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## Barnard Fails in its Responsibility to Women in the Sciences

At the end of the semester Barnard will lose Professor Karen Barad of the Physics department, leaving the department with only one professor. According to Barad, to run the department effectively at least four full-time professors are required. Barad is not the first professor to point out the need to increase the number of full-time science professors at Barnard.

Last year the Environmental Sciences department faced similar problems, at least one member of that department also suggested that Barnard increase the number of full-time science professors. Yet, he too was ignored.

Barnard students, professors and alumnae are not the only ones who have noticed a decline in the sciences at Barnard. Among the Seven Sisters, Barnard has the worst rating in the sciences. And this year Barnard was removed from the American Geological Institute Directory of Geoscience Departments. Not to mention that Barnard has lost alumnae donations from graduates committed to promoting women in the sciences due to its lack of commitment to the sciences.

One of the major problems in 'feminizing' the sciences is that there are not enough women in the pipeline, said Dr. Joanne Bourgeois (BC '72). Barnard has all but turned off its own valve.

As a women's college dedicated to aiding women in their struggle to break down the barriers to equal opportunity, Barnard has a responsibility to provide the scholastic resources necessary for women to move into fields typically closed to women -- such as the sciences.

It is time for Barnard to spend less money of its physical image, i.e. neon signs, new dorms and cafes, and more money on its intellectual image. The cafe is of no use to Barnard's only Physics major, particularly since she may transfer. Let's not let others stereotype Barnard, as they stereotype women as individuals who allow their concern for their physical image to override their intellectual goals and to undermine their self-confidence.

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## Barad Leaves, Citing Failure in Sciences at Barnard



Karen Barad

Bulletin/Michelle Widlitz

by Jessica Malberg

Professor Karen Barad of the physics department, because she feels Barnard has failed to fulfill its potential in the sciences, will be leaving Barnard at the end of the semester.

Barad said, "Barnard, as a women's college, is not playing the role it should be in increasing that participation of women in physics. I question the administration's stated commitment to the sciences. Although there has been a lot of discussion, little progress has been made since I came here."

When she first came to Barnard College in 1984, she immediately called the other Seven Sister colleges to see how Barnard compared with them in physics.

She said, the results "put us to shame — both in terms of the number of physics majors and the number of full-time faculty in physics."

Barad said she came to Barnard because she is "committed to increasing the participation of women in physics and [she] thought that there

was no better place to do so than at a women's college."

Instead, she said, she found her efforts thwarted by the fact that there are no physics courses offered by Barnard for departmental majors. This is due to the lack of faculty in the physics department, which she said needs at

least four professors. There are currently two faculty members in the physics department.

As a result, "students are not getting the support they need and deserve" she said.

Barad is concerned with Barnard's lack of attention to women in all the sciences.

"Special attention is being paid to the issues concerning women and science nationwide. Barnard should not be lagging behind - it should be a leader."

She also feels frustration about the administration's handling of the AIDS Peer Educators (APE) moratorium, which she feels exemplifies Barnard's general attitude towards science. Barad was a faculty member of APE's task force before the moratorium and believes that the administration sent two negative messages to the students.

"One, it reinforced a myth about science that it is a field of knowledge to be revered and feared. It was a misuse of the authority of science to say that only certain people have access to correct information. My students are encouraged to talk about nuclear issues, yet they are not physicists. We live in a technological society where all people need to educate themselves about scientific issues. Anyway, medical doctors

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## New Attempt To Enforce Smoking Policy

In an effort to enforce Barnard College's smoking policy, new no-smoking signs adorn the tables in McIntosh.

These "table-tents" restate the smoking restrictions instituted at Barnard last year, in accordance with the New York City Clean Air Act and the Barnard College Smoking Policy.

Last fall tablets on McIntosh walls indicated where smoking was and was not permitted. Such signs were instituted in response to the complaints of non-smoking students, faculty, and administrators.

However, according to Director

of College Activities Stuart Brown, patrons of McIntosh smoked in spite of all notices.

According to Director of College Activities Stuart Brown, the old signs were posted improperly.

"For the longest time the smoking platform had no-smoking signs" said Brown. "It took time to get Buildings and Grounds to take care of this."

In addition, nobody took charge and coordinated the effort to stop smoking, said Brown.

This semester Brown has taken the initiative and restarted a restricted

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## Departures Force Health Services To Reevaluate

by Kim Stratton

Amidst the departure of numerous personnel, Barnard Health Services is reevaluating some of its programs. Since the beginning of the 1988-89 academic year, four staff members, including two gynecologists, one administrator, and a nurse have left Health Services.

According to Director of Health Services Dr. Mogul, Health Services is reevaluating the evening drop-in clinic because the turn out does not justify moving a morning nurse to the evening time slot. Mogul said the decrease from three nurses to two already has created a crunch in the mornings. Moving one of the nurses from the morning shift, Health Service's busiest time slot, to the evening shift is not feasible.

Health Services also continues to look for a gynecologist to replace Dr. Rehnstrom, the most recent member of its staff to depart. Rehnstrom said that she did not have time to work at Barnard because she would be taking on the responsibility of two private practices due to an associate's pregnancy, along with

raising her own family.

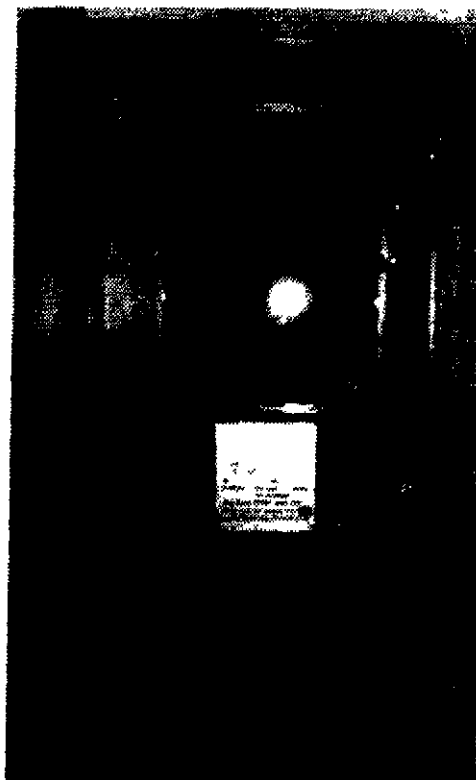
Dr. Sheehy, the other gynecologist, Lisa Vitkus, an administrator, and Ileana Lubell, a nurse, all of whom left during the fall semester, could not be reached for comment.

Director of Health Services Dr. Harriette Mogul said efforts are being made to replace Rehnstrom.

"We are currently interviewing and all the applicants look very good," she said.

According to Mogul, the delay in filling the position is because Rehnstrom only announced she was leaving the second week in January. Finding the right person is difficult, Mogul said, because new health service physicians and nurses must have both strong interpersonal and clinical skills. An intern at Health Services, Pamela Mund (BC '89), is participating in the hiring process.

"Sensitivity is the hallmark of a good health care provider. She can not be judgemental or overly maternal. We want students to feel comfortable talk-



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Is this door revolving?

ing with them. It is helpful if they are younger," said Mogul.

According to a number of Rehnstrom's former patients at Bar-  
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## Women's Center Inaugurates Lecture Series



Bulletin/Kate Zimmerman  
Temma Kaplan, Celia Alvarez, and Leslie Calman

by Jessica Malberg

The Barnard Center for Research on Women will hold its first lecture in the *Women's Lunch Series* on Wednesday, Feb. 8, with Celia Alvarez, a professor of Bilingual and Bicultural Education at Teachers College.

The Women's Lunch Series is one of many programs

offered by the Center. Additionally, the *Women's History Series* and *Conversations About Women* are seminars which will go on throughout the semester.

Director of the Barnard Center for Research on Women, Dr. Temma Kaplan said, "With these seminars, we try to raise people's knowledge about subjects that are not widely publicized."

Celia Alvarez, for example, has done work and research on Puerto Rican women, who up to now have received very little representation and attention.

The program format will vary slightly from the previous year's. In the past, the seminars ran for two years in the afternoon, which attracted many professors and staff, both from Columbia and other New York colleges, but not many students.

The new format will consist of a one-hour lecture and question and answer session. Additionally, the series has been changed to a brown bag lunch, rather than charging a fee for a catered lunch. Kaplan felt that both the length of the seminars and the nominal fee that was charged may have been driving students away, and decided to rectify the

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## AIDS Peer Education Returns To Campus

by Sara B. Ivry

Within the coming weeks Barnard Health Service's new AIDS peer-education group will begin on-campus workshops and programs.

The group, tentatively called Students Providing Education and Counseling on HIV (SPEACH), came together last semester when Health Service's former AIDS Peer Educators (APE) chose to disassociate with Health Services.

According to a member of SPEACH Holli Berman (BC '91), the new group is comprised of two Columbia College students and four Barnard students who volunteered to participate.

"AIDS is an all encompassing issue and you don't have to be a medical person to learn the problems and teach others," Berman said. "It is life-threatening and that makes it important. I feel I have to do something about it."

AIDS peer education began at

Barnard in the spring semester of 1987. According to Director of Health Services Dr. Harriette Mogul, it was at that time that Mary Shrader, (BC '87), expressed an interest in working with Health Services in designing an AIDS education group.

Mogul worked with Shrader and current APE coordinator Leslie Kantor (BC '89) in creating the APE program, which presented workshops and presentations to the Barnard community. According to Mogul, at that time the group's curriculum was put together by Health Services with the help of the New York AIDS Task Force.

Mogul indicated that the formation of SPEACH is not exceptional. It is a continuation of the AIDS peer-education program at Barnard. A new name was necessary because the original group's name, APE, was taken by the group of student educators who broke away from Health Services last spring.

According to Mogul, in January 1988 the former APEs decided that they no longer wanted their curriculum to be screened by Health Services and refused to submit the curriculum to Health Services for approval before presenting the information to the Barnard community.

Throughout the spring semester negotiations between APE and the Barnard administration took place, during which the two groups sought a resolution. However, no agreement was reached and last June APE submitted a letter to the administration stating that it wanted to exist at Barnard independently of Health Services.

Barnard did not honor this request and imposed a moratorium on APE on Oct. 20, 1988.

According to Mogul, Health Services and SPEACH welcome APE to join SPEACH in its training and pro-

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## Rep Council Denies Women's Coop Voting Privileges

by Lori Hitselberger

### □ Women's Coop

Rep Council rejected Women's Coop's proposal to establish a third category of organizations with voting privileges. The proposal was defeated 19 to three with three abstentions.

Currently there are two categories of organizations recognized by Barnard's Student Government Association (SGA). The first category is

administration-oriented service groups, which are labelled committees, and the second is student-administered groups which are labelled clubs.

The Women's Coop is neither a club nor a committee and therefore wanted to form a third category with two elected representatives.

University Senator Veena Sud (BC '89) said that Rep Council's decision

reflected the inadequate structure of SGA as a whole.

"SGA is pretty much an apolitical body. We believed that the third category would open a way for service organizations, which don't appeal to just one group of students but rather to the entire student body," Sud said. "SGA refuses to really care about issues that are intrinsic to the college."

### □ Seven Sisters Conference

SGA also discussed the upcoming Seven Sister's Conference which will take place at Barnard the first weekend in March. Seven representatives from each college - Barnard, Wellesley, Smith, Mount Holyoke, Vassar, Radcliffe, and Bryn Mawr - will attend. The discussion topic will be "Combating Violence Against Women on Campus." Lectures will be open to all students, while smaller discussions will be limited to the representatives.

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Jan. 30 Rep Council Meeting

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## Seven Sisters Conference Offers Barnard Many Opportunities

by Michelle Auerbach

There are a myriad of serious women's issues that deserve attention on Barnard's campus; the dearth of women gynecologists at Health services, the recurring problems of sexual harassment and violence against women, the use of gender neutral language, the question of single sex fraternities, etc.

Every so often however, and especially at the beginning of a new semester, it is gratifying to lift our noses from the proverbial grindstone and take stock of what we have accomplished here thus far.

Last year's "Take Back the Night" rally and the establishment of the Barnard Women's Cooperative have catapulted the causes of feminism into the forefront of our consciousness. And as we are addressing women's issues the issue of feminism is bound to emerge.

Although I know I am by no means speaking for the entirety of Barnard, I am glad that so much positive feminist work has been accomplished here. The Women's Coop, as an umbrella organization, has fostered the growth of many smaller interest groups which are affecting positive changes on this campus e.g. the Take Back the Night rally this year is in the planning stages and the Jewish Feminist Organization has Susan Weidman Schneider of Lillith Magazine speaking on Feb. 14. There are rap sessions on every conceivable issue and the Seven Sisters Task Force is being organized by Women's Coop members and SGA.

The Seven Sister's Women's Conference is an important and very positive forum for women's issues and deserves further explanation. This year the Conference will be hosted at Barnard on the weekend of March 3-5 at Barnard. In our Centennial we have the honor and immense workload that accompanies this gathering of delegates from all of the Seven Sister schools.

The topic chosen for this year's conference is "Combatting Violence Against Women on the Seven Sisters'

Campuses." All of the lectures at the conference are open to the Barnard community. These events will provide educated and pertinent information about issues such as date rape, acquaintance rape, self defense and security. As women in New York City and on college campuses, this information may prove invaluable.

This event is important to the women's community as more than just a source of information. It provides a feminist forum for women from different schools, political backgrounds, and

sexual persuasions to communicate. The experience engenders action and provides all of the participants with a renewed fervor for women's issues. This energy is bound to be good for our campus morale and it will hopefully help us to achieve the goals of having a safer campus and a more informed community.

If you are interested in women's issues, stand among the Seven Sisters. While there may be serious problems for all of us as women here at Barnard, it is reassuring to remember that much



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# Superwoman May Save The World

*But Not Without Barnard's Help*

by Joni Finegold

It is not enough for Barnard merely to state in the catalog that is a college for women, dedicated to their needs. Barnard should take an active step in living up to its claim by instituting feminist education as part of the core here.

Barnard should offer a new core course, besides *Freshmen English and Seminar* — *Feminism and Being Female* — it could be an interdisciplinary course, or a grouping of courses offered to upper-class students. This may be a far-fetched idea, but a ques-

The result of the superwoman ideal is often divorce, disappointment, and unhappiness.

tion needs to be addressed here at Barnard — a question many women find very difficult to answer and even more difficult to ignore (believe me, I have tried).

Over break, I had a lot of free time on my hands, a dangerous thing. Obscenely, as a second-semester so-

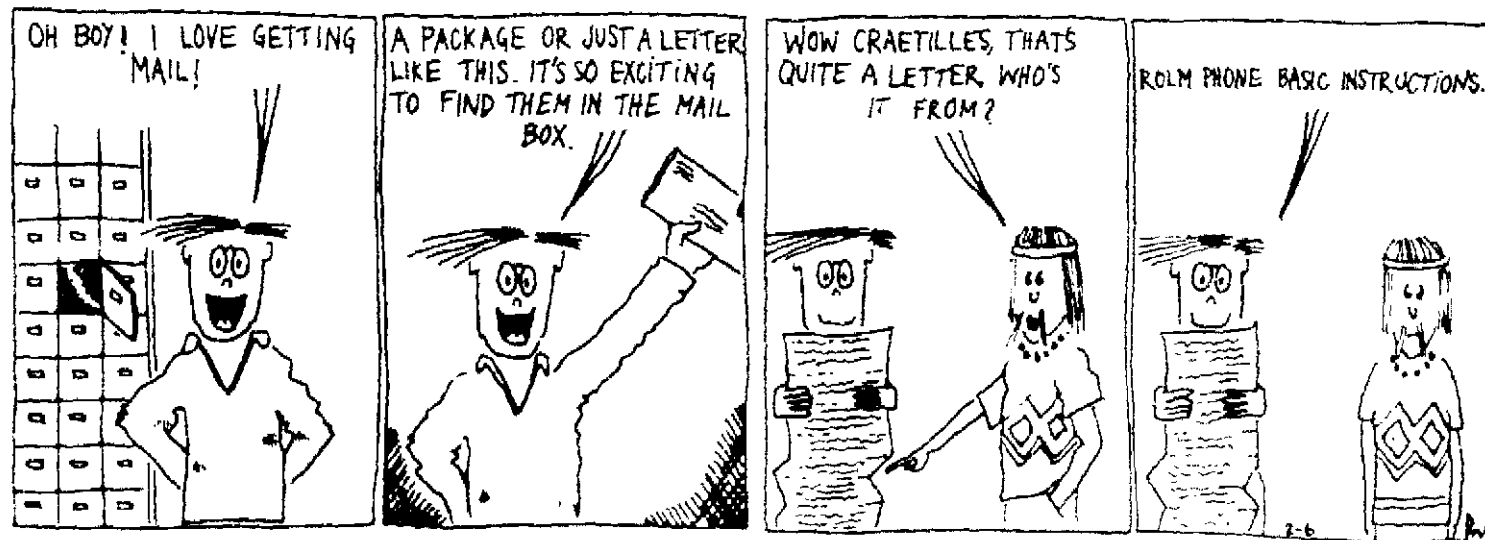
phomore, I started evaluating and re-evaluating my plans, aspirations, and dreams. I came upon a clash. Like other Barnard students, I am a paradox. On the one hand, I am a traditionalist. I have a steady boyfriend that I plan to marry, and I see children and suburbia in the future. On the other hand, for years I have aspired to the independent-woman-of-the-world ideal. My aspirations consist of a brilliant career in foreign service, encompassing many assignments and many homes. The question is, how can I reconcile my domestic dreams with my international ones?

I am not the only one caught in this dilemma. Here we are at Barnard, constantly encouraged to be the most we can be, to use our smarts and our dreams to accomplish things truly admirable for ourselves and our world. At the same time, it is difficult, and often undesirable, to give up the tradition, pleasure, and privilege of motherhood and marriage.

We are not the first women to be faced with this dilemma. The first was a graduating class of say fifteen years ago. However, we now see what is happening to that class. It didn't all work out happily ever after. In this era of Yuppies, power lunches, appointment books, and twelve-hours work days,

where is room for the traditional things that we want to fit in? The result of the superwoman ideal is often divorce, disappointment, and unhappiness. Right in front of us we have more opportunities to take advantage of and achieve in than women have ever had before, but are the results we have seen going to scare us away from them? The choice is even harder now.

This is a dilemma for women of our generation. The feminist fight still needs to be fought. We now wonder what to do with the spoils of the first battles, the new choices and challenges. As a women's school of the best and brightest, Barnard as a whole needs to address these choices seriously. No one is asking us to give up a husband and children, but how will we juggle it and fit it all in without being completely overwhelmed and unsatisfied? Barnard, through the Women's Coop, Career Services, curricula, faculty, and administration, as well as SGA, should take the need for a new perspective seriously, helping my fellow students and myself evaluate the choices and opportunities now upon us. This is the new feminism, and as a women's school, Barnard should lead in its exploration. Joni Finegold is a Barnard College sophomore





Go Ask Alice

DEAR ALICE:

My life's been a scathing hell since I bought a kitten at the beginning of the academic year. I've kept it in my dorm room, concealing it from my residence counselor, caring for its daily bodily needs. It was fun at first, coming home to a cute little ball of fur. But the animal has sprouted into a beast, a wretched feline-thing that bears a grudge of unknown origin against me. It watches me. It has tried to hurt me. It tried to claw my face one night while I slept, but I awoke in time to catch the beast hovering over my prostrate, defenseless body. I flung the animal into the bookshelf and it slunk out of my room and into the kitchen. But it exists, it breathes, and it paces my room daily, its inexplicable hatred of me growing with every new moon. What do I do to rid myself of the cursed creature?

Plagued by Night and Day

Dear P.N.D.:

You must outsmart the beast. Call it by different names, rearrange the furniture, paint fake mice on the walls - anything to keep it off balance. Smile at its insolence, laugh at its ill will, defy its scowl and its ghoulish ruminations. Show no mercy, for, of course, your life might well be in the balance. Drive the animal berserk and send it to the private hell where it belongs.

DEAR ALICE:

My boyfriend broke up with me last month, and I'm having problems getting up the courage to date anyone else. Also, we went out for such a long time, and he had me under such a spell, that I'm afraid he spoiled me for anyone else. Got any advice?

A Little Confused

Dear A.L.C.:

You must forget your old beau - who I've heard is short, scrawny, balding and generally unattractive. You were an ugly couple. It's just a question of dragging your decrepit self back up onto that wild, bucking, half-crazed horse again.

DEAR ALICE:

What makes you think you have anything to say? And what makes you think the "Dear Alice" column is funny? Columns like this belong in The New York Post, but not in Barnard's newspaper. The column is in bad taste, in part because it perpetrates the myth that women are prone to seek

pithy words of advice from anyone who will listen to their shallow problems. Also, you may think your condescending tone is funny; if anything, it's only the pathetic work of some timid person too afraid to put her name on anything.

Give It Up

Dear G.I.U.:

I'm sure it was, but you forgot the teaspoon of milk. They'll be browner, moister and probably tastier that way. But your touch with the sliced apple was nice, and I'll give it a try over the weekend.

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## Good Clubs: A Dying Breed

by Rachel Felder

This week's sermon isn't my usual trying-to-be-articulate review of what's on about town, but a complaint, plain and simple. Now that you've been warned, here it comes.

Having been based in this crumbling city for all of my twenty-odd years, I have reached the sad conclusion that there are no decent clubs here. I'm not talking eating clubs (we've got that), or health clubs (plenty of those), or even the Billiards Club, which is definitely my idea of a good time. I'm talking about dark, smoky night clubs, the kind you see in beatnik movies and are, or so I hear, the ultimate place to see bands.

I also hear that every other city with lots of people our age and a big university has got these cavernous venues. (Then again, rumor has it that other cities have commercial stations that play alternative music.) Sure, there are places like the Knitting Factory, which fits all the great club criteria, except for the fact that it plays mostly jazz, and the World, which is a nice place and has good bands occasionally, but is hotter than a dish of Szechuan chicken with peanuts. But, acts like REM and the Replacements and the Violent Femmes and Tracy Chapman and all those other left-of-center, but now-on-the-charts, acts

built their followings in the kind of atmospheric place I'm talking about.

As a New Yorker, I'm obviously denied things like affordable rent and a backyard, is it really fair to deny us hearty urbanites the privilege of enjoying a good band in an intimate surrounding.

At this point, I should admit that some clubs fit the bill on a good night. The Bottom Line can be an almost magical place to see a "soon they'll hit it big" band. Occasionally a place like the Rodeo Bar or the Lone Star will have a welcome surprise. But it seems that too many performance spaces in this city are either too dirty or too big or too expensive.

I hate to get angry, but music is something I'm passionate about (evidence), and I feel, as I'm sure some of you motivated readers out there do, a little outraged and denied at the prospect of no ideal place to hear it other than next to my beaten-up stereo. If I had the money, time, and necessary experience, I would open up my own world's-most-wonderful rock club, but, alas, I have none of the above. If you do, you'd be doing the whole city a favor, and I'd be your first customer. P.S. As long as you can tolerate the bus ride, Hoboken's Maxwell's is the closest this area comes to a perfect club.

## Rachel's Rigamarole

**Barnard Performs** — Needless to say, this concert of star-studded alumnae like Suzanne Vega, Laurie Anderson, and Joan Rivers (some combination!) is not to be missed. Look for a review in next week's Bulletin. February 8, Carnegie Hall, 8 p.m.

**"Last of the Famous International Playboys"** — The old "I wear black on the outside because black is how I feel on the inside" Morrissey is back with a typically sombre, typically wonderful import single.

**Words** — A interesting collection of lots of drop-their-name artists like Jenny Holzer, Neil Jenney, and Barbara Kruger. Tony Shafrazi Gallery, 163 Mercer Street, through Feb. 18.

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who give advice to their patients are generally not the scientists doing the research" Barad said.

Professor Barad has accepted a faculty position at Pomona College in Claremont, California.

Professor Leslie Root, also of the physics department, said she shares Barad's opinions. She feels that the number of science majors at Barnard is increasing very slowly.

A major problem with physics at Barnard, she said, is "most courses are at Columbia, and students are not given the support that they came to Barnard for."

Professor Sally Chapman, Chair of the science department has a more optimistic outlook on the science department.

"In my opinion," she said, "a very real commitment is there — yet, for various reasons, I believe that Barnard College students are not being served well."

She added that a women's college has a mission to attract women to fields that in the past have not had a lot of women. "We should do better — but it will be a long, slow process."

She listed many factors that work against enlarging Barnard's science department - primarily a lack of funds used to hire new faculty. She did, however, state that the department was advertising for a new faculty member even before Barad announced her resignation.

"When we hired [Barad], we had the same outlook on the department as we do now - that it can be improved. I can understand her frustration but am very sorry that she is leaving - she cared deeply about the students and had the vision to improve that department."

Chapman said there is a need for added support to prospective physics majors, "I understand that the first-year experience is unsatisfactory, and we will have to address this problem."

Chapman hopes eventually to form a physics department with three full-time professors. She would also like to

implement something similar to the first semester of the four-semester sequence currently required of all Columbia College physics majors. This would support prospective physics majors at Barnard from the department directly, as opposed to relying on support from Columbia College professors.

"No one thinks we can create a free-standing program for physics - it can't be like chemistry or biology."

Chapman agrees that Barad's complaints are well founded; and that the department is in need of improvement, but sounds optimistic for the future.

"Even though our endowment isn't that strong, we are committed - we're not doing well but we want to improve."

## Health Services

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nard, they were not notified of her departure and were surprised to call and find that she had left.

Kimiko Link (BC) said, she was not disappointed when she heard Rehnstrom had left, "I thought that she was very impersonal and did not take time to answer my questions."

Laura Helfman is currently filling Dr. Rehnstrom's position as gynecologist. She began working at Health Services the last week of last semester to help offset the tremendous demand for gynecological services.

Mogul said, Helfman "will continue to do some gynecology and general medical care as a staff physician" when Rehnstrom's permanent replacement has been hired.

A Barnard graduate, Helfman is in the process of completing her gynecology residency and is a licensed physician. According to Mogul, Helfman is qualified to perform office gynecology which excludes only surgical operations.

Kathy Krieger is the new Nursing Care Coordinator, who, among other

things, will be organizing the gynecology service and taking some appointments. Her primary duty, according to Mogul, is to figure out scheduling and regulate patient intake since gynecologists are only part time.

The Nutrition Counselor Anna Sussman is also new to Health Services this year. Mogul said Sussman was trained as a nurse clinician in Israel. Sussman will act also as a health and fitness counselor, promoting dietary preventative medicine.

Julia Schwartz has replaced Lisa Vitkus as Assistant to the Director. Her job entails organization, office management, and troubleshooting. She has been the Department Secretary in several medical facilities.

## Smoking

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smoking campaign. Besides the table signs, mailboxes were stuffed asking for students' cooperation, notices were sent to faculty and staff, and a large sign on an easel sits next to the stairs on the lower level of McIntosh, further reminding people of the no-smoking policy.

"It has worked," said Brown. "I have not seen anyone breaking the rule. People are being very considerate."

There is no formal punishment for breaking the smoking restrictions. Anyone bothered by smoke in a non-smoking area is responsible to ask the smoker to stop.

If, however, a given smoker repeatedly smokes in non-smoking areas and ignores requests to stop, some type of punishment may be instituted.

Some students have complained that despite the smoking and non-smoking regions, McIntosh is entirely too small a room not to be affected by any smoking in it. According to the policy, however, McIntosh meets the minimum-size requirement for a no-smoking section.

## Seminars

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situation by establishing a new format for the programs.

"We serve the community, but we're also a part of Barnard and have to be sensitive to the needs of the students" Kaplan said.

The Center currently has a mailing list of 1600-1800 female feminists, journalists, scholars, and lawyers in the tri-state area, who are very loyal to the center. The seminars are designed promote interest, as well as concern, for political and social issues, among those women and the whole Barnard community.

## AIDS

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grams.

"APEs are always invited to work with SPEACH, to participate and work together but so far they have elected not to join us," said Mogul.

Mogul also said, the differences between APE and SPEACH are not many.

"The difference between the groups," said Mogul, "is that there seems to be a political focus to the (APE), while we have tried to stay out of politics."

According to Kantor, the "politics" has to do with taking a strong stance against homophobia in group programs and presentations.

"(Health Services) are interested in a pale agenda which we can't go along with. They are homophobic," said Kantor.

According to Berman, however, SPEACH is apolitical only insofar that presentations will be non-judgmental.

"We are not political in that we are value-free and teach the facts in a value-free setting," said Berman. "People will hopefully create their own values that are non-discriminatory. We don't dogmatically teach what is right or wrong but try to be as neutral as possible."

According to SPEACH student

coordinator Naomi Stotland (BC '91), SPEACH's training consisted of an intensive weekend of educational and informational workshops over winter break, preceded by several presentations by various medical experts during the fall semester.

Over the course of this semester various speakers will continue updating SPEACH and will inform them of new medical and technological findings. In addition SPEACH will present speakers in the dormitories and will eventually provide one-to-one counseling for students private questions, said Stotland.

Since the imposition of the moratorium APE has been working with provisional status as a sub-group of Columbia Gay and Lesbian Association (CGLA) at Earl Hall.

At a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 2, the Board of Directors at Earl Hall unanimously approved APE's request for full status as an Earl Hall organization.

The granting of full Earl Hall status entitles APE to funding from CGLA and the Columbia College Women's Center. The status also grants APE

access to all Columbia University Residence Halls. Kantor is uncertain if access includes Barnard dormitories.

## SGA

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### Medical Newsletter

The Committee for Health Services announced plans to publish a Health Services newsletter, which will come out twice a semester.

According to Student Representative to Health Services Aviva Appleman (BC '89), students will be able to understand the information included in the newsletter regardless of their medical knowledge. The publication will present common health issues like the dangers of caffeine and nutritional information.

"I don't want it to address just the science majors, it should address the health concerns of the whole Barnard Community," said Appleman.

The Health Services Committee is currently looking for writers for the publication.

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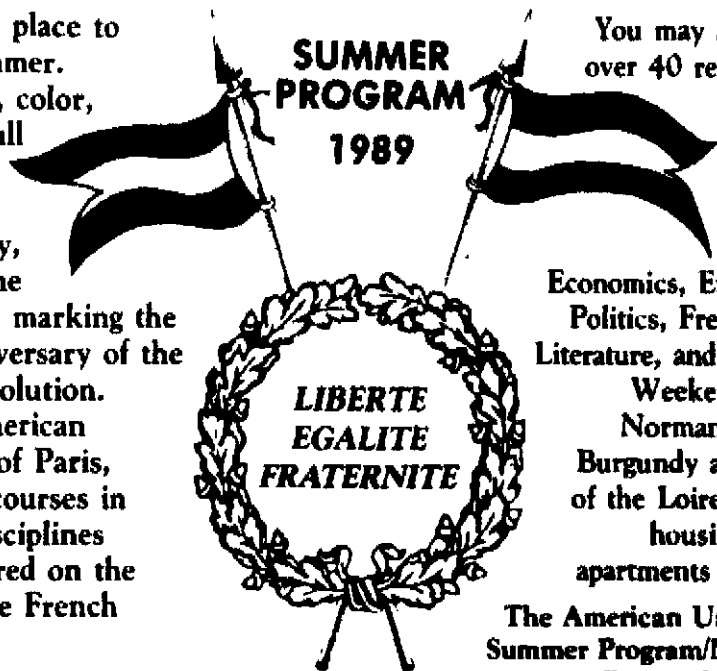
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**IMPORTANT DATES** with which you need to be familiar are listed on pp. 6-7 of Barnard Catalogue. Consult these pages to avoid missing opportunities and critical deadlines. The calendar in the Student Guide also provides a handy means of referring to them.

**SOURCES OF VITAL INFORMATION:** Listed on pp. 91-94 of the BARNARD STUDENT GUIDE are the names and numbers of the very people who can answer almost every conceivable question regarding your academic life here.

**JUNIORS** interested in applying for the 1989-90 SENIOR SCHOLAR PROGRAM or for the JOINT SIPA-BARNARD PROGRAM (see Catalogue, pp. 39 and 42, for details) should make an appointment with Senior Class Dean King in the Office of the Dean of Studies, 105 Milbank, x42024, by mid-February. Applications for both programs must be filed by WED., MAR. 1.

**FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION** for 1989-90 may be picked up beginning February 15. Students currently receiving aid from the College must submit a new application to have their aid renewed for next year. Applications must be obtained in person at the Office of Financial Aid, Room 14 Milbank. The deadline for submitting completed forms is TUES., APR. 18.

**COLLEGE WORK-STUDY JOBS:** Funds are still available for work-study jobs. Students who are interested in obtaining work-study jobs and are currently receiving aid

from the College should go to the financial aid office to apply.

**MAY '89 GRADUATES** are reminded to file their Diploma Name Cards with the Registrar by FRI., FEB. 3. Consult Dean King or Mrs. Appel in 105 Milbank, x42024, if you have not received a letter in your campus mailbox concerning commencement.

**SENIORS:** Remember to R.S.V.P. for Senior Dinner by WED., FEB. 8, to 224 Milbank or call x42005, Office of Alumnae Affairs. (Let them know if you have not received an invitation.)

**PRE-MEDS** are invited to meet with Dean Rowland TUES., FEB. 14, at noon or 1 P.M., in the Jean Palmer Room (Upper level McIntosh) to review procedures for applying to health professional schools (medical, dental, veterinary, optometry).

**AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE:** McIntosh Mini-course co-sponsored by Office for Disability Services for 10 weeks beginning MON., FEB. 13, 6:30 p.m., 206 Centennial Hall. Fee: \$10.

**RELEASE OF DIRECTORY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, the College may release, at its discretion and without prior authorization from the student, the following information: name, class, home or college address and telephone number, major field, date and place of birth, dates of attendance at Barnard, degrees, honors and awards, and previous school most recently attended. The law also gives the student the right to place limitations on the release of this information. A student who wishes to do so must file a special form with the Registrar by TUES., FEB. 20. In practice, the College does not indiscriminately release information about individual students

## Notes From SGA

Almost one year has passed since the drastic restructuring of Rep Council. Yet, despite the enormous amount of change, Rep Council is still struggling to define itself.

At the last Rep Council meeting a proposal to create a new category of voting members was rejected. The proposal would have allowed for groups like the Women's Coop, McAc, or other major student-service groups to have voting privileges. The heated discussion that preceded the vote illustrated the dilemma of defining Barnard's only legislative council.

Is Rep Council the place for student groups to push their own agenda, or are the elected officials supposed to be non-partisan, therefore representing all the students? Are we a "headline-seeking" council or is there more to us than that? And if we are not in the headlines does that mean that we are unimportant and apathetic?

Rep Council will continue with its identity search always seeking advice and input from you, the students we are elected to represent.

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- LUNCHTIME MUSIC, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12:30 PM
- BOBW BLACK WOMEN FROM THE UN, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 7:30-9PM
- MINICOURSE REGISTRATION, UPPER LEVEL MCINTOSH
- MORTARBOARD ORDERS, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12-2PM
- HEOP/STEP FOOD FESTIVAL, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 12-2PM

## WEDNESDAY

- ASHWEDNESDAY
- MORTARBOARD ORDERS, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12-2PM
- LUNCHTIME MUSIC, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12:30PM
- BARNARD PERFORMS WITH LAURIE ANDERSON, SUZANNE VEGA AND JOAN RIVERS, CARNEGIE HALL, 8PM
- MINICOURSE REGISTRATION, UPPER LEVEL MCINTOSH
- BARNARD WINTERFEST

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- MCAC BEACH PARTY, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 10PM
- MORTARBOARD ORDERS,

## FRIDAY

- KOREAN STUDENTS PARTY, MCINTOSH, 9-2AM
- MORTARBOARD ORDERS, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12-2PM
- BARNARD WINTERFEST
- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. PRINCETON (AWAY)

## SATURDAY

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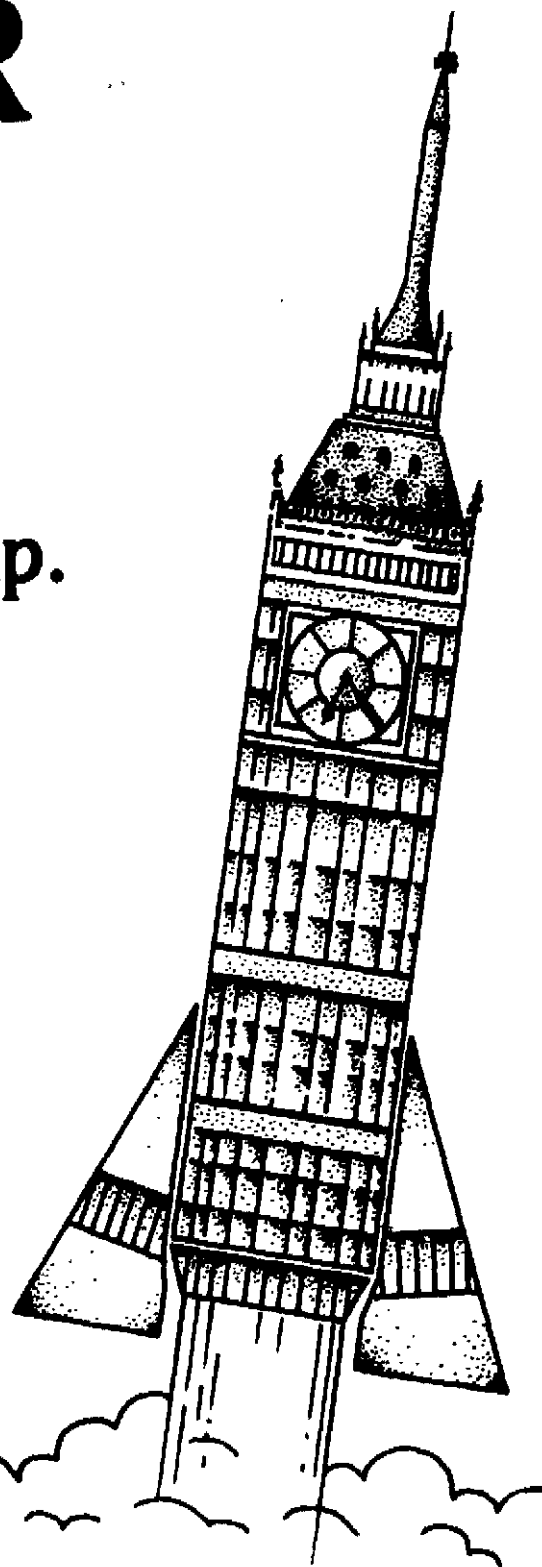
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