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Apprehending ROLM's Obscene Phone Caller More Telling Than You Think

To many students the apprehension of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences student who sent the obscene phone call through the ROLM phone system meant justice served.

One of the advantages of the ROLM system that the University boasted about to students was its ability to trace such harassing phone calls. And in this respect it has worked. The prankster who for the last three years has called Columbia University women, impersonating a police officer investigating a pornography ring, does not seem to have placed any calls so far this semester. Or at least none have been reported to Barnard security.

Given that the system can only automatically record calls from one ROLM phone to another, the absence of the prankster's calls may indicate that the caller is a Columbia University student. Yet, more importantly, the fact that the only calls that are automatically recorded are internal ROLM calls hints at the other not so beneficial uses of this phone system.

The numerous obscene pranksters who call from off-campus face no greater threat of getting caught than they did before. But, the numerous spring protests planned over the ROLM phones do face a greater chance of being subverted by the University than they did before.

No matter what students' personal feelings about campus activism may be, they should be concerned about the administration's possible abuse of the ROLM phone — abuse that may violate their civil rights. Obviously, it is not feasible for students to relay all messages they wish to keep secret through an off-campus phone or the mail, nor is it necessary.

Instead, students should set up a small committee that would help monitor the University's use of the ROLM system. They could have access to every conversation recorded by the University and would watch for abuses of this feature. These students would have to keep the contents of recorded conversations confidential, or face expulsion. However, armed with a set of guidelines restricting the administration's use of ROLM's tracing feature, such a committee would help to protect the civil rights of conservatives and radicals alike, depending on who controls the power structure.

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Fed's Affiliation with Columbia Hurts Community

To the editor:

K. Elizabeth Weir's article in the *Federalist Paper* regarding the Barnard-Columbia affiliation ("Origins of Inequality," Feb. 15) is riddled with unjustified denunciation of Barnard College. We are outraged and disappointed.

Weir's patronizing language is loaded, insulting and uncalled for. We would expect more from a Columbia College student. She describes Barnard's assets, its "beloved, nurturing community," with condescending rhetoric, clearly emphasizing her own discontent and alienation from her "respected Ivy League institution." The charged statement that Columbia "pursues a 'good will' policy toward Barnard," implies a superior-inferior relationship whereby Barnard College inherently requires the noble assistance of Columbia. This is a duly unfounded premise, and we are pained that you harbor such ill will.

We wish that you could recognize the merits of Barnard College as a creative force. Not only do its classes enhance and complement those offered by Columbia, but its population supplements Columbia University's community atmosphere.

And if Barnard's academic reputation is perceived to be inferior to that of Columbia's, then why are our classes constantly being bombarded with enthusiastic Columbia participants? Obviously, those students do not "find less value in the exchange."

Through cooperation, perhaps we can fulfill our community's goals with strength and conviction. Alienating a fourth of the undergraduate population of the University only leads to widespread decay and a corrosion of the

community as a whole. Let's create, not destroy.

Meghan Archdeacon (BC '91)

Jennifer McQuade (BC '91)

Renana Meyers (BC '91)

The Infamous Red Truck Should Be Used for a Noble Cause

To the editor:

It has come to our attention that the Barnard administration has decided to sell the infamous, bisected McIntosh red truck instead of merely "disposing" of it as President Futter suggested in 1987. ("Rep Council The Way It Should Be," *Barnard Bulletin*, Nov. 23, 1987). If Barnard can find a buyer for the truck, great. However, if Barnard can not find a buyer, perhaps Barnard should show a commitment to public service by donating the truck to some area school, child center, or soup kitchen. We are sure that a local facility would really appreciate the extra service space. Furthermore, this donation clearly would demonstrate Barnard's commitment to community service.

Anna J. Notation (BC '90)

Susan Lane (BC '90)

Julie Berman (BC '89)

Jamie Hirota (BC '89)

A More Positive Statement About the Sciences at Barnard

To the editor:

Bulletin's Feb. 6 article discussing science, particularly physics, at Barnard, ("Barad Leaves, Citing Failure in Sciences at Barnard"), performed a service by drawing attention to the important issue of women in science and how to increase their number. I was happy to contribute to the article. However, due to the editing my remarks sounded less positive than they actually were. I would like to clarify my position.

The lack of physics majors at Barnard is a very real problem. The faculty and administration are taking

steps to address it, however. We are making plans for an introductory physics course at Barnard. This is an important first step because students will begin their studies in physics with the small class size and close personal interaction that is Barnard's strength. In addition, students will get to know each other and the faculty, so that a strong support system will be established, which will continue throughout students' careers. We are also discussing plans to offer support for Barnard students taking physics courses at Columbia.

While there are certainly problems, I think that this is an exciting time for physics at Barnard. There is enormous student interest in science in general and physics in particular. Students, faculty, administration, and national policy-makers all agree on the importance of encouraging women to study science. Thus, I am hopeful that with the continued commitment and dedication of the science faculty, along with active support from the administration, we will see real improvement.

Leslie Root

Barnard Physics Professor

SGA Undergoes Major Structural Changes

by Lori Hitselberger

The number of voting members on Barnard College's Rep Council will be decreased from 28 to 19 next semester.

This proposal, submitted by the executive board of Barnard's Student Government Association (SGA), was passed by a 16 to one vote with two abstentions at SGA's last meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15.

According to SGA Vice-President for Student Government Leora Joseph (BC '90), the purpose of the change is to increase efficiency at SGA meetings.

The proposal eliminates all committees from having voting positions in SGA and releases the committee from mandatory attendance at Rep Council meetings. Instead, the committees will submit monthly reports to SGA, which will be circulated to the council and publicly posted.

"This proposal doesn't seek to abolish any committees. I just question the need of their being at the meetings," Joseph said.

The committee appointments will

be made by the newly founded Appointments Committee by Oct. 1 of each academic year. A new voting position, Liaison to Student Services, will be created to oversee and represent the committees at all Rep Council meetings.

According to College Activities Representative Janet Alperstein (BC '92), appointments to committees will be beneficial.

"A lot more can get accomplished. More people are apt to apply for appointments than elections," she said.

Another stipulation of the proposal suggested by Representative-at-Large Julie Werner (BC '91) is the addition of a School of General Studies liaison. The new position ensures that all four undergraduate colleges will now be represented at Rep Council meetings.

The only voting members will be four from the Executive Board, Board of Trustees (2), Senator (1), Representatives-at-Large (3), Budget Review (1), Columbia College Liaison (1), Engineering Liaison (1), School of General Studies Liaison (1), the class



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SGA Meeting

Presidents (4), and Liaison to Student Services (1). SGA meetings will continue to be open to all students.

In other news, Rep Council unanimously decided to impose an \$8 activities fee increase starting next year in order to meet new expenses. The proposal must be approved by the Budget Review Committee before being instituted officially.

"We are very, very poor and we need more money to function," SGA President Chris Giordano said.

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Pro-Choicers Counter-Protest in Vain

by Maria Mahling

Operation Rescue, a pro-life organization, was scheduled to demonstrate on Saturday, Feb. 11 at a local Planned Parenthood to prevent its daily opening. Counter-demonstrators, including approximately 70 Barnard and Columbia students, attended as did police officers instructed to keep order between the demonstrators.

However, a large demonstration never materialized because Operation Rescue never appeared at the clinic. Instead the group rallied at a Planned Parenthood clinic in Woodbridge, New Jersey.

According to member of Barnard

and Columbia Students for Choice (BCSC) Laura Milliken (BC '89), the turnout of Columbia University students was, "very exciting because it was early in the morning."

Some students complained about the handling of the protest, claiming certain student political organizations took charge. BCSC does not intend to alienate students with specific political and religious beliefs.

"We are not ideologues...we don't stand on the right, the left, or the middle," said Milliken. Chair of BCSC's Education Committee Laura Weimann (BC '89) said, BCSC will concentrate "on the issue (of repro-

ductive rights) alone...There are many different organizations with agendas that address abortion as a moral issue."

BCSC will continue to actively oppose Operation Rescue even though it is not on their formal agenda.

The Barnard and Columbia Students for Choice (BCSC) have also mobilized to stop the possible overturning of the *Roe v. Wade* decision. According to Milliken (BC '89), the organization's goal is to educate the University community on reproductive rights, to get people to the Reproductive Rights March at Washington D.C. on Apr. 9, and to oppose Operation Rescue.

University Students Propose United Congress

by Sara B. Ivry

Preparations and proposals are now underway for the formation of a new University Student Congress that would act as a governing body representing the 17 scholastic divisions within Columbia University.

The committee that developed the concept of the new congress introduced its statement of purpose at Barnard's Rep Council meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 16.

According to SGA Vice-President for Student Government Leora Joseph (BC '90), the new student congress will not replace current governing bodies in any of the university's divisions, nor will it replace the University Senate, the University Senate's Sub-Committee on Student Affairs or the Student Caucus sub-committee of the Senate.

According to the statement of purpose, "The Congress is not intended to legislate specific rules for each school.

We will not replace individual school student governments, but will work in cooperation with those bodies to improve the quality of life on campus."

The Congress, unlike the University Senate, which includes administration and faculty, intends to be a wholly student-run organization.

According to Chair of Columbia Student Council Jared Goldstein (CC '89), one tentative proposal for the composition of the congress is to include special representatives, elected or appointed, from each undergraduate and graduate division, along with the presidents of each student council, and the university senators.

Rich Froehlich (GSAS '89), a graduate from Columbia College and Columbia Law School and founder of the Coalition Acting for Racial Awareness (CARA) and one of the organizers of the new congress, said the desire for

a new governing body has been growing for the last year.

"This semester is when it has started to take shape," said Froehlich. "This is in recognition of the fact there is no general structure to bring out the student voice."

Although as of yet there are no guidelines precisely dictating the role of the new congress, some responsibilities suggested are founding a university-wide book co-op, providing cooperative child-care for students, hosting an alternative career services fair, and providing legal services.

Other functions may include creating a university information center, publishing a calendar of university events, co-sponsorship of events between schools and improving university-wide facilities such as health and dining services.

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Obscene Phone Caller Connects Barnard and St. Francis

by Sara B. Ivry

An obscene phone caller telephoned the student newspaper at St. Francis College in Brooklyn claiming to be a police lieutenant with knowledge of a pornography ring including two St. Francis students and one Barnard student. These obscene phone calls resemble ones placed to Barnard students over the past three years.

The editors of that newspaper, who requested that their names be withheld, said that a man who identified himself as Lieutenant Steve Taylor of the New York Police Department called once over the summer, on Thursday, Feb. 9 and again on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

The man introduced the issue by stating that such a ring exists and then proceeds to explain in detail the nature of the ring and the sex acts of those involved. The students at St. Francis said they knew it was a prank immediately.

"He was hesitant when we told him we notified the Dean," said an editor. "As soon as I wanted to transfer him to the Dean he hung up."

The editors called the New York City Police Department to check if any such lieutenant exists. A lieutenant by that name works with the department but was unable to be reached for comment. Other members of the police force assured St. Francis that the lieutenant was being illegally impersonated.

According to Director of Barnard Security John Scacalossi, such a prankster is criminally guilty of aggravated assault. Scacalossi also said that there is no possibility of any pornography ring.

"That is garbage," he said. "I can say with the utmost confidence that I don't think anything like that is going on."

Scacalossi said that at Barnard

similar prank strategies started in the fall semester of 1984 and have continued on and off since that time.

According to Scacalossi callers do not just call students but have also called administrators or graduate assistants.

In this most recent case it was evident that the caller had to be a local person. When he spoke to the editor, she identified herself by name, whereupon he associated and identified her with her exact position on the paper.

According to Scacalossi when these incidents have occurred at Barnard it has been very difficult to identify the caller because the mechanism for tapping the former Centrex phone system was very sophisticated and expensive.

There have been no such reported incidents since the ROLM system has

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New Barnard Club Tutors Local Public School Students

by Jessica Malberg

Students Helping Students (SHS) is a new Barnard College club that tutors elementary, middle, and high school students in the Morningside Heights area. Headed by Rachel Devlin (BC '89), the group was established early last semester as one of the many new activities commemorating Barnard's Centennial.

Devlin has worked with Community Impact throughout her years at Barnard and last semester Assisant to the President Tirza Wahrmann asked her to help establish a community-oriented group at Barnard.

After organizing Barnard students interested in the program and doing research on the needs of area schools, SHS developed an agenda and began working last fall.

The group works with many different schools and programs. At each school Barnard students are assigned to a teacher, and are then paired with a student who needs special help or attention in a subject. The estimated number of tutors this semester is 50, up from last semester's 35.

Elementary school P.S. 145 and junior high school P.S. 54 welcome student tutors from SHS for a few hours each week. West Side High, an alternative high school is also involved in the program. Students there have not had conventional education experiences. They may have previously dropped out or been expelled.

Another channel for SHS is the Rheedlen after-school program, which provides both day-care and tutoring for children. Many stu-

dents have been placed there because of truancy or family problems. So far the program is a success for both the students being tutored and the Barnard tutors.

"I can see how people can really like it. It's easy and exciting to work

**Students Helping
Students lets Barnard
take a more active,
direct role in
community service.**

with kids, and you also get a real sense that you are helping people with their future," said Devlin. "The program goes beyond tutoring. You listen to their problems and try to be a role model for them. Plus, the kids love the extra attention—it's something they don't

get in the public school system."

Courtney Keany (BC '90), who has participated in Students Helping Students since September, was equally enthusiastic about the program. "It's great—it's an all-encompassing thing. It's really interesting and the kids like it—it makes them feel special that you're devoting all your attention to them, if only for an hour or so."

Barnard established Students Helping Students because it wanted to take a more active, direct role in community service as opposed to working under the umbrella of the Community Impact organization at Earl Hall.

Since 70-80% of Community Impact volunteers are Barnard students, the administration wanted community-oriented groups to be more apparent on the Barnard campus. The extra funds raised during the Centennial have enabled Barnard to form this organization.

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Factions Must Unite for Freedom to Choose

by Michelle Auerbach

Roe v. Wade reversed, July, 1989. This is what the Barnard and Columbia Students for Choice (BCSC) fears — a Supreme Court decision overturning the 1973 decision that gave women their reproductive rights. And the forecast is bleak.

According to one member of the coordinating committee for BCSC, Laura Milliken (BC '89), 60% of the United States is pro-choice. According to the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL), 80% of the country is pro-choice with stipulations.

Only 20% of United States citizens are actually anti-choice, but of that 20%, 10% are politically active, while only 1% of the people who are pro-choice are politically active. The anti-choicers may be the minority, but they are a vocal, united, and well-funded minority.

The good news is far more than 1%

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of the pro-choice students on this campus attended the first meeting of the BCSC. Around 300 students, came together to save women's reproductive rights.

"We draw in people of all political stances," said Milliken, "our agendas are education and the march."

The committee members of BCSC are concerned that they have been presented as a group with a strong political leaning, which is not the case. BCSC was created in order to organize all of the members of our community around an issue that will effect all of our lives.

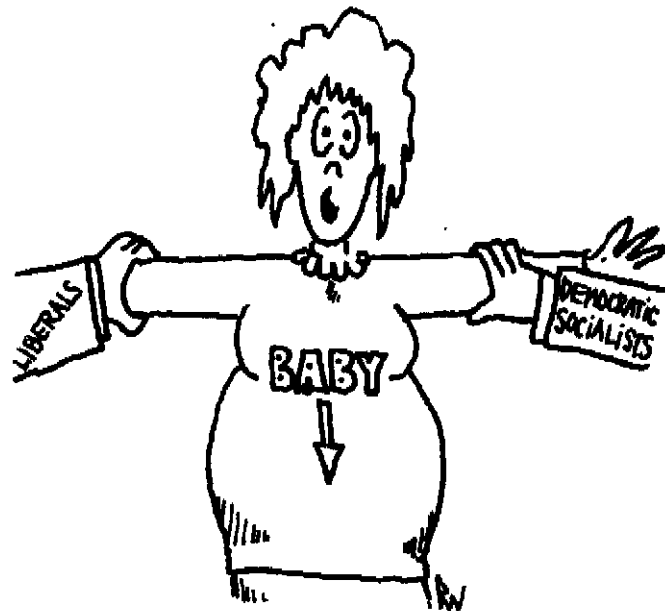
The BCSC plans to send students to the National Organization of Women (NOW) march to protest the possible reversal of *Roe v. Wade* in Washington D.C. on Apr. 9. It is of paramount importance that advocates of women's intrinsic rights to control their bodies, make an impressive showing. Students who advocate choice must remember that in this time of pending crisis whatever their political leanings are their common goal to preserve reproductive rights must supersede their ideological differences.

If the anti-choice rally had 65,000 people, we need 650,000. While this may not sway the opinions of a conservative court, it is a very important display of concern.

"The Supreme court does not exist in a political vacuum, even if they are appointed for life," Milliken said.

What else is there to do if you are pro-choice and concerned? Write your Congressperson, have your parents and friends from your district do the same. Also the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) is sending letters to Attorney General Thornberg and NARAL is compiling opinions and personal histories of people who have had abortions, both legal and illegal, or are concerned about the preservation of the right to choose, for the Supreme Court.

On campus the most important thing you can do is educate yourself, and show your support for this issue. No matter what your political orientation, sexual orientation, or gender your support is essential. This issue is too important to the lives of all people to let



factions interrupt important work.

While this is an issue that most directly effects the lives and bodies of women, especially Women of Color and economically underprivileged women, it is everyone's duty to preserve our basic right to control our own bodies. If *Roe v. Wade* is overturned, states will be allowed to make abortion illegal again. NARAL predicts that only six states will keep abortion legal.

While a lot of us may not be effected, because we live in a state that NARAL predicts will keep abortion legal, or because we have the money to fly somewhere where abortion is legal, there are millions of women who will entirely lose their right to make their own decision. Many advocates of women's health see an avalanche looming on the horizon, if we lose our right to chose on the issue of abortion we may someday lose our right to chose on other issues. We cannot let the government take away our bodies and the bodies of our sisters.

Michelle Auerbach is a Barnard College junior.

Students interested in writing news or commentary for Women's Issues should call Antigone at X42119.

An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure

by Joni Finegold

It is here again.

Yes, once again the annual winter epidemic spreads like wild fire from room to room, dorm to dorm, campus to campus.

All around, the pale, flushed faces appear. The number of afflicted grows. Empty seats in classes multiply. And the healthy ones amongst us wait and pray that we won't be struck.

Emergency measures are taken. Classes are recorded. Chicken soup is cooked. Friends sit vigils with afflicted buddies.

But what does Health Services do? — "Well, it looks like you've got the flu. You should rest and drink lots of fluids".

Flu epidemics are a serious problem at colleges. We all live in close quarters, often sharing a hallway, suite, or room with someone who is sick. As friends, suitemates, and roommates, we feel responsible, if

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not obliged, to help, even though this means increased exposure to the vehement little virus.

The flu currently spreading around campus is a particularly nasty one, lasting almost a week. The victim cannot eat, runs a high fever (between 101° and 104°), has a terrible cough, and can barely make it out of bed, let alone to the supermarket or drugstore. If someone does not help out, the poor victim probably

will not eat, may not have medicine to alleviate the symptoms, and certainly will feel depressed and lonely. But if we do help out, or if we share a room or suite with the person, the likelihood of the bug tormenting our own immune system is very high. And as someone will have to take care of us, the vicious critter will be able to spread the misfortune further, smirking all the while.

During last year's flu, I was struck and in bed for three days. My roommate did not want to get sick, and could not stand sleeping or studying in a dark, sick bedroom. So she emigrated to the library and a neighbor's floor, and I was left depressed and alone, waiting for my friends to go out and buy me orange juice or cough syrup.

In my case the flu merely meant discomfort, but it can result in an occasional emergency. For example, my friend had a particularly bad case, and she was barely able to get out of bed. At one point, she was so congested that she felt as if she were choking and needed help. Luckily, someone she could depend on was available, what if nobody had been there?

During the current restructuring, of Barnard Health Services, the problem of what to do with sick students should be considered. St. Luke's and Columbia-Presbyterian are nearby, but unless the illness is serious, neither of these hospitals have the beds or the staff to take care of flu victims. But if sick students remain in their rooms, they recover slowly (it's hard to feed yourself healthily with a hot-pot), put a burden on friends and roommates, and spread the illness.

Campus epidemics and the misery that accompanies them could be avoided with an infirmary. We already have the room; the suite on the first floor of Hewitt could be converted into a small "sick-bay" near to Health Services. Hiring an additional nurse or at

least a medical student to staff the infirmary at night and on weekends could be costly, but in the long-run it would pay off. Viruses would not spread so quickly or widely, and those affected would recover much more quickly with the better care. Health

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prevention.**

Services would not have to deal with as many cases of the flu, reducing the amount of free medication that it has to distribute during campus-wide illness.

Health Services is not only here for cure, but for prevention. An infirmary would prevent these annual epidemics, as well as prevent the misery of those who are sick and the fear of those who are not.

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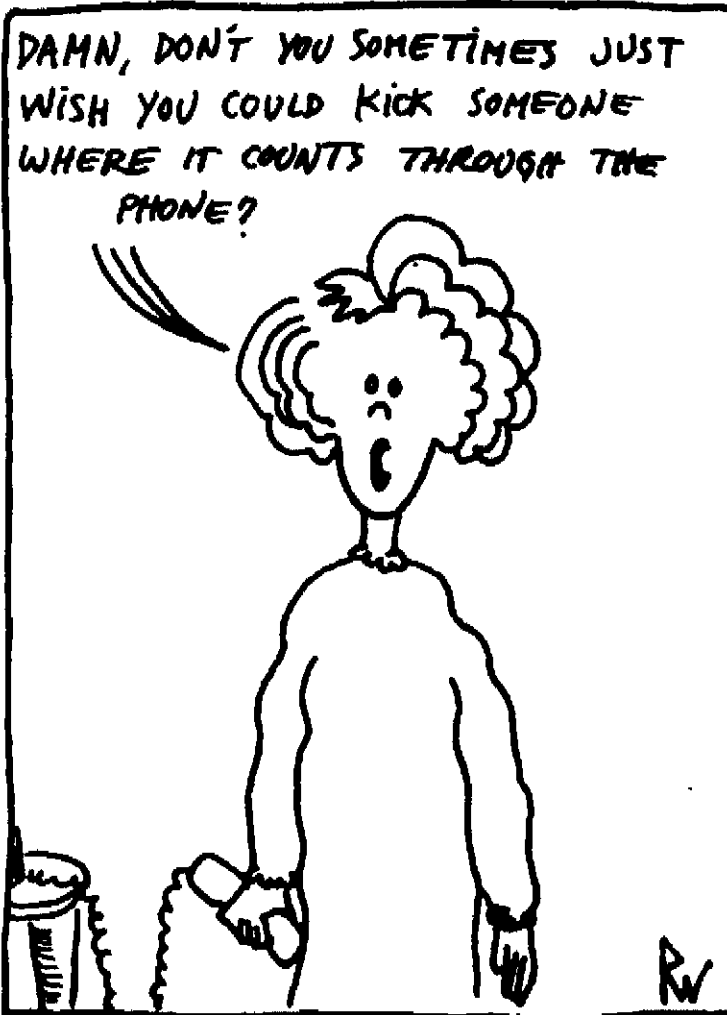
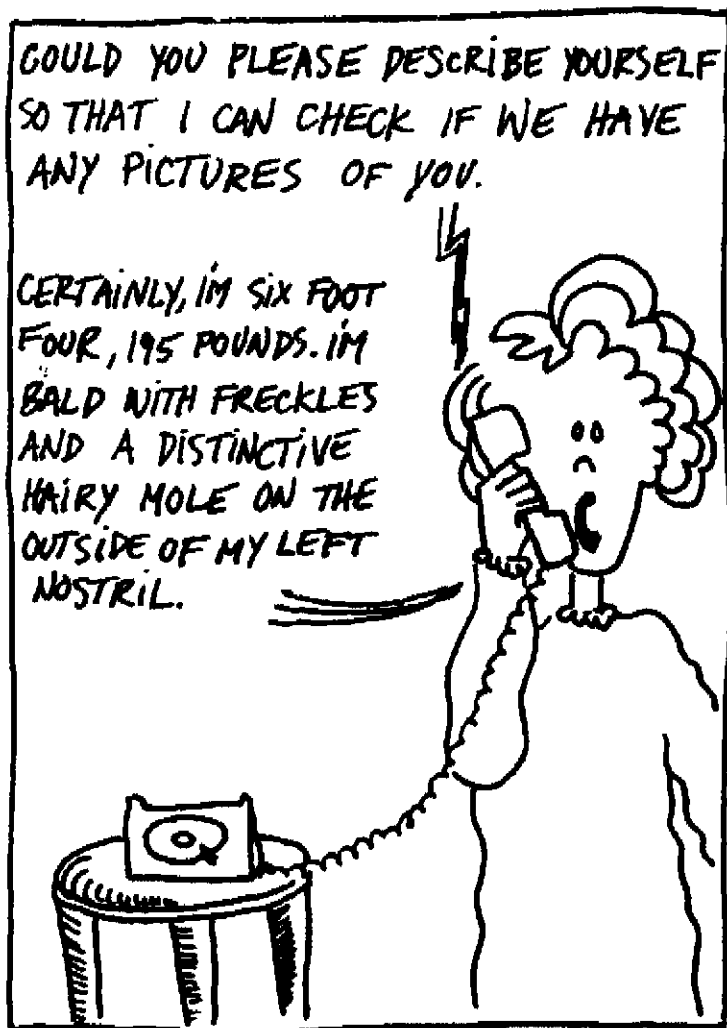
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Faerie Tales

Rich Wagreich



.....Go Ask Alice.....

DEAR ALICE:

In one of your responses the other week you misused the word "farther." Usually whether to use "farther" or "further" is a judgement (sic) call, but "farther" is generally used to connote distance, while "further" is used as a time or quantity expression. You have made similar grammatical errors before. So you don't know everything after all. Sorry to bust your bubble. It must be thrilling to pretend your (sic) some type of superior being.

Just Nitpicking

Dear J.N.:

I appreciate the correction and I'll try not to make the mistake again.

DEAR ALICE:

People are always on my case, telling me what I should do or what I have to do to improve myself or the world. Am I really that bad a human being?

I Wish They'd Stop

Dear I.W.T.S.:

The trend you mention is, indeed, a disturbing one. We are irritated when someone points out our flaws - and in many cases our resentment is

justifiable. But we must remember that often the people who lecture us about our moral and social duties are simply grander and nobler than we are. When we are criticized as apathetic, or when we are handed a pamphlet on college walk or hear a loudspeaker on campus, we must realize - no matter how small it makes us feel - that some people have valuable lessons to impart unto us. We would be stubborn fools not to listen.

DEAR ALICE:

What's the deal with Hewitt Dining Services?

Nauseated

Dear N.:

It's strange that you are nauseated, since Hewitt food is well kept. Indeed, Hewitt food is stored in huge freezer vats capable of preserving meats and vegetables often for years on end. Food that cannot be frozen is either heavily sedated with potent preservatives, has a long enough half-life to ensure its immutability for your entire four years at college, or has been recycled so many times that its transmutation into more remote matter like mold or rot is now chemically impossible.

Rachel's Rigamarole

Tokyo-Ga — An quirky tale of Japan by *Wings of Desire* director Wim Wenders, this 1982 film is part of the Asia Society's ongoing (and vaguely bizarre) "Germany in Asia" film series. Rarely shown in New York, here's your chance to see one of Wenders more esoteric features. Feb. 24, 7 pm, The Asia Society, 725 Park Avenue.

Cy Twombly — Check out this collection of paintings from the early fifties by the "King of the Scribbles." Through Feb. 28, Sperone Westwater Gallery, 142 Greene Street.

Joan Miro — It's not a huge show, but this mounting of Miro's loud paintings and sculptures is worth the trip. Through March 25, Perls Gallery, 1016 Madison.

The Body Shop — This marvellous British chain of friendly stores, specializing in affordable cosmetics and toiletries made from healthy ingredients, has finally reached America. Best bets: effervescent Raspberry Ripple Bubble Bath, Ice Blue Shampoo, and their legendary Peppermint Foot Lotion. Broadway just South of 8 Street, with other branches opening soon.

The Wonder Years — This very eighties show doubtlessly tries too hard, but does star one of the cutest guys on television, even if he is only twelve! Wednesdays, ABC, 9 pm.

by Rachel Felder

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Costello's Earnest Polishing Brings out the Shine

by Rachel Felder

I have come to the conclusion that there is no concise way of reviewing Elvis Costello's new album *Spike*. Maybe it is incompetency on my part, but even when the album fails, it is so exhaustingly intense that weird non-sequiturs start to spit out from my typewriter every time I get started. That is, every time except this one.

In *The New York Times* a couple of Fridays ago, Stephen Holden compared Costello to the Beatles. I know what he means; *Spike* has a classical depth that only one rock album in a thousand has. Sure, Costello had help from Paul McCartney's distinctive bass and, on "This Town", Roger McGuinn's jangling 12-string, but the point is that after ten years and too-many-to-count albums, his arrangements, lyrics, and production finally have the sophistication which was only potential on *This Year's Model* and *My Aim Is True*.

This new-found polish booms out with joy and serenity and, unlike much of Costello's previous work, sincerity. "Tramp the Dirt Down" saunters like a sombre Irish folk song. "This Town" sparkles with harmonized energy. While albums like *Trust* and *Get Happy* sought, for the most part, to emulate the spontaneous pulse of a live performance, *Spike* settles down to producing crisp, sometimes ex-haustingly beautiful recordings.

Using an impressive set of session musicians and four international studios, Costello's songs are calmer, cooler than the angry-young-man yelp of "Radio Radio." Without gimmicks or flashy clothes or seventeen thousand million records sold, Costello has defined himself as an accomplished musician and songwriter.

Like I said earlier, *Spike* isn't perfect, as songs like the blurring "Chewing Gum" prove. But even those flawed cuts have an intangible and deliciously indelible force (sort of like

a Jeff Koons sculpture or a Celine novel — you know it's good, you just don't quite feel it). I also think some of the album's celebrity cameos are over-rated: Chrissie Hynde's harmonies on "Satellite" go over the top, bordering on pastiche, and "Pads, Paws, and Claws," co-written by Paul McCartney, sounds

like audio doodling. Nonetheless, *Spike* is, in a long-term sense, Costello's most substantial album to date, which is all the more noteworthy in our trash-disco-dance-pop world of 1989 than it was when the songwriter got his post-punk start.

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The Student Caucus and Student Affairs Committee "deal more on a policy level and less on a programmatic level," said Froehlich. "We saw this as a great way to provide a unity for the campus so the students could deal on a campus-wide level and really recognize that although we are separate, we live together."

Goldstein said, this governing body could also serve as a resource to which student groups can address complaints and request funding. Other initiators of the new congress feel that this organization is necessary as a united representative of the entire student body.

"The congress is the ultimate representative so that when we are all screwed by the same things we all can do something about it" said Goldstein.

For example Columbia Gay and Lesbian Alliance's (CGLA) complaint against a football coach last semester was addressed to the University Senate which, according to Goldstein, was an inefficient forum for an issue that held implications of university-wide significance.

"There are things that the Senate doesn't cover," said Goldstein. "Ostensibly the Senate is a democratic mechanism but in reality it is only a veneer of democracy figured to waste our time and spin our wheels."

Meetings to organize the new congress began on Jan. 10, 1989 and have taken place on and off since that time. The proposal has not yet been introduced in all the student councils but will be presented to them within the next few weeks, said Froehlich.

According to Joseph there is not yet a specific agenda in regards to funding. Initially money might come from a five dollar super-fee imposed in addition to each school's activities fees.

In addition, the Congress hopes to work with Deputy Vice President for Student Services Mary Murphy and Student Affairs Coordinator Sally Collins in developing the Student Congress.

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been in working order. Since the ROLM system is computer based all phone calls made from ROLM phones are recorded and can be traced. It was in this way that an undergraduate at the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences was discovered after sending several obscene messages through the ROLM system.

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SGA

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SGA currently has a \$12,000 debt which needs to be covered. However, according to Leora Joseph, SGA Vice President, this is an improvement over the \$20,000 debt which faced SGA at the beginning of the year. SGA incurred the debt as past Executive Boards neglected to pay bills for past events such as last year's Senior week, a Spectator

ad from several years ago and a bill owed to College Activities.

SGA hopes that through the increased activities fee the debt will be covered within the next five to six years.

Also, Representative-at-large Esther Rosenfeld (BC '89) submitted a new proposal to the University Senate Calendar sub-committee suggesting

that Columbia University institute a policy that will attempt to resolve scheduling conflicts with the Jewish High Holidays. Columbia currently has no set policy regarding these holidays.

According to the proposal, "Although none of the Ivies suspend classes on the High Holidays, the majority of them retain some policy toward treatment of students who observe these holidays, be it in the form of letters sent around to faculty alerting them to be sensitive to such students' needs; or in the form of restrictions on assignments or exams during this period; and arrangements for rescheduling of missed classes."

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ciency in a departmental examination. other avenues to fulfillment: a score of 750 in the CEEB achievement test, an AP score of 4 or 5, or proficiency equal to completion of level 4 in departments' placement examinations. For further information, read the appropriate Catalogue pages or consult your adviser. **SOPHOMORES:** An important memo from the Office of Dean of Studies will be in your mailbox soon. It concerns your progress toward the fulfillment of degree requirements and your consideration of a major field. You will be asked to arrange an appointment with your advisor according to the following schedule for an official audit of your degree progress. Last names: A-I, MAR. 6-10; J-R, MAR. 27-31; S-Z, APR. 3-7. You will be expected to declare your major with the registrar by WED., APR. 12. **CHOOSING A MAJOR:** Mark your calendar for WED., FEB. 22, 4-7PM., James Room. Call Sara Bucholtz, Sophomore Class President (x31012), or Dean Denburg, So-

phomore Class Dean (x42024). (Interested first-year students are also welcome.)

REID HALL(PARIS): Students interested in enrolling in one of the 1989-90 Reid Hall programs will want to attend the information session in 308 Lewisohn on THURS., FEB 23, 5PM. **SENIORS** planning to participate in the Barnard /Columbia Commencement exercises May '89 must complete cap and gown orders and return them to 209 McIntosh by Fri., FEB. 24. No charge for cap and gown. You are reminded when you file your order to cast your vote for the Bryson Award as well.

JUNIORS interested in applying for the JOINT-SIPA-BARNARD PROGRAM (See Catalogue p.42, for details), see Senior Class Dean King in the Office of the Dean of Studies, 105 Milbank, x2024. Applications must be filed by WED., MAR 1

PRE-MEDS: MCAT Applications available in 105 Milbank

Notes From SGA

On Feb. 20 Rep Council held its most significant meeting of this academic year. Student leaders decided to cut Barnard's Representative Council from 28 to 19 voting members.

This measure will drastically alter and greatly improve Rep Council.

The proposal more clearly stresses Rep Council's function as a legislative body. Student services, such as Health Services and Food Services, which through the unique tripartite system allow for continuous communica-

tion between administrative offices and the student body, now will work parallel to the Rep Council. Students will have a better chance to work on a committee because they need not go through the rigors of the election process — instead they will be able to focus their energy and attention to their specific service.

As for Rep Council, the dynamics will prove to be more intimate and ultimately more effective. Students will be able to tackle more issues in greater depth and provide for better policy-making on campus.

Bulletin needs a production staff. Students interested should contact Antigone at X42119.

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TUESDAY

- INTERNSHIP RESUME WRITING WORKSHOP, 204 CENTENNIAL HALL, 4-5PM
- BOBW POETRY READING, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 7:30-9:30PM
- ZOOPRAX FILM, "SANS SOLEIL," 7,9,11PM, \$1.00
- HEALTH SERVICES: COPE DROP-IN SERVICE, 12-1PM
- DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE COLUMBIA REVIEW, 206 FBH

WEDNESDAY

- ADMISSIONS OFFICE OPEN HOUSE
- AFTERNOON MUSIC SERIES, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12:30-1:30PM
- FRENCH DEPARTMENT LECTURE, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 11-12PM
- DISABLED STUDENTS FILM FESTIVAL, JEAN PALMER ROOM, 12-1PM
- STUDY ABROAD AND CHOOSE A MAJOR, SPONSORED BY THE SOPHOMORE CLASS, JAMES ROOM, 4-7PM
- HEALTH SERVICES: COPE DROP-IN SERVICE, 12-1PM

THURSDAY

- ADMISSIONS OFFICE OPEN HOUSE
- AFTERNOON MUSIC SERIES, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 12:30-1:30PM
- TEA AND TOPICS, BROOKS LIVING ROOM 4-5PM
- CU SOPHOMORE WEEK
- LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO CONCERT, WOLLMAN AUDITORIUM, 9PM

- STUDENT-FACULTY TEA FOR ENGLISH MAJORS, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 3:30-5PM
- SOCIOLOGY LECTURE: "CONSENSUS IN THE SOCIAL AND NATURAL SCIENCES, ELLA WEED ROOM, 4:15PM

FRIDAY

- CU SOPHOMORE WEEK
- INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP, JEAN PALMER ROOM, 12-1PM
- MONTY PYTHON MOVIEFEST, COSPONSORED WITH MCAC, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 9PM-4AM, FREE, BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET, POPCORN AND SODA PROVIDED
- CAREER SERVICES: INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP, BRING A RESUME, JEAN PALMER ROOM, 12-1PM

SATURDAY

- UJA PARTY, LOWER LEVEL MCINTOSH, 9PM
- KINGSMEN AND COMEDY CABARET, FBH, 10PM

SUNDAY

- ZOOPRAX FILM, RUSS MEYER SERIES: "FASTER, PUSSYCAT, KILL!" WOLLMAN AUDITORIUM, 7,9,11PM, \$1.00

MONDAY

- 2ND SESSION OF RECRUITMENT BEGINS
- BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT PEW LECTURE, SULZBERGER PARLOR, 4-6PM

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