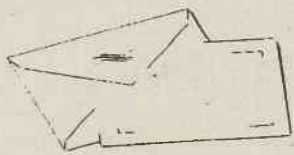
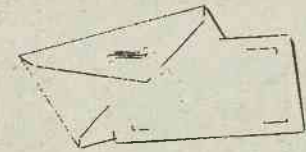


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# Banner Mailbag



## Belles being Belles

Dear Banner Readers,

I want to share a recent occurrence I had the privilege of observing.

While four Bennett Belles awaited the arrival of a train, they encountered a blind Caucasian male, who was also waiting at the train station. One of the students began talking with the stranger.

He later asked her if she would show him the men's room. The young woman escorted him to the restroom, and returned to her seat. After a period of time, another Belle worried that the blind man had been in the bathroom too long.

The Belles waited a little more and were glad to see the man come around the corner, and finally take his seat again. He appeared to be okay.

When the train arrived, another Belle assisted the man to

the train platform.

It is usual and routine for a Bennett Belle to be friendly, helpful, and courteous, and this display of sincere generosity and concern serves to confirm that fact.

I am certain that without assurances of compensation, such as credit hours and money, some folks would not care to give a helping hand.

I am sharing this occasion because I thought that the reading audience would like to know and to share experience the pride and admiration that I felt.

No one asked those Belles for help. They did not boast about what they did. They did not brag. They just "did the right thing." They acted as Phenomenal Belles.

Anonymous

## Belle learns about media ethics, student press rights

I and three other mass communications students attended the College Student Media Law and Ethics Workshop the Freedom Forum in Arlington, Va. Sept. 25.

Among the many interesting topics were "Real Life Ethics in a Scandalous World," "Freedom of Information," "Campus Crime," and "Reporter's Privilege /Access to Places." Students from various school newspaper staffs attended the workshop including University of Maryland College Park, Howard University, and St. Mary's College of Maryland.

A White House reporter, who was a speaker, talked about Clinton and Monica Lewinsky. He said that he chose to write about other news topics even when his colleagues kept

covering the scandal.

He said that the public deserved other news.

Throughout the workshop, the topic of censorship in colleges and universities (private and public) came up. We were encouraged to use our journalistic skills and rights as students and reporters to gain access to campus information.

We were told that we do have a right to certain information and we are protected by the First Amendment.

The Executive Director of the Student Press Law Center told us that censorship "is ridiculous on a college campus" and that "it [censorship] shortchanges students, inhibits free speech and makes the school look bad."

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