

## SEFORIM SALE TO BE SEPARATED?

### Hillel and Shammai Dispute

Bais Hillel has recently announced their new *Psak* that next year's *seforim* sale be kept separate. The sale has, for years, been held on the tenth floor in Belfer hall. However, according to *Tanna R. Yitzchak L. Chanan*, the sale is now so well attended that this room in Belfer is an unsafe place to hold the annual event. The only alternative is to divide the sale and hold it in two rooms, as opposed to one. Chanan proposed moving the men's sale into the *Beit Midrash*, and keeping the women in Belfer.

Hillel cited other evidence, besides the overcrowding, as reasons for separating the men and women into two rooms, and for moving the men into the *Beit Midrash*. Yes, he agreed that "the sale is too big for that one room in Belfer," yet he added to that the importance of having the men buy their *seforim* in the *Beit Midrash*. "The atmosphere of the *Beit Midrash* would grab the men and make them feel spiritual enough and worthy to buy and read the great words of Torah from all these great *Rabbayim*. You just don't get that feeling in Belfer."

In his meeting with Rishon J.

Son Wartsz to discuss this proposal, Hillel also mentioned that the lighting in Belfer is terrible, and the foundations of the building in general are shaky. One never knows what could happen to the men who are shopping for their *seforim*. In addition, he added that even if this specific proposal is vetoed, the sale should still be separated, at least some other way, since the current set up is far too conducive to major socializing, inappropriate mixing of the sexes, and *erva*.

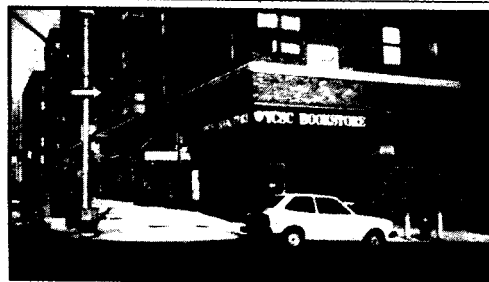
Bais Devora Shammai strongly disagrees with this proposal. When meeting with her Gaoness, Rose N. Garten, Shammai stated that "This proposal is extremely unfair to the women. Why should they be left to their own risk and to terrible lighting in Belfer? And aren't we just as deserving of a spiritual atmosphere when buying our *seforim*? Furthermore, your *sevarah* is backward. *L'sheetatcha, we* should be the ones moving into the *Beit Midrash*. Our learning is certainly more spiritual and meaningful than yours. Your hard-core Talmudic knowledge compared to our learning of *Tanach, Hashkafa*, the Rav, Bible and Talmud, lacks spiritual depth. We incorporate the *ruchani* into our learning. Not only that, but you are the ones who return to the

sale every single day. We make the trip once and that is all. But you -- you must go over 10 times. Apparently your motives are to be questioned. You're the social animals!!!"

In addition, Shammai mentioned that Hillel would have to factor money into his proposal. More expenses would accrue by having to rent an extra room, extra tables, and so forth. Plus, sales would go down, because fewer women would come, because of the insulting nature of this new proposal.

The proposal is still under consideration. Because the plans are still tentative, Hillel refused to comment further. However, he did respond to Shammai's monetary comment by saying that "I still maintain that the spiritual benefit gained by the men from having the sale in the *Beit Midrash* outweigh any extra costs accrued because of it. As for a potential decrease in attendance, that will only come from people who attend for social purposes, and the *seforim* sale is not catering to that crowd."

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New Dorm located above the YC Bookstore

## New SCW Dorm Location Revealed

### YC Students in Uproar

The SCW search committee has finally revealed the location of the new Stern dormitory. The dorm building will be situated above the YCSC Bookstore on 186th and Amsterdam, across from the YU *Beit Midrash*.

According to YU Director of Supporting Service Tenzer Garten, this building is zoned directly for conversion to a dormitory. The new dormitory, in the heart of scenic Washington Heights, is quite spacious and luxurious. Each student will have her own private suite consisting of a bedroom, living room, study room, kitchen and bathroom.

The dorms will be furnished with brass and oak beds, dressers and desks. The kitchens will be fully equipped with microwaves, ovens, stoves, and three sinks. Two TVs, a VCR, and two home videos will be provided:

Jane Fonda and The History of YU.

"We purposely kept this location secret for several months," explained Garten. "We were afraid that too many Stern women would start hanging around the uptown campus in order to survey the new building." However, Dr. Daveya Goda, Chairman of the SCW Board, insisted that the location be revealed. Goda stated that "the acquisition of this dormitory is quite a milestone in Stern's history, and I felt it important that the SCW women share in this joyous occasion."

The women are generally ecstatic about the new building. "Now some of us will actually begin to feel like part of the YU community," enthused SCW junior, R.U. Single. Another student home videos will be provided:

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## SCHRAM SCAM

### Schram and Doctor in Cahoots

In a shocking discovery, three Stern College seniors have uncovered an illegal connection between speech professor Penina Schram and the Ear, Nose, and Throat doctor, Dr. E. Brown. Apparently, Professor Schram has been sending numerous students to Dr. Brown for speech therapy and receiving a percentage of each student's bill.

The three seniors, who have been asked to remain anonymous, went to see the doctor after Professor Schram expressed apparent concern over the sounds of their voices. "She told me I had a raspy voice," said one student. "My

voice was too nasal," said another. All of them remarked that their grades depended on the visit.

Unfortunately, Professor Schram made the tragic error of

hands with the doctor and left, not even making eye contact with the three shocked students.

"She didn't even see us sitting there," remarked one. The students, realizing something was amiss, distracted the receptionist and stole the books.

It was then that they made their shocking discovery. "We saw a list of all the Stern students who went to see Dr. Brown, how much he charged, and the

cutback Schram earned. It was a major operation."

Schram's Speech communications class has been cancelled pending further investigation. She was unavailable for comment.



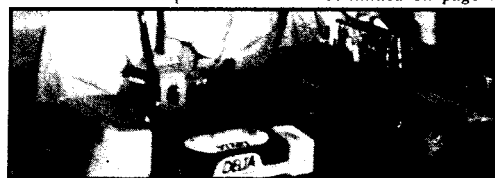
Dr. Schram



Dr. Brown

Partners in Crime

being at the doctor's office at the time of the students visit. They watched in awe as Professor Schram, chewing gum and playing with her hair, stuffed a huge wad of bills into her purse, shook



## YC Pool Contamination Plot Uncovered:

### Deans Bacon & Orlian Indicted

Deans Karen Bacon and Ethel Orlian of SCW have been indicted in a plot to contaminate the YC pool with several strains of bacteria. Their scheme was uncovered after *The Commentator* reported that several YC students had performed a test on water from the pool and discovered unsafe levels of bacteria.

Suspicion of foul play first arose when private investigators assigned to ascertain the source of the bacteria discovered in the

water sample a highly rare strain called *barceodoli*. Further inquiry uncovered that this little-known bacteria was the subject of Bacon's UCLA doctoral thesis in microbiology. Suspicion was compounded when Bacon claimed to have no knowledge of this type of bacteria.

When investigators Eisenberg, Kellman, Rosenstein and Burdowski confronted Bacon with their cognizance of her

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# HALACHIC VAN?

We would like to finally take a stand on something. In this religious institution which is committed to upholding halachic ideals, something has gone awry (Mosenkis). Indeed it is even beyond reprehension.

But alas, it is all too often that the most blatant errors go unnoticed.

There is no room for discussion here. We'll make this short. How can we tolerate the "extensive mixing of the sexes" that goes on on the YU shuttles? The policy is *safek erva l'chumra*.

Therefore, we propose that YU offer two separate vans. We recommend that the SOY and TAC boards convene to discuss the additional expense which will be incurred. However, we understand the logistic problem of the two parties meeting, and therefore will remain patient in the interim.

# WEIGHT NO MORE

The Observer would like to apologize for the past editorial regarding the elevator congestion. Although we listed many problems contributing to the congestion in the elevators, we failed to mention the primary factor. THE SCALLOPS!!

The SCW students are eating too many scallops, and frankly, it's weighing us down. The elevators can only maintain a 4000 pound weight limit, and our excess weight is slowing the elevators down and causing an extra several minute delay between floors.

Sometimes the elevators go so slowly that one can not even tell that they're moving. So when the elevator finally arrives on one's floor, no one makes a move to the door -- they are not aware that it has reached its destination.

We desperately appeal to our fellow students to consider this weighty matter and take action to lighten our problems. It is only through joint effort that we can ameliorate the situation.

# ENGAGEMENT

The Observer would like to wish a heartfelt Mazel Tov to Hillel Sheinfeld on his recent engagement. He and his intended were first introduced in the Y.U. beit medrash, but found that the environment left them feeling rather cramped. Sheinfeld suggested moving their relationship to Belfer, where they would have "more of a romantic ambiance, if you know what I mean...". The happy couple finally made it "official" in Tenzer gardens, a place which seems to have a rather magical appeal, according to Sheinfeld. On behalf of the entire staff, we wish the pair a long and happy life together.

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\* Thanks, Dr. Shatz!

# KEEPING IN TOUCH

Chavie welcomes correspondence from all people, friends or enemies. Please feel free to update her on your life, express your opinions on any given issue, or just drop a quick hello.

## Meal Card Madness

Dear Chavie,

I am writing to express my extreme exacerbation with the expensive SCW meal deal. As it stands, the "exceptional" mandatory culinary plan, where we charge exotic meals (Hawaiian Chicken, Canadian Shells, Braised Beef Jardiniere) on the card is now too limited. There is an exigency for expansion of the card's uses.

In a recent SCW Food Services meeting, Chair Famila Zchlanger proposed that students should be able to use their dining card anywhere on the Midtown Campus. Our extensive campus, as explained by an uptown vice-president, includes all of 34th Street, SoHo, TriBeCa, and the rest of Manhattan save 10 blocks of Washington Frieghts.

Possible uses of the card include:

- \* Payment for photocopying in the Steinberg Library and payment for overdue books at Mid-Manhattan (only a ten minute walk -kudos Z.Fischer).
- \* Payment for Office of the Registrar fees (class conflicts, name changes).
- \* Payment for Barn and NoBulls (the official textbook store) books and Judaic sourcebooks.
- \* Payment for subsistence food bought at the Empire Deli (whose hours exceed Milners and the International Cafe).
- \* Payment for any one of the six laundry machines in the bow-

- els of Brookdale and at Symphony Cleaners.
- \* Payment for Stern Uniform Tunic outfits at Express.
- \* Payment for scrunchies sold by literature vendors.
- \* Payment for New York Telephone Bills (including AT&T).
- \* Payment for lounge chair rental at the SCW pool.
- \* Payment for Blockbuster rentals (for Br 4C).
- \* Payment for goods and services rendered at Macy's.
- \* Payment for DoAnne Reed's products.
- \* Payment for (love that) D'Agastinos and Food Emporium groceries.
- \* Payment for parking tickets and towing fees in the Murray Hill area.
- \* Payment for the red double decker bus that tours our campus (excluding Ellis Island).

I hope the wymyn of Styrn College will back the proposal and encourage the administration to implement this plan.

Lynne Guini Skallops  
FSC,BVD,SJWF,SCW '94(??)

## SHUTTLE DITTY

Yo!

We were shocked, hurt, angered, saddened, dismayed, crippled, humiliated, disgusted, astounded, startled, traumatized, appalled, insulted, disturbed and horrified by the lack of integrity, character, decency, honesty, honor and principle dis-

played at the Stern College for women only (Midtown division of Yeshiva University) Purim Chagiga.

The ditty about the shuttle mocked, made fun of, ridiculed, scorned, taunted, shamed and artificialated the spirit, mood, temper, ambiance, atmosphere, feeling, quality, varsoothness and tone of the YU Shuttle. The van service is a serious, sober, solemn, somber, ardent, earnest, pensive, significant and profound aspect of University life and should be treated with the utmost respect, deference, admiration, awe, esteem, regard, reverence, appreciation, dedication, devotion, turning on the nighttime into the day.

We hope, salivate and pray that the performers learn, comprehend, grasp, master, bait, realize, understand, absorb, digest, flush, glean, brush, floss and discover the errors of their ways.

Sincerely,  
(affectionately, truly, frankly,  
Sara Lee)

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**YC'S CONSTITUENCY  
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**Students Rate YU's  
Advantages**

The marketing research firm hired by YU administrators to characterize YC's constituency has recently completed its in-depth study.

Initial conclusions were released indicating the attraction for current and potential students at the institution's men's campus.

Apparently, YC is most appealing to aspiring professionals such as businessmen, as well as musicians, swimmers, missionaried and pharmacology students.

These occupations emerged as the most popular fields for graduates based on a complex statistical analysis (the results are too complex to present in graph form) carried out by YC's undergraduate paper, *The Commentator*. A source close to the paper expects that the published results will not be retracted by *The Commentator*.

In a subsequent poll, the following emerged as being YC's strong points, as rated by students:

- \*beautiful campus and pool
- \*engaging local citizens
- \*stimulating class discussions
- \*van service to and from SCW

\*great research opportunities for biology students

- \*discounts at local restaurants
- \*insight into mediation, nego-

tiation, and task-force mechanisms.

A top representative of the marketing firm declined to respond to specific questions posed by this reporter; however, she did comment that YC is an attractive place for a diverse group of students.

Many parents have expressed their concern regarding their children's safety at YC, which is located in the heart of Washington Heights. However, security guards assert that stories of shootings, drug busts and other crimes are exaggerated.

One guard said, for example, "We have never had to deal with any vandalism or drug-related episodes at YC."

When asked to comment on YC's location, a top administrator who spoke on condition of anonymity lamented YC's distance from department stores and other prime shopping areas. But he confirmed that "students must be willing to concede some opportunities in exchange for other benefits."

The firm conducting the study of YC is optimistic about the remaining research it has yet to undertake at YU's other campuses. One firm member related that he is anticipating more enthusiastic student responses to polls and questionnaires "at our next stop, the SCW dorm."

**OPINIONATED**

**A MODEST PROPOSAL: A DRESS  
CODE FOR SCW**

I have a good friend who would love nothing more than to see me with my legs clad in thick seamed nylon stockings and my hair parted in the middle fixed in two long braids. My friend, who does not study in our institution comes from a Chassidic background and thinks my ponytail, Gap skirt, casual sweater and color-coordinated tights are unbecoming of a "Bas Toirah."

Initially, I was appalled at her suggestion. First and foremost, the fabric of the proposed stockings presents an alarming concern. Simply put, nylon is an artificial material that traps heat and does not let legs breathe. And pulling parted hair into tight braids causes unnatural strain on hair follicles, leading

to headaches and hair thinning. My friend's suggestion will therefore deprive me of my physical comforts. Such a situation would bring me unwarranted stress, and would certainly not

important than pnimiyut. I now realize that seamed stockings and braided hair play a significant part (no pun intended) in an individual's relationship with Hashem.



*The new plaque in Tenzer Gardens*

Let us throw away our Gap skirts, our colored tights, and our matching sweaters. Let us cast our scrunchies aside, in favor of ribbon to tie back our braids (black, blue, or gray, your choice). We will look identical (and with such religious intensity, we might just lose our personali-

ties), but we will somehow remain individuals.

I hope and pray that you take my proposal seriously because we all know that Safek Tzniyut L'chumra, and Safek hypocrisy L'kula.

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# AROUND THE BUILDING

## KOSHER DELIGHT MAN BREAKS DOWN Has Food Fit

In the midst of last week's tremendous blizzard, another storm was taking place in the lobby of Brookdale Hall when an employee of Kosher Delight suffered a nervous breakdown at about 7 pm Thursday, February 25.

Reaching into his bag, three-year delivery man Salmo Nella proceeded to hurl styrofoam containers of chicken nuggets and beef and broccoli meals at the window of the lounge while screaming what seemed to be obscenities in his native Pakistani at the couple sitting nearby, Fruma Sarah Kleinfeld and Baruch Yisroel Blumenfeld.

According to Juan Rojas, the guard on duty at the time, "He just stood there, surrounded by 20 guys who must have been waiting for their girlfriends. I could tell something was wrong. He looked very nervous and his eyes were shifty."

After about five minutes, Nella entered the front lounge, shoving aside another guard who was insisting that Nella show his honorary YU I.D. "I've been coming here for three years - I don't need any I.D.," Nella retorted angrily. He then pro-

ceeded to throw the food.

Stated Kleinfeld, "I was simply sitting and minding my own business. I never did anything to deserve this. Of course, my chasan Baruch said 'Havey dan et kol adam l'chaf zechut,' that I should judge him favorably. Maybe he was having a bad day."

Louis Gonzalez, head of SCW security, rushed to the scene, attempting to restrain Nella by pinning his arms behind him. Nella resisted and in the process ripped the arm off of Gonzalez's shirt. Eventually, Gonzalez regained control of the situation and Nella was placed in a van to be taken away by the authorities. Gonzalez commented with disbelief, "This place is crazy! That's the second shirt that's been destroyed here. I should be compensated for this!"

Lisa Jacobovits, a Resident Assistant at Brookdale Hall, who had frequently received deliveries from Nella, was apathetic about the situation. She described that many a time, she would watch from her booth in the lobby, as girls with nothing

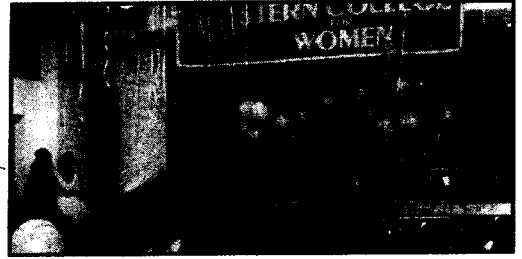
less than twenty dollar bills would give him a hard time. In addition, Jacobovits has witnessed Nella being verbally abused by several girls on account of not receiving soy sauce with their egg rolls.

According to Moshe Rabinowitz, Nella's employer at Kosher Delight, "Salmo Nella was one of our best delivery men. He was a bit shy and quiet so I was shocked to hear of this occurrence. He got along so well with Stern girls. In fact, his face would light up whenever we received a call from Brookdale."

In an exclusive interview with Dr. Al. K. Zeltzer, Nella's psychiatrist, the apparent reason for Nella's behavior was the fact that he and his long time love, Rozita Sanchez, a housekeeper of Brookdale, had just broken up.

"It finally got to be too much for him to bear," explained Zeltzer. "I guess that when he came that night and saw all the men there waiting for their dates, it reminded him of the times when he was one of them."

Nella is presently undergoing a psychiatric evaluation in the Stern College lab.



The resident Stern Chagiga Rapper

## Stern Chagiga Results in Chaos

### Yidden Causes Conflict

On Rosh Chodesh Adar Stern College held their annual Purim Chagiga. Despite attempts to please everybody, many women still opted not to attend. The two band members seemed to pose the main problem. Although they were instructed not to talk to any of the students, one SCW sophomore commented, "I refuse to participate in a Purim Chagiga that has the potential of turning into a social scene." After an hour or so things began to pick up in Koch Auditorium. The dancing became so lively at one point, Burns Security had to be called in to break up a scuffle that ensued when two groups of girls began dancing Yiddin in opposite directions.

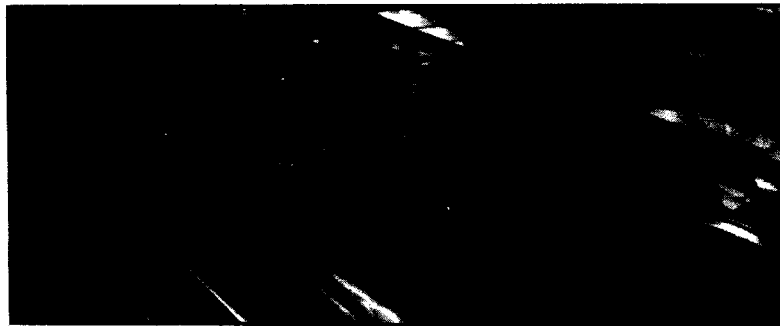
The dancing was called to a halt as Stern students eagerly

awaited the Purim Shpiel. Everybody laughed except for one cranky student. She complained, "All the humour is centered around *shiduch* dating, it doesn't represent those of us who choose to live alternative lifestyles." Upon further research, *The Observer* discovered that she had written a skit to contribute to the shpiel, but withdrew it at the last minute. We were able to get hold of the skit which read: Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep, Bleep. We wanted to find out what was under all these Bleeps, but the T.A.C. censor could not be contacted.

## OVERDOSE VICTIM FOUND

On Monday night, two Yeshiva University Security Guards found the unconscious body of an anonymous woman on the roof of the Stern Dorm. Apparently the young woman had overdosed on Heroin. She was found with a syringe next to her and a bag of Marjuana. The guards were unable to identify her right away. "She was wearing an 'I Love Tac' sweatshirt and one of those long, hairy skirts," said security guard Captain Rojas. Zaida Braun, who was on the scene immediately, identified the girl as "Someone who obviously does not go to Stern."

The roof of Brookdale Hall has always been off limits to the students, therefore, the victim could not have been an SCW member.



The oh-so-wonderful new Buggy Dish

## BUGGING THE CAF

"I swear I'll eat in the caf three times a day now," expressed SCW senior Chalav U. Devash, after discovering the new dish introduced to the YU cafeterias. This new dish, scallops a' la' bug-o, is the source of much excitement and mad dashes to the caf.

SCW junior, Geli N.P. Nutbutter, seemed to sum up the feelings of many Stern students when she asserted, "All our hard feelings are forgotten. This new dish is healthy, not fried, tasty, and most of all -- pro-

tein laden. From a hygienic standpoint, the caf has finally succeeded."

Mr. Liebers, Associate Director of Food Services, said that this dish has been underway for some time. It took about four months to locate the ingredients necessary for this platter, and then another few weeks to perfect the dish. He said the reactions to it are overwhelmingly positive.

Students commented on the low price of the dish, saying that it is remarkably lower than any

other. Liebers accounted for this by saying simply that "We purchase the ingredients for practically nothing; we're dealing with nature, here, after all."

New condiments have also been imported to the caf to accommodate for extra tasty bug-o's. For instance, a new salad dressing, called **Raid** is now available. Bubba L. Gum, Chair of the Food Services Committee uptown, said that the men share the womens' satisfaction. "We are even considering expanding this new line of food and perhaps introducing snacks such as chocolate covered insects into Milner's, Morg, and the vending machines."

Unfortunately, Rabbi Rice, the Mashgiach, is on sabbatical and is unable to comment.

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### Bacon's New Policy of Absences at SCW

#### Desires Shalom Bayis

Dr. Josh Bacon, head of the Academic Standards Committee, has recently instituted a new policy in SCW. Only engaged students who have notes from their chasans are excused from taking their finals on time. Other students will simply fail the course if they do not show up for a final.

Bacon stated that, "No excuse in the world, except that concerning future *shalom bayis*, is acceptable. I don't care if you are sick or out of the country. A doctor's word is insufficient. Only if your *chasan* confirms your absence, can you be excused."

There has been a wild scurry of students riding the vans to the YC library ever since this new policy has been stated. Said one SCW student, "Suddenly my friends and I feel a great need to get engaged. After all, why should some girls get greater academic privileges

over others, just based on their social status?"

Bacon refused to further comment; however, he did mumble, under his breath, something about the immaturity of the SCW students.

### Deans' Foul Play

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doctoral thesis, which is on display in the office and is required reading for all biology majors, she calmly admitted that she had provided the bacteria for contamination, but expressly denied any direct involvement in the actual pollution of the pool.

As SCW women and faculty members are denied access to the

pool, investigators knew that Bacon herself could not be responsible. Bacon exclaimed, "How could I have done it? Dean Orlian and I discussed - oops! No further comment." Investigators immediately followed up on Bacon's slip and questioned Orlian.

Under severe strain due to an overwhelming number of registration changes at the beginning of the Spring semester, Orlian seemed almost relieved, investigators said, "to unload her guilty conscience." She admitted that she had sent her son into the pool with a vial of the solution Bacon had prepared, but insisted that he had not known about the dangerous *barcedoli* bacteria it had contained. Interviews with the Dean's son, whose name was withheld, confirmed her story.

Speculation about the Deans' motive still persists; many SCW sources claim that the level of resentment toward the men had risen to unprecedented heights as a result of the YC pool, and that the Deans had wanted to take revenge on the unassuming men. Another suggested reason for their action was the desire to show the SCW students that having a swimming pool is not as desirable as it seems.



*A view of Brookdale from the new YU Cop*

### New Helicopter Option For YC Students

YU has invested in a helicopter to accommodate the needs of YC *semicha* students. The helicopter service provides hourly service from 10 pm until 12 am nightly.

The helicopter flies seven YC students at a time over to 34th Street. On the way to Brookdale Hall, the pilot points out several strategic restaurants, theatres and museums which are appropriate dating arenas. The helicopter, upon reaching Brookdale, hovers above the building for 15 minutes. The men then check out the women and take pictures or mentally note any prospective dating partners. On the way back, the tour continues.

The YC helicopter plan was specifically designed for the *semicha* students. These men were constantly complaining about the amount of learning time wasted on account of blind dating, which is referred to as "generally disastrous" and telephone time devoted to calling every person who knows the prospective woman, in order to at least be assured of her physical attractiveness. This new system was planned to alleviate this problem: the men can at least personally check out the women of Brookdale and make

their own match without letting her know.

Thus far, the *semicha* students are quite satisfied with the new plan. Says future rabbinical leader Shimon "Peeping Tom" Hachter, "This system is really working for me. Without taking away from as much of my learning time, I chose a girl and we have actually been seeing each other heavily for the past three weeks. I recommend this highly."

The system, however, also has a catch. Although it worked smoothly for the first month, without SCW students' awareness of it, the women recently discovered that what had seemed like a strange buzzing sound above their heads around 10-12 pm each night, was actually this helicopter. "This doesn't seem very fair," expressed one student. "We should be allowed the same privilege. Why should only the men be granted such an opportunity?"

This helicopter service, called the Yeshiva Cop, is thus far been providing a much efficient and necessary service, and for the meantime will continue to operate.

### SCW Weight Watcher's Chapter Hires Dr. Raffel as Consultant

In the past issue of *The Observer*, the Editor-in-Chief made an appeal to the student body, urging them to raise the intellectual quality of the atmosphere in Stern College. Accepting this challenge, the campus Weight Watcher's chapter hired popular philosophy professor Dr. C. Raffel as an occasional consultant. The president of the chapter, Polly Rolly, said her main motivation in hiring Shatz was to find a substitute for the usual inane phrases that are used to attract members.

Raffel has already come up with a new slogan which will soon be seen on flyers around school. The slogan "A body is,

said to be finite because we can always conceive of another body greater than it" was first coined in the 1600's by the famous philosopher Spinoza. This slogan not only is guaranteed to make the participants feel good about themselves, but also will give them a sense of connecting to the enormous problems of past highly intelligent movers.

Although David Hume and St. Thomas Aquinas were the only fat philosophers, Raffel stressed that "Weight Watchers is not just about weight, but it offers one a totally new lifestyle and an improved self confidence."

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## POLITICAL TALK

### PCCW: New Name for SCW

"Politically Correct College for Women" will be the new name for what is currently called Stern College for Women. This new name will go into effect as of September 1993.

"We women must always be PC," explained Dean Karen Bacon. "We are the role models for today's Jewish women. It is important for us to exemplify this. We must be extremely careful with our language from now on." Bacon explained that any PCCW student caught using the term

"girl" instead of "woman," "boy" instead of "man," or "Yeshiva University" in place of "Yeshiva College" will be put on probation. Any further offense will result in the woman being suspended from the College.

"This policy extends to all realms of a PCCW student's life. Whether she be writing for the school newspaper, speaking up in class, or simply conversing with a fellow student or roommate, she will be held respon-

sible for any and all slips. Rooms will be equipped with modern bugging devices, for the purpose of keeping an eye on students at all times," described Bacon.

Students' reactions varied. One delighted student, Courtney Samson, commented, "I, for one, am quite impressed with Bacon's wise decision. It clearly exhibits clarity of thought and appropriate realizations of the means to attain certain goals. It is a rational decision." On the other extreme, Rayzele Chanshi Fruchtman expressed her confusion. "It like totally seems so silly. Who really cares in the long run. As long as you are a good person with clean language, what difference does it make how you refer to something. What is this Political Correctivity anyway?" she queried.

### SCW Addicts: Help Is On The Way

#### Finally, A Cure

A support group for "Beverly Hills 90210" addicts has recently been formed at SCW, and so far it has an overwhelming membership of 125 students.

"I decided to organize the support group when I began to notice all of the warning signs of addiction in myself. I was obsessed with 90210," explained the president of the group, who preferred to be known simply as Brenda.

"Beverly Hills 90210" is a television drama series tracing the lives of a group of high school students living in Beverly Hills. Its good-looking actors and predictable plots have created a cult-like following among a segment of America's youth, even in SCW.

Meeting every Wednesday night, the support group tries to focus on each member's unique addiction symptoms and on finding a cure. The group meets on Wednesdays at 7 pm, an hour before "90210" airs, and then reconvenes at 9 pm for another hour-long session.

The goal of the 7 pm session is for members to give each other the moral support and strength

necessary to watch "90210" without becoming overly obsessed with it.

"This is a very important part of our therapy," Brenda explained. "Because we feel a strong bond with the people on the show, we get very emotional when they go through painful or difficult situations. It becomes hard for us to function as individuals."

At the 7 pm group-meeting, members try to point out to one another that each of them are individuals with their own lives, and should not need to live their lives vicariously through television characters. They also give each other advice on how to watch the program without becoming too emotionally involved. "A few tears are perfectly acceptable," said Brenda. "But we try to discourage week-long mourning periods."

At the post-90210 session the focus is different. There, members discuss the reasons for their obsession with the show and try to find ways to make it less central to their lives. One member explained, "Beverly Hills" is on every Wednesday night, and I

can't schedule any other activity for that night because I'm so nervous that I'll miss a minute of the show. At the support group we talk about maintaining perspective and realizing that life goes on even when you miss an episode."

With membership in the support group constantly on the rise, the addicts are looking into the possibility of hiring a psychologist to lead their sessions. It is hoped that the advice and assistance of an outside professional, especially one familiar with this area of mental health will help members to progress at a much faster pace than otherwise would have been possible. But some remain skeptical about the idea.

As one member put it, "I don't know. None of the kids on '90210' use a therapist, so I don't think I should either."

(For those interested in joining the Beverly Hills support group, meetings take place at 7 pm on Wednesdays in the Orange Lounge. And congratulations - admitting you have a problem is the first step on the way to a cure).

### CARMY APPOINTED MASHGIACH SICHLI

Rabbi Shalom Carmy has been appointed the University's mashgiach *sichli*, the first in YU history. The purpose of this position is, according to Dean Bacon, "to provide a mentor and for the heavy-duty intellectuals in the college, and an authority on such matters."

Carmy's responsibilities are twofold. First, he will be available for informal guidance and advice whenever necessary. When a YU intellectual is on the

verge of an *Apikores* breakdown, due to his over-study of secular philosophers, he can run to Carmy, who will immediately inject him with some Luzzato, ibn Pakuda, or philosophy of the Rav. He will then force the student to read *Hamevaser* and reformulate the Torah U' Maddah synthesis in his mind.

Secondly, Carmy will hold formal Intellectuals Anonymous meetings every Tuesdays in YC and Wednesdays at SCW. A dis-

cussion on the meaning of life, coupled with a search for an ethic within Halacha, will take place at these meetings. Existentialists are encouraged to attend.

One student commented that "After the first meeting, I felt rejuvenated. Life began to take on more meaning for me, and I discovered that some of my fellow students were actually on my intellectual level and were grappling with similar issues as myself."

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# Stern Women Move Uptown

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dent commented that although she will have to sleep uptown for her classes, she feels that it is worth it, since she now has a pool, real library, and *Beit Midrash* at her disposal.

YU vans will transport the women to Stern every day, and each student will take the van back in the evening. In order to compensate minimally for the

academic inconvenience, Dean Bacon has announced that the Gemara classes will be held uptown in the *Beit Midrash*.

There is a bit of an uproar on the uptown campus, as expected, but as Garien commented, "those men are in complete shock. But once the women move in, things will go back to normal."

## Meet Rudy Giuliani

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# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Kiruv Competition Comes To A Close

### Winner Announced

Rivka Smiley, SCW junior, has been declared the winner of the 1993 National Kiruv Competition. The Committee, after months of judgement and much deliberation, announced Smiley as the winner on Monday night at the Marriott Marquis.

The competition is the first of its kind in the world, and it was instituted for the purpose of "both providing an incentive for the uninitiated to become involved in outreach, while simultaneously recognizing and rewarding those who are already actively involved," according to its founder, YU's own Chain N. Neshama. The competition was open to both men and women from all universities in the U.S. There were 500 entries; 475 from YU students, and 25 from elsewhere. Neshama stated that "although there were many qualified applicants, Smiley was clearly the #1 Kiruv bigwig."

Each applicant had to submit an application, which consisted of short questions describing his/her previous experience, and a personal statement. An interview was required of each applicant, of the applicant's roommates. The ten finalists were then given one week to be mekarev as many non-affiliated people in the U.S. as they could. The winner could thereupon be declared.

Smiley certainly has a lot of experience under her belt. After spending two years studying in Israel, the first at Brovender's

and the second at Michlalah. Smiley worked with Russians and Ethiopians for one summer on Achy. She then returned to America and began her studies at Stern. "I became involved immediately," explained Smiley. "I was on a total spiritual high when I returned. I still am, by the way. Anyway, the *ruchani* experience in Israel was so fantastic that I just had to share it with others who don't recognize the beauty of Judaism."

Smiley then embarked on a Kiruv journey. Her years at SCW were, and still are, filled with advising on Torah Tours for the various holidays. NCSY Shabbatons for five different regions, Kiruv Shabbat and training seminars, and Yeshiva High School Seminars. "I'm not particular, though," said Smiley. "Every now and then I will even go on a Bnei Akiva Shabbaton or a Discovery Seminar. This past year, though, I have tried to focus a

little more. Now I am only concentrating on being in charge of the Southeastern NCSY region, coordinator of Torah Tours, and Head Advisor of Seminar." Her

spent a summer leading the JOLT group to Eastern Europe. She then returned to Israel and was a teacher in the NCSY Kollelet. This past summer she spent in Australia as an advisor on Counterpoint.

This is Smiley's seventh year at Stern. "I love YU," she emphatically stated. "I don't mind being here for so long -- it's a great place and has so much to offer."

When asked if any obstacles ever came her way, Smiley replied, "Well, everything *Baruch Hashem* worked out fine. There never was a *Havah Aminah* that it wouldn't, of course. I did encounter some trouble with the Academic Standards Committee when I requested to be exempt from my finals so that I could go to Russia in January. However, in the end they relented, on condition that I do some YU recruiting there, which I did,"



summers, too, were Kiruv-based, and hardly vacations for the bubbly, cheery Smiley. The summer following Achy, she worked at HASC; the next she was an advisor on ISS, NCSY tour to Israel; she then went on YUSSR. Following that, she

said Smiley.

One of Smiley's roommates commented that "I respect her a lot. She gives up so much of herself to do so much for others. Her abundant amount of energy is incredible. I, for one, would not be able to handle spending so many years at Stern. And the number of phone calls she receives you've never seen such a thing. I promise you; I barely ever see her. She is always busy with her outreach work." Mr. and Mrs. Smiley, Rivka's parents, supported this. "One busy daughter we have here," commented Mrs. Smiley. "I'm telling you-I haven't seen my daughter now for five months, at least. And we only live 20 minutes from SCW."

The one thing that astounded the judges, according to Neshama, was that Smiley is still single. "Frankly, I'm worried about her," expressed Judge Lorbache. "I don't understand how she could have gone through all these fantastic YU singles-oriented summers. All the best guys do these programs. How will she ever find someone now?"

Smiley, however, is as boppy as ever. Her prize is a personal mini plane and pilot to be able to fly her at any given day to any place in the world to do Kiruv. "This is an absolute dream come true," exclaimed Smiley.

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