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## STRIKE POSTPONED

Finally, after almost three years of heated debate, it was decided by leading members of the Bard Strike Coalition(BSC) that the strike would be postponed until the middle of next week.

The BSC is organizing the strike in response to President Botstein's decision to deny tenure to poli sci professor Steve Andors. One BSC member told HARD-BARD--that--Botstein's decision to let Andors go established a dangerous precedent for arbitrary decision making. When asked whether he felt he was wasting his tuition money by not furthering his education, the student replied, "Jees I don't know. I never really thought about it that way."

## Weather

Freaky.

Very Freaky.

## THE HIRSHEN FIRE

The major news event that occurred over spring break was, of course, the Hirshen dormitory fire. The dorm burned to the ground on Tuesday night, March 30. Whether or not the cause of the fire, as President Botstein suggested early Friday morning, was a "psychopathic electrical outlet," is yet to be determined.

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### SHORTAGE OF PING PONG BALLS

Turning to a more serious incident, it was learned today that Bard's annual ping pong tournament was in jeopardy of being cancelled because of a shortage of Halex ping pong balls. Athletic Director Joel Thompson told HARD\*BARD that \$2.75 was needed to purchase the additional balls that were to be used in the tournament. At pressing time it was reported that a number of the schools best players were organizing a bake sale to raise the badly needed funds...

### EDITORIAL

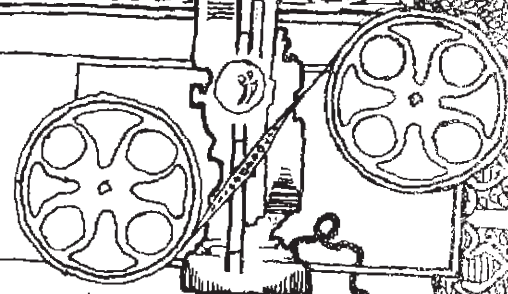
#### The Kline Commons Door Syndrome

**H**aven't you all wondered at least once why one or two of the six outside entrance doors to Kline Commons are always locked. Surely, something can be done about this daily nuisance. It wouldn't be so bad if Murphy's Laws weren't so prevalent; why does one always manage to choose the locked door?

I always manage to conjure up an image of Bob Barker in my head as I hesitate before choosing one of the trio of doors. Reaching for the handle of the middle door I can hear his voice booming, "and what is behind door number two?" The door, of course, is the one that is locked and I nearly dislocate my elbow for the third time. As I swear in frustration, I can hear Barker saying, "Oh, I'm terribly sorry. You have been fucked by the fickle finger of fate again!"

Why are these doors locked randomly? Why are any of them locked at all? Can it be a seriously disturbed janitor? A ploy by the administration to send the borderline neurotics over the edge? CAN NOTHING BE DONE ABOUT THIS PROBLEM?

### Movie Quote of the Week



Scene: Wife(Wendy) backs up staircase swinging a baseball bat wildly at her intoxicated husband (Jack).

Wendy: "Get Away, Jack!"

Jack: "I'm not going to hurt you..."

Wendy: (swinging bat) "Get away!"

Jack: "You didn't let me finish my sentence: I'm not going to hurt you, I'm going to bash... (emphatically) you're fuckin' brains in!"

### Life/Style

See Obituaries



### Obituaries

The young woman who was responsible for writing the Life/Style Section quit her job before this first edition came out. She was, subsequently, shot with a heavy caliber revolver at point blank range by the editors. Both the young woman and the Life/Style Section were reported officially deceased at 4:32 yesterday afternoon by the county coroner. We express our condolences.



HARD\*BARD is the college's only weekly publication. Help keep it going. Drop all news articles, movie quotes, and editorials in Box 197 or 132. Because of our limited space we ask that all submissions be of a short nature. See you next week!