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Lida Orzeck: An American Entrepreneur

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# LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

One day, last June, when I was deeply absorbed in the domestic pleasures and difficulties of motherhood the second time around, the phone rang. It was Toni Coffee. "I was wondering why you hadn't called about the editor's job," she said. "I wasn't looking for a job," I said. On leave from Condé Nast, where I had been an editor at *Self*, I was just beginning to think about doing some freelance writing. But I agreed to come in and chat with Toni about *Barnard Alumnae*. After all, this was my alma mater calling.

One chat led to another (including an interview with Chris Royer, formerly my senior advisor, now V.P. of Public Affairs) and you know the end of the story. With this issue, I extend my official greetings to you all. "How does it feel to be back at Barnard?" everyone wants to know. In some real way, I feel that I have come home. Though I have never been among the College's most active alumnae, I have always felt a strong connection to Barnard. It was here that I began developing the skills that would serve me so well in the world. And so my return seems part of a continuum. Those skills nurtured here I now bring to bear on this magazine. I'm delighted to have the opportunity to give something concrete back to Barnard.

I'm also looking forward to communicating with all of you through these pages. You'll be seeing lots of changes in the magazine in the coming months. We are embarking on a major graphic redesign, the first in more than a decade. New departments and columns are on the agenda. "On Campus," which begins with this issue, will be true to its name, we hope, and keep you abreast of what's happening at Barnard today. We are planning to regularly feature a personal essay on the last page of the magazine. I hope it will be a forum for all alumnae, and I'd love to hear from any of you — professional and nonprofessional writers alike — who may have an illuminating essay stuffed in a drawer or bursting to get out of a computer.

I know that Barnard women have no trouble stating what's on their minds. So I'll expect to hear from you — in one form or another. You know where to find me!



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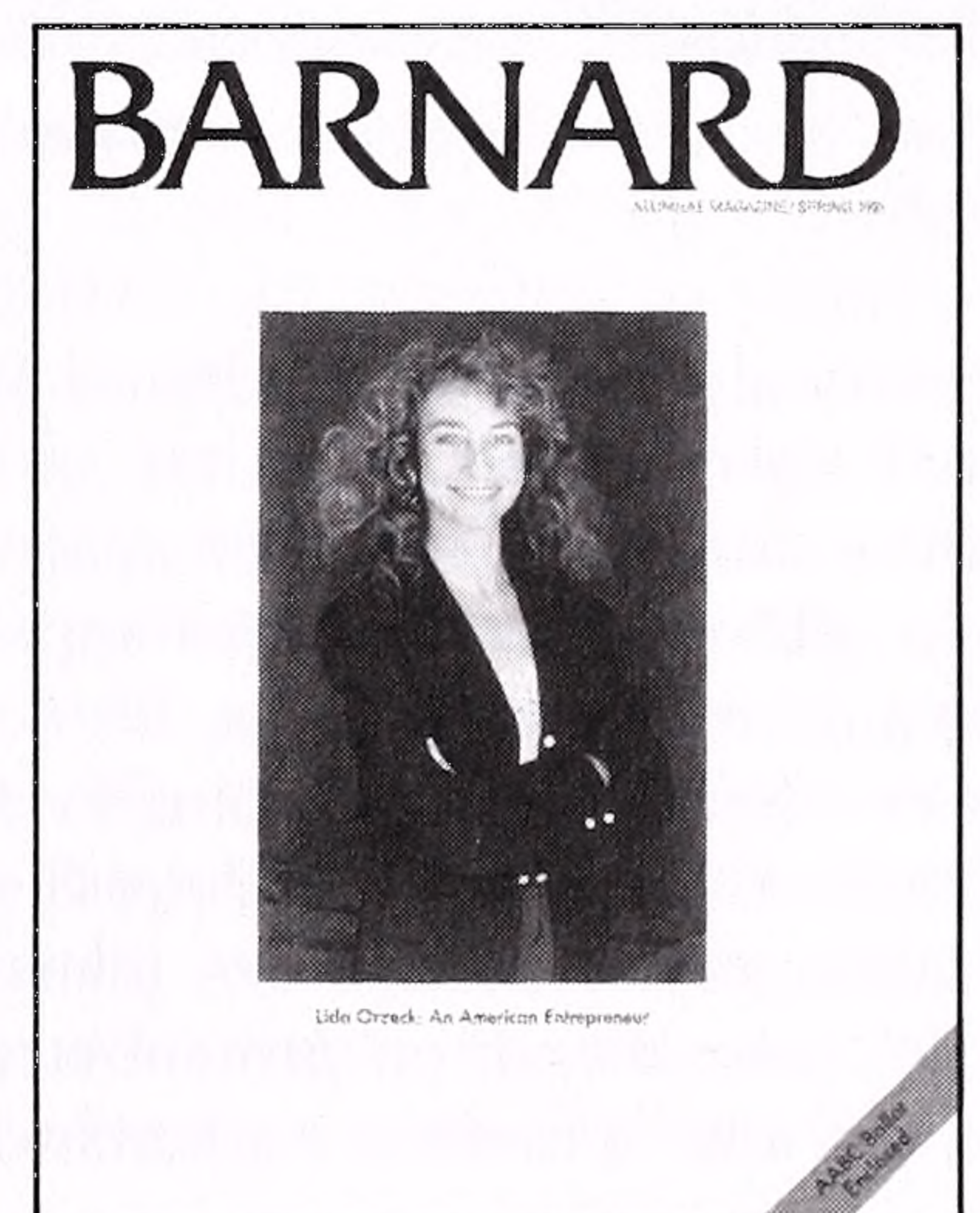
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# ON CAMPUS

## Science Grants Upgrade Altschul

Two recent grants totaling \$350,000 will pay for some very high-tech facelifts in Altschul Hall.

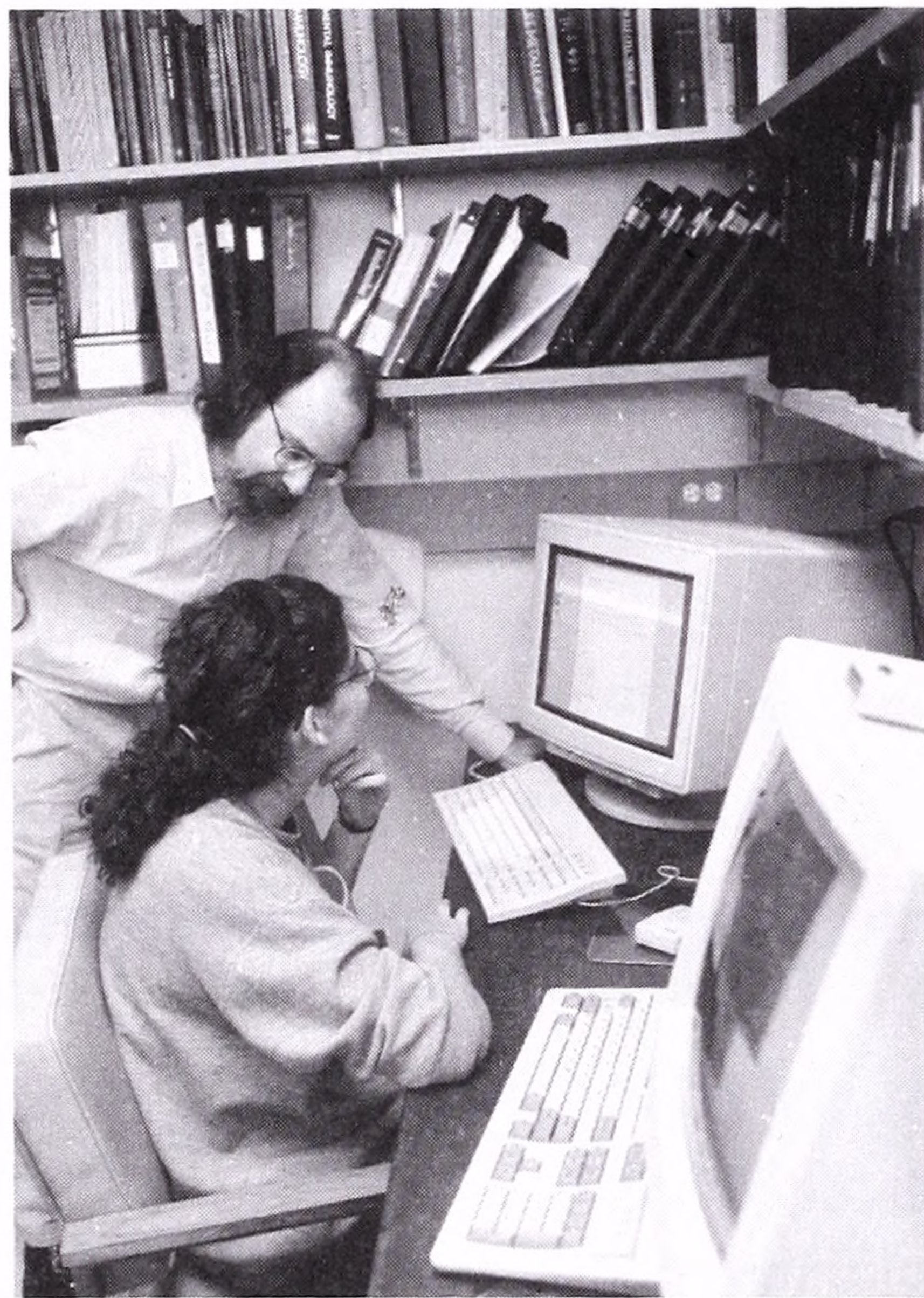
The chemistry department was awarded a \$225,000 grant from the W.M. Keck Foundation last summer to transform a pair of restrooms into a biophysical chemistry

working on their senior theses. Construction of the seventh-floor laboratory will wind up this spring.

Not to be outdone by their downstairs colleagues, the biology department also received a sizeable sum for its own capital improvements from the National Science Foundation. The \$125,000 grant, along with equal matching funds to be raised by Barnard, will be used to refurbish research laboratories, environmental rooms used for growing heat- or cold-sensitive organisms, and an autoradiography facility. The work will take place in phases over the next three years, says Associate Professor of Biology Paul Hertz, project director for the grant.

Collectively, the sciences at Barnard have benefited from well over \$750,000 in grants in the current fiscal year alone. In addition to the above gifts, AT&T came through with \$100,000. Bristol-Meyers Squibb, the Merck Foundation and other agencies and foundations have furnished equipment and supported research on topics ranging from the genetics of the hedgehog to factors underlying parental behavior.

As Altschul approaches the 25th anniversary of its ground-breaking (construction began in 1966 and was completed three years later), the building's inhabitants are banding together to coordinate future improvements. Science professors, teaming up with the facilities department, will develop a 10-year plan to determine how the 15-story tower can better accommodate the research and pedagogical needs of the sciences.



Professor Shenkin, with computer science major Michele Rizack.

laboratory and a molecular design computational facility. A computer graphics system, a computer-controlled spectrophotometer, pH-meters, constant-temperature baths and other equipment are on the chemistry department's shopping list. Assistant Professor of Chemistry Peter Shenkin, who will supervise the facilities, plans to use them for his research on protein structure prediction and to oversee students who are

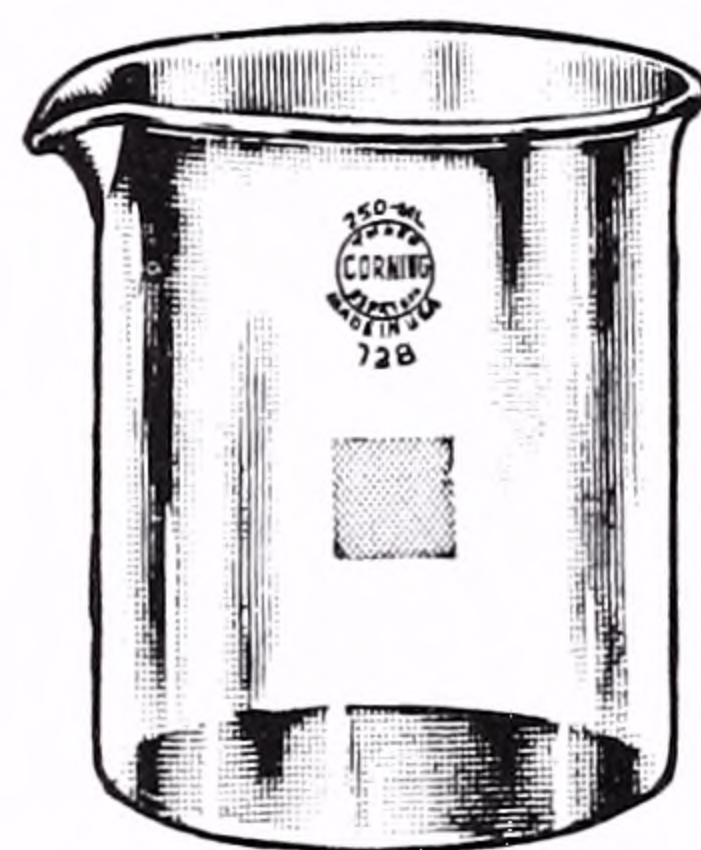
## Confronting a Conflict

The Persian Gulf War mobilized the College like no other issue in recent memory. During the months leading up to the conflict, through the start of hostilities on January 16—the day the spring semester began—to the cease-fire called at the end of February, Barnard students struggled to come to terms with the war and to balance academic commitments with the demands of history-in-the-making.

The proliferation of campus groups—pro-war, anti-war and neutral—was a testimony to this political coming-of-age. Members of the Barnard/Columbia Anti-War Coalition, Students of Color for Peace and the Jewish Coalition for Peace often found themselves in spontaneous and vociferous debates with Students Mobilized Against Saddam Hussein at dozens of protests and counter-protests on campus, in Times Square and in Washington, D.C. Another student organization, Campus Awareness and Resource Effort, was formed to promote understanding of the scores of issues raised by the crisis. Barnard's Student Government Association affirmed its non-partisanship in a resolution passed in January. Planning for Peace, a relative latecomer among the groups formed in February, is continuing its activities beyond the end of the war to “make peace a reality in our lifetime,” according to Karen Schwartz, a founder of the group.

Many members of the college community were drawn to The Persian Gulf Support Awareness Center, housed in Brooks Living Room, which sponsored a series of talks on the war. The Center also offered up-to-date information and counseling services to students. A “Barnard Family Wall of Concern” at the Center was covered with the names of loved ones either serving in the Gulf or living in the region.

The strong emotions generated by the





war inevitably made their way into the classroom. Assistant Professor of Political Science Naomi Weinberger noticed much more “personal engagement” in classroom discussions. Weinberger’s course, “Conflicts and Conflict Resolution in the Middle East,” attracted 180 students this semester — almost double last year’s enrollment. “I think students are reacting to this war by saying they need to know more,” says Weinberger. “Even students who are activist in their personal dealings with the war don’t think they have all the answers, and understand they don’t know everything there is to know about the Middle East and American diplomacy.”



Allison Cooperman



Patrick Schultz

### Barnard Fetes Winter’s End

It was a typical New York February. After several cold, damp and bleak months, winter still showed little sign of calling it quits. What better time to seek refuge in the arts. That’s just what Barnard did during its annual Winterfest — “the most successful one ever,” according to Gayle Friedland ’92, who organized the festivities.

Author Erica Jong ’63 helped kick off the week-long celebration with a dinner and lecture. Jong read from her most recent novel, *Any Woman’s Blues*, and from *Becoming Light*, a collection of poetry to be published this fall. Performances of music, drama and dance, art exhibits, and a talent show entertained students throughout the rest of the

week, providing welcome respite from dreary skies and imposing term papers. Winding up the celebration in grand style at a Valentine’s Day formal, students and their tuxedoed dates sipped champagne and danced into the early hours of the morning. So what if it was a school night?



### A Birthday for the *Bulletin*

It contains important, up-to-the-minute information about what’s happening on campus. . . but it’s not a newspaper. It comes out every Monday in an easy-to-read magazine format. . . but it’s not a magazine. “It’s a news magazine,” explains Gretchen Crary ’92, who, along with Ali Stone ’92, became editor-in-chief of the *Barnard Bulletin* in January.

After 3,000 copies of the *Bulletin*’s ninetyeth anniversary issue hit the campus on January 28, the staff paused — if only briefly — to look back at the progress it has made over the past few years. “It was a lot more sporadic,” says Crary of the magazine’s former publication schedule. “You couldn’t depend on it to come out every Monday.” The staff worked hard to get back on track last year, and have been churning out issues on a regular basis.

Once production was under control, says Crary, “it was time to start working on its content.” In addition to campus news and features, the magazine boasts weekly columns on the arts and women’s issues, editorials, letters to the editor and *The Antigone Complex*, a cartoon strip. A “Barnard Bull” page gives students, staff and faculty the chance to air their views on topics that change weekly. “It’s a way to include a lot more people in the paper,” says Crary, who wants students to take maximum advantage of the *Bulletin*. “More than



anything else, we're interested in setting up an arena for dialogue at Barnard."

Rona Wilk '91 has spent hours pouring over early issues of the *Bulletin* for her senior thesis and a historical column she writes for the paper. Says Wilk: "It's really a record of student life back then"—a life that revolved around teas, chapel services, lectures and dances. "They were very creative," says Wilk of the first generation of Barnard students. In one dance, she reports, "1912 took on the

role of men, and they dressed the part of men in frock coats and waist coats, and 1910 played the role of grand ladies and came dressed in ball gowns." Eventually the *Bulletin* began to branch out and cover events beyond campus. "We touch on a lot more outside issues now," says Wilk.

The *Bulletin's* recent burst of energy has been inspired, in part, by an infusion of cash: the Student Government Association doubled the paper's budget last year to

\$20,000, which made possible the purchase of a computer for the 17-member staff. But the editors also attribute the changes to good, old-fashioned teamwork. Stone and Crary met as sophomores at Mount Holyoke College, where they worked on the campus newspaper, and both continued their journalistic pursuits after transferring to Barnard. "Ali and I work so well together," says Crary. "We have a similar view of what the *Bulletin* should be."



The *Barnard Bulletin* staff gathers for a meeting in their McIntosh office.

Miscellanea

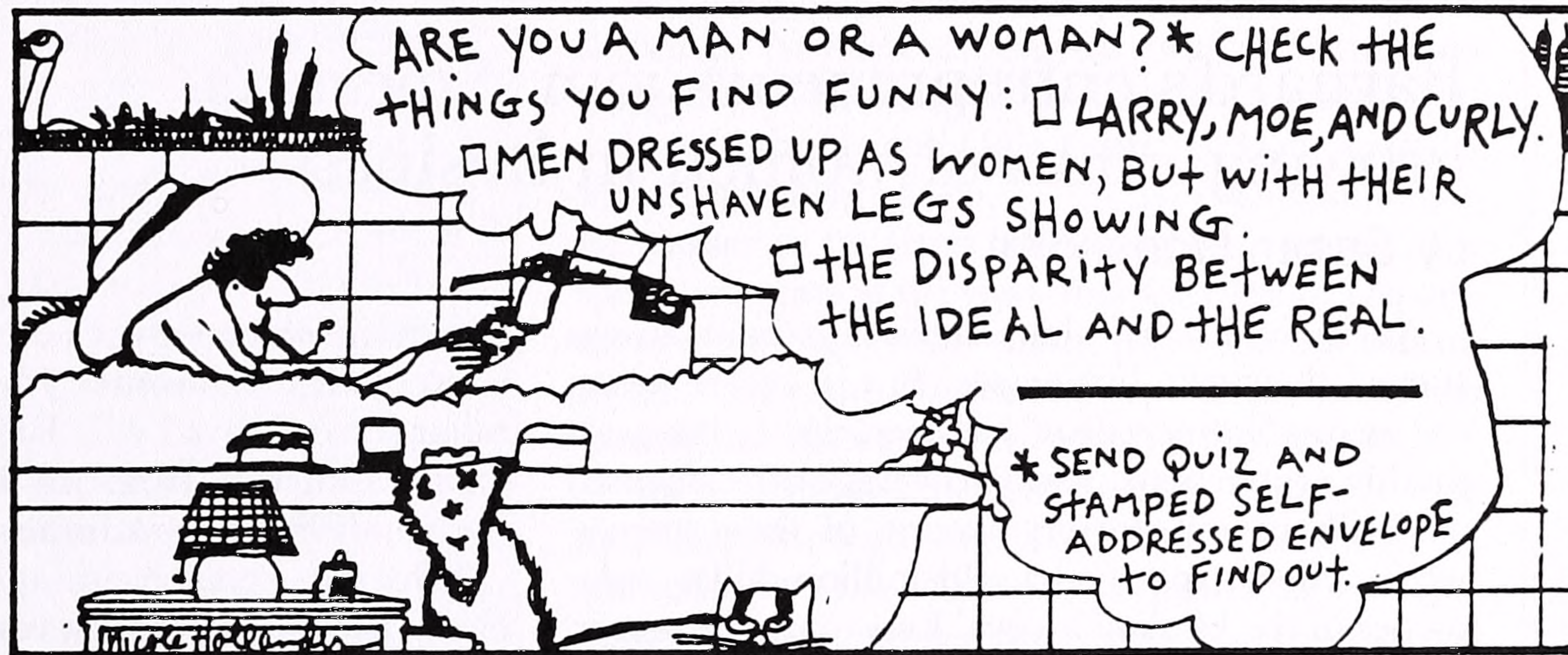
Barnard celebrated **Black History Month** in February with a series of films, lectures and a party sponsored by the Barnard Organization of Black Women. BOBW also used the occasion to rededicate the Zora Neale Hurston Lounge in Reid Hall, which the organization has revamped with African artifacts, pictures of prominent Black leaders and a small library. • **New York State Senator Mary Goodhue** addressed the unique challenges of women in politics at a discussion co-sponsored by the political science department and the Center for Research on Women on February 7. One of six women in the 61-seat senate and co-chair of the committee on child care, Goodhue called day care today "a disgrace," and told

her audience that women still have a long way to go in politics ("We just plain don't have clout") before achieving the same seniority as their male colleagues. Summing up her 13 years in office, the Senator quipped, "It beats playing bridge." • A masseuse kneaded tense dorsal muscles, a back specialist gave tips on good posture, and a team of health professionals monitored blood pressures and cholesterol levels at Barnard's sixth annual **Fitness Awareness Day** on February 21. Career Services, student-run health care groups, and dozens of other health and athletic organizations and businesses offered information, services and free goodies to the lunchtime crowd in McIntosh.

Written by Kristen Svengen



## Extra Credit: Women and Comedy



The bursts of laughter that echo through Barnard Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings don't mean that students there are slacking off. In fact, they are hard at work analyzing puns, dissecting jokes and staging skits in a new class on women and comedy. The course, says Assistant Professor of English Brenda Gross, "takes a second look at women's humor," a humor that some have dismissed as "feminine small potatoes." Students in the first year seminar explore the relationships between women and comedy in literature and society, focusing on both real and perceived differences in humor between the sexes.

Comedy, as Gross's students are learning, can be a very serious and even unfunny business, particularly when it is used to degrade or to alienate. Men and women of different socio-economic and ethnic back-

grounds may not share the same ideas about what's witty.

"You can sit next to somebody and laugh at the same time. It doesn't mean you're laughing at the same thing," says Professor Regina Barreca, an expert on women and comedy from the University of Connecticut who recently addressed the class. "Women have been told they don't have a sense of humor based on the times they have not laughed at jokes and stories told by men."

"A lot of the comedy about women is not traditional 'haha' comedy," explains Gross. "Women's humor tends to be satiric," playing on discrepancies between what society thinks women should be and what they are.

Humor, of course, is as old as the hills. As Rochelle Shoretz '94 points out, "People in the 1800s were funny, too." Shoretz and her classmates have been studying the political

aspects of humor in Aristophanes' *Lysistrata* and gender roles in Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. More contemporary authors, including Wendy Wasserstein, Ntozake Shange and Roseanne Barr, are also on the reading list.

### Suggested Reading

*Lysistrata*, Aristophanes  
*Like One of the Family*, Alice Childress  
*The Heidi Chronicles*, Wendy Wasserstein  
*The Life and Loves of a She-Devil*, Fay Weldon  
*Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, Anita Loos  
*I Love Myself When I Am Laughing...*, Zora Neale Hurston  
*As You Like It*, William Shakespeare  
*Last Laughs: Perspectives on Women and Comedy*, Regina Barreca



# On Their Own

Barnard's entrepreneurs join America's growing ranks of women in business

by Susan Ochshorn

An individualistic lot, Americans have always started their own businesses. But in recent years, the species "entrepreneur" has been elevated to near-mythic proportions. Media coverage often focused on brilliant self-starters—many of them men—whose efforts spawned multi-million-dollar companies in the blink of an eye. Less touted, however, have been the women entrepreneurs, whose smaller, at times less glamorous businesses have been quietly but insistently changing the face of this country's bottom line.

From 1982 to 1987, the number of women-owned businesses jumped from 2.6 million to 4.1 million, a rate of increase more than four times greater than the rate for all businesses. Moreover, revenues for these businesses increased from \$98.3 billion to \$278 billion in the same five-year period. The

growth in women-owned businesses is a trend that is expected to continue. "It's not just a blip on the radar screen," says Lydia Kleiner '68, spokesperson for the Office of Women's Business Ownership at the Small Business Administration.

Why are women continuing to strike out on their own? The answers are as various and as similar as the stories of the women profiled below. For most, entrepreneuring has provided the best outlet for their creativity; for some it has brought unimagined wealth; for still others, owning a business has meant more time with the children. All would probably agree with Tess Kourkoumelis Sholom '61, who says: "What I enjoy most about what I do is that, to a large degree, I can determine my own destiny. I can be responsible for my own success."



Carol Gristina (above) presides proudly over her grapes. The winery (right) opened in the spring of 1990, and the Gristinas' first Chardonnay was released at the same time.



## A Vintage Venture

"I didn't know that I was an entrepreneur," says Carol Criscuolo Gristina '54 with a quiet laugh. Like many of her peers, and those who would follow them, she headed for Europe after graduation. "This started me on my inevitable course with wine," she says. It was a course that would twist and turn, accommodating the demands of family and work. Gristina married, did social work in Westchester and at Albert Einstein Hospital, and raised three children. All the while, her passion for the grape persisted. She and her husband, Jerry, a physician, began amassing a considerable wine collection. On later trips abroad Gristina studied wine and cooking with Marcella Hazan, then taught the subjects herself in Westchester high schools.

"Twenty years ago, we almost planted a vineyard upstate," says Gristina. Guided by Cornell University's Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva, New York, the Gristinas had begun to grow New York State hybrids on their front lawn. But Cornell studies in the early eighties showed that the climate and terrain of Long Island's North Fork was identical to that of Bordeaux. So Gristina set her eyes eastward. Around this time, she happened to take an investment course with another Barnard grad.



**Shirley Henschel '54** knew little about business when she started her own licensing company, Alaska Momma Inc., in 1979. "I didn't know how to do a business plan, I didn't know how to apply to a bank for money," she says now. But she learned fast. A year-long training program sponsored by the American Women's Economic Development Corporation (AWED) hastened the education process.

For the past decade, Henschel has been negotiating the licenses to use cartoon characters (Li'l Abner), artwork (Edward Gorey and Boris Vallejo), and whatever else she found of interest on a wide range of consumer items, including lunch boxes, wall paper, T-shirts, stationery, bed linens and calendars. "The economy is pretty soft now, which makes life harder," says Henschel. "But once you're an entrepreneur, it's difficult to be an employee."

"I knew absolutely nothing about the stock market," says Gristina, "but I made a little money." With that windfall, she bought a 54-acre potato farm ("a real bargain") in Cutchogue, situated between Long Island Sound and the Great Peconic Bay.

By 1984, Carol, Jerry, their three sons and Carol's father had planted the first vines. For five years, they sold their grapes—Chardonnay, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc—to other wineries. In 1988, they hired Cornell grape researcher Larry Fuller-Perrine as winemaker. He, along with the Gristinas' son Peter, supervised the construction of a winery, which opened in May 1990. The Gristinas' first Chardonnay was released at the same time. The vineyard produced 3,000 cases in 1990 and 4,000 cases are projected for 1991. Gristina wines, which have elicited some glowing reviews from the press, are now on the tables of La Tulipe, The Water Club, Memphis and other popular Manhattan restaurants.

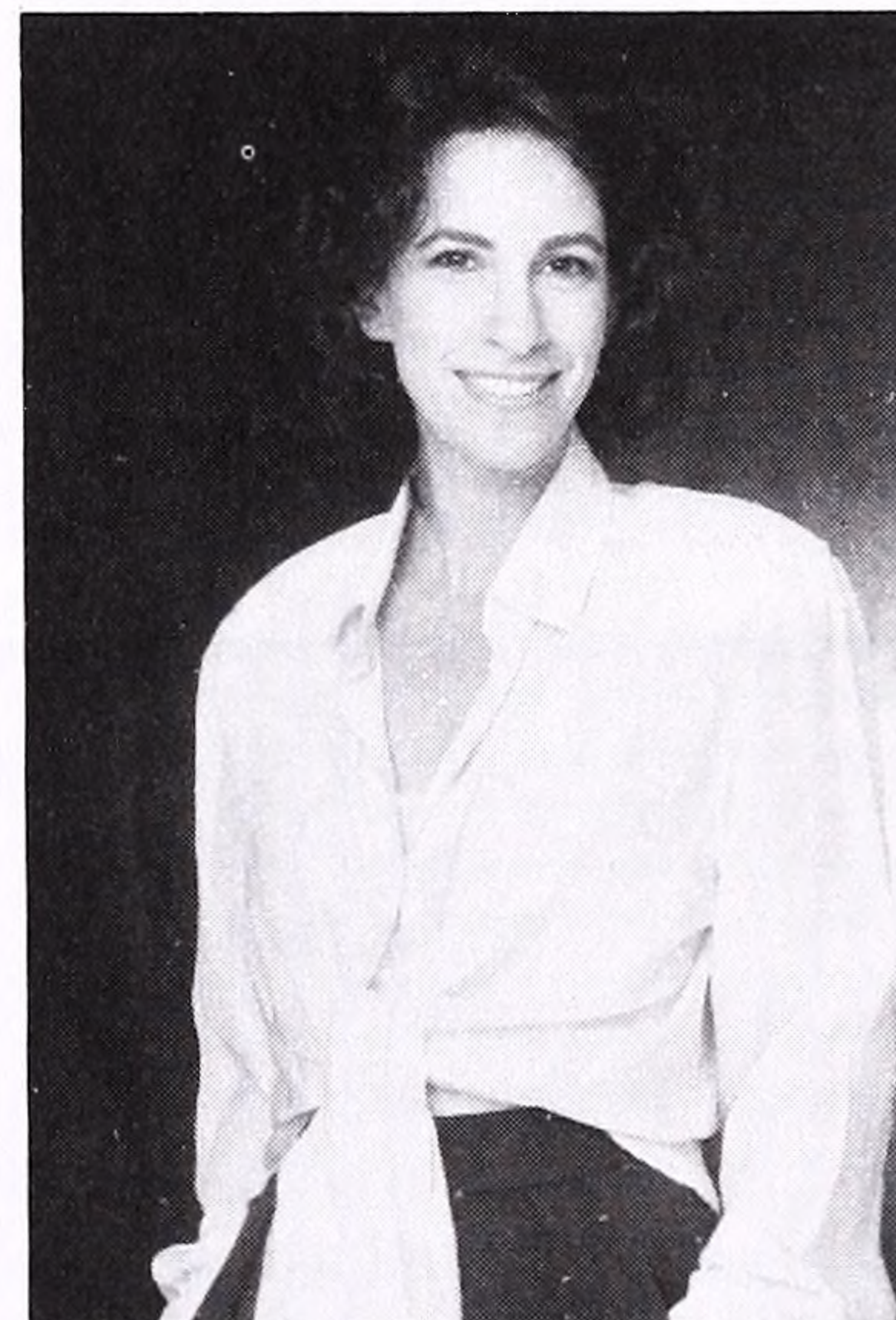
These days, Carol Gristina lives out on Long Island from May through November, working in the fields and serving as paymaster. "It's been very, very exciting. I think I'm going to give everything up," says Gristina, referring to all the volunteer activities to which she has devoted much time and energy over the years. "To be on a whole new course when some people are thinking of retiring is gratifying."

### Designing Women

Retailing may be in a slump but Hanky Panky is thriving. "We had our best year ever," exclaims Lida Orzeck '68, who founded the intimate apparel company with her friend Gale Epstein 13 years ago. A social psychologist (Ph.D. '72, TC), Orzeck began her career as far from fashion as you can get. She spent two years at the New York City Police Department directing a study about rape. Then it was on to the Health and Hospitals Corporation, where she focused on emergency care in the city hospitals.

But a birthday gift from Epstein, whom Orzeck had met through her best friend at Barnard, changed her life. Epstein, a junior sportswear designer, presented her with delicately embroidered underwear created out of cotton handkerchiefs. Orzeck was intrigued. Still employed, she peddled Epstein's samples to Macy's and Lord & Taylor on her lunch hour.

"We started by the seat of our pants," Orzeck says. "We were working out of our apartments." Things moved quickly. Hanky Panky was incorporated in September 1977, their first shipment went out in the late fall, and the company settled into its first "real space," 475 square feet on Fifth Avenue. Sales reached \$120,000 the first year, and though Orzeck declines to reveal current sales—"We're still a tiny



Jaime Phillips

company: we do under \$10 million"—she does say that Hanky Panky has been profitable since its inception.

Today the company occupies 7,200 square feet on Manhattan's Park Avenue South. To help design produce, and market their line of bras, teddies, camisoles, slips, sleepwear, loungewear and tennis

Lida Orzeck (far left) and Gale Epstein, founders of Hanky Panky, met through Orzeck's best friend at Barnard.



tops, Orzeck and Epstein employ a staff of 25. They decided early on to keep production close to home. "We are a domestic company," says Orzeck. "So many people go elsewhere, but we have fewer psychic costs. We both like the idea of 'Made in America.'"

Such decisions come easily to the owners, whose partnership, Orzeck says, has always been harmonious. Though the pair did define their relationship legally, they never sat down and talked about how they would work things out in the office. Epstein's bailiwick has remained design and production; Orzeck's sales, marketing and finances. "But we share everything," says Orzeck. "We are still

Lisa Ekus promotes the books of great American chefs from "the wilds of Massachusetts."



Robert Tobey

**Marsha Wittenberg Lewin '62** didn't just wake up one day and decide to start a business. President of her own management consulting firm since 1970, Lewin describes the process that got her where she is today as a type of evolution. "It was first at Barnard that I learned that it was perfectly acceptable—even desirable—for me to go out on my own," says Lewin. Having proven her computer expertise on Wall Street, Lewin found that starting her own business was the obvious way to combine family and career when the time came to move west with her husband and infant son.

Today, Marsha D. Lewin Associates Inc., which Lewin runs out of her Los Angeles home, dispenses advice to numerous clients, including the U.S. Navy. In the mid-eighties, Lewin's firm designed and implemented the data tracking and reporting systems for the USS Missouri and USS Wisconsin. More recently, Lewin and her staff of five installed a project control system for the port of Los Angeles.

"You advise, you recommend, and you eat your heart out when your client does not heed your recommendations," says Lewin. But after two decades of experience, she doesn't give up easily. — *K.S.*

For fifteen years, **Jane Roberts Lockshin '65** cast in her lot with corporate life. Beginning as a research associate at Citibank ("Women weren't allowed to eat in the main V.P. dining room," she remembers), she went on to finance and marketing positions at RCA, the Singer Company, and Westinghouse, where she served as Vice President of Business Development for their Muzak division.

In 1982, Lockshin decided to get off the ladder. She had missed major milestones in her daughter's childhood. "Her first steps were taken when I was away in San Francisco," says Lockshin, who then lived in New York. "The snake ate the toad when I was in L.A." Thus Custom Databanks Inc. was born. Though Lockshin started out consulting, she has moved into publishing her own software. Two of her data base systems are designed for high-level job-hunters, and her most recent creation, which she sells to college counselors, pinpoints distinctive majors at American colleges.

friends. After 13 years of being in business our friendship has solidified—like a marriage. I can't imagine having done this with somebody else."

#### **P.R. for Food Stars**

"I understand food," says Lisa Cohen Ekus '79. As well she should. For nearly a decade, Ekus has been promoting the books of some of America's most beloved chefs, among them Craig Claiborne, Paula Wolfert, Jasper White, Barbara Kafka and Joyce Goldstein.

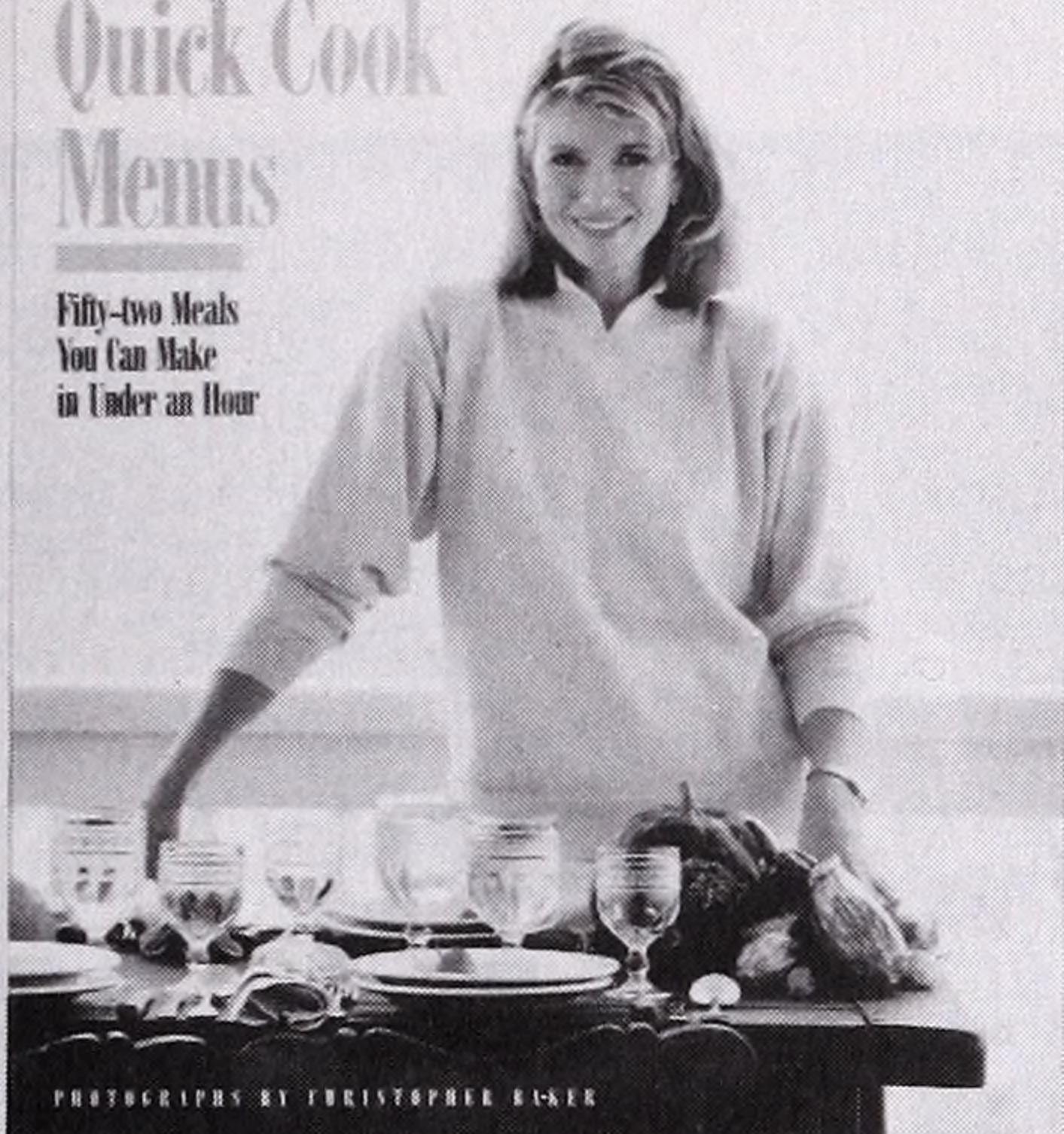
Ekus honed her publicity and marketing skills in New York City, first as an intern at the Jean Naggar Literary Agency, then during stints at Random House and Crown. In 1981, when she was a senior publicist at Crown, her husband was offered a job in Massachusetts. "I was the typical headline in a women's magazine, 'Dual-Career Couple Torn by Decision,'" Ekus says, "but Lou had followed me for my career, so we moved to the wilds of Massachusetts."

Ekus never looked back. Crown let her handle a full line of books on a free-lance basis, and in 1982, Lisa Ekus Public Relations Company was born. Her work on three cookbooks launched Ekus into the food field, which was expanding along with consumers' passion for cooking and more exotic fare. She offered cookbook authors the kind of attention that corporate in-house publicity departments were incapable of giving. "Cookbooks are so specific and in-house publicity is too general," says Ekus. "They're working on 400 projects a year; we're working on 50." And food publicity is extremely labor-intensive. For five minutes of exposure on television, a novelist or a nonfiction writer need only talk. For a chef, Ekus must make sure the shopping list is complete, equipment is provided, dishes are

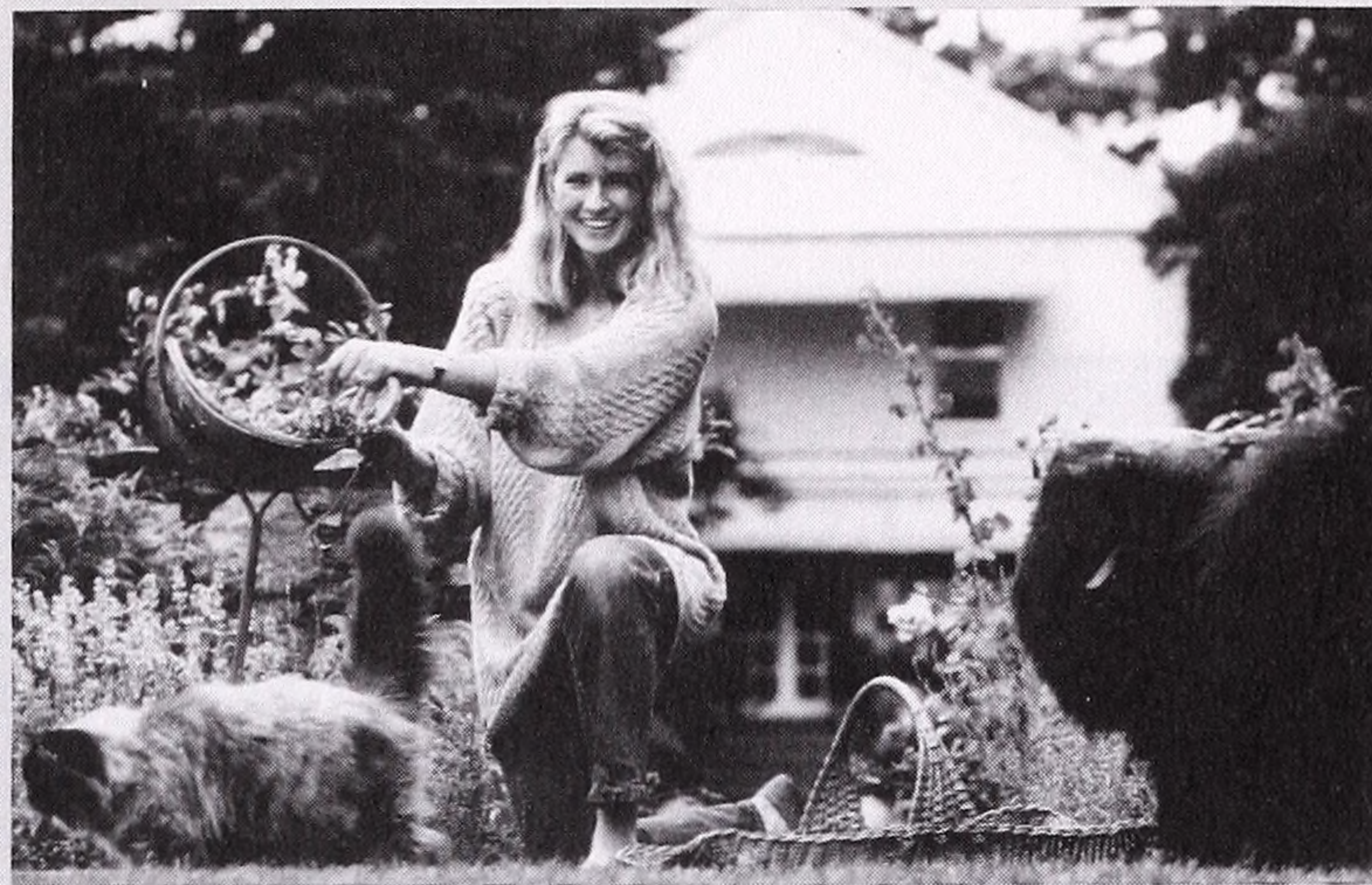
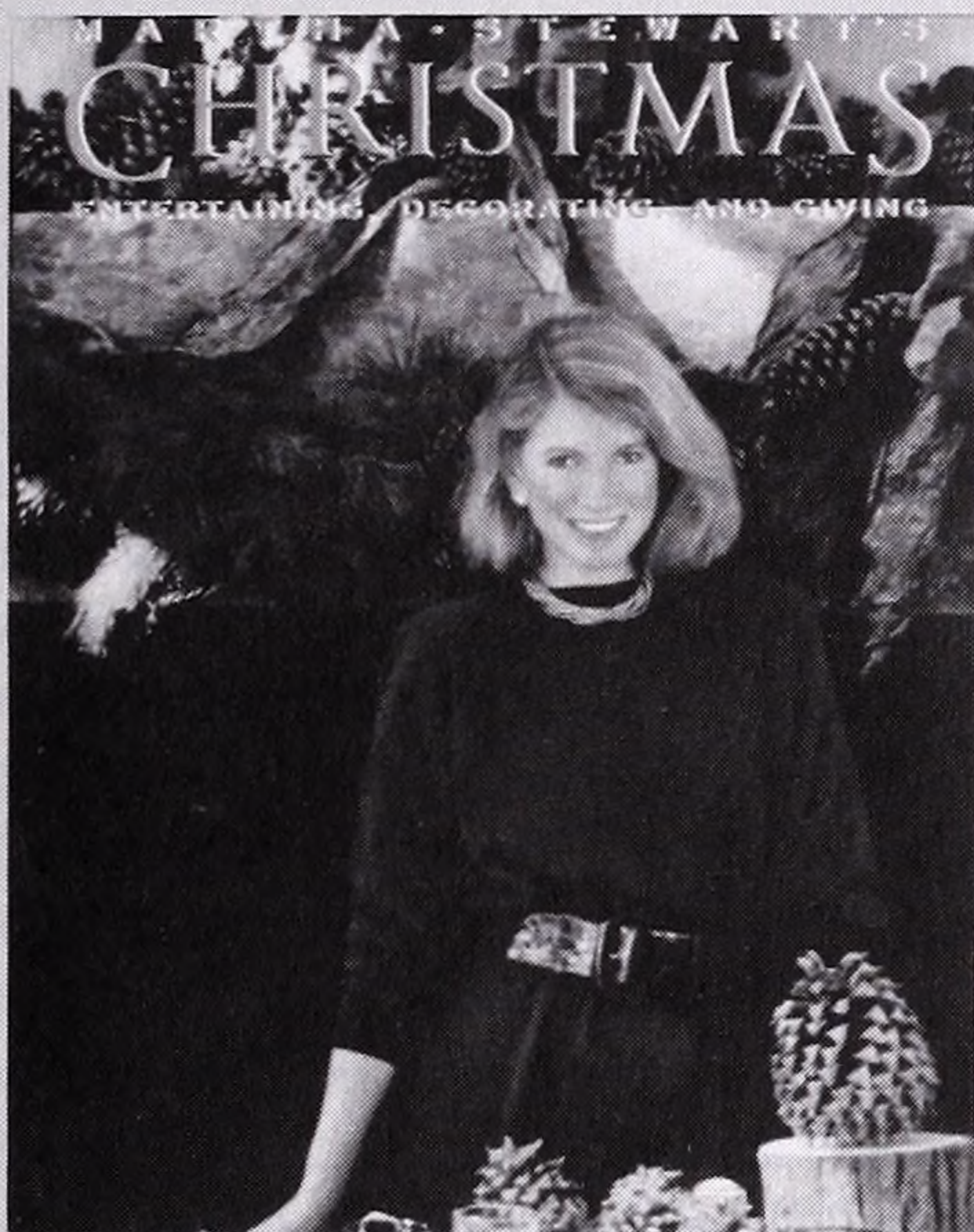


## Martha Stewart's Quick Cook Menus

Fifty-two Meals  
You Can Make  
in Under an Hour



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Mark Ferri

### Entrepreneur as Phenomenon

It all started with a small, home-based catering company in Westport, Connecticut. Then came eight books, four cooking videos, a series of cassettes and CDs (the better to enjoy your meal by!), hundreds of lectures and guest appearances, and a cable-tv special. Today, Martha Kostyra Stewart '63, a former model and stockbroker, is not only a household word: for millions of Americans, Martha Stewart *is* household.

Stewart's advice on kitchen, home and family found a new outlet in 1987 when she joined K-mart Corporation as a lifestyle and entertaining consultant. Although Stewart, a Barnard alumnae trustee, has set aside her catering business, she can't seem to stay out of publishing. In her most recent media incarnation, she has surfaced as the editor-in-chief of *Martha Stewart Living*, a new lifestyle magazine published by Time-Warner that hit the newsstands last November. Though the magazine industry is in a tailspin, Stewart is hopeful that she'll duplicate the solid success she's had in book publishing. Her books, which include *Entertaining* and *Martha Stewart's Christmas*, have sold more than two million copies and grossed about \$70 million. Another book on gardening is due out in the fall.

—Kristen Svingen

prepped, and finally, a 50-minute recipe can be effectively demonstrated in a tenth of that time.

Some authors, new to tours and television, need coaching, a service that Ekus has recently added to her repertoire. Media-training is part of the bailiwick of Ekus's husband, who officially joined the company in 1990. A physician, Lou closed his practice in 1989, when the Ekus's older daughter was stricken with leukemia. "I felt strongly that I didn't want to give up the business," says Lisa. They decided Lou would stay home and Lisa would work—close by—in a building the couple had renovated on their 4½-acre property. While nursing their daughter through a successful course of chemotherapy, Lou began getting involved behind the scenes of Lisa's firm.

The couple works well together. "In skills, Lou and I complement each other," says Lisa, "and he's got long-range vision." But, inevitably, they *do* take

their work to bed with them. "Our biggest goal is to separate ourselves from the business. Lou helps pull me back."

It's unlikely that Lisa will be pulled too far back. She delights in her daughters' sophisticated palates—at the tender ages of 6 and 2 they eat lobster and shitake mushrooms—and in the feasts the family prepares for their many friends in culinary circles. "The food field is very exciting," she says. "It's a great way of combining a passion and making money."

### Golden Opportunities

A funny thing happened to Tess Sholom '61 on her way to establishing a private physical therapy practice: she became an acclaimed jewelry designer. Invited to a wedding in the woods in 1976 ("It was a throwback to the sixties," she says), Sholom quickly put together a belt and necklace of painted seed



**TESS SHOLOM**

Nancy Reagan wore a bronze version of the *Daphne* necklace (right), designed by Tess Sholom (above), when she entertained the Queen of England at the White House.

beads with rings, ribbons and tassels to liven up the requisite pair of jeans which had never before been part of her wardrobe. "The accessories generated a lot of comments," says Sholom. Within two weeks, she had designed her first collection.

"I had never acknowledged myself as having artistic talent," says Sholom. "It didn't occur to me



Michael Chan

to make any other career." But she was hooked. Several Madison Avenue boutiques bought her jewelry and *Vogue* featured one of her necklaces in the February 1977 issue. Oscar De la Renta asked Sholom to design the accessories for his resort col-

lection. Department store orders—Henri Bendel's among them—soon followed, as did relationships with James Galanos, Bill Blass, Giorgio Sant'Angelo, Karl Lagerfeld and Perry Ellis.

Sholom started her business in the Manhattan apartment she shared with her husband, real estate executive Ronnie Sholom. As her orders increased, so did her staff—and the clutter. "When we found beads in the bed, my husband said, 'Why don't we move to a larger apartment?' I was a consenting adult, but rather than getting a space of my own, I agreed to his suggestion. I don't think it was that unusual for women of my generation."

By 1978, even a larger apartment could not hold Tess Designs. Sholom and her thirteen employees moved downtown into 1,200 square feet on West 31st Street. A little more than two years later, now 20 employees strong, Tess Designs occupied a full floor on West 38th Street. Revenues reached a respectable \$750,000 in 1982.

"Running the business was exhilarating because it grew so well," says Sholom. "But it was also frustrating. I was the most capable in the organization. I was in a new field and nobody knew how to run my kind of factory." As a result, Sholom worked like mad, putting in 16-hour days.

In 1985, she was tired and at a crossroads. "I'd reached the point where I had to expand or go offshore or size down," she says. "I'd always wanted to do fine jewelry. It was time to take a chance. So she sized down. By the following year, Sholom had designed a line of limited-edition jewelry made of sterling silver and semi-precious stones. Working



**Jessica Zive Rohm '76** wastes no time. Within two years after graduating from Barnard at the age of 19, she had done a stint at *The New York Times* and started her own public relations firm, Jessica Dee Communications. She made her name in the travel industry—her first client was Marriott—but later diversified, adding to her list the likes of NYNEX, Spiegel and American Express. ("I went after Amex like a bloodhound," says Rohm.)

By 1984, the agency had 27 employees—most of them women—and billings in the neighborhood of \$1.5 million. Soon Rohm was restless. "I was getting really bored doing the same thing. I had gotten

married and I started to have a different kind of private life." Her solution was to put her company on the block. The advertising agency Chiat/Day snatched it up in April 1987 and Rohm stayed until November 1989, when she decided to devote herself to full-time care of her toddler and newborn. Though she's "adored" staying at home, Rohm is, once again, on the move. In addition to working part-time as a marketing consultant, she has also launched a new venture catering to foreigners investing in American real estate. "It's very exciting," says Rohm, "I'm working on some very big deals, but I'm working a lot more than I planned to."



### The House that Jane Built

What kind of house does today's busy woman want? When Jane Siris '68 was commissioned to design a "Dream House" for *Family Circle*, this was the question she had to answer. It was a delightful challenge, she says. Siris, who with husband Peter Coombs practices architecture on New York City's Upper West Side, had numerous private residences to her credit, but this one was unique: its design was based on the results of a survey of hundreds of *Family Circle* readers. Among the features most in demand, which she incorporated into her ranch house, were a modest living room, a luxurious master bathroom flanked by separate dressing areas, and a large kitchen/family room, the center of activity in many modern clans. Busy woman/entrepreneur Siris makes her home in a three-story penthouse that she and her husband created atop a twelve-story apartment building in Manhattan.



out of a workshop in her Connecticut house, she then went on to create collections in gold and diamonds.

Over the years, Nancy Reagan, Lena Horne, the president of Iceland, Polly Bergen and other luminaries have worn Sholom's creations, a fact about which she is most modest. "What I enjoy most about what I do," insists Sholom "is that, to a large degree, I can determine my own destiny. I can be responsible for my own success."

### With Baby on Board

Lisa Kalus's 2½-year-old son knows about going to work. "He'll pretend that I'm the baby and he's the parent, and he'll say, 'I have to go to work now. Bye,'" says Kalus '79. "We call him the chairman of the board." The business whose board he chairs is Lisa Kalus & Associates, a construction, engineering and real estate recruiting firm founded by his mother in 1986.

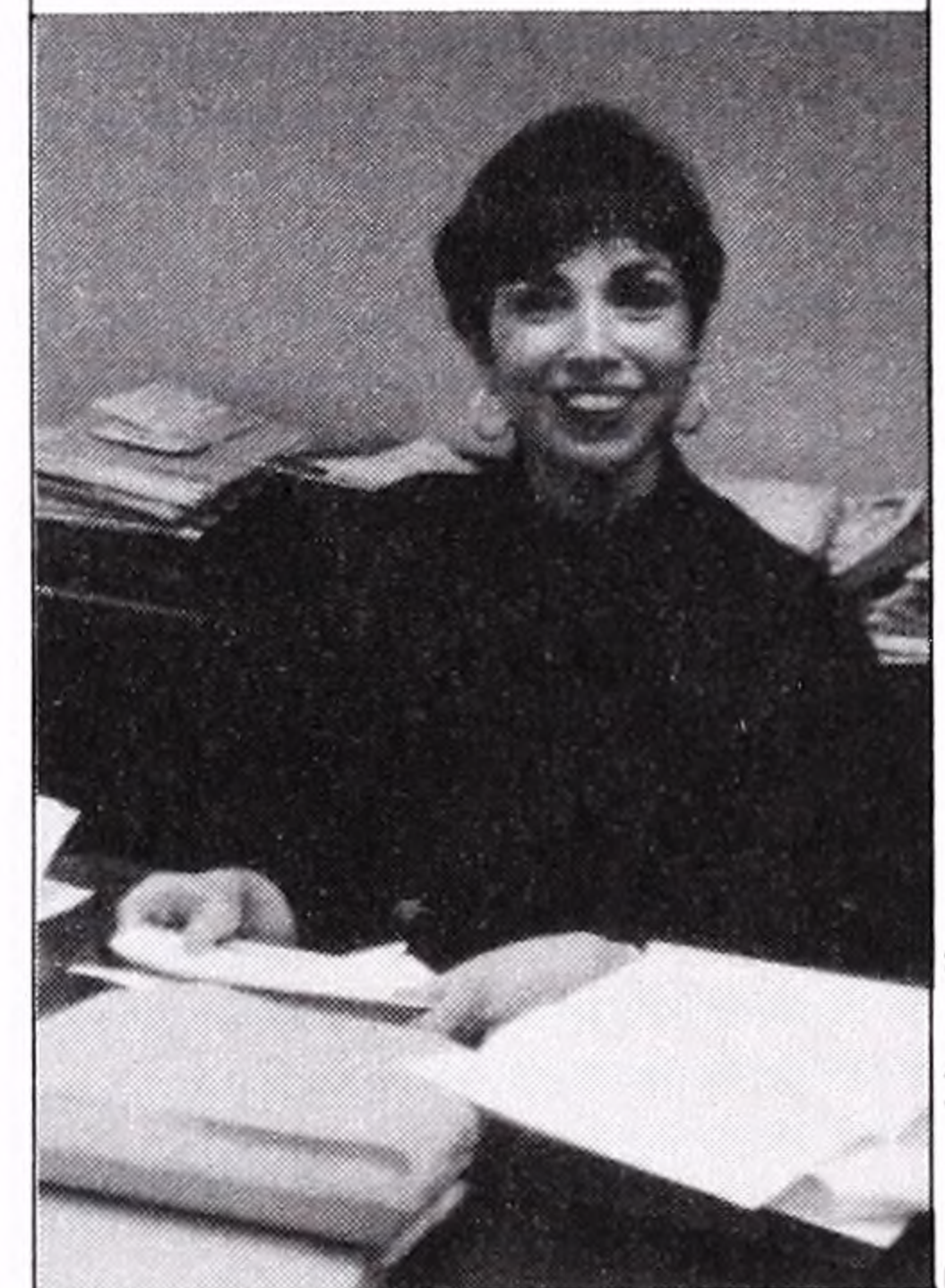
Kalus originally thought she would be on the other side of the recruiting equation. An art history major, she planned to go to architecture school immediately upon graduation. But first, she spent a year at the Manhattan-based reemployment firm, Career Builders, where, guided by mentor Ruth Hirsch, she found jobs for architects and interior designers. She loved the work. When Kalus began studying architecture at the University of Pennsylvania in 1980, Hirsch made sure Kalus could

cover for her whenever she went on vacation. "As soon as I got out of school," says Kalus, "I'd go run her office."

Her time at Penn was cut short. "My 'critics' were not tremendously impressed with my work. I didn't have good drawing skills," she says. Their suggestion: take a year off. Kalus spent the summer working for an architecture firm and then returned to Career Builders. She also enrolled in the architecture program at City College of New York "to see how it felt to be in a less stressful situation."

Over the next couple of years, at Career Builders, Kalus carved out a niche for herself in construction placement, an area that had been long neglected. She finished her B.S. in architecture at City College, and in 1986, when the company's president decided to call it quits, Kalus walked away with her clients and set up shop on lower Broadway.

The end of the real estate boom has brought leaner times for Kalus, whose income in the good years has been well in the six figures. But there are other compensations. "I get a real sense of satisfaction in seeing people grow in their positions," she says. And, most important, she has time for her young son. When he was an infant, she nursed him while she was calling clients. Now he's a frequent visitor at the office, which, with its playhouse and toys, is an extension of his home around the corner. "I have never, ever had a problem," says Kalus, "but no one else would put up with all of this." B



Lisa Kalus at her office on lower Broadway in Manhattan

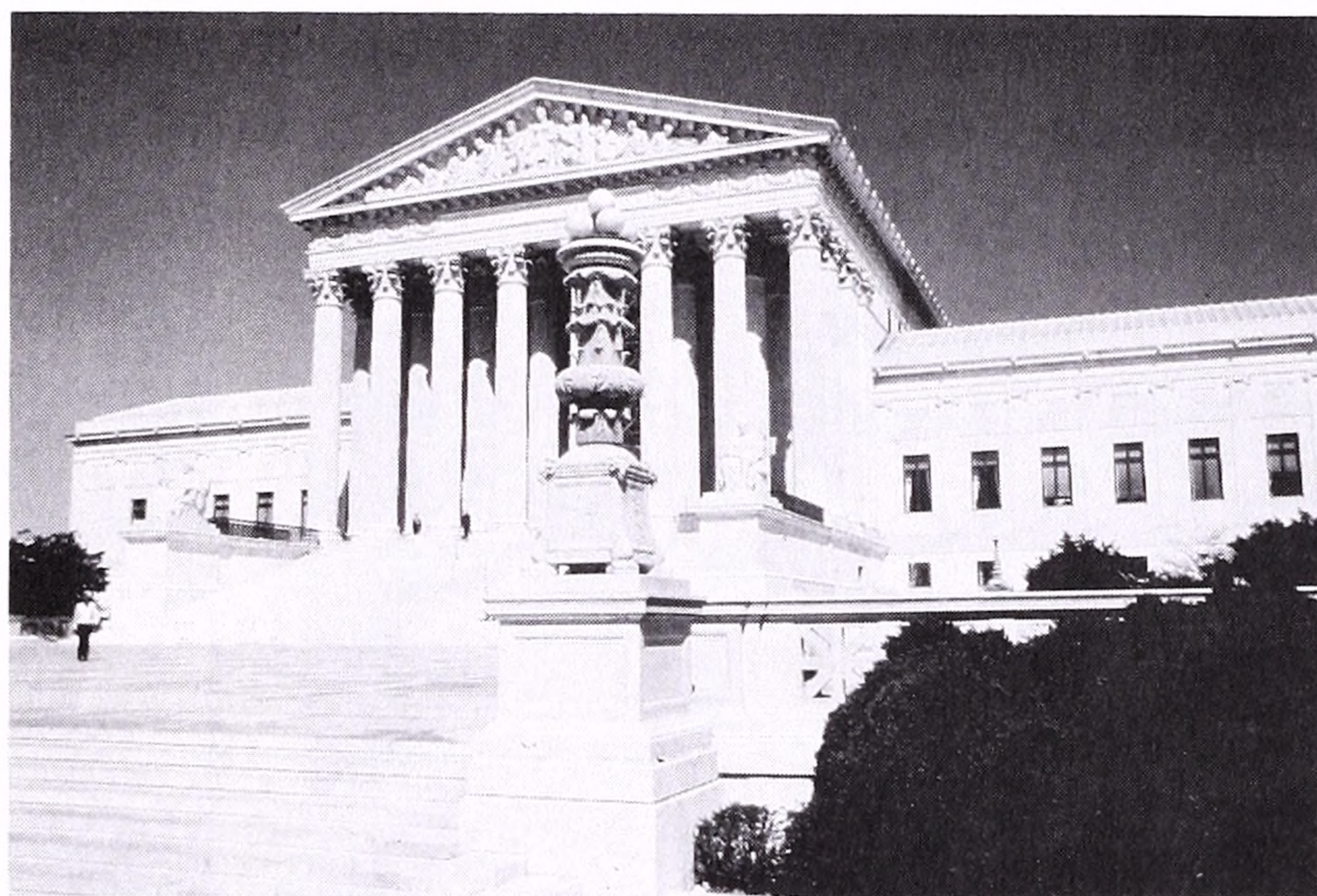
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# Barnard on the Potomac

Political science comes to life  
for a group of dedicated summer interns

by Michael Goldstein



U.S. Supreme Court  
(above); National Gallery  
(below right).

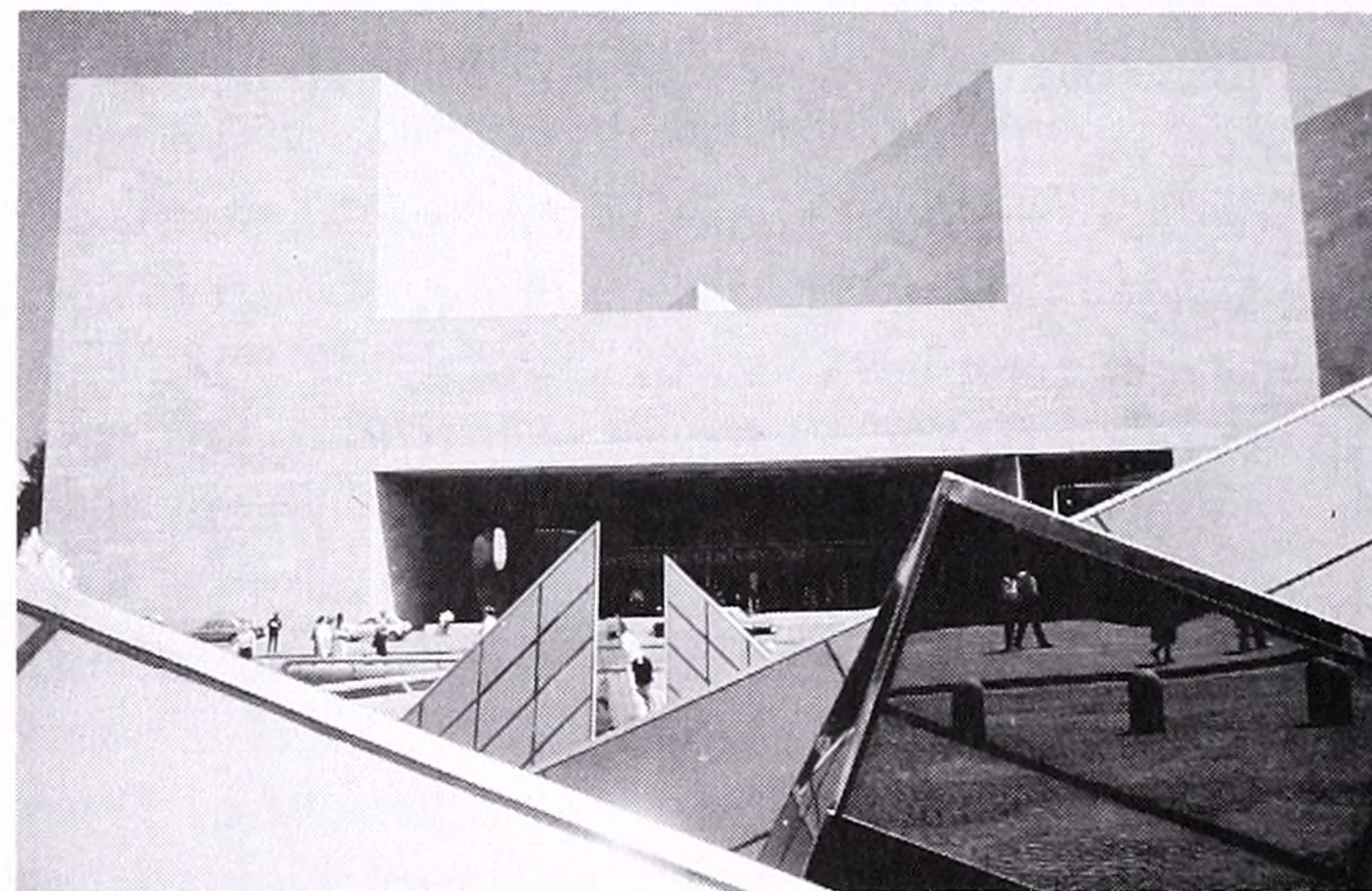
The opportunity to help Barnard College inaugurate a program in American politics during a Washington summer raised several challenges. First, there was that small matter of the weather. Washington's winters are variable; spring is short and unpredictable; fall is often glorious. But summer in Washington is always the same: hot and humid. Historically, Congress solved this problem by abruptly declaring the nation's pressing business at an end, and adjourning for most of the summer. Those residents who could not escape slept on porches, roofs or on the Mall in order to catch occasional evening breezes. As one native lamented to her cousin in upstate New York during the summer doldrums of 1850: "I do nothing but fan. It's so oppressive. How I would like to be up in your region for a month and breathe your fine air. . ."

While scholars most often point to the Depression, the New Deal or World War II as catalysts in the development of modern American government, a more plausible explanation is the introduction of air conditioning in the late thirties. Still, even with artificial cooling, Congress moves slowly during the summer. The legislative process is characterized by spurts of activity and long periods of little action. It's not until after Labor Day that Congress, inspired by fear of public retribution, really gets moving.

Consequently, students are provided with an incomplete vision of how the government works.

Given the peculiarities of the summer session, I was somewhat concerned about the ultimate success of the new Barnard program. Could we attract participants who would be willing to endure a Washington summer? And would the legislative and political agenda be sufficiently varied and exciting to stimulate our students? The answer was an overwhelming "Yes." The quality of the Barnard students we attracted, the general atmosphere in Washington and the classes and activities we designed all helped to produce an outstanding program.

The students were particularly adept at balancing the program's academic demands and the rigors of a four-day-a-week internship. Most of them had firm ideas about the kinds of organizations at which they wished to work (see profiles). And they were skilled at pursuing their interests through their internships — no mean feat considering the competition for substantive work assignments. Five selected the Washington offices of their own representatives or senators, where their status was considerably bolstered by the fact that they were constituents. Indeed, one student was actually supervised by someone with whom she had attended high school. Other students chose interest groups or think tanks with which they felt ideologically in tune. Organizations within the public interest sector are especially appreciative of volunteers and were willing to involve interns in major projects.



credit: Washington  
Convention and Visitors  
Association





Lisa Methany

Debra Cohan (right) and Melissa Met discuss their summer in Washington.

### **Melissa Met**

"It changed my outlook," says Melissa Met '91 of her internship at the Conservative Network Foundation, a public policy organization. As a Foreign Area Studies major, Met had previously focused on international issues. But Met got a taste of electoral politics while working on the campaign of Maurice Turner, a Republican candidate for mayor of Washington, D.C. Her experience on the campaign trail enabled her to integrate the practical aspects of politics with the academic, and provided the raw material for a research paper on Black Republicanism that she wrote for a political science course last semester.

"When you study American politics in class it's pretty mundane, but when you're in D.C., you're literally in the middle of things," says Met. "You're actually meeting the people who are making the laws." Including George Bush, with whom Met had breakfast during the Turner campaign.

In addition to her new appreciation for domestic politics, Met also acquired a stronger sense of herself as a Republican. A Republican, that is, with her own opinions. "Just because you're a Republican," she says, "doesn't mean you have to go along with all their beliefs. I learned, last summer, how to defend my own political views." — *Kristen Svingen*

### **Debra Cohan**

For Debra Cohan '93, last summer's internship at the American Medical Women's Association inspired some serious thinking about her career. Cohan, the sole intern at the organization, wrote two membership surveys and later got involved in legislative work. While researching a project on elder care, she made frequent trips to Capitol Hill to sit in on committee hearings. "This whole thing got me really interested in health policy," says Cohan, who is planning to return to Washington this summer to work on one of the congressional health committees.

She is not certain where this new passion will take her—she might go to medical school, or perhaps pursue a degree in public health. But should Cohan decide to set her sights on Capitol Hill she's convinced she has the know-how she needs. "I really learned the best way to break into this kind of closed, club-like atmosphere," she says. "I would never have known how to do that if I hadn't been in Washington."

Other charms of the nation's capital were not lost on Cohan, who spent weekends exploring the zoo, the Smithsonian and Georgetown, and passed evenings in heated political debate with other students. Cohan also found the city's slower pace a welcome change. "In Washington people are willing to wait," she says. — *K.S.*



Pandas nuzzle at the Washington National Zoo.

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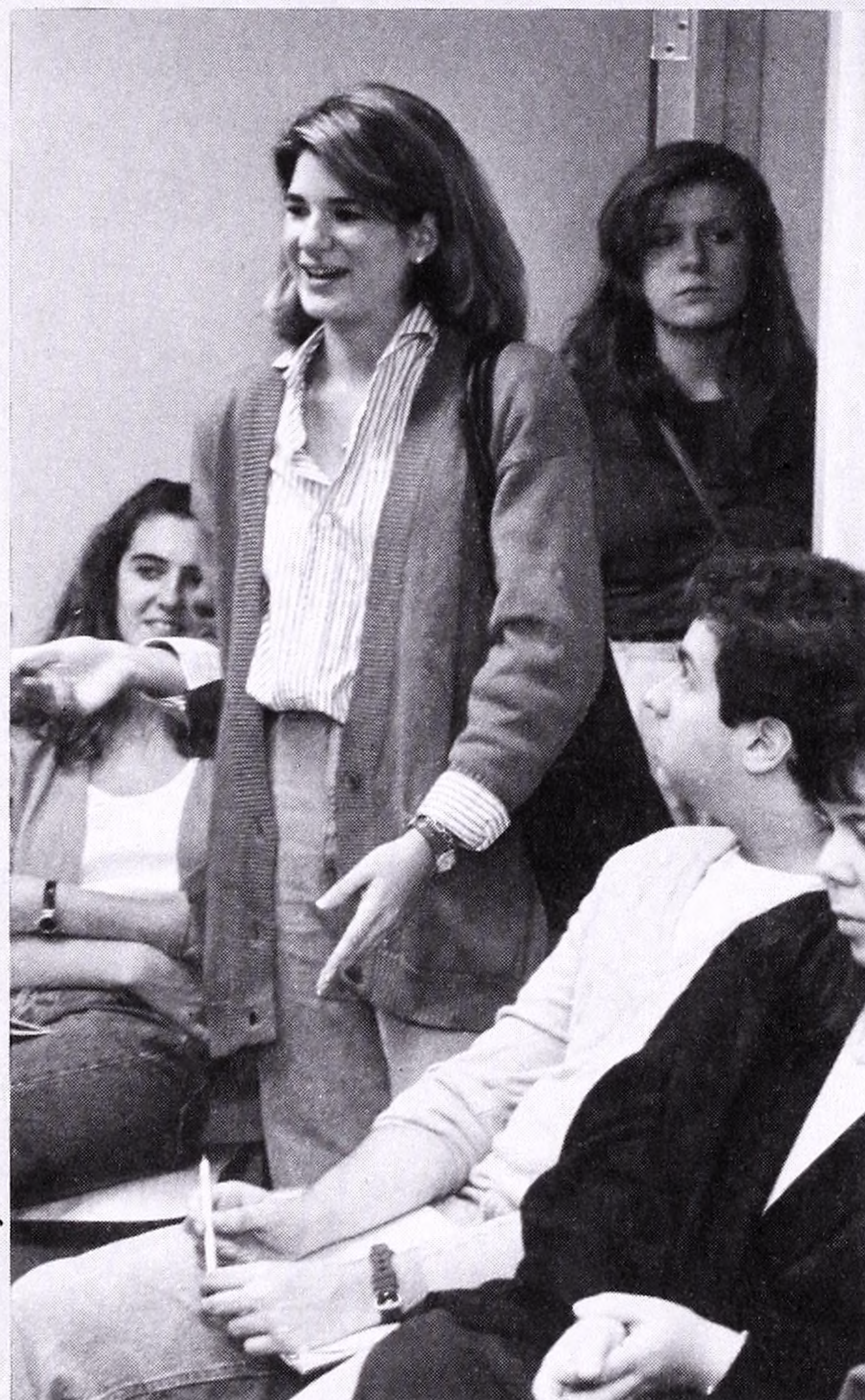


Our curriculum and special activities also created a solid intellectual context for the internships. Some of the subjects studied included: institutional change within the executive and legislative branches; the role of the media in setting the policy agenda; the changing nature of civil rights policy-making; and current developments in national political parties. The students also met informally with influential Washington personalities, including a

member of Congress, a prominent journalist, the head of a local think tank and a noted civil rights attorney.

Political controversy always breeds student interest. And the summer of 1990 was one not only of controversy, but of crisis. Congress struggled with major bills focusing on child care, immigration and clean air. President Bush agonized over a veto of the 1990 Civil Rights Bill. Arguments over the budget threatened to shut down the government. New revelations about Washington's embattled Mayor Marion Barry appeared daily. Two of our students worked for members of Congress embroiled in ethics investigations. And, in August, Iraq invaded Kuwait. The nation's capital was, indeed, *the* hot spot last summer. **B**

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### **Elizabeth Nanni**

Elizabeth Nanni '92 did her share of phone and letter answering while interning for Representative Constance Morella, a liberal Republican from Maryland. But that was not all. She also helped write policy statements, represented Morella at meetings, and worked closely with the congresswoman's legal assistant on child care, becoming something of an office expert on the issue.

Nanni welcomed the opportunity to research current policy issues for Morella, relying on her own resourcefulness to dig up the latest information. "It was nice to know something thoroughly so you could help the office out in a tangible way," says Nanni, who is thinking of writing her senior thesis on the topic.

The combination of coursework and hands-on experience in the Washington program was exhilarating for Nanni. "Everything that you see and hear in political science class came to life," she says.

Her future plans include another stint with Morella and law school after graduation. And what about running for political office? "It's something I might consider," says Nanni with a delicacy she must have picked up in Washington. "I would keep the option open." — K.S.



# EX LIBRIS

**Claire (Gallant) Berman '57**, *Adult Children of Divorce Speak Out*, Simon & Schuster, 1991, \$18.95.

Supplementing the literature on the impact of divorce on children, this book is subtitled "About growing up with—and moving beyond—parental divorce." From Berman's interviews, it is clear that the pain *doesn't* go away, even though many adults think they are alone.

**Anne Bernays '52** and Pamela Painter, *What If? Writing Exercises for Fiction Writers*, HarperCollins, 1990, \$18.95.

This practical manual is designed to trigger the imagination as well as guide the development of writing skills. An alternate selection of the Book-of-the-Month Club.

**Kathryn Glasford Black '30**, *The Sun in the North*, available through Dartmouth University Bookstore.

In the author's own words, "this is a story about an area of Argentina that tourists seldom visit, journalists ignore, and anyone sent there by an American company hopes to avoid." Her engaging memoir recounts the growth of pleasant relationships despite a hostile and unstable government.

**Antonina W. Bouis '67**, translator, *From Russia to the West: The Musical Memoirs and Reminiscences of Nathan Milstein*, by Nathan Milstein and Solomon Volkov, Henry Holt, \$24.95.

Incidents and anecdotes recounted by a violin virtuoso whose full life has been enriched by historic events and fascinating friends.

**Wanda Chin '77** and Michael P. Danowsky, *Dim Sum: How About Some? A Guide to New York's Liveliest Chinese Dining and How to Make a Day of It*, New York Niche Press, 1991, \$8.95.

Dishes of dim sum are served as appetizers or full meals at dozens of restaurants in New York City's three Chinatowns. This handy book reviews more than 30 places, with maps and definitions.

**Hannah (Shulman) Decker '57**, *Freud, Dora, and Vienna 1900*, Macmillan/The Free Press, 1990, \$22.95.

Aptly titled, this book deals with one of Freud's most intriguing cases, with a particular focus on the place of Dora and her family in *fin-de-siecle* Vienna.

**Rachel Blau DuPlessis '63**, *The Pink Guitar: Writing as Feminist Practice*, Routledge, Chapman & Hall, 1990, \$35/12.95.

In these essays (for the most part previously published but revised for this book) questions are raised about the depiction of women in art and literature. The earliest version of "For the Etruscans" was presented at the Scholar and Feminist Conference at Barnard in 1979.

**Linda (Rappaport) Ferber '66** and Nancy K. Anderson, *Albert Bierstadt: Art & Enterprise*, Hudson Hills Press, 1990, \$75.

This striking book accompanies an exhibition of Bierstadt's works at The Brooklyn Museum, where Ferber is chief curator. (The show will be in Brooklyn until May 5 and will then travel to San Francisco and Washington, D.C.) Included are the monumental western paintings for which Bierstadt is best known and many other landscapes and oil sketches, comments by contemporary critics, and an account of his business-like approach to his art.

**Mary Forsell '83**, *Heirloom Herbs: Using Old-Fashioned Herbs in Gardens, Recipes, and Decorations*, Random House/Villard Books, 1991, \$29.95.

A delight to look at, this unusual book is also a well-organized source of practical information about growing and using familiar and some not-so-familiar herbs. A Main Selection of the Organic Gardening Book Club.

**Miriam Kurtzig Freedman, J.D., '64**, *Legalese: The Words Lawyers Use and What They Mean*, Dell/Laurel, 1990, \$5.95.

A practicing attorney who is a teacher at heart, Freedman has written a comprehensive "plain English" guide to today's complex legal system, including everyday situations like writing a will and buying a house.

**Ruth (Crane) Friedberg '49**, *Coasts*, The Press at the Camperdown Elm, 1990, \$50/25.

With engraved illustrations and handset type, this lovely little volume of poetry presents an introspective view of a woman's life.

**Ruth (Cushman) Graydon '24**, *Morning and other poems*, Sherwood Oaks, 1990.

Ruth Graydon takes pleasure in nature, in art, and in words, and she shares her pleasure through this charming collection, most of which has been published previously in literary magazines and other periodicals.

**Carey (Halperson) Kaplan '65** and Ellen Cronan Rose, *The Canon and the Common Reader*, University of Tennessee Press, 1990, \$39.50/18.95.

"What ought to be taught?" The question reverberates through the halls of academe and is troubling to people who believe that books matter. The authors consider how a new writer is admitted to the canon today, with particular focus on the impact of feminist scholarship. (On the cover is a photo of Low Library draped with a banner listing women writers from Sappho to Woolf.)

**Ronnie Kaye '64**, *Spinning Straw into Gold: Your Emotional Recovery from Breast Cancer*, Simon & Schuster/Fireside, 1991, \$9.95.

A psychotherapist who is herself a survivor of breast cancer, Kaye has helped many hundreds of women deal with the emotional issues that are inevitably tied in with the physical and psychological impact of a frightening disease.

**Bettina L. Knapp '47**, *Gertrude Stein*, Continuum/Frederick Ungar, 1990.

A new volume in the series "Literature and Life: American Writers," this biographical-critical study provides an authoritative account of Stein's life and work in Knapp's usual straightforward style.

**Ellen Kushner '77**, *Thomas the Rhymer*, William Morrow and Co., 1990, \$16.95.

Science fiction writer **Suzy McKee Charnas '61** calls this romantic novel "a charming book . . . imbued with a confident energy that enables the author to carry off her creation of the land of faery lightly and well." The book's dedications include the late Joy Chute, Adjunct Professor of English.

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**Elizabeth Langland '70** and Laura Claridge, editors, *Out of Bounds: Male Writers and Gender(ed) Criticism*, U of Massachusetts Press, 1991, \$42.50/16.95.

With these fifteen original essays, the editors address the issue: "What do male writers who feel fettered by the patriarchal literary tradition do to escape a language implicitly—and often explicitly—defined as their own?" Milton, Thackeray, Faulkner, and Wilkie Collins are some of the writers considered.

**Emily Wortis Leider '59**, *California's Daughter: Gertrude Atherton and Her Times*, Stanford U Press, 1991, \$24.95.

Novelist Gertrude Atherton (1857-1948) wanted fame, and achieved it, but she was soon forgotten. Leider has written the first biography of this controversial writer who helped shape the debate on gender and society through the 1920s and '30s. Thoroughly researched, the book presents a new look at many fascinating aspects of American literary history.

**Barbara Lovenheim '62**, *Beating the Marriage Odds: When You Are Smart, Single, and Over 35*, William Morrow, 1990, \$17.95.

Forget everything you have read about marriage trends among women over 35—this lively book offers practical advice, bolstered by real-life success stories, for single women who wish they weren't. Among the authorities cited is **Dr. Janice Lieberman '62**.

**Anita (Herzog) Weiner '56** and Eugene Weiner, *Expanding the Options in Child Placement: Israel's Dependent Children in Care from Infancy to Adulthood*, University Press of America, 1990, \$32.75.

The result of a unique 14-year study of child care outside the family, this sociology text describes the relative merits of adoption, foster care, return to parent, and extended family. Anita Weiner chairs Israel's Council for the Child in Placement.

**Meredith Sue Willis '69**, *Blazing Pencils: A Guide to Writing Fiction & Essays*, Teachers & Writers Collaborative, 1990, \$9.95.

A lively, approachable guide for the young person—or anyone—who wants to write but isn't sure where to begin or whether to continue on what seems to be a lonely path.

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### A. Louise Brush '25

Barnard students of the 1950s and '60s will remember Dr. Brush as a consulting psychiatrist on the College's medical service, whose intervention was of critical importance in many of their lives. A 1929 graduate of Columbia's College of Physicians & Surgeons, she was a fellow at the Austen Riggs Foundation in Stockbridge, Mass. and studied at the Columbia Neurological Institute. She maintained private practices in Manhattan and in Greenwich, CT until her retirement in 1979. For many years she was an instructor in psychiatry at both P&S and at Cornell Medical School, and she had the great distinction of being appointed a Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Assn. A warm-hearted and concerned person, she kept contact by phone and letter with former patients.

*Emma Dietz Stecher '25*

### Mary Bliss '25

The period 1954-1966 was a time of significant growth for alumnae programs at Barnard, and it was the College's good fortune to have Mary Bliss in the position of Executive Secretary of the AABC during those critical years. "Her sage advice, her deft touch with people, her sense of fun" were a few of the strengths noted by Caroline Pelz '40, who worked with Mary as AABC president.

Before returning to Barnard, Mary had taught school, worked at *Women's Home Companion*, and served with the American Red Cross in the Middle East and Germany. After



**Adrienne Wolfert (Lobovits) '45**, *Songs of the Dybbuk*, Lintel, 1990, \$10.

Highly praised by other poets and honored by many arts organizations, Wolfert draws on the humor, compassion, and regret that lie in all of us.

## EVENTS IN THE ARTS

An exhibition of batik and enamel paintings by **Astrith Deyrup '44** was held at the Bridge Gallery of The New School in NYC in March.

The Greenwich Village Orchestra will present a concert in memory of **Helen Feeney '34** on Sunday, June 2, at Washington Irving High School, NYC.

*Betsey Brown*, a new rhythm & blues musical by **Ntozake Shange '70** and Emily Mann, based on an original idea by Shange, will be performed at the McCarter Theater in Princeton, NJ, through April 21.

A new recording of vocal compositions by **Jeanne (Walsh) Singer '44** has been released by Cambria Records. The record is titled "To Stir a Dream: American Poets in Song," and Jeanne performs the piano parts.

## Seminars for Home Study

### WOMEN'S STUDIES: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSE

Professors Leslie Calman (*Political Science and Women's Studies*), Celeste Schenck (*English*), Helene Foley (*Classics*), Suzanne Wemple (*History*); former Professors Julie Blackman (*Psychology*), Nancy Miller (*Women's Studies*)

Tapes and readings on women in antiquity and the early Middle Ages, feminist literary theory, mothers and daughters in literature, and contemporary feminist ideology and psychology.

All inquiries and orders should be sent to Barnard College, Office of Alumnae Affairs, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027-6598. The total cost for this course, the texts for which could be said to constitute a feminist library, is \$200; the audio tapes and syllabus, which includes supplemental readings not readily obtainable elsewhere, can be purchased as a separate package for \$50. Please make checks payable to Barnard College.

she "retired," she took on part-time and volunteer jobs, but primarily she pursued her love of learning. To the end, you could ask her about any issue and get an accurate, carefully thought out assessment of the total situation (often with a dose of righteous indignation). Honest, forthright, responsible, compassionate, she was an "excellent woman."

*Jean Wallace Pease '53*

### Jane Simon Teller '33

A quiet force among the abstract artists who have dominated late 20th century art, Jane Teller, sculptor and feminist, liked abstraction because of its immediacy: "Abstraction detours associations and goes right to the emotional point of the work: something that everyone can feel. Abstraction becomes then the Esperanto of art."

Widely traveled, Jane drew particular inspiration from neolithic sites; conjuring up the feelings she experienced around what might have been the habitats of giants—or goddesses—she sculpted and drew spaces that were spiritual. But craftsmanship and material were also important components of what she thought constituted beauty, and she loved the sensuousness and sense of line she found in wood, her primary sculpture medium. She spent her life shaping energy and spirit into material reality and her art gave physical form to the roaring silences of sacred spaces.

*Temma Kaplan  
Director, The Barnard Center  
for Research on Women*

### Evi Bossanyi Loeb '47

She was fun yet dignified, moderate, warm, giving. She was there for everyone, a magnificent cook and hostess who basked in the pleasure

she was able to give others. A talented gardener, her begonias won blue ribbons and her articles about plants won her the respect of botanists in several countries. She loved words and appreciated how efficiently they could reach others. With her children she was the kindest of realists: "I taught them how to live," she said near the end. "Now I'll teach them how to die."

A child of divorce, an immigrant, a product of two diverse religions, a baroness with a family crest, she felt insecure and inadequate. And so she asked too much of herself in an effort to be the best wife, the best daughter, the best American, the best mother, the best that Barnard has to offer.

*Charlotte Korany Hendrickson '47*

### Denise Carty-Bennia '69

Friends and classmates mourn the death of Denise Carty-Bennia, professor of law at Northeastern University since 1977 and visiting professor at CUNY Law School. She is remembered as an early leader, president of her freshman class, a determined student, a champion on campus for employees of color and an ardent recruiter of students of color. A graduate of Columbia Law School, she was a specialist in constitutional law and discrimination issues, and a strong and forceful advocate for the rights of women and minorities. She was co-chair of the National Conference of Black Lawyers and chaired the minority groups section of the Association of American Law Schools. A co-founder of FairTest (the National Center for Fair and Open Testing), she was a national spokesperson on the misuse of standardized testing and the effects of labeling young children on the basis of test scores. The Massachusetts Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild has established the

Denise Carty-Bennia Law Student Award, "to be given annually to law students in the Boston area who have shown a dedication to the fight for equal rights and social justice." Her ideas and challenges remain to inspire us all.

### John A. Kouwenhoven

For 29 years, from 1946 to 1975, John Kouwenhoven taught in the English department at Barnard and goaded countless students into thinking more clearly and brilliantly than they had ever thought before. His two most famous courses were the journal-writing course and "The Vernacular in the American Arts of Design." He was the chief initiator of the major in American Studies, and it was his idea that when the Dean of Teachers College took on the more independent title of President, the Dean of Barnard College should follow suit.

In 1953 John published *The Columbia Historical Portrait of New York* and in 1963, for Barnard's 75th anniversary, he and I collaborated on an anthology, *When Women Look at Men*. Both works were far in advance of their time, the one in its use of photographs, the other in its focus on women and gender. He also published three other books which remain in print, most recently *Half a Truth is Better than None* (Chicago: 1984). It was his exhortation to us, to all Americans, "to think and speak and act in unhackneyed response to what we see."

*Janice Farrar Thaddeus '55*

To honor the memory of Professor Kouwenhoven, friends and colleagues have endowed an annual prize to be awarded to a major in American Studies or American literature whose outstanding work best exemplifies his ideals and accomplishments.



# Iphigene Ochs Sulzberger 1892-1990

It was a reluctant Iphigene Ochs who entered Barnard in 1910, a young woman whose educational experience up to that point had been marred by unsympathetic tutors and an undiagnosed case of dyslexia. Preparation for the entrance exams was arduous and she did not expect to like the program—hardly a promising start for a relationship that was to last for nearly eighty years and provide enormous satisfaction to both the individual and the institution involved. But the tide turned almost immediately: as described in *Iphigene*, a memoir published in 1979, “I found the atmosphere of the school congenial, the students friendly and the teachers excellent. . . . By the time I graduated, I had become a good student, getting A’s in nearly every course.”

She later wrote that she would always be “exceedingly grateful” to the faculty who inspired her and for the close friendships she developed among both faculty and classmates. That gratitude was more than evident during her lifetime of service and generosity to the College and has now been memorialized through a gift of five million dollars from her children. The College’s newest dormitory, formerly known as Centennial Hall, which has transformed Barnard into a residential college and been recognized for the excellence of its design, has been renamed and is to be dedicated as Sulzberger Hall in the near future.

Iphigene Sulzberger served on the Barnard Board of Trustees for 29 years, as an alumnae trustee from 1937 to 1941 and as a regular trustee from 1942 to 1959 and again from 1962 to 1968. She was vice chair of the Fiftieth Anniversary Fund Committee and from 1955 to 1959 she chaired the Trustee Committee on Development. The goal at that time was to expand capital and facilities to accommodate 1,500 students by 1964, the College’s 75th anniversary year. Largely as a result of her personal efforts, funds were raised for Lehman Hall and the Wollman Library, and a pattern was established which soon led to construction of Helen Reid Hall and McIntosh Activities Center. She retired from the Board in 1959, having been instrumental in establishing a term tenure plan whereby trustees could not be re-elected after serving two seven-year terms. She accepted re-election in 1962, for one term only, but continued to participate in Barnard affairs as a trustee emerita. In 1975 she made a gift to the College to endow the Adolph and Effie Ochs Chair, in honor of her parents. First occupied by the late Professor Annette Kar Baxter, it was recently awarded to Professor Robert O’Meally of the English Department.

From 1964 to 1969 Mrs. Sulzberger was vice

president of her alumnae class. She was also an active supporter of the Barnard College Club of New York. Among her many honors were the Distinguished Alumna Award of the Associate Alumnae (1972), the Barnard Medal of Distinction (1978) and an honorary degree from Columbia University. In 1977, the College Parlor on the third floor of Barnard Hall was beautifully redecorated and renamed in her honor.

As a Barnard student, Mrs. Sulzberger majored in economics and later wrote that the experience “opened to me new fields of thought



and knowledge which I had not known existed.” Recalling that her favorite courses included the history of socialism and “Radicalism and Social Reform as Reflected in the Literature of the 19th Century,” she noted that “it turned me into an early socialist. I never quite lost my leftist leanings. . . .” And indeed a large share of her energies were always focused on public causes, especially matters related to New York City parks and various aspects of education.

She served as president of the Park Association of New York from 1934 until 1950, and in 1976 she was honored by the Parks Council for her continuing service to the parks, including the founding and support of a work-study program in Central Park. At the New York Botanical Garden she supported a program to train student gardeners, in cooperation with a nearby public high school. She also supported programs at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in which young people were trained in the restoration of furniture and paintings. On an overall city-wide

basis, she served on the advisory committee of the Cooperative Education program, in which high school students were able to alternate classroom studies with store and business jobs.

Although she was a director of the New York Times Company she was not involved in the day-to-day operations of the paper and seldom intervened in editorial matters. Educational issues constituted one area where she did make her voice heard, however, as she did when she felt that the story of cooperative education in New York City was not getting the recognition it deserved. She also used the *Times* to help to correct what she saw as “a serious flaw in the nation’s educational system,” the lack of a comprehensive course in American history in the curriculum of most high schools and colleges.

She was “stunned to think that one could go through college, acquire a profession, become a voter, and all this with no real knowledge of the democratic foundations of your own country.” She turned her attention first to Barnard, where Professor Eugene Byrnes took up the cause and the faculty eventually approved a required one-year course in history. Quietly continuing her own efforts, Mrs. Sulzberger learned that American history was not required for matriculation or graduation at any of the leading eastern colleges. After a fruitless effort to arouse the attention of politicians and educators—“Nobody wanted to investigate the situation. Nobody gave a damn”—she turned to the *Times*’ Education Editor Benjamin Fine, who gathered information about history requirements at a cross-section of schools of higher education. The findings were “appallingly revealing” and when they were published they aroused widespread interest and support. “A number of high schools altered their curricula, and some states, including New York, made American history a requirement in high schools. Colleges also began to realize the subject’s importance and some of them altered their courses. It was a step in the right direction.”

Among members of the Barnard family, Trustee Emerita Eleanor Thomas Elliott ’48 remembers “Mrs. S” from the days of her own childhood as a neighbor who presided over the family home as if she were running a hotel and a restaurant—for world leaders but also for her children and their friends. And later, “when I became chairman of the board, . . . though already an old lady by traditional standards, she came to meetings in early morning and late day to show her convictions about Barnard.

“No one could ever totally measure Iphigene Sulzberger’s influence on life around her, on her family and friends, on society and politics, on *The New York Times*. Until the end she went on exercising her mind, doing exactly what we always prescribe and promise to a Barnard woman—to continue to learn, to work, to understand, and to care, as long as we live.”



# CLASS NOTES

## 10 Alumnae Office

Our warmest wishes and congratulations have been sent to **Lillian Anderson Duggan**, who celebrated her 103rd birthday on January 15.

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**Alice Zimmer Oppenheimer** celebrated her 100th birthday on February 24th with a party at a hotel near her home in Lauderdale Lakes, FL. We are pleased to report that she is in excellent health, although frail. She answers the telephone for her family business, continues such activities as doing crossword puzzles, and remembers Barnard fondly and proudly.

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Our thanks to Peter Bernays for sending news of his mother, **Hella Freud Bernays**, who turned 98 in January. He writes that her health is fair; she lives in a health-care center in Columbus, OH, not far from him.

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When **Elaine Kennard Geiger** went to Wales for her granddaughter's wedding last summer, she also joined her oldest son and his wife for a trip to the border area between England and Scotland, to see early Christian landmarks not on the usual tourist trail. From St. Ninian's chapel on Solway Firth, facing west, they traveled near Hadrian's Wall to Lindisfarne (the Holy Island), facing the North Sea, where they saw the monastery started by St. Cuthbert in the 6th century.

Sad to say, we have news of the death of **Frances Thompson Buel** this past November. A long-time resident of Morristown, NJ, she was a teacher of classics and history and did graduate work at the American Academy in Rome. She became very active in community affairs, with special service as president of the Mt. Kemble Home and chair of the Friends of the Morristown Library. She is survived by two children and three grandchildren.

Other sad news came from Rev. H. Norman Sibley in Etna, NH, of the death of his wife, **Margaret Rawson Sibley**, on January 24 at the home of their son John in Etna. She had devoted much of her life to the work of Planned Parenthood and to the churches where her husband was minister. Also surviving is her daughter, son Donald, 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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We regret that we must report on the death of **Frances Rudd Blinn** last July. Her daughter, Ethel B. Sutton, wrote that "my mother was a very loyal alumna and justly proud of her Barnard degree." She also held a master's from Teachers College and had taught in Pelham High School. She had been a resident of Scarsdale since 1927 and was very active in village affairs. Survivors also include a granddaughter.

## 22 Eva Hutchison Dirkes 9 Douglas Drive (Ledgewood) Brookfield Center, CT 06804

**Noreen Lahiff Grey** writes that "there's no class news when you've been a graduate for 69 years and walk with two canes. However, I stay alive—paint and read and thank the Lord I wake up every morning and stay out of a wheelchair!"

Regrettably, our other news consists wholly of death notices. In June, we received word of the death of **Katharine Mills Steel**, in Mattituck, NY, from her daughter, Mrs. Koch.

Also, we were sorry to learn that **Gladys MacKechnie MacKay** died in August. Her son in Pittsburgh, Mr. Shannon, informed us.

News came also of the death of **Eleonore Starke Frank** (formerly Battey) on October 10 in Grinnell, Iowa. As eulogized by her son Lawrence Battey, Eleonore "lived life to the fullest in every way."

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Congratulations to **Dr. Garda Brown Bowman**, who celebrated her 90th birthday in December. She was feted by colleagues at the National Advocacy and Resource Center in NYC, who presented her with a bound volume of her poetry.

**Olga Autenreith Chase** writes from New Canaan that she is "very active" and that her health is "surprisingly good for 88 years." She continues to paint in oils and water color and has sold many of her works. She also walks and plays bridge. She recently visited her sister in NYC and "enjoyed city-doing."

Word from **Katherine Shea Condon** is that she enjoys her life in a most pleasant retirement home in Rye, NY.

**Elizabeth Klein Gilbert** is the proud great-grandmother of 27(!), of whom 19 are girls. The grandmothers involved are her daughter, **Nancy Isaacs Klein**, and daughter-in-law, **Sarah Max Isaacs**, both members of Barnard's Class of '52.

**Irene Swartz Fontaine Won** writes of her participation in the effort to preserve the burial grounds of Native Americans, especially in California. She chairs the American Indian Committee of the San Joaquin Chapter of DAR.

## 24 Adele Bazinet McCormick 1900 South Ocean Drive, #809 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

**Ethel Quint Collins** lives in Harrison, NY, and she and her husband spend the winters in Palm Beach,

FL. Her eldest son is with NBC News in Chicago and her other son lives in Cornwall Bridge, CT.

We loved the note from **Edith Heyn Meyers** that came in response to Cicely Ryshpan's letter about the Barnard Fund: "I am still around, alone in the house I have lived in for 31 years. I belong to the AAUW and attend a Great Books group which is most stimulating. My son says of me that 'the elevator still goes to the top floor.' I'm proud to be a Barnard graduate."

News from **Georgia Giddings**: she still does volunteer work at Packer and the Historical Society.

We regret to announce the death of **Olive Gunn Angus** in December. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

## 25 Dorothy Purdy Putney 5 Tudor City Place, Apt. 830 New York, NY 10017

**Emma Dietz Stecher**  
423 West 120th St. (74)  
New York, NY 10027

We are sorry to report the death on 6/29/90 of **Evelyn Barton Marschall**. She worked for many years for the Rockefeller Foundation. She is survived by two daughters, Marian Woodhull of Bernardsville, NJ, and Anne Harrison, who can be reached at RFD 2, Box 74, Lincolnville, Maine 04849. Also living are five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

We are also saddened to report the sudden death of **Evelyn Kane Berg** on 9/2/90 after a massive stroke. After Barnard, Evelyn became a lawyer and taught mathematics for many years in NYC high schools. She was our class vice president for the past five years and had long been a volunteer, reading to the blind at The Lighthouse; many students thanked her for assisting them to get college or graduate degrees. She is survived by a son and two grandchildren in Arlington, VA.

**Dorothy Lang Nathans** invited **Anne Leerburger Gintell** and **Marion Kahn Kahn** out to lunch, and later to a colorful ride around Manhasset. Dorothy is very active in Temple affairs.

1953 was the year of the second Barnard Alumnae Council for class officers and other guests. The discussion then as now was "why Barnard" and was led by the late Professor Lorch of the mathematics department. **Viola Manderfeld** came from Chicago to represent our class and to offer her input as a teaching professor. Viola has always been a very caring and appreciative alumna of Barnard. She lives now in Rochester, Minnesota.

**Sophie Hansen Polah** is in a retirement community and wishes she could get in touch with classmates. Her address is: Foulkeways A-3, Gwynedd, PA 19436-1036.

From Heritage Village in Southbury, CT, **Sylvia Valenstein Newfield** writes: "Still here, keeping active; painting and daily chores keep me busy and alive (and youngish???)".

We are sorry to report the death on October 23, 1990, of **A. Louise Brush** (Mrs. John Frank), after a long illness at home and five months in the hospital. She is survived by her sister, Ruth Seaman Brush, 151 Tremont St., 12M, Boston, MA 02111. (See also *In Memoriam* section of this magazine.)

Another death that brought sadness to the Barnard family was that of **Mary Bliss** on December 13. She had served for twelve years as executive secretary of the Associate Alumnae, retiring in 1966. A memorial tribute appears in this issue.

It seems that gremlins got into our copy last time, in our description of **Marion Kahn's** visit to New Mexico. There are many hotels in Santa Fe, but there is no Kahn Hotel nor other building preserving a Kahn family homestead. Apologies all around.

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## 27 *Mildred Gluck Tomback* 88 Lake Shore Drive Eastchester, NY 10709

We were happy to hear from *Elizabeth Merk Williams*, in St. Johnsbury, VT, that she still works about five hours every day as a volunteer at the local hospital, filing bills and doing some computer work. She also makes shawls for patients, using donated yarn, and knits mittens for the Santa Fund. She serves as treasurer for the hospital auxiliary and for her church and the church women's group.

## 28 *Ruth Richards Eisenstein* 419 E. 57th Street New York, NY 10022

*Lucy Kramer Cohen* writes from Washington, DC, that she retired from the Public Health Service (Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources Administration, Bureau of Health Manpower) in June 1989. Her work there had been as an editor, publications officer, etc. Now she is working on the papers left by her husband, Felix S. Cohen, which were given to Yale's Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library in November 1989. She expects to be a consultant to Yale on the project for the next two years. Her daughter Gene Twerasen is an adoption counselor in Fayetteville, AR, and daughter Karen G. Holmes is health education coordinator for Community Health Plan in Schenectady, NY. Each daughter is the mother of two sons.

With regret, we must report the death last summer of *Florence Rubin Garfunkel*. A social worker, Florence worked as a field representative for the Red Cross and was co-author of "A Memory Retention Guide for the Aged," published by the National Council on Aging. At the time of her death she had served for 33 years as a trustee of The Educational Alliance. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

We are also saddened to share the news of the death this January of *Edith Gain Paul*, who had taught school in Sullivan County, NY. A tribute from a family friend, *Jane Newham McGroarty* '65 tells of her being "a special kind of teacher, a person whose love of knowledge was not confined to the classroom. She was very knowledgeable about the history of our local area (the Catskills) and never tired of relating stories of social and economic lore. Making the past alive and fascinating was her special gift." Edith is survived by a sister, a son, two daughters, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

## 29 *Anny Birnbaum Brieger* 120 East 81 Street, Box 45 New York, NY 10028

Report by our president, *Eleanor Rosenberg*: "Some 30 classmates responded to our letter of invitation to 1929's traditional Columbus Day luncheon but most of them sent greetings and tidbits of 'news' instead of acceptances. Those present included *Judith Sookne Bublick*, *Eugenie Fribourg*, *Adrienne Bedelle Hull*, *Madeline Russell Robinon*, *Eleanor Rosenberg*, *Edith Spivack*, and *Ruth Rosenberg Wise*. We are grateful to our guest of honor, Vice President Barbara Schmitter, for providing nostalgic souvenirs. She reported on the careers of our Marian Churchill White Award winners and answered a number of searching questions concerning the 'State of the College.'

"Our discussion turned next to the topic of Barnard's 'commuters' (or 'city girls,' as they were called in our days), inspired both by Mrs. Schmitter's report that all students can now be accommodated in the dorms and by Miriam Mazor's 'Commuter Tales' in the Summer issue of *Barnard Alumnae*. Recalling our own experiences at a time when girls from the metropolitan area constituted a large segment of the undergraduate population, we felt that the bygone system had provided some positive aspects as well

as inconveniences. These included cross-fertilization of dorm girls and city girls as they got to know one another and also led to lifelong friendships among those who remained in or near New York — and even to some marriages of Barnard graduates and their contemporaries 'from across the street.' And, at least in our class, the continuing network of New Yorkers and classmates in other parts of the nation and the world developed a cohesiveness that has kept us together, as the Gung-Ho Class of 1929, for more than six decades."

To those ailing but recovering, we send good wishes: *Ruth Fine Balsam*, *Amy Jacob Goell*, *Helen Phelan Mara Nugent*.

*Eugenie Fribourg, MD*, and *Edith Spivack*, attorney, are still hard at work in their professions. *Mary Simpson Kite* sent a lovely picture of herself from Whispering Pines, NC. At 84 she shares a charmed life with her husband of 94.

Tragedy has struck in the family of *Charlotte Schoenemann Jennings*. In September her second eldest son had planned a family reunion at Wappingers Falls, NY. About 40 attended, from 3-month-old Amanda, Charlotte's great-grandchild, to Charlotte 83. Her eldest grandson and his girlfriend Audrey left for home around 6 pm and were crashed into by a reckless driver who ignored a red light. Audrey was killed, her grandson severely injured, the car demolished. As the grandson was staying with Charlotte while being cared for at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ, with numerous operations and therapy, she can only look forward to next year's reunion, hoping he will have recovered fully. We all share your concern, Charlotte.

We have but lately been informed of the death of *Sylvia Gratz-Seifert* in Oct. 1987. We regret exceedingly not having mentioned the loss of so valued a classmate. From Brussels, Belgium, Ronald E. Baker advised us that his mother, *Grace E. Howe Baker*, passed away last September. She had worked as an assistant registrar at Columbia U dental school for five years and then was very active in community affairs in Yonkers, where she was a longtime resident. In recent months, we have been notified also of the deaths of *Margaret Marks*, *Josephine Giardina Gulotta*, *Beulah Allison Granrud*, *Gladys Rosenthal (Schwartz) Kanrich*, and *Carolyn Wolf Bomeisler*. To all their families we offer our sincere sympathy.

*Eleanor Bonbright Seestedt* may soon move from Florida. She was widowed last January, losing her second husband. We share her loss and wish her well.

*Judith Sookne Bublick* spent an exhausting two weeks traveling in Ireland, including the troubled North. *Caroline Relyea Brown*, having reached the "age of repair," spent a restful holiday at Mohonk Mountain House in New Paltz, NY. *Helen Roberts Becher* traveled extensively up the California coast to Vancouver and wrote enthusiastically of the Alaska inland passage.

*Rebecca Kornblith Gurin* wrote that her chief hobby is playing tennis, three times a week. She also teaches French to a group of senior citizens, having taught French for forty years — mostly at Jamaica High School in Queens. She has been married for 54 years to David Gurin, a graduate of Columbia P&S, who is an internist in Great Neck. Their daughter *Susan Gurin Moncayo* '61 has lived in Ecuador for the past 20 years with her husband Jaime and daughter Amelia; Jaime Moncayo is now the ambassador from Ecuador to the US so they are living in Washington.

We also heard from *Julia van Riper Dumdey*, in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. She says she is "always busy with my projects and recently joined a book review club for my 'spare' time."

## 30 *Helen Chamberlain Josefsberg* 53 Pebble Path Lane Brewster, MA 02631

*Alice Harper Feuerstein* en route to *Isabel Rubinstein Rubin*'s summer home in upstate NY had a delightful reunion with *Mary Goggin* in Albany. They bridged the gap of 50 years instantly. As Greek and Latin majors they saw a lot of each other in college.

Nowadays, according to newspaper accounts, Latin teachers are hard to find by schools that need them.

*Julie Hudson* did manage a trip to NY from Monhegan in September for Alumnae Council, which she found very stimulating. She had to fly to Newark, as Greyhound no longer goes along the Maine coast north of Brunswick. She also attended the delightful Decade of the 1930s luncheon in December. On the way she stopped in Rockport, MA, for the opening of the exhibition of her sister Jackie's paintings and some paintings of their father's. He was a charter member of the Art Association there.

*Celine Greenebaum Marcus* and her sisters, *Helen* '32 and *Marion* '35, vacationed in Pemaquid Harbor, Maine. One of their favorite trips was to Monhegan Island. Celine still has a part-time job related to the Hunter College School of Social Work. She is very involved in the community where she lives, with agencies dealing with homelessness, the aging, HMOs, etc. No dull moments in Celine's life.

To ask for a few paragraphs on experiences in Argentina at the beginning of the Peron era and to receive a book on the subject was indeed a surprise. *Kathryn Glasford Black*'s account of life in a small town 100 miles from Buenos Aires is that of a skilled observer. Learning a new language, coping with household problems, and meeting new friends are told in a delightful way. And then Peron and particularly Evita made life more difficult. *The Sun in the North* can be obtained from the Dartmouth College Bookstore. Kathryn and her husband spend most of their time these days in the green hills of Vermont. There's so much going on at Dartmouth that they don't need to travel. A bonus is that their area is attracting great chefs who have left the cities and are setting up business in historic houses.

*Agnes Slawson Wilkin* has been very helpful in reconstructing the professional life of *Gertrude Peirce*. The Peirces were a long-established Indianapolis family. There is a charming portrait in the art museum there portraying Gertrude and her brothers as young children. Gertrude held a variety of positions before she decided that teaching was her profession. She then taught in private schools in Greenwich, Detroit, and Pasadena. People from Detroit, then in Florida, wanted their daughters to have better educational opportunities in Florida. They wrote to Barnard for advice and the results were happy. Gertrude became head of the Everglades School for Girls, of which she was one of the founders. A very generous bequest to Barnard last year was given in Gertrude's memory.

*Virginia Darby Sloan* is enjoying the busy life at Medford Leas, NJ, a continuing care retirement community. *Delia Brown Unkelbach* will be moving this spring to a small cottage in Tampa, FL, to be near her niece. She will have independence and privacy, and less house and yard work.

*Kay Cline Miner*'s niece *Penelope Ireland Piantedosi* '60 stopped on her way to Reunion to see her aunt in Heritage Village. They're looking forward to an aunt-niece photo at some future Reunion.

The week of May 14, 1990, was wonderful for *Filippa Vultaggio Scafuro*. She attended two graduations — her granddaughter *Claudia Odyniec* graduated from Barnard and her grandson Christopher, Claudia's twin brother, graduated from Fordham — and then she attended our 60th Reunion — something she had never imagined possible.

Abe and *Deborah Douglas Weisburd* have not done much traveling lately but had an interesting and restful trip to Iceland last August — their sixth visit there. They were astonished at the huge trampoline for children colorfully set up as within a castle at a new shopping mall. It seemed to them that Iceland is more caring about children than we are. They also visited the shore and the lava fields south of Reykjavik, a 7-10pm tour by daylight.

*Ivy Edmondson Starr* spent three weeks in the Ukraine in October with an Elderhostel group.

We are sorry to report the passing of *Kathleen Hourigan* and *Olga Peterson*. Kathleen's brother-in-law wrote that she was a great lady and will be missed. Olga's friend of half a century wrote that Olga bore Alzheimer's Disease for three years without becoming unhappy as so many others did. She is also much missed.



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Esther Grabelsky Biederman, Eva Michaelis Jacoby, and your correspondent attended the luncheon for alumnae of the decade of the 1930s and enjoyed a delightful program by the Barnard Bacchantae as well as Professor Ann Lake Prescott's truly entertaining discussion of humor in the time of Shakespeare, entitled "A Funny Thing Happened to Me on the Way to the Renaissance."

We mourn the loss of Irene Staubach Roth and extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

Our sympathy goes also to Sylvia Kamion Maibaum on the death of her husband, Richard, in January. He was best known for writing the screenplays for several James Bond films. Sylvia lives in Los Angeles, not far from her two sons.

We received a note from Theresa Landes Held, who has moved from Brooklyn Heights to the East Bay in northern California, at the urging of her son and his family. Her new address is 6363 Christie Avenue, Apt. 2126, Emeryville, CA 94608, and she would be happy to hear from alumnae in the area. After teaching in secondary schools and colleges for over half a century, her work now lies in "raising public and professional consciousness about the importance of the elementary school." She is a member of the Board of Governors of The Elementary School Center, a nonprofit national resource center based in NYC. They are advancing the concept of the school as the "Locus of Advocacy" for all children, coordinating all the services necessary for a child's welfare in and out of school.

The only news of "great importance" from Carol Koehler Pforzheimer is the arrival of their third great-grandchild on March 8, 1990—"adding a fourth generation of Carl Pforzheimers!"

Jacqueline Silverman Kaufman is still busy with the National Board of Motion Picture Review, getting to see all movies, good and bad, but "it's much fun."

Virginia Samson Koblisch has enjoyed traveling in recent years—from Nova Scotia to the Canadian Rockies, western parks, and Hawaii, and to Greece, Italy, Scotland, and England. A recent trip to Spain with her two daughters reminded Frances Markey Dwyer "what a treat it is to travel with adult children." In addition to theater, musicals, side trips, and culinary enjoyments, they heard Spanish commentary on "Desert Shield"—"a dark note for such a pleasure-filled venture."

When we last heard from Blanche Luria Serwer-Bernstein, in November, she was awaiting her second back surgery of the year but was continuing her practice in family therapy and psychodrama nevertheless. She was planning to start a women's psychodrama group in February; the stress was to be on family interactions. The only "new news" of her family is that her son Daniel is now Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in Rome.

A communication from our class president, Lorraine Popper Price, crystallizes the modifications in our lifestyles as we advance in years: "Having traveled to some of the remote parts of the world with an airline schedule more convenient for the plane than for the passengers... we have recently opted for gentler vacations. Early in June Leonard and I went to Nova Scotia with friends. We were a week before the season officially opened so we had a bit of trouble getting lunch on the road. We had rented a car at the airport at Halifax, stayed in the city overnight, and then started driving. We headed for a very much touted place for lunch with a view. To reach it we crossed a picturesque bridge and five miles later realized we had overshot our destination. Back to the bridge, slowly crawling over, we reached a dirt road

and turned in. As we got to the parking lot a lady in a house a few acres away called, 'Don't park. They ain't open 'til next week.' We had ice cream for lunch.

"We stayed several days at a charming resort hotel, Keltic Lodge, and took day trips from there. We drove to the Fortresse Louisberg on a gray windy day. The eighteenth-century citadel was... strategically located on a spit of land projecting into the Atlantic and unprotected from the gales. We were wearing most of what we had taken with us, but we hadn't contemplated about 40° in June. The brochure indicated a coffee shop, so at lunchtime we headed for that. A lady with a mob cap, eighteenth-century dress, and a sweater that looked like the numbers in Lillikammer, Norway, invited us into a tiny dining room for four. 'You can have soup and soldier's bread, or cheese and bread. We have apple tart for dessert—all eighteenth-century recipes.' We chose the soup, steaming hot and excellent in any century; the bread, tart and coffee were memorable. . . Later in the summer we journeyed to Maine, where we were greeted with the fragrance of warm pine. We stayed on Lake Kezar. The varieties of pine and spruce grew down to the lake; the clouds were properly arranged in a blue sky. . . We did not take pictures of the fascinating natives or the hovering vultures or the children feeding pigeons. We just relaxed and enjoyed the few planes overhead going to far places."

Ruth Henderson Bruce comments upon '32 Class Notes (Summer 1990) and adds: "Some of us have had to curtail our activities lately for health reasons. . . I hesitate to presume that gardening, adult education, and soliciting for several fund drives make exciting copy."

From Lucille Knowles Mann comes news of her daughter Celia's marriage on 12 August 1990. "Shortly thereafter," she continues, "Stanley and I took off for the Eastern European countries on a Danube River cruise. As of the moment we're readying for our 6-month southern sojourn in Lauderhill, Florida."

Members of the Class of 1932 continue to publish. The fourth volume in Adeline Tintner Janowitz's "World Series" of studies on Henry James is due in late spring from Louisiana State University Press: *The Cosmopolitan World of Henry James: An Intertextual Study*. This follows the previously published volumes: *The Museum World of Henry James*, *The Book World of Henry James*, and *The Pop World of Henry James*, in all of which are brilliantly exposed the connections between James and the world in which he lived. Madeleine Stern's first biography, *The Life of Margaret Fuller*, originally published in 1942, was recently republished by Greenwood Publishing Group in an enlarged version with an added chapter on Fuller scholarship during the last half century, as well as a new introduction recalling the research and production of the book. She expects to participate in the upcoming New York Antiquarian Book Fair, 19-21 April at the Sheraton Centre Hotel & Towers Exhibit Hall, 7th Avenue at 52nd Street. She hopes to see classmates there.

Vera Behrin writes that she has "broken down, bought a co-op unit, and moved back to Rossmore, the first place I lived when I moved from the City. I keep up with the opera, the Philharmonic and other concerts, the Theater, etc. I am still playing tennis, slower on my feet, but the strokes are still as good as ever (I was not Wimbledon level ever). I have quite a bit of space in which to garden and lots of outdoor sitting space. Not a bad life! I can come to things in the City during the day, but the bus schedule eliminates nighttime activities. See you at our 60th—not too far away!"

Louise Conklin Nelson visited women in self-help projects in Kenya in June 1990.

The class mourns the loss of three of its members and condoles with their families: Carolina Clark Poole on 6 October 1990; Elma Krumwiede on 29 January 1991; and Eleanor Schley Todd on 31 January 1991.

On a happier note, your Class Correspondent reports extremely lively and stimulating social evenings this winter with Barnard alumnae of the '30s, among them Lorraine Popper Price, Evelyn Raskin Dawson, Adeline Tintner Janowitz, Dorothy Adelson (1930), Helene Blanchard Weintraub (1931), and Ruth Saberski Goldenheim (1935).

1933 set the pace for contributions to Barnard's Annual Fund last year because of large bequests from Josephine Skinner and Ruth Roeser Irvine. Our fund chairmen, Denise Abbey and Laura Smith Lomo, hope this year we will increase our percentage of donors, a figure that many corporate contributors examine carefully. Denise also sends a plea to consider designating a portion of annual giving to Barnard for Class of '33 Scholarship Fund.

We note with regret the passing of Sylvia Weiss Lazar last October. Her daughter is Lois Spritzler, 34 Wagon Lane, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002. Our condolences also go to the families of Jane Simon Teller, who died December 23rd, and Ludmilla Thoro Callahan, who died November 8th, and to Mary Moran Bennett on the death of her daughter, Dr. Jane Bennett Ross.

A lovely newspaper clipping came to us from Cecelia Freedland Rosenberg, who was married on Thanksgiving eve to Frank Daniels, RPI '33, Public Works Director in Fairfield, CT. They were high school sweethearts but had been out of touch since that time. Each had married, raised a family, and been widowed, and when their paths crossed again last year, the romance was rekindled. Cecelia wrote that "Frank and I want to share our happiness with my classmates," and we know that all of us wish the happy couple a long and wonderful life together.

Evelyn Hirsch Nemrow moved to a senior citizen life care community in Lexington, MA, last May, and the first person she met was Viola Robinson Isaacs '30. They have developed a very rewarding friendship which also includes Francine Felsher Seadler '24. Evelyn wrote: "Ethel Greenfield Booth '32 has been to visit and we had a lovely mini-reunion. . . I picked Lexington for retirement because my daughter and her family live here. As you can tell, it's a most rewarding move!"

Jean Decker Walker reminds us that her six children are scattered from Frederick, MD, where she lives, to NJ, N Carolina, Connecticut, Missouri, and California—it keeps her going!

Doris Hyman Miller and her husband take advantage of their location a few blocks from the Barnard campus. They often audit classes and she swims at Barnard. All their grandchildren except for one 12-year-old will be in college or graduate school this fall.

Alfonsina Albini Grimaldi is still teaching French and Italian at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Hoboken.

Elizabeth Armstrong Wood is occupied with a variety of science-related activities, such as giving museum talks and reading science text material on-tape for blind students. She also spent a week on a schooner on Chesapeake Bay and went to New Hampshire for Thanksgiving with her "very active" 86-year-old sister and her family.

Last May Sylvia Thomas went to England and Holland on a "very interesting" Quaker Heritage Tour, sponsored by The Bowne House Historical Society.

Some notes gleaned from our Christmas windfall: Grace Iijima attended a conference in Thailand, combining the trip with visits to relatives in Japan and friends in Korea and Indonesia, where she also toured Bali. Eleanor Crapullo and Virgilia Kane Wichern keep the phones buzzing at least once a week. Anita Marks Norton has two beautiful granddaughters, and I have the photo to prove it. She and husband John babysit, swim, and otherwise stay very active. Viola Wichern Shedd had a great two weeks in England with daughter Martha. Boza Becica says, "1990 has been the most wonderful year of my life." Muriel Kelly Major rings bells with the "Ringing Revelations" in concerts and even at weddings.

Catherine Crook DeCamp, now living in Texas with her husband, is writing full time and expects three new novels in print in 1991. Denise Abbey wrote and produced two one-act plays during the year, besides traveling in all directions.



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**Muriel Marcia Schlesinger Ecker** wrote of having been in NY in December and meeting **Sylvia Weinstock Weinberg** ("our movie star") for tea one afternoon and having lunch with **Edythe Arbus Holzman** the next day. We can all agree with Muriel that it is great to see old friends!

Things are going along much as usual for **Jane Martin Shair** and her husband: "The addition to the Art Center is actually built, after ten years of dreaming and working. We went on another Elderhostel last summer, to Ireland, Wales, and Canterbury, England, and then had a daring week on our own in Paris doing the *grands monuments*. It was gorgeous in every way."

**Anne Augusta Simon** writes that "since retiring, my sister and I have devoted much of our time to gardening. We do all the work on our two acres, where we raise vegetables, raspberries, strawberries, blueberries, and apples. Some of the surplus produce is frozen; the rest is donated to worthy causes. We also enjoy raising colorful annuals and perennials and have many flowering bushes and trees. While I have not had any recent exhibitions, I still paint and maintain my interest in folk art. I have also started to write poetry and hope to have some of my poems published when my collection is large enough."

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Several classmates attended the December luncheon for the Decade of the '30s: Mildred Davidson, Kay Heavey, **Adele Baron Marks**, **Ruth Bedford McDaniel**, **Ruth Saberski Goldenheim**, **Aline Blumner**, and **Doris Schloss Rosenthal**.

Mildred Davidson and her husband traveled with Elderhostel to the Galapagos Islands in February. Their daughter, **Tina Davidson Berins** '60, majored in botany at Barnard but is now a caterer in Amherst, MA.

**Denise Abbey** '33 visited Kay Heavey this fall. Kay also had a reunion with **Elizabeth Anderson Uldall**, from Edinburgh, and **Margaret Jane Fischer** of NYC. Elizabeth was visiting her daughter in NYC and her former home in Nebraska.

**Dorothy Nolan Sherman** has a wonderful time as navigator-passenger at hill-climbs and rallies in her Bugatti racing car. She's active in running the family business in Connecticut, which manufactures parts for jet engines. She finally gave up flying and is no longer eligible to serve on the United Way because she has given too many years of service! Her 9-year-old grandson, Michael, wrote the winning Arbor Day poem which he read before the entire town.

Dorothy sent me the following information about **Dr. Emily Koeniger**: She lives in Seattle and has led a truly "Barnard" life. She was accepted at Albany Medical School while the rest of us were still undergraduates. She is still grateful to Dean Gildersleeve, who allowed her to spend her first year in medical school and still get her degree from Barnard. She specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. After she married and had a son, in order to spend more time with her family she became a tissue pathologist. She is now retired. Her son lives in nearby Tacoma.

Dorothy also mentioned that she thought **Marion Greenebaum Epstein** wrote "a terrific letter" for Barnard's Annual Fund. Marion has been a trustee of Kean College since 1980 and was Kean's representative to the NJ State College Governing Boards Assn. in 1987-89.

**Catherine McLarney Rae** has done much family visiting this year. She had time to write a new book, too—**Sarah Cobb**—a novel about old New York which was published by St. Martin's Press in September.

**Ruth Bedford McDaniel** visited "the ole opry" at Nashville, TN, and attended a convention of fans of Laurel and Hardy films in Clearwater Beach, FL. She also went to Italy, Switzerland and Austria and saw

the Passion Play in Oberammergau.

**Helen Horine Erdman** spent large parts of many happy years traveling with her husband, who ran a travel agency. Her two girls graduated from Punahou School in Honolulu. They now live on the mainland. Her son lives in Hawaii. Two grandchildren keep Helen and her husband busy in retirement.

**Naomi Diamond Sachs** sent a copy of her current resumé as an actress, in which she is described as a "cross between Clara Peller and Ruth Gordon." At Barnard she acted with Wigs and Cues, wrote music for Greek Games and drama criticism for the *Barnard Bulletin*, and took many courses with Minor Latham who, she thinks, "would be pleased as punch" to see her today! "Much credit," she says, "goes to the excellent Barnard education. With an MSW from Columbia I worked in many different types of agencies until retirement in 1978. I am now actively engaged in another career, a performer in the complex and fascinating world of show biz. I even get paid for some jobs!"

From France came a marvelous letter from William Davenport, Columbia '37, wishing us a happy Reunion and saying that his wife, **Roselle Riggan Davenport**, was too modest to send her news so he, "the proud husband," would do it. Roselle is a professional painter and four years ago she won the prize for religious art at the Monte Carlo International Art Show, where there were artists from 83 countries. Three years ago she had a show at the Coe Kerr Gallery in New York and it was "a smasher" — she sold 20 oil paintings. In 1989 she exhibited in California and Hawaii and sold 26 pictures. And she is still in her studio painting every day. They both wished they could have attended our Reunion but they had used up his home leave visiting their two children and six grandchildren in Ohio and Boston. Bill is "still happily and gainfully employed [as Director of Northwood Institute Europe]; every fall we take 50 students and their professors all over Europe. Roselle gives the art lectures, me, humanities. . . . In June, we celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary. My carefully considered advice to young men: Marry a Barnard Girl."

A Christmas note from **Nanette Koeltz Lavery** said that the publishing firm for which she has been working has moved to Washington so she has more time for her job as president of the United Methodist Women's Group of Ridgewood, NJ.

We are all saddened to learn of the death of one of the sons of **Marjorie Stump Vogel**. He was 42. Marjorie has another son and a daughter, and a grandson who will graduate from high school next year.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to **Carolyn Cahn Landau**, whose husband, Victor, composer and professor emeritus of music at SUNY-New Paltz, died in December. He was an authority on the harmonic theories of Paul Hindemith. Carolyn continues her work as professor of political science at Marist College.

Another item of sad news concerns the death of **Lucille Walsh Smith** on November 19.

Let's do our share to meet the special '30s challenge of matching \$55,000 given to the College by **Irma Toth Hupfel** '36. As **Aline Blumner** says so well, let's share with younger people our "garden of wonderful memories."

Does anyone have the address of **Ruth Portugal**? My Christmas card to her was returned.

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## REUNION! May 17-18

News from **Doris Pascal Read** (now Wylam) in CA is that her book of satirical fiction, *The Lydia Chronicles*, is scheduled for publication in April '91 by Penguin/Dutton. She is now working on a sequel and a more serious short story collection is in the hands of her agent. Congratulations and good luck to her!

When she isn't translating geological papers and books (or perhaps *while* she is) **Dorothy Brauneck**

**Vitaliano** is traveling. This past year's itinerary included Turkey and the Greek islands, Germany and Switzerland.

**Marcy Dolgenas Shapiro** boasts 10 grandchildren. As each reaches maturity Marcy takes her or him to Israel for a Bar Mitzvah. While there this summer Marcy met **Florence Ribakove Bar-Ilan**. Since Florence has 17 grandchildren they must have had some great conversations of one-upmanship.

In September your Reunion committee met in conjunction with Council meetings to further plans for our 55th. **Margaret Davidson Barnett**, **Lucy Appleton Garcia-Mata**, **Adair Brasted Gould**, **Harriet Taplinger Leland**, **Lenore Metzger Klein** and your correspondent were present, and **Nora Lourie Percival** was in touch on the phone. By now you have received Nora's letter and we hope you have replied. It would be especially appreciated if we could hear from classmates who were silent in 1986. So, think Reunion, reply to Nora and plan to COME.

Following this meeting **Midge Barnett** and her husband were off to explore Australia on an Elderhostel program while your correspondent journeyed to a quite different Elderhostel in the northwoods of Wisconsin. Midge probably flew on Cloud 9 as an article by her which was published in *Babytalk Magazine*, entitled "To Be an Ancestor" (about being a grandparent), was picked up by Prentice-Hall publishers (Toronto) and published in an anthology for advanced high school students, *Accelerate*. The anthology also includes poems and stories by May Swenson, Shirley Jackson, Alice Munroe, Dorothy Parker and others, so Midge is "pleased to be in such good company." Another article by Midge appeared in Delta Airlines *Sky Magazine* last June.

We were saddened to learn of the deaths of **Muriel Folks Deveney** in July and of **Audrey Hodupp Hamann** in June.

**Barbara Graham Junge** moved to a retirement community in Lenox, MA, after "much anguishing" about selling her home of 25 years and settling away from close friends and a lifetime of associations. She writes that she finds the change "pleasant and painless, after a period of adjustment. I'm still at my lifelong pursuits, peace and poetry."

**Charlotte Haverly Scherz** writes that there is "nothing really new, except that I've cut down from 8 committees to 6." (Ah, the years are somewhat taking their toll!)

**See you at Reunion!**

## Moving?

**Remember the Thrift Shop**  
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Mayor Dinkins of New York City has appointed our class president, lawyer **Shirley Adelson Siegel**, to the City's Conflicts of Interest Board. This board was formed to enforce the strengthened ethics provisions of the new City Charter. Shirley says she was delighted to be called from retirement and finds the Board's work "one of the most interesting things I have done." She also enjoys using the needed fax machine. "It makes me feel like part of the 21st century." When I reached Shirley she had just returned from teaching planning law to Columbia master's degree students.

Shirley, mother of two, has also practiced private law. Her distinguished career in public service includes the following: organizing the NY State Attorney General's Civil Rights Bureau and running it from 1959 through 1966; serving as general counsel for housing and development in the Lindsay administration; handling litigation concerning NYC's fiscal crisis of the '70s for the State Attorney General; serving as State Solicitor General from 1979 to 1982.



On Sept. 10, 1990, *The New York Times* had a formal announcement: **Natalie Flatow**, a public relations consultant, and Capt. Ralph L. Vasa, USN retired, were married yesterday in New York. Rabbi Deborah Hirsch officiated at the East End Temple. Mrs. Vasa . . . graduated from Barnard College. . . Dr. Vasa graduated from Columbia University and its School of Optometry. He retired as chief of the optometry section in the Office of the Navy Surgeon General in Washington."

Five days later, in its "About New York" column, the *Times* had a long story about Natalie and Ralph. It told how the two first met on a blind date, arranged by family members, in 1946. "No bells rang," Natalie said. Ralph moved to Illinois, married, and had five children. After 38 years his wife died. A year later, on a visit to New York he decided to see if Natalie's name was in the phone book. It was. "This time," Natalie said, "bells did ring." After more than a year of dating, during a trip to Europe last May, he proposed in a pub in Salisbury, England. At the wedding, Natalie said, "I wore pink. But, outside of that we treated the wedding as though I was 18 and he was 21. An organist played 'Here Comes the Bride.' One of Ralph's daughters was my maid of honor. Two of his grandchildren were ring bearers. My brother walked me down the aisle." We send best wishes to Natalie and Ralph for a long and happy married life.

**Georgia Philipps Gates** says her current big event is the publication of her book, *The Wide, Wonderful World as I Saw It*. She wrote it 50 years ago about a trip around the world in 1937. "It was a different world," she says. Last winter she and her husband, Arnold, went to Vienna and Salzburg for the Mozart festival. In the fall they spent 15 days in Ravello, Italy, with friends from Geneva they hadn't seen since the 1937 trip.

**Helen Levi Travis** wrote: "After an eye-opening trip to long-oppressed Guatemala in late '89 I became something of an unintentional homebody, constantly wearied by severe rheumatoid arthritis."

**Margaret Howland**, who is a lecturer on art history to various adult groups, says her current topic is women artists from the Renaissance to today.

**Harriet Jones Tiebel** has moved to Kimball Farms, "a beautiful life care facility in Berkshire County (MA). People here, both staff and residents, are friendly and caring. We volunteer our time in our own 'country store,' in the local library, or the Berkshire Garden Center, leaving plenty of time for bridge and other activities. An exercise group is going strong, too."

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In the Fall issue of the *Alumnae Magazine* we reported the death of **Catharine Hitchcock**. At that time we had only a brief death announcement. But now, thanks to **Elizabeth McMenemy McMenemy** (no, it's not a typo: Elizabeth was married to the late Hugh McMenemy and is the mother of two), we have this account of Catharine's extraordinary achievements: "She traveled frequently, studied at Pennswood, PA, and later served as secretary and then president of a regional chapter of the American Overseas Association, a group that included former American Red Cross personnel. Catharine was a New Yorker most of her life. She went overseas with the American Red Cross in WWII and served in North Africa, Italy and France. After the war, she became an administrative aide at Teachers College, studied at the Art Students League, researched early NYC architecture and worked for the preservation of landmarks, taking part in the activities of the National Wild Life Association and the Audubon Society. She also volunteered at Children's Library and St. Luke's Hospital." Elizabeth adds that Catharine's death was unexpected; she and **Annie Weir Phetteplace** had been planning a mini-reunion with her. They are planning a gift of a book, or books, on art to the Barnard library in her memory. If anyone is interested in adding to the fund, Elizabeth's address is: 4 Indiana Ave., Jackson, NJ 08527.

**Jane Martinson Lowenthal** has joined the Barnard Library as the new part-time archivist. Jane earned her library degree at Columbia and has been the librarian of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Last October we heard from **Caryl Rothschild Feldman** who told us of her summer trip to Aspen, CO. "In addition to the charm and beauty of the surroundings," she wrote, "the offerings of the Aspen Music Festival made my two-week visit an inspiring and exhilarating experience."

And one final note: an exciting highlight of yours truly's visit to Yalta last September was to spot—in a display case of Conference documents—the unique and unforgettable signature of our own **Virginia Crocheron Gildersleeve!**



A December luncheon for 1930s alumnae featured a talk by Professor Anne Lake Prescott '59 on "Humor in the Time of Shakespeare." Among the attendees were (l. to r.) Sylvia Weinstock Weinberg '34, Ruth Bedford McDaniel '35, Dorothy Nowa '34, and Gertrude Lally Scannell '34.

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We were sorry to learn of the death of **Marjorie Kline Land** on December 30th, 1989, and extend our sympathy to her husband, Edward, and family.

**C. Ninetta Di Benedetto Hession** was chosen volunteer of the month by the Westchester *Women's News*. In a packed article, Joyce Sanders tells us that Ninetta teaches as a volunteer with "Playing It Safe," an award-winning program recently honored by former President Reagan, for prevention of child abuse. The article also mentions Ninetta's acting career and the 55 Alive/Mature Driving courses she teaches for AARP. She is a lector and Eucharistic minister with St. Augustine Church in Ossining and in this capacity gives communion to those in nursing homes "when the priests can't visit." And she is vp in charge of membership for the NYS Retired Teachers Assn.

Did you know that **Jeannette Stokes Thulin** transcribes books into Braille for blind students?

**Elaine Hildenbrand Mueser** and her husband, Al, are busy at one of the most strenuous and rewarding volunteer efforts—grandparenting.

Although she describes herself as a quiet life, **Janice Hoerr White** and her husband, Lou, had a most enjoyable houseful for Thanksgiving with her daughter from California and her son from New Hampshire and their children.

Have any of your little people, friends or relatives, read *The Astronaut Witch* (1962) or *The Fakir of Jinaika* (1961), both published by A.S. Barnes and Company, or Weekly Reader Books' *The Little Lost Shadow* (1981) and *The Ghost That Goofed* (1982)? If so, they have read a book by one of our classmates—**Edith Wieselthier Boutelle**.

**Norma Raymond Roberts** is "still enjoying selling real estate in Scarsdale (yes, even in these times!). Switched to a larger office, Cleveland Van Wert, last October. A new scene of operations is stimulating. Children are happily scattered from California to the Virgin Islands, NY, and Washington, DC."

**Helen Dollinger Wickham** writes that they missed seeing Eddie and **Jean Morris Loughlin** this fall on their annual visit from Johannesburg but did see John and **Phyllis Cross Shea** in N. Jersey last October. They celebrated their 45th with a tour of the

Canadian Rockies and were planning to go on a segment of the QEII's world cruise, starting in January, from Florida to the Caribbean, Panama Canal, and Acapulco, terminating in L.A. Helen adds, "With the big movie studio complex in Wilmington, there's much fun in being movie 'extras.' There's a good shot of me in *Weekend at Bernie's*, now on tape. Perhaps we'll be visible in *Tune in Tomorrow* and *Sleeping with the Enemy* with Julia Roberts."

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First, to those who wrote and congratulated me on the fine column in the Summer 1990 issue of *Barnard Alumnae*: The praise belongs to **Phyllis Margulies Gilman**, who preceded me as your class correspondent. It was her last column; my name and address only appeared at the top. I hope you will continue to keep me up to date.

**Nanette Hodgman Hayes** has been chair of the Barnard College Thrift Shop since 1956, and has raised very close to one million dollars for scholarships. She is at the shop regularly on Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and is seeking volunteers to assist her in this very worthy undertaking. Please phone Nanette at 212-749-6251 for details.

**Miriam Margolies Stubbs** has been retired for 8 years and is doing volunteer work for which she auditioned, reading books for the blind and the handicapped—all kinds, "including the spicy ones." She spends 15 hours a month recording tapes for radio stations which broadcast the readings.

**Viola Peterson Butzner** is a retired art teacher, living in Richmond, VA. Using silk screen, water colors and photographic prints and slides, she works with senior citizens as a volunteer. Her husband is a judge on the US Circuit Court of Appeals, now on senior status.

**Reine Tracy Kidder** went to Paris last summer for the first time since 1958 and is looking forward to a return trip. She reports that at Eastertime at her church, she was cast in the part of Jesus Christ.

**Marie Boyle**—still in Havertown, PA—is "doing Unitarian things" and helping older people find retirement housing.

**Pauline (Polly) Fleming Laudenslager** taught special ed for 17 years in Chicago and then Baltimore. Her students were all black children in the ghetto. She wrote an extensive in-depth analysis for Mayor Schaefer (subsequently Governor Schaefer) proposing the establishment of a drum and bugle corps, and left teaching to work at City Hall on that project. She collected one cent from each child for dialysis, amassing \$30,000 in that way, plus contributions from corporations for a total of \$200,000. Polly is now writing children's stories.

**Isabel Gleasing Lee**, who has been widowed for 20 years, left her teaching job on Long Island to live in Vermont, where she enjoys the Green Mountains, the gardens and the concerts. She is taking a course in Spanish.

**Mary Maloney Sargent's** husband, John, has been in a wheelchair since he fell two years ago. He's slowly recovering from the leg fractures he incurred, a below-the-hip crack and a spiral break, but Mary says he'll be dancing the polka soon.

The final total of our class's contributions to Barnard for the two-year period ending June 30, 1990, was \$56,979.90, representing an unprecedented 82% participation. All of that money went into the Class of 1940 Scholarship Fund. Contributions this year and in the future can continue to go into the Class Fund only if you indicate that on your checks. If you do not designate any purpose, your contributions to Barnard will be placed with unrestricted funds. Needless to say, don't stop contributing just because our 50th Reunion is over.

**Eileen Loopuit Mastin** passed away in July 1990 after a long illness. She left two sons and three grandsons. Fellow chemistry majors and other friends may want to send condolences to Marion Mastin, 81-20 Courtland Ave., Stamford, CT 06902-3458.

**Peggy Boyle Kinsella** did not go to Antarctica, as



stated in a previous column, although she is retired. Her husband is still working full time as director of medicine at University Hospital in St. Louis. All 8 children, spouses, and 8 grandchildren were home for Christmas.

**Ruth Carter Hok**, who traveled all the way from Sweden for our 50th, recalls the events of her life since our graduation. After an MA and PhD from Columbia, she married a Swedish electronics engineer and shared with him the excitement during the developments in information theory and space exploration. For 20 years she lived and worked at the U of Michigan at Ann Arbor. She was an applied linguist with trips as State Department specialist to Romania and Poland during the '60s. She studied at the U of Leningrad, became visiting professor at the American U in Cairo, spent two years at the U of Isfahan in Iran, and finally retired after she set up the English language unit at the new Chinese university in Hong Kong. Ruth is listed in *Who's Who in the World*. Small wonder!

In memory of **Julia Gray Butler**, who died in June 1989, an endowment has been established at the Nutley (NJ) Public Library. Forty-two years ago, Julia and her husband helped form a book club which met in the library every month during the ensuing years. The founding members of that club, including **Ethel Mainzer Ives**, whose friendship with Julia dates back to their days at Barnard, helped raise the endowment. Ethel reports that the library's trustees named its new periodical reading room after Julia.

A class of '40 lunch was held in September in the Ella Weed Room in Milbank Hall. Present, in addition to new class president **Ann Landau Kwitman** and Reunion chair **Louise Salzman Bookstaver**, were **Flora Ehrsam Dudley**, **Nanette Hodgman Hayes**, **Shirley Bob Hesslein**, **Eleanor Bowman Kursch**, **Lois Saphir Lee**, **Evelyn Sarian Maldonado**, **Helen McCann**, **Caroline Duncombe Pelz**, **Doris Siske Ross**, **Agnes Cassidy Serbaroli**, **Gerry Sax Shaw**, **Jean Willis**, and **Joy Latman Wouk**. Highlights of the afternoon were videotapes, one of which showed David Letterman interviewing **Ingrith Deyrup Olsen**, with samples of the slugs from her collection. Most of us had seen the *Smithsonian* article posted at Reunion about her work. The other was **Ruth Brand Struhl's** highly professional video of the Reunion dinner and cocktail party. It had been made for **Helen Fabricant Saidel**, whose hip replacement surgery had prevented her from coming east for the big event.

**Joan Shalit Swee**, who has been attending Reunions every five years, says, "It's better that way. You see people growing older with you. The changes in our classmates come gradually and less shockingly." Joan has been going to Guadalajara for the past 30 winters. She grows vegetables organically on a 50' by 75' plot.

**Helen Gonski Lech** says our 50th Reunion was the very first she had ever attended. Helen is a social worker in Connecticut; since she is bilingual, she works especially with the Polish-speaking elderly.

A double reunion occurred when five members of the Richmond Hill HS class of '36 met again at our 50th. They were **Florence Dubroff Shelley**, **Jean Gainfort Deppert**, **Isabel Gleasing Lee**, **Lucille Krebs Ruthig** and **Elaine Wendt Wetterau**. A sixth member of the group, **Irma Zwergel Sherwood**, passed away in 1983.

Someone who requested anonymity recalled that she was first on the list of substitute hurdlers for Greek Games. The problem was that she hurdled on the wrong foot and Miss Finan didn't want anyone destroying the symmetry.

**Joan Rich Brown Sylvester** reported seeing Ann Kwitman, who sailed near where Joan lives in Maine. She sends an open invitation to any classmates whose summer travels take them to Maine to phone her at 207-833-2881 or write to her at RFD #1, Box 731, South Harpswell, ME 04079-9722.

**Marjorie Crews Gordon** sends "warmest wishes for happiness" to all her Barnard friends. An anesthesiologist in California, Marjorie has applied her skills to animals as well as to humans, and has worked with veterinary surgeons treating injured racehorses, combining her profession with her hobby.

**Helen Best Dinzl**, suffering with a disc problem and sciatica, was not well enough to get to Reunion. We hope she's feeling much better now.

**Margaret Crespo Staud** sent some memorable albeit faded photos. Particularly amusing was a shot of herself at Barnard Camp circa 1936, attempting to catch specimens in a net for her zoology classes.

The photo histories were such a big hit at Reunion, displayed on posters on easels, that we're still collecting photos for our ongoing pictorial record. Please send prints from any time in the last half century to me, along with dates and the names of classmates shown.

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## REUNION! May 17-18

**Wendy Reilly '63** and **Barbara Strickland '67** hosted a reception at Barbara's home in Jacksonville, FL, in November. According to their invitation, thirty-three alumnae on the "First Coast" (northeast Florida) include doctors, anthropologists, teachers, librarians, homemakers, college deans, lawyers, and unspecified (but interesting) occupations. **Jane Ringo Murray** and self were invited. What a lovely affair.



Plans for the gala celebration of the 50th anniversary of their Barnard graduation were on the agenda at a luncheon meeting of the Class of 1941 Reunion Planning Committee this winter. Present were (l. to r.) Marie Turbow Lampard, class president Jeanette Halstead Kellogg, Marion Moscato (seated), Cecil Golann, Babette Jacobson Sommer, Elizabeth Harris Mersey (seated), Dorothy Wilson Dorsa and Elizabeth Koenig Van Bergen. They hope dozens of their classmates will be "in the picture" at their Reunion on May 17-18.

**Reunion News:** Letters, phone calls... buzz, buzz. So far we hear that the following are definitely attending: **Joan Aiken Shaffer**, **Alberta Waters Albig**, **Martha Bennett Heyde**, **Rita Benson**, **Marguerite Binder Zamaitis**, **Elizabeth Bishop Davis**, **Kathy Crandall Causey**, **Patricia Draper**, **Lorna Drummond Johnson**, **Jane Goldstein Berzer**, **Jeanette Halstead Kellogg**, **Liz Harris Mersey**, **Betty Isaacs Schultz**, **Babette Jacobson Sommer**, **Betty Koenig Van Bergen**, **Cynthia Laidlaw Gordon**, **Marjorie Leahy Larsen**, **Margaret Lorini Gunkel**, **Alice Marcellus Brady**, **Mary Molleson**, **Marion Moscato**, **Doris Prochaska Bryan**, **Rita Roher Semel**, **Virginia Smith Hoag**, **MG Smith**, **Ruth Taubenhause Gross**, **Clyde White Hamm**, **Doris Williams Yankee**, **Dorothy Wilson Dorsa**.

Also certain to be there, of course, is Reunion chair **Elaine Briggs Wyckoff**; she and her husband have had their third trip to Africa and eleventh camping trip to Maine. And **Betty Smith Neill** will be at Reunion, even though she is leaving California to live for a time in Ecuador with her botanist son. She will be Elaine's house guest.

**Irene Lyons Murphy** will also be here for the BIG DAYS. Irene's big news is that she has a Fulbright research grant to do a "Prototype Water Quality Information System" for the Danube River. She left in September for Sofia, Bulgaria (your correspondent heard the wonderful Sofia Symphony in Florida in November), with stops in Vienna and Budapest. She is scheduled to do a paper in Rabat, Morocco, just before Reunion—"but you can bet I will be there."

**Cecil Golann** is planning to be at Reunion, and also planning a trans-Caribbean cruise. She is also hoping to do some writing for publication this year. Her last book was published in 1970 but she has time now, and several ideas she feels are timely.

"Looking forward to Reunion" is the word from **Athena Capraro Warren**, who just had a successful cataract-implant laser operation; she has turned 70 but "I must say I don't look or feel it." She is writing a book about what it is like to be involved in the lives of institutionalized others.

**Addie Bostelmann Higgins** will be at Reunion, too. Addie writes that at age 70 she now has an empty nest! "Youngest daughter Margaret had a Thanksgiving wedding, acquiring a brilliant and witty husband and a 13-year-old stepson. This brings grandchildren to seven. Enjoyed immensely motoring through Europe with **Tineke Van Walsem '42**, including a week studying over 21 castles in Bavaria with the International Castles Institute."

Let's hear from you — and SAY YES.

**Merry Andrews Austin** reports that she must retire from the work she has enjoyed so much these past ten years as an archaeological site surveyor in Arizona. She is recovering from a back operation which has forced her to leave the wilderness adventures/backpacking/river running/mountain climbing she loves so much. A speedy recovery, Merry — and we hope you will be able to be with us at Reunion.

"Regrets" about Reunion came from **Jane Rinck**, since the bell choir she directs is giving a concert at the same time. "With humility" Jane writes, "I have been blessed with a great family, great friends, and a great college... Ever since I retired from law I have been continuing my education in the directions in which Barnard pointed me. I write for a local paper, play in a string quartet, have a sculpture studio, and teach nature to children in the public school. I live in a kind of paradise on the side of a Vermont mountain; I live up a dirt road which can be quite hairy at times but I hope it never gets paved."

**Estelle Cross** continues to attend the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, enjoying courses in Mozart, current economic issues, history of American humor. Her great-niece Rebekah turned two in January and plays school already. Estelle was expecting to be a great aunt for the second time in March.

A fine note from **Marian Linn Wright**, thanking all who expressed sympathy on the loss of son Robert. Marian and husband Bob hope to visit daughter Mary who has, with family, moved to Holland. Son David lives in Port Washington (NY) — fortunate for Marian and Bob, who live there, too.



**Yvonne Coutant Wallach** writes from St. Petersburg, FL, that retirement is wonderful. She goes on Elderhostel trips, plays bridge and welcomes any classmates to visit in her condo. She has four sons and six grandchildren with whom she visits. Swimming every day and doing some volunteer work as a special education teacher keep her busy.

**Amelie Anderson Sloan**, according to the Lewis, Delaware, press, is "very much at home at Pinewater Farms." She has lived there since her marriage to Samuel Sloan in 1944. Much local history and wildlife preservation have been her interests, living as she does on this once 100-acre farm at Herring Creek. Amelie is a member of the Rehoboth Art League, where she works in pottery.

In 1987 **Lillian Godwin Patterson** retired from the Cincinnati, Ohio, public school system where she had been a coordinator and counselor for adult education programs. Traveling has been a major interest since retirement — to China, Japan, Kenya, Russia and now Eastern Europe. As a volunteer, she works now at family counseling, the Food & Clothing Bank, and with family selections for Habitat. Her husband, Ned, Columbia '41, is retired now but active in ham radio, talking to friends all over the world.

**June Clayton Buckman** sends news from Ceres, NY, 90 miles south of Buffalo on the Pennsylvania border. She and her husband are active in community work and church activities. One of their daughters

lives in Ontario and is a high school teacher. Daughter **Diane Forti**, Barnard '69, is a medical editor in Massachusetts.

1942's mini-reunion was attended by **Mabel Campbell**. She wished more classmates had attended.

**Helena Percas Ponseti** retired from Grinnell College in August but continues to pursue research and writing and to be active as Council member of the Cervantes Society of America, of which she is a charter member, and as associate editor of its journal, *Cervantes*. She is also active in the newly founded *Asociacion de Cervantistas* in Spain, of an international nature, of which she is also a charter member. Her book, *Cervantes the Writer and Painter of Don Quixote*, has been positively reviewed as basic in Cervantine studies.

**Louise Woolfolk Chesnut** reports family news: a grandson, William, born to her son John last February, and the marriage of her daughter Anne to Bradford Cabe in January '90; they are living in Italy.

**Joan Brown Wettingfeld** and her sister, **Audrey Brown Bollet** '44, have completed another volume in their series on the history of Bayside, Queens. This one is entitled "Founding Families and Famous Personalities of Bayside from Colonial Times Until 1900." Like the earlier volumes, this work was originally prepared by their late father; copies will be available in the Alumnae Authors Collection of the Barnard Library.

We are sorry to learn of the deaths of two of our classmates. **Dorothy Vormwald Oliver** died on September 13, 1990, and **Frances Fahrenheit Le Vine** on November 30, 1990. Our sympathy goes to their families.

Your class president, **Lucille Osmer Hutchinson**, and I attended Alumnae Council in September and enjoyed looking at the new physical developments at Barnard and listening to the innovative ways our sisters from other classes conducted their fundraising. Did you know that 40% of our student body is on some kind of scholarship? That's a good statistic to keep in mind when you're answering this year's class appeal.

**Christiana Smith Graham** has been traveling again — this time in England and France. She is taking conversational French five days a week at a nearby junior college so she can speak with her French friends in their native tongue. When flustered, she claims, she turns to German — a result of three years of that language at Barnard!

**Ida Sarro Flanagan** writes, "The past 17 months were very sad for me. My husband passed away on April 21, 1989. This year my sister (only sibling) passed away in August. Three weeks later her son-in-law passed away. We were all very close. To add a ray of sunshine: I did get to Europe — a grand tour with a friend and her students in July. In September a lady friend and I got to see our wonderful state of Alaska!" Our class's sympathies — though belated — are with you, Ida. Let's just hope there'll be more rays of sunshine.

**Joan Walsh Miller** still works every summer in Alaska on the Juneau Icefield, directing NSF-supported programs for high school, undergraduate, and graduate students. The program has been highlighted in two recent PBS programs, "The Miracle Planet" and "Newton's Apple." Joan says her husband "never intends to retire so I guess I won't either. Both sons continue to lead exciting valuable lives. We wish peace to our world in 1991."

**Helena Wellisz Temmer** attended an "alumni reunion" in Tanglewood last summer and heard the last concert conducted by Leonard Bernstein. Afterwards she spent three exciting weeks in Poland, attending an International Congress on Family Therapy in Krakow and visiting relatives and friends in Warsaw. She looked into the reinstatement of YMCA and YWCA programs in Poland and found the former already in effect, the latter still in doubt.

**Frances Hussey Arendell** is still working four days a week at a small job shop (plating, anodizing, and painting) in West Phoenix. Much of her time is spent on government agency relations (EPA, OSHA, etc.) and on membership in the Hazwaste Society, American Chemical Society, and the American Electroplaters and Surface Finishers Society. She writes that her husband died suddenly of a coronary in September, "leaving me with an M-37 weapons carrier to rebuild. When I retire, I'll use it to see more of Arizona back country."

**Rena Libera Jonathan** is back in Kansas City after seven years in Austria, Switzerland, and southern France. "Jack retired from Hallmark Cards in '83 and immediately took another job with an Austrian firm, manufacturers of fine crystal. He is not the retiring type (in more ways than one) and is now a consultant with a local company. We often visit our son Steve's family in NJ where Daniel 3 and Timothy 6 mos. are the star attractions. **Sue Riley Clagett** '41 has driven up from Princeton to meet them and share gourmet peanut butter sandwiches. As I left for the airport last time, Daniel told the cab driver, 'Nonna is my best friend!' What a send-off!"

**Elizabeth Kuhlmann Gibney** reports that her major activity during the summer is gardening, and she had 70 quarts of strawberries to show for her efforts last year.

**Norma Shpetner Levin** was "lucky enough" to spend four weeks in Turkey, two in Kenya, and one in Rome last year. Rome especially was "a dream come true — to actually sit in the Pantheon and the Sistine Chapel and walk the *itera* of Caesar." At home she does tutorial volunteer work in math, is still active in LWV affairs, and helped in the gubernatorial election campaign. Her daughter Martha is publisher of

## In the News

**BARBARA FISH (SALTZMAN), M.D. '42**, who received the 1978 UCLA Woman of Science Award and, in 1987, the Agnes Purcell McGavin Award of the American Psychiatric Assn. "for outstanding contributions to the prevention of mental disorders in children," has now been named to the Della Martin Endowed Chair in Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at the UCLA School of Medicine.

Intending at first to become a pediatrician, Dr. Fish shifted her focus to child psychiatry during her training, when she realized that her greatest pleasure came from "watching babies develop and helping their mothers understand the developing individuality of their offspring." She sought a residency with Professor Lauretta Bender, a world-famous researcher in childhood schizophrenia, whose findings led Dr. Fish to think that "if one could identify genetically vulnerable infants early, eventually we could treat the disturbance before they became permanently impaired."

In 1952, despite the advice of an NIMH review committee that she "stick to normal babies," Dr. Fish instituted the first prospective study of children at high genetic risk for schizophrenia. She continues to maintain close contact with her subjects, now 30 to 38 years of age. The study has made psychiatric history, since it is the only one in which subjects have been followed for so long and since birth. From it came the concept of "pandysmaturation," the notion that difficulties in the maturation of certain skills and behaviors which can be identified in infants under two years of age indicate a type of central nervous system handicap characteristic of those who later become schizophrenic or schizophrenic-like. A recent conference sponsored by the World Health Organization proposed a massive multi-site prospective study based on her concepts and design.

Dr. Fish is a Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and



a member of the Society for Research in Child Development. She notes that she could not have accomplished what she has "without the patient encouragement of the most supportive husband a dedicated career woman ever had." From 1960 to 1972 she was director of child psychiatry at NYU but UCLA offered her the opportunity to pursue her teaching and research without such heavy administrative responsibilities. Her husband then "agreed to move to L.A. and re-arranged his own career to do so!"

Has "being a woman" made a difference in her career? In retrospect it certainly has, but "I never thought it would stop me from doing what I wanted. It just meant you had to work harder." She now feels strongly, however, that "any woman who achieves tenure in a university must serve as a mentor for promising young women students and faculty. They need help in writing better papers and grant applications, and advice on how to achieve tenure. . . Too often the 'old boy network' automatically selects other men, even when the available women are superior."



Anchor Books and a vice president of Doubleday. Matthew is a Montessori teacher in Northampton, MA.

Classmates may want to write to **Elizabeth (Bettina) White**, 31 Island Way, Apt. 401, Clearwater, FL 34630, who had a mild stroke in July. We certainly hope she's well recovered now.

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Thirteen class members gathered in mid-September at the Barnard Club for luncheon and exchange of news. Attending were **Ina Campbell**, **Astrith Deyrup**, **Dorothy Kattenhorn Eberhart**, **Edna Fredericks Engoron**, **Sibyl Herzog Grubstein**, **Helen Harper**, **Alice Eaton Harris**, **Francoise Kelz**, **Doris Landre**, **Jackie Shadgen Menage**, **Elizabeth Murray**, **Edith Sprung Rose**, and **Thelma Golub Warshaw**.

**Doris** reported that she had retired two years ago and left NYC, has now bought and settled into a 1730s house in Wyckoff, NJ. **Thelma**, who practices in Westfield, NJ, has recently opened a second medical office.

In October, **Ina** and **Francoise** were joined by **Marion La Fountain Stark** at **Dorothy Carroll Lenk's** home near West Chester, PA. Says Ina, "It was a beautiful fall day to see Dottie's lovely old country house, and the fields beyond, and to enjoy the lunch she prepared for us."

Unable to attend either mini-reunion because of traveling were: **Shirley Sexauer Harrison** (in England), **Mary Davis Williams** (in Yugoslavia), and **Diane Howell**, who was trying to sell her house in PA to move near her sister in Seattle.

**Dr. Audrey K. Brown Bollet**, who serves as vice chairman of the dept. of pediatrics at SUNY-Health Science Center in Brooklyn, was visiting professor recently at the U of Kentucky in Lexington.

A sad note from **Dorothy LeCount Freck**, whose husband, Jim, passed away in July. Only a year earlier they had retired and moved to Winter Haven, FL. Dorothy hopes to attend our 50th Reunion in 1994.

**Fern Albert Atkin** went to Barnard this fall with her daughter, an architect, to "check out" the new dormitory and found that "it all looked good." Fern hopes we all make it to the 50th.

**Allis Beaumont Martin Reid** completed her term as president of the 3000-member Vermont Extension Homemakers Council. She found that it was hard to keep members or find volunteers, now that so many women have full-time jobs.

We're sorry we couldn't report sooner that **Astrith Deyrup** had an exhibition at the New School in March.

**Virginia Benedict Katz** wrote on her return from 18 days on safari in Kenya. She is still busy with camera club, Braille transcribing, needlework, theatre, etc. She writes that she loves life in Florida—"don't know how I ever found time to work. Just had cataracts removed—never realized how blind I was!"

**Elizabeth Anne Yoerg Young** has had a wonderful year of retirement, with visits to and from children and grandchildren, the birth of an 8th grandchild, and the arrival in Mexico of son Mark and family on their posting to the Embassy.

**Helen Cahn Weil** visited Gene and **Jackie Levy Gottlieb** in November, in their beautiful home in Sedona, AZ, with its spectacular view of the mountains. She also enjoyed meeting the five soft-coated wheaten terriers and three-week-old puppies. Back home on Long Island, Helen is part of a monthly discussion group on interesting books; the other members are **Shirley Sexauer Harrison**, **Jackie Shadgen Menage**, **Edna Fredericks Engoron**, and **Lilli Krieger Keene**.

**Jeannette Zang Burnett** has been retired for three years from working as a school nurse practitioner in Denver. She and her husband, a retired health educator, enjoy biking and skiing in the US and abroad, and cultural and religious activities at home.

**Florence Levi Foster** was eagerly awaiting the retirement of her husband, Harold, who has been commuting to NYC from Norwalk, CT, for 36 years. "Elderhostels, here we come!"

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**Daisy Fornacca Kouzel**  
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A card of thanks: from **Daisy Kouzel** to all of you who sent condolences on the death of her dear husband, Alfred.

Our best wishes go also to **Marjorie Miller Roth**, whose husband died just over a year ago. She lives in Orinda, CA, and continues her private practice as a clinical social worker in Berkeley. Her "two wonderful children and three wonderful grandchildren are a joy."

Also in California is **Jane Brunstetter Huseby**, back in the US after a wonderful 3½-year adventure working as a librarian at the National Library of Papua New Guinea. She is a bookseller at an independent bookstore in Mountain View, CA, and would love to hear from any classmates in the area.

On the East Coast, **Renee Friedman Cooper** continues to volunteer as a docent at the National Archives and tutors a Russian emigre in English. Her husband is still practicing law. She has two grandsons who live nearby and two more are expected this spring.

A query from **Madeline Kessler Ramsey**: "Having been born and lived all of my life in NYC and having lived in the same colonial style house in Forest Hills for the past 30 years, I am straining for a change. My dream come true would be a ranch style house within walking distance of a major university (PhD granting in physics). Any suggestions?"

Both **Avra Kessler Mark** and her husband retired this winter and, like many other retirees, Avra has found that "I'm already so busy I don't know how I had time to go to work. We're planning a trip to Taiwan to visit our youngest son, Jeremy, and his family. He is bureau chief in Taipei for the *Asian Wall St. Journal*. We are not planning to move for the foreseeable future—we find we're very rooted!"

**Sabra Follett Toback** was enjoying semi-retirement until she was "summoned" to serve as Acting Academic Dean at Cayuga Community College in Auburn, NY, for the fall semester.

**Sally Mather Gibson** writes that "John and my schedules remain *bursting*" with volunteer responsibilities that are truly full-time jobs. His involvement in Boy Scouting took them to Sweden and Ottawa last year and they were anticipating a trip to Prague and Budapest in April. Sally continues as a trustee and executive board member of Franklin & Marshall College, and both of them serve on other boards as well. They have one grandchild and expect two more in 1991, as well as the wedding of another of their eight children. On their frequent trips to NYC they often run into Barnard friends, and Sally adds: "I loved the College, and in my civic and business work am constantly reminded of the wonderful habits learned and fostered there."

Congratulations to **Hope Simon Miller**, who has been elected president of the US Committee for UNIFEM (UN Development Fund for Women).

We report with sadness the death of **Barbara St. Clair McKenna**, in Evansville, IN, where she had been active in civic affairs and in many organizations affiliated with the University of Evansville.

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## REUNION! May 17–18

Since the last issue of our *Alumnae Magazine*, it has been learned that two of our classmates have been widowed. On behalf of all of us I want to extend sincere condolences on their bereavement. **Ellen Haight Little** lost her husband, Fred, on November 9th, after more than a year of his hospitalization and a very long battle with emphysema. She is continuing her work as a mentor and tenured professor at New York State's Empire College, where individual programs for mature students are devised in a college without walls. **Marie-Anne Phelps Seabury's** hus-

band, Paul, died in October in California, where they have lived since 1953. Dr. Seabury was a professor of political science at Berkeley and served as a consultant to the State Dept. His book, *Power, Freedom and Diplomacy: The Foreign Policy of the US*, published in 1963, was awarded the Bancroft Prize by Columbia U.

Happier news, of mini-reunions of 1946 alumnae, came from **Jane Weidlund** and **Emily O'Connor Per-nice**. On a visit to Minneapolis, Jane had greatly enjoyed a "spirited dinner" with **Rena Neumann Coen** and **Joan Leff Abelson**. Joan's new husband is a rabbi and long-time friend and colleague of her late husband, Jerome Lipnick. Emily was twice blessed, first on the West Coast when she and her husband, Paul, stopped in Seattle following a cruise to Alaska. There they spent a week with **Jean Corbitt Hedrick** and her husband, visiting also the Hedrick's beach house on the Olympic Peninsula. Back in North Carolina, they visited in Hendersonville with **Dorothy Dieterle Adams** and John, who arranged a dinner party with **Joy Drew Blazey** and her husband, Frank.

**Irma Silver Brandt** and her husband are enjoying retirement and keeping very busy. He is writing a book about Brooklyn and she is involved with the adult learning program sponsored by the Hartford Consortium of Higher Education. Their children have followed in their father's footsteps and are both physicians; daughter **Stephanie Brandt Ingber '72**, a child psychiatrist, lives in Manhattan with her husband, a lawyer, and their 5-year-old daughter. Son James (Yale and Harvard Med) is director of the glaucoma service at UC Med School-Davis in Sacramento. He and his wife, Karen (also a lawyer), have a 6-month-old son.

**Judith Rudansky Goldsmith** continues her career as a freelance actress/producer specializing in solo theatre presentations at libraries, museums, schools, community centers, etc.

Let me urge that as many of you as possible plan to attend our great 45th Reunion. Better do it now while we're all gung-ho, because the astronomical figure we'll face in only five years is inconceivable!

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A glowing note from **Roberta Paine** announced her long-looked-forward-to move to her home in Rockport, MA. With the lovely new Barnard Club headquarters in NYC available as a weekend spot, Bobby truly has the best of both worlds. Our warmest congratulations!

**Anne Attura Paolucci** is deeply involved in "Columbus: Countdown 1992," a multifaceted cultural and academic extravaganza for the quincentenary. Anne's play *Cipango!* has been made into a videotape as well as being presented several times on stage. The Italian Republic has honored Anne with the title of "Cavaliere," a wonderful tribute.

Our class has a long, strong, and continuing tradition of voluntarism. **Elizabeth Plume Riggs** writes from "idyllic" Captiva Island, FL, about teaching English, literacy, and simple arithmetic to migrant workers. She deplores "being dirt-poor—and unable to read prices," and feels amply rewarded for her efforts by the difference they make in people's lives.

**Jean Connors Caldwell** and her husband, Durham, welcomed their third grandchild, Angela Caputo, born July 30, 1990, to Mary Caldwell and Matthew Caputo.

**Winnie Barr Rothenberg** has similar news: before her mother died last March, her daughter, Beth Lilienstein, "presented her and us with our immortality—a precious red-headed baby girl named Julia." Winnie's wish, "May the world be kind to all our grandchildren," is one we all endorse.

Grandchildren also add a "dimension of fun" for **Rita Girolamo Leone**, who is still practicing radiology at NY Medical College and is involved with medical students as an associate dean of student affairs.

Do share your news and activities—our big Reunion is coming closer and closer!



Our president, **Nora Ravsky Schwartz**, has written that she and her husband, Gabriel, spent April 1990 traveling in Italy, visiting old Italian family friends in Rome and lecturing at the University of Genoa. And for Nora, who majored in art history (called "Fine Arts" back in the 1940s), it was a "thrill seeing all those dusty old slides in the flesh!"

I also received a short note from **Barbara Knowlton**, who informs us of the death of **Nancy Holland (Kellogg) Wyckoff** on September 8, 1990, after a long illness. She is survived by her two sons, Scott and Kevin Kellogg, her daughter, Jennifer Wyckoff, and her grandson, Christopher Kellogg, all of New York City. We express our deepest sympathy to all of Nancy's family.

Barbara adds in her letter: "I kept up with Nancy all of these years since Barnard, where I met her. Actually Nancy, **Jean Kraus** and I were close friends during our freshman year. Now they are both gone." Barbara also adds some news about herself. After living in Tortola, British Virgin Islands, for almost 16 years, she has returned to New York where she is working for the City Club, a good-government, non-profit organization. She is enjoying living and working in the city. The only child in her life is a seven-year-old goddaughter, Sarah Penney, who lives in Tortola.

Update from your correspondent: my husband and I had a wonderful trip in September to Hungary (Budapest and Lake Balaton where he attended a meeting), Vienna, Innsbruck, Basel, Colmar, Strasbourg, Reims and Paris. I am guilty of dragging my uncomplaining husband through every cathedral and museum on the way, and we loved every minute of it. Upon our return we learned that our son David was one of the recipients of an "Emmy" as the director of the winning episode of "The Simpsons." We are quietly proud.

Best wishes to all for 1991, and please let us hear from you.

**Mary Schofield Conway** lives in Cedar Grove, NJ. She retired in June 1990 after an 18-year career as a school librarian. She worked at a private school for a year after earning her master's degree in library science. She was then a librarian at the Pequannock Valley Middle School in Pompton Plains, NJ. Schofie has joined the Newark Museum and the Montclair Art Museum and is a volunteer with both institutions. She hopes to travel extensively both in the USA and abroad.

A collection of poems by **Ruth Crane Friedberg** entitled *Coasts* was published this summer. Her husband, Sam, contributed pen and ink drawings. She has also just finished writing a new book, which she has named *The Compleat Pianist: Body, Mind, Synthesis*.

**Edith Jackson Calzolari** was elected to the Locust Valley Library Board of Trustees in the spring of 1990. A 29-year resident of the Long Island community, she is the retired director of the Library Media Center of Locust Valley High School. She worked as a librarian in the Locust Valley School District over a 23-year period after receiving an MLS from the Palmer Graduate Library School of Long Island University. She also raised three children and participated in various community activities, including six years as a Girl Scout troop leader. She is currently a volunteer at Planting Fields Arboretum and with "Women on the Job," a Nassau County pay equity advocacy group.

**Marisa de Alteriis Vitelli** is a teacher of English as a second language at the American Studies Center

in Naples. She recently moved from Naples to Massalubrense. Marisa writes: "Have recently started a third career. My Italian is now good enough for translating."

**Belle Lincoln Elmer** has been busy promoting the Town Hall Concert of The Glorae Del Cantores, which took place on March 7th. She writes that they are considered by many to be the best choir in the USA. She has also been busy fundraising for their capital development fund.

**Dr. Mary Nicholson** continues to work as a psychologist, though on a reduced schedule. Her remaining time and energy go to her four-generation family, getting back to playing the piano, travel, and learning computer skills. "Yes," she writes, "I am concerned about war and in small ways do what I can to avert it."

We note with regret the recent death from a heart attack of Dr. Peter Salm, husband of **June Macy Salm**. He was professor emeritus of literature and German at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Dr. Salm, who came to this country in 1938 after fleeing Hitler Germany in 1933, was a specialist in the works of Goethe and other European literary figures.

—YDD

**Jean Moore Cooper** reports that she and **Elaine Wiener Berman** had lunch together when Elaine was in Sun Valley, where her husband has a second office for his mining business. Elaine and Jean both lamented not having attended Reunion.

**Mary Jane Smith** took an Alaskan cruise this year and then embarked on a new consulting venture with her associate of 35 years. This, plus her own business, and still time to sing in the church choir!

**Jane Hall White** and husband are grandparents. Daughter Maryjane had a son in September and daughter Kitty's son was born in December.

**Muriel Kilpatrick Safford** reports that they are building a home in Bonita Springs, FL. Moving date was planned for January 1991.

We continue to receive newspaper clippings from classmates about **Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum** and her activities as a federal judge in New York. Miriam herself reports on the birth of their first grandchild, Jacob Jesse, born in August to their son Daniel and his wife, both lawyers in Chicago.

**Tamara Clement Gianis** sent us an announcement of her son's first one-man show. Alexander is a sculptor and exhibited at the Vered Gallery, East Hampton, NY, this past October.

**Laura Pienkny Zakin** is contributing editor of the *Columbus Monthly*. She has three children who are launched in careers: Richard, an attorney in Manhattan; Barbara, at Philip Morris, as consultant on the Bill of Rights exhibit touring the country; and David, a clinical psychologist in Los Angeles. Two are still in school; daughter Emily is a philosophy major at SUNY-Stony Brook, and daughter Susan is at the U of Washington, with a major in East Asian Studies. Husband Jacques is chairman of the dept. of chemical engineering, Ohio State University.

**Patricia Stark Shapiro** reports that one son is married out of three. He works for Dreyfus as a financial analyst. Her youngest son is a director in California. Her mother has nine stories published in *Quest* magazine and also a book of short stories.

After a year and a half of freelancing as an information broker, writes **Claire Raick**, "I succumbed to the relative security of a full-time job (while continuing my information broker activities 'after hours' and on weekends) and joined the French telecommunications giant, France Telecom."

Please keep news coming to either one of us. Reunion isn't the only time to catch up!

—MSZ

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It's nice to start the column off with news that a classmate has received an honor. **Eleanor Meyer** is the one; she has received recognition from the American Business Women's Association for her outstanding contributions to that organization. But Ellie did not write me about it; no, I heard from **Elizabeth Daniel '62**, who was so proud of Ellie, whom she knows as a regular part-time volunteer at the Rochester (NY) Museum and Science Center, that she took time out to write to me.

Congratulations, Ellie!

Last September, I went on a trip to Siena sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution, and who else was on the tour? **Frances Ryder Zwanzig** and her husband, that's who! Frances is the managing editor of the *Proceedings* of the National Academy of Sciences, a job she describes as mostly writing to contributors to find out what's happening to promised manuscripts. Even I know better than that! Bob, an elected member of the National Academy, retired from academia and is now with the National Institutes of Health. Both children happily married off; no grandchildren yet.

My next trip was to Mohonk Mountain House in New Paltz, NY, for fall foliage, and I was able to get **Alice Kogan Chandler** to agree to sneak off to have breakfast with me. Alice is still enjoying her job as president of the SUNY College at New Paltz. Husband Horace, now retired from academia, is spending his spare time practicing the piano. Son Seth is married, and he and his wife have produced a darling grandson, whose picture I saw. Seth is teaching law at the U of Houston in Texas. Son David is busy making lots and lots of money.

Another traveler is **Bernice Greenfield Silverman**, our class president, who went to the Grand Canyon in August and spent February in Antarctica during the polar summer. No one likes a show-off, Bunny! Unless, of course, she's the class correspondent.

**Joan Thanouser Sherman** writes that they have retired from owning and managing the radio station in Conway, NH, WMWU. She is now a student at the Savannah College of Art and Design in the degree program in fiber arts.

When a letter came from the Global Independence Center at the U of PA, I almost threw it out, assuming it was an appeal for funds: global independence sounds like a good cause! But no, it was from **Nury Vandellos Reichert**, executive director of the center, who organized a major international conference on trade and finance last fall. Nury writes that she will make every effort to attend Reunion. She is a member of the NGC (no grandchildren club). No wonder; she has no married children, although her daughter



graduated from Berkeley, one of her sons lives in Sydney (Australia), and her other two sons work in Philadelphia. Nury's next goal is to join the Peace Corps and work in Eastern Europe as soon as her husband retires. Brava, Nury!

I told you I would invent news if I did not hear from enough of you. So here is a filler: One of the reasons I love this job is that I write to an audience to whom I can say, "Every time I do class notes, I think of Priscilla Hiss." And you know what I'm talking about. Try that on any subsequent generation and watch the blank looks!

That's it for this issue, except for a nice note from *Tiby Fradin Rosenberg*, gung ho to better our record regarding Annual Giving. But you have heard from her, and from the Reunion committee, so I won't duplicate.

**52** *Millicent Lieberman Greenberg*  
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*Elizabeth S. Blake* writes that the Fulbright scholarship she received on graduation from Barnard (Univ. of Paris, '52-'53) continues to influence her activities. As president of the Minnesota Fulbright Assn. this year, she had the opportunity to attend the national Fulbright meeting held in Hawaii and emphasizing Pacific Rim concerns. Senator Fulbright himself was in attendance. The head of the national organization is Richard Arndt, who helped direct French plays at Barnard in the early '60s when Elizabeth and he were advisers to the Columbia and Barnard French clubs.

*Abby Bonime Adams-Silvan* wrote that her daughter, Dany, who is a graduate student in cell biology, has been in professional contact with Richard McIntosh, son of our Dean Millicent McIntosh. Abby became a full clinical professor in NYU's post-doctoral program in psychoanalysis and psychotherapy last year. She was also designated a training and supervising analyst by the International Psychoanalytical Assn. and last spring was elected pres. of the NY Freudian Society & Training Institute. Abby is still actively in practice as a psychoanalyst and psychotherapist, writing, teaching, as well as doing clinical work. Her new identification is that she is now a grandmother, which she describes as a remarkable and extraordinary experience which she loves.

*Mary Lee Fuhr Thompson* wrote about a most exciting summer: Tunisia for two weeks of Roman archaeology; a week in Paris visiting small museums; a week of snorkeling with family in Quintana Roo, Mexico; a week in Alaska steeped in NW Indian culture, Russian and US history; a week in the Yukon Territory; two weeks of hiking in the Teton Mts. of Wyoming. Wow!! Mary Lee also gave a paper on the construction history of the NY Municipal Bldg. at the AIA annual conference last June and wrote the catalogue for an exhibit on the McKim, Mead & White skyscraper held at the Tammany Court House in the fall of '89. She continues as professor of art history and dept. chairperson at Manhattanville College. Her son Robert is a junior at Carleton College and spent the summer as an intern in Washington at the Alliance to Conserve Energy. This past fall he was in a Chicago urban studies program.

Congratulations to *Francine du Plessix Gray*, whose latest book, *Soviet Women: Walking the Tightrope*, was included among the *NY Times*' "Notable Books of 1990."

*Marietta Dunston Moskin* reports two items of good news: her young adult biography of Margaret Thatcher was published last August by Julian Messner (it was listed in the books section of the last issue of this magazine), and her daughter graduated from Mt. Sinai Medical School and is doing a pediatric residency there.

Two books by *Anne Bernays* are out this season: *What If?*, a book of writing exercises for fiction writers (with Pamela Painter), published by Harper Collins, and a Penguin edition of her 1989 novel, *Professor Romeo*. She has been elected chair of the board of trustees of the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, MA. She and her husband, Justin Kaplan,

have three grandsons, David 5, Benjamin 3, and Tobias 2.

*Lucille Strick Becker* is still working three days a week in the Irvine (CA) Fine Arts Center. She writes that she missed Connecticut at first, but after five years is becoming a Californian. For one thing, "the climate is great." Three of her five children also live out there.

Congratulations to *Ruth (Bunny) Mayers Goldhaber* on the birth of twin granddaughters, Elizabeth and Rachel. Their mother, Nancy Gottlieb, and her husband, Matthew Watsky, also have three-year-old Sarah. Ruth's son Dan completes his residency in orthopedics this year at NYU Medical Center. Son Andrew lives in Palo Alto and is a psychologist with a specialty in phobias and panic attacks. Ruth is enjoying married life; she and Nathan Goldhaber live in Haworth, NJ, in a house they remodeled that is "perfect for a couple." She would love to hear from classmates in Bergen County.

Our deepest sympathy to *Margaret Collins Maron*, whose husband, James, passed away in September.

**53** *Stephanie Lam Basch*  
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Word has been received of the engagement of *Margaret Lincoln DeVecchi* '82, and daughter of *Florence Sloan DeVecchi* of Cambridge, MA. A September wedding is planned.

*Rosalind Eigenfeld Feinberg*, who married Charles Jacobs (Columbia '52, J School '53) three years ago, has another exciting announcement: she has just become the grandmother of triplets! The mother is *Bette Feinberg Slade* '76.

*Jo Rosengarten Garfield* has appeared on *Joan Rivers'* tv show and others in connection with her new book, *Cousins*. It was published by Donald I Fine in September and will be issued in paperback next year.

According to news we received in November, *Dr. Joan Belenken Bodoff* and her husband, Rabbi Pesach Krauss, moved to Jerusalem in January. Joan left her job as asst. vp at National Economic Research Associates; Pesach had been serving as the Jewish chaplain at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. They were looking forward to working, volunteering, and being reunited with two of their five (his and hers) children who have married and live in Israel, as well as with Joan's mother.

When Exxon's corporate headquarters was moved to Dallas last year, *Marion Delano Tomkins* decided *not* to make the move and retired after 36 years' service. She is now dealing with a new challenge, working for The Reformed Church of Bronxville, assisting the ministers of Christian Education and Congregational Care and the Youth Minister.

*Barbara Hesse Zinanti* retired last June after 25 years of teaching and working as a library media specialist. She and her husband are doing a lot of traveling, including "a glorious trip to Alaska, particularly Denali and Glacier Bay National Parks; a fall outing to Utah's Canyonlands and Arizona's Canyon de Chelly; and in December a trip to the Copper Canyon area of the Sierra Madre in Mexico. A highlight was an invitation to an Indian home in one of the Ranchitas." One son is a computer engineer for UNISYS in Salt Lake City and their younger son, who was married last April, is a microbiologist with Adolph Coors Co.

The presidency of the Barnard Club of Los Angeles has been transferred from one classmate, *Felice Dresner*, to another, *Abby Gurfein Hellwarth*. Felice reports that she is still teaching French and Spanish in a high school and junior college.

*Gladys Gottlieb Ullman* writes that son Robert's daughter, Stephanie Mailing, has a new cousin via son Michael, baby Mathew. Andrew, son of *Dolores Hart Bierman*, graduated from RPI in 1989 and is now a graduate student there.

*Marjorie Mintz Perloff* made headlines with an article published in the December '90 issue of *American Literature*. Comparing short stories by Gertrude Stein and Ernest Hemingway, she wrote that

she considers Stein's story superior in its suggestiveness and in its use of language that is at once elusive and precise. Both use repetitive diction, but in different ways. Hemingway repeats certain facts or images in a way that makes the story more accessible but also makes satire obvious. Stein repeats words that do not have definite associations, giving them shades of meaning through her manipulation. This allows her to tell her story through slow unfolding of character, showing the gradual change one's feelings undergo in the passage of time.

**54** *Marcia Musicant Bernstein*  
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We received a long, newsy letter from *Mary-Lou Chapuis Lempert*. She reports that her husband, Dick, has retired after 27 years with American Airlines (15 as general counsel) and is now a shareholder in Dallas' largest law firm. Travel is still important to the family (Mary-Lou and daughter Jeanne enjoyed ten days in Florence last year). Jeanne is a 2nd year law student, and son Peter is an account executive with a national ad agency in Dallas.

**55** *Rena Feuerstein Strauch*  
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*Carol Salomon Gold* was recently involved in an exciting project. Her consulting firm, The Gold Group, participated in the establishment of the first American book and magazine store in the Soviet Union. This business visit in Moscow afforded Carol the opportunity to get to know some of her Russian colleagues whom she found "warm and caring." Carol observes, "They need so much and need to learn so much before they will be able to integrate into the free world and market economy." More important to her than work are husband Morris, daughters Ellen and Susan, son-in-law Bob and grandson Steven, who "fill my life with love and joy."

On another joyous note, your class correspondent is happy to report that she and husband Berish (Columbia '55, P&S '59) became grandparents in September to David Michael Strauch, son of Drs. Robert Strauch and Amy Smithline. Robert (Columbia '82, P&S '86) is chief resident in orthopedics at Columbia Presbyterian where Amy is completing her last year of gastroenterology training.

*Renee Altman Fleischer*, MD, sends a full set of family news: "Son Corey is an electrical engineer involved in laser communication in space. Daughter Deborah is a resident in medicine at Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia, PA, and married to Michael Nussbaum. Son Joshua is studying fire protection engineering at U Maryland. Husband Elliot is retired and a great househusband. I keep working as an internist and Center Medical Director (New Hyde Park, NY) of LaGuardia Medical Group as well as a consultant in substance abuse and alcoholism treatment."

*Doris Hanes Wells* is finding that "this turns out to be an invigorating time of life." With four grown children "moving on," she finds she has "space and energy to develop an independent practice in psychology and explore photography, travel, folk art, gardening."

News from *Elaine Musgrove Guenther* in St. Joseph, MO, includes the December 1990 marriage of daughter *Anne* (Barnard '81, PhD in economics, U of Minnesota). Elaine does type composition in their printing plate business as well as serving as president of the state hospital auxiliary, secretary of Heartland Hospital Auxiliary, and a member of the board of the League of Women Voters and of the Light Opera Guild.

The cycles of life bring us happy tidings and not-so-happy ones. We reported the death of *Jean Dewar* in the last issue of this magazine. Her friend, *Gisela Von Scheven Fort* sent us some personal information about her. Jean worked at a variety of jobs, from dancing at the Latin Quarter to spending many years at sea with the Grace Line, in order to be able to go to college and, later, medical school. She received



her degree from P&S in 1978, but her surgery residency at Roosevelt Hospital was cut short by the need to take care of her mother. She then worked as a physician for the NYC Transit Authority. She attended our 35th Reunion in spite of her illness and died exactly five weeks later. Those of us who knew Jean know that she was a very special woman.

We also mentioned the death of **Priscilla May Liebman** last time. We would like to add that she is survived by her husband, Walter, two sons, and one daughter.

**Carol Gordon Greenholz** has been very active in the Women's Council of SUNY/Farmingdale. She writes that they are trying to get women's studies and multicultural courses and are planning some women's programming.

Congratulations to **Joyce Glassman Johnson** for three recent appearances in *The New York Times*. Her article on the joint US-Soviet writers conference in Moscow appeared in the *NYT Magazine* in November; her novel *In the Night Cafe*, first published in 1989, is among the *Times*' "Notable Paperbacks of 1990"; and on the NYTBR list of "Notable Books" of the past year, *What Lisa Knew* is described as a "painful, fascinating effort by a skilled novelist" to deal with the horrifying events of the Steinberg case.

Please keep sending news—we all enjoy hearing about our friends.

**56** **Peggy Anne Gilcher Siegmund**  
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## REUNION! May 17-18

Reunion is almost upon us; many of you have already said you will be there and we hope to hear from many more. Be sure to respond to the class letter you received recently, as well as making reservations for the campus portions of Reunion through the brochure sent to you by Barnard.

News this time comes from classmates scattered across the US and in Europe. Linking the two continents is **Marcia Rubenstein Lieberman**, who has been writing another book, *The Outdoor Traveler's Guide to the Alps*, for publication in 1991 by Stewart, Tabori & Chang.

**Margaret Hickey French** left her job with the Navy and is in Stuttgart, Germany, working for the Army. Her four "beautiful and talented children" are Albert, who lives in Missoula, Montana; Carter, in Leesburg, VA; Katharine, in law school in Virginia Beach, VA; and Jennifer, who graduated from Jacksonville U (FL) and was married last spring. There are four grandchildren.

Two new grandchildren were welcomed by **Judith Schwack Joseph** and her family during 1990, Hannah Lauren Joseph and Brett Joseph Anders. Judy lives in Michigan and is a national vice president of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

**Geraldine Fuss Reichel's** son Martin was married last July to **Laura Ioachim '82**. Martin is a graduate of Harvard and Einstein College of Medicine; Laura is a student at Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn. Gerry is doing research in molecular biology at Hunter College.

From California **Robin Rudolph Friedheim** writes that daughter Jessica was married in April to a colleague at Presentation Media. Daughter Amy is an economist with the Office of Transportation, USDA (in Washington). Robin and Bob were traveling in Austria, Hungary and Czechoslovakia last spring, right in the middle of the Czech elections. Bob is still at USC and Robin survived a recent round of staff cut-backs at Aerospace Corp. She "spent the fall working hard in the Feinstein for Governor campaign, once again coming up short. Well, now 1992 is just a year away!"

Two recent marriages involve our own generation, not the next one. **Pat Pomboy Mintz** was married to Edward Allen LeVay, Jr., last September, and **Lee Robbins Gardner**, MD, was married in October to Robert Williams. Lee is practicing in Tenafly and teaching in the dept. of child psychiatry at P&S. Son Andrew and his wife have two children, 3 and 6 months; daughter

Nancy, an attorney, is married to Ben Rubin; daughter Julie is a PhD candidate at Adelphi. "All in all," Lee notes, "very lucky."

**Piri Halasz** is teaching art and art history at Bethany College in West Virginia. She is finding the countryside beautiful, the people warm and friendly.

Taking time off from teaching is **Sifrah Sammel Hollander**. She is attending Queens College while on sabbatical from Forest Hills HS and enjoying the opportunity to try courses in other areas, such as English and anthropology.

**Nancy Brilliant Rubinger** has "rolled over" from full-time volunteer to professionalism as director of social services for the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in NYC. Daughter Susan has relocated to Tucson, AZ, as media placement specialist and writer for the Muscular Dystrophy Assn. Son David is a financial journalist in Atlanta.

An important message from **Carmencita Hoge Bissell**: "had breast cancer surgery July '88, chemo and radiation. Please everyone, *have a mammogram and follow up on anything suspicious.*" Carmen reports: "We have moved to Florida. Have sold lab to Smith Kline Beecham. Summer on Shelter Island. Have four blonde grandchildren."

**Judith Vohr Niles** teaches piano privately and does some piano accompanying. She has also been teaching music in the public schools. Their four children are grown, with the youngest a junior at Smith, and they have one grandchild.

**Jane Lowell Krauss** is a PhD clinical psychologist in Fairbanks. Her husband, a linguist at the U of Alaska, is very involved in Russian exchanges and polar studies and they spent the spring semester 1990 in Leningrad. Their son Isaac 14 attended music school there and speaks Russian well.

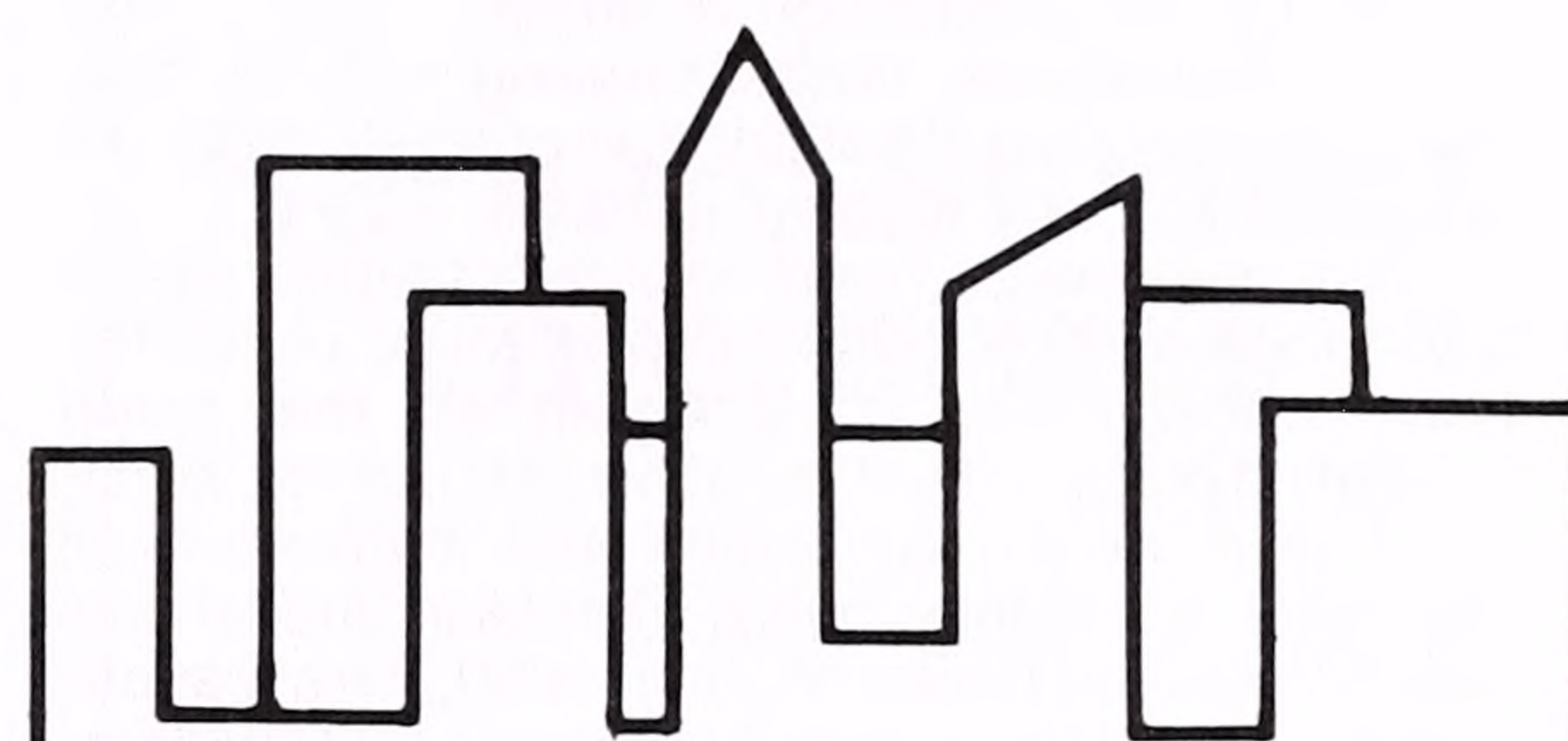
As I write this column in Nov. 1990, the three men in my family have completed their third NYC marathon (they have also run countless other marathons, individually or in various combinations). The big news this year is that Harry, who insisted in the past that the kids held him back, actually beat them by 14 minutes. In their other lives, Harry has his own CPA business in Hawaii; Paul is an aerospace engineer at Lockheed in Burbank, CA. Bill graduated from NYU last May and is chief recording engineer for the Manhattan School of Music; he enjoys retracing his parents' Morningside Heights footsteps. Like many other teachers who cannot take leave in mid-May, I will be with you at Reunion in spirit only, as I wade through exams, final recitals, and reports related to our special programs in the Performing Arts Center at Kaimuki High School, a public school in Honolulu.

It is our sad obligation to close this column with distressing news. Our heartfelt condolences go to **Natalie Samelson Brody** on the death of her husband, Michael J. Brody, and to **Marjorie Gallanter Kopel** on the death of her son Daniel. We can only imagine the pain of their losses.

**57** **Barbara Gitter Adler**  
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As I write, we are still at war. The letter I received from **Elizabeth Colloredo-Mansfeld Silitch** late last year seems to come from a simpler, more innocent time. By the time you receive this, I hope we are at peace so that we can appreciate joys like those Elizabeth describes and also begin to solve the problems she mentions. I find her letter informative as well as lyrical and affecting. Elizabeth wrote: "My husband, Peter, and I live in Braxton County in the exact center of West Virginia. The area is beautiful, but extremely depressed economically. We are tree farmers and Peter has his own small timber business. In the summer our youngest son, Abe, a senior at Exeter, helps with machinery repair and the mowing of our run-down, 65-acre farm. We have owned the farm since 1977. It is a beautiful location, high up under a ridge top with a view of miles of hardwood forest. In the spring and fall it can be breathtaking to look at this glorious and everchanging sight.

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involved in the production of timber. I love to hike through the woods, timber cruising with my husband, and smelling the strange, sour smell of cut oak at the landing of a logging site.

"We own several hundred acres of timber above a sizable coal mine. It is always a thrill to watch the huge conveyor belts of black gold take their cargo from mine portal to tippie and then the outside world.

"I work as an elementary and middle school counselor in Braxton County. Thanks to budget cuts (West Virginia is bankrupt, or almost), I am responsible for four schools, approximately 1,000 children, so it is impossible to be very effective. I try to be available to the maximum number of children possible by giving developmental guidance classes and doing group work. Fortunately, I have free rein and can be somewhat creative and thought-provoking in my approach.

"Most of the children with whom I work are born into poverty. Some live in conditions which I would have considered unimaginable when I first came to the job. Abuse and neglect are common. However, these are hardy little creatures and very lovable.

"Peter and I have renovated a tiny house in Sutton, the county seat. It was built as a law office in 1892 and then went through various metamorphoses. We bought it as a beauty parlor. Our country house is a partly renovated shack. There was always a child in every room so that a total makeover was impossible. Now our three oldest are in various parts of the US, so we hope next year we can attack the buckling panels and peeling plasterboard. I plan to take a sabbatical to do this."

I was happy to receive the following news from **Marlene Rosenfeld Stanton-Gast** in New Jersey: "Through a series of coincidences (I think), I am repeating the major events of my life in the year 1958. I got married at the end of June, enrolled in grad school at the end of August, and 'fell into' a graduate assistantship. As my three grown offspring have independent natures and now separate residences, I am happy to be remarried." Marlene notes that she is still Marlene R. Stanton or Mrs. Jules Gast or Marlene Stanton-Gast.

Another wonderful note came from **Sandy Dibbell-Hope**, reporting that "I've finally finished my PhD in clinical psychology. . . and am getting ready to take the national licensing exam. I'm in full-time private practice, as a verbal and expressive arts therapist—with children, adolescents, and adults—and supervising interns. I love my life—full of satisfying work, good friends, wonderful grown-up children, and quiet, meditative time for me!"

**Ruth Haber Jonas** wrote that she is a clinical instructor in psychiatry at NYU Medical Center, a staff psychologist at Bellevue Hospital, and in private practice. Her husband is acting chairman of neurology at NYU. She is also a grandmother: daughter Liz has a 21-month-old boy and son Fred has a year-old boy.

**Judy Jaffe Baum** wrote that she heard **Carol Podell Vinson** sing an aria from *Don Giovanni* in an opera workshop last spring—and was "bowled over!" She wonders if there are more classmates with hidden talents who might come forward for next year's Reunion entertainment. It's not too early to start thinking about that big event!

**58** **Elaine Postelneck Yamin**  
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Our class held its second tea on a colorful fall day last November in the beautiful home of **Susan Israel Mager**. It was an experience of such friendship and concern for each other that **Barbara Barre Weintraub** aptly described the group of attendees as "an extended family." Those present were Susan and husband Elliot, Barbara and husband Gerry, **Ellen Greer Farhie** and husband Sol, **Rhoda Kurz Gruen** and husband George, **Joan Sweet Jankell** and husband Dick, **Paula Aronowitz Ryan**, **Hannah Razdow Simon** and Herb Rosenbluth, and **Elaine Postelneck Yamin** and husband Mike. Many thanks go to Barbara, Joan, and Rhoda for organizing the event, and to Susan and Elliot for hosting it.

Even though they sent regrets, we were happy to hear from **Margery Rowen Elias**, who is enjoying her association with the Barnard Club of L.A.; **Elaine Greenberg Erichson**, whose daughter's bridal shower was the same day as the tea; **Betty Lanier Jenkins** and **Joanne Silvers Shapiro**, who offered to help with our 35th Reunion; **Karin Hernblad Klink**, who was attending a meeting of the American Medical Writers Assn. in L.A.; **Rosemarie Colaiuti Stevens**, who asked us to "give everyone a big hello for me"; **Louise Winslow Windisch**, who said that she and her family have "grown to love Texas but still miss the Hudson and the autumn colors—but not the snow shovel"; **Karlann Puerschner Brenner**, **Edythe Greissman Fass**, **Joan Kent Finkelstein**, **Benita Cooper Marks**, **Linda Green Moscarella**, **Alice Maisner Robbins**, **Nancy Beth Sklar**, **Naomi Gross Van Boorn**, **Myrna Ziegler Weiss**, and **Rosian Bagrianski Zerner**.

While at the tea, we were profoundly saddened to learn of the death of Joel Burstein, husband of **Eleanor Cohen Burstein**. His funeral was that day, and the Weintraubs attended it before arriving at the tea. Many of us remembered Joel from previous class functions or from hearing Eleanor speak lovingly of him. We shared our memories and felt a deep sense of loss.

Before Joel's death, Eleanor wrote to tell us that she attended his 40th reunion at Columbia last June. At that reunion, Joel was on a panel on media and politics, and Eleanor said that it was "a most enjoyable experience hearing your husband expounding on his ideas." Joel's two sisters are Barnard graduates—**Deborah Burstein Karp '43** and **Miriam Burstein '45**. Eleanor is an administrative law judge for the Environmental Control Board in NYC. Stepson David has his own computer business; stepson Daniel is a paramedic with NYC's Emergency Medical Service; son Jonathan graduated with highest honors from Columbia College and is in his third year at Harvard Medical School; son Michael is a senior at Harvard and is majoring in physics; and son Joshua is a sophomore at Harvard and is majoring in history.

Your class officers would like to plan another get-together, perhaps a brunch at a Manhattan restaurant or a wine-and-cheese party at a classmate's home. We are eager to hear any suggestions you may have. Whether your comments are positive, negative, or otherwise, please call Barbara at 516-368-1022, or Joan at 212-796-0137, or Rhoda at 212-663-5829; or, if you prefer to write, please send a note to Elaine at the address shown above.

We are also thinking ahead to our 35th Reunion, in 1993. Any ideas? What activities would you like to have? Would you be interested in a written description, based on a questionnaire, of classmates' activities? Would you be willing to help the class officers in some phase of the planning for this big event, or in fundraising? Again, whatever your comments, please call or write, as described in the previous paragraph.

In other news, **Carla Levine Klausner** writes that she is co-author of a textbook on the Arab-Israeli conflict. As of this writing, the textbook was to be published by Prentice-Hall in December 1990.

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**Frances Gold Ackerman** wrote that she and her husband were planning to move to Jerusalem in February. They will be joining oldest son Ari and his wife. Son Joel is in NYC; daughter **Rachel '92** is spending her junior year at Hebrew University. In Israel Fran will practice family therapy and Calvin will pursue a career in ophthalmic epidemiology.

**Zefira Entin Rokeah** and her husband, David, returned to Israel from a London sabbatical to be there when older son Yaakov entered the army. She has edited a manuscript of *War and Peace in Classical*

*Greek Literature* by Nathan Spiegel, published by Hebrew University in 1990. She is working as "preparer of a collection of documents on late thirteenth-century English Jewry (for possible publication by the Israel Academy), and cake-baker cum button- and seam-sewer for Yaakov and his army buddies (whose appetites are matched only by their ability to rip clothing and pop buttons during their basic training)." Her younger son, Adar, is in high school.

**Emily Wortis Leider's** book *California's Daughter: Gertrude Atherton and Her Times*, the biography of a turn-of-the-century novelist and public personality, was published in the fall by Stanford University Press.

**Iris D. Nelson** is a school and rehabilitation counselor with the NYC Board of Education in the division of special education. Her many honors include life member of Chi Sigma Iota, Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society International; chapter advisor of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society, Teachers College; and inclusion in *Who's Who Among Human Service Professionals*.

*Leaving Brooklyn* by **Lynne Sharon Schwartz** was one of the five nominees for the PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction in 1990 and appeared on the *NY Times* list of "Notable Books" of the year.

Dr. **Constance Golub Jordan** is an associate professor at the Claremont Graduate School in California.

**Gail Newman Gerstman** has been appointed to the position of secular studies principal at Talmudical Academy in Baltimore after teaching there for 13 years. Her two sons, David and Benjie, are ordained rabbis and she is the proud grandmother of two sabras (native-born Israelis).

**Marlene Feldstein Ross** received her doctorate in educational administration from the American University in 1985. She is associate director of the Center for Leadership Development and deputy director of the ACE Fellows Program at the American Council on Education. Her son, Jeff, graduated from Washington U in St. Louis, daughter Joanne entered Emory U in the fall, and daughter Carolyn is finishing high school.

**Joan Kramer Lubowe** writes that she is "happily teaching earth science (hopefully with some of Professor Sharp's style) to eighth graders at the Kent Place School, an independent school for girls in Summit, NJ. This is my eleventh year, and I love it." Co-correspondent **Jill Spasser** attended the wedding of Joan's son, David, along with **Evelyn Goldstein Gelman** and **Lois Fortgang Weiss**.

**Norma Rubin Talley** received her doctorate in educational administration from Hofstra in 1989 and is the director of American Open U of NY Institute of Technology. Daughter Audrey is doing residency in ophthalmology in St. Louis and daughter Ellen, Tufts '88, is completing graduate work in interior design in New York.

**Bernice Kramer Leader** is president and founder of Leader Associates, a corporate art consulting firm established in 1987. She writes, "This has been a great way to combine my passion with my profession: Art!"

**Sylvia Morris Davis** writes that she has lived for 22 years in Toms River, NJ, where husband Ken is a general ophthalmologist. For many years she has been a member of the board of directors of the Garden State Philharmonic Symphony; she volunteers in the symphony office and chairs the youth orchestra committee. Their older daughter, Eileen, is a travel agent, and younger daughter Jennifer is a Barnard senior.

Sorry to have missed **Judy Gilligan Rundell** when she attended a wedding in nearby Salem; she notes she is "still a working woman."

I found the following while reading an article on National Public Radio in the Sept/Oct issue of *Columbia Journalism Review* on the way to Alumnae Council in Sept.: "...there was **Susan [Levitt] Stamberg**, now NPR's special correspondent based in Washington, whose absence from her long-time slot as host for 'All Things Considered' has left a big hole. Susan was the one who really fulfilled the mission of the show, which was to be smart and sassy!"

**Carol Herman Cohen**, **Adela Bernard Karliner**, and



I were the '59ers at the Saturday session of Alumnae Council; we enjoyed our small reunion and talked of perhaps holding mini-reunions before '94.

—NSB

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At the Alumnae Council Conference in September, our class received special recognition and an award for the best all-round Reunion celebration. Council attendees were serenaded by the hilarious original songs written for us by **Judy Barbarasch Berkun**. Classmates attending the Council in addition to Judy were **Berl Mendelson Hartman, Joy Hochstadt, Carol Murray Lane, Libby Halpern Miller, Lucille Pollack Nieporent, Eileen Roth Steinberg, and Carol Rosenblatt Weinbaum**. (We hope we didn't forget anyone.)

**Marianne Lowenkopf Sussman** is a lawyer in White Plains, NY. She ran for New Rochelle city judge in November. She and husband Robert have two children, Caroline 23 and Jonathan 20. Did any other classmates run for office?

**Bettie Minette Switzer Cooper** lives in Norfolk, VA. She was recently named second vice chairwoman of the Virginia Wesleyan College President's Advisory Council.

**Nancy Odinov Baïter** has completed a program at Columbia's School of Library Science and is looking for a position in the field. Her son will start college this fall and her daughter is a freshman in high school.

**Cecily Cohen (Swergold) Newman** was married on November 11 to Irwin Laurence Newman, a business teacher at Central HS in Valley Stream, NY. Her son Mitchell, Columbia '87, is at Emery Law School and son Jon is a senior at Columbia. Cecily works "occasionally" in a real estate office and is very active in Hadassah.

**Helene Rund Isaacs** has been associated with AMIT Women for 15 years and for the past ten years has been their director of programming and education. She has worked closely with many Barnard alumnae on the staff and on AMIT volunteer committees. Two of their three children are married; youngest daughter, Rebecca, recently made Aliyah to Israel.

After 26 years in academe, **Dr. Adele Bernstein Friedman** is studying for a degree in counseling. Her special focus is on living with disability and cancer, and her article "Cancer as Violence Against Women" appears in *One in Every Three*, an anthology on women and cancer. Daughter Edith is preparing for public interest law (special interest: disabilities) at NYU; **Elisabeth**, Barnard '88, pursues a PhD in political science/Latin American studies at Stanford; and son Max is an asst. producer for "Morning Edition" at National Public Radio.

**Margo Pofeldt Dunlavey** has made changes since writing her entry in our Reunion book: she has moved back to NYC and is upper school head at The Nightingale-Bamford School on East 92nd St.

**Susan Goldman Kohn** is a gallery instructor at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and working as a financial planner. Husband Harry is semi-retired from the retail world. Daughter Wendy, Yale '86, is in her second year at the Harvard Graduate School of Design; Laurie, Harvard '90, is a staff aide on the Senate Committee on Labor & Human Resources.

**Joy Nathan Stern** and Carl are looking forward to their twin sons' graduations from college this spring—Teddy from Columbia, Larry from Brown. Our 30th Reunion was the first she was able to attend and she congratulates the committee for a terrific job.

Now in our 31st year since graduation, let's not forget that Barnard continues to need our financial support. At this time of our lives, most of us can afford some gift, no matter how small, in spite of significant financial responsibilities. Let's try to increase the number of us who contribute to the College from the current 38% level of participation.

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## REUNION! May 17-18

FLASH: MILLICENT McINTOSH AND INEZ NELBACH HAVE AGREED TO BE GUESTS OF HONOR AT OUR REUNION DINNER ON FRIDAY, MAY 17!

Let the revels begin!

I first realized that Reunion planning would be fun when I did a Chaplinesque doubletake as I recognized a slim, particularly attractive, articulate woman sitting across from me at a planning session as **Judy Deutsch Raab**, who reinvented herself in the 1980s as an attorney and got a terrific new haircut, too. She has the same wry wit and no-nonsense intellect she displayed all those years ago as we strolled through "The Jungle" debating life, love and other irrelevancies, or subways downtown to claim standing-room space for the NYC Ballet at the City Center. Judy is hunting for a suitable site for our Saturday evening Reunion get-together in partnership with **Sheila Yessik Krauss**, an administrator at NY Hospital/Cornell Medical Center.

Once before I experienced a similar "thrill of recognition" when **Phyllis Bonfield Landres**, whom I hadn't seen in 28 years, unexpectedly walked into a Barnard mini-reunion—slim, blond, and no longer the high school teacher she became after graduation, but now a sage, savvy psychoanalyst. Phyllis looks as different from her yearbook picture as Judy does—and no less marvelous. We've lunched in Greenwich Village several times since, reminiscing and comparing views, ideas, life stories and aspirations—just the sort of rediscovery reunions stimulate.

**Dorothy Memolo Bheddah**, plotting our 30th, hosted one planning session over luncheon at her Port Washington home. The blooming garden and the salade nicoise vied with our enjoyment of each other as we worked. We? On this occasion "we" included Dotty, plus **Sarita Newman Hart, Ruth Schwartz Cowan, Elaine Schlozman Chapnick, Nancy Stone Lang, Chelley Shaner Gutin, Toni Neumark Abramson**, and myself.

**Louise Bernikow** and I laughed a lot as we collaborated on the Reunion Questionnaire, which you received in November and (better have!!!) answered. The superb Reunion Book of the Class of '60 didn't intimidate us, it inspired us—so we borrowed some stuff and gave credit where it was due, but devised improvements calculated to make you an offer (we hope) you couldn't refuse: the chance to put pen (or word processor) to paper to describe your personal odyssey these last three decades. Stats gathered in Part I (compiled by A. Nonny Mouse) plus the individual autobiographies in Part II and an interpretive piece by Louise—and more—will appear in our Reunion Book, which **Barbara Selman Jay** will produce as editor-in-chief. If *the* definitive piece on women of our generation is written by Louise and republished in one of the lesser publications to which she contributes, such as *Vanity Fair* or (dare we expect?) *Cosmo*, well, why not?

As **Tess Kourkoumelis Sholom** and I rode the #6 train to Chinatown for dim sum, tea and talk, she pulled out some sketches for our Reunion pin. My favorite portrayed a soaring, amazingly female "B" to be executed in gold or silver wire with appropriate details individualizing the tidbit just for us. Your "Tess Design" and mine join those purchased by James Galanos, Oscar de la Renta, and Nancy Reagan. Tess will exhibit her new collection at our Reunion exposition. How about you? Contact Dotty Bheddah at 212-533-8900 (office) or 516-883-0345 (home) to display your objets d'art, crafts, literary works or videotaped performance.

You can also contribute goods and/or services for a silent auction to offset Reunion expenses—and seed money is still (and always) welcome. (Make checks payable to Class of 1961 Barnard College and

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send them to Dotty Bheddah at 60 Beacon Hill Road, Port Washington, NY 11050. Donations to the auction should be ready by May 1st.)

Retiring class president **Chelley Gutin** and fund chair **Elaine Chapnick** have written to invite your contribution to our Class Gift. Barnard has entrusted Elaine with the chair for the entire alumnae campaign this year. Meeting and surpassing our goal of \$60,000 and the class participation record of 82% would demonstrate our gratitude and commitment to the College as well as our pride and confidence in Elaine. If not now, when?

The autumn Reunion Letter was the work of Nancy Lang, who agreed, as well, to coax acceptance from nominees for our slate of new class officers. Just say yes if you're called—or send her names of additional nominees (1700 York Ave., #7F, NYC 10128).

As I write this in late November, I can report that news has poured in with gratifying frequency since I first pleaded for correspondence four years ago. Most recently, **Marilynn Martin Fricker**, living in York, England, wrote that she practices law as a barrister and is married to a judge. She specializes in cases involving children and financial settlements after divorce.

Having been accused of relentless rosiness in reporting class news, I do confess, as my term nears conclusion, to pleasure at hearing of classmates' successes, not only conventional achievements but also others less visible but equally significant. One valiant classmate copes incredibly gracefully with a disabling disease; another recovered from a painful divorce by developing an unexpected but very satisfying new career and a supportive circle of women friends; a third has a new job which might not sound as glamorous as some, but represents a triumph over mental illness for her.

For the record, we're not all perfect: one woman ascribes to Barnard every rejection she has received since the one in 1957 from Radcliffe; another promises but never delivers; and an exquisite classmate turned up at one alumnae meeting, shuddered visibly, and bolted.

Some of us love, admire and support Barnard fiercely, others grudgingly, a few rather to our own surprise. Many have discovered that our years at Barnard helped shape our minds and characters in ways we hardly understood while it was still happening. Talking over the Barnard experience—commute, beau parlors and all—and what's happened to us since, has an appeal quite unlike anything else. Reunion aids and abets just those kinds of exchange. Please come.



# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATE ALUMNAE

The 1991 Annual Meeting of the AABC will be held  
on Friday, May 17, at 1:00 p.m. in Barnard Hall.

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We learned from the Barnard faculty newsletter that **Barbara Stoler Miller** has been serving as president of the Association for Asian Studies since last spring. The title of the department she chairs at Barnard was recently changed from "Oriental Studies" to "Asian and Middle Eastern Cultures." Barbara is in great demand as a lecturer and the Classical Stage Company did a reading of her translation of Kalidasa's *Shakuntala*.

**Sandra Clough Gorry** has been appointed to the Harbor Commission in Mamaroneck, NY. She is president of The Business Analysis Group, Inc. of Mamaroneck, a consulting firm which provides economic and financial analyses to corporations.

**Susan Ablon Cole** is the vice president for university administration and personnel at Rutgers.

**Susan Levenson Pringle** was promoted to consulting marketing representative at IBM last July 1. She writes that she is "enjoying married life very much."

**Linda Benjamin Hirschson** talked about estate planning and charitable giving at the Barnard Reunion last May and at a seminar sponsored by the Columbia Law School and the university office of development and alumni relations. She is a partner in the law firm Gilbert, Segall & Young.

**Rhoda Scharf Narins** is a very busy physician who demonstrates her leadership skills in many ways: private practice of dermatology and dermatologic surgery with offices in White Plains and Tarrytown; asst. clinical prof. at NYU, teaching advanced dermatologic surgery to senior residents and fellows at NYU Medical Center; and chief of dermatology at White Plains Hospital Medical Center, where her husband, David, is chief of urology. In June, son Jonathan 25 will graduate from Columbia Law School and daughter Valerie 21 will graduate from the U of Vermont.

**Sara Ginsberg Marks** is the personnel and benefits administrator at the American Jewish Committee, where she has worked for over 16 years. Her 22-year-old twin daughters have graduated from college—Gabrielle from American U in Washington, DC, and Amy from Washington U in St. Louis. Sara writes that "they are both living at home until they can find jobs and their own apartment, so life is especially full and hectic. Lots of theater, movies, and tennis, too. During the holidays I visited with **Martha Liptzin Hauptman** and **Leila Kern** in Lexington, MA, where I was invited to a Boston Barnard group holiday party. My experience has been that wherever and whenever I meet a Barnard woman, there is a special warmth, wit and intelligence, and mutual respect and genuine interest in each other's lives."

I have written previously about **Leila Kern** and her all-female law firm in Boston. Now Leila writes that her daughter, **Sasha Cohen**, is in Barnard's Class of '94 and very excited about the whole experience. Things are going well for Leila's firm and she writes that when she speaks about it at various functions, she always mentions her Barnard experience as "a critical part of my development." Son Pieter is a third-year student at U of VA and spent last semester in Belem, Brazil. He reports that "Americans are still considered very exotic." Husband Stewart Urist, a supervisory social worker at the Veterans Administration, is very concerned about the reduced funding for the treatment of our veterans.

**Elinor Yudin Sachse** writes that "my contract with the Treasury Dept. ended in September. I'm spending time mothering (mostly in the car), consulting (at my computer) in economics, and, in the nearest term, breeding champion Briards (French sheepdogs)."

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An exciting mini-reunion was held at **Ruth Adams Bronz's** restaurant, Miss Ruby's Cafe, at 17th St. & 6th Ave. in NYC. About 25 people attended and sampled everything on the menu, from fried catfish to succulent ribs. Ruth's restaurant specializes in regional cooking and the menu changes every month. Class president **Pola Auerbach Rosen**, on behalf of the class, gives it \*\*\*\*. (It was also chosen to be the locale for an auction/buffet benefit for the Children's AIDS Network in January.)

News for this issue comes from around the world and around Manhattan. **Susan Kaufman Purcell** has been traveling extensively throughout Mexico and South America, advising corporations on economic policies. She will soon have two articles published—details to follow.

A wonderful letter came from **Sura Rothen Johnson**, who is working at the US Mission to the UN; son Gabriel is in 11th grade, husband Cassius works at the US Consulate—all in Vienna. She welcomes classmates who are traveling through to contact her.

**Carol Miles** and husband Mario spent Christmas in Hong Kong, then went on to Beijing and other cities in China. **Iris Unger Friedlander**, an expert gourmet and a gourmand, teaches at NYU. Contact her for information about her unusual excursions around NYC.

**Camille Perrotta Hodgson** writes from London, Ontario, that their son Patrick graduated from Williams College in June and their daughter Sayre is a freshman there.

Back in Manhattan, **Caroline Fleisher Birenbaum** works in an environment filled with books and works of art—Swann Galleries on East 25th St. For something a bit different, try an auction there one day.

**Judy Horowitz Zinke** will be leasing space in her building on the upper west side to part-time business or professional people who do not want to incur the expense of full-time office space. At Columbia, **Susan Gitelson** chaired the nominating committee for the Alumni Trustee last year.

And on the upper east side, **Anna Zagoloff** is successfully practicing psychiatry. Area residents Professor Jay and **Sue Robbins Stern** were delighted by son Simon's recent wedding; daughter Amy is a sophomore at Middlebury College.

As for the rest of you: no news is NOT good news—it's BORING. Send us all the things that are of interest to you. Important or unimportant, we'd like to share them.

Wonderful contributions have been flowing in for Barnard's Annual Fund—this may be our best year ever! Remember—even small gifts are greatly valued.

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Congratulations to **Judith Russi Kirshner**, who was appointed director of the school of art & design at the U of Illinois in Chicago last September.

Several classmates are working in the field of mental health. After many years as a musician—choral conductor and teacher of ear training—**Brigitte Levy**

**Lifschitz** has made a career change. She is now a certified social worker and has psychoanalytic training. She is in private practice in psychotherapy in Manhattan.

**Marguerite Stratton** also practices psychoanalytic psychotherapy in NYC, as well as providing employee counseling in an employee assistance program for city social service employees.

**Emily Fox Kales** is a staff psychologist at McLean Hospital in Belmont, MA, while continuing to do research and direct an outpatient program in eating disorders. When she wrote to us in December, she had recently returned from a trip to Israel, where she toured psychiatric facilities for anorexia and bulimia and presented at the Bailenson Medical Center in Petah Tikva.

**Rae Temkin Edelson** is still an administrator for Gateway Crafts, an arts and human services program for adults with mental retardation in Boston. Another member of the staff there is **Mona Thaler '65**. They are putting out a journal to provide a voice for adults with developmental disabilities. Rae is still writing plays and had a reading last spring in Cambridge. Her two sons, Chris and Nick, attend Brandeis.

**65** *Ellen Kozak*  
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**Brigid Shanahan Barton** and her husband, Orrin Robinson, are living in Roble Hall at Stanford as resident fellows. "Now," Brigid writes, "in addition to our four sons (two from each of us), we have 315 college students to teach us about life in the fast lane." Brigid is chair of the art department at Santa Clara U.

**Elaine Kasinow Thompson** received her PhD in psychology from Columbia in May and has accepted a position as an asst. professor at Georgian Court, a small women's college five minutes from her Howell, NJ, home. "No more daily commute to Manhattan! BLISS!" she comments.

Also on the academic scene, **Nancy Fortgang Stern** has been appointed Brodlieb Distinguished Professor of Business at Hofstra U, and notes that the sixth edition of *Structured COBOL Programming* by Nancy Stern and Robert A. Stern has been published by John Wiley & Sons.

**Carol Zeller Clark** is dept. chair of English at Crystal Springs Uplands School in Hillsborough, CA. Her oldest child, Catharine, is a Penn graduate and curator of Pasquale Iannetti Gallery in San Francisco; Emilie 21 will graduate in fine arts from Cornell in May; Andrew 17 will graduate from high school in May and plans to go east for college. Husband Orlo H. Clark, MD, is chief of surgery at U-CA Hospital, Mt. Zion campus, San Francisco.

**Louise Perl** is an asst. prof. of economics at Roger Williams College and spent the fall '89 semester as an exchange professor at Christopher Newport College in Newport News, VA. She is looking forward to her sabbatical in fall '91 when she will be living in Jacksonville and taking courses at the U of North Florida.

**Marina Angel** writes that she coordinated a comparative criminal procedure symposium (Ghana, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Italy, and the US), published in the *Temple Law Review*, and that her article on "Sexual Harassment by Judges" appeared in the U of Miami *Law Review*.

Interesting ironies: while **Patty Zimmerman Levine**, who has been an attorney since 1972, has abandoned the law for graduate studies in public health at the U of Michigan, and while I am seriously considering abandoning my law practice for a career combining writing and university teaching, **Helene V. Wenzel**, who spent ten years as a professor of French and women's studies at San Francisco State U and Yale,



is a first-year student at Golden Gate School of Law. **Mary Lee Keats Morris** finds that her law degree, which she completed in 1985, comes in handy now that she is vice president of Keats Mills in Valley Stream, NY (her father's business). Her teaching experience (1970-82) is now only a dim memory. One daughter is at U of Michigan and one is working for the NY D.A.

**Marjory Weiner Harris** has been practicing law in San Francisco for the past 16 years and is also working on a master's in psychology.

Also in California is **Carol Adler Berkowitz**, who has been promoted to professor of clinical pediatrics at UCLA School of Medicine and has been acting chair in the pediatrics dept. at Harbor/UCLA Medical Center. Daughter Nicole is a junior at NYU and daughter Ellie is a senior in high school. Husband David is associate clinical prof. of medicine and practices gastroenterology.

**Ruth Lewert Light** is a family practice physician in Colorado Springs, married to a marine biologist/toxicologist, and raising two girls, ages 10 and 6.

**Joan Smith Bowker** is thrilled that her daughter **Cybele Erwin** is a freshman at Barnard. Joan writes that she went back to NYC (from Essex, Mass.) to hear the chorus at the candlelight service at St. Paul's Chapel—"magnificent! And wonderful to be back in the old spaces."

**66** **Leslie Perlman Glassberg**  
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## REUNION! May 17-18

**Elena Zegarelli-Schmidt**, class vp and Reunion chair, urges us all to prepare for the celebration which will mark 25 years since our graduation from Barnard. A very special celebration is planned for Friday evening, May 17, at Tavern on the Green, in addition to the Reunion activities on campus. If you haven't already done so, please respond to Elena now so that this can be a truly memorable occasion.

**Anna Lee Spiro**, Class Fund chair, announces that our response to Barnard's appeal that we raise \$50,000 in this Reunion year has been significant. As of February 18, gifts and pledges of over \$41,000 had been received. "I am thrilled by our response to date, but I want to remind you that all gifts, large and small, are important, and while the fact that we may exceed our goal in dollar terms is exciting, it would truly be exhilarating if we can reach our 'donor head-count' goal of 50% of class members (the usual figure is about 33%). Let's all remember our commitment to education, especially education for women."

Anna is working as an art historian and appraiser of fine arts and personal property in NYC. She teaches classes in renaissance art history and the history of architecture at NYU's School of Continuing Education and this year will join the firm of Appraisal Affiliates, Inc.

**Celia Genishi** recently joined the faculty of Teachers College as an associate prof. in the dept. of curriculum and teaching. Her courses and professional writing are related to early childhood language development, language arts education, and observational research in classrooms.

Also in a new position is **Mary Siegel Bleiberg**, who is executive director of The Floating Hospital, NYC's first pediatric clinic.

**Anne E. Wolf** is working for the NYC Board of Education as a director for one of their offices. Anne commutes three hours a day between Brooklyn and her home in Union County, NJ.

**Pamela Johnson Scheinman** spent much of last year in Mexico City on a Fulbright grant researching folk photography. She is now working on an exhibition and book on her subject, *Fotoescultura*.

**Constance B. Sayre** has formed a publishing consultancy called Market Partners which provides marketing and management advisory services in the field of consumer publishing. She has had a long career in publishing, most recently as associate publisher at Viking Penguin and then at Grove Weidenfeld.

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**Elizabeth Kramon Harlan** writes that she is close to completing her third novel and is at work on a screenplay. She completed an MFA in writing at Columbia in 1987, during which she became interested in the subject of biography; she is currently doing research toward a biography of George Sand. Son Josh is a Harvard sophomore, and Noah is a sophomore at Princeton HS. She adds that "life on our farm with two dogs, a horse, and two llamas is never dull!"

**Janet Sand** writes that she continues to work as a psychologist at the Harvard U Health Services. Her son Danny is almost five. Husband Peter Lawner is a psychologist-psychoanalyst who worked in Manhattan for many years before relocating to Boston when they married.

**Susan Slosberg Abramowitz** is still working at NYU Medical Center as administrator of the center for AIDS research and is doing research development and coordination for the dept. of pediatrics. Her children "continue to grow apace: Beatrice is 11 and enjoying jr. high, Zev is 8 and just became a blue belt in Tae Kwon Do."

**Susan Scrimshaw** is enjoying combining administration with teaching and research as associate dean for academic programs at UCLA's school of public health. She continues her work with AIDS prevention programs, particularly for women. Husband Dan March is doing well with his computer furniture business. Daughter Mary Corey is an 8th grader at Westlake School for Girls.

**Arleen Hurwitz Zuckerman** has been consulting for the past two years in human resources and administrative management. She is at home now full time with Michael Todd, born last June 19, and "loving every minute." As vice president of our class, Arleen is beginning to make plans for our 25th Reunion in May '92 and would love to hear from all those interested in working on it.

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News from both coasts: **Barbara Steinhardt** writes that after several years working for Legal Services of Northern California (having graduated from law school at UC-Davis in 1976) and five years working for the legislature (Assembly Office of Research), she is now staff counsel for an obscure state legal agency—the Office of Administrative Law. Her daughter, Rachel, is a junior at Humboldt State College (majoring in psychology and music). Barbara comments, "Some things about college seem different but some things never change." She adds that she is engaged to a "wonderful man."

Despite the weakening economy, **Linda Rosen Garfunkel** writes that her manufacturing and importing business is thriving. Her daughter, Dana, is enjoying her first year at Rutgers College and her son, Jon, is happily settled into his freshman year at White Plains High School.

**Ellen Slotoff Zyroff** sent word that her daughter Dena is a freshman at Columbia College. Many of our children seem to have reached college age. (Of course, there are blatant exceptions; we have a four year old!)

**Grace Druan Rosman** writes that her son Stewart is a junior at Columbia and son Daniel is a freshman at Yale. Grace and her husband, Marty, are enjoying being a couple again and hope to do some traveling. Grace continues to substitute teach in science and math and serve as vice chairman of the Easton (CT) Library Board.

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We were pleased to hear from **Arline Horowitz Duker** for the first time that we can recall, although we were sorry to learn that her husband died in 1984. She lives in Teaneck with three daughters, ages 9, 15, and 17. Arline is a family therapist in Bergen County and has been studying and using hypnotherapy in her work—she writes that she is "constantly amazed at the powers of the human mind!"

Arline also sent news of **Jean McKenzie Masonek**, who lives in California. Formerly an accountant, she is changing careers to nursing and is in school full time. Her two sons seem to be taking it all in stride. —ASK

**69** **Sherry Suttles Marsh**  
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Congratulations to **Judith Miller** for two appearances on the *NY Times* list of "Notable Books of 1990." She is the author of *One, by One, by One: Facing the Holocaust* and co-author of *Saddam Hussein and the Crisis in the Gulf*, which has also been at the top of best-seller lists all over the country. Judith's expert analyses of the events in Kuwait have been prominently featured in the *Times* in recent months.

Thanks to **Paulette Paretzky Mandelbaum** for news of her family, which includes four children: Yaakov 16, Tobe 14, Yitshak 11, and Rahel 9. Yaakov is studying at Yeshivat Sha-alvem in Israel and will be starting at Penn in September. Paulette is director of special projects (R&D) at Utilicom, Inc., a subsidiary of Rochester (NY) Gas and Electric Co. which designs and implements compliance software systems. Husband Richard is vice provost for computing and telecommunications at the U of Rochester. Paulette adds:



"Also here in Rochester is **Susie Leon Leventer**, who has a flourishing practice in speech pathology."

**Rae Dichter Rosen** has been elected a vice president of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. She was an economist with the NY Telephone Co. prior to joining the bank in 1987 as a regional economist and was elected an asst. vice president in 1989.

It turns out that the description of **Susan Gould's** doings in our summer column was less than accurate. This is the correct version: two of Susan's articles were published in the magazine *Ovation* during 1989, and she has been doing research into the airlines' systems of "in-flight music" for future publication in *Opera Canada* and other magazines. Her latest interviews with conductors and opera singers are appearing in *Opera Now* (London), *Orpheus* (Berlin), *Musica* (Milan), *Monsalvat* (Barcelona), and *Applause* (Philadelphia). In fact, the reason Susan could not be at our big Reunion in 1989 was that she was flying to Spain as guest of Iberia Airlines to attend opera in Madrid and Barcelona, interview the great Spanish soprano Montserrat Caballé, and add to her files on "in-flight music." She adds that "wonderful Zarzuela excerpts are unique to Iberia!" Alumnae in the Philadelphia area may have heard Susan speak last March when she was the lecturer at a meeting of the Phila. Columbia U Club.

**70** **Dorothy Urman Denburg**  
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**Linda Dennis Cohen** opened her own accounting firm, Parillo, Cohen & Co., CPAs, in Woodbridge, CT.

**Deborah Digges** writes that she is still a "travelin' fool." She went to Egypt last winter with Barnard, spent a month in Alaska and western Canada this past summer, was in Turkey for a month in the fall, and in South America (Argentina, Paraguay, and Uruguay) in January.

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## REUNION! May 17-18

**Jane Andros Puranananda** moved from Hong Kong to Bangkok last June, when her husband joined American Express. Jane is working as an editorial consultant to the Yongder Hall Group. Their daughter Catherine is a sophomore at Barnard.

Not quite so far away, **Katherine Galvin** is the new executive director of the Child Care Law Center in San Francisco.

**Catherine Bilzor Cretu** and husband Octavian (CC '71) are "overjoyed to announce the adoptions this past summer of two sons, Charles, age six this past May, and Andrew Constantine, born May 19 in Baltimore." They were present for Andrew's birth and are now enthusiastic advocates of private adoption.

**Lee Canossa** is one of many who wrote that she is looking forward to Reunion! Lee is a consultant in employee benefits and she and her husband, Philip Neuscheler (Bus '73), have a son, Alexander, born in October '89. They are rehabbing a Victorian townhouse in downtown Washington, DC.

Another new parent is **Linda Peyster Zappulla**, whose son Matthew was born on October 27.

**Michael Hart** and John Butler had their second boy last March and named him Gideon Barrett Butler, "a name to live up to!" They also visited England and Wales again shortly after his birth and saw **Ingrid Selberg**. Michael writes: "My company goes well. I very much enjoyed acting as west coast class agent for our 20-year Reunion fund drive, especially talking to old friends **Judy Devaron Reynolds** and **Nancy**

**Lutkehaus**, who are doing very well in very different areas.

And **Loren Wissner Greene** and Norman (CC '70) and Alison (who will enter college in the year 2000) joyfully announce the arrival of Rebecca Joanna on August 18, 1990. Loren also hopes to be at Reunion.

**Kathleen Biddick** is enjoying this academic year as a visiting scholar in the program of science, technology and society at MIT, where she is working on a project on narratives of artificial intelligence, with the support of the Lilly Endowment.

**Annette Adams** writes that she has been stationed in Dakar, Senegal, since Oct. 1989. She is the regional lawyer for the Agency for International Development, servicing Senegal, Gambia, and Mali. She invites any alumnae visiting Dakar to "please call!!!"

**Ellen B. Falek**, MD, married Harry **Leonard** last July. They met playing Scrabble and now live in Newington, CT.

**Bashe Yonis (Beverly R. Johnson)** writes that she is "alive and well in southern California since I arrived to go to graduate school at UC Irvine. Gradually moved 'north,' out from behind the 'Orange Curtain,' into southern Los Angeles County. I have been working in the dreaded (for us flower children) defense industry at aerospace contractor TRW for almost twelve years. Hearing the creaking of my biological clock's mainspring (or was it my joints?), I had Shifra almost six years ago. I married a liberated man who not only had no trouble with my keeping my (rediscovered) name (found my ethnic roots) but also agreed that the next (and last) baby would be a Yonis if a girl and so we had Naomi almost two years ago."

An update from **Alicia Sherman** reveals that they have found that their move from NYC to Saratoga was "definitely the right one, especially for the children. They have a backyard, bicycles, and fresh air, and the streets are safe and relatively quiet except, of course, in August when Saratoga becomes a tourist mecca." Alicia would love to hear from alumnae in the area (listed under Norman Silver).

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**Barbara Sundheimer Salander**, co-owner of Salander-O'Reilly Gallery in New York, opened a new gallery in Beverly Hills in October. The gallery opened with a Kenneth Nolan show and Salander's plans are to continue with contemporary art. A benefit show for the Pediatric AIDS Foundation, an L.A.-based group founded two years ago, was being planned for January.

A conversation with **Maralyn Tabatsky** reminded me that she has been running her own baking business—Have Your Cake—on a full-time basis. Maralyn is in San Francisco and had started the business part time about three years ago. She made the big switch from teaching over a year ago! I'll also add that cakes/brownies/*et al.* ordered by me from Maralyn for my brother in San Francisco have gotten rave reviews.

I was pleasantly surprised a few weeks ago when a call to **Ruth Bayard Smith**, one of our earlier class correspondents, resulted in the news that she had relocated back to the New York area from Ann Arbor, MI, last summer. Ruth is teaching an undergraduate course in journalism at NYU.

**Mila Oden Jasey** recently gave me an instant summary of her life since Barnard, which included earning a master's in nursing, getting married in 1974, getting fired from her first job, parenting three children, and active involvement in public health, the League of Women Voters, and PTA. Residing in South Orange, NJ, Mila has been running La Leche League, a Newark-based volunteer breast-feeding support group. In addition, she has been instrumental in developing an inner-city breast-feeding peer counseling group. Both groups focus on nutritional and parenting skills and have been very successful.

**Leslie Fleisher Schwartz**, class vice president/20th Reunion co-chair, was recently appointed program coordinator for the Respiratory Health Association of Bergen County, NJ.

Classmate **Marianne Fogel Styler**, MD, co-developed and now facilitates the Hope Through Options program at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital in Wilkes-Barre, PA. The program provides education and support for infertile persons and is a new concept in infertility support group work.

**Laura Fox** is an ophthalmologist in practice with her husband in Los Angeles. Her children, Claire 7 and Alex 3, are in school and doing fine. She reports that "**Toby Levy** came down to visit from SF with her husband. Her architecture firm is thriving and she's great!"

**Yael Margolin** is a clinical psychologist with a specialty in couples and family therapy, practicing in Westchester and in Manhattan. She is also family therapy coordinator at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Montrose, NY. Her husband, Jim Rice, is an attorney with The Equitable in NYC.

**Pam Burr Smith** wrote that "In the Spring/Summer 1990 issue of *The Georgia Review*, some excerpts from my studio notes appeared. It was an issue devoted to Women and the Arts." And additional items from the world of publishing: **Ruth Steinberg** wrote that she is still looking for an American publisher for her book, *Being Pregnant—The Women's Answer Book*. Also, **Francine Ellen Berman** is back to work full time as an associate editor at H.W. Wilson in Cambridge, MA. She and husband Harry Klein and children Dara and Geoffrey live in Exeter, NH.

Looking ahead to 20th Reunion in May 1992—a group of us (**Goldie Alfasi**, **Karin J. Barkhorn**, **Katie Cangelosi**, **Cheryl Foa Pecorella**, **Rita Rack**, **Linda Rie**, **Ellen Wahl** and myself) met at the end of November to start talking in very general terms about Reunion plans. Let's collectively make this Reunion a success with our ideas, participation and attendance. By the time you receive this, we hope to have sent out a letter/questionnaire to all class members to give you some ideas we came up with and to solicit your ideas. Meanwhile, we are looking forward to a strong turnout at Reunion and it's not too soon to start talking it up to people with whom you stay in contact.

—SLS

**73** **Judi Hasson**  
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By the time you read this, let's hope that peace will have broken out in the Persian Gulf.

News this time comes from many quarters.

Belated congratulations to **Kathie Plourde** and her husband, Reed Simmons, on the birth of their daughter, Kristin, on Oct. 19, 1989. Also to **Janet Axelrod** and husband Tim Plenk on the birth of Eli Solomon Plenk last July. Janet writes that "he was a big baby (almost ten pounds) and took three days to arrive, testing my capacities in a whole new way. I find the activities of motherhood meditative, almost zen, after so many years in the whirl of business/politics/external world. My concerns today, with war in the Middle East, are remarkably like those of my classmates and me 20 years ago, and I'm saddened by our lack of progress. But personally, I've never been happier."

We also need to catch up on some news that was received several months ago but somehow just came to light. Apologies for the delay, and our very best wishes, go to **Lee Ann MacDonald (Magan) Bourcier**, who wrote: "I have become a social worker, providing services to people who have developmental disabilities. I manage, among other things, abuse and neglect investigations in Oregon's largest county. My most recent personal excitement has been brain surgery for a tumor removal. Thanks to the miracles of modern medical science (and an excellent neurosurgeon), my recovery has been good and my prognosis promising."

Lee Ann also sent news of **Marjorie Bernstein Kramer**, who received her MSW from Bryn Mawr and



is a management social worker, providing services to people with disabilities in Philadelphia.

**Erica Whitman Davis** is living in Plainview, NY, with husband Ken and two children, Margot 7 and Scott 2. She's a music teacher in the Bellmore school system and last year organized the district's on-site day care center—the first such program for children of employees on Long Island.

**Maggie Flinn** and husband Alan are living in Nashua, NH, with their three children, Evan, Ian, and Glenn. Alan is a doctor in private practice who also teaches at Boston City Hospital.

**Catherine Fox Byers**, her husband, and three daughters are living in New London, PA, and she is managing a marketing writing group in Newark, Del.

**Jane Eisen** writes that she is alive and well in Providence, RI, with two daughters and a son. She's a psychiatrist at a Brown University-affiliated hospital and keeping busy.

**Davira Spiro Taragin** is curator of 19th- and 20th-century glass at the Toledo Museum of Art. Previously she was curator of 20th-century decorative arts and design at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

**Terry Shu** writes that she is happily married to a Columbia grad and they have two children—Erica and Andrew.

**Marcia Glanz** has retired from advertising, at least temporarily, to raise two boys, Jeremy 6 and Joshua 2.

**Rena Sepowitz** teaches property, trusts and estates at Touro Law School. She has two children.

**Beverly Savage** is at work on her second book, to be published by Ballantine. It's about parents' relationships with their children's caretakers. She has two children, Elizabeth 7 and Matthew 4.

**Margaret McGuirl** graduated from Columbia Law School and is a partner with the L.A. law firm of Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher. She has written on the topic of antitrust enforcement.

**Marsha Kaufman Kwicinski** lives in Royal Oak, MI. She's a clerical supervisor and medical secretary at Children's Hospital of Michigan.

**Janna Roop** is a clinical nurse at the National Institutes of Health and lives in Maryland.

**Laurie Kane Kaminski** is a community outreach specialist at the Exceptional Children's Foundation in Los Angeles. Husband Gerald is an asst. prof. at UCLA School of Public Health.

**Roberta Israeloff** has had her second book published. *In Confidence: Four Years of Therapy* is a record of her time as a patient at the Institute for Contemporary Psychotherapy in Manhattan. An article in *Newsday* describes the book as a story about "her initial frustrations with the process, then her growing respect for both therapist and therapy. She gives a sense of alternately trying to wriggle away from understanding and embracing self-knowledge." Roberta lives on Long Island and has two children, Jacob 3 and Ben 8.

**Ellen Greenebaum** has three children, 11, 8 and 11 months, and has returned to Columbia P&S as cytopathologist and asst. prof. of clinical pathology. Her husband, Simeon Schwartz, is a hematologist-oncologist in Rye Brook, NY. (Ellen was born at Columbia Presbyterian in 1953, graduated from Barnard in 1973 and from P&S in 1977, and did her pathology residency at Presbyterian in 1981.)

**Sheila Reines**, a Washington, DC-based international consultant, spent 1990 traveling to Africa—working in Senegal, Swaziland, and Madagascar, and also Jordan before coming home for the holidays.

Also in Africa is **Myra Alperson**, who wrote that she has moved to Johannesburg, where her boyfriend is researching his dissertation and she is doing writing and research for a sociologist, starting with corporate social responsibility programs at ten South African companies. She is feeling lucky to be there at this time: "A lot of things seem to be opening up, politically, culturally and socially. . . I've seen a little of everything, from squatter camps to luxurious corporate headquarters and private homes. The extremes are hard to take, but it's good to know that the impetus for social change is unstoppable." Myra would love to hear from alumnae in southern Africa. Her address is 4 Skyway, 16 Pope St., Bellevue 2198, Johannesburg, Telephone (011)648-3512.

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**Helen Pushchin Todosow** writes that "life continues to be good to me. Husband Michael and daughter Helen Christina, 6, continue to bring me great joys—and very little time for anything else. But somehow I find the time to work full time—I am director of the Nuclear Safety Library at Brookhaven National Lab—and be a mama, wife, gardener, cook, etc., and to remodel our home."

**Suzanne Melanie Hoell** is supervisor of student advising at the University of Montana in Missoula.

**Deborah Fabricant** writes that she is "still in Laguna Beach with husband Richard Smith and 18-month-old son, Daniel Fabricant Smith." She works part time doing commercial litigation for Snell & Wilmer, a large Phoenix law firm.

**Linda Bernstein** says that her days of academia seem far gone: "Some of the magazines I write for put the 'PhD' after my name, and when I see these letters in print I'm always startled. Mostly I write about what I know best—children. My writing has appeared in *Child*, *Parents*, *NY Woman*, *Woman's Day*, etc. Mostly my life is wonderful. About the only strife around here is vying for computer time with my philosophy professor husband and now the children (Ariel 4, Rafi 7)."

**Lisa Laden** has been living in the Baltimore-Washington area for 15 years, and for ten years has been running a media production company, Laden Communications. She recently finished writing and producing a series of 32 educational video programs for young children on music, for cassette distribution through the Calvert School.

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**Diana Karter Appelbaum**  
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Congratulations to **Susan Ochshorn** as she steps into her new job as editor of *Barnard Alumnae*.

I ran into **Sari Sue Miller** at Rosh Hashana services. Sari, who lives in NYC in the West 70s, deals in commercial real estate; she was visiting Newton with her husband and two adorable children.

Barry and **Arlene Bradley Levine** and their children Lionel 3 and Edlyn 2 live in Detroit. She writes that both kids are "terrific"—well, of course they are! Arlene recently left Beaumont Hospital to join Barry, who is also an interventional cardiologist, in the heart failure and transplant program at Henry Ford Hospital, and says that "it's great working together."

**Allegra Haynes** put her Poli Sci degree to work in Denver city government. She has been in the mayor's

office and public works department; last fall, she ran for city council.

**Kathy Saenger** and Bob Walkup are the parents of Daniel Thomas 3 and newborn twins Allison Elizabeth and Margaret Emily. Kathy is on the research staff at IBM's Watson Research Center in Yorktown Heights, NY.

**Aviva Gans-Rosenberg** writes that on June 28 she and husband David had a "wonderful lively son, Aaron Joshua." She took three months off and returned half time to her position as clinical asst. prof. of physical therapy at UMDNJ Newark.

And now a message from **Mary Most**, Public Education specialist for the NYC Dept. of Sanitation. Mary writes, produces and directs the artwork for the brochures, posters, radio spots, subway cards, etc., admonishing us all: Remember to Recycle!

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**Tamar Kieval Brill** writes that "my husband Gary (CC'75) and I live in Somerset, NJ. I work at Rutgers U. Our second child, Zachary Gabriel Brill, was born on 29 Dec. 1989. Our first child, Madeleine Elise Kieval Brill, was born in Nov. 1987 with hypoplastic left-heart syndrome and died at six weeks of age. We have become involved with the Heartline Group, Inc., an international organization which provides information, service, and support to families of children with severe congenital cardiac defects."

**Maureen Kaplan Sevigny** is a student at the U of Maryland, in the PhD program in economics. She writes that she re-married in Dec. 1989: "My husband, Arthur, is in the US Air Force. We had a spectacular honeymoon in July, riding our bicycles 1200 miles from Jackson, WY, to Jasper, Alberta, through the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, Glacier, Waterton, Banff, and Jasper National Parks, camping along the way."

Congratulations to **Olivia Serdarevic**, an asst. prof. of ophthalmology at The New York Hospital-Cornell U Medical College, who received the Honor Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology for her "significant contributions to the field." In addition to her clinical, research, and teaching activities in NY, she continues to travel on the national and international lecture circuit. She also has been named adjunct professor of ophthalmology at the U of Paris, Hotel-Dieu in France.

**Jessica Fogel**, an associate professor of dance at the U of Michigan, is co-director/dancer/choreog-



rapher of Ann Arbor Dance Works. She has received several federal and state awards and grants and appeared as a soloist recently in Ireland, Greece and Mexico.

**Maureen Turey** writes that she finished a residency in psychiatry in 1988 and received a certificate in psychoanalysis from Columbia in 1990 and has been building a practice in NYC. This spring she is back on Morningside Heights as adjunct faculty at Union Theological Seminary, teaching a course on psychoanalytic theories of human development. Her husband, Joe Wiedermann, is a cardiology fellow at Columbia Presbyterian. They have a daughter, Rachel 3.

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I bet you thought the mailman didn't give you the last issue of *Alumnae Magazine*. I had it worse. After months of waiting for news (thinking "Isn't my deadline soon?" type of thoughts) I came to the paranoid rationalization that "they" must have sent your news to someone else to write and that "gulp! I WAS OUT OF A JOB!" Given that bad news comes in threes (1. economic recession, 2. buildup of reservists in Saudi Arabia), it was a logical thought that #3 (unemployment) had hit. Wasn't I already playing musical chairs at AT&T trying to keep a paying job as surplus situations arose? Well, I'm not going to be the messenger of bad news. I found another AT&T finance job, and three of our classmates have had their "firsts."

**Amy German Levinsohn** writes, "I am very pleased to report the birth of my first child, James Michael, on April 10, 1990. I have been working at the education department at the Newark Museum and my husband, Donald, and I are living in Glen Ridge, NJ."

A Brown University news clipping headline informed us of the arrival of "A New Cub" (ed. note: maybe he will be a Lion cub and not a Brown Bear cub). **Margaret Broaddus** and husband Jeffrey H. Ward, Brown's women's swimming coach, have their first child, a son, Matthew John Ward (6 lbs, 12 oz), born August 31, 1990. The couple resides in Barrington, RI.

**Leticia Filip** wrote to tell us that in July 1989 she and her husband, Walter Soeller (CC '77), had a son, their first baby. Apparently they made the big move from California to Connecticut in October 1989; Leticia has a family practice in Mystic, CT. Her husband is a molecular biologist at Pfizer, Inc. Leticia apologizes to all her Barnard friends for not sending out birth announcements and change of address information.

Other good news is the marriage announcement of Dr. **Laura C. Lemle** to Grant D. Miller on June 25, 1990.

**Wendy Marshall** writes that "husband Tom Juhasz (CC '75), sons Jeffrey 7 and Michael 5 and I moved to Bainbridge Island, Washington, last year, where, instead of being woken up by traffic, this past summer we were wakened by roosters (which, contrary to old cartoons, do *not* just crow *once* early in the morning). I commute by ferry three days a week to Seattle, where I've been working for the past 10 years as an environmental scientist at the US Environmental Protection Agency."

Life may be unsettling now, but change offers opportunity. So write in and tell us all about it—the good and the not so good. After all, we used to be your best friends. (Wendy, don't you feel like strangling that rooster?)

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News travels fast—except when you have me for a class correspondent! Which is why news of **Rachel Brody** is only reaching you now, a full three years after she first wrote to me.

A recent, gentle prod from Rachel ("I guess you didn't get my first letter," she writes soulfully) sent

me back through my old notes—every scrap of paper is sacred; they don't call me "mini-storage" for nothing!—and there was Rachel's letter, the postal mark intact in all its guilt-inducing glory.

So anyway, Rachel and her significant other, Karen Henley, have fixed up a fixer-upper in Schoharie County, an hour west of Albany. "It's rural country—very beautiful, but very poor," she writes. But it's a rich life. Rachel does freelance graphic design and carpentry, Karen is a nurse at the Schoharie Assn. for Retarded Citizens, and their two dogs helpfully snuffle around the yard. "I've also been involved as a lesbian activist, working on various publications and organizing cultural events, and as an environmental activist, too. But what I'm REALLY doing is going back to school," for a master's degree in art therapy through Pratt Institute's long-distance program. Plus: "I'm interning at a residential school for troubled adolescent girls in Albany, and I love it." Rachel welcomes correspondence at R.D. 1, Box 86, Richmondville, NY 12149.

I remember when **Tirza Wahrman** was dating a fellow she sweetly referred to as her "young man." Now Tirza Wahrman-Mitlak and Warren have a baby girl, Deena Rachel Mitlak, and what with deadlines for this magazine and my collection of 3-year-old letters and such, by the time you read this Deena will probably be having her Sweet 16 party.

**Marlee Minno Flaherty** writes that after working for AT&T Long Lines, "I REALLY started working. I had three children within 25 months." Now, I was never a math major, but that sounded pretty suspicious to me. Soon the biological mystery was solved: son Jason was followed by twins Katie and Brittany. It was a busy time. "I don't remember the first year of my daughters' lives. All I wanted to do was sleep," says Marlee. Sounds like a reasonable ambition to me, children or no. Now that the toilet-training phase is over, and with it all the hidden psychological torments that will show up years later in therapy, Marlee is free to write various marketing campaigns for Ford Motor Company.

Here's one of those "shy people" notes from alumna **Susan Chalfin**, who breaks her code of silence only to say: "PhD in clinical psychology from Clark University completed 3/90."

**Denise L. Blumberg** is an attending physician in pediatric endocrinology at Brookdale Hospital Medical Center; she's married to Joseph Cervia, attending physician in infectious diseases at Nassau County Medical Center. It's a romance made in water-cooler heaven. They have two children, David Michael and Lisa Danielle.

**Short Takes: Emily Jackness** is an assistant clinical professor of pediatric cardiology at Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons. . . **Laurel Isicoff** has added baby Daniel to the brood, which includes Joe and Ali.

All of our love and wishes go to **Hope Rosenbaum**, whose husband died of lymphoma in 1989. "My 3-year-old son, Gideon, and I are doing fine," she writes. "I'm practicing securities and tax law as an in-house counsel at The Equitable and living in Larchmont."

Class Correspondent's Prerogative: Yes, it's more news about me! (Who's going to stop me?) I've been nominated for a Pulitzer in film criticism—but don't worry, it hasn't gone to my head. Driver, bring that limo around to the front.

For those of you who fear the Rachel Brody syndrome has laid claim to your class news, never fear. There are many news items left over for the next column. Meanwhile, I'll put all your letters in a nice safe place, where I'm sure they will be found in time for Deena's Sweet 16.

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I finally got to meet **Candice Agree**, the drive-time DJ on WNCN, at the Medieval Festival at the Cloisters last September. She was bedecked in beautiful period regalia and was signing autographs and giving out WNCN paraphernalia at the station booth, overlooking the mighty Hudson. Still my favorite station on

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the dial, and on which I frequently hear the immortal words of **Jami Bernard '78** praising Gerard Depardieu's performance in the movie *Cyrano de Bergerac*.

**Terry Newman** wrote to say that she's alive and well and living as a "suburban slug" with husband David Rubin in Stamford, CT. Terry is a vice president for marketing in the Investment Management Group at Bankers Trust in New York.

**Donna Masters de Pacheco** is living in Pasadena, CA, and has started a business with three partners producing and marketing architecturally designed furniture. She would like to hear from **Janet Ford Tranks**.

**Margaret Thompson Cezair** has been appointed to the Wellesley College faculty as an assistant professor in the department of English. Prior to this appointment she was an instructor at Baruch College. Also in the education vein, **Ellen Katz Berkovitch** lives with husband Joseph and their three children in New Rochelle, where she is an assistant principal at the Hebrew School of the Beth-El Synagogue.

**Kathryn Papadakis** is a physician in internal medicine at the North Haven Medical Center in Connecticut. She lives in Southington, CT, with her fiancé, Donald Polansky, a psychiatric social worker.

**Rana Sampson** has moved to Washington, DC, and is back in police work. She is working at the Police Executive Forum, a progressive police think tank. (Rana, do you have enough clout to help improve the current plight of New York's Finest?)

Nuptials: Many congratulations to **Toni Deser**, who was wed to Paul Rodman in June 1990. The couple bought a house in Palo Alto, CA, and Toni is interested in hearing from alums living in or visiting the Bay Area. In January, Toni began working in a "high tech" Silicon Valley company using her PhD in linguistics for improving a speech-to-text system; she is happy to be a linguist in industry and enjoying a respite from academia. **Laura Mok** married Dr. Mark Richard Anderson in May of 1990.

Births: **Christine Jue Munn** gave birth to a little 7 lb. 8 oz. girl named Sasha Norcross Munn on August 10, 1990. **Ilise Levy Feitshans** and husband Ted welcomed Emalyn Levy Feitshans last July 28.

Received a lovely note from **Flora Yagoda Smith**, who lives with husband David (CC '79) and two girls, ages 3½ and 1½, in Darien, CT. Flora missed the 10-year Reunion, but says she is looking forward to the 15-year one.

**Aileen Turnier** is now officially a member of the Class of '79, having formally graduated in May of 1990. Aileen is currently attending the Columbia School of Social Work.

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**Rumu Sarkar** recently returned from diplomatic missions to the Philippines and Pakistan. She helped negotiate a debt swap in the Philippines, which she found very interesting. Since returning to Washington she has been busy with Eastern European affairs.

**Esther Schwalb** writes: "I bought a great house in Brooklyn in August with my then boyfriend, married him in November, honeymooned in London, returned to reality and still don't really believe it now, in December."

**Rosemary Greenaway** has been appointed director of prospect research at St. Barnabas Development Foundation in Livingston, NJ. She is also a member of the board of directors of the NJ chapter of the National Society of Fundraising Executives.

**Beatriz Rodriguez Olson** is an endocrinology fellow at the U of Pittsburgh, doing research in stress-related anorexia. At the end of this fellowship her family will move to Maryland; she will work at NIH and husband Eric at Walter Reed. Daughter Loren Pleiades is one year old.



**Laurie Black** has been "lost" for years but is now back on our mailing list. She writes: "I finally decided what I want to be when I grow up, and to that end I am in my first year of law school at Chicago Kent College of Law. I want to work in women's rights and environmental issues."

For **Suzanne Gaba Aisenberg**, "1990 was the year of change and new adventures. I was married in October to James Aisenberg (who keeps busy himself as a fellow in gastroenterology at Mt. Sinai), finished my MFA in arts administration at Columbia, and started my own company, Suzanne Gaba Fine Arts. The primary nature of my business is the private sale of works of art. I also advise collectors on acquisitions, appraise collections, etc." Also present at Suzanne's wedding were **Leslie Hoch Lebow**, **Esther Schwalb**, **Cheryl Reicin**, **Alise Reicin**, and **Claudia Eisen Flack**.

Congratulations to **Paula Franzese**, recently named "Professor of the Year" at Seton Hall Law School. She is also the author of an article published in *Hofstra Law Review*.



More than 60 alumnae attended the "First Annual Past and Present Student Leader Reception" in the James Room in January. In addition to the opportunity to renew old connections and meet the student leaders of today, they were greeted by President Ellen Futter '71, who was a student representative on the Board of Trustees, and heard a discussion of the campus issues of the last four decades as seen by Diana Touliatou Vagelos '55, Ruth Schwartz Cowan '62, Dorothy Urman Denburg '70, Marcia Sells '81, and Jennifer Cowan '91.

**81** **Mary Crowley**  
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**Sharon Kleinbaum** completed her studies at Reconstructionist Rabbinical College and was ordained last year. She is living in Washington, DC, and is director of congregational relations at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism.

**Robin Gross** is living in Pasadena, CA, and doing general pediatrics.

**Amy Faust Miller** has been living in Battery Park City in Lower Manhattan for the past six years and finds it extremely convenient and beautiful. Work is across the street in the World Financial Center at American Express, where she is director of human resources strategy and planning, and she can run home on occasion during lunchtime to see her two sons, Daniel 3 and Ethan 1. Husband Peter is an attorney in the Wall Street firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavar.

**Joel Helfman** is a staff attorney at Middlesex County Legal Services Corp, in New Brunswick, NJ. He and her husband, Ron Klein (CC), are parents of a daughter born in August 1989.

**Ann Turobiner Dachs** writes that she has become part of a growing trend of mothers who have temporarily retired from careers—in her case, law—to enjoy time raising children. "Every minute (well, almost every minute) Jonathan (CC '79) and I spend with Nina Emily (almost 2) is a gift."

**Deborah Mullin Lembeck** writes that she is "living happily in Bedford Hills (NY) with husband Tony and two-year-old daughter Sophie."

**Maria V. Chiechi** completed her internship in medicine at Lenox Hill in June and is in the first year of residency in diagnostic radiology at the U of Florida in Gainesville—"definitely a far cry from NYC."

In the thick of things in NYC is **Elsie Crum**, recently appointed deputy counsel to Mayor Dinkins. She was married to Roger Coy, a NY banker, this past September.

We heard from **Christina Tuccillo** that she would be leaving the Boston area this winter with her "significant other" to travel around the country. They planned to spend about six months exploring northern California, looking for a place to settle. Christina said they expected it to be a wonderful adventure—we hope she'll tell us about it!

**82** **Judith Fried Conrad**  
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A lot of the tidbits of news I gather are from announcements in the *New York Times* and the notes you include when you make your annual contributions to Barnard. Occasionally—and even better—I

get letters from classmates. Even if you didn't know me at Barnard, write to me now. I love receiving letters—I get too much junk and business mail—and I include every letter I receive.

One recent letter was from **Kathy-Ann Iris Benjamin**, a pediatrician with a one-year-old daughter. Kathy-Ann graduated from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and after one year of family practice went into a pediatric residency at Children's Medical Center of Brooklyn, Kings County Hospital. Soon she, her husband, and their daughter, Tara-Marie, will be moving to Toronto so Kathy-Ann can do her neonatal fellowship at the Hospital for Sick Children. Best of luck in your new position and your new home.

Kathy-Ann has stayed in contact with one classmate, **Antonina (Toni) Gullo-Nicholas**. In 1984 Toni married Lorio Nicholas (CC '83). She works for the NYC Dept. of Health doing AIDS research. Toni, we all admire you for the fine and important work you are doing.

Since Kathy-Ann did write, I will include her list of "Who I'd love to hear from": **Sandrine Givens Snipes**, **Angelita Anderson**, **Liz Macomb** '83, and **Shirley Rouse** '83. I know you're out there, folks. So write to me and let me, Kathy-Ann, and the rest of '82 know what you're doing.

**Nadine Mandell Keegan** will be starting a fellowship in pediatric anesthesiology at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in July. (She'll be moving to Philadelphia this summer, too.)

**Nachama Halpern Loeshelle** and husband Harry had a son, Joel Max, this past August. What a cute little boy! They have moved to New Jersey, and Nachama has put aside her career in children's publishing for a little while.

**Carolyn Band** sent news of her wedding—a Barnard-Columbia marriage. Carolyn married Kamal Mehta (CE '82). Classmate **Lois Gimpel** was her "Lady in Waiting." (Carolyn, what do you mean by "Lady in Waiting"?) Lois, does this mean that you're living in the United States? Last I heard, you were in Israel. Please write with news. Many people have asked about you!

And two more Barnard-Columbia mergers: **Marie-Christine Fontanet** married Philippe P. Gousselaud (CC '80). She is working in the travel field and has moved to Greenwich, CT. In September, **Margaret DeVecchi** married Peter Johnstone Smith. Margaret is a psychiatric social worker with a master's in education from Harvard and an MSW from Smith College. Peter is a novelist.

This past July, **Laura Ioachim** married Martin Reichel. Laura is a med student at the SUNY Health Center in Brooklyn. Martin is a resident in dermatology at the U of California Medical Center at Davis. Laura, congratulations and where are you living—in New York or in California?

**Grace Dodier** is happily living in New Haven, CT, and working as an assistant attorney general prosecuting polluters for Connecticut's Dept. of Environmental Protection. Her husband, Bill Green, is a post-doc at Yale Medical School.

If you won't write, I'll take news from your mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, and anyone who has news and a pencil. **Leslie Cooperband's** mom wrote that Leslie is still in Costa Rica finishing her research for her PhD dissertation.

**Joan Poveromo Savino** claims that nothing is too exciting—but I'm just glad to hear from another teacher. Joan is teaching in a Catholic school in Brooklyn. It's her sixth year there and nine years in all that she's been teaching. She's specializing in 7th and 8th grade math, though she's taught all grades and all subjects from 4th through 8th. (I've personally been demoted—last year I taught 4th grade and now I'm teaching 3rd.) Joan is living in Great Kills, Staten Island, in a house she and her husband bought three years ago. "It's small, but we enjoy having a house of our own," she writes.

Are you teaching? Please let me know. I'd love to find out what happened to all of us who did our student teaching through the Barnard Education Program. I'd like to find out about people who became teachers after they graduated from Barnard. And I'm even more interested in finding out about the people who used the Education Program to launch them into other professions. If you've been reading this column, you've read that I graduated with my education certification, went into children's publishing, and then into elementary education.

**83** **Jamie Miller Nathan**  
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Greetings from Jerusalem, Israel, where I have just had my first (and second, third, etc.) experience with Iraqi Scud missile attacks (with a few false alarms thrown in to keep us on our toes). I suppose that part of the reason I chose to attend Barnard was its vivacity and promise of action. My thirst for excitement has clearly not waned as I write this column with my gas mask by my side.

No less exciting are all the birth announcements we have this quarter. **Maria Letizia Ivers** and her husband had their first child, William Alan Ivers, Jr., in March 1990. **Renata Soltys de Dalmas** gave birth to Jean Pierre on July 14—a brother for Tatiana, now two. Renata and her husband just finished renovating a beach house in Orient, on Long Island's North Fork,



where they now spend most of their weekends and, of course, summers.

**Lori Golinko Black** and husband Brett welcomed Gael Elizabeth last August 12. I was glad to hear that Lori had an easy delivery, as I enter my eighth month of pregnancy. I saw Gael in November and she is, of course, beautiful (which reminds me: I'd love to receive baby pictures along with birth announcements).

Danielle Julie was born to **Tali Haimov Kolin** and husband Elliot in August. Tali and Elliot married in 1987 and live in L.A., where Tali is completing a residency in ophthalmology at Mt. Sinai and Elliot is completing a residency in radiology.

October 18 brought Philip Richard Baker-Coe to **Vicki Coe** and Ralph Baker, in San Francisco. And Steven and **Susan Hausmann Saffar** welcomed Justin Stuart, "a terrific little boy," on December 24.

Wedding announcements are also big news this time. **Bernice E. Hoffman** married Daniel P. **Natelson** on July 1. Bernice received a JD from NYU and is an associate attorney with Carter, Ledyard & Milburn. Daniel is a Columbia alumnus and an associate at the Rubaine Co., a division of Natelson's, Inc., in New Brunswick, NJ. They live in Somerset, NJ, and Bernice would like to meet any neighboring alumnae.

**Gabriela Franco-Abarca Cleveland** married Dwight M. Cleveland (CC '82) on Sept. 1. Gabriela passed the Illinois Bar last fall and is practicing law with Winston & Strawn in Chicago.

**Amy Gelman** made the papers twice this year. On September 16 she married Eric Darth **Haugesag** of Minneapolis, and this was the inspiration for her to write an op-ed article for the *New York Times* entitled "Down the Aisle, Surprised," which appeared on October 24. Amy is an editor and translator of children's books at Carolrhoda Books in Minneapolis.

Thanks to **Alisa Bachana Jaffe** '85 for news of the marriage of her sister, **Heidi Bachana**, to Mark **Rattner**. Heidi is a lawyer, practicing in Washington, DC.

**Pamela Brandt Jackson**, a past recipient of the Elizabeth Janeway Prize, authored the recently published novel *Becoming the Butlers* (Bantam New Fiction), which has lots of Barnard connections. The main character is a 14-year-old girl who lives on 116th St. at Riverside Drive, whose father eats at Tom's Diner and hangs out at the West End and Papyrus Bookstore. Pamela's editor is Deb Futter, President Futter's sister. Her next novel is about two women who meet as floormates in Hewitt Hall.

**Phyllis Newbeck** changed jobs last year and is now with the Office for Civil Rights of the Dept. of Education. She sent word that **Johanna Youner** received a doctorate from the California College of Podiatric Medicine and will be returning to NYC this summer, and that **Crystal Massy** is working for the Cultural Council Foundation by day while pursuing a master's degree in theatre at Hunter College by night.

Other updates: **Marsha Lynne Thornhill** is chief resident in anesthesiology at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. **Liz Macomb**, in Santa Cruz, has been working in construction management for the last 4 years, after getting a master's in civil engineering at MIT. **Cheryl Horowitz** is a radiology resident at Long Island Jewish Hospital. And **Jean T. Greenberg** has finished her first year of postdoctoral work at Mass. General Hospital. She has two more years of NSF funding for her research into plant-pathogen interactions.

It seems that the longer this column gets, the more classmates are prompted to share their news, for which I am ever so thankful. Keep on writing!

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Wedding news:

**Dr. Marcie Strasser** married Dr. Paul Korn. Both are residents in pediatrics at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.

**Dr. Michelina DeSanti** married Dr. Anthony Greenberg, a physician in family practice. Michelina is doing an ob/gyn residency in NJ.

Two of my former 3 Reid floormates were married this past fall. **Mindy Siegel** married Richard Ohringer,

a senior analyst for the NY State Dept. of Social Services. Mindy is working as a senior policy analyst for NY City Councilman Sheldon Leffler. **Amy Clyde** married Peter Kerr, an NJ bureau chief for the *NY Times*. Amy received her master's in English and comparative literature from Columbia and is on the editorial staff of *The New Yorker*.

**Marla Cohen** married Avrom Caplan, of Liverpool, England, in her hometown of Dallas, after completing her master's at Northwestern U Medill School of Journalism. They are living in Durham, NC, where Marla works for the Chapel Hill newspaper and her husband is doing postdoctoral research in biochemistry at Chapel Hill. Marla states that she "writes about everything from the shenanigans of one of the local town councils to the placement of a low-level nuclear waste dump in a nearby county. The most difficult assignment yet was speaking to the family of someone who committed suicide in one of the campus buildings." Marla hears from **Peggy Choe** '85, who finished working in Finland on a Fulbright this year, and from **Jane Dennis** '85, who has finished her PhD in English from the University of Bangor in Wales. Marla wonders the whereabouts of her ex-roommate **Bayla Travis**.

Congratulations to the new additions:

**Cary Funk** and husband Bruce Robertson (CC '83) had a daughter on Oct. 30, 1990, named Maggie Robertson.

**Hedva Hiesiger Fensterheim** and husband David had their third child (3rd boy), Daniel, on May 23, 1990. Their other children are Gedalia 4 and Yehuda 2. Hedva is working as a home engineer in Raanana, Israel. She is also assisting her husband in setting up a business consulting company. She has an MBA in computerized mapping and geographic information systems from Hebrew University.

**Lisa Maxwell** received her doctor of optometry degree in May '89 and is practicing in Houston. In December she married Russell J. Malik, who also practices optometry.

**Christina Nargolwala** is a second year law student at Vanderbilt in Nashville, TN. She received a scholarship in transnational legal studies and is on the editorial staff of the *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law* and also is involved in several other law school activities.

Having received her degree from Columbia School of Social Work in 1987, **Barbara Somlo** is now working part time at the Pride of Judea Mental Health Center, primarily treating children in psychotherapy. She also has a private practice treating adults on 14th Street and 5th Avenue. Barbara is also in training at the New York Freudian Society to become an adult and child psychoanalyst.

**Carolyn Hochstadter Dicker** and husband Adam recently celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary. Carolyn received her master's in Arabic language and literature from Columbia and then went to Columbia Law School. She is a second year associate in the bankruptcy dept. of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby and MacRae.

**85** **Alisa Bachana Jaffe**  
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**Eileen Casey** began her studies this fall at Antioch New England Graduate School in Keene, NH. Eileen is pursuing a master's in human services administration. We wish her all the best in her studies.

Lots of new marriages this time. I ran into **Leslie Pressner Edelman** in the Amex cafeteria. She is working in the travel related services division of American Express. Husband Raphael (CC '82) is a securities analyst.

**Amy Lapkin Frank** was married to James Frank. Amy is a fundraiser for NYU's business school. **Rebecca Schoenholtz Macina** was married to Ousmane Papa Macina. Rebecca is working with her husband, a goldsmith, at a jewelry company in Northampton, MA. Prior to her marriage she spent two

years in Mali, where she was an agricultural extension agent for the Peace Corps. **Maria Silva Mari** was married to Miguel Mari'. Maria has completed a master's in pharmacology and is working as a clinical research associate at Hoffman-La Roche in NJ.

We extend congratulations to **Eve Horowitz Lebowitz** and husband David (Columbia '85) on the birth of their baby boy, Jacob, on Sept. 10.

**86** **Ellen Levitt**  
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**Yasmin Khakoo** is doing a pediatric residency at UCSF/Moffitt Hospital and finds San Francisco "wonderful!"

**Allison Stewart** writes that she is a designer and assistant to the director of prints at Stroheim & Romann, an international home furnishings textile co. Her husband, Vincent Spreuwenberg, is comptroller for Louis Corso, owner of SPQR Restaurant, etc. Allison says "we're still 'just starting out,' but I think we're doing what we both enjoy!"

**87** **B. Jean Heller**  
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On the legal/business front, **Susan Slater** was married to Steven Aronow Ellenberg, an attorney, last May. They are living in San Jose, where Susan is beginning her law career. **Stacey Lefont** is in her second year at Emory law school. **Robbie Ann Oxnard** finished the two-year analyst program at Goldman, Sachs & Co. and will be attending business school at Northwestern University in the fall of 1991.

**Allegra Pacheco** graduated from Columbia Law School last May, passed the NY Bar, and is working at Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam & Roberts in NYC. She published an article in the *Columbia Human Rights Law Review* on the administrative detention of Palestinians and the Geneva Law.

After spending two years as a paralegal, **Beth Levine** entered Columbia Law School and is in her second year. "Believe it or not," she wrote, "I am really enjoying it." Her sister **Rachel** will be graduating from Barnard in '92, when Beth is graduating from law school.

On the active feminist front, **Kathleen Bennett** is in the MA/PhD program in philosophy at the U of Washington and is working on an article for *The Bisexual Feminist* which will be published in 1992. I ran into **Martha Boudakian** at a feminist conference in Boston. She told me that she's studying feminist theology. She wrote me with the details, but, of course, I cannot find her letter now that I'm writing this. Sorry, Martha.

**Bronwyn Hughes** is back from the Peace Corps in Togo and will be starting graduate school in Washington, DC. She reports that **Elea Kemler** is at Harvard Divinity School, on the track to become a Unitarian minister, and that **Mary Schroeder** is taking pre-med classes at Barnard.

**Melissa Iteld** is in the second year of a master's program in history at Teachers College and will receive an MA in May.

**Caroline Hansen** is living in rural Japan with her potter husband, four cats and dog. They grow their own vegetables and dive for fresh shellfish. She is also teaching English to local children and doing some translating.

**Mari Pfeiffer** also lives in Japan and works as a commentator for TV-Tokyo. She lives in Tokyo and encourages anyone interested in visiting Japan to come and stay with her.

**Chanasai Tieng-Trakul** reports that she received her MA in anthropology last May and is continuing at Brown U for her PhD.

Nice news from **Judith Lynn Gross Citer**: she and husband David had a son, Avi Joshua, last April 22, and "he's doing fine!"



I continue to enjoy my work as a policy analyst working on NYC foster care issues, and have started part-time doctoral studies in social welfare policy at Columbia.

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**Elisabeth Friedman** is working for a PhD in political science (special emphasis: Latin American Studies) at Stanford. Also in California, **Michelle Nitka** has begun a program of study leading to a JD at Southwestern U School of Law in L.A. And **Susan O'Brien** is working at Oppenheimer in L.A. She hopes to make it back to NY, "even Morningside Heights," in the fall to start business school.

**Margaret Sassaman** is in her second year of law school at the U of Michigan in Ann Arbor. **Molly Chrein** will graduate from Cardozo Law School in June and will be starting at the Legal Aid Society Criminal Defense Division in the fall.

**Kimberlee Pietrzak-Smith** and her husband are still living in Toronto, where she is an administrator at the U of Toronto during the day and "trying to forge a career as a classical soprano in the off-hours." She sings with a professional choir and is a soloist at St. Paul's Anglican Church, where she celebrated her debut public recital on December 12. She reports that **Anne Whittemore** stopped in for one night on her cross-country drive to Seattle, where she has started on an MA in forestry.

I received a letter from **Kaitlin Quistgard**. She writes that after a year and a half of traveling through Europe and the Middle East, she's stateside once again. Kaitlin is living in San Francisco's Mission District and working as an editorial assistant at McGraw Hill. She's given up her purple hair, and life hasn't been the same since.

**Karina Foley** writes that **Jennifer Hill** enjoyed her cross-country adventure and likes her new hometown, Seattle. **Bonnie Siegel** is studying in Israel. **Rita Fournier** and **Hope Kirschner** are living and working in St. Thomas, VI.

**Janet Su** began her first year at Columbia SIA last fall. **Amy Leonard** is in her second year of a master's of history program at the U of Wisconsin. Amy's planning to go on for her PhD.

**Garrett Deckel** is at the U of Pennsylvania on a Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities. Garrett is working toward a PhD in philosophy.

As for me, for now, home is Italy. All of you who were in my Italian class should find that amusing! Remember us wanderers when spring arrives in New York: Take a walk in Central Park for us!

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**Kelly Borden** and **Julie Berman** have an apartment together in Brooklyn and are working in environmental fields. Kelly is working for the NYC Dept. of Sanitation Recycling Programs and Julie is working for Greenpeace.

**Chana Kahn** married Noam Wasserman and is a second year student at Temple Medical School in Philadelphia.

**Gail Weiker** is working for Scholastic Magazines and taking a course on curriculum development at Teachers College.

**Jessica Patt** is starting a new job at Self-Help Community Services. It is a nonprofit organization for senior citizens, and Jessica is doing advocacy and outreach to seniors in the Chelsea section of Manhattan.

**Laura Weinman** lived in Cambridge, MA, last year, and after counseling for six months was promoted to shift coordinator at the Intermission Adolescent

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Assessment Center of the Northeastern Family Institute. She plans to attend graduate school in psychology in the fall.

Here are a few more members in the ever-expanding Future Lawyers of America club. **Laura Milliken** is in her second year at Boston U Law School and is involved in a program where she actually tries cases. **Rachel Gross** is a first-year student at the U of Pittsburgh. Last year Rachel was in Israel, where she was an advisor for a high school program and spent three months in the army. **Heather Sanderson** is in her second year at Albany Law School and **Sharon Moerdler** is a first-year at Fordham Law School.

Other classmates in grad school include **Stephanie Kofman**, who is studying to be a nutritionist at Hunter. **Eva Pomerantz** is in her first year in a social psychology PhD program at NYU. **Eydie Bahar** completed a master's in engineering at Columbia.

Among those in our nation's capital are **Jane Leibowitz**, who is in the MS program in the school of foreign service at Georgetown, and **Debra Ashley**, in her first year at Georgetown Law School. **Sheryl Nowitz** is working at McKinsey and Co., a management consulting firm. **Ruth Edelman** spent last year in Israel and this year started a doctoral program in clinical psychology at American University. She also received a fellowship from the National Institutes of Health to do independent research. **Lynn Zises** works on Capitol Hill.

And finally congratulations to **Jennifer Dahme**, who won the swimsuit competition in the Miss New Jersey Pageant representing Pinelands this past summer. She lives across the street from **Laurie Gottlieb** in Soho and is an account executive at the Rosen Group, a pr firm. Since it is a relatively small firm, Jenny has received a good deal of responsibility in a short time. Laurie is working 65 hours a week in her new job at the Japanese bank DKB.

**Laura Billings** has been immersed in her work as the personal assistant to Wendy Wasserstein. She has been helping make the play *The Heidi Chronicles* into a movie. Laura attended the opening of *The Heidi Chronicles* in Los Angeles, where she ran into **Alexa Junge**, who is writing plays there. While attending the performance, both women had the opportunity to meet such people as Amy Irving, Terence McNally, and Gary Marshall.

**Gloria Mamba** is off to Africa, where she'll be teaching, writing, and traveling for the next year. She writes that she attended the beautiful and romantic

wedding of classmate **Michelle Huhnke**. The wedding was also attended by **Leslie Sokolov**, who after a summer in the Soviet Union is in her second year of a PhD program in comparative literature at the U of Michigan. **Pam Gomez** and **Carole LoConte**, who is attending law school in Boston, were also at Michelle's wedding.

Tackling an ambitious community project, **Rachel Devlin** founded and is currently the director for the Family Literacy Program for homeless women and their children living in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn. Rachel tells us that **Debbie Rieders** is living in the Park Slope area of Brooklyn and is working in photography as an art consultant.

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**Shira Agus** is a research assistant at Lehman Brothers, where one of her co-workers is **Alisa Bachana Jaffe** '85.

Also in the City is **Angela Read**, who is a project manager for the MTA's homeless program.

**Gillian Williams** was back at Barnard in November to talk to students about her experience with the Teach for America program; she teaches 3rd and 4th grade at PS 98, Manhattan. The Office of Career Services also sponsored a workshop for successful interviewing where the speakers included **Lisa Chung**, who is in Sales and Trading at First Boston; **Julia Clayton**, who is at Rockefeller University; **Robbi Waldman**, who is at Metropolitan Life, and **Sherina Madhani**, who is with a consulting firm.

**Vanessa Kagan** married Matthew **Diserio** in September and is working with her mother in her studio and shops, Erica Wilson Needleworks, in New York and Nantucket.

**Laura Lee** is enjoying her first year at Harvard Medical School.

I received a long letter from **Anya Bernstein**, who traveled around western Europe with **Susan Lane**, then worked at a women's health clinic in London, and spent six weeks in eastern and central Europe. When she returned home in late October she began applying for PhD programs in political science, relaxed for a while, and then went to work as a research associate for Dean McCaughey. As Anya says, "Some people love Barnard so much they just don't leave!"



# OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

## Counseling by Telephone

- for career or job changing
- for adapting to workplace restructuring
- for personal and professional "balancing" questions

## Resume and Cover Letter Review

- send us your resume and/or cover letters for comments and suggestions

## Jobseekers Newsletter:

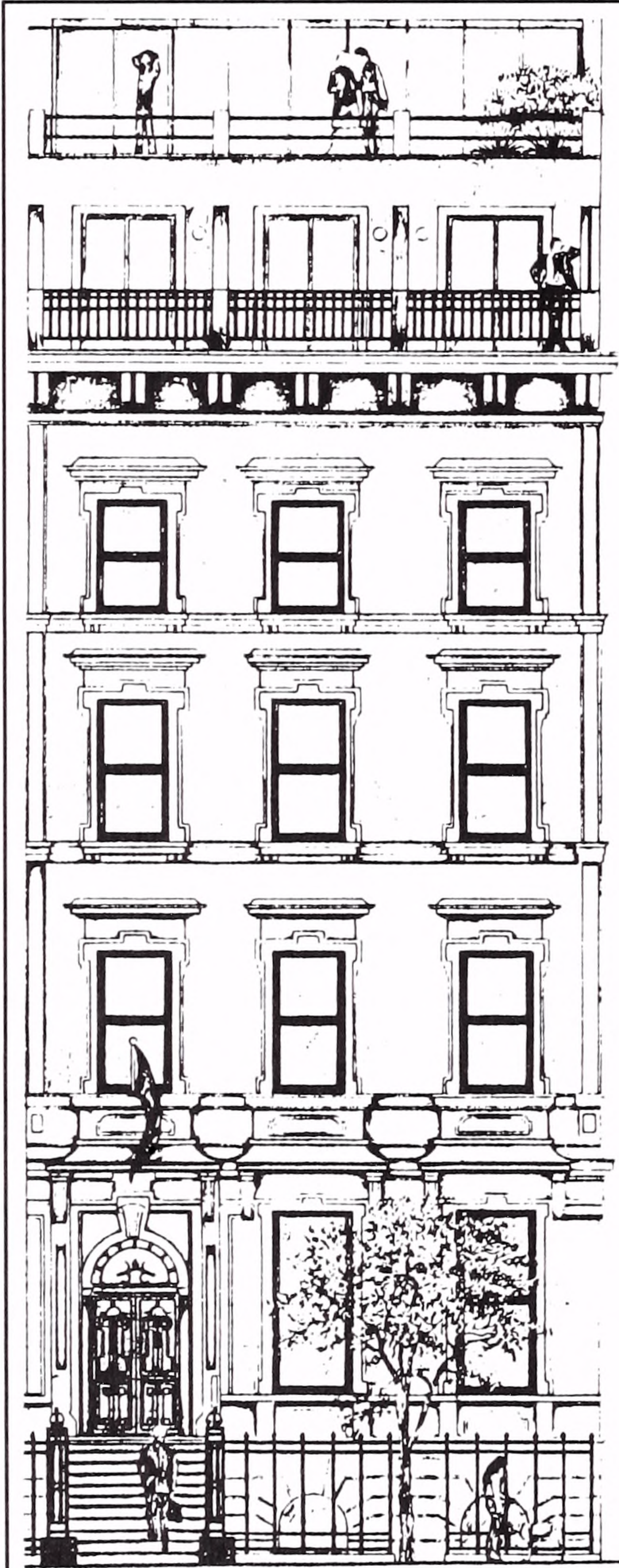
- jobs selected from full-time job books are listed in biweekly newsletter
- jobs listed are primarily for NYC vicinity; use them in order to relocate or to stimulate your thinking about similar job opportunities in your area
- send us ten self-addressed, stamped business envelopes to receive the newsletter

## Alumnae Resources/ CONTACT File:

- we will send you a list of NYC alumnae willing to be contacted for information interviews
- limited lists of alumnae in other areas are available

We want to remind you that our office is always available to you as an alumna and that we are ready to provide whatever resources we can as you contemplate the changing demands of the workplace.

**Jane Celwyn, Director    Elayne Garrett, Associate Director**  
**11 Milbank    (212) 854-2033**



## THE BARNARD COLLEGE CLUB OF NEW YORK

is a place . . .

- to meet for lunch, drinks or dinner with friends or business acquaintances
- to meet other college alumni
- to attend club activities including lectures and discussion groups on current and cultural events
- to hold private meetings or parties
- to stay overnight while visiting New York
- to relax when running around New York has worn you out!
- to earn reciprocal privileges at other fine clubs around the world

The Barnard Club is conveniently located just three blocks from Grand Central Station on 39th Street, between Madison and Park Avenues.

New York resident and out-of-state memberships are available. Please call Anne Bonacum, 212-697-5300, for more information or write for a brochure:

**THE BARNARD COLLEGE CLUB**  
at the Williams Club  
24 East 39th Street  
New York, NY 10016



## Associate Alumnae of Barnard College

## Official Ballot

The following slate of candidates for AABC office is offered for your consideration. No independent petitions have been received. Background information about the candidates appeared in the Winter 1991 issue of *Barnard Alumnae*. Please indicate your choice by marking x in the box at the left of each name for which you wish to vote. Ballots must be postmarked no later than May 3.

### Candidates for Nominating Committee—please vote for three

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gwendolyn Blaylock '76 | <input type="checkbox"/> Yvette Nora '88       | <input type="checkbox"/> Maida Chicon '73             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teri Sivilli '81       | <input type="checkbox"/> Maureen Killackey '74 | <input type="checkbox"/> Arleen Hurwitz Zuckerman '67 |

### Candidates for Board of Directors—please vote for one candidate for each office

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <i>Alumnae Trustee</i>                               | <i>Chair, Council Committee</i>             | <i>Chair, Careers Committee</i>             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diana Touliatou Vagelos '55 | <input type="checkbox"/> Paula Franzese '80 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ilene P. Karpf '73 |

#### *Director at Large*

- Janis Hardiman Robinson '82

#### *Chair, Communications Committee*

- Stephani Cook '66

#### *Chair, Student Affairs Committee*

- Emily Gaylord Martinez '78

#### *Chair, Regional Networks Committee*

- Myrna Fishman Fawcett '70

**Nominating Committee 1990-91:** Marilyn Umlas Wachtel\*'61, Chair, Jane Tobey Momo '73\*, Jane Allen Shikoh '47\*, Phyllis Margulies Gilman '40, Marisa Macina Hagan '51, Barbara Silver Horowitz '55, Dolores Johnson Henderson '57, Bette Kerr '62, Eileen McCorry '70. (\*indicates committee members whose term expires this year)



**Barnard College  
Office of Alumnae Affairs  
3009 Broadway  
New York, NY 10027-6598**





**GOOD GRIEF!**

**AM I A LYBUNT?**



**LYBUNT**\: 'lie bunt\ n: A generous soul who made a gift to Barnard's Annual Fund **Last Year But Unfortunately Not This**; related to **PYBUNT** ('pie bunt\ n: **Past Years But Unfortunately...**)

Unfortunately, it's easy to become a LYBUNT. Weeks and months slip by, and we forget whether we made our last gift to Barnard *before* or *after* the end of the fiscal year.

Our records show that if you are a LYBUNT you are not alone — although the amount in dollars received by the 1990-91 Annual Fund is up slightly, the percentage of participation is down. So, please, check your records. Or give us a call — (212) 854-2001 — and we'll check ours.

Fortunately, it's easy to stop being a LYBUNT or — even worse, a PYBUNT — by becoming a DONOR and giving to the 1990-91 Annual Fund by June 30, 1991.

With consistent, *annual* alumnae support, we will send a powerful message to corporations and foundations that Barnard is worth giving to, and that we believe in Barnard and what she stands for.

**Barnard Annual Giving... This Year... Every Year**

***Thank you!***

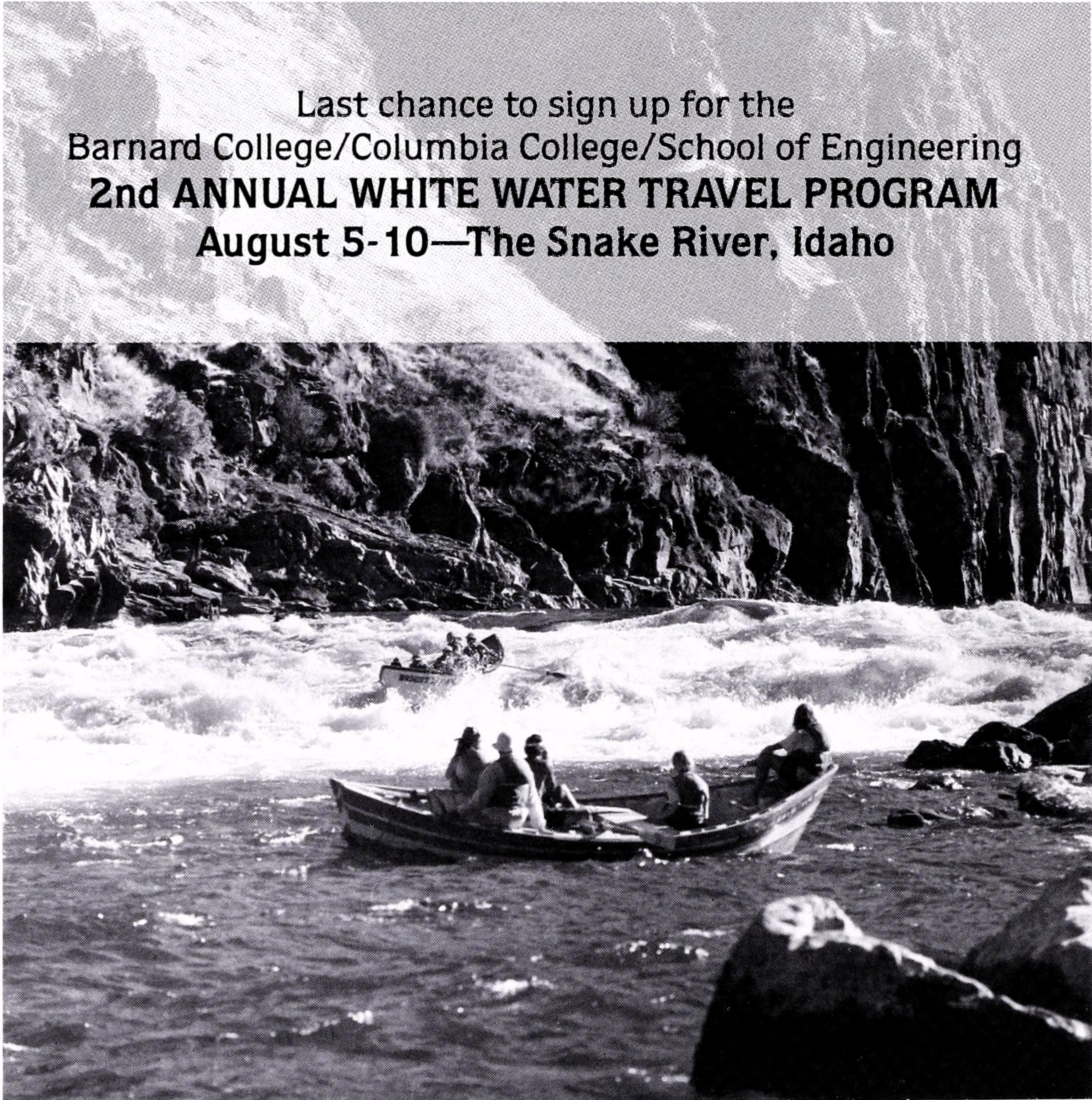


# Alumnae Reunion 1991

## Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18

- The College's premier event for alumnae has something for everyone:
- \* special receptions and dinners for Reunion classes (years ending in 1 and 6)
  - \* festive award luncheons, including a performance by composer/singer Suzanne Vega '81
  - \* career counseling and networking
  - \* workshop on financial management
  - \* faculty panel discussions of America in the 20th century
  - \* theater and dance sampler
  - \* overnight accommodations in Barnard dorms

Reservations for meals and rooms must be made in advance through the Office of Alumnae Affairs (212-854-2005).



Last chance to sign up for the  
Barnard College/Columbia College/School of Engineering  
**2nd ANNUAL WHITE WATER TRAVEL PROGRAM**  
August 5-10—The Snake River, Idaho

A great family trip: you can fish, study botany and geology, watch birds, play on sandy beaches. For the adventurous there is kayaking, and for those who want a quiet, lazy vacation, there is relaxation in the comfort of a dory while an experienced boatman rows you down the river and through the rapids.

For more information, call or write the Office of Alumnae Affairs,  
3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027 (212-854-2005).  
Reservations must be received by May 31, 1991.