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# Inefficient Infrastructure Irritates

When soked about the quality of the education available at Barnard College and Columbia University as a whole most students would respond entrusiastically. No one disputes the extent to which a student can achieve and succeed as a direct result of educational expensions here Barnard is one of the most respected and selective liberal arts colleges in the nation. Columbia enjoys livy League status and a seletar aca demic reputation in virtually all of its undergraduate and graduate programs. We are in the presence of great academic achievement every day.

Why then does the privilege of attending one of the best universities in the United States carry with it such daily flustration and inconvenience? The answer less in the universitys complicated and inefficient infrastructure Running an institution with so many parts people and facilities requires a dynamic system able to respond to an almost unlimited number of unexpected and instantaneous crises. Additionally any university that has such a prominent role in research and discovery must establish a computer network able to adapt to new computing standards.

Unfortunately neither Barnard College nor Columbia University pos sesses this type of infrastructure. Administrative offices seem to rarely communicate with each other forcing students to run between offices searching for the proper form to sign or individual to explain precisely how a procedure works individually most of the offices seem to have their own systems fairly well-defined and maintained but as soon as a contingency requires communication between two or more entities the system breaks down

Barnard and Columbra share a housing exchange program which enables students from one college to live in the dormitones belonging to the other college. This arrangement clearly benefits the students. But the arrangement is incomplete. Only Barnard students who heppen to live in Columbia dorms—and thus have URH status on their cards—are accord ed access to other Columbia dorms which eliminates the necessity of being signed into the dorms every time they want to visil finends. Unlike in Barnard dorms signing in a guest at Columbia requires that the resident come to the desk in person regardless of the time of day. So if a Barnard student living in a Columbia dorm wishes to visil another student who also lives in a Columbia dorm, a simple swipe of the ID card accords the student complete access to the building. But if a Barnard student not living in a Columbia dorm wishes to visi a student to a Columbia dorm, she must call up to her friend to be signed in and leave her ID at the dosk.

The signing in policy is designed to protect the students who live in the dorm from unwanted visitors who may have things on their mind other linan paying finaldly visits. Presumably this population does not include Bernard students not living in Columbia domms but they still must endure the exit's inconvenience of constantly having to be signed in Cn the face of it this problem is mere y a gripe about a minor inconvenience. Certainly we can put aside five minutes during our day to wait for our Columbia finends to come down to the desk to sign us in without accusing the entre university of lacking crucial organizational efficiency right? Wrong When examined on a larger scale this problem illuminates the infrastructure crisis that is the mayir shortcoring of this university if Bahard students cannot be considered cleared for entrance into Columbia dombia simply swipe and stroll? This is an arbitrary policy serving only to alreade Bamard students from the university as a whole

Why focus on such a seemingly insignificant issue rather than a more global type of issue? Because this minor inconvenience represents one of many symptoms of the massive infrastructure disorganization that pervades this university it is not the Barnard Columbia relationship itself that causes such inconvenience and frustration. It is the way that all the different disparate components of the university come together that needs to be refined. If students from one school are going to have access to the resources of the other than that access has to be across the board. A half hearted system of interconvection is indiculous and counterproductive because rather than engender a smooth exchange of resources it capies more inconvenience than if the exchange did not exist all all the pervention.

We affirm that administrators are well intenbolled and want only the best for student's However, we take issue with the method the university has employed. Tempting us with arrangements that only work so far and then break down is unnecessary.

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Graduate School Panel On Thursday October 9 beginning at form in the Attschul Abrium Professors Castell (Religion) Pointexter (Biology) and Munasinghe (Economics) with offer personal insights into the graduate school expenence. This opportunity can help to inform students on decisions about future pursuits

Workshops on Proposal and Personal Statement Writing Dean Schneider's series of workshops on proposal and personal statement writing will resume on Finday October 24 from 10 until about 11 30am in 237 Mitbank Hall Pease call 42024 to reserve a space Partici-

### E A essentials

pants need not attend every workshop Library Workshops. Weekly walk-in workshops are held at the Reference Desk on the second floor of the Library as follows Clio Plus Monday at 4pm The Web Tuesday at 4pm NEXIS Weenesday at 4pm No ston-up is required

The Committee on Programs and Academic Standing The Committee on Programs and Academic Standing is a faculty committee that meets biweekly on Thursdays to review requests from students for exceptions to acad-



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envo policies and procedures. Pethions may be obtained at the Registraris Office and must be submitted by the Monday prorito the Thursday meeting in order to be considered at that meeting. Please contact your class Dean if you have questions about procedures.

Truman Scholarship If you are a junor with a very strong academic record and a history of leadership and public service and if you are considering graduate school and a career in public service please contact Dean Schneider immediately to discuss your possible candidacy for this national scholarship.

### Bean Wondering about Soy? Well-Woman Has the Answers

#### **Dear Well-Woman**

Occasionally, I see some friends fighling over the soy milk at Hewitt Dirung Hali. What exactly makes it so much better than regular cow s milk?

#### Sincerely,

Bean Wondering about Soy

#### Dear Bean

Soy milk does seem to be popular in Hewith That's probably because people are beginning to discover all the benefits say products have to offer Soy products derived from the soybean are becoming more and more popular in the US Products made from the soybean have a high nutrient value and a cloudly low in calones. First of all, soybears provide all of the essential amono acids are bodies need. Other protein-from plant products do not. Soy products contain no saturated fail or cholesterol, and are an excellent source of dietary fiber

Research has shown that soy products have a positive influence on our health. They may ad in the reduction of blood cholesterol. Also, groups of people who consume large amounts of soy tend to expenience low incidences of cancer.

Soy products can be substituted for many dary products. Although they are usually just as fatty as dary products they have more protein and iron, and often less sodium than most dary products in addition, heat processed soy protain products (including soy milk) are considered hypo-ailergenic. That's why soy milk is often an option for those who are allerge to cow's milk or milk from other animals, those who are lactoserelotierant or for those who are lactosed vegan lifestyle with an "animal-free" det II you drink soy milk and you don't consume any dairy products, make sure your soy milk is calcium-forblied

Soy products are not limited to only soy milk Other foods include tofu (firm and soft) and a new silken tofu now used to replace dary products in dressings and cream sauces soy sauce, soy-based loe cream and yogurt, soy cheese, vegge burgers made with soy protein, soy hot dogs, and miso soup You can find most of the soy product in health food stores, and some others like tofu and soy sauce in just about any grocery alone

So maybe after learning all this you'll be fighting with your friends over the soy milk at Hewrit as well. Good lack!

Sincerely, Well-Woman

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#### Features

# New Faculty Members Arrive at Barnard

#### by Apama Surendran

The word "freshman tends to conjure up images of scared 18 year olds wandening around with maps. However, there as some very different freshmen on our campus, each year—the new teachers. Like their student counterparts they too went through an app i cation process the "college interview" and the letters of recommendation in order to be "accepted" to Barnard

Finding faculty is a long process Sally Chapman Chair of the Chemistry Department explained "We advertised nationally and received 80 applicants who sent us letters of recommendation (descriptions of) their teaching philosophies and research proposals Four applicants were invited for interviews where they spoke individually to each member of the department, after which each applicant spoke about their research to undergraduate Chemistry majors who then gave us an assessment of the teacher The final decision was a combination of our own assessment and the students"

According to Political Science Department Chair Michael Delli Carpin, the department received over 350 applications its opening "Kimberly Zisk (who was eventually chosen) stood out because of her record as both a first class scholar and an expenenced first-class teacher "he commented. Its not often you get the chance to hire someone who has published an award winning book has another important book about to be published and who is deeply committed to undergraduate teaching. This is exactly the combination we look for at Barnard."

New professors are most often hired to

replace other professors who have re-red or left Bannard. Occasionally new faculty will be added to a department to increase the number of classes offered to meet student interest.

We test two tenured facuity members over the past several years. The turing in our depart ment just filed out our planned profile said Duncan Foley Char of the Economics Depart ment. He added. We have had an increased interest in economics both in the number of students majoring in Economics Political Econ fessor the city was one of the attractions of Barnard. New York City is the most excling and diverse place I have ever been in Plus (Barnard) is located in an outstanding research university where there are excellent librares and a huge vanety of seminars to attend and an even larger faculty with whom to interact and share ideas

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Profes sor Jun Qiën echoed the others sentimen s. I chose Barnard for its academic prestige its location in New York and its affiliation with

For the new professors, the reasons for choosing Barnard included its students, its proximity to Columbia, and its location.

only Mathematics and Economics and Economics and History and in the total number of students taking our classes

For teachers, the reasons for choosing Barnard ranged from students and its proximity to Columbia to its New York City location

Neil Buchanan an Economics profes sor said Barnard's biggest plus is its students. When I came to Barnard 1 expected to teach intelligent motivated students Obviously. My expectations were met Unequivocally.

Chemistry professor Christian Rojas added It's nice to teach smart people I was looking for an undergraduate school where I could focus on teaching but s If have the opportemity to research. And Columbia has one of the Five best Organic Chemistry departments in the country.

For Kimberly Zisk, a Political Science pro-

#### Columbia ' he sa d

Economics professor Sharon Hainson added At linst I durin I tin ki highly enough of Barnard However when I came to see it I rea' ly liked it I was pleasantly surprised with the quality of everything "

Lotose Bamard because of the six (gure salary the penthouse Apartment and the chauffeured car they offered meilipked History professor Antihony Crubaugh. That and his memores of the school from his grad student years. If served as a teaching assistant a Bamard when I was pursuing my Ph D a Columbia. At that time I came to teach of Bamard students as very intelligent and hard working. The first month of casses has only confirmed my belief in the high gual y of students.

Apama Surendran is a Bernard sophome e and the Bullet n Assistant Features Edfor

# Departments Plan Their Fall Lectures

#### by Carpline Sparrow

For all those students who leave classes dreaming of more lectures Barnard's vanous departments are happy to oblige. Here is a bind rundown of upcoming presentations and lecture series highlights.

The Anthropology Departments 1997 Dis Enguished Lecturer Monton Klass will deliver a locture antilled Anthropology That Most Inge in ous Paradox on Wednesday, Oct 8 at 8 30pm in the James Room Klass is a Professor Ementus of bolh the Bamard College and Columbia University Anthropology Departments and served previously as the Director of Columbias Southern Asjan institute

Oct 8 is also the date for the first lecture of the Psychology Colloquium a series co-spon scred by the Barnard and Columbia Psychology Departments. Professor Robert Zayona will deriver a talk on Birth Order What Have You Started Stan? The following Wednesday Oct 15. New York: University (NYU) professor Susan Carey will speak on The Origin of Human Number Representation. These are he first two tectures in the series three more are scheduled this semister on Oct 29. Nov 5 and Dec. 3 All lectures will be held on Wednesdays at 4 10pm in 614 Schemertrom Far further information contact Geraldme Do riter at: x4 8717 or by e mail at gdowney@psych columb a edu

The English Department sponsors a pro gram every year called Women Poets at Barnard Upcoming speakers include Laure Anne Bosselaar and Jill Bialosky Bosselaar comes to Barnard on Thursday Oc. 15 to read from her new publication *The Hour Between Dog and Wolf* The following month on Nov 13 Bratosky will speak about her book. *The End of Desire*. Both lectures will be at 8.00pm in Sulzberger Parlor. In addition The English Department periodically schedules faculty speeches for a series called. Faculty Colio quar.

The French Department has invited Jean Mone Globel to speak on Nov 6 about his book Le Theeter Du Poeme Vers Anne Mone After ach Globa is a professor of French Literature at Aix En Provence as well as a poet novelist and literary critic The reading will be held in French at 1 10pm on Thursday Nov B in 306 Mibank

On Nov 14 the Chemistry Department with host Dr. Stacey Bent, a professor at NYU Dr. Bents lecture on Chemistry in 2.D mensions Studying Reactions at Surfaces, will take place at 1.10pm with the location to be announced

The Art History Department also has sever al presentations planned for this fall. On Mon day Oct 13 at 6pm independent 6 mmaker and choreographer Yvonne Rainer will plesent

a lecture on her work. A week later on Oct. 20 al 6pm, the University of Southern California's Chair of Art History Nancy Troy will discuss Coulure & Culture Fashion and the Marketing of Modernism Thursday Nov 6 will bring Jonathan Weinberg to New York from New Haven where he is an associate professor at Yale's Department of Art. His lecture on Onouns. The Artistis Mother, will be held at 5pm Finally Terry Smith the Power Professor of Contemporary Art and Director of the Power Institute of Fine Art at the University of Sydney n Australia, wij deliver a lalk entitled "On Not Picturing Post Coloniality Contemporary Aboriginal Culture in Australia - Smith's lecture is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 24 at 6pm. All Art. History Department lectures will be held in the Julius Held Auditorium at 304 Barnard with receptions immediately following

A vanety of departments are either in the process of planning this fail's tectures or are offering alternate events. The Music Depart ment for example is thoshing a guest jubits on Oct. 16 for its new class. Vocal Repertoire Technique and Expression. Similarly the Pan African Studies Department will show the film Battle Sourds on Oct. 7 at 8 00pm followed be a discussion and Q & & A For more information contact the department at x4 2005.

Caroline Sparrow is a Barnard senior

Pick up your Latino Heritage Month 1997 calendars in the Student Activities office in Lion's Court or in the McAc office in McIntosh.

### ARTS CALENDAR

for the weak of iOctober 8

#### MUSEUMS

\*Alternative Museum 594 Broadway Nervous Systems: Heidi Kumeo, through 11/1

 Brooklyn Museum of Art 200 Eastern Parkway
 Current Undercurrent (work by local Brooklyn artsib), through 1/98

-Guggenhern Museum 1071 Filth Avenue at 69 Street Robert Rauschenberg A Retrospective tmough 1/7

•Guggenheim Museum SoHo 575 Broadway at Prince Street Robert Rauschenberg A Retrospective through 3/4

Jewish Museum 1109 Fifth Avenue Cemitile Pissenro in the Ceribbeen, 1850-5 through 11/16

Metropolitan Museum of Art 1000 Fith Avenue at 82 Street Meeter Hand Individuality and Creativity Among Yonute Scotptors; through 3/98 The Private Collection of Edger Degas, through 1/98 Protaso the Engraver; through 12/21

Museum of Modern Art 11 West 53 Street On the Edge Contemporary Art from the Werner and Elane Dannheisser Collection through 1/20 Franz West, through 11/1 New Concepts in Printmaking 1 Peter Halley through 2/88

 Queens Museum of Art New York City Building Car Gue-Quiang Cultural Malling Bath Projects for the 20th Century, thru 10/26

•Whitney Museum 945 Madison Avenue Richard Diebenkom; through 1/11

# A Literary Diva Comes To Barnard

#### by Carolyn Skilsky

Cynthia Ozick look lite stage in Suizberger Parkor Thursday September 25 to NOT read from her newest novel. The Puttermesser Papers. While the event was publicized as a reading from the book. Ozick decided to dis pense with the traditional and instead read something that she felt would interest college students more excerpts from her unfinished memoir focusing on how she came to live in the world as a writer and as a human being. The passages read included stones about her early est experiences with college writing as well as ber earliest experiences as the object of menia affections. The selections were warm and famil. ar desorte the fact that they took place just after World War II when she was a student at NYU

Ozick was introduced by Lesle Calman Director of Barnard's Center for Research on Women Calman gave a complimentary opening spealing of Ozick's influence on both the Jewish and non Jewish communities adding woman in Miami. Flondal From an early age Ozick knew she loved to write bellering las soon as youre a sentient being you know you re a writer " and she cultivated her talent to years before breaking through with *The Shewt* Ozick got the idea for the collection from a sin gle time in a Holocaust literature book describing how a guard ruthossly murders a baby in a concentration.

camp That line inspired her to S T O R Y

write the entire book around it and it is a haunt ing incredible work of fiction. The Puttermess or Papers is one of many in a long line of fiction and essays published after the 1980 work.

After reaching from her autobiography Ozick opened the discussion to field questions from line autoence consisting of about 200 Bernard students faculty and administrators and older guests. The questions the autoence asked caused Ozick to speak about many top ics literary and non literary allke. She fell compelled to dispel tabels and categories when it comes to the art of writing. She stressed an

She refused to be called a "Jewish writer," or a "woman writer," though saying, "I have no consciousness of writing as a woman." She instead preferred to be simply a writer, in the same category as writers who themselves happen to be Asian, or homosexual, or male

that when it comes to writing. Cynthia Ozick can only be described as a "diva"

Ozick is probably best known for The Snaw a book first published in 1980 that includes a homfying short story of the same name about the expensive of the Holocaust II also includes a novella called "Rosa about the prolagonist of The Shawi thirty years later who is triving to make sense of the I fe as an acrug understanding between winters and people of different backgrounds. She refused to be called a "Jewish writer on a "woman write" though saying "I have no consciousness of writing as a woman. She instead preferred to be simply writer in the same category as while's who themsetives happen to be Asian or homosevual or mate.

Ozick also spoke eloquently on the role of

magination saying that she betwees that it is the raivest and most effective foundation of power (magination to Ozick is more powerful than any outside source of inspiration for a writer "You can imagine yoursell into the leg of a chair" site stated adding that assorted role indels are important in shaping a writer site and work. "I don't betwee in role models who look just like me." she said about the need to vary the people one looks up to as a writer "After all" she went on. "Kafte didn't have a bug as a role model." The event lasted only about an hour but in that short time Ozick revealed much about her thought her politics and her likerary setf.

Ozick is truly a unique klerary voice and even without reading from her latest work her adroitiess al spinning words and making them fit atmost flawlessly shone through her lecture and her answers to the audience's questions Atthough she dud not read from the work Ozick's The Puttermesser Papers about a Barnard graduate is currently available in bookstore everywhere

#### Catolyn Slutsky is a Barnard sophomore

Minor Latham Playhouse Fail 1997 For information call 854-5638



# Cynthia Ozick Inaugurates New Judaic Studies Professorship

by Heather Josephs

On Thursday, September 25 at 5 30 in the evening writer Cynthia Ozick read from a couple of her autobiographical works as an inauouration of the new Judeic Studies Professorship and forum on women in Judaism. These additions to the Barnard curriculum are made possible by the generous off from inceboro and trail. Rennert the parents of Barnard alumnae Tamara (93) and Jonina (95) Professor Alan Secal, who will hold the protessor ship, said that the he hopes "to use the endow" ment to enoch the educational possibilities putside of the classroom for all students of the university" and is already in the process of working on a committee to develop new courses such as one entitled "Literary Approaches to the Bible"

The Religion department will combine efforts with the English. Women's Studies and History departments in order to offer many different perspectives within the Juda is studies discipline. Holocaust survivor ELe. Wiesel a professor at Boston University and profile while will give four lectures this year (dates and ismer TBA) in order to further introduce the new programs. Also, two new courses have already been added to the cur noutum. "Jewish-Amencan Women Writers and "The Jawish Women Historicat and Cullival Perspectives."

Heather Josephs is a Barnard sophomore

#### ARTS CALENDAR

for the week of October 8

#### GALLERIES

-Holly Solomon 172 Mercer Street Nam June Perk/William Wegman through 11/15

•Gagosian 980 Madison Avenue Ladies and Gentleman Andy Warhol through 10/11

Edwyne Houk 745 Fifth Avenue Saily Mann, through 11/8.

 Exit Art
 548 Broadway at Prince Street
 Public Notice 50 Years of American Art Exity bition Posters through 11/30

-Ace Gailery 272'Hübson Street Robert Rauschenberg A Retrospective through 11/9

#### THEATER

-Pillow Tale Directed by Amy Trompetter Minor Latham Playhouse x4-5638 10/9-12

 Freestyle Repertory Theater Emilio Bucketis Traveling Tarot Revue & Chameleons Grove Street Playhouse
 Grove 642-3202

Hiroshima
 (With music by Yoko Ono)
 Theater for the New City
 153 First Avenue 254 1109

#### DANCE

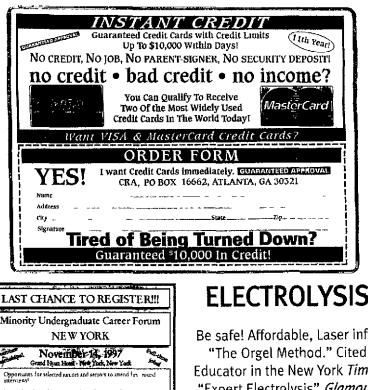
•Tharp! City Center 581-1212 through 10/12

#### FILM

•The World of Qzu Miller Theater 10/14 at 8pm







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#### MUSIC CALENDAR

for the week of October 8

#### ROCK

Wednesday 10/8 Sun Volt @ Irving Plaza Sister Hazel @ Tramos Scary Chicken @ Wetlands

Thursday 10/9 The Promise Ring @ Brownies God Street Wine @ Irving Plaza Letters to Cleo @ Mercury Lounge Thin Lizard Dawn @ Continental

#### Friday 10/10

The Scotflaws/Inspecter 7/Crescent City Maulers @ Wetlands Letters to Cleo @ Mercury Lounge The Prissteens/Speedball Baby @ Coney Island High Versus @ The Knitting Factory God Street Wine @ Irving Plaza The Zen Tricksters @ Crossroads

Saturday 10/31 The Javhawks 🛈 irving Plaze Sisters Grimm/ Speed McQueen (D) Continental

Sunday 10/12 Blue Meanies/Mustard Pluo @ Wetlands Agnostic Front @ CBGB

Monday 10/13 Local H @ Mercury Lounge

Tuesday 10/14 Local H @ Mercury Lounge

#### COMING UP

10/24 Wyclef Jean @ Hammerstein Bailroom 10/28 Tanya Donelly @ Roseland 1113 Stereolab @ Irving Plaza 11/5, 11/6 The Verve @ Irvino Pieza 11/6 Dinosaur Jr @ Tramps 11/10, 11/11 Joe Jackson @ The Supper Club 11/27 Fleetwood Mac @ Madison Square Garden

Medieval Fairy Meets Techno Queen

Once upon a time, there was an icelandic techno fairy. Her name was Bjork and she had a new album called Homogenic. This album was laden thick with strings and

spacey beats. She spankled in her

sparkling vocals for a style that

Album I E W was different from anything else in

the land

Sends like the albums two  $\sim$ gems Jogal and "Bachelorette sound almost med eval with the soahing of vio-

ins and cellos. But the futuristic keyboards and drum machines bring them back to modern times. The sinnes are much deeper and more

majestic than those heard on sonos from 1995 s Post. like "It's Oh So Dulet" and "Isobe: On four of the tracks she collaborates with Use Icelandic String Octet

Homogenic is a great soundscape that lends itself to visual imagery even without the aid of lyncs "Hunter" for example begins with a stealthy but march no drum and damno synthesizer. You can vauatze Blorks limber - 3

body crouching and running. Brork's Homegenic through a lorest. On Bache-

lore"te " she expressed her emptional distress better than any wolds could through the dark lones of the String Octet and the on the brink of breakdown accents of the bass end of the plano. You can see the angry woman lear at her har and thrash about in anguish

The lyncs of course are also he plui in deciphering Block's message. The lynce of

Hunter' demonstrate a desire for novelty and change heard somewhat on past albums but never so actively pursued "if travel is searching/ and home what's been found/ I m not stopping/1m going function." She again proves her need to keep things interesting in "Joga" crying out "and you push me up to this/ state of emergency/ how beautiful to be/ state of emergency/ is where I want to be

in "Alarm Call," she continues to explore the stance from which she detachedly observed the nature of people. She comments on them as though she is a different life form. She experiments with this position earlier in 'Human Behaviour" (from 1993's Debut) and "The Modern Things" (from Post) The upbeal



lyncs and happy electric chirping make this one of the juditer sonos on the album

Her worce vaciliates among childlike intona hons Scand-navianaccented singing and fullthroated wats in her typical fashion For instance in "Pluto" she begins with an electronically fuzzed speak/ sing moves to a melodic exhalion returns to the speak/singing and then ends up screaming

One of the most individual stic and futuristic performers out there. Brork mixes traditional orchestral instruments and technology for a truly unique blend. She is af once a dance divaspace cadet, and men eval coddess.

Jen Berman is a Bernard sophomore and the Bulletin Commentary Co-Editor

# The Modfather Returns to NYC

by Suzi Green

Through some strange karmic sho Paul Wellar returned to New York for his September 27 show at Roseland Notine its norrible. absence. Weiler brought with him the rebirth of soul

Paul Welfer is no young upstart. Nick named "Modfather" a long legacy in British musical history predales his solo

jaunt. Beginning as a young man concect E W with Jam, his vision was a British interpretation of the mainly Amencan soul phenomenon. Weller evolved musically to launch the ш Style Council under the same æ premise but with 80s sensibilities Finally, he began his solo career in 1992. Six

albums ensued including the recently released. Heavy Soul

A well-seasoned crowd filled Roseland for

ranged from inose upbeat funk to slower sensuous grooves. Thick bass lines and wah wahing guitars connected the diverse parts. Combined with a visual feast of tighting laternately bathing the stage and clothing it in darkness transcendence was the only destination. This was a spintual encounter more than anything else

One could not have picked more apt coprophels of soul than the arrangement that Weller gathered. Striking in their understated good the backing band were caught in their own personal grooves and meditations. With flaw less precision, they translated the all-consuming moment welf. No elaborate jumps and anics were necessary. Their caim head nod ding of approval was more than adequate

Welfer's yearing voice urged the set on Even lyncs professing tranquil sophistication were noped around the edges by a mildly perceptible rasp reaching from another plain

Combined with a visual feast of lighting, alternately bathing the stage and clothing it in darkness, transcendence was the only destination.

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the Waller show. These were not amateur or casual listeners. They congregated in search of something more than an hour of aural sensetions They came to see the Modfather Offerings were to be made in hopes of musical enlightenment. Weller gracefully led the band on to the stage Backed by a warm red glow the four piece stood on the precipice of funk With the first note a headiong plunge was made in the direction of if umination

Drawing on his inspirations and experiences from the past. Weller led a vetual revival of soul. The shape shift to set

Weller seemed form by his dubes. Dispessed by trying to balance giving full expression to his guilar thrusts and actually singing. Weller finally found a compromise between the two

All too soon. Weller and the band left Rose land's stage as smoothly as they alighted. A simple thanks was the last utterance from We'ler The Engl enlightenment bestowed the crowd sectately fied out onto the stree'. All were sure of one thing this was definitely soul, the heavier the better

Suzi Green is a Barnard sophomore

#### MUSIC CALENDAR

for the week of October 8

#### JAZZ/SWING/ SPOKEN WORD

#### Wednesday 10/8

End Bogosian @ The Knithing Factory Vin Scialla Group @ Kavehaz Charles McPherson Quartet @ The Village Vanouard Les McCann/ Gene Hams @ Blue Note

#### Thursday 109

Enc Bocosian @ The Knitting Factory Naked Revolution & The Kitchen Rudy Linka Trio @ Kavehaz Wallace Roney Quantet @ Birdland Charles McPherson Quartet @ The Village Vanguard Les McCann/ Gene Hams @ Blue Note

#### Friday 10/10

Naked Revolution @ The Kitchen Charles McPherson Quartet @ The Villace Vanouard Wallace Roney Quintet @ Birdfand Les McCann/ Gene Hams @ Blue Note

#### Saturday 10/11

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#### Sunday 10/12

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# Ani Difranco: 32 Flavors and Then Some

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singer/songwitter cultaris Ani Difranco siguickiy beloming a posterig i for independent abel success attlacting a large follow

> ng which happens to mostiy comprise fomale adolescents

Recently gracing the cover of Spin magazine and appearing on MTV and Late Night with Conan O Bren D franco's popula ity has soared Despite this overwhelming emount of media and fan aften tion she continues to manitain a sense of personal and musica integrity. Her Tve performances are proof that she has yet to fully compromise to the mani-

Ch September 9 1997 arcompanied by drummer Andy Stochansky and bassist Jason Mercer Drifanco performed al Central Park Summerstage to a socio-tautience of 5000 scream ing lans Dan Bern, the opening all payed a set of partically satir cal and hump cos songs. Given thain is forth-coming album is being load reading Diffanco it came as u sup ise thaine hump and hump cus haine haine and hump cus haine haine and hump cus and came as usup ise thaine haine and haine Antologh Berlis alwite surger that haine Drifanco s en pis piller rrimen i of hall e coad o y frad eves and eais fill filler After wal no a totat of five hours e clypheliae anxiously awaiting the miment i her uf a lo would ave othe sace

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sexually or musically. Tonight you can't put mellup on any sholf/ because i came here alone/ and imigoing to leave by myself

Diffancois cristade cres ence complemented her music She moved around the stace with the same raw appression and honesly expressed in her Ivrics. D'fance g ow ed shrieked and thew her quita against her chest, her face flue tuating between a grimace and a grin. Uphoiding ner reputatio as a righly skilled guilansli she incorporaled such chylhmic elements as synuopation and rapid tempo chances in addition to manipulating feedback. At times her lince's flew across the Stringe as "isheliyas playing two Galas Huseiver ellen without Gir husu hybre er ve a derig he so 1

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paying homage to her folk roots. Many appreciated this inbute to her earlier days as a solo artist. However: Diffanco is no longer a one woman show Stochansky a long time partner and Mercer a recent addition complemented Diffanco s emphasis on hythm. Stochansky provided background vocals as well as drums harmonizing with Diffanco on severel songs. The evening came to a close with Stochansky and Diffanco both playing the conga drums while she receted a poem entitled "Not So Soft"

A double-album compilation of songs peformed in different cities throughout the United States *Living in Clip* is Difference's most comprehensive work to date. She includes songs

from the past, the present and songe that she claims she will never play again The album shows the evolution of Difrance as an artist since her first release in 1990 For example Difranco sings the original version of "Every State Line la capella on 1992 s Imperfect lv. On Living in Clip however she car forms the song with her band White some of the songs on her studio recorded Ani Difranco albums may seem

forced these live recordings expose her incred (bie ability to improvise. Diffance's cover of Amazing Grace' from 1996's Dilate becomes a cacophony of sound when backed by the **Buf** faile Phillharmonic Orchestra on Living in Clip. This is a great album whether for long time fans or those interested in discovering Orfran. Even as a child playing at bars and coffee houses in Buffalo NY Difranco won over audi ences with her sincere tyrics and astute musical talent After years of playing the coffee house circuit Difranco formed her own label **Righteous Babe Records** at the age of 19 She went from selling demos out of the trunk of her car to selling over 400 000 CDs and lapes now employing nine people at Righteous Babe Since 1990 she has put out nine full length albums along with several side projects

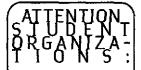
Her audience began as a small group of people consisting manify of lestiens and fem in stionented women. Now her audience includes a large addrescent famala following.

> as well as plder women and men Her musical influ ences range from Bob Dylan to Prince, artists who also had to deal with preconceived notions of politics and sexuality in addition to increased mass oopulanty and media attention This past summer Difranco toured with Bob Dylan frequently She performs Prince's Doves When:

Cry incorporating his use of funk and improvisation

Indeed Ani D franco has in her own words become commander in-chief of my own one woman army

Dan elle Marusa, Melyssa Mendoza, and Solvej Schou are Barnard sophomores



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# When Our Guardians Forsake Us

#### by Danielle Rial

On November 26 1995 at 9 38pm Robert Reed was walking home with two of his friends. When they reached 119th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues a patrol car approached them from behind. Take your hands out of your pockets ' called an officer over the loudspeaker. Reed did not know for whom the request was made but he removed his hands from his pockets and kept walking. 'Against the wall' was the command that followed. At this point. Reed noticed that one of the officers was approaching his two friends a couple of feet away. He then proceeded toward the wall.

Reed was already against the bricks when Officer John Brant \* of the 25th Precinct in Harlem pushed jum into the wall and shoved his head into it. "Show me some respect," Reed declared unable to fathom why this was happening. Officer Brant then said. "Im ganna fuck you up \* to which Reed replad. "No you re not." Brant then took hold of Reed by his collar and his belt and slammed him face down onto the sidewalk. Brant then positioned himself so that his knee was pressed into Reed's back and pushed his viciling forehead further into the ground "Fight me back you httle punk." Brant chastbed and punched Reed in his gaw and lip. Reed was then finally handcuffed and thrown into the patrol car.

Cn the way to the precinct and while Reed was in a holding cell Brant nd culed him increasantly for not fighting back. Reed did not respond to his attacker When he anived at the police station he was checked for warrants and then released Reed returned to the precinct with his parents that same evening to file a complaint. The police officers were uncooperative. Brant on the other hand greeted the main he had just beaten and humilisted with warm familianty. Brant also thed to convince Reed's parents that their son had cursed at him. that he attempted to resist arrest and that one of his finends was carrying a weapon. Reed was infunated by these blatant lies. This traumatic day closed with Reed's tip to the hospital his back forehead. It juw knce and elbow were bruised and swollen. Reed went to the Civitian Compliant Review Board (CCRB) and took. Brant to docurs with hopes that his brutalizer would be fired from his job. No decisions have been made yet as to the officer's future on the police force.

A more recent police bruta ity incident, an outrage to the entrie city has finally served as proof that unjustified police violence cannot be to<sup>1</sup> erated Abner Lourna, a Hattan resident of Flatbush Brooklyn, was beat en and sodomized by three police officers. The physical and mental repercussions of the incident that Louima currently endures are enor mous

Abner Lounna and Robert Reed are both decent, religious law abiding otizens. In an August 14th article in *The Daily News* Abner Lourna's wife said. He is a church man he is a Christian. He is never been in trouble as long as I ve known him. I don't understand what happened." I have hail the pleasure of working with Reed and like Lourna he has shown himself to be family driented religious composed kind and industrious. They are both young black men who became victims of a police system which has a history of violence and precocupation with race.

There is an obvious reason why the previous examples of police bru taitly occurred. A police officer who is constantly exposed to violence will employ it readily as a means to maintain order and control. In simpler terms a violent antironment breeds violent individuals in addition if white police officers are placed on duty in non white orme abundant neighborhoods, here are placed on duty is non white orme abundant neighborhoods here are placed on duty is non white orme abundant neighborhoods here are placed on duty is non-white orme abundant neighborhoods here are placed on duty is non-white orme abundant neighborhoods here are placed and Lourna illustrate the depth of this problem however the violent attacks upon these innocent men are not only representative of crimes against the black community. More importantly they exemptify crimes against the black community. More importantly they exemptify crimes against humanity. When an ordinary person no longer retains the right to walk on the street without fear of police there is cause for us to be atomed. And when we discover that an ordinary person has been beafen or sodomized by definguent police officers. There is cause for us to be terrified.

It is imperative not to lose sight of the reason why society demands a police force it has been established to protect us. It is the responsibility of New York obzens to exhibit intolerance for those police officers who commit meaningless violence instead of combating it. A crime committed by a police officer is a crime egainst society and it is no less severe than any other. When Reed recounted his story to me he repeatedly said. It was shocked it was shocked. It never nocurred to him that he would be a vicem of police bruta by We may have never contemplated bits issue before, but now we must consider the crime committed against Robert Reed only two miles from the Barnard campus.

"Name has been changed due to refusel of 25th Precinct and CCRB to provide official confirmation Danielle Rights a Barnard servor

# Global Journal Parole da lontano a continuing series of correspondence from Barnard students roaming the Earth

### "Still A Slob in the Fashion Capital"

by Jessica Oley

Greetings Barnardnes from a far away land called Bologna Italy where everyone smokes prostitution is legal and milk doesn't come in quantites larger than inters. Oh and did i mention that they speak Italian? In the last four weeks I have been adjusting to these differences and many more and i ve found that it sn't all that hard to adapt to a new way of like. Of course there was the first week when all I could say about eventhing was "Oh how European" but I m berond that now

How to describe Bologna? If's a medium sized city old and beautiful yet full of modern plagues such as traffic and pollution. The bus system in efficiency and scope, reminds me of the New York City subway except writhout the fitthness. The most remarkable thing—and this is so un Amer ican—is that it operates on the honor system. You buy a toket before you get on the bus and stamp it with the time and date. Then you are allowed to note for an hour with unimited transfers. The driver just drives never citedrug the tokets. Occasionally, two officiels board the bus and citedx everyone stoket and the people who don I have a valid back thave to pay a large fine. However, so far I ve never been asked for my toket.

The page of life here in Italy is different. Society is not organized around the consumer's utmost convenience instead in Italy lunch is held sacred and so practically every store closes for a few hours in the after noon. Most stores are closed on Thursday atternoons as well and it goes without saying that nothing (except McDonald's and a few coffee bers) is open on Sunday. The style of shopping differs radically here loo Although there are supermarkets shopping in smaller stores and mar kets is more common and more convenient. However, you cannot louch the produce at the fruit stand! Sounds absurd doesn ti? Apparently the takas are womed about their veggies staying sanilary. At the super market, where you are allowed to louch the produce you have to put on a plastic glove first. You also have to weigh your own produce to the sociel that prints out the proce because they don't have scales at the registers.

While I m on the subject of food I coght to mention that the women in Italy don teat any of it If you think New York is full of van fashion-con scrous people Italy will give you a reality check. The women here are thin and always trying to be thinner from what I gather Dressing in style is important in a way most Americans can I even begin to understand t tion t know how they pull it off considering that dothes here are increalibly expensive. But they are also ten times more beautiful than anything soid in the States so I guess you get what you pay for

Thus here I am feeling very much the stranger in a strange land Surrival is simple, but after the first week you realize that survival is not the issue—living is and living in a foreign country is difficult. Write my that ian housemate miscommunication is a normal part of daily life and it makes me think about how much longer it fakes to get to know sdmeone well when you cannot speak the same language. Most people in Italy are very indugent if you try Italian, but in Bologna not many people speak. English Many know a title but few are fluent.

The days are fight by and i honesity forget at times that i'm hing in a foreign country. I'm getting so used to the city that it is beginning to seem normal to hear Italian everywhere and carry around Ira. Perhaps the biggest surprise is that although everyone around me has changed. I have not it am shill stubborn i still swear too much it shill don't wear make-up 1still don't believe an diets and itali hate smoking. Of course it has only been four weeks—who knows what will happen in a year's sime i am surprised that I haven t felt more competied to become Italian and that as much as I hate some aspects of American culture. I enjoy being an American I don't mind if people stare at mu when I run on the streets of Bologna because I'm used to New York where no one gives a damn about what anyone else thinks. Perhaps this is my American pom posity but so be it.

In the end though—and I ve been thinking a lot about this people arent so very different from one another anywhere in the world. The reason we think we are so different is because our intelligence allows us to observe the minute differences as well as making it possible for us to use thousands of languages to communicate when one would be sufficient. Nonetheless, it goes without saying that the world wouldn't be the amazing place it is if humans hadn't developed diverse cultures and languages. And although sometimes it is excrucial right frustrating to feel trapped in a bubble called English. I we decided I d taither feel this way than never know what the world is like beyond the borders of the good of USA.

Jessica Oley is a Bernard junior studying in Bologria. Italy

Commentary

# Resigning From Center Stage of the Universe

#### by Diana Adams-Crardullo

Living all the way downtown at 110th St. has its advantages as well as its disadvantages if love my little TV less cave of a studio. If have my own little hermitage retreat from the world. But then I was the only one in a local bar who didn't know Princess Diana had died when they broadcast the funeral on a big screen TV My mother like the rest of my family realizes how out of touch I am and tried to give me the news. Unfortunately i didn t understand her phone message until after the fact

"Diana is dead. I am a bit sad. She was not my precious reweil number one Dianal But still she was a Dianal And she is dead \*

My father (who voted for Raiph Nader in the last election) called to tell me that he ched along with Bill when he left Chelsea at Stanford Likewise an answering machine message "Diane I just watched Bill and Hilary leave Chelsea in her dorm at Stanford and I cried along with them

"get me they do care And they do think about me apparently even when they read tabloid news headlines in line at the grocery store. Per haps my anost over their not understanding is irrelevant. A bolt of light ning strikes maybe in all my focus on how they don't understand me I should have focused on how I dismiss them

After all, for the fourth consecutive year my morn listened to me mean about filing my program late. This year she also get to hear about how I failed to prerequister for an L class An L class t need to gradu ate. This was a new one. The late program thing I have done many times. At least five, if used to make up all sorts of stones for the petition board about why my program was late 1 never offered my own lazmess as an explanation

This year on my petition form where you explain why you were a stacker and didn't get the dam thing in on time if lined a new factor if responded simply and honestly. It took me awhile to decide what class es I really wanted to take. For some reason I believe that rules don t apply to mell firits any consolation I have come to admit this character

flaw and am taking I realize that my family uses current events in an attempt to maintain a active measures to connection with me. I know there is little ground for this connection to eradicate it. After be easy, as we are separated by thousands of physical miles and light four years it's finally years of difference regarding "life stage."

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I will never forget that day when I laft you in New York \*

Even my grandmother gets in on the game. Due to an unfortunate condition in her hand, she can't write much. Nevertheless, a few types a semester she manages to sign a check and address an envelope If she's feeling up to it she it enclose a little note. Last month she seni me an article that she had clipped out of a newspaper (never mind the fact that the article was two years old) about the "date rape drug. The note said 'Be careful Luy Ya Gram

I realize that my family uses current events in an attempt to maintain a connection with me. I know there is little around for this connection to be easy as we are separated by thousands of physical miles and ight years of difference regarding "life stage " I used to complain incessanity to my parents that they just didn't "gel my life. Their own thirty year-old hyper idealized college memones are not even remotely like my own expensive My parents actions reveal that regardless of whether they D and Adams Clardullo is a Barnard senior

keep our machine of a bureaucracy running smoothly so that the real sluff---like education---can happen. So I am going to take my \$25 penal ty like a grown up and not whine

I feel that this is a marked sign of maturity. Surely an even preater sign of progress will be turning the thing in on time next semester II is after all my last chance I know i m reaching here but I really believe my attitude about my program reflects my "insight into my parents, it m, learning that i am not the center of the universe I don't deserve special rules or sympathy from the school just because I don I really like deciding what classes to take. Hence the biogest advantage of my hermitage. As i navigate the world with the new perception that I am not the center of it. I can return home to my own little universe where I am



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