



"Diversely Talented" Freshmen Arrive For Orientation

by Barbby Kogon and Maya Marin

A published poet, a classical Indian singer, award winning debaters, athletic champions, and a Broadway actress are among the members of the Class of 1988. The class arrives today as the Orientation period commences. According to Barnard College Director of Admissions, R. Christine Royer, this year's entering class is a "very bright, very well academically prepared group of freshmen who are also very interesting, and diversely talented as Barnard women always are."

As was the case last year, the College exceeded its target class size by 24, with 524 entering students as of July 1, 1984. Both the class of 1987 and 1988 had 41 admits defer for one year. Barnard enjoyed a three percent increase in the applicant pool in contrast to a little more than a ten percent decline in 1983 over the 1982 number of applicants. In 1982, Barnard reached record heights with 2300 applicants but in 1983, 2000 were received. Royer feels that Barnard will continue to maintain a growing applicant pool in spite of the fact that the College continues to deal with only one-half of college bound students. Barnard's 1984 yield, the percentage of students accepted to Barnard who chose to actually enter Barnard, was 49.42% as of May 1, an increase of 1.42% over last year. Traditionally, the little Ivies and small prestigious schools have a yield in the 30's and low 40's. Barnard's yield this year again surpasses that of any other sister school.

In addition, early decision applications rose by 50%: 129 applications were received (on the early decision track), 92 were admitted, and 90 accepted.

When Columbia College announced its decision to admit women and break its 229 year tradition as an all-male school, both Barnard College President Ellen V.

Futter and Mrs. Royer maintained that the calibre of students who applied to and were accepted by Barnard would not be affected. With Columbia now entering its second year of co-education, Royer emphasized that co-education is a "past issue" in terms of the maintenance of Barnard's student body. "We are obviously doing very well and things are sorting themselves out in the sense that the women who apply to Barnard really do know what they want. Very often women come from an interview in both places and they have a real decision to make, and they make it." Of the students who applied to the colleges on both sides of Broadway, 36 chose Columbia over Barnard. This figure represents an eighteen point decline, over last year,

in the number of students who declined their Barnard admission. Mrs. Royer explained that at least seven of the students who chose Columbia cited financial aid as the determining factor in their choice. This was due in part to the fact that Columbia College, unlike Barnard, offers a complete financial package for tuition and housing costs regardless of the students' commuting distance from the College.

Royer attributed much of Barnard's success in attracting qualified students to both Barnard's nation-wide and international reputation as well as its special recruitment activities. For example, in preparing for the Class of 1988, the admissions office sponsored its second annual series of Open Houses whereby applicants

were introduced to Barnard and given the opportunity to visit the campus, attend classes, stay overnight in the dorms, and mingle with students, administrators, and faculty members. Response to these Open Houses, three in total, was quite high with 610 students attending from 18 states and 10 foreign countries. Of those in attendance, 327 were admitted with 217 actually entering today. This boils down to a 60% yield, up seven percentage points over last year.

On the international front Royer said, "Barnard is very well known surprisingly in a lot of countries, not just in Europe." Over the last two years, Barnard has actively recruited in Paris, London and West Germany, and Royer feels that Barnard has established "good relations" with schools in those countries. Seventy-four members of the class of '88 are citizens of foreign countries.

The consequence of Barnard's tremendous growth, which Royer described as the "good news," is a housing crunch, the "bad news," said Royer. In order to accommodate the freshmen, rooms have temporarily been set up as doubles and triples. However, Royer is confident that over the course of the next two weeks this situation will "work itself out."

In addition, due to Barnard's low attrition rate among returning students, somewhere between three and five percent, Barnard, at this time, was not able to offer housing to transfer students. And for the most part, returning upperclassmen, who in the past did not reside on campus, will have to wait for rooms to become available. Royer noted that Barnard is studying the prospect of expanding its dormitory facilities.

A Profile of the Class of 1988

Targeted class size: 500
 Number accepting admission offer: 565 as of July 1
 Number entering in September, 1983: 524 (41 deferring entrance to 1984)
 Yield: 49.42%
 Average secondary school GPA: 3.51/92 63%
 Percentage in top fifth of secondary school class: 84%
 Percentage in top decile: 57%
 Median SAT scores: 600 Verbal, 610 Math
 Mean TOEFL score: 592
 Number of states represented: 35
 Number of foreign countries represented by citizenship or permanent residence: 30

MISCELLANEOUS CHARACTERISTICS
 50 received National Merit Recognition
 102 ranked among the top ten in their graduating class (in the schools providing class rank)
 31 are alumnae daughters, 45 are Barnard sisters
 82 have Columbia University affiliations (i.e. father/brother are either graduates or faculty members)
 2111 different secondary schools represented between 1980 and 1984 in the applicant pool

Athletic Consortium Set

by Bulletin Sports Staff

What was previously the Barnard Athletic Program, operating out of the physical education department, is now the Columbia University/Barnard College Athletic Consortium.

In 1983, when Columbia College began admitting women, Barnard and Columbia formed an Athletic Consortium, (under NCAA rules) at Columbia University in order to compete under one athletic umbrella. With this consortium in motion, women from all three undergraduate divisions of the college including Barnard, Columbia, the School of Engineering, the Columbia School of Nursing and General Studies now have the opportunity to compete as a team.

The level of competition remains the same even though the program as a whole has changed from Division III status to Division I status, in accordance with Ivy League regulations. According to Merry Ormsby, Director of Sports Information, "The level of competition is about the level as it has been. It will be a number of years before the women's teams can be part of a full-fledged Division I program."

At the present time, the consortium sponsors nine sports which includes archery, basketball, cross-country, fencing, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field, and volleyball. Other possible varsity teams depending on available funds, facilities and student interest, include soccer, crew, field hockey, and softball.



Letter from the Editor

This special issue of the *Barnard Bulletin* is dedicated to you, the Class of 1988. The Managing Editor and I have put this small edition together to provide you with a keener understanding of Barnard and introduce you to your school paper. In particular, 'A Wrinkle In Time' on page three offers a neat glimpse into the exciting, unique Barnard community—a community in which I urge you to take an active role.

The *Barnard Bulletin*, the voice of the Barnard campus, is a highly diverse weekly paper, staffed by about eight editors and thirty writers, providing in-depth reporting of weekly news. National and international issue-oriented reporting is encouraged as well. A distinctive part of the *Bulletin* repertoire is its extensive features and reviews section emphasizing the Big Apple—museum exhibits, clubs, dance companies, festivals and other New York happenings.

In addition, last year's *Bulletin* successfully integrated a 'people' department into its features section spotlighting Barnard students with extraordinary experiences. For example, we ran a story on Elissa Rosati, a junior who doubled as a member of the highly acclaimed Alvin Ailey Dance Company. Also highlighted was Alison Wiener, a senior, who became the nation's number one parliamentary debator after having been discriminated against by the more chauvinistic male debaters (see "Sex Discrimination" on page 3).

Alison and Elissa are just two of the many students who venture outside of the walls of academia to pursue other interests. There is no doubt that extracurricular activities, be it sports, theatre, government, journalism or what have you, can be growth-oriented, rewarding compliments to a challenging academic program.

Participating in such activities will bring you even closer to Barnard. While gaining personal satisfaction from the heights you reach, and the various relationships you make along the way, you will be strengthening Barnard's foundation—a nearly century-old tradition of excellence.

You are finally here and, yes, you do belong. Become involved in Barnard, in its classes and activities—get to know your professors and fellow students, for an overwhelmingly rich and delicious experience.

Good Luck to you all!

BARBY KOGON
Editor-in-Chief

Notes from SGA

Welcome to Barnard! Hope your summer was exciting and restful. We look forward to a year of spirited issues, new challenges, and a campus full of interested students to enjoy this year's exciting events.

The Student Government Association encourages you to get involved and play an active role in student life. Every registered Barnard student is automatically a member of the SGA. You can become an effective member simply by being a concerned and informed one.

The activities of the SGA are coordinated by a five-member executive board elected each spring by the Barnard student body. You can find the fearless five in room 116 McIntosh Center, X2126. Come by! We gladly welcome your enthusiasm and participation. Though we try our hardest to run your student government, we cannot do it for you. We need your interest and input to do the job effectively and successfully!

If you are a member of the class of

1988, look in your Orientation packet for a copy of *A Guide to Student Government and College Activities*. This booklet describes the structure of the BC Student Government and different student organizations and publications in which you can participate. Learn more about these student groups on Activities Day, Tuesday, September 4, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm on the Barnard and Columbia campuses.

In addition to Activities Day, keep your eyes open for the following event: ***SPECIAL FALL ELECTIONS. Elections will be held at the end of September. The offices of freshman class president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary are vacant (as well as committee positions not filled last spring). To find out more about these positions, just come by our office. We will happily answer your questions!

We look forward to meeting you. Remember that our role is to help you as much as possible. Come see us soon!

Ramona Romero

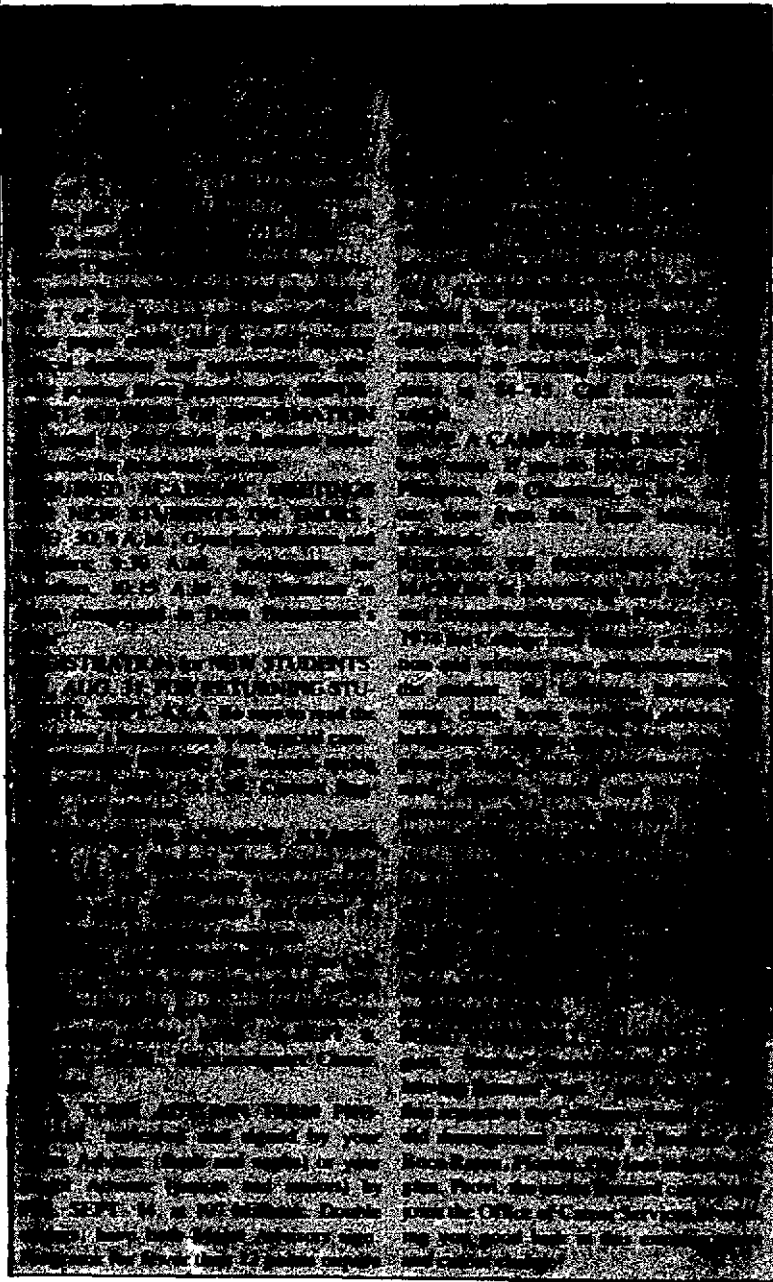
Come to a General Meeting of the Barnard Bulletin

Sept 30 at 7:00, 105 McIntosh
Positions Available

ALL WELCOME!



CONFIDENTIALLY... AFTER THIS EXPERIENCE, I'VE HAD IT WITH BEING A SURROGATE MOTHER...



Bulletin will resume its normal publication schedule on Wednesday, September 19. We will be back on the stands, with a little bit of this and a little bit of that and all our razzmatazz! Please stop by our office located in the McIntosh tunnel near the Altschul elevators. Or have your agent call my agent and they'll have lunch. Can you believe the summer is over???

ATTENTION: Class of 1988

The Orientation Committee welcomes all new students to campus

Now that you're in the **Big Apple**, you surely don't want to miss going to a New York City club—*The Peppermint Lounge* AND cruising Manhattan against its stunning skyline at midnight on the **Circle Line**. Please purchase your tickets for these exciting events at **McIntosh Center** or **Ferris Booth Hall**.

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CROSS COUNTRY, TENNIS & VOLLEYBALL
begin open workouts and tryouts on Saturday, Sept. 1.

CALENDAR

		Cross Country	Tennis	Volleyball
SAT	9/1	4-6 pm		8:30-11:30 am
SUN	9/2	4-6 pm		10-1 pm
MON	9/3	4-6 pm		8:30-11:30 am
TUES	9/4	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	7:10 am 3-5 pm
WED	9/5	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	7:10 am 3-5 pm
THURS	9/6	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	4-6:30 pm
FRI	9/7	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	2-4:30 pm
SAT	9/8	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	8:30-11:30 am
SUN	9/9	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	10-1 pm
MON	9/10	4-6 pm	3-6 pm	6:45-8:30 am

VB and XC will meet in the Barnard Gym, tennis meets at the Columbia Campus Courts. Sites for future meetings will be announced at the first workout.

For information contact: Margie Greenberg Tversky, Associate Director of Athletics, 280-8373 or 2233, Dodge Physical Fitness Center.

Other Varsity Sports include: Archery, Basketball, Fencing, Swimming, Track & Field. Contact the coach for further information—Dodge Physical Fitness Center or 209 Barnard Hall.

A Wrinkle In Time: A Retrospective Look At BC in 1984

Editor's Note: the following are excerpts from past "Bulletin" issues arranged here to give the Class of 1988 further insight into their new environments.

Feb. 16: Seven Sisters Conference at BC

Barnard will host a Seven Sisters Conference with student representatives from Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar, and Wellesley on February 17-19. The conference participants will address the role of women in society and inform each other about their schools and activities.

The President of Undergrad, Aroza Sanjana, and other members of Barnard's Executive Board revitalized the idea of a conference by expressing their desire for its re-emergence to fellow Seven Sister

schools. Such a conference has not been held since 1978. Sanjana emphasized, "We have something special in common with them—there is a need for interaction and communication and somebody had to initiate it."

The conference, entitled "Women in Action: Time for Society," will include a workshop described by Sanjana as an exercise where "each college will identify what makes it unique, and the colleges together will determine their collective uniqueness."

Jan. 23: Bellamy to Teach Poli Sci at BC

"I think it will be a tremendous resource and an exciting experience for anybody in the Columbia-Barnard community to be in this class, having City Council President, Carol Bellamy, there as a resource," Fuchs explained.

Professor Ester Fuchs of Barnard's political science department will be co-teaching a course this spring with Bellamy. The course, a junior colloquium in urban affairs, is designed to cover contemporary urban problems, it will include such issues as the homeless, crime and criminal justice, public transportation, housing, education and the rebuilding of infrastructure, one of Bellamy's areas of expertise. The City Council President said, "Maybe you all can help me with some of the problems of New York City—sometimes some fresh thinking helps." Fuchs said that the course will focus primarily on New York City "because we are in New York City and all city problems occur in New York before they occur anywhere else so it is a good laboratory for urban problems."

Apr. 25: ♀ Sex Discrimination

Alison Weiner, a Barnard senior majoring in English, has been debating since high school. While in high school she won the national championship in Extemporaneous Speaking. However one should not believe that the road from national champion in Extemporaneous Speaking to a top parliamentary debator was an easy one. The competitive parliamentary debate circuit has not been overly anxious to welcome women into its ranks.

When Weiner joined the debate council during her freshman year, there were four women on the Parliamentary Debate team. She assumed, arriving with her awards and trophies, that it would not be long before she was on her way to tournaments. However, it did not quite work out that way. The women on the team were treated like trash at the practice sessions (which are two hours a night, three nights a week). The debate chairman at that time was a self-confirmed sexist. When Weiner quizzed him about his attitudes toward women, he told her (and she emphasized the fact that he was *only twenty-one*) "This is

Apr. 18: Abzug at Barnard

On Saturday, the Barnard College Women's Center presented the eleventh annual "The Scholar and the Feminist Conference" under the theme "Women and Resistance" which Barnard President Ellen V. Futter described in her opening remarks as a "subject of vital importance to anyone who is concerned with issues of human rights and social justice."

Founder and Director of Women U.S.A. and former Congresswoman, Bella Abzug began the conference with a lecture entitled "The Gender Gap and Resistance in Reagan's America." Abzug described the Gender Gap as well as the resistance to the present Administration's policies as "an enormous response and resistance of women to Reaganism, Reaganomics, to the oppression of the

the way I am, I can't change." Weiner watched as one by one the other women got fed up with the comments, hassles, and insults that came with being a woman on the team, and dropped out. Finally Weiner was left to fight alone. She considered quitting herself, but when the Chairman said to her "Well Alison, why don't you just quit?" she committed herself to sticking it out. She finally got to go to a tournament after having never missed a practice (so they couldn't complain about that) and after having applied unrelenting pressure on the chairman. However, when she refused to date the chairman (in return for his letting her go to that one tournament) he prevented her from going to any more that year.

In the beginning of her sophomore year, Weiner decided she needed a good partner. She kept her eyes open for anyone whom she thought would make a good debator. She found him, recruited him, trained him, and he was good. He was so good that he got scheduled to debate in a tournament without Weiner. They were planning to send him with another partner. After threatening to go to the *Barnard Bulletin*, *The Columbia Spectator*, and President Futter herself, if need be, Weiner was allowed to go to the tournament with her teammate.

The discovery of irregularities in the Barnard College Business Office has led to the dismissal and arrest of Bursar Linda McCann.

McCann surrendered to authorities on Wednesday, January 18, 1984. She was then released on her own recognizance and posted a \$50,000 bond.

A college employee for twelve years, McCann was charged with grand larceny in the second degree and with falsifying business records. According to the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, McCann allegedly stole in excess of \$240,000 from the College on or about July 1979 to October 1983. She reportedly stole the

"The failure of our system to acknowledge the legitimate aspirations of women and minorities is resulting in a renewed commitment to a struggle of resistance..."

money by issuing checks to herself drawn on the Barnard College account at Chemical Bank then covered-up the theft by making false entries into business records and creating false student requests for refunds. McCann faces up to eleven years in prison. Maurice Arth, Vice President for Finance and Administration, refused to comment.

Apr. 11: BC Economics Prof Speaks Out

In the remainder of the interview with Prof. Berch, she addressed contemporary issues facing students. Berch expressed concern with the future of both her Alma Mater and its alumnae.

Divestment: As a university-wide issue in terms of Morningside Heights, it is something that we should all get involved in and as such it is probably the only university-wide issue there is.

Coeducation: The university always wants to put across this idea that Columbia College is the *creme de la creme* of the whole university, and that there is a big difference between going to Columbia as opposed to Barnard. Those women [at Columbia] have a lot of problems there is sexism on both sides of the street.

Sexual Assault: Barnard no more than Columbia wants to give the image to the outside community that you can be raped when you walk to class. [Information on violence against women on campus] never comes from above because it is not in their best interest. It wasn't in Barnard's so the pressure came from students—some faculty and dedicated staff.

Feb. 1: Bursar Commits Grand Larceny

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Feb. 29: New Freshman Curriculum Approved

Last Monday, February 27, the Barnard faculty approved the Freshman Seminar Committee's proposed program of effective next fall. All incoming freshmen will be required to take a Freshman Seminar. The faculty upheld the Committee's decisions regarding the structure, themes, and seminar choices comprising the program.

The purpose of the seminars, according to the Freshman Seminar Committee, is to sharpen incoming students' speaking, writing, and analytical skills within an intellectually challenging context in a small class setting. The one-semester seminars will meet at least twice a week, involve a maximum of 2000 pages of reading, and require a written assignment every other week.

The Freshman Seminar Program for next year consists of 28 seminars that are organized into 5 clusters. Each cluster represents a theme common to the seminars grouped within it. The structure presents central themes through the study of important texts that extend beyond departmental boundaries. Themes create a specific focus that might not otherwise be possible in a one-semester course. The thematic clusters are: Literary Reflections on the Human Condition; The Individual and the Social Order; Women in Literature and Culture; Aspects of the Modern Condition; and Ways of Knowing.

The selection of clusters and the individual seminars was the result of a collaboration between the Freshman Seminar Committee and the faculty. In monthly workshops since the fall of 1983, they examined potential aspects of the program as well as other colleges' experiences with similar programs.

Pres. Futter: Certainly not in the tradition of traditional women's college presidents.
Future of Barnard: If it turns into a dress for success sort of place, save your money and go to a state university.
Future Faculty: A lot less role model of being.
Tuition Increase: [Where is the money going?] The money goes to Milbank.
Future of Prof. Berch: [laughter] Not too dull.