# Banner: Liberal arts—yes or no?

Bennett College is a liberal arts school and that is one in which academic disciplines, such as languages, history, philosophy and abstract science, provide information of general cultural concern, as distinguished from more narrowly practical training. In other words, Bennett wants to produce a well-rounded educated female.

It has come to the attention of the "Banner" staff that the whole liberal arts concept is disintegrating right in front of our eyes. After freshman and a few sophomore requirements, students do not have to take courses outside of their major and minor requirements.

Many faculty advisers do not encourage students to expand their horizons, and students do not take advantage of the opportunities. We realize that in a few cases there are problems such as time conflicts and full schedules, but what about those without these worries. What about the ISP student who basically designs her own class schedule?

History majors, take English courses; clothing majors, take business courses; biology majors, take psychology courses; English majors, take history courses; and ISP majors, invest some time in some of the courses you did not have to take as freshman requirements.

Expand your knowledge. Venture beyond your major and minor requirements. Adopt the liberal arts philosophy and graduate as a well-rounded individual.

## **News from Career Services Center**

The Career Services Center is now accepting applications for summer and fall 1979 cooperative education positions. Don't hesitate, come in and sign up today. If you are not familiar with co-op come in and get the scoop on where the jobs are. See Mrs. Thelma T. Miller, coordinator, located in the Student Union Building on the second floor.

Anyone interested in taking the civil service exam to qualify for a federal job, should come to the Career Services Center to register for the PACE exam. Apply between January 22, 1979 and February 22, 1979 and the test will be given on Saturdays between March 10-April 7, 1979.

#### PLACEMENT RECRUITING SCHEDULE

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January 30 Peace Corp Atlanta, G	os & Vista	9:00-4:00	All majors	
January 31, 1979				
IBM		9:00-4:00	Math, BSAD	
Atlanta, G	eorgia			
Merck & C	ompany	9:00-4:00	Biology, Chemistry	
Rahway, N	Vew Jersey			
Merrill Ly	nch	9:00-4:30	All majors	
New York				

MARGIE . I HEARD THAT YOU ARE A SPLENDID WRITER. WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A FEW COURSES IN COMPOSITION AND THE LIKE. BUT PROFESSOR , WRITING COURSES ARE NOT IN MY CURRICULUM. BUT BENNETT IS A LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE WHERE YOU CAN EXPLORE AN INFINITE NUMBER OF COURSES AND GRADUATE FEELING GOOD ABOUT IT. TRV IT ! O.K. I THINK I WILL TRY IT. IT'S THE LEAST I CAN DO!

NEXT SEMESTER WELL . MARGIE . HOW DID YOU DO IN THOSE WRITING COURSES? OH , JUST SPLENDID! NOT ONLY DID I GET AN "A" OUT OF THE COURSE . BUT I ALSO GOT AN "A" ON MY SCIENTIFIC THESIS. THAT'S NOT THE BEST NEWS ... ... A PRESTIGIOUS RESEARCH COMPANY GAVE ME AN INTERVIEW AND OFFERED ME A HIGH PAVING POSITION AND A JOURNALIST POSITION TO WRITE FOR A NATIONAL PERIODICAL. THE INTERVIEWER SAID TAT THOSE EXTA COURSES IMPRESSED HIM. EXTRA COURSES CAN REALLY BE AN ASSET

### For Belles Only

# Stay on top of new fashion ideas for spring

by Dotty Brown

What better way is there to start off the New Year than with new fashion ideas?

I have for you what "Cosmopolitan," "Mademoiselle,"

"Bazaar," "Essence," and "Vogue" have for other fashion-conscious women across the country—a '79 fashion forecast.

The fabrics — lots and lots of naturals. Cottons, silks, linens, you name them and they're in. How will you wear your easy to come by naturals? Easy and free-flowing is the fit you'll want.

Warm, low-keyed colors are good for now but with warm weather on its way you'll want to be dressed and waiting for the first flower to bloom to show off your bright, fresh colors too.

Guess what else you'll show off if you want to stay on top of the fashion world? Legs, as much of them as you dare to show. No, not mini-skirts again. Splits and slits any way

M. Alexander, Sr.

you want is how you'll show off your legs.

And at the bottom of your legs, your feet will take to what's new in shoes. Leather sandals both wedged and with pump heels are seen a little lower and a lot more saucy with ankle straps leading the way. For more dressy attire your "high as the sky" heels are still in, provided they're as bare and sexy as possible.

Now that you have an idea of what's new in the fashion world, FOR BELLES ONLY wishes to assist you in becoming a strong, healthy person, both physically and mentally, to go with those fashions. Upcoming articles include: "What to expect from a gyne-cological examination," phys-ical fitness made easy," and "The joys of meditating."

#### From the SGA

## Do not let commencement break all binding ties

by Debra M. Perkins

Let the year 1979 be the year of decision. Let this be the year to open up your minds. If you are aiming to complete a goal, do not let anything hold you back.

My decision for 1979, the year I feel will be one of the most spiritually moving ones in my life was inspired by my parents, family, a priest, friends, and a dedicated minister who encouraged me to be

The loyalty of which I speak is loyalty to our black institutions. Have you ever wondered why you are attending Bennett or even how you were allowed the chance to complete or further your education?

Often, we ridicule and complain; but if it were not for institutions like Bennett, where would most of our people be who are college material and who have a great deal to offer?

Analyze the situation carefully. Getting an education is a very costly experience. Bennett and like institutions allow many the opportunity to complete an education. You may say that if Bennett or other predominately black colleges were not in existence you would go to a predominately white institution. Believe me, it is easier said than done. Most of us could not financially afford other institutions. But because we cannot, we should not for one moment feel we are being educationally short-changed. The opportunities are here; and if we utilize them, we too can be great scholars.

If your education is worth anything to you or someone close to you, get the most out of it, take hold of all the advantages. True institutions do not exist without people; that is why it is very important that you remain loyal to your institution.

Contribute financially each year to make it better. Non-support will stunt growth, not increase prosperity or integrity.

Make a commitment to give your support through the Bennett College Endowment Fund or give a direct donation to a specific department.

Give someone else a chance to further her education. Don't be selfish and deny someone the chance because somewhere down the line you felt you were shortchanged educationally.

Make a difference. It is worth the sacrifice and it is worth the commitment. If we leave saying, "Good-bye and good-riddance," we will never make a change.

"GIVE UNTIL IT HELPS."

#### **Banner Meeting** Jan. 30, 1979 5:00 p.m.

All new persons interested in joining the staff are invited.

## Letters to the editor

## Open snack bar needed at night

Dear Editor:

I would like to know why the snack bar is not open at night this year. Are the new vending machines and new soda machines that take our money and are often empty supposed to take its place?

What about the jobs that the snack bar offered students in the evening? We want and need the snack bar to avoid the frustrations of walking all the way to the basement in our dorms and returning without a nighttime snack due to the breakdown of a machine and to avoid the dangers of venturing to the grill and other nearby stores which feature "winos" and derelicts.

Whoever is responsible for the snack bar, please answer.

Sincerely. Rosa Faulk

#### Vesper Calendar for Second Semester

#### Spring 1979

Feb. 4—Chapel. In charge: the campus NAACP.

Feb. 11-Blacks in American Life Vesper. In charge: Gamma Mu: The Social Science Honor Society. Mrs. Linda D. Addo, Mr. Kalamu ya Salaam.

Feb. 15-Spring Honors Convocation, Ms. Sandra Hughes, TV 2.

Feb. 22—Chapel. In charge: Home Family Life Series. Mar. 15—Senior Day. Dr. Isaac H. Miller, Jr.

Apr. 1-5—Annual Religion In Life Week. Bishop James K. Matthews.

Apr. 1—Annual Spring Vesper Service. Bishop James K. Matthews.

Apr. 5-National Library Week. Mrs. Montez Byers. Apr. 8—Annual Palm Sunday Vesper Service. Mr. Kelly

# Courtesy Corner

The Bennett Banner staff wishes to express its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Effie Miller in the loss of her father and Mrs. Bernetta Parks in the loss of her husband, Mr. Forrest J.

We would also like to wish a speedy recovery to Dr. V. Mayo Bundy, Dr. Morris C. Peterkin, and Mr. Waverlyn Rice.



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