"I believe everything I read, even if I just wrote it..."
- Josh Ledwell

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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS AT WORK

B+G is kept busy over the summer break and into the fall semester

Unless its the weekend or Labor Day, the sounds of construction have been a constant background noise here at Bard College. But now, with the start of the Fall 1994 semester, some of the dust is starting to settle on the numerous projects Buildings and Grounds has been working on throughout the past year.

"We're always busy," said Dick Griffiths, the Director of Buildings and Grounds, as he described in an interview Tuesday morning, the work that will be winding up over the next couple of weeks.

The addition to the Henderson Computer Center, a project which began last summer, has been completely constructed. Griffiths said that workers are currently "putting the last screws on the hinges and laying down the carpets." He confirmed that B+G will be finished with Henderson this week, and then computer technicians can begin working.

Griffiths also confirmed that the Procter Art Center renovation is just about completed. He said all that remains is the outside painting trim.

Furthermore, the installation of an entirely new water main feeding from main campus to north campus is nearing completion as well. Griffiths said this new main will increase water pressure and availability for Robbins, Manor and Cruger Village.

The new path leading from the Stevenson Gymnasium to Cruger Village along Annandale Road was finished being paved Tuesday morning. Griffiths stated that lights and three emergency telephones will be installed "as soon as the pieces come in."

In Cruger Village, the older dormitories are being renovated. Griffiths said that workers have been restoring rotten wood, replacing warped doors and rebuilding sagging constructions. The roofs and walls of these dorms are also receiving more insulation. Griffiths said this project should be completed in "a couple of weeks."

Once B+G workers are finished in Cruger Village, Griffiths said they will once again begin re-insulating and installing vinyl siding on the Ravine dorms. In addition, all of the Ravines will also receive ground source heat pumps to supplement their existing electric heater. According to Griffiths, the heat pumps should be installed within a week to ten days.

The largest remaining construction site on campus is the building of the F.W. Olin Language Center as an addition to the Olin Humanities Building. Funded by a grant from the Olin Foundation that Bard received last year, Griffiths said the addition is expected to be finished in six months' time.

Griffiths went on to say that work is also being done on a cottage behind the Procter Art Center that will ultimately house Admissions. The current building at the corner of Annandale and Blithewood roads is too small for Admission's needs, and Griffiths said the renovated building should be ready "in three
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News

Park at your own risk

Security revamps parking regulations over summer

When asked in an interview last week to explain the new vehicle parking regulations, Director of Safety and Security Kim Squillace replied: "Basically, the only thing I'm guaranteeing the student here at Bard is that you will have a parking space at your Resident Hall. That's the only designated space you have." In the past, parking on campus has been a controversial and regulated affair. Students, faculty and staff could park on any lot on campus, but they had a sticker from Safety and Security. Last spring Squillace responded to student complaints, resulting in the Olin/South Hall lot being officially designated for off-campus students only.

Now, as students and faculty bring their cars back to campus they have found they can only park in specific areas - and they risk being ticketed, or even towed, if they leave their vehicle anywhere else.

The Summer Survey

The new regulations were devised by Squillace after she completed a survey of the parking availability campus. She said that throughout the summer, Safety and Security counted the amount of spaces available in each parking lot on campus. They also calculated the number of cars brought to campus by students and College employees. She admitted that she was not surprised by the results. (For the actual statistics, turn to page 5)

"There isn't enough parking on main campus for every student, faculty and staff member," she said. "There just isn't enough for everyone."

"I had to come up with a plan whenever everyone would have space to park, whether you come here to teach, to work or whatever," Squillace explained. "Off-campus students and faculty and staff obviously have to drive here. The only thing solution was to change some of the regulations for students who do live on campus."

The new regulations restrict students from parking their cars on main campus between the hours of 7am and 6pm on weekdays. The main campus lots are identified as the Klince Commons Lot, the Main Campus Lot and the Olin/South Hall Lot. If cars are left in an inappropriate lot, the owner could face a $25 ticket or have the vehicle towed at the owner's expense. During the restricted hours, the Olin/South Hall Lot is exclusively for visitors and non-resident students who commute to classes. According to Squillace, the contractors working on the Olin construction are taking up another thirty-five spaces in that lot as well.

Squillace said that due to the environmental concern of wetlands, the Olin lot cannot be expanded beyond the thirty-five spaces already planned. However, additional space for parking behind the Stevenson Gym is planned.

Planning for the future

"Safety and Security couldn't make more spaces," Squillace continued. "My hope is that after we see what happens this year, I will have the necessary information to inform the College of needed changes should be made."

Squillace said that this information could potentially lead to the College to expanding or paving some of the lots on campus.

"I'm hoping students will go along with some of the restrictions we have so we can make positive changes down the line," she said.

She also warned that if parking problems persist, Bard may have to follow the lead of other colleges and prohibit first-year students, and maybe even sophomores, from bringing their cars to campus.

On North Campus, Safety and Security only gave out enough stickers for the spaces that were available at Manor, Robbins and Cruger Village. Once those ran out, students received stickers to park in the Manor Green Lot, a lighted field adjacent to Manor.

If someone doesn't want to walk or take the jitney, and they want to drive their car, the closest they can park is the Tewksbury Green Lot,“ she concluded.

Classifieds & personals

deKline — Bard's student-run coffee shop seeks employees for semester— Contact us at Box 967.

Local Entertainment Company NOW HIRING Talented Male Performers to do costume characters at parties. Will train. Must have car and be reliable and responsible. Excellent Pay. Most work on weekends. (914) 758-6094.

Mid-Hudson Dietetic Association will host a program on Eating Disorders on Tuesday, September 13 at Kingston Hospital. The cost of the program for non-members is $10. For more information on this event, or for questions on nutritional needs and issues, call MHDAs at (914) 431-6794.

$12,000 in prizes to be awarded by The National Library of Poetry this year. To enter contest send ONE original poem (20 lines or less) to the National Library of Poetry 11419 Cronridge Dr. P.O. Box 704-1971 Owings Mills, MD 21117. Deadline: September 30th. Entries must include author's name and address at top of page.

Congratulations to Dean Levine and his wife on the August birth of their baby daughter.

Happy Birthday yesterday Donna! Love, your not-so-secret admirer.

Compassionate, sensitive, softspoken female seeks companion who won't mind drying her tears (with sweet, tender kisses), will submit to spontaneous embraces, doesn't like to sleep alone, but will not try to control her life, or question her emotions. If capable of all this, respond to Offblue.

Pam, Amber, Kathy: Thank-you for your perception, sympathy and friendship. Without you, life at Bard would be dismal. I'm glad I've gotten to know you, and hope I can be there for all of you as your time at Bard progresses. Love Always, Jeana Christine.

Hey Rabbit, does this make you my bunny-bun? Lord, kill the pain. I need new shoes and old socks, your laces or mine? Like stripes for tigers.

Would you like to leave your message in this space? Classifieds and personals are FREE for Bardians! Just send your note to the Observer in campus mail...

Last Call For Budgets!

*All requests should contain a detailed breakdown of planned expenditures with explanation, as well as any relevant information on the student organization's activities in the past.

Budgets due to Treasurer

Gabor Bognar (N.Hoffman 104) no later than 5pm, TOMORROW

Thursday, September 8th

*All requests must be submitted in 7 type-written copies, with at least 5 names and signatures (dub head and treasurer must be marked). Representatives of student organizations will be expected to appear before the Planning Committee for interviews this Saturday, September 10th. (Sign up for interviews can be done outside the Kline Committee Room starting Thursday, September 8th.)

Questions can be directed to: Gabor Bognar (752-7276), Malia DuMont, Tourique Khan, Cree Nevin, Justice Platt or Millord Rosenborough.

Last Call For Budgets!
Greetings to all and welcome back for another exciting year of intellectual stimulation. I would like to acquaint you all with the faces of this year’s Central Committee and also explain the various functions of all the committees of our student government.

The Educational Policies Committee is headed this year by Sean O’Neill. He and his committee (which will consist of two elected representatives from each of the four divisions) address the academic concerns of the student body. In the past, the EPC has taken surveys about proposed curricular changes, and represented the student body to the administration on issues such as M.E.S. and the hiring of the new faculty. Other important functions of the EPC are to conduct evaluations of faculty members who are up for promotion or tenure and to facilitate the Registration process.

The chair of the Planning Committee has yet to be elected, but Life Committee is Gilber Afonso. The SJB (comprised of five students, the Dean of Students, and one other administrator) meets anytime a complaint is filed with it. A complaint may be filed by a student against another student, against a professor or against an administrator. The SJB hears the case and decides upon punishment once guilt is determined. Cases are kept in the strictest confidence and may be filed with the SJB through its Chair, or through the Dean of Student’s office.

This year’s chair of the Student Life Committee is Gilbert Alfonso. The six students who make up the Student Life Committee address all of the non-academic concerns of the student body. In the past this has included lobbying the administration for more parking space, getting student telephone directory published and increasing the number of off-campus van trips, among other things. Anyone with complaints or ideas concerning student life should contact the chair of the committee.

The four committee heads plus the Treasurer and the Secretary (that’s me) make up the Central Committee which oversees the functioning of the Student Association by scheduling and presiding over monthly Student Forums. (The Budget Forum will take place at the beginning of next week; watch for signs announcing the exact date and time.) The Central Committee meets weekly to discuss current issues of concern. The other very important members of the Student Association are the Student Representatives to the Board of Trustees. Laurie Curry and Dana Silverman are this year’s reps. Their job is to make sure that the Trustees know how we would like them to spend their money. The success of last year’s reps in getting the Trustees to commit to financing a new Student Center underscores the influence that the representatives can exert.

However, the most important member of the Bard College Student Association is...you! Only by attending Forums and being an active participant in student affairs can you make student government work. We can fulfill our duties as your elected officials only if you let us know what your concerns are. Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have questions or ideas about student government.

Planning Committee Chair Statements of Purpose

Jeffrey Rhyne

I would like to welcome everyone old and new back to Bard for Fall ’94. As usual at the beginning of each semester, the task of creating and ratifying a budget for student club activities remains before us all and I’m taking of your time to solicit it. This year, for me as the Planning Committee Chair.

Some of you may be asking what is the Planning Committee and why should I care about who chairs it? Quite simply if you or any of your friends care to start a club or join a pre-existing club to promote different sectors of student interest you should be interested in voting for the right person for this position. The Planning Committee is the arm of the Student Government who fights the EPC (the Executive Vice President of the school for the monies generated by our student activities fees) so that we may use them to form clubs, get equipment sponsor functions, show movies etc... delays and problems which inevitably pop-up each semester. For example last year during my stint as Chair of the Planning Committee, my committee inherited a debt of some 17,000 dollars due to a combination of an error in bookkeeping by the treasurer from 2 years ago and overspending by some clubs. We were faced with a huge debt to the school administration and not only did we manage to pay off the entire balance in 1 semester instead of the year which we had planned on doing we got the overwhelming support of the student body in the form of passing an unmodified student budget. In short, a vote for me is a vote for experience, integrity, and security that you the student will always be involved in how our monies are spent.

Thanks For Your Support

Jeff Rhyne

Luis Alcazar-Roman

My name is Luis Alcazar-Roman and I am a junior biology major. I would like to run for the position of Chair of the Planning Committee because I feel that such an important body of the Student Government should be presided over by an experienced student. As Chair of the Planning Committee I will make sure that budget proposals are treated with fairness and seriousness as well as ensuring that the laundry and emergency funds are properly used. This would include proper and timely calls for budgets and fair processing of emergency and laundry fund requests.

Luis Alcazar-Roman
Waldorf saw many, many movies this summer. Each movie had its host of insidious previews. Jurassic Park actually began with a preview of the Flintstones—just its catchy theme song and a bouncing ball now assimilated by the Big 'C's2's. Just to make the analogy clear, The Mask had a preview for Blankman while Natural Born Killers had a preview for both Star Trek: Generations and the Anne Rice movie Interview with the Vampire which managed to pull in Christian Slater as well as Tom Cruise. My only consolation is that I saw The Mask as a matinee.

Natural Born Killers, as if you didn't already know, is Oliver Stone's new movie starring a very large Woody Harrelson (Micky) and the variously hairstyled Juliette Lewis (Malory). Fast paced and full of blood, noise, and pain, the movie could stand apart as a sublime music video. Most scenes are shot from multiple points of view but the same camera angle. In fact, many shelves are from the point of view of the camera, distorting the line between the audience and the film. Just imagine a normal shot of someone walking towards you who is discussing the afternoon he has just taken. Now morph his face, just his face, randomly. Rotate the scene through colored filters and negative film. Finally, just randomly present the characters-dead and with multiple gunshot wounds for about a nanosecond every minute or so, just for the subliminal effect. Tie it all together, as subliminal music video.

Two hours of this. I saw that the person who deserves the most credit for this movie is the poor shuck who had to splice it all together, seamlessly. The film begins with a simple café massacre, and ends with some remarkably directed mayhem as a prison riots simultaneous to our two-hero's escape. In between lies Woody philosophizing while pissing on the side of the road. Juliette's life portrayed as a television sitcom, a real lot of snakes one night in the desert, and possibly the best line of the movie. On a bridge, Micky and Malory decide to just be married. Micky puts the ring on her finger and, "By the power vested in me as God of my own universe..." Subversive existentialism rarely screams this loud, but Natural Born Killers takes it to it's ultimate end if it were to be removed from moral grounding.

In a film about rampaging mass murderers, one fact becomes horrifying—a psychoanalyst in a framed talk show explains that Micky and Malory know the difference between right and wrong. They just don't care. The movie ends with the couple in a van with a whole bunch of rugs on an open stretch of highway. These two ARE normal in a society of sitcoms and talk shows. They just become stars for a moment and can then return to a comfortable and anonymous life. These two responsible for the mayhems of over fifty people, before the prison breaks out/riot, could be your next door neighbors or yourself.

Now, this is not just suburban paranoia of someone else's dark secrets, the movie posits that sociopathic behavior is somewhat normal, that shooting a desk clerk, or a prostitute, or a police officer for no reason at all in society today is perfectly understandable and cathartic. Throughout the movie this idea is somewhat distorted, but you see the ethics of the killers but when you find a theatre full of people cheering and laughing throughout systematic executions of the guards in the prison riots; weird sorts of adrenaline rushes and a desire to tear your seat out of the ground and bash your neighbor over the head with it while knowing full well that the rest of the theatre would probably follow suit—you know the movie's found a nerve. It's taken a needle, jammed it into that nerve and hooked it up to 1.2 gigawatts of cable TV. Menendez trials, America's Most Wanted, Geraldo, Oprah, Nancy & Tonya, OJ Mtv, Rodney King.

It's like CNN on crack. I'm not very happy with myself for enjoying this film.

As the movie progresses we see that what we have is what hopes to be a portrait of modern society, modern life, and (sorry David) even modern love. What is disturbing is that despite all of it's cartoon trappings, it feels real. Why does Micky kill? All animals kill. Micky is just more honest about it. One gets a feeling similar to what the movie Falling Down tried to give us, the feeling that things have gotten too crazy for sanity to make sense anymore. The main difference between Falling Down and Natural Born Killers is that Michael Douglas is an older man whose world has slowly gone insane around him, while Mickey and Malory are born from MTV's maw. They don't have the memory of a time of sanity to confuse them.

Natural Born Killers isn't a title which just refers to Micky and Malory. Our loving couple are not the biggest ghosts in the movie by a long shot. Malory's family, for instance are far more evil. The police which they come in contact with are at least as amorally as Micky and Malory, if not more. Even the young people interviewed on mock TV about Micky and Malory are less sympathetic, they get off on hearing about mass-murder. In fact it may be important to realize that the only difference sometimes between Micky and Malory and their enemies, what makes us sympathize with them and actually allow Oliver Stone to cast them as heroes is that they are in love. Mickey talks about how when he and Malory are out on the road (or their murderer sprees) he has sometimes pure love for his partner.
As a recent college graduate your situation is akin to that of a veteran of a war. Whereas soldiers are trained to kill, leading to problems upon reintegrating into peacetime society (like Rambo in First Blood), you are an intellectual Green Beret, who has been trained to outthink, outread, and overanalyze in every situation.

You deserve to be congratulated. You've completed a successful four-year campaign against secondary education immediately following a sixteen-year war against compulsory schooling. Your intellectual sensibilities are honed like a razor and your innate quickness with blood in the water. You've adapted and willingly exchanged your identity to be taken seriously.

Now, the system to which you dedicated your life and soul and put your mind on the line has rejected you. You have your diploma, which along with $395 will get you an extra value meal at McDonald's while you fill out the application. Don't look to your college to help; they only care about young, fresh recruits (Why do you think they call them freshmen?). Except for the donations which you as an alum will be expected to give, you might as well be dead to that institution which made you what you are: a cold, calculated thinking machine.

At this point I should mention that this only applies to liberal Arts majors. You natural science majors can gather jobs like so many crows. You'll spend the rest of your lives feeding experimental drugs to helpless lab animals instead of doing something useful like curing the common hangover. We liberal arts majors are the useless veterans of the Education Wars that have been cruelly cast aside by an uncaring system to beg on the streets with hand-lettered signs saying “Liberal Arts Major: Will Read for Food.”

But there are alternatives. I recently talked with someone who graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in history who got a job in a library. It is not as bad as you think, unless you have student loans, in which case it is worse than you think.

Recently the bodies of five student loan defaulters washed up on the Jersey Shore and were incorporated into a sandcastle by youngsters from Camden. They were the lucky ones. At least they didn't have to endure a death in their earthly shell and are actually improving the world by pushing daisies through the topsoil.

However, there are still ways to make money without earning it. Try some of the following career choices.

Sponging off your parents: They brought you into this world, pay them back by being an eternal drug on them through their golden years.

Start your own business: Lit majors could open a book store. Philosophy majors could open an olive grove. History majors could raise an army and conquer Gaul, all you get for your troubles is escargot and Euro-Disney. Secondly, a friend of mine opened a philosophy store and lost all his money when he held a sale on existentialism and no one cared.

Prostitution: Pawns your sense of shame and personal dignity and start making what was once a hobby in college into a full fledged small business.

Organized crime: Another advantage. Of $25.00 a pint. Feel free to donate as often as you can stand up. Wispmakers will harvest that crop with a razor and forever head which you spent your college years cultivating. Finally, you could donate your body to medical experiments. Sure, you may have to put up with uncontrollable seizures for the rest of your life, but you may also discover the next LSD, so the risks even out.

Soldier for Hire: You've already lost your will to live in this dismal world of hurt, it's time to make that work for you. Leave the Peace Corps to sappy, flaky and compassionate Political Science majors; see the third world through the sights of a cheap assault rifle. Most generals plotting against their duly elected president will train you on the job. Besides, you already look like Banana Republic clothing.


You stand a chance of escaping -- the summer will slink off like a bad dog.

Aries (March 21-April 19): 103 is usually open though, but Philosophy classes fill up quickly.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): The next week you may prefer to relax -- try getting shut out of classes isn't so bad.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): A saucy little dish will lay eyes on you. Hopefully, this won't be your dinner.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Getting shut out of classes isn't so bad. Try 103 is usually open though, but Philosophy classes fill up quickly.

Leo (July 23-August 22): Financially, it is a good time to think about what you can hold onto the money you've already earned.

Virgo (August 23-September 22): Don't lose that loving feeling! Now that you're in college you should try to go beyond the first base. Good luck!

Libra (September 23-October 22): Don't lie; your shampoo get into your eyes. If you feel lonely, try to get laid. If you fail, go to bed alone.

Scorpio (October 23-November 21): Why do you act as though you have a bee in your bonnet? A stung friend may retaliate.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21): You should be glad that L&T is over. Free writes are certainly old at this point. Get ready for REAL Bard.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19): Avoid poetry readings. You should try not to read too much into the words of your peers.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18): Try not to whine about your schedule. (Ancient Greek isn't that bad) Ask a Peer Counselor for advice.

Pisces (February 19-March 20): Drink plenty of tea. Go to Dolline and play Arkanoid and eat some french fries. Finally, show up to class and speak up to class.

Libra (September 23-October 22): This is now time to consider the various ways that you can use veggies. Try eggplant.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): For the next week you may prefer to relax -- the summer will slink off like a bad dog.

Leo (July 23-August 22): Financially, it is a good week, provided that you can hold onto the money you've already earned.
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Another View

Important people: Who they are

President Leon Botstein

The President of Bard since 1975, Leon Botstein is notorious for his ability to raise money for the college. He is also an accomplished speaker and conductor. He once described his role as "taking responsibility for the operation of the college." He sees himself as a leader and demonstrator, as the times, a positive and diplomatic attitude.

President Botstein has also been known to teach an occasional class or two, and believes that "education is the coming together of texts, people, and ideas." He also makes frequent visits to dormitories and common dining areas of Kline, as well as hosting monthly "tea talks" which encourage students to come meet him and discuss anything of interest or concern to them.

Vice President Dimitri Papadimitriou

The Vice President of Bard since 1977, Dimitri Papadimitriou's duties have been centered around distributing the college's funds to all the various departments. To a large degree, he oversees the college budget, the college budget, and all requests for funds for building projects, hiring of new faculty, etc. must go through his office.

Vice President Papadimitriou is also the Executive Director of the Bard College Center—a campus faction responsible for developing educational and scholarly programs, enriching the undergraduate experience, and promoting interest in the liberal arts. In addition to this, he is also a prominent and active member of the Jerome Levy Economics Institute located on Bard Campus.

Dean of Housing Gladys Watson

The Dean of Housing since 1990, Gladys Watson has perhaps the most important and most stressful job of all the Deans. It is her responsibility to not only see that every student is housed (whether in on or off campus) but also to help students deal with any problems that may occur amongst roommates. This may involve anything from arranging a room change to enrolling housing privileges from extremely deviant members of the community.

Dean Watson also aids the Dean of Students whenever possible, as well as coordinating and supervising all peer counselors, so that residential life can become comfortable for all students, and so that problem areas are improved. Questions regarding anything to do with room accommodation, housing, etc. are addressed by Dean Watson.

Dean of the College Stuart Levine

The Dean of the College since 1964, Stuart Levine is responsible for making social and academic decisions concerning the campus in coordination with the Dean of Students. He is also a permanent member of the Faculty Executive Committee (chair of the college with individual students' academic status), the Faculty Senate, the Library and Bookstore Committee, and the Faculty Evaluation Committee.

In addition to this, Dean Levine has been doing "a lot of good stuff," including interviewing applicants for new teaching positions, overseeing plans for construction on Olin, and in recent years teaching a Freshman Seminar. His only complaint is that he's "not getting out of his office as much as I like."

Associate Dean of 1st Year Students Jefferson Huang

Previously the Career Development Counselor, Jefferson Huang became the director of First Year Students as of last semester. His new job gives him many responsibilities concerning the freshman class, including the arrangement of orientation activities. As part of this, Associate Dean Huang sponsors weekly substance free events ranging from human bowling to visits by comedians and musical performers that any Bard student may attend free of charge.

Associate Dean Huang has also placed in charge of registration for social events. Any club, or member of the community, that wishes to host a party (or other such event) must pick up a registration form in his office as well as having his okay on the place, date, time, and nature of the event. He can most often be found in the office above security.

Director of Career Development Maureen Forrestal

While remaining one of the counselors at Health and Counseling Services, Maureen Forrestal has taken over Jefferson Huang's old job in the career development office (located in the basement of South Hoffman). It is here that Forrestal offers advice and assistance to students either looking for internships, campus employment opportunities, graduate school possibilities, or post-graduation career options.

Even if she is not in, her office is usually open and she is full of numerous catalogs full of employment information for a great many fields. Forrestal's input and assistance, however, is quite valuable as she is also a professional who can aid in things such as brushing up a resume, or knowing how and when to go about applying to internships and graduate schools.

Director of Security Kim Squillace

Kim Squillace's job is to oversee all processes of safety and security on the campus. Her goal is to make sure that all members of the community are protected, as much as possible, from theft, public disorder, etc. It is also her goal to see that efforts to maintain campus safety and security are done in the easiest and most efficient way possible for all concerned.

Kim Squillace is open to any student dropping by (between 9 and 5 on weekdays) to ask questions or voice concerns regarding any security policy. This includes vehicle registration, parking procedures, drug and alcohol regulations, etc. It is her job to see that rules are obeyed and punishments for disobeying the rules are implemented if necessary. This can come in the form of fines, or in extreme cases, the removal of persons from campus.
and what they can do for you

**Resident Director Richard Kelley**

Richard Kelley is one of two recently hired Resident Directors meant to assist in the management of dormitories as well as providing support for their residents. His position can be regarded as somewhere between peer and professor with a special interest in Sociology. He has recently been entrusted with the responsibility of providing academic orientation for students. This includes advising and assisting students with academic concerns as well as creating and maintaining support services.

Richard Kelley will also be working on a program for leadership development. This task will involve creating a leadership program for students who are already in such positions or want to pursue such positions. The program will consist of a variety of workshops and currently has the tentative title of "leadership development." He hopes to help students learn to 'manage' themselves.

**Associate Dean of Academic Services Amy Ansell**

Amy Ansell is one of Bard's Social Studies professors with a special interest in Sociology. She has recently been entrusted with the responsibility of providing academic orientation for students. This includes advising and assisting students with academic concerns as well as creating and maintaining support services.

"Day by day, it will be Associate Dean Ansell's job (as well as the other Associate Dean of Academic Services - Ethan Bloch) to get to know the student body and help them, in whatever way possible, achieve a comfortable feeling in regards to Bard academics. This support may come in the form of suggesting a particular class to a particular student, or guiding a student who wishes to change advisors."

**Associate Dean of Academic Services Ethan Bloch**

Ethan Bloch is one of Bard's Natural Sciences and Mathematics professors specializing in mathematics (specifically, geometric topology). He has recently been entrusted along with Amy Ansell to guide students along the path to a comfortable state with Bard academics. His responsibilities include assisting and advising students as well as hosting and promoting academic orientation programs.

With Amy Ansell, Associate Dean Bloch will attempt to get to know the student body better and aid as many students as possible with their academic problems and concerns. He will also, when necessary, help students choose and acquire a new advisor if their assigned one is not meeting their needs.

**Assistant Dean Donna Ford**

Donna Ford is Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services as well as the Director of Bard's Higher Education Opportunity Program (H.E.O.P). It is her responsibility to help provide services for students who qualify for the H.E.O.P. scholarship. This includes interviewing applicants, counseling H.E.O.P. students, organizing the summer orientation program for these students, assisting in the acquiring of financial aid for these students, and setting up tutoring sessions for students who may be in need of such remedial services.

To the students covered by the H.E.O.P. scholarship, Assistant Dean Ford is like saving a mom away from home. She is a good listener as well as a powerful influence when students are in need of an academic push, or motivation to do well in classes.

**Director of the Bard Libraries Jeffrey Katz**

Jeffrey Katz's responsibilities are numerous. He oversees the complete functioning of the Bard Libraries. This includes everything from seeing that the libraries contain adequate numbers of useful resources on all subjects taught at this school (as well as items of other interests) to implementing various procedures and programs that will make the libraries a smoothly running facility as well as a comfortable and convenient place in which community members can study and do research.

Jeffrey Katz sees the library as "a place of exchange and commerce, kind of like a busy port city." He sees his job's primary goal to be "setting a mission for the library that is consistent with the mission of the college." His motto is from Goethe: "No hurry, no rest."

**Financial Aid Director Gerald Kelly**

Gerald Kelly, as director of the financial aid office, is responsible for assisting every student eligible for (and in need of) financial aid. His helpfulness comes in the form of finding appropriate scholarships and funding for every applicant. His knowledge of existing grants, loans, scholarships, and work programs is nearly endless.

It is his responsibility to run the financial office in such an efficient manner that any student, at any time, can find out any type of information regarding financial aid. This includes everything from what aid is already receivable to how a student can go about attempting to acquire more financial aid. He is unbiased and fair, as his position obviously requires. He is, however, also a very busy man and an appointment with him should be made in advance if possible.

**Plant Director Richard Griffiths**

Richard Griffith currently oversees maintenance on all campus buildings including dormitories as well as policies regarding room keys, shipping and receiving, and use of physical plant equipment (including vans used for on and off-campus transportation). Although he is rarely seen by students, he plays an essential role in the efficient production of both the physical plant and Buildings and Grounds.

Griffiths is also the source of the most reliable information regarding major repairs and construction taking place on campus. He works, in coordination with the Director of Buildings and Grounds (Chuck Simmons), to make sure that heating, lighting, plumbing, etc., are kept in working order. For a brief time, Griffith served as an interim director of Security.
More Important People

Director of Athletics/Recreation Joel Thomson

Joel Thomson came to Bard in 1981 and has been the controlling force of Bard athletics for fourteen years. It is his responsibility to see that the recreation and athletic department provides a program that offers each student a chance for positive and healthy physical activity.

He works, in coordination with Kris Hall, to establish and schedule each semester a variety of competitive and intramural sports. He is also responsible for seeing to the smooth operation of the Stevenson Gymnasium. Perhaps the most valuable aspect of Joel Thomson’s presence on campus is his ability to encourage students to participate in events whether it be for fun or physical reward.

Director of Athletics/Recreation Joel Thomson

Assistant Director of Athletics Kris Hall

Kris Hall came to Bard in January of 1991 and has been a positive influence not only on the athletic teams she has coached, but on the outlook of Bard athletics and recreation in general. She feels the most important parts of her job are “educating people about the programs and facilities (that the gymnasium has to offer)” and participating in all aspects of offerings in the department.

Kris Hall works, in coordination with Joel Thomson, to see that there is always a well-rounded and interesting program of fun and competitive sports on campus. Her favorite part of the job is the personal reward she gets from seeing enthusiastic people involved in events.

Assistant Director of Athletics Kris Hall

Chaplain Bruce Chilton

The Reverend Dr. Bruce Chilton is a prominent and prestigious member of the Bard community. He is an outstanding religious presence as well as the Chaplain of the college. He has won numerous fellowships and awards throughout his career, and is nearly famous for his work in his field.

As Chaplain, Bruce Chilton makes himself available for any and all questions students may have regarding their faith, their religion (or other religions) or the religious department at Bard. He also performs religious services at the Church of St. John the Evangelist on River Rd. His office is located on the second floor of Hepson. To speak with him, find out his office hours, call Extension 364.

Chaplain Bruce Chilton

Chaplain to Jewish Students Jonathan Kligler

Rabbi Jonathan Kligler, as Chaplain to Jewish Students, is committed to not only offering spiritual and academic guidance for Jewish students, but to helping any student who seeks his advice. He is more than capable of answering students’ religious questions as well as aiding students in the process of discovering their own personal religious orientation.

Jonathan Kligler’s main responsibilities, as chaplain to Jewish Students, are to coordinate the work of the Jewish Students Organization, and to offer a program of worship, education and social contact amongst Jewish and non-Jewish alike. He also does service at the Chapel of Holy Innocents every Tuesday @ 7pm.

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Director of B.R.A.V.E. Joan Unger

Joan Unger is the director of B.R.A.V.E. – Bard Response to Rape and Associated Violence Education. According to the Bard Student Handbook, the program director of B.R.A.V.E. is available to provide nonjudgmental issue-oriented counseling, support and information regarding medical concerns, legal or college grievance options, including police involvement, as well as to answer questions about sexual assault/ha

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Bonnie Gilman, Manager of the Bookstore Stephen Van Denburgh

Stephen Van Denburgh is the manager of the Barnes & Noble Bookstore on campus. According to the Bard Student Handbook, the primary purpose of the College Bookstore is to serve the students and faculty of the college by making available books and supplies required for course work. Stephen Van Denburgh helps facilitate this goal by being ever ready and available in the bookstore to answer questions, order books and other materials, and see to it that shelves are stocked promptly in time for the start of each new semester (as well as kept stocked as each semester progresses).

Although, in the past concerned by “shrinkage” caused by theft, he has always remained friendly to students and open to suggestions for change.

Manager of the Bookstore Stephen Van Denburgh

Bonnie Gilman

Bonnie Gilman is responsible for the operation of the Henderson Computer Resource Center. This includes seeing that all the computers (and other equipment) in working order, making the computers accessible for the use of community members, obtaining new programs and resources as the need for such arises, and hiring employees who are friendly and have fitting knowledge of the operation of computers so as to assist students (and others) with the computers (and their programs) when necessary.

Bonnie Gilman has also played a large role in seeing that the addition to the computer center will accommodate the needs of the campus. Currently, her office is working towards establishing a campus-wide information network.

Director of Computer Resources Bonnie Gilman

International Student Advisor Christie Achebe

Christie Achebe is the International Student Advisor. She is responsible (according to the Bard Student Handbook) for assisting “international students in Orientation to the college.” This job includes the need to offer academic and social advice as well as creating policies that will be useful to foreign students.

Christie Achebe’s knowledge is extensive and ranges from information on immigration and naturalization policies to legal documents necessary for becoming a citizen of this country. She also serves as an informal advisor to the International Student Organization and a counselor for international students. Her goal is “to develop a close working relationship with various academic and non-academic services.”

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Features

More Important People

THE BARD OBSERVER
September 7, 1994

Sorry, photo unavailable at press time.

Elen Jotto became Registrar last year when her predecessor retired to act as historian for the Bard Libraries. Previous to this Ellen Jotto was Assistant to the Registrar. Her current duties include: keeping (on record) a record of each student's academic status and accomplishments; publishing each semester's counselor creating and distributing schedules to each student, keeping track of what classes each student is officially registered for, and providing information on how to drop/ add a course, withdraw from a course, etc.

Besides all this, Ellen Jotto is responsible for a great number of other academic duties including: keeping track of what classes each student is registered for, and the efficient running of the registrar's office.

All "Important People" Descriptions were composed by Editor-in-Chief Jeanas C. Breton

Director of Health Services: Mansha Davis
Mansha Davis, as Director of Health Services, is responsible for making sure that health care is available to all Bard students. In addition to being in charge of the functioning of Health Services on campus, she is also one of the nurses who sees students who need to visit the center. She is knowledgeable, approachable, and can offer support to students in need of a large range of health problems and issues.

Director of Student Counseling: Dorothy Crane
Dorothy Crane, as Director of Counseling Services, is responsible for making sure counseling services are available to all Bard Students who request them. She is also in charge of reviewing community resources for help and counseling both on and off campus.

Dean of Admissions: Karen Wilcox
As Dean of Admissions, Karen Wilcox is responsible for the running of the admissions office, processing applications (for admission into this institution), arranging tours for perspective students and their parents and interviewing students interested in attending Bard to see if they would be compatible with the type of atmosphere and success rate the college tries to generate, as well as directing numerous other duties.

Karen Wilcox is also the person who will later this semester canvass students to ask perspective students for an over-night stay on campus. If you are interested in benefiting a prospective student and showing them what campus life is like, you should talk to her.

The Hudson Valley is full of wonderful places to visit every year. There are, for example, several historical sites very near Bard. Among these are: Olana, Mills Mansion, Old Historic Place, and Washington's Headquarters.

Sights to See!

For more info and admission prices call (914) 338-2786.

Montgomery Place is located just down the road from Bard, past the Annandale triangle on Annandale Road. It takes anywhere from 5-15 minutes to walk there. As well as being the site of a magnificent mansion, Montgomery place is famous for its variety of fresh fruits that visitors can pick themselves. Fruit harvesting takes place as fruits come into season. Now, for example, begins the best time of the year for picking apples - you will not be disappointed with what Montgomery Place has to offer! The mansion grounds are open daily from 10am-5pm and Tours take place on every 45 minutes on Weekdays (except Tues.) beginning at 16:30 pm, and every 30 minutes on weekends. These hours run from April until October. For more detailed info on visiting the mansion call (914) 758-5461. For the orchard, call (914) 758-6338.

Washington's Headquarters are located at 84 Liberty Street in Newburgh (approx. an hour drive south of here) and is one of the most historic points to visit. Washington's Headquarters was a large home of George Washington during the Revolutionary War. The museum opened in 1910 to display the buildings many relics, and has been open periodically ever since. The site is currently open from April to October (Wed.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm) and November through March (Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm). For more info, and admission prices call (914) 562-1195.

The Hudson Valley has much more to offer than specific historical sites. There are many very quaint towns nearby deserving of visits. During your stay at Bard, you should be sure to check out different establishments in any (if not all) of the following areas:

- Kingston
- Woodstock
- Rhinecliff
- Red Hook
- Saugerties
- Rhinebeck
- Hudson
- Tivoli

Also, don't be timid about exploring the campus itself. There are many beautiful spots to relax as well as study.
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No more parking regulations

Dear Editor,

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As for other changes on campus, I'm rather upset about the new parking regulations. While it's pretty surprising to see that Ravine Road has been partially paved - as well as that path near Tewksbury which traditionally was a sea of mud. Annandale Road's recent pave job also is swell, although I guess we have Dutchess County to thank for that... Now all we need to pave is Manor Road (lawful), Campus Road (worse) and Cruger Lane (scary).

Besides, a student often has to carry a number of things to class: books, papers, etc. The concept that someone should have to walk so far to get to class is absurd. I think students should have more freedom to park where they may park their cars. This is especially true for students living on North Campus or in Feitler who have the longest walks (3/4 of a mile is no big deal on a sunny day, but in the rain and snow?).

In keeping with this lack of concern for the students, I have seen little evidence of reliable or efficient campus-wide transportation. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw a van labeled "Campus Shuttle" but no information was given to me when I registered my car. I mean, if Security can spend time writing and distributing a cryptic and unclear letter on parking regulations, they could at least do the same for alternatives to driving. Last semester, for example, I was told I would have to wait an hour or more. Sometimes, after patiently waiting this hour, I was told that no ride would be available for at least another 45 minutes (at that point I gave up). Even when I was ill for an extended period of time and could not walk even short distances because of a heart condition; I was denied on-campus transportation. Fortunately, I now have a car (and also am less ill). But I still refuse to walk through unpleasant/health-threatening weather when alternatives are not available. Why on earth would anyone wait two and a half hours for a ride when he or she can just drive?

Sincerely,
Pamela Chaplin

Roller-blading & river jumping

Dear Editor,

Having given up bungie-jumping with the ghost of former under-OFF Kingston-Rhinecliff bridge champions, may I suggest that roller-blading down the yellow CENTER LINE of County route 103 will bring a quick end to otherwise promising college careers? Try creating a wooden hickory snow-snake art object for the all-too-soon snowshoe season. It stands to REASON your faculty-student brains are made for better things than being bashed or on the bonnet of some visitor/staff dawdling Dodge CAR!

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BUDGET FORUM

Wed. Sept. 14th
8pm in Kline

Tentative agenda:
Election of 1 EPC seat in the Arts Division
Election of 1 SJB seat
Election of 2 seats on Health & Counseling Advisory Committee
Vote on proposed budget for clubs

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### Calendar

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**Club Meetings**


**Academic Lectures**

- **Distinguished Guest Lecture Series:**

- Informational meeting on responsible party planning. Join security and the D.O.S.O for guidelines for safe social events. Contact the Office of Student Affairs, 7:30p. If you don't attend, you won't be allowed to host parties this semester.


- Defensive Driving class: individual two session course, minimum 2 one hour sessions. Thursday's session is from 04 to 05p. Contact the physical plant for more info.

- Introductory Yoga: Eight session course a week, $250 for the whole course. City Hall 204. The fee for the whole course is $250. A more advanced course will start Sept. 15. All welcome.

**Transportation**

More transportation will be announced as it becomes available.

**Meeting all vans and buses behind Kline**

More transportation still to come, hang in there!

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**How to Publicize in the Bard Observer**

If you have an event you want publicized in the Observer:

1. Drop off the announcement at the Dean of Student's Office (112224). Please include your name and how to reach you.
2. Call the Calendar or the Observer Office at 754-0772.
3. Call ext. 454 to make reservations for your event in a committee room at Kline Commons. The Observer will then publicize your event in the next issue of the Calendar.