

## A Hidden Message in "Sex Week"

"Behind every dark cloud, there's a silver lining." So says an old cliché and one has to believe that this is true, especially in times of adversity and conflict of ideas.

One such "dark cloud" hovered over the Bennett campus under the alias of "Sex Week." The series of programs began with a lecture entitled, "Is Sex Funny?" and ended with a program entitled, "How to Stop a Rapist."

To make a story short, the presentations lacked a "tactful" approach to a mixed audience and many left somewhat red-faced. The programs did get a message across to the audience.

It was noted that a local newspaper account of one of the programs painted a very "distasteful" picture. The person making the statement said an image of the evening based on the description by the newspaper, gave a negative communication to the reader.

The week concluded and Belles returned to their classes with different perspectives on life.

You might have asked yourself (if you attended the programs), "Did they serve any purpose?" These programs dramatically brought to the surface that there is a "real world" around us and not all of it is pretty or nice, but it does exist.

Everything was not right about the presentations, nor was it all wrong, but it was **real**. And as mature, assertive adults, we must be able to distinguish between the two, face it and deal with it.

A poster seen recently on the wall of an office says simply, "We live by believing something, not by debating many things."

We must learn to accept things not as they appear to be, but, for what they can become. In this way, we may live longer and be much happier.

## LSAT, GRE, NTE Scheduled in the Area

by Sharon L. Sanders

This year the Law School Aptitude Test (LSAT) will be given at Bennett College on Saturday, Oct. 8. Students who missed the deadline for registration may walk-in for a \$10.00 fee if they have the form completed.

The LSAT will be given at Winston-Salem State University on the following dates: Dec. 3, and Feb. 4, Apr. 15, and July 15, 1978. From now on it will be the student's responsibility to secure the LSAT application from the Educational Testing Center, not Bennett's Counseling Center.

There are plenty of Graduate Record Examination applications available at the counseling center. The GRE will be given Oct. 15 at UNC-G.

There are not any applications available at the counseling center for the National Teacher Examinations but, students may obtain one by writing the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, N. J., 08540. Below is the schedule of registration closing dates and examination dates:

**Registration Closing Dates**  
Oct. 20, 1977, Jan. 26, 1978, June 22, 1978  
**Examination Dates**  
Nov. 12, 1977, Feb. 18, 1978, July 22, 1978



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

One of the most forgotten of the Bennett traditions are the "BENNETT B'S," a code of living that will never grow old. Included among those beneficial ideals are the **Friendly B's**:

**Be sincere in forming friendships with others**

**Be tolerant of the differences which exist in people**

**Be reserved in your friendship with the opposite**

The most forgotten of these appears to be the idea of tolerance. One would think as black people, we would be among the first to be tolerant of differences in others. But we are not.

As a student of the Bennett community, you are a member of an elite group of persons whose activities comprise a shared common life—in the residence halls, dining room and classrooms. In such a community individuals with varying temperaments, values and lifestyles come into contact with each other. Unfortunately, due to a lack of tolerance, objectivity and maturity, such interaction sometimes results in misunderstandings, resentment and confusion.

We are about to enter the 21st century where different lifestyles will be most marked. And often it will be repulsive to you to know that some people have different values than those you possess. Malicious gossip, intimidation and stereotyping will do more harm than objective reasoning. It is vital to the morale of the campus that each student arrive in her own thinking at the recognition of the dignity of each student, faculty and staff member. Group living is always more a matter of attitude of mind.

Successful living away from the security of home depends on the growth of maturity in the social perspective of all involved. If you learn while at Bennett the great lesson of tolerance you will have reached new intellectual and social heights. You will have learned humility and compassion. Don't strain yourself with who is gay or who is not. There are more important things for you to consider.

Concerned

## For Belles Only

by Ramona Rousseau

This is the first "For Belles Only" column ever in the history of the Bennett Banner. I would like to advise you to check it out every issue and be informed of the fashions and beauty guides for this year.

The outline for the column in 1977 through 1978 will be as follows:

Health from Head to Toe  
Hair, Skin and Body Health  
Fashions from Head to Toe

There will be a new regime for each season starting with fall and continuing through the month of May.

So keep your eyes open for each issue of the Bennett Banner and be sure to focus on the "For Belles Only" column.

Till next issue keep this in mind:

"You are beautiful because of what you are inside."

## From Freshman to Senior All Agree Sex Isn't Funny to Bennett Belles

by Yolanda M. White

Many opinions surfaced after **Chris Miller**, a writer for "National Lampoon," visited Bennett College to present "Is Sex Funny: a Program on the Parody and Satire Used in Sexual Literature."

On Sept. 12, Bennett students and faculty members assembled in the Pfeiffer Science assembly hall for this A.C.E.S. program.

After Miller told a story about a black Archie Bunker family more than half of the audience dismissed themselves. Students

continued to leave during the rest of this presentation.

After the program many opinions were expressed. A freshman said "The seminar was strictly for those who could tolerate such openness about sex." A sophomore stated that it was a put-down as far as Bennett was concerned and that it was very unbeneficial.

A senior and junior shared the same opinion that the program was distastefully misplaced considering Bennett's theme for the year is "A Touch of Class."

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## "Belle" Yearbook Staff's First Disco Raises \$271 for More Color Pics

by S. Marie Brown  
The "Bennett Belle" yearbook

### School Counselors To Meet Here

by Jacqueline Roberts

High school guidance counselors will be on campus on Oct. 19 to discuss and consider the College Board programs.

The Fall 1977 College Board Workshops for North Carolina Secondary School Guidance Counselors will be held here at Bennett College in Henry Pfeiffer Science Hall. Mary M. Eady, director of Records and Admissions, will be hostess.

staff raised \$271 at its first disco Sept. 23, in the David D. Jones Student Union foyer.

The money raised will go towards improving the '78 edition of the yearbook. Improvements to be made include more color and candid pictures.

The yearbook staff has two more fund raising projects on their agenda that are still in the planning stages. These plans include a high school dance designed for high school students who would like to attend Fun Nite but are not allowed to and a winter ball, a formal affair scheduled for Friday, Feb. 3, 1978.

Proceeds from these events will also go toward improving the yearbook.