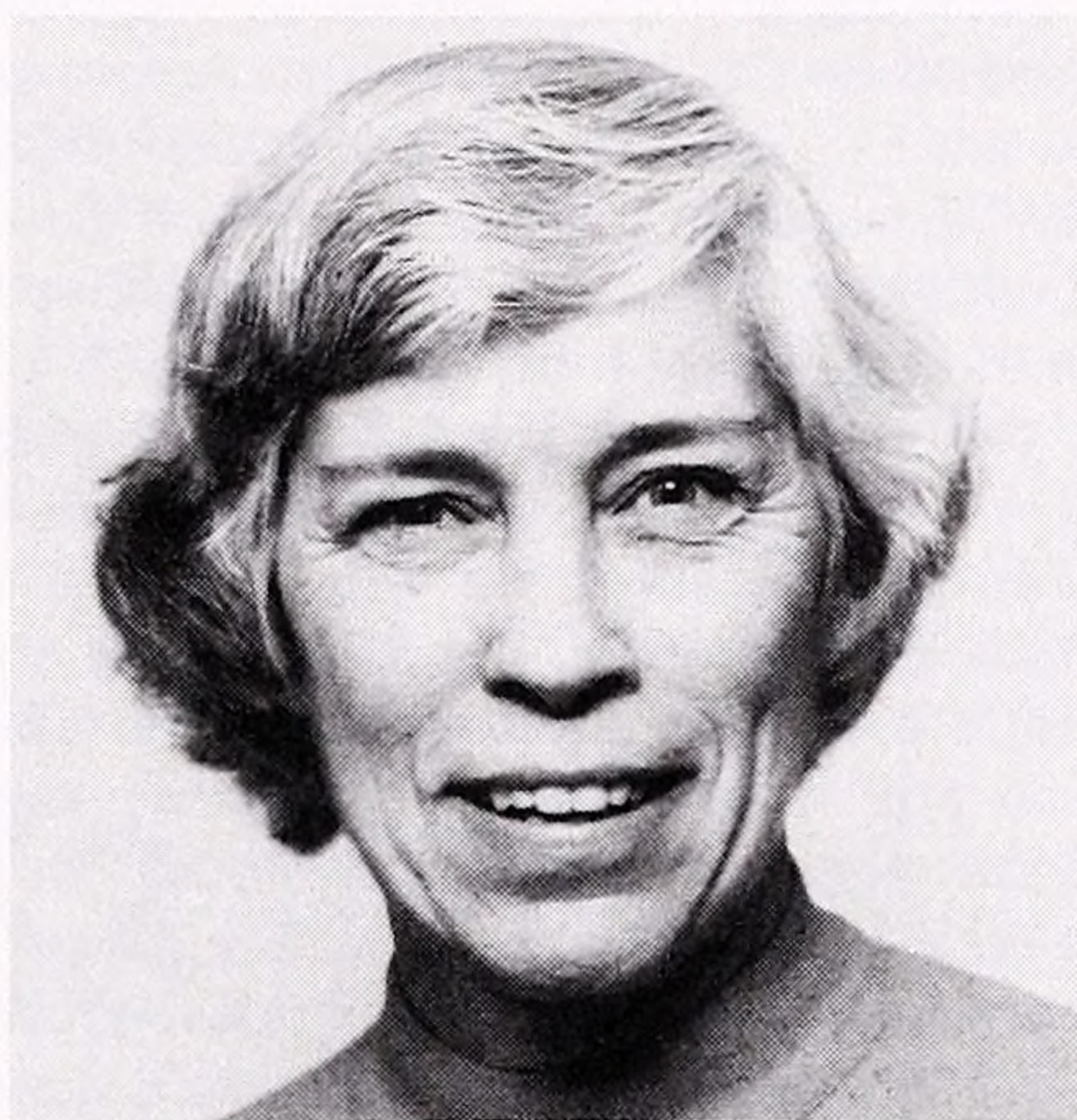
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Barnard made progress on the housing front last year with the acquisition of a new residence hall on Claremont Avenue, but our limited dormitory space is still a problem. For many students, a workable solution has been a room in an alumna's apartment, within easy distance of the campus, for which they pay rent and/or perform services.

If you have a spare room and would like to learn more about this program, call or write to Rosemarie Dackerman, Associate Director of Residential Life, 210 McIntosh Hall, 212-280-3040.

## In The News

### Anne Ross Fairbanks '45



Anne R. Fairbanks, associate professor of physical education at Skidmore College, has received a distinguished service award from the Eastern Association for Physical Education of College Women.

The award cited Prof. Fairbanks for her "significant contribution to the physical education of girls and women," and for her leadership in swimming, diving and synchronized swimming programs.

A member of the All-American Swimming and Diving Team for four years, she won nine titles in the National AAU Springboard Diving Championships and was a member of the 1944 "mythical" US Olympic Team. She is the author of *Teaching Springboard Diving* and numerous articles.

Prof. Fairbanks joined the Skidmore faculty in 1967 after teaching at Washington University in St. Louis, Stellenbosch University in South Africa, and the Universities of Wisconsin and Rochester.

Prof. Fairbanks and her husband, a professor at RPI, have one daughter.

**44** **Ethel Weiss Brandwein**  
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News from our May mini-reunion won't come until the next issue; my copy deadline was before Reunion. Here's news, however, of some who couldn't attend. (Unlike my last column when I complained of not enough news, I now happily have so much that some will have to wait until later!)

When last heard from, **Dottie Carroll Lenk** (West Chester, PA) was pushing to finish her dissertation; she will teach next fall at Beaver College. **Doris Charlton Auspos** (Wilmington, DE) was a leader in the 22nd Annual Great Books Seminar of the Philadelphia Great Books Council.

**Idris Rossell** (Berkeley Springs, WV), supposedly "retired," was in the midst of her busy spring season at her new antiques shop. **Alice Eaton Harris** (Scarsdale, NY) was expecting to be having hip surgery (postponed because she had broken her hand and couldn't manage crutches). Her happy news, however, is another grandchild and having the pianoforte she had built (a Mozart-type piano) used for the musical tape in the Broadway hit "Amadeus."

**Joan Carey Zier** (Boulder, CO) was going to be in the midst of "trading" houses (their 5th house there) as well as the building of her husband's new store, plus visits from scattered children/grandchildren. **Irene Herzfeld Baxandall** from England: "I'd love to be with you all, but am just getting involved in our local adult education college. In May I shall either be taking a computer course or tutoring languages or both."

From those in my Washington, DC area who couldn't come: **Honor O'Rourke Williams** broke her leg and has been limited in her movements. **Fern Marie Albert Atkin**, still teaching part-time, is putting many activities "on hold" to help her 86-year-old mother who has moved nearby. Fern hopes for a visit soon from **Lil Bourne Le Fevre** (Rosemont, PA) who has youngsters in DC.

**Lorraine St. Amand Brubaker** couldn't get to NYC this time but does try to go on some of her husband's business trips; they had a wonderful one to California last year.

Though **Gloria Glaston Cole** couldn't come (her husband has been very ill, as reported last summer), she is resuming some of her legal system activities; she is on a nominating committee for Maryland Appeals Court judges and on a long-range planning committee for the MD State Bar Ass'n.

**Mae Ching Li Kao** and her "retired" husband (who continues with consulting, writing and editing) enjoy some babysitting with their nearby grandchildren and are considering buying a place in Florida near Mae's sister.

**Virginia Benedict Katz** finds "empty nester" life in Florida wonderful but does enjoy visits to children/grandchildren in California and Arizona. She urges us to "drop in" when in Florida. **Ruth Lyttle Satter** has had a professionally successful year: she is now a professor of botany at the U of Connecticut; her recent book, "The Life of the Green Plant," (co-authored) is the plant physiology text at several colleges, and she received NIH and NSF grants for her research on biological clocks in plants.

**Ann Rosenzweig Klein** resigned from her post as NJ Commissioner of Human Services to run in the June 2 primary for the Democratic nomination in the NJ race for Governor. We're sorry she didn't make it.

**45** *Daisy Fornacca Kouzel*  
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*Ruth Bischoff Hucklebridge*, who lives in Santa Rosa, CA reports on a visit to China with husband Ted. She says, "Everywhere we went we were made to feel welcome . . . The Chinese people were as curious about us as we were about them . . . We often got up at 4 AM and ended our day with a 29-course meal, including delicious duck (the honored guest gets the head), with soup served last, and many toasts with plum wine and beer. A visit to the Children's Palace in Shanghai was the highlight of the trip. The youngsters, aged 7 to 17, have classes in magic, dance, orchestra, chorus, chess, recitation, Morse code, sewing, art, model-making, acrobatics, shop, and phys ed, and if they show special talents they get advanced training by leading professional artists. The day we walked on the Great Wall it was freezing cold, and as we struggled along we thought about the universal theme of one society trying to protect themselves from outsiders."

Ruth gives news of her growing family. Katy, 30, has three children; Heidi, aged 24, provided her parents with two big thrills: rafting down the Klamath River, and flying over the Grand Canyon in a plane piloted by her husband. Mark Hucklebridge got married recently ("it was a beautiful wedding in Santa Cruz where the happy couple reside"), and is working in programs for the elderly, as is his wife, Trish. Ruth recently had a reunion with *Maud Wellman Roche* and *Julia Fremon Bierdeman*. She is active in sundry school volunteer programs, and has lectured on her trips to Russia, China, Jordan, etc. And I thought I had wanderlust!

*Edythe Hearst Layne* has been designated chairman (thanks for not writing chairperson!) of the Community Development Agency of the Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, NY, having previously served on the agency board for ten years.

A xeroxed three liner from *Edith Goldsmith Rosenthal* is illegible, so I am hereby urging her to write to me again.

*Anne Ross Fairbanks'* nice letter just came. She loves teaching at Skidmore, and was awarded the Merit Award of the Eastern Ass'n for Physical Education of College Women—congratulations! I often mention Anne's name to my 7-year-old, who is a very strong swimmer and wants to enter the Olympics! (Recently she asked me, "Mommy, if you enter the Olympics, do you have to stay there forever?") Anne's daughter Mary is a sophomore at Dartmouth majoring in biology and loving it. Since Anne comes down from Troy often to visit her mother who lives on Long Island, I hope she will let me know if we can get together somewhere, otherwise I will be very jealous of her "very nice day catching up with *Sabra Follett Meserve*" who, as you know, is Dean at Dutchess County Community College.

At NYC Technical College, yours truly is still teaching French and Spanish. I went back to Barnard to see the beautiful production of García Lorca's play, "Doña Rosita la Soltera," starring our two luminaries—now retired—of the Department of Spanish, Mrs. Del Río and Mrs. Ucelay. I had hoped to see some classmates. You don't know what you missed! The acting was the greatest, and the costumes superb.

It is the sad duty of a class correspondent to convey bad news as well as good, and it falls to my lot to tell you that *Joy Hellman Resnikoff*

passed away November 9th, 1980, leaving a husband and three children. I remember Joy as if it were yesterday, and I remember the day she got engaged and came to class with her diamond ring—you couldn't tell what was more sparkling, her eyes or the diamond. Heartfelt sympathy on behalf of the class to the bereaved family.

To end on an upbeat note, even though I be blowing my own trumpet, my 15-year-old Miriam is stage struck and aims at becoming another Helen Hayes! In the meantime she is student director of the local junior high school production of "Grease."

**47** *Katherine Harris Constant*  
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The exciting artistry of *Mary Lucia Hathaway Carver* was exhibited March 11 through March 28 at the Caravan House Galleries in Manhattan. The review in "Artspeak" was most favorable. Congratulations! Lucia lives in Greenwich, CT, so call her if you would like a private peek.

Between her husband's position with DuPont and his becoming a Major General in the USAR with command of the 310th Theatre Army Area Command at Ft. Belvoir, VA, *Virginia Impara Treadaway* is traveling a great deal here and in Europe meeting many interesting people. Bet she could give us some great hints on packing.

Great to hear from *Marion Gluck Rothman* once again . . . a couple of years of silence are too much . . . but your nice note gets you off the hook. Husband has left the rat race of the commuting world and is consulting out of the house but Marion still commutes to Tarrytown every day . . . hope your transfer to Danbury works out. Married daughter is attending law school in Michigan and youngest son is also studying law in Washington, DC. Oldest son is a biomedical engineer with Black and Decker in Towson, MD. Marion has visited with *Mary Lou Hannigan* in Sherman, CT and with *Georgia Rubin Mittelman*. She also hears from *Dena Kranowitz Mann* from Florida and *Helen Trevor Vietor*. Hey, maybe you'd like to be correspondent, Marion? You're doing better than yours truly!

*Nancy McDonald Beyer* is a glutton for punishment. Not satisfied with educating 6 kids for the last 25 years . . . her youngest son graduated last summer from Lebanon Valley College while youngest daughter was magna cum laude at U of Penn . . . Nancy is hoping to help with the education of the six grandchildren . . . "I am forever grateful for my education at Barnard." How's that for a testimonial?

Grandchildren fill the lives of *Lucille Weckstein Plotz* and *Erna Ebeling DeAnna*. Lucille has two, Martha Anne, 2½, and Michael David, 7 months old, children of her oldest, Dick, and his wife, Judy. Erna's married children live nearby so she sees the two granddaughters, ages 6 and 1, and twin grandsons, 2½, frequently. Son John was married in the spring and youngest son is attending NJ Institute of Technology.

The Chemistry Department Newsletter at Barnard reports that *Andi Emerson Weeks* is the president of TEMA, The Emerson Marketing Agency, Inc. She writes, "Strange how much and how often I've used my limited chemistry training—even to becoming an Associate Member of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists."

**48** *Joan Jacks Silverman*  
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## In The News

Anne Bernays Kaplan '52



Writer Anne Bernays, author of *Growing Up Rich* and *The School Book*, received one of four Matrix awards from the Boston chapter of Women In Communications Inc. in April.

Ms. Bernays won the Edward Lewis Wallant Award in 1975 for *Growing Up Rich*. The novel was also an alternate selection of the Literary Guild. She is now working on her seventh novel, *The Address Book*, which will be published by Little Brown and Co.

Ms. Bernays is a contributor to several publications, including Atlantic Monthly, Canto, The New York Times, The Boston Globe, Boston Magazine, and The Washington Post. She is a contributing editor for Harvard Magazine and co-chair of PEN/New England. She has taught writing courses at several Boston area schools and colleges.

Ms. Bernays is married to Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Justin Kaplan. They have three daughters; their daughter Hester is a member of Barnard's class of '81, and winner of the Prince Prize for dramatic composition.

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Anne Bernays' mother, the late Doris Fleischman Bernays '13, pioneer feminist, received the national Headliner Award from WICI. Two new awards have now been established in her memory to recognize outstanding community service to the city of Cambridge, Mass. Each of the awards, which were contributed by the Edward L. Bernays Foundation, consists of a medallion and \$1000. Winners will be chosen by a jury of prominent Cambridge residents.

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Bits and pieces of news coming from several classmates: **Inga-Britta Elgorono** writes that she is on the music faculty and currently teaching at both Georgetown U in Washington, DC and George Mason U in Fairfax, VA. She is also very active as a concert and opera singer.

**Anna Menapace Seeley**, who lives in Staten Island, NY, is combining a career with what would appear to be a full-time job as wife and mother of 5 children. The oldest child works as an urban park ranger for New York City, the next two attend college, and the youngest two are in high school. Anna is administrator of the Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences.

**Joan Benson Miller**, who was recently widowed, has started a club for widows and widowers in Gettysburg, PA, called "To Live Again" (the name derived from Catherine Marshall's book). Joan continues teaching elementary school, now in her 15th year, and has 3 grandchildren living nearby who manage to liven up whatever spare time she may have.

After 25 years, **Patricia Cecere Doumas** has re-entered the working world as a consultant to the investment advisory department at GTE, Stamford, CT, and is delighted to have this fine opportunity.

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"Something old, something new" is our motto; whenever tandem class correspondents are involved, some of the news misses deadlines. But we pass it on anyway.

**Roselin Seider Wagner**, who came to her 30th Reunion last May, is a tenured member of the Department of Chemistry at Hofstra. **Elizabeth Richards Chisolm** is living in New Haven and working in a day care center. She had her four daughters and a son-in-law home "for a wonderful Christmas," and was expecting to become a grandma in February. A fifth daughter lives in England and teaches economics at a community college in London.

**Katie McClain Riggione** when last heard from was serving on the Vineland (NJ) Industrial Commission. She is co-owner of McClain, Heller and Reilly Real Estate in Vineland. **Charlotte Grantz Neumann** is an attending physician at UCLA Medical Center as well as teaching and student-advicing in the School of Public Health. In addition to extensive research in pediatrics, she is helping to plan the state's child health plan.

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That the learning never stops is evident in many of our activities. For instance, **Joyce Eichler Monaco**, a former chemist, now practices law in Media, PA. She was grateful for her scientific background since her first trial involved a paternity issue and cross-examination on complicated

blood tests. Joyce is in partnership with her husband, who also works for Westinghouse.

Congratulations and much luck to **Dorothea Ragette Blaine** who has just graduated from the law school at Western State U in Fullerton, CA. She sits for the California bar exam this month! Only three years ago Dorothea received an EdD from UCLA. What's next?

Since earning her MSW from the Columbia School of Social Work two years ago **Marie Kopman Salwen** has been a psychotherapist at the Mt. Carmel Guild Mental Health Center in Newark, NJ. She is also taking courses at the American Institute of Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis. Husband and six children have survived well.

**Gloria Marmar Warner, MD**, was recently certified by the American Psychoanalytic Ass'n and continues in private practice. Together with Dr. Anne Hendon Bernstein '58, she has written "An Introduction to Contemporary Psychoanalysis." They are now collaborating on a book about the psychology of women. Eldest son Jon attends the U of Rochester medical school; Keith is at Denver U's School of Business, Douglas and Lynn are in junior high and elementary school in Scarsdale.

**Katherine Stains Van Aarle** writes poetry, happily increasing her output with her growing publishing markets.

Grandchild No. 8, a boy, joins **Elizabeth Wood Davies'** family. Is that a record for '52ers? Elizabeth's husband and youngest son are building more sailboats. Her son's should be water-borne by now, but her husband's 45-footer won't be complete until winter. Elizabeth hopes to do more sailing and traveling in a few years, after retirement from Seattle's juvenile courts.

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**Jo Green Iwabe**  
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Two letters came recently. The first is from Paul Josephson:

"I would like to tell you a story of coincidence, about two of your classmates. **Betsy Asher** and **Gloria Lieberman** had been good friends for two years when graduation came. They then went separate ways but did not lose touch. Betsy married Jack Josephson and they had three children, Mark, Paul, and Eve. Gloria married Art Waldinger and moved to California, where they had two daughters, Lori and Janna. Four years ago Gloria, Art, and Janna were visiting NYC and dropped in on the Josephsons. Paul and Janna met for the first time . . . and finally said good-bye. They did not lose touch. On April 12, 1981, Paul and Janna will wed, and Betsy and Gloria will watch and wonder at where their friendship has brought them."

The second letter is from **Hanna Kiep Clements**:

"In June, our whole family joined in the celebration of our oldest daughter, Ruth's, graduation from Radcliffe and her marriage to John Gottlieb. Five months later, we joined again in mourning the sudden death of our oldest child, Mark, who, having graduated from Harvard in 1978, was preparing for medical school. Ruth and John, who are doing volunteer work in Kansas City; Martha, who is a senior at Hope College in Michigan, and Hanna, a high school freshman, have been a great comfort to us and to each other.

"Incidentally, the tragedy brought my sister Hildegard Kiep Rauch, who was an exchange student at Barnard in '47, to the States for the first time in 30 years. She lives in Munich, Germany.

"I've been putting my chemistry major to use

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in an unexpected way. For the past 5-6 years, I have been learning to be a potter—thus far for much fun and little profit. It's a good reminder that we can continue to grow and learn."

We report with sadness the death of **Ellen Schleicher Bodenheimer** on 7 January 1981.

**Barbara Lewittes Meister's** book, "Nineteenth Century French Song," was selected by "Choice" as an Outstanding Academic Book 1980-81. "Choice" is a publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association. Congratulations!

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Thank goodness for our president **Herberta Benjamin Schacher** who keeps me informed of Barnard news. Bert wrote "Just a note to report on the telethon which was a reasonable success and pretty well attended by **Marlene Ader Hirsch**, **Erica Levy Gordon**, **Lenore Self Katkin** and **Shirley Henschel**."

**Lois Enson Hughson** writes, "Catching up on twenty-six years of news: I am married and living in Port Washington, NY, with one son at MIT and another at Tufts. I am an associate professor of English at Queens College and applaud Barnard's resistance to amalgamation with Columbia. Separate education works for women."

I received a note from **Anna Johnston Diggs-Taylor** who wrote, "In November, 1979, I was

appointed by President Carter as a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan." Belated congratulations!

Just got off the phone with **Geraldine Kirshenbaum Lane** who has returned to New York after a year in London and is back at Time magazine.

**Marcia Gusten Pundyk** and your correspondent are mothers-in-law. Karen Lehman Gurwin and Jaime Pundyk Davis live in NY where Jaime goes to graduate school at Columbia and Karen is in the real estate division of Helmsley-Spear. I am beginning to experience the empty nest syndrome this fall as 4th child Judy is going to U of PA.

Have a good summer. Keep the news coming.  
—LSL

**55** **Norma Haft Mandel**  
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After being overwhelmed with information as a result of our 25th Reunion surveys, I have been eagerly searching my mail for more recent news for this column. Please don't forget about keeping me informed—what may seem mundane to you is often most interesting to the rest of us.

**Elizabeth Kaufman Mansky** is still teaching Pre-Kindergarten in Glen Cove, NY and is active in the Scoliosis Ass'n, which she helped found seven years ago. Her husband, Leonard, an engineer, is also a marathon runner and has interested Liz in running; she runs two miles a day. Their daughter Janet is twenty and attends SUNY Albany; Paul is seventeen and Laura is fifteen.

**Janet Fiore Bertero's** son George is in his second year at NY Medical College and daughter Janette is in a PhD program in chemistry at Brown, where she is also a teaching fellow. **Jeanne D. Nordheim Pfister** attends Ohio State and will graduate with a degree in social studies education. Her four children are ages 20 to 24. **Beverly Johnston Holmes** is the Library Services Co-ordinator at Dallas Community College.

**Mimi Rubin Deitsch's** daughter, Lisa Deitsch '83, was one of the winners in the undergraduate elections at Barnard in April. Lisa was elected to be one of the two student representatives to the Board of Trustees, a position which was created about ten years ago.

**Elinor Murray Despalatovic** wrote on her reunion questionnaire that Mrs. McIntosh "taught me that a woman can be feminine and a professional, that children of a working mother need not suffer, that we must chart our own lives according to our talents and circumstances." She has surely exemplified this in her own life since graduation. She is the mother of two daughters, ages twelve and nine; her husband is a professor at Connecticut College where Elinor is the Chairwoman of the History Department. She received her MA and PhD degrees from Columbia. A specialist in Croatian history, Elinor published a book in 1975 on the development of Croatian nationalism. She received a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Fellowship in 1978, allowing her to travel to Yugoslavia to research the Croatian peasant party. This fall she participated in the Women's Studies Lecture Series at Connecticut College, discussing "Women from Peasant to Worker: the Croatian Experience."

The unthinkable has happened at the Mandel household—all four of our children will be in college or graduate school next year. Francie, a 1978 graduate of the U of Wisconsin, who has been a social worker at the Jefferson County (Wisconsin) Mental Health Center for two years,

plans to begin an MSW program at Virginia Commonwealth U in the fall. Michael, a 1980 graduate of Hobart College who has been living in St. Croix this year, will enter the U of Michigan's Graduate School of Urban Planning. Josh will be a junior at SUNY Oswego where he is an Industrial Arts major. Nina, who graduated from Northfield Mount Hermon this June, will enter Colorado College. Needless to say, Myron and I face this prospect with some trepidation.

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"Once again I am bursting with news," writes **Anne Hendon Bernstein**. She and her husband have two books being published, his on diabetes and hers on psychoanalysis. Their oldest daughter, following graduation from MIT, will begin medical school in September. Anne recently became president of the Westchester Chapter of the American Medical Women's Ass'n. "I have just finished giving a subinternship to three Barnard pre-medical students. They loved it, I loved it, and my family enjoyed their visit."

**Vicki Wolf Cobb** has co-authored a book entitled "Bet You Can't!", which was named by the NY Academy of Sciences as the best science book of 1980 for younger children. (See "Events in the Arts" this issue.)

**Enid Reichel Kammin** has been living in Toronto for the past seven years. Her two children are in high school and she and her husband are both computer consultants. Enid writes: "When you're self-employed as we are, you don't get paid for vacations; however, we just managed an all-too-short one to Spain and Andorra."

**Susan Israel Mager** writes that husband Elliot loves his Bermuda office. "He's there each week, home weekends. I spend a week a month there with him. Any Barnard friends planning to visit Bermuda, let us know—we can be tour guides!" About their children, Susan says that Anne is a sophomore at William Smith College, Debbie is a high-school junior, Dan is a high-school sophomore, and David is in fifth grade.

**Charlotte Boyer Parkinson** is getting a doctorate in social welfare policy at the Columbia School of Social Work. She is working as a social worker at a center for the aging.

**Tamar Janowsky Rabb** has been living in Princeton, where her husband is a professor of history. Their daughter is a freshman at Harvard, one son is a high-school junior, and a second son is in fifth grade. Tamar is director of admissions at a private school in Princeton.

**Dolores Siegel Rosen** earned an MBA in accounting and finance from Seton Hall U.

**Blanche Eisemann Sosland** is a doctoral candidate in reading education at the U of MO at Kansas City. Husband Neil is vice president of Sosland Publishing Companies. Daughter Debbie recently got married, graduated from Smith College, and is in a master's program. Son Josh is a junior at Harvard, daughter Abby is a high-school senior, and sons Jeffrey and David are students at a Hebrew academy.

In news about our class officers, **Betty Blossom McMoran** is now our class president. She says that our class' donations to Barnard "keep coming in and are bigger than ever. We are elated and hope you keep up the good work." **Vicki**

**Wolf Cobb** is now our reunion chairman. She will be helped by a committee consisting of **Joan Sweet Jankell**, **Betty Blossom McMoran**, and **Barbara Barre Weintraub**. Anyone else who would like to help should contact Vicki or any member of the committee or your class correspondent.

## In The News

Harriet Heit Russell '58



Harriet Russell, Executive Director of Family Counseling Service of Orange County (NY), has been elected Vice President of the Orange County Health Advisory Council and President of the Orange County Joint Mental Health Contract Agencies. She has been named to the 1981 edition of "Who's Who of American Women" and, for a second time, to "Who's Who in the East."

Ms. Russell is an officer in the NY State Association of Family Service Agencies, a member of the Board of Visitors of Letchworth Village Developmental Center, and of the Board of Trustees of Washington's Headquarters near Newburgh, NY. She is also an adjunct lecturer at Dutchess County Community College and a private management and grants consultant.

Ms. Russell's graduate work was done at the Universities of Ohio and Michigan and at SUNY New Paltz. She has three children.

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Today I am reminiscent of that week in May, 26 years ago, when we all received our Barnard acceptances. Although our 1981 counterparts face a far different world, I hope that their basic values are not too foreign from ours.

First our international news. From Milan, Italy, **Fran Horak Caterini** writes that she is teaching sixth grade English and Social Studies and English as a Second Language. "I love my job and will try to keep teaching as long as I can. My



daughter Marie graduates from the American School this June; son John, next year. Joe is in third grade. We like Milan well enough, but it is a busy, hectic bustling city. It reminds me of New York 20 years ago. The Italians we meet are charming, vocal, and always talking politics—both American and Italian. My husband is director of the USICA Center. We'll be here for about three years."

From Québec Province, **Judy Lipowsky Yelon** reports that "we love Montreal and everything about it." The Yelons have been living in Canada for eight years and Art is a professor at the École Polytechnique, where he teaches in French. Judy works for a community weekly newspaper three days a week as the editorial cartoonist and proof-reader. She has recently started selling cartoons to other small publications as well. Their son Michael is in college; Cindy is in tenth grade.

Westchester news includes two items about classmates. **Marian Bennett Meyers** brings us up-to-date on her work on a "terrific project involving drug resistance gene amplification and chromosome breakage." Marian is a research associate at Sloan-Kettering at their Rye, NY laboratories.

**Miriam Klein Shapiro** lives in White Plains with husband Saul and five children. Mimi is currently completing her doctorate of Hebrew Letters in Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary. She has served as lecturer, research assistant, and coordinator of many organizations which further the causes of youth and education.

Holt, Rinehart and Winston will publish Class President **Firth Haring Fabend's** new novel, "The Woman Who Went Away," in the fall. This is Firth's fourth book.

**Marlene Bass Barron** has left suburbia and moved to the Big Apple. Her involvement in Montessori education remains great. She is director of the West Side Montessori School, executive director of the Staten Island Montessori School, on the faculty of various teacher training programs, consultant to the American Montessori Society, and a member of their advisory board.

It is with great sadness that I close this column with news of **Lillian Dumont's** death in January. "Lillian was a beautiful human being and an outstanding French teacher. She touched people wherever she was. She was greatly respected in educational circles. Her intellect was never stifled—she always grew." Lillian received a PhD from NYU School of Education in French and Film and that same year directed "Summer in the City Film Festival" for the School Art League. She had great interest in film making and studied very hard at it. Those with fond remembrances of Lillian might wish to contact her parents at 3096 Brighton 6th St., Brooklyn, NY 11235. Others may want to honor her memory with a contribution to the Barnard Fund.

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**Carolyn Shapiro Heilweil** has lived in Dutchess County since her marriage a week after graduation, and is now Program Director of the Dutchess County Unit of the American Cancer Society. Husband Mel is an electronic engineer with IBM and son Victor attends Duke U, while daughter Rona is in high school.

**Helene Rund Isaacs** is Director of Program Education for American Mizrahi Women, and

her husband Joakim is a professor of American history at Marymount College. Two of her children, Judah and Shira, attend high school; the youngest, Rebecca, just finished seventh grade.

**Martha Berman Gold**, a sculptor, recently received the Gold Medal of Honor for Sculpture at the Allied Artists Annual Exhibition, as well as an award from the National Sculpture Society.

Although she continues to be busy with Young Audiences activities in Norfolk, as its Program Director, **Minette Switzer Cooper** is also involved in other cultural activities there, such as a recent stint as chairperson of a radio marathon to benefit the Virginia Orchestra Group.

**Lorna Prestin Michaelson** writes that living in Tampa with her family since last August has taught her the difference between "a redneck and a cracker," and how to cook grits. Despite its rapid growth, the area is "a beautiful, warm, friendly boom area," and Lorna would like to hear from any alumnae living nearby. Daughter Maia attends Brandeis and son Jay is entering fifth grade in a conservative Jewish day school. Right now Lorna is occupied with completing their new home and looks forward to encountering new things and new ideas. "All in all," she says, "I'm having a wonderful time and I feel lucky and very grateful."

**Paula Eisenstein Baker** writes from Houston that she is still teaching music—cellists and ensembles—and concertizing at the U of St. Thomas, while coaching privately for the Houston Pops Orchestra and other local professional groups. She toured for five seasons with the Texas Opera Theater and also free-lances music contracting for private parties. Her husband teaches at Rice and her children are 17 and 16, the older just finishing high school and the younger, a junior, getting to be "quite a good violinist." (Chip off the old block?)

Paula had several "marvelous visits" last summer from **Berl Mendelson Hartman**, and notes that **Judy Witkin Sandegren** is now in Dallas working for IBM.

**Ruth Sussman**, a first-time contributor to these class notes, has for the last few years been a Registrar at the Jewish Theological Seminary, also teaches French part time at Barnard, and last year finished her PhD in French at Columbia. In her spare time she does translations free lance and "generally enjoys life—more each year, in fact." Looking for new challenges now, Ruth anticipates that next year may bring a change of careers.

**Ethel Katz Goldberg**, your correspondent, is about to suffer the separation trauma of having No. 1 child leave home for college, although her younger sister, a high school sophomore, will be around to keep us busy. I am still in the Office of Federal Programs of the School District of Philadelphia and hoping that the office is still in business in light of the President's proposed budget cuts.

And **Judy Barbarasch Berkun**, the other half of your correspondent team, is still stalking corporate glory as Marketing Support Coordinator for a White Plains-based environmental engineering firm. Of my three daughters, the oldest, a junior at Hamilton College, is a design major planning a winter semester in Russia cum camera, and her sisters are a senior and sophomore in high school. Allan, meanwhile, has been pondering how to fit a seven-foot grand piano, a darkroom with enlarger, an IBM Selectric, four women and two dogs onto a 36-foot sloop and sail off into the sunset.

## ALUMNAE SERVICES

### AUDITING

Most Barnard courses are open to alumnae without charge. The permission of the instructor is the only requirement. (Laboratory courses, seminars, and certain language courses are generally not open to auditors.) Ask the Alumnae Office for a current catalogue and information about procedures. Classes begin September 8.

### LIBRARY PRIVILEGES

Alumnae may borrow books from Barnard's Wollman Library and may use its research facilities. An identification card, obtainable from the Alumnae Office, 221 Milbank Hall, is required.

### CAREER SERVICES

Alumnae who wish to enter, re-enter, or change careers may obtain free counseling, job information, and the names of alumnae contacts in their field from the Office of Career Services, 11 Milbank Hall, 212-280-2033.

### TRANSCRIPTS

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Requests should be sent directly to the Registrar; no orders can be taken over the telephone. Send your full name, including name while at Barnard, dates of attendance, and complete address instructions; the fee is \$2 per copy (payable to Barnard College).

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Greetings from the Heartland. Nine months have passed since the entire Rich family has been in Detroit. In August, Rich became director of the Master of Public Administration program at Wayne State U. Rachel, 9, started school in September; three-year-old Alexandra and I joined them Thanksgiving Day in a 56-year-old Tudor house in northwest Detroit. I have been student

teaching at a private alternative open school which Rachel attends. By the time you read this, I should have my MEd in early childhood education for the handicapped from Teachers College.

Yes, there are classmates living in the Detroit area. I attended a lovely open house after the snows had melted, given by *Sylvia Goetz Perle*, Detroit Club president, who has lived in the area for over ten years. Her husband Eugene is prof. of urban planning at Wayne State. They live with their three teenagers, Mark, 16, Kate, 14, and Lisa, 13, in West Bloomfield, an area surrounded by lakes, in a tri-level house which incorporates Sylvia's sculpture studio. She has exhibited several bronze pieces in Rubiner Gallery, Royal Oak. A neighbor, *Bonnie Krenitz Brukoff*, is a learning disabilities consultant to the Detroit public schools. She has two teenagers. Also present was Cindy Marriott '65, a developmental psychologist at Oakland U.

Another midwesterner, *Carol Prins Patt*, writes that her consulting firm to nonprofit organizations, "just causes," has entered its third year. The scope of their services ranges from social service agencies to theater and cultural groups. Children Jessie, 14, Audrey, 19, and Joseph, 4, keep Carol busy at home.

Congratulations to *Ellen Willis* for publication this spring of "Beginning to See the Light," a collection of her essays written over the past 13 years, covering subjects ranging from feminism to rock and roll. Ellen is a staff writer for the Village Voice. (See "Events in the Arts," this issue.)

*Harriet Kaye Inselbuch* is now director of corporate relations for the American Lung Ass'n. Husband Elihu is delighted that Adam, 17, has been admitted to Princeton, his alma mater, for the fall. Adam, Frank, 15, and Jessica, 12, are excellent musicians like their father. Harriet writes that she has seen *Andrea Ostrum* and her three children, *Linda Benjamin Hirschson* and family, and *Ellen Shertzer Goldberg*. Ellen, who just finished a PhD in psychology after 8 years, reports that since she moved to New Rochelle, she also sees *Barbara Greifer Kane*.

Another Westchester resident, *Linda Roth Futterman*, has joined the Masterson group, a psychiatric group in NYC, where she sees patients three days a week in addition to her practice in Larchmont. She and Stanley attended his 20th reunion at Columbia. They have one child in elementary school, one in jr. high, and one in high school.

*Eva Goldenberg Gans* was introduced to the use of computers while working as a chemistry teaching associate at Barnard. She decided to take a course in computer science and enjoyed it so much she has enrolled as a graduate student in computer science at Columbia, studying part time and continuing to teach in the chemistry labs.

*Effie Michas Kanganis* writes that daughter Polly is indeed the first daughter of the class of 1962 to attend Barnard. She loves it! Louis is a senior at Bronxville High and Jenny is in ninth grade.

A son, Daniel, was born in January to Joe and *Renee Brosell Garrelick*, their third child. Renee wonders if she now holds the record for the youngest class of 1962 child. She also asks if *Kathy Mebus Toth* holds the class record for number of children, with eight. Any challengers? Have we any more class records?

Let us know your ideas, interests, and availability to work for our twentieth Reunion. Let's top the tenth!

## 63 *Camille DiResta Schmidt* *3566 Emanuel Drive* *Glendale, CA 91208*

I'm happy to report that some of you have taken a moment to jot down your news and send it to me. My pleas are being heard!

I especially enjoyed hearing from *Eleanor Weber Dickman*. She writes, "This academic year, the Dickmans are enjoying the other side of the continent, leaving home in Sudbury MA for an academic sabbatical in Berkeley CA. While Lloyd teaches in the computer science department at U Cal., I take in the marvelous cultural and scenic treats of San Francisco. Judith, 4, and Michael, 1½, are enjoying the change, too. A break in routine is such a healthy thing!"

*Meg Colafemina Kincaid* recently wrote to me from Oxford, England where she's lived for 15 years. She is working part time as a psychiatric social worker and spends most of the remaining time involved in university and community drama. This summer, she is directing and designing "Pericles" for A Group of Oxford Players, the "town and gown" group with which she primarily works. This will be in the Newman Rooms at Oxford, July 16-25. She writes, "My interest in Pericles dates from my Barnard days; in April 1960, the play had its New York premiere in the Wigs and Cues production directed by Michael Kahn, and I had several very minor roles." Meg sends all good wishes from Oxford.

*Amy Devine Wohl* is running her own company, Advanced Office Concepts, an office automation consulting firm in Bala Cynwyd, PA. She writes that prior to that, she was executive director for the Office Automation Group at Datapro Research Corp., a McGraw-Hill company. She is a contributing editor to "Datamation" and an advisor to "Output Magazine." Amy's husband, Marshall, is currently working for IBM, and her daughter Florence is a junior at Temple U.

*Vivien Gornitz* visited Barnard last fall. She has been working at NASA and the Goddard Space Flight Center for the past nine years, analyzing satellite data. Vivien's PhD is in geochemistry and she was about to embark on some new geological research projects.

*Merilee Peterson Obstbaum* graduated from law school in June 1980 and is an associate in the New York law firm of Breed, Abbott and Morgan. She writes that her family has been very supportive of her, both in school and now in her career. Congratulations, Merilee!

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Congratulations to *Sue Kelz Sperling*, our class president, on the recent publication of her second book, "Tenderfeet and Ladyfingers: A Visceral Approach to Words and their Origins." While Sue plans and works on three more books she sings with the Greenwich Choral Society, is vice president of the Rye Arts Center, and enjoys her three children, Matthew (13), Stuart (11), and Jane (9), together with her husband Allan.

*Sue Ellen Lane* is president of a computer consulting firm, Lane Systems, Inc., of which her husband, Patrick Gleason, is vice president. Their first child, Laura Lane Gleason, was born last January.

Both *Helen Bernstein Berman* and her husband do research at the Institute for Cancer Research in Philadelphia. Helen's field is crystallography of large molecules—and being Mommy to little Jason.

*Patricia Clarke Craven* is a biochemist at the U of Pittsburgh.

My apologies to *Iris Polinger, PhD, MD*, and *Beverly Feinstein Wilkof* for printing incomplete information. Unfortunately, that was all I had. Thank you for supplying the rest. Iris is a dermatologist and her husband, Dr. Harvey Heyman, is a rheumatologist. Both practice in Houston where they live with their children, David and Rachel. Beverly is a psychiatrist and mother of Dylan (6½) and Allison (6 mos.). She is married to Art Wilkof.

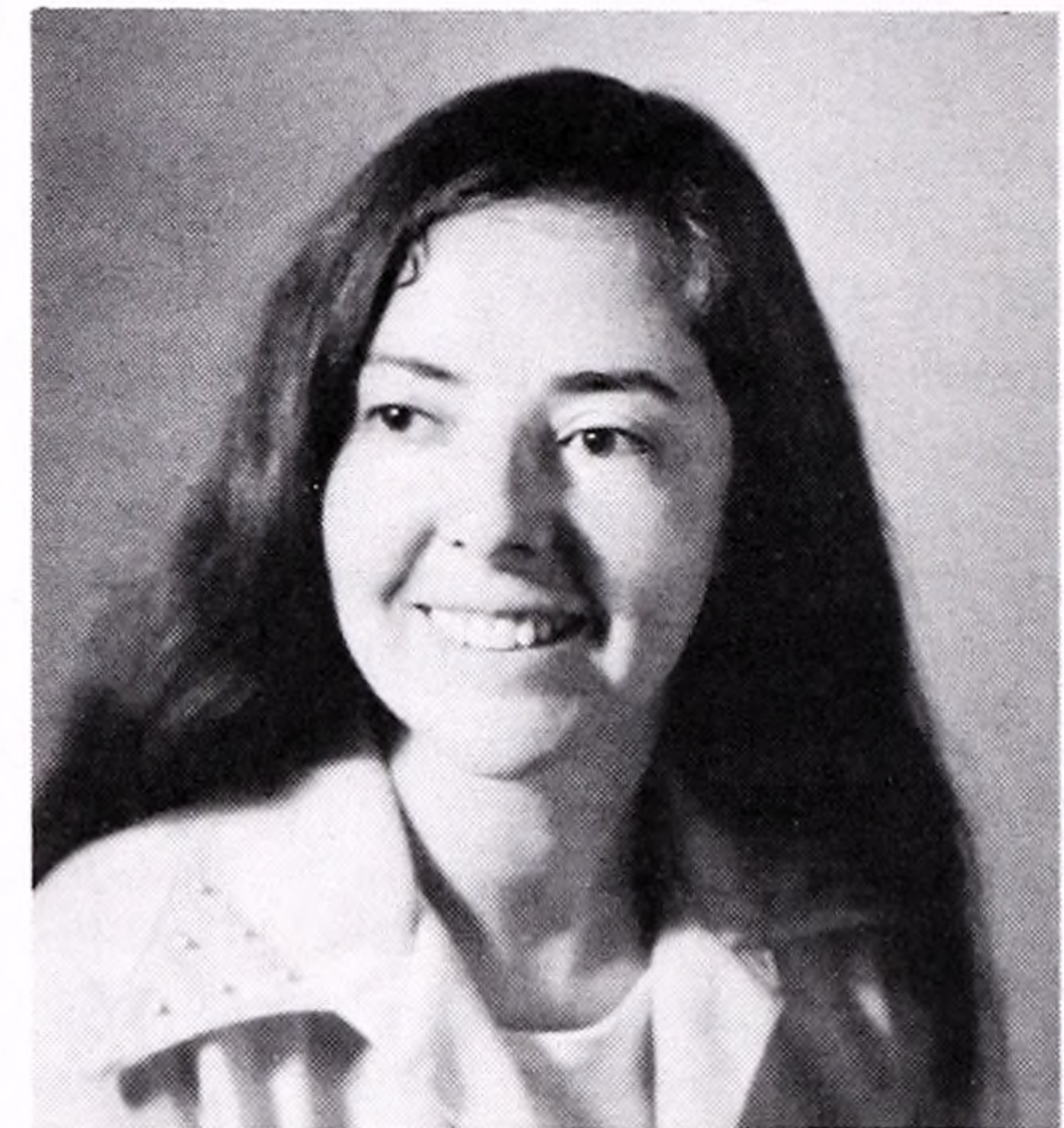
*Dr. Linda Sirkin Gorin* and her husband, Dr. Arnie Gorin, recently moved to Houston with their two children.

Our class Chinese banquet did not work out, but the responses did provide lots of news.

*Madeline Walsh Hamblin* writes from Chicago

## In The News

### Judith Cushman Quick '64



Marshall Consultants, Inc., a New York-based executive search firm specializing in communications recruiting, has opened a West Coast office and appointed Judith Cushman, Executive Vice President, to be its head.

Ms. Cushman's background includes work in both public relations and employee relations with such organizations as Lufthansa, Mobil Oil, and Newtime, an employment agency introducing the concept of a five-hour workday.

She is actively involved in several communications groups. She was a co-founder and headed the Youth Committee, New York Chapter, Public Relations Society of America, and served on the Board of Directors of the Publicity Club of NY. She is a member of Women In Communications, Inc. and the International Association of Business Communicators, and has led workshops for various professional groups throughout the US. She is listed in *Who's Who of American Women* and *Who's Who in Public Relations*.

She is married and mother of two. Her new location is in Seattle, WA.

that she enjoys teaching in the Division of Philosophy and Religion at De Paul U. The Hamblin family includes husband Bill, Melanie (15), Chad (11), and Erin (2).

**Harriet Schwartz Oster, PhD**, asst. professor of psychology at the U of PA and a recent returnee to the East Coast, writes that she is anxious to renew acquaintances with alumnae in the Philadelphia—New York area. Also from PA is **Lynn Wallerstein Huber**, who is finishing up her course work for a PhD in social welfare. Lynn looks back fondly at the "four years at Barnard as the most intellectually rich of my entire life."

**Enid Oppenheimer Miller** and her family are in Pittsburgh, where Enid is a vice president at the Mellon Bank in charge of the Management Science Division (an internal consulting group). Errol is general counsel to Giant Eagle Market, Inc., and their daughter Cindy is eight years old.

The Barnard representative in Anchorage, KY, is **Lea Hayes Fischbach**, mother of two avid swimmers and a working volunteer at the Louisville School for Autistic Children. Husband John's career now takes him on "commuter" runs to Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, and Cairo, Egypt.

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The Class of '65 goes abroad! **Elizabeth Farber Bernhardt**, her husband Bill, and their two daughters, Davis, 4, and Sophie, 2, will live in the city of Shijiazhuang in Hebei Province for a year while Elizabeth and Bill teach graduate students at Hebei Teachers University. Davis will attend a Chinese kindergarten. Elizabeth got her PhD in English at Columbia in 1977 and has been teaching in NYC-area colleges since 1969. Bill teaches at CUNY. If any alumnae want to write or plan to visit, the Bernhardts can be reached c/o the University.

**Winifred Mason-Meyer** writes from Chicago. She spent several years in Vienna and then moved to the country to an abandoned estate of Archduke Friedrich which she and a cohort of 50 built up into a health spa, art school, and film studio. She was so much "Austrian" that she practically forgot that she didn't have citizenship until the immigration authorities reminded her and gave her the gentle nudge homeward. Her activities were: cooking for 150 people and guests, raising kids, and raising pigs. Now her heart's in Austria but her body is in Chicago, and her options are open. It was a welcome change to studying and teaching, but Wini regrets not having finished her PhD. She sends her best to all.

Back in the States, **Dana Koch Benenson** is pleased to report that Reader's Digest has purchased an option for her newsmagazine, *The Sausalito Revue*, a monthly publication with circulation of 70,000 copies, which reviews food, wine, books, art, entertainment, and travel in northern California.

**Martha Bien Hunsucker** finished her PhD in French literature at the U of Virginia in 1978. She then returned to teach at the College of William and Mary, but as there are no full-time permanent college positions available in her field in the area, she is now teaching at an independent high school, Hampton Roads Academy, in Newport News. The challenge of teaching younger students and the excitement of devising her own curriculum make this position thoroughly enjoy-

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able. Her husband, Jim, is still a sales representative with Monroe Systems for Business, and their son, Steve, is 8 years old. They live in the country on the Chickahominy River and Martha loves it. She would like to hear from or about **Jane Charnas FinSmith** or **Susan Armeny Sturtevant**.

We're doing some very interesting things, as this quarter's correspondence shows. To make the column even more interesting, send Bonnie or me even more news. —LP

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A series of short notes and a long letter from a classmate whose news has been absent from this column for many years mark this issue. **Alice Kerman Delucia** is on a sabbatical leave from her teaching job in Boston. She took courses in languages and Art History at the U of New Hampshire and Notre Dame College and is in Italy this summer.

**Rhoda Lange Friedrichs** is living in Vancouver, BC with her husband Chris and their two children. She has taken off from teaching humanities in the faculty of Engineering at the U of British Columbia to try writing.

**Zola Stevens Golub** writes that she graduated from Cornell U-NY Hospital School of Nursing in May 1979 and is an instructor, Division of Education, Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, in the Neonatal Unit.

**Felice Train Londa** has finished her third of four years in law school. Felice has two children, Jessica, 10, and Peter, 8, and would like to hear from **Chris Nodini**. **Helene Meier** is teaching on the Marine Corps Base in Hawaii after 1½ years professional leave during which she lived in London and toured the mainland USA.

**Jayme Spahn Stewart** sent a quick synopsis of her years since Barnard. To paraphrase, she was married in 1968 to the Englishman she used to bring to classes; she is a college guidance counselor at York Prep School; her three children are Tripp, age 7, and twins Mallory and Gillian, 5; and she lives in the northern corner of Westchester, NY where she operates a thoroughbred breeding farm, a childhood fantasy come true.

**Naomi Pfeiffer Reiss** writes that she and husband Barry have two children, Sharon, 5½, and Michael, 2 years. Barry is an associate professor at Albany College of Pharmacy, Union U. Naomi received an MS in Computer Science from SUNY Albany in August 1978 and is a programmer/analyst doing consulting work.

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Several members of the class have brought me up to date about what they have been doing. Since Barnard, **Alice Varney Leaderman** has pursued a number of careers. Starting with a year in publishing, she went on to be a Montessori teacher for five years, mainly in Maryland, and then to work for a trade association in Washington, DC; this called for some lobbying of Congress while an assistant director of government affairs. Alice has a daughter, Elizabeth Naomi, who was born in July 1979; her husband Art (Columbia '68) has just finished law school and is working with a law firm in northern Virginia.

**Elsie Blossom Wang** is practicing internal medicine in Honolulu, has a young daughter, Nicole, and a husband, Gene Altman, who is a psychiatrist.

Both **Karla Jay** and **Barbara R. Inselman-Temkin** (my co-correspondent) have been selected to appear in the 12th edition of "Who's Who of American Women." Barbara received a PhD in psychology and was a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Psychiatry at Yale. At present, she is providing psychological services for adults and adolescents in Tucson.

**Ellen Moser Posnick** wrote that she had a son, Jeffrey Alan, on April 24, 1980. —RSG

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Yesterday I received a copy of the Spring issue of this magazine and I was again struck by the thought that we (all Barnard women, but es-

pecially the class of 1969) are truly a remarkable group. It's a pleasure to document our achievements and thoughts; as correspondent, I appreciate the fact that so many of you take time from your busy lives to let us know what you're doing and thinking. Our class never comes up short on news!

Did you notice that FOUR of our classmates were listed in the "new books" section in April? *Mala Weltsman Tabory* and *Fran Weber Shaw's* works were previously mentioned here. *Lora Sharnoff* has contributed essays to three new Japanese collections published by Sanseido in 1980. Last winter Lora appeared on NHK (Japan's educational channel) to discuss the traditional sport of sumo and sumo's relation to Japanese society. This appearance brought Lora lots of publicity; she writes that her phone rang continuously after this broadcast and one letter to the editor of a prestigious national newspaper noted that the "foreign guest revealed a knowledge (of sumo) that should put us Japanese to shame."

*Jacqueline Thompson's* recent publication, "The Very Rich Book," listed in the Spring issue, has been followed by "Image Impact," and "Upward Mobility" is due in the fall. (I learned this by reading a column from the New York Daily News sent to me by the world's greatest clipper—*Judy Gould!*) The "Rich" book provides eleven rules for the would-be rich, a fortune-hunter's almanac, and a tycoon's test. For the "Image" book Jackie edited essays by 19 experts, and in "Upward Mobility" she provides a source book for young women on how to advance in the career of their choice. Jackie is married to William Hussey, an advertising copywriter. (See "Events in the Arts," this issue.)

More authors... *Estelle Freedman's* book, "Their Sisters' Keepers: Women's Prison Reform in America, 1830-1930" is now available from the U of Michigan Press. Estelle/Sneezy writes that her life has been "work, work, work, and then a little play." She's busy organizing Stanford's feminist studies program, teaching, serving on "endless" committees, and writing.

*Monique Raphael High* has written a new book, "Encore," a novel set within the Diaghilev Ballet, 1909-1929, which she describes as a "love story with a twist." Monique, who was divorced last year, was married in June to Vandenberg Lee Mead. Van is in the optical business, is an inventor (he invented the contact lens solution) and was a tenor who performed at major opera houses.

*Sherry Suttles*, the City Manager of Oberlin, Ohio, wrote to say that she is a candidate for the National Council of the American Society for Public Administration. Sherry has been working with the International City Management Ass'n on behalf of women and minorities in the profession.

*Joan Leitzer* is completing her second year as a resident physician in psychiatry at George Washington U Hospital in Washington, DC. Last year she married Kenneth Spierer, a lawyer at the SEC and a single parent, so Joan "rather suddenly became the parent of a ten-year-old girl."

*Betty Wolder Levin* has a daughter, Laura, 1½, and a son, Joby, 6½. She's involved in a project dealing with "ethics and values in health care," has completed a master's and is now working towards a PhD in sociomedical sciences at Columbia. Her research focuses on ethics and values in neonatology.

*Mina Wasserman Gillers* has three children—Shoshana, 6½, David, 4½, and Benjamin, 2. She writes: "Bruce and I are enjoying life in Tucson. We're actively involved in the Jewish community

here, and I've just started working again, part time, in the medical school. Having chosen to be home with the children on and off for the last six years, I've read with interest how others tackle the motherhood/career issue. I've had guilt thrown at me from both sides of the fence, but I'm really happy to see that at least some of my alumnae sisters are enjoying the pleasures of motherhood!"

We were saddened to learn of the death of *Deborah Karlan Block*, who died suddenly last January, and express our condolences to her brother Dan and other relatives and friends.

**70** *Leslie Naughton*  
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*Barbara Tropp* was inspired by seeing news from Reunion about classmates she knew to put herself in touch and send in some tidbits for this issue. I hope others will follow her lead! After two years academic study in Taipei, Taiwan, Barbara traded in her index cards in Chinese poetics at Princeton for a professional Chinese chef's toque as well as becoming a cooking teacher, caterer, and food writer in San Francisco; she has had great fun serving Chinese food to several of the nouvelle cuisine French chefs (Gaston LeNôtre, Roger Vergé and Michél Guérard) and stir-frying "Buddha's Feast" for Julia Child! In the fall look for her first cookbook, "The Modern Art of Chinese Cooking," to be published by William Morrow in NY. Barbara finds the "food establishment" is in general very friendly and curious about China as is most everyone nowadays. She herself would love for anyone coming through San Francisco to look her up. She can provide valuable "good restaurant" tips! She also travels quite a bit doing cooking classes and demonstrations.

Speaking of things Chinese, *Myrna Edelman Watanabe* left for China in late April under a research fellowship from the National Academy of Sciences, Committee on Scholarly Communication with the People's Republic of China, to carry out a population survey and a study of behavior of the Chinese alligator in its natural habitat. The Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing will act as her host institution, though most of her time will be spent in the field in Anhui Province.

*Rebecca Cook* has co-authored "Abortion Laws in Commonwealth Countries" in conjunction with the World Health Organization. She has provided not only exhaustive lists but also an in-depth analysis of judicial practice to show how such statutes are implemented.

*Ann LaPibus Sontz's* mother has brought me up to date on one of our "missing." Ann lived in Germany on a Ford Foundation grant for a year. After taking time out to have David (now 6), she received her PhD at Columbia in 1977. She is a research assistant at the Center for Policy Research in NYC. She is contributing to a forthcoming book, "Women in the Field" (Illinois U Press), and has just been awarded a National Science Foundation grant to collaborate on a study of the character of small businesses owned by Hispanics and Asians in the NY-NJ metropolitan area.

*Maria Dworecka Arnett* is now in private practice of ophthalmology in New York City. She and her husband Harvey have a son David, now 4 years old.

Keep the notes coming in. Next time we'll have more from our Reunion files.

## In The News

### Tamar Lewin '71



The National Law Journal announced recently the appointment of Tamar Lewin to be managing editor, following two years as chief of its Washington bureau.

Ms. Lewin is a graduate of Columbia Law School and worked as a mental patients' advocate at Manhattan State Hospital. She then turned to journalism and was a reporter, legal affairs correspondent, and editorial writer at the Bergen (NJ) Record.

In 1977, she became an investigative researcher at Common Cause and a year later joined the National Law Journal to set up the Washington office. In addition to Student Lawyer magazine, of which she was a contributing editor, her stories have appeared in The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Nation, and The Progressive.

Ms. Lewin lives in New York City. Her husband, Robert Krulwich, is the economics correspondent for National Public Radio.

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There's news from all over:

*Sharon Album Blass* wrote from Israel, where she, her husband Jonathan, and their four sons live on the West Bank. Sharon acts as the settlement's spokeswoman on political issues for the press. She also completed a degree in library science at Hebrew U and set up a reading library on the settlement for adults and children. Then it was back to the University to study applied linguistics and translate Hebrew to English. Currently she's translating freelance at home, managing the library, is housemother for the Ulpan (school to learn Hebrew) for new immigrants, and is caring for the boys ranging from just a few months old to 6½.

Sharon posed the universal question: "Can a woman be a mother and pursue an interesting ca-

reer?" Her answer: "Don't ask me, because I only have four kids now and have only started my career. I'll write again, when we have finished having children and I see what I have made of myself professionally. But one thing I can tell you—I'm having fun."

She asked that we publish her address: Ofra, Harei Bet-El, Israel; and phone number: (02) 951-875. Sharon also reported that **Brenda Szafir Billet** is nearby in Jerusalem, and is the mother of two boys and two girls.

Marcia and I both heard from **Linda Ratet Kraemer** and **Janet Collier**. Linda, whom I knew at Barnard, reported that she graduated from Columbia's Library Science School in 1974, worked for a NYC ad agency for a few years, and then moved to California where her husband Rick is a research fellow in endocrinology. She then started working at a management consulting firm in San Francisco, where she met up with Janet whom Marcia knew from 5 Hewitt. Janet's an editor, is divorced, and studies at the American Conservatory Theatre.

Here's their joint statement:

"Spurred by our amazement at finding two 1972 graduates working together at McKinsey & Company in San Francisco, we finally, after over a year, have managed to overcome the Barnard woman's natural resistance to sending in alumnae news to let you know of this coincidence. Linda is the librarian and runs the information center, and Janet is an editor and production coordinator for an internal practice on organization effectiveness. We did not know each other at Barnard."

**Abby Bartlett** wrote from NYC. She commented about life in the city and about the birth of Regina Goldman-Schaeffer, daughter of **Queenie Goldman**. I've heard second-hand (always dangerous to report) that Abby's working for an import-export company.

Short takes: **Rhoda Kline Bress** called me from Hollister, CA to report the birth of their second son, Joshua Nathan, in April. **Barbara Kohn Katz** gave birth to her second son Jonathan Lee in February. A son was also born to **Diane Levine Gardener**. Diane gave birth to Jacob in October and is on her second year-long maternity leave from Palmer & Dodge, a Boston law firm.

**Karen Marisak** also wrote in with news of the birth of her first child, Christopher Marisak Lynch. In September Karen completed her PhD in clinical psychology at Fordham and passed the NY state licensing exam for psychologists. Her husband Jerry Lynch (Columbia '72) is on leave from his position as assistant professor at Columbia Law School and is working as an Assistant US Attorney in the Southern District.

Finally we apologize for an entry in a previous class news column. In reporting on the whereabouts of **Sheryl Spitz** we neglected to say that she had earned a PhD from Stanford, an MA from the Columbia Slavic Department, and a Certificate from the Columbia School of International Affairs. Space does not permit mentioning all of an alumna's achievements; we're sorry because we agree with Sheryl when she writes: "The activities of Barnard alumnae are a reflection not only upon them, but upon the school as well."

Have a great summer.

—RBS

## MOVING?

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## 73 **Alexandra Kim Bereday** 320 East 42nd St., Apt. 2412 New York, NY 10017

Hello fellow classmates of yore. Hope many of you were able to greet each other at Alumnae Days/Reunion 1981.

**Wendy Altman** received two MA's from NYU, in theatre and in rehab. counseling, and is interested in working with the socially disabled—ex-convicts, ex-addicts, etc.

**Beth Bloomfield** has married Michael Altschul. Beth received an MA in international affairs in 1975 from CU, where she was an International Fellow. She has served on the staff of the Senate Intelligence Committee and of the Congressional Budget Office. Michael is a trial lawyer with the Antitrust Division of the Dept. of Justice in Washington.

**Catherine Fox Byers** worked for a travel agency for two years, in Boston, and then went to the American U in Washington, DC, where she received an MA in journalism. Since 1976 she has worked as a freelance writer and as correspondent for "Maclean's" magazine of Canada, covering the White House and the Capitol in addition to traveling extensively on a wide range of assignments. Catherine now lives in the Philadelphia area; she is associate news editor at the U of Delaware's Office of Information Services and is expecting her first child in November.

**Madeline Cantor** also lives in Philadelphia, where she runs a Jewish Dance Ensemble and has successfully run for City Council. She also runs a dance troupe in Connecticut.

**Freya Caplan** has been Asst. Director of Social Service at Gracie Square Hospital, NYC. **Mary de Bary** has been a major in the Russian section of Columbia's graduate religion dept. She is married to Peter Heinrichs of Union Theological Seminary.

**Lila Rosen Garten**, who was formerly Class of '43, is enjoying a sabbatical from the Westchester Library System. Lila's husband Harry, Columbia College '39 and Harvard Law '42, is a Lt. Colonel in Army Reserves, now retired, I believe. Their son David graduated from NYU in '77 with a degree in filmmaking and is a photographer in Vermont.

**Phyllis Heisler Gerstell** has left the general counsel's office, New York Life Insurance, to become senior counsel to the American Council of Life Insurance in Washington, DC. Her husband, Glenn, an associate with Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy, has transferred to the firm's Washington office.

**Shoko Iwata** is married and has a son, now about a year old, named Tomoyuki. **Aviva Kahn Furchtgott** has her MSW from the U of Michigan; her job involves resettling Russian immigrants (see her article in last fall's "Barnard Alumnae").

**Esther Loewengart** received her MSW from CU in '79 and has worked in psychiatry with inpatient adolescent boys at Downstate. Esther has also worked in Europe with Professors Kahn and Kammerman on a World Health Organization project on day care policies for children under 3 years of age and women's choices upon entering the labor market.

**Priscilla Mandrachia** has been a systems analyst at Mass. Mutual Life Insurance and has a baby. **Amy Margolis** has been doing budget analysis for Redwood City, CA.

**Rona Mazer** got her PhD from CU, in anthropology, and is an asst. prof. of anthropology at the U of North Florida in Jacksonville. **Carol Richards** has been working for Greater Washing-

ton Research Center.

**Ann Schulster** did her residency at Beth Israel Hospital in NYC in Ob/Gyn and took a fellowship in reproductive endocrinology at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago.

**Betty Teller** has been working at the Smithsonian as exhibition coordinator for their traveling exhibition service. **Janna Roop Timm** has been working as a psychiatric nurse.

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## 75 **Ellen R. Krasik** 859 N. Bambrey St. Philadelphia, PA 19130

Congratulations to **Margaret Emerson Ditmars** who was recently married to Keith Hamilton Swartley. Margaret is an assistant treasurer with the International Institutional Department of Chase Manhattan Bank. Her husband is chief accountant of the Intercontinental Hotels Corporation.

Engaged recently was **Pamela Sheard** to William G. McGuinness. Pam is a market representative for Fredrick Atkins in New York and her fiancé is a lawyer and Columbia graduate.

**Julie Goodman** has been pursuing music studies while teaching general and organic chemistry at Barnard and plans to devote herself to music studies fulltime next year. **Claudette Rene Hoffmann** received her MS in biochemistry from U of California—San Francisco and now resides in the Boston area; she teaches high school science and her husband, a physician, holds an appointment at Harvard.

**Debby Hausdorf Goldberg** reports that she recently started her own business in the Baltimore-Washington area. She and husband Elliott have a daughter Abigail, born in January 1980.

**Matilda So** is a resident in internal medicine at City Hospital in Baltimore. She received her MD from Johns Hopkins in 1979. **Laura d'Angelo** completed her medical degree at the U of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where she will continue as a resident in psychiatry.

I am sorry to report the deaths of two classmates this year: **Susan Chesner Einbinder** and **Monica Helen Shander**. Condolences go to their families.

## 77 **Jacqueline Laks** 435 West 119th St., Apt. 1M New York, NY 10027

To open, a note to **Ellyn Spragins**, who thinks we never print the news people write on contribution envelopes: Those jottings are one of my principal sources of information! Of course, we do get word from other places as well. Why not write me directly?

A major source of this column's wealth is the Chemistry Department Newsletter. It provided the sad news that **Joy Cooke**, stricken with encephalitis and meningitis, had to leave her job at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in San Francisco. At last word, Joy was recuperating at her parents' home. Please let us know how you are, Joy, and our best wishes are with you.

In New Jersey, we find **Lucy Hsu Chang**, **Adele Weitzman Marcus**, and their respective husbands. Lucy is living in Palisades Park and working as an analytical development chemist at Lederle Labs, where she tests drugs using high pressure liquid chromatography. Adele is a technician

at the Exxon Research & Engineering Co. in Linden, working with the Exploratory Research Group. One of her projects involves the use of lasers and holographic techniques; the other uses a high speed data acquisition system to record data.

**Lucy Hung Lee** is working on her PhD at Yale. She may have met **Joan Smallwood**, who began graduate work at Yale in cell biology last September. Joan had been a research associate at the Nat'l Institutes of Health. In addition, she co-authored a paper in a 1980 issue of the Journal of Organic Chemistry with Barry Jacobson of the Chemistry Department and Daniela Gerhard and Cynthia Jackson, both '76.

**Nancy (Nga) Vu** is finishing Buffalo Medical School and plans an internship in internal medicine. **Anita Darmanian** is completing her MD at Stony Brook. And **Kim Winsey Moran**, married to a physician, is finishing at NYU Med School.

Other medical folks include **Theresa Pearse**, a nurse at NY Hospital/Cornell Medical Center. Theresa previously was an RN in Washington, DC's Georgetown U Hospital. **Ellen Goldstein** graduated from the State College of Optometry in June as our class' only OD, I think. **Colleen Cooper** graduated from Mt. Sinai and is starting an internship in pediatrics. **Rosalind Van Stolk** has completed her medical studies and is off to intern in Cleveland. And **Rochelle Strenger Strair** has finished at Einstein. Congrats on Rochelle's August '79 marriage to Roger, completing his MD-PhD at Einstein. Back in February, Rochelle wrote, "We wait with baited breath for the Match Day to see where we'll live come July." Please let me know; I can't drop you a line without your address.

**Ruth Leibowitz** and I had a lovely lunch with **Pat Herring Parisi** recently in her marvelous Village loft. We got to discuss Reunion '81 (hint, hint) and hear news of the law crowd: Three who finished CU Law in 1980 with Pat are **Lynn Goldman**, clerking for the Chief Justice of the NJ Supreme Court; **Ileen Paley Hayn**, married to a lawyer and working in the corporate division of Metropolitan Life; and **Joyce Perlmutter**, married to lawyer Claude Tusk and employed by a "spiffy" Park Avenue firm. **Sarah Strauss** took a year off from law school and will finish CU in 1981, which is when **Susan Onuma** will complete her legal studies at Penn.

This column is going to run long so I can't include all the news I've got—please be patient till next time. But I just had to squeeze in word of **Elizabeth Roach's** latest activities. Elizabeth has been teaching an introductory cultural anthropology course at Seton Hall U while working on her PhD at Columbia. Even more interesting, she's been packing for an 18-month stay in Western Samoa (like Margaret Mead, one of Barnard's most distinguished alumnae) "in order to do research on the long-term effects of 19th-century English Protestant missionaries upon the status and roles of women there." All, of course, for her dissertation. Yes, PLEASE keep us up-to-date on your adventures. And an aside at this point to **Daphne Telfeyan**: Elizabeth included a special note that she'd like to get in touch with you.

Please keep in touch with me as well!

**78** **Jami Bernard**  
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There is a certain kind of Barnard woman out there who reads these class notes and flagellates herself for having failed at what she perceives to

be the manifesto of the class of '78. Since graduation, she has a) not technically finished her incompletes; b) not conquered a typically-male preserve; c) not spearheaded a woman's networking consortium. She's bored, depressed, maybe sleeps late in the day, maybe holds down a pink-collar ghetto job. She thinks she's failed Barnard, or that Barnard's failed her. She doesn't write to the alumnae magazine.

Although I have a lot of news this month from classmates in law school and those scaling corporate ladders, I want to devote some attention to the others who read this column and think they've missed out.

Before I quote portions of a letter from one, **Catherine Roseman**, I just want to say that being a success in your own eyes, or even in the eyes of others, is not dependent upon entering any particular field, and certainly not dependent upon doing it within a circumscribed time frame. I know you women are out there, so here's something you may be able to identify with. Just try to remember that life is hardly over at 25.

(Cathy wrote this dangerously close to final exams, so I'd discount some of the histrionics and pick up on more of the healthy self-bantering.)

"My life since Barnard: one word—downhill. . . Perhaps feeling I owed it to our college of accomplished women, I made the royal mistake of applying to law school . . . Syracuse University College of Law, a 3rd-rate school with delusions of 2nd-rateness, a building like a huge airport bathroom . . . Law school is the most costly, confusing, humiliating, and boring experience that it is possible for the human soul to encompass . . . I volunteer as a grade B failure story . . . Long live mediocrity and malaise. Why didn't I go to medical school?"

Despite Cathy's pretensions to mediocrity, I wish all the letters I get were as refreshingly honest and spicy as hers.

Okay, off the soapbox and on to other items:

**Susan Rosenberg**, having finished Columbia's MBA program and plunged right into the first year of a PhD program in finance, would like to hear from other Columbia Business School denizens on the ins and outs of it all.

She's been in touch with **Judy Fleischner**, who is slogging her way through NYU Business School and is living back in the Barnard fold, on 110th St.; **Kathy Linder** is finishing up her first year in the MA program at Columbia in architecture; **Beth Lubin** and **Renee Berliner** just graduated from Cardozo Law School.

**Jean S. Chin** dropped a note from Beijing, China, where she's been teaching legal method to law students at Peking University while on leave from Columbia Law. She'll be back at the end of the year, and among her luggage will be a carry-on: one-year-old Christopher Sterling Chan (that's not a typo—Chan is her married name).

**Elizabeth Horan** married Paul Skilton last year in Santa Cruz. Attending the outdoor early-morning ceremony were **Amy Barker** ("Amazon of honor"), **Jill Breitbart**, Nancy Levidow '77, and **Mary Graves**. Elizabeth spent last summer in Berkeley studying in a Latin workshop; her husband writes "unpublished novels" (don't we all?) and they're both on the road to PhDs.

In the same mail as the note from Beijing comes a postcard from Zimbabwe, from **Sheila Perry**, who's seeking a job in journalism and seeking pen-pals as well. Write: 51 Pinebanks, Fife Avenue, Salisbury, Zimbabwe. The zip code escapes me at the moment; it's on the tip of my

tongue.

Here and there: **Jennifer Fier** graduated from Yale School of Architecture; **Erica (Ricky) Snow** finished first year of Duke U Business School; **Cathy B. Horyn** got her MS from the Northwestern "J" School and works for the Norfolk Ledger-Star in Virginia as education reporter; **Beth Simon** is a staff accountant with the international accounting firm of Ernst & Whinney.

**Amanda Kissin's** on her third Emmy at WNEW-TV where she's a producer; more on that next time. (Amanda, try to pace yourself so I'll have room to list your accomplishments, okay?)

**79** **Marianne Goldstein**  
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I've got lots of news to report this time, surprise, surprise. Unfortunately, I'm right in the middle of finals, in my usual disorganized state, so if I left out your update, watch for the next issue.

God Bless the Chemistry Department and their newsletter, which provided me with the following news:

**Patricia Andrade** is working towards a PhD in pharmacology at Stony Brook; **Margaret Blom** is at Brown Med School, and is also planning to get a master's in public health from Harvard; **Polly Gregor** is doing graduate work in microbiology at Columbia P&S, along with **In-Bok Paek**, who is in an MD/PhD program there.

**Lauren Plante** has by now completed her first year at Einstein Med School; **Maria Savio** is a first year student at NY Law; **Monica Steiner** is at the U of Cincinnati med school; **Sarah Werner** is earning her PhD in geochemistry at Penn State; **Reena Zigelman** is working for her PhD in physical chemistry at Brandeis.

**Rosa Maria Crum** is now at Harvard Med School. She spent last year in Ship Rock, NM, assisting a physician in researching the causes of cancer among Navajo Indians. Also at Harvard is **Fern Watts**, in her second year of law school.

**Debbie Newman** wrote to tell us that last December she married Oliver Shapiro, Columbia '80. The Shapiros are now living in Columbus, OH, where He is getting a master's in microbiology from Ohio State, and She is getting an MBA from the same place.

Two columns ago, I demanded to know the whereabouts of **Nancy Herring**. Imagine my pleasure when I received a note from her written on spiffy E. F. Hutton stationery—with her name on it, yet. Nancy reports that yes, indeed, there is a market for slightly weary Women's Studies majors; she now spends her days as an analyst for the Equity Research Department at Hutton. Says she: "The one really attractive feature of this job is that the writing is not unlike college paper writing but there are no grades and, even better, no chance of getting an Incomplete." Amen.

**Nelia Barletta** is working for the Save The Children Federation in the Dominican Republic. **Merrill Ross Brody** is married to a grad student in clinical psych, and is working as a technician at Memorial Sloan Kettering Institute.

Women Who Will Never Bite The Dust, Married or Not Married Dep't: Received a complaint from **Nadine Evans** that the phrase "And another one bites the dust" denigrates the image of married women. Honest, Nadine, it was just a joke. But at your request, I've retitled it. By the way, Nadine is living and working in Boston, and is married.

Also not biting the dust will be **Dina Markson**

and *Suzanne LoFrumento*, both of whom are engaged. Dina will be marrying Robert Klapper, Columbia '79, who is a second year student at P&S. Suzanne will be tying the knot with John Thomsen, whom she met while working at N. W. Ayer. Suzanne now works as a market administrator for AT&T.

*Anne Salmson* is engaged to David Altchek, who is in his third year of med school at Cornell.

*Irene Fish Gottesman* wrote me that she is now at Columbia Business School, and for the last two years has been married to Robert Gottesman, brother of '79er *Debbie Gottesman*.

*Shelley Saltzman* is now working for Susan Sontag, as well as for the New York Review.

I was glad to get the news from *Diane Stein* that she is alive, well, and living in Brooklyn Heights. She also reports that *Lisa Kalus* has not dropped off the face of the earth as I had previously thought (where have you *been*, girl?), but is studying architecture at the U of Pennsylvania.

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I was thrilled to hear about Barnard's real estate acquisition. The new dorm will certainly revitalize interest in Barnard and shake off those merger blues. Hopefully, additional living space will solve a lot of Barnard's problems, and I hope I'm expressing the sentiments of the majority of my fellow alumnae by adding that in fulfilling one of Barnard's greatest needs the college will remain financially stable while maintaining its high standards and autonomy.

And speaking of same, *Claire Martin* (who missed the deadline for the Spring issue by a day) is working as a full-time features reporter for a Jacksonville, FL newspaper. How come we didn't get together before you left? How soon they forget . . .

We have some more aspiring writers/publishers in the works. *Laurie Aron* is working in a corporate communications firm and had her first short story, a family history piece, published in "Jewish Currents" in April. *Allegra d'Adamo* spoke at Barnard in April about how her liberal arts skills are used for fun and profit in her publishing career.

*Honor Heath* wrote me all sorts of nice updates. *Sandra Sawotka* is the only assistant to the manager of the Metropolitan Opera in NY, *Ronni Berke* is in France, and *Gratia Pelliciotti* is studying at the London School of Economics, specializing in Soviet studies.

The chemistry department brings us all sorts of news on former chem majors turned prospective doctors. *Loretta Cody* and *Debbie Wolin* are medical students at New York Med, *Beth Gross* is at Einstein, *Beatriz Rodriguez* is at Columbia P&S, and *Barbara Scanley* is at the U of Chicago Med. Chem majors gone awry (but will surely do something with that major—you guys didn't suffer for nothing) are *Marianne Gouras*, who's doing her MBA at NYU, and *Abigail Levine*, who's enjoying Columbia Law. *Caroline Apovian* was vacationing in Italy over the winter break, won tons of money gambling in Venice and flew off to Paris to blow it all. She didn't come back empty-handed, however: she also managed to win the heart of a sexy Italian doctor.

In the Another One Bites The Dust Category—in June, *Fiona Irving* and Mark Jason Volow were married. Fiona was an art history major and is studying for her PhD at Columbia. Mark is an associate at the law firm Winthrop, Stimson, Put-

nam, and Roberts. Any more? I don't always read the Times wedding announcements that carefully. Hey, look, getting married is nothing to be ashamed of, so speak up!

By the way, these appeals don't go unheard. The first class baby has arrived! *Amber Spence* gave birth to Normandie Favor Spence at 9:09 a.m. on April 14th. She weighed a "humongous" 8 lbs., 10 ozs., and Amber faithfully writes, she is "the most beautiful thing in the world." Amber is living at home in L.A. and is planning her "Young Mother's Story" for Redbook. She is occupying herself by writing and plans to be published "one of these centuries." She's doing crossword puzzles right now, misses NY and her friends, but couldn't go into detail because the baby was crying and had to be attended to, I assume.

I was at Barnard in April speaking on a panel titled, "How I Survived After Barnard." I think I had a better time talking and listening to my classmates than the six people who showed up to listen to us. *Peggy Thomson*, who did her master's at Columbia in English lit and is going up to Harvard for her PhD next year, spoke about how tough graduate school is and how to get into a PhD program at Harvard. *Lisa Fleischman*, who is working in administration at Trinity School, spoke about finding an apartment in the city, and I was supposed to represent the "corporate" angle by relating incidents of Business-Suit Disease and Commuter Horror Stories like "The Train That Never Came," "Last Stop—145th St." or "Let's Become Local." I shouldn't complain, though—sometimes the system works. Why, just today I had an air-conditioned train. Alright. So it was twenty-six degrees out and raining. Nothing's perfect.

Hope to be hearing from more of you soon. I may have missed your call since I was in Florida in May and London in June (had to stick that in somewhere), so try again.

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Congratulations fellow eight-oners! We finally did it; we've made it through four years on the Heights and lived to tell about it.

Welcome to the world of Alumnae! Our class officers are: *Teri Sivilli*, president; *Anna Hay*, vice president; "Yours truly" as secretary-correspondent; *Ramona Goodman*, treasurer; *Vivian Altman*, fund chairman.

Now that we're acquainted, I hope to be hearing from all of you. Class notes are a great way to let all of those people you haven't gotten around to contacting know that you're still alive.

While most of us are still in the fog as to our future plans, some of our classmates are definitely tied in a knot, that of the nuptial sort. In alphabetical order: *Isabel Christodoulou* will wed Frank Strike; *Angela Dalmazio* will wed Ernesto Bernadette; *Anne Moed* will wed Shelly Golombek; *Linda Moss* will wed Michael Grinblatt (Columbia '79); *Barbara Slipstiene* will wed Bruce Butchen. I speak in the name of the class when I extend my best wishes to all five of these brides-to-be.

Most of us, however, are retaining our swinging singles status but exchanging our Barnard tote bags for an attache case in the employment world or yet another tote in the advanced circles of academia.

Whatever each one of us is doing—put your best food forward . . . and GOOD LUCK!

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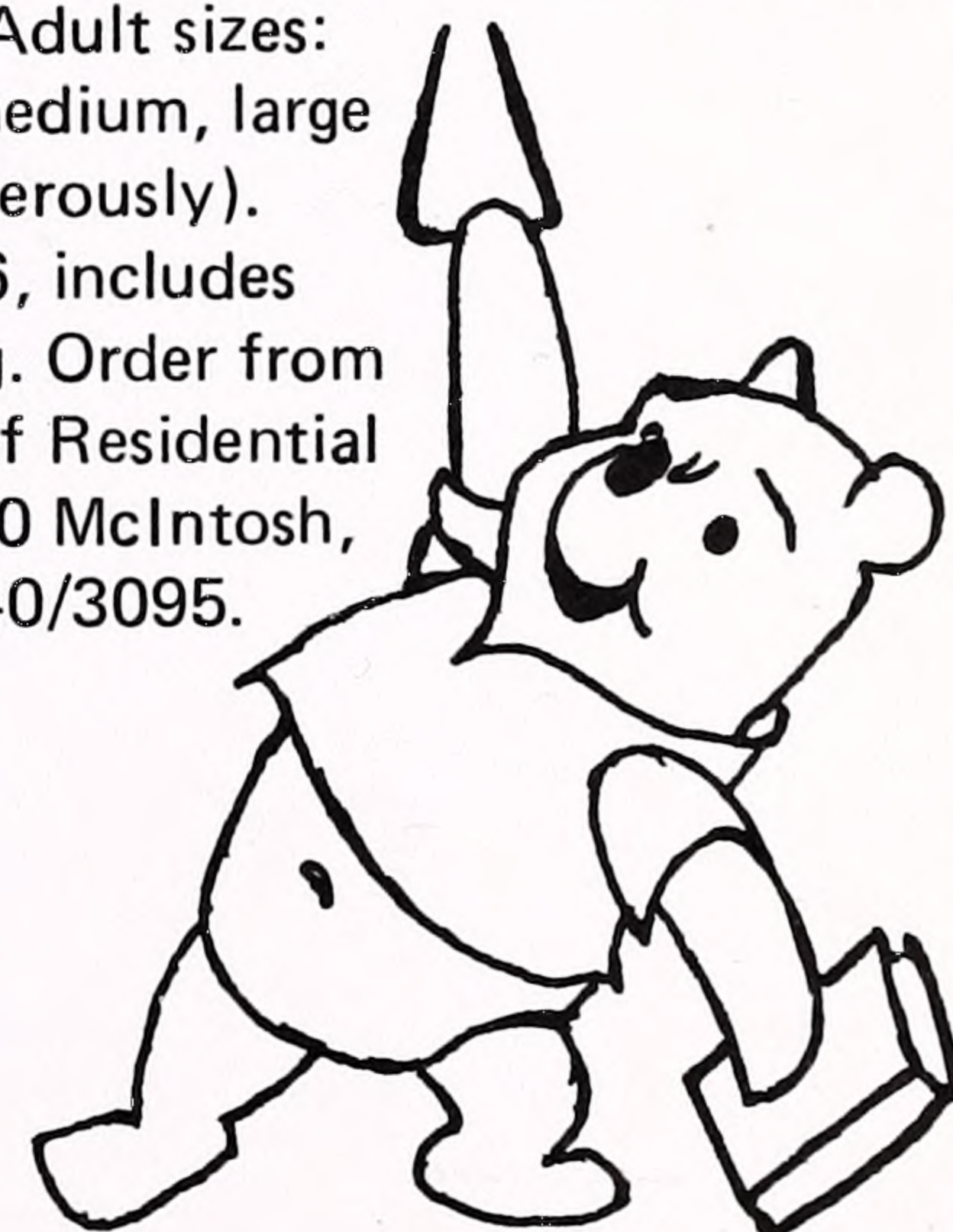
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