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As CUNY students continue to protest what have been called racist and insensitive remarks by the Chairman of the CUNY Board of Trustees Herman Badillo, many university faculty and administrators stood and watched on the sidelines at a rally outside of his law office on Thursday. (Photo/Davisak Rangsiratanakul)

CUNY Students Demand Badillo's Resignation

*Amidst cries of racism
Badillo remains defiant*

By Macollvie Jean-Francois
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Approximately 250 students rallied in front of CUNY Board of Trustees Chairman Herman Badillo's midtown office building on Oct. 28 in demand of his immediate resignation.

Protesters asked for the measure based on the Chairman's insensitive remarks regarding recent immigrants from Central and South America, as well as his support of higher admissions standards at the senior colleges.

"The biggest problem we have is that we are getting hundreds of students who are 12, 13, 14 years old from the hills of Mexico and the Dominican Republic who have never been to any school," said Badillo speaking at an event sponsored by the Center for Educational Innovation on Sept. 22. The statement was made in response to a question on his view of how to improve education for new immigrants. "There has never been a tradition of education," he continued, describing the immigrants as physically "pure Indians— Incas and Mayans who are, you know, five feet tall with straight hair."

The remarks have sparked protests from a mixed group of people.

"Not only has he made incredibly offensive remarks about Dominican and Mexican peoples, but he has put his racism into practice by eliminating remedial classes at CUNY's senior

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Interim President Lirtzman Holds Court At General Faculty Meeting

By Hubert Reyes
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If all goes as planned, Sidney Lirtzman's turn as interim president will be one without much activity. Lirtzman, speaking at the general faculty meeting Thursday, said that his main objective as interim president is to "maintain the present course" until a new, permanent president is appointed.

In keeping with this low-profile policy, the interim president announced that he does not plan to undertake many new initiatives while in office. His only plans are to push programs that have a "high degree of support from the faculty" as well as those that have a "high degree of likelihood of being successful."

As much as the president would like to keep things running smoothly, a few bumps in the road inevitably pop up.

Baruch's lease on certain floors at the 18th street building and the 360 PAS building are about to expire. With the loss of the lease, Baruch will lose the 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th floors in the 18th street building. To counter this loss the

school has acquired the site of the former SUNY School of Optometry at 315 PAS. Movement into this new building can begin as early as the summer of 2001. Floors that will be lost at the 360 PAS building will be the first to move into the new building, according to Lirtzman. Those floors lost at 18th street, including the Baruch Campus High School, will follow shortly thereafter.

In addition, Lirtzman suggested that a larger health facility will be set up in the new building. A smaller facility is scheduled to open on the first floor of the 360 PAS building by the end of November, according to Lirtzman.

The president briefly touched on the issue of the trouble some transfer students have once they begin their education at Baruch. Lirtzman announced that beginning next year there would be less transfer student being accepted into the school, as the minimum GPA requirement will be raised from 2.5 to 2.75. At one time the GPA requirement was 2.0. Lirtzman hopes that with tougher requirements transfer students will be able to succeed at Baruch.

The president also spoke about a plan that would have students attend

community colleges in order to meet the necessary requirements to move on to a senior college. All of the senior colleges in the CUNY system will pair up with a community college in order to get this plan under way. Baruch's designated partner, based on proximity, will be BMCC.

Novia Gayle, a lower senator for the Undergraduate Student Government, spoke about the unfortunate number of suicides that have plagued Baruch over the last year. In her speech, Gayle asked the faculty to become more involved with their students. She encouraged them to open up to their students, to be more approachable and friendly. According to Gayle, it would be helpful to the students if teachers would take time to help the students understand the material by having more review sessions. She stressed to the faculty that they are "not only teachers but leaders and role models."



Interim President Sidney L. Lirtzman addressed a variety of issues while speaking in front of faculty at the semester's first general meeting. (Photo/Baruch College News Office)

Badillo Apologies Are Not Enough For Some CUNY Students



Anti-Badillo emotions in abundance outside of his law office in midtown Manhattan. What will it take to satisfy the crowd? (Photos/Davisak Rangsratanakul)

Continued from front colleges," said Alejandro Cantagallo, president of the Hunter College Undergraduate Student Government and member of the CUNY Action Network, in a prepared statement. Some leaders in the Latino community perceive Badillo's remarks as more than a CUNY issue. "Badillo's remarks and policies have

offended people from the Dominican Republic to Miami to New York," said Ydanis Rodriguez, national coordinator of Dominicans 2000. "He has to go." Badillo claims that his remarks were taken out of context. He maintains that his knowledge of the demographics was from a conversation with an elementary school principal in Washington Heights and that his statements

were not meant to offend any group. "My sole intent was to suggest giving needed educational assistance to the groups involved," stated Badillo in an Oct. 28 press release. But the chairman made no apologies for his stance on remediation. "To raise standards and encourage academic success, it is vital that the changes in remediation at senior colleges voted by the CUNY Board of Trustees go forward as planned next semester," he said. Badillo's apologies, however, were not enough for the group of protesters.

Organized by the CUNY Action Network, a student group with representatives from most CUNY colleges, the rally offered students, faculty and parents the opportunity to express their reasons for the necessity of Badillo's resignation. Their chants, rhythmic hand clapping and circling marches drew stares from onlookers passing through the midtown traffic.

"I had to take remedial English," said one student from York college, a recent immigrant from Jamaica who serves as York's University Student Senate delegate. "That doesn't mean I'm stupid or anything."

CUNY administrators were also present at the rally. Most stood outside of the rallying circle, observing but did not participate in the actual demonstration. "I always try to be with the students," said Lester Jacobs, interim university dean of student affairs. He did not reveal his personal stance on the student's request for Badillo's resignation. Sandye Anthony-Tobias, the associate director of student affairs declined to make any subjective comments as well.

Dr. Ronald Rothenberg, a tenured mathematics professor at Queens College attended in support of the students. Rothenberg suggested that some New York politicians want to downsize CUNY to allocate that money to other programs.

"The system now works, works well, and provides and nurtures students," said Rothenberg.

"The students who graduate [CUNY] are better than most from other universities."

Student leaders from Baruch, BMCC, BCC, Hunter, York, Queens and other campuses gave fiery speeches describing their hostile feelings towards Badillo and listing the reasons he should relinquish his position.

Braulio Medina, vice president of Baruch's Undergraduate Student Government, greeted the crowd of Asians, blacks, Latinos, whites and others of mixed ancestry. "Hola, Mi Familia!" he shouted. "We are united here today. We are not going to stand for misinterpretations. We are not going to stand for misrepresentations."

Despite Badillo's acknowledgment that his comments offended some groups, and subsequent public apology, some remain doubtful of his sincerity.

"If [Badillo] is speaking that way, he's feeling that way," said Teswayne S. Harris, the president of Student Government Affairs at the Borough of Manhattan Community College.

"Badillo should be educated and sensitive to all people," she said.

Others accused Badillo of being a mere political puppet of Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Governor George Pataki.

"That's right—he's a sellout," said Julian Rosado, Student Government Association president at Bronx Community College. "Anyone who is against CUNY is against New York."

Among the notables present were Ron McGuire, the attorney for the CUNY Legal Defense Project, and Iris Baez, whose son, Anthony, was killed by a police officer's use of an illegal choke hold in December 1994.

"My son went to a CUNY school," said Baez, shaking her head. "As a mother with five more kids, I see [Badillo] closing the door— they won't be entitled to come."

A coordinator at the Association of Teachers of New York brought her four-year-old daughter Christine to participate. The bewildered yet joyful child walked and picketed with the other participants.

"I'm teaching her the attributes to become active, to defend her rights," said the mother.

Jed Brandt, a member of Hunter College's Student Liberation Activist Movement, suggested that the money allegedly being pulled out of CUNY is funding prison building projects in upstate New York.

"If it costs twenty thousand dollars [to keep an inmate in jail per year], why can't we put that money in schools?" asked Brandt.

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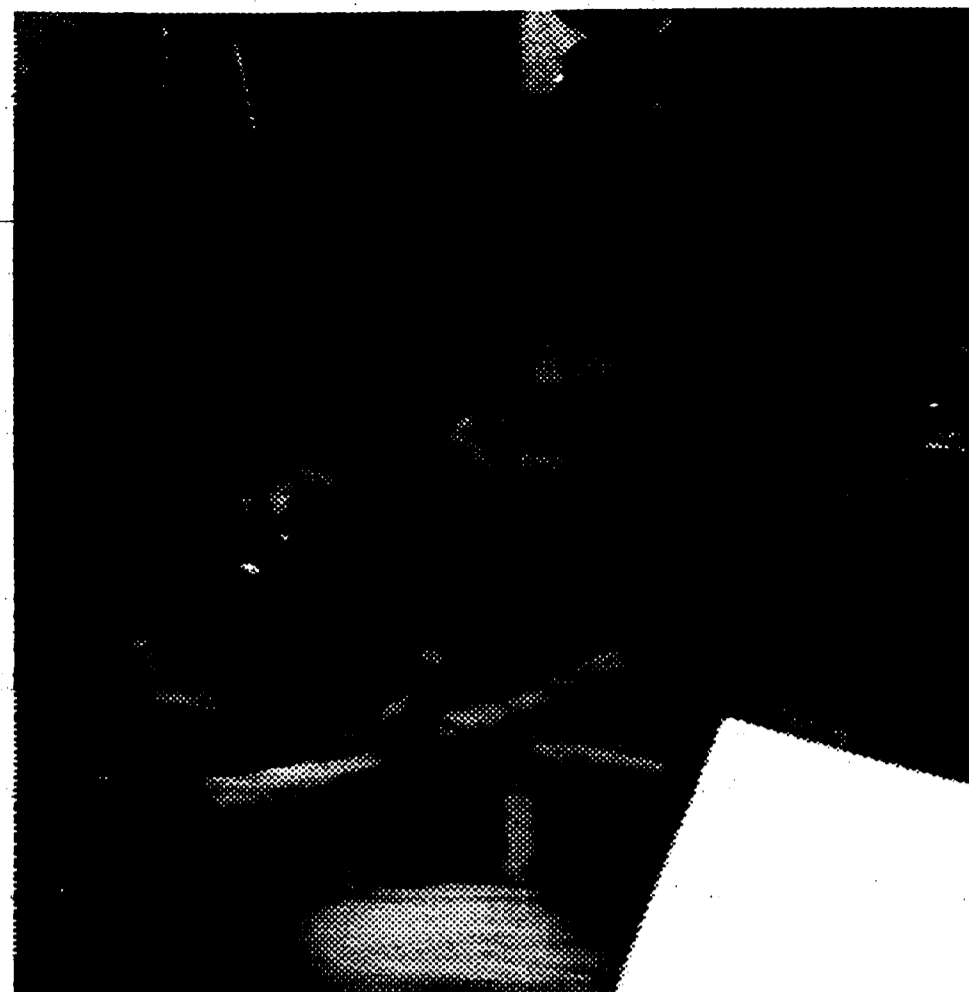
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Harman Writer-in-Residence Jane Kramer Speaks to Baruch



By Media Ariana Ticker Contributing Writer



(Top Left) Jane Kramer listens intently as an admirer asks a question. (Top Right) A diverse audience typical of New York City and of Baruch College comes together. (Photos/Shan-san Wu)

On the evening of Thursday, October 28th, a large audience of students, professors and admirers gathered in the conference center on the 7th floor of the 23rd St. building to listen to the Fall 1999 Sidney Harman Writer-in-Residence Jane Kramer discuss politics and modern post-war Germany over a reading from her new book "The Politics of Memory: Germany After the Wall."

Kramer, the recipient of many awards, including an Emmy Award and Europe's most prestigious award for non-fiction, is herself no stranger to prestige. She has taught at Princeton, served as Regents Professor for the University of California at Berkeley, and is currently the European correspondent for the New Yorker magazine. A renowned author and journalist, she began her career at the Village Voice in 1963 before moving to the New Yorker one year later.

Interspersed between her academic and journalistic pursuits, she has found the time to author seven other books: Off Washington Square: Allen Ginsberg in America; Honor to the Bride; The Law Cowboy; Unsettling Europe; and Europeans: Who's Art is it?

As the audience enjoyed cookies, coffee, and a brief introduction from Interim President of Baruch, Sidney Lirtzman, Kramer ascended the stage and followed Lirtzman's remarks with excerpts from her book "The Politics of Memory." Undaunted by a slight microphone problem, she described her vision of postwar Germany in its present state of evolution and the historical and social background leading up to this particular point in history. Her words came from experiences, interviews and stories collected over the span of a career which reflected a passion for her subject and for her beat as the New Yorker's European correspondent.

Her narrative takes place in Germany and journeys through German politics and their social consequences before and after the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989.

According to Kramer, a critical component of the German psyche is a longing "to come to peace with their past" and that a basic German postwar want is to rebuild a new and brighter future for themselves.

Time constraints forced Kramer to shorten her presentation, but she was still able to discuss a wide range of selections from her book, including postwar art and architecture, the dangers facing journalists in Germany during the Cold War, the era of Baader Meinhof and political terrorism, and the transformation of Germany after reunification.

"Politics is always a subject of art in Germany and art is a subject of politics," said Kramer. "Memory is always an issue in Germany."

The audience, attentive and silent during much of the presentation, was given the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the approximately two-hour presentation. Nearly one half of those in attendance remained for the entire session.

"I'm glad I came," said one student. "I had to be here for my class, but it was good to hear [Kramer] talk about something she obviously cares deeply about."

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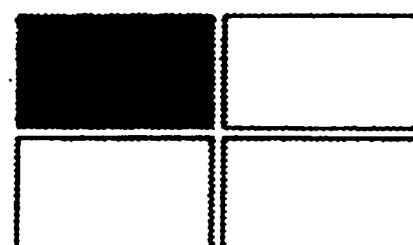
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Features

Philosophy Corner

By Raghv Bommasamudram
Staff Writer

After dodging the usual student-smokers in front of the 18th street building only to return home via the MTA, I took in the wonderful view of the many activities that our fellow straphangers engage themselves in. As soon as I transferred to the E train at Lexington station, it was inevitable to notice a man working diligently with a pencil and ruler on some architectural plans. The woman sitting next to him was napping, while another woman was voraciously reading a piece by Isaac Asimov. Of course, there's the child or adult trying to obtain enough points to get to the next level on his Gameboy. Fortunately, he was standing next to me and I could glance over the screen to note his progress for curiosity's sake. Too lazy to pull anything out of my bag to read, I began to ponder over the fact that there is so much brain activity taking place in each of these individuals. I was pleased with the thought as I played the ending of Pink Floyd's song "Take it Back" countless times in my own head and sipped some ginger ale from the can clutched in my hand. If the reader wonders where this is going, I hope that he or she has taken a guess. After all, if guessed correctly, the reader's conscience may be greatly rewarded by his or her subconscious. I have given one too many clues about what the topic of this article is and so it is high time that I reveal it: determinism.

Before offering the definition of determinism and lending it to scrutiny, allow me to apply this concept to the lives of our fellow straphangers. For example, the probability exists that the architect is working on his project even on the train because his long-term goals mean more to him than the short term pleasure of napping. According to the theory of determinism, this is most likely the case. In fact, the theory goes further to suggest that it is very likely that his "superego" is more powerful than his "id." In applying the theory to the Gameboy player, his "id" overtakes his "superego."

(It must be noted that my observation of their activities was limited to one train ride and nothing more; in other words, more variables have to be considered in the long run such as how they spend their time. Also, I do not claim to know anything more about this subject matter than what is written in this article). These are terms that are familiar to those who have taken psychology because they were constantly used by Sigmund Freud, who not only pioneered psychoanalysis, but embraced the ideas of determinism. After all, the two subject matters go hand in hand.

As far as a formal definition of determinism is concerned, it is the philosophical belief that every event or action is the inevitable result of preceding events and actions. Thus, in principle at least, every event or action can be completely predicted in advance, or in retrospect. In other words, examining the past actions/events of an individual can enable a psychoanalyst or determinist to predict a future decision of that person. There is no room for free-will in determinism; hence, it is ruled out. The implication of this is that people are not responsible for their actions. Instead, they act the way they do because of the laws of cause and effect. Just as the white ball in a pool game rolls in a certain angle

because of the force exerted upon it and the amount of traction it has on the surface, human beings, too, live on a cause and effect basis. Because of the rules of logic, the determinist is forced to say that there is one and only one possibility that a particular person will make a certain decision. If the determinist is wrong in his prediction, he may simply point out that a variable changed, which is not uncommon in the real world as statisticians know.

The theory of determinism has been applied to many concepts. Terms like environmental determinism, biological determinism, and linguistic determinism are used. As far as the latter is concerned, the following passage by Whorf, a linguist in the earlier part of this century (he is known for the Sapir-Whorf Hypothesis) best illustrates the application of deterministic theory to language:

We dissect nature along lines laid down by our native languages. The categories and types that we isolate from the world of phenomena we do not find there because they stare every observer in the face; on the contrary, the world is presented in a kaleidoscopic flux of impressions which has to be organized by our minds - and this means largely by the linguistic systems in our minds. We cut nature up, organize it into concepts, and ascribe significances as we do, largely because we are parties to an agreement to organize it in this way - an agreement that holds throughout our speech community and is codified in the patterns of our language. (Whorf 1940, pp. 213-14)

It is clear that Whorf believed that determinism plays a role in our use of language in that we are limited in expressing what we want to because one language varies from another in the inclusion of terms that describe experience. In other words, we are not free to say whatever we feel or think because we do not have all the words in the particular language(s) we speak.

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For many centuries, it has been considered a scary theory by religious people. This makes sense since one cannot blame another for sinning if the theory holds true. The religious can take comfort in acknowledging the fact that the theory of determinism does have its problems. One flaw pertains to free will. The theory says little, if anything, about an individual's ability to examine his or her own thoughts and to come to a rational decision. Rather, it assumes that we are like machines. Rousseau would certainly disagree with this since feelings were of the highest priority to him. Of course, feelings are merely considered variables and are part of the id. So, the theory's consideration of human beings as machines is not a fallacy; outruling the probability that one can self-examine himself/herself is a fallacy though. There are other flaws in the theory that free-will advocates will be more than happy to tell you about in their works.

The Sunflower On Her Palm

Part three of a series



Antonio L. Pereira
Staff Writer

Later in the evening, Eve, Tammy, the young man and I ended up hanging out in his room. Tammy and the young man sat on his bed. Before I knew it, in front of me, there were the two of them playing and touching each other. I couldn't control my anger anymore. So, that's when I walked out of the room, and sat down in the living room. Eve was inside the room. Tammy came outside and offered me a pillow, and a blanket so I could lay down on a sofa and go to sleep. My face turned red, and it wasn't because I was embarrassed. I looked at Eve and she looked at me like saying, "lay down and make believe that you are sleeping, I will come later and lay down next to you." But I couldn't take it anymore. They both kept giggling and playing on his bed. Then I exploded. "TAKE ME TO THE BUS STATION RIGHT NOW!" I screamed at Tammy. "But the next bus leaves at 6:00 in the morning and it's only 3:00," she said. "I DON'T GIVE A FUCK. TAKE ME TO YOUR DORM TO PICK UP MY BAG, AND TAKE ME TO THE BUS STATION NOW!"

We got in the car. I sat shotgun while the young man sat in the back seat. We arrived at her dorm room, and Tammy and I got out of the car and went upstairs to pick up my bag. After I picked up my bag and before we left the dorm building, she stopped me, and

began to talk to me. "What's wrong? Why are you acting like this? I thought we were friends," she said. I began to cry and explained, "I tried to be your friend, but I can't." She gave me a warm hug. I felt that she cared for me, but she had placed me in another section of her heart, while she was still in the section of my heart she had been since our first kiss.

"Be good." These were the last words I heard from her. I responded with a cold "bye." I got out of the car, and sat down on the stairs of the bus station. I opened *Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin but couldn't concentrate and closed it. I felt like my life was taking a new turn. I felt free of the chains that had enslaved me for so long. I wasn't mad at her. I felt her shift from that side of my heart where I had kept her for so long to another section where one keeps friends. The hope had ended. There was nothing to "make up." This was the end of the road and I had let go. My heart was free to love someone else. Dawn broke and I missed the 6:00 a.m. bus and ended up taking the next bus at 7:00 a.m.

A few months later I passed by my old job. Juan, one of my dearest friends told me that the Hindu man had passed by asking for me. "If what I tell you comes through, you owe me another seven dollars." I have never seen him again. I hope I do because he deserves the money I owe him. If I don't ever see him, this is my way to thank him.

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The Road to 6010 CARIBBEAN

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By Sherry Sung
Contributing Writer

Within the last year or so, cafes and bars have been on the rise specifically in Flushing, Queens. This section of the borough, with a large Asian population, have been seeing cafes/bars pop up left and right like Duane Reades. 6010 is the latest one to hit Flushing amid the wave of openings. Not only is 6010 its name, it is also the address: 6010 Kissena Boulevard, right off the Long Island Expressway. The Grand Opening day was a success on October 9, 1999, with free food and drinks to celebrate the occasion.

6010 is not your ordinary café, where the hours usually starts late in the afternoon. This may be the first of its kind to serve fast-food lunch at 11 A.M., targeting college students on the run. Their menu offers daytime students four various noodle/rice dishes, Dim Sum-like vegetables, and a wide selection of pastries ranging from tiramisus to strawberry cheese-cakes. The after-hours menu, on the other hand, offers scallion pancakes, wontons, buffalo wings, fried dumplings, and sandwiches. This is definitely not your average bar menu. In addition, 6010 not only offers the usual

this by installing 8-10 karaoke rooms in the basement of 6010. Similar to his bar menus, this karaoke will be unlike any other. For those of you unfamiliar with the karaoke scene, customers are quaint with the tradition of "ordering" songs by manually punching the numbers into the system via a remote control. 6010, however, will be the first of its kind to go one step ahead of remote controls: touch-screen televisions. Instead of fumbling for the remote, customers will be able to "touch" in their orders directly on the screen. The estimated completion of this project is sometime next year. With the success of Mr. Wen's first café, it's a wonder he has time for anything else. Since all of his energy is devoted to 6010, he struggles to make time for his other business as well: an import/export company he started two years ago. This company ships various products, ranging from shoes to computers to electronics, to international countries.

Ten years after immigrating to the United States from Taiwan, Mr. Wen explains to me how 6010 was his most influential business ever. "It has taught me to have a great deal of responsibility in my life. I learned how to interact with people as well as establishing a sense of rapport with them." He is inviting stu-

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THE BEAUTIFUL ISLAND OF JAMAICA

By Trisha Thomas
Senior Staff Writer

Jamaica is one of the most beautiful and popular islands in the Caribbean. The island's original name was probably Xaymaca, a word used by some of its original inhabitants, Arawak Indians, perhaps to mean "land of wood and water." A tropical island 4,230.5 square miles in area, Jamaica's beauty is not only in the island itself, but extends to the people, and the food.

Ah yes the food. Jamaica is known for producing dishes such as curry goat, ox tail and jerk chicken. Its national dish however, is Ackee and saltfish. Ackee is a fruit brought from West Africa by slave ships, when prepared with saltfish, it leaves you biting your fingertips.

For such a small country, Jamaica has had a huge impact on the world. Many people who do not have much knowledge about the Caribbean always seem to know about Jamaica. They always seem to know about reggae music and the Rastafari religion. Their views of Jamaica may be narrow still, largely to do with the way the media portrays the island. Jamaicans themselves, also, are often depicted negatively, as people who are involved in illegal activities with little or no formal education. Too many times the media has depicted Jamaica as an island overrun by goats and street vendors. The way Jamaica is often portrayed by the media has led to foreigners associating Jamaica and Jamaicans with negative thoughts and fear.

The only positive thing about Jamaica repeated often in the media is it being one of the most beautiful islands in the Caribbean. It is true that Jamaica is one of the most visited tourist destinations in the world. In the late 1980's more than one million people visited the island each year contributing more than 600 million dollars to the economy. Jamaica however, is more than just a tourist destination. It boasts excellent harbors and the bauxite deposits in the central section of the island are among the richest in the world.

Jamaica has always been quite popular. In previous years slaveholding colonizers found Jamaica's flat but narrow coastal plains attractive and established sugar plantations and cattle ranches. In recent times though, Jamaica has been made even more popular owing largely to the legendary reggae great Bob Marley who used musical talent to 'put Jamaica on the map.' Reggae music continues to flood the airwaves and gain popularity for Jamaica. Jamaica has made its way into Mainstream America quite comfortably.

Jamaica has been successful in sports. In fact last year the Jamaica's male soccer team, the "Reggae Boys" made it as far as the World Cup held in France. Something Jamaicans and other West Indians were extremely proud of.

The Jamaican dialect is one that many try to imitate. Jamaicans speak English, but incorporate African, Spanish and French elements, making their dialect even more unique. No one however can talk in that seemingly musical Jamaican dialect with fluency like a true

Jamaican. The slang often repeated by Jamaicans have become quite popular in the American society. Words like 'iere' and slang like "yah man" have often escaped from the lips of Americans. Many movies nowadays are being filmed in Jamaica or being centered in Jamaica. The island's popularity continues to grow tremendously. The Reggae Sunsplash show is an event that has attracted musicians and other people from all over the world. Many students seeking tertiary education have been going to the University of the West Indies campus in Mona Jamaica. People looking to 'tie the knot' in the most romantic way, have also sought out Jamaica.

Another reason why this island is so well known, has to do with the way the country markets itself. Advertisements are frequently aired on television, inviting visitors to the island. Local cable TV even airs a Jamaican comedy "Oliver at Large." Most recently the blockbuster "How Stella Got her Groove Back" was partially set in Jamaica.

Jamaica like any other country has had its share of hard times. The hurricane popularly called "Mr. Gilbert" devastated the island sometime back in the 80's. This unfortunate act of 'Mother Nature' left many Jamaicans without homes. Poverty in the island has been a problem for years. Because Jamaica has an almost invisible middle class, it is even harder to close the gap between the rich and poor. The government of Jamaica was listed in the top five of a list comprising the most corrupt countries, in a study done by an international research company. Due to the economic hardships that Jamaica has faced and continues to face, many residents have immigrated to the United States. Jamaicans make up the fifth largest immigrant group in New York City. It is also very evident that we have a lot of Jamaicans right here at Baruch College. The Jamaican population has contributed like other ethnic group to making this school the most diverse in the nation, and to making New York City the most diverse in the world.

This island of Jamaica is an island of many mysteries, an island of beauty and no doubt beautiful people, owning a beautiful culture. Jamaica is definitely more than just a vacation spot. It just happens to be one of the most beautiful islands in the world. Yah man!

A Very Short Guide to Understanding the Jamaica Dialect

ah soon come - I'll be there soon
bad breed - a person of mixed descent
bruk yuh foot - take your woman
cuff - hitting someone or something with a clenched fist
lef dat - leave that
maga - very thin
mampee - very fat woman
picknee - child
skettel - a whore
sometimish - very moody
take ah fresh - take a shower
what ah gwan - what's up



The 6010 Cafe from outside (Photo/Sherry Sung)

beers such as Corona, Budweiser, or Heineken, but special/ed drinks as well. These special drinks include tapioca pearls, cocktails, fruit drinks, iced hot flavored coffee, wines, iced/hot mochachino, and iced/hot cappuccino. By Christmas, this café will add 12 more house drinks to the menu.

I had a chance to interview the person behind all the success. When 6010 was nothing more than a mere thought in his head a year and a half ago, 25-year-old Wei Wen was facing financial difficulties, which prevented him from pursuing his dream. But after a year's worth of savings and an additional business partner, this Taiwanese descent is just beginning to live his dream. "Eventually, I hope I can start a chain of cafes and bars. But right now, my immediate plan is to open one in Manhattan within the next two years." Why Manhattan, you ask? "Because competition in Flushing is far too fierce."

The next item on Mr. Wen's agenda is expanding his current business. He will accomplish

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People, why are we here? It would seem for the purpose of gathering the information we think is necessary to enhance our lives in the future.

Now, where is that information gathered from? While some would studiously keep their noses in overpriced books and get hand cramps in class scribbling illegible notes, countless other learning opportunities are missed.

If you let an overzealous security guard bully you into doing what his or her ego wants just because he or she is wearing an ugly blue uniform, what have you learned about yourself?

If you accept ridiculous policy from administration as law and don't question the underlying motives, what have you learned about yourself?

If you don't talk to that fellow student who you meet in the hallway and see again in class and again in the elevator, what have you learned about yourself?

The redundant message attempting to be proclaimed here is knowledge. No, these words on this page don't assume to be able to impart any truth to you, a sentient being. Yet heed the advice.

Know thyself. Yes, you've heard it before, but have you listened? Understand who you are and what you are.

This may sound too metaphysical for the average college student (especially you finance majors) but it is not that complex.

As you scramble and grab for those grades, think of why you are doing it all, truly. So you can graduate, so you can get a job, so you can get a house, so you can get a family, so you can raise your kids, so they can scramble like you did all your life, that is, death.

What is the point without understanding? To be an automaton, to be a tiny cog in a small wheel of a irrelevant machine called Society?

Wake up.

Quote of the Week:

"Maintain the present course"

--Baruch Interim President, Sidney Lirtzman

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CUNY Students Show Numbers and Strength in Protest of Herman "They-Don't-Speak-My-Language" Badillo

By Nicole Lovell
Contributing Writer

At 900 3rd Ave and 54th St. at approximately 3:45pm on Thursday, Oct. 28, I walked into a circle of predominantly Latino men and women carrying banners, signs, posters and pictures while angrily shouting into the sky. As I got closer, it became apparent that they weren't shouting into thin air but rather at an office several stories above them, hoping that whoever was inside would hear. I entered the circle and stood around, listening, trying to decipher the words being uttered. I heard demands, complaints and concerns of about 250 angry students, parents and community leaders gathered to make Herman Badillo aware that they were fed up and planned to take him down.

Badillo, the Chairman of the CUNY Board of Trustees, in a Sept. 22 press conference,

made comments that were perceived as racist, misrepresentations of the Mexican and Central-American race and culture. The statement created even more hostility and alarm because Badillo himself is of Puerto-Rican descent. When first elected, many Latino members of the community believed that his election would create an advantage for the Latino-Americans. Open Admissions and equal education has been a fight for minorities since CUNY first began and now that a member of the minority population is in a power position, instead of feeling joyous, the people feel despondent. Badillo, apparently does not see his election the same way his people did.

Disregarding the struggle of his people, Badillo has implemented policies that will reverse any and all attempts to better the status of Latinos and African-Americans. One of the policies implemented is elimination of remedial classes at all the 4-year colleges. By eliminating the remedial classes, 2/3 of New York

City public high school graduates will be prevented from entering the senior colleges. The current education that is available to the city's public high school students is one that is so lacking that remedial courses are necessary at the college level. Things come about because of necessity.

Instead of investigating the problem and seeking out the root, Badillo wishes to cut the weeds and empower the weed killer. So instead of these weeds growing around and in the tree, they will grow on the sidewalk, in shelters and in prisons. Those students who have a learning deficiencies will be discouraged from furthering their education because these deficiencies will make them inefficient.

I gathered from being at the rally that a lot of African-Americans didn't see that this was their fight as well. Although the "enemy of the people" is a Latino, his behavior not only affects other Latinos but African-Americans and other minority groups as well. When I was

Get Knowledge on Your Own -- Huh?

Vanessa Witenko
Staff Writer

Comprehension, the ability to understand is dying along with the mind. I encounter this frequently with sounds of huh, say what?, or a little chuckle and smile as if they understand what I am talking about.

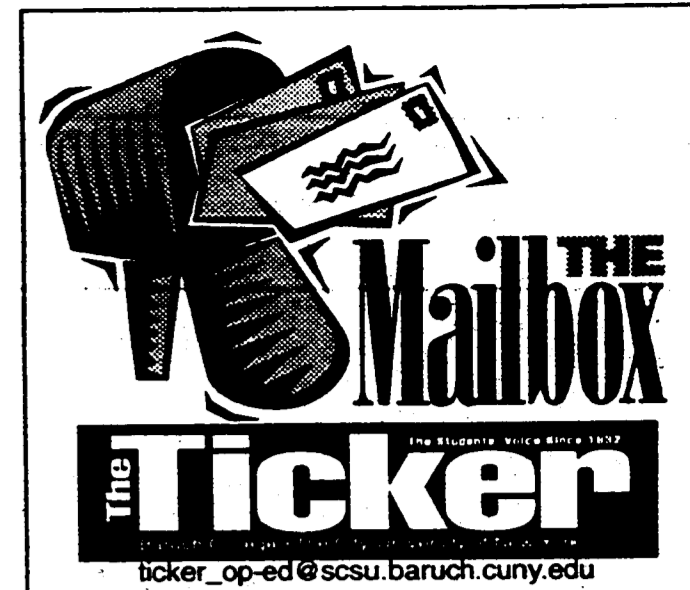
The deteriorating skill of comprehension is a consequence of terrible teaching skills and the new technological world we are entering. Students are not tested on comprehending the knowledge taught in class, but they are tested

on the memorizing skills. Define the bold typed words is all you need to pass. Professors perform dictation, and students act like robots not saying a word, with their hands sore from writing every word the Professor states. How does a professor know whether his students understand the concept if he never teaches or asks about the concept. Instead the professor uses his laser pointer and a blue screen, which shows the same pictures we see in our books. One time my class was canceled because the computer screen was not working. What's wrong with chalk? Oh, the professional busi-

ness image does not look good with chalky hands. Standardization kills the mind.

In another class I spoke to my professor and informed him that I was bored in his class and wanted to be challenged. He said he heard what I had said, but the next class my feet were tapping impatiently as my hands clutched together forming a praying fist for knowledge. None came. My professor said that he heard me, but his actions proved he did not understand me.

If my professors do not understand the skill of comprehension, how do students who lack



leaving the rally, an onlooker stated "Oh, that's a Spanish thing over there?" I replied, "No, it's everyone's fight." The policies Badillo implemented will affect everyone because Latinos aren't the only ones taking remedial courses. In fact, there are more African-Americans enrolled in these courses than Latinos. We need to be abreast of all of the things happening around us and to us. If Badillo regards his own Latino brothers and sisters in this manner, how do you think he feels about the rest of us?

the skills of comprehension receive them? Professors, when you see me walk out of class, it is not to party, it is however because I am bored and find more knowledge at the book store down the street. So I continue to hear the sounds of huh, say what?, and the phony chuckles accompanied by the frozen grin. What's the word at Baruch? Cheat your way through school with ignorance. What's my word? Lead myself out with wisdom.

Politics and Stuff:

The United States Strikes Back (Against Puerto Rico?)

By Mark Heron
Senior Staff Writer

This week, unannounced senate candidate Hillary-Rodham Clinton came out in support stopping the bombing of the inhabited island of Vieques (pronounced Vee-eh-kess) by the United States Navy.

So what? We could say that maybe she is just pandering to the large Puerto-Rican population in New York City. But then again, Rudy Giuliani, the as yet unannounced and most likely opponent, also came out in support of that same position. What?! How could this be? Two very different people from opposing parties both in support of the same issue, say it ain't so.

This has largely been the case when it comes to this issue. All of the major parties, and the not so major ones, from the Puerto Rico are all united when it comes to this issue. They are all unconditionally united in opposition to any and all continued bombing on this tiny inhabited island.

Last week, Governor Pedro Rossello of Puerto Rico, in a heated debate with the Senate Armed Services Committee, said that he would not agree to allow one more bomb to drop on Vieques.

The argument the Navy has been using is that Vieques is the only island of its kind able to provide the necessary air, land and sea training needed to maintain the U.S.'s military readiness. They said that there are no other islands of its kind available and that the United States would lose its ability to defend themselves adequately. Forgive me if I don't believe that the most powerful military and country in the world cannot find another island that is not only adequate but better than Vieques. While I am for having a military that is adequately prepared, I think the military has been shortsighted in not realizing that they would eventually have to leave Vieques. The U.S. Navy has been in court since the 1980's trying to resolve various disputes having to do with Vieques.

The same dispute that has the United States Navy in court generated a Memorandum of Understanding in 1983. This memo states that the U.S. Navy would work to make sure that

they improved the quality of life in Vieques. The stipulations of this agreement include the improvement of the economic lives of the people of Vieques by the Navy. The residents of Vieques have the lowest per capita income (\$3000 a year). This is the lowest per capita income in the entire U.S., including Puerto Rico. The Navy also pledged to work on environmental issues ranging from cleaning up the coral reefs to protecting the wildlife that is being seriously harmed by the continued bombing.

Perhaps the average citizen sees this as an issue that does not concern him or her. Vieques is located approximately 25 miles east off the shore of Puerto Rico. With that in mind, just think: 25 miles is not that far! That would be approximately five hundred (500) blocks. So suppose you were in the North Bronx (let's say Riverdale), then that means Battery Park would be the target area. If that isn't clear let's try being in Manhattan while Staten Island is being bombed. We know that would not happen seeing as they don't even want a garbage dump on the tip of their island. If you stood in the middle of the City and bombed anywhere within a twenty-five mile radius then you would be hitting anyone of the five boroughs. Imagine if this was going on in anyone of the five boroughs for over fifty years. I doubt that that would be the case. The cry for a halt would be loud and carry across all walks of life. Puerto Rico deserves the same.

Puerto Ricans have died for the United States. They have served our country well. To say that this is a political issue is to minimize the humanitarian and environmental duties that we have to the citizens of Puerto Rico.

Many of New York's most respected, elected officials have come out in favor of halting all bombing on Vieques. Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Congressman Jose Serrano are just some of the elected officials that are against the bombing. Add to this list, religious and civic leaders and ordinary New Yorkers, and you have one issue that unites us when so many divides us. It is time. Time to stop the bombing. Time to decide the status of Puerto Rico. Time for the United States to do the right thing.

By Lando Greene
Contributing Writer

The kkk reached its height of electoral success in 1924 with national marches of white supremacists in Washington DC. Today, the mayor of New York would label Dr. Khalid Muhammad and the Million Youth March as racist, but Muhammad and the MYM was never a march that participated in the lynching and terrorizing of innocent people.

By 1924 the kkk had served it's role of uniting recent european catholic immigrants within the racist umbrella of white america. It also played it's role of intimidating striking workers and potentially rebellious Afrikans. All of these things were necessary for the white ruling class to achieve, but could not openly do with the government's assistance alone. Out of this time period, anti-immigration laws were passed that were originally pushed by the klan. These laws were especially against Asians and Latinos to keep this a white country.

Once it reached these goals it was time for the klan to be dismantled again. Once the United States government was no longer in support of the klan, their member dropped considerably. Former klansmen, of German descent, went back home. This is important because these european immigrants imported back with them white supremacist ideologies that originated in the united states. These German klansmen went back to Germany and formed small organizations that later merged to become the NAZI PARTY!

The next time the klan would appear in u.s. history would be during the so-called "Cold War." This time they were not a national organization, but a loose connection of small local collectives. Almost like cells. Many of these groups, according to Michael Novick, were infiltrated or sometimes organized by the FBI.

The kkk was very important for white power in the south when Afrikans were struggling for power from the 1950's to the 1970's. Whenever there was klan bombings and violence against the Afrikan civil-rights struggle, there were FBI and police agents in the klan midst.

In the beginning of the Ronald Reagan era,

Reflections on the Ku Klux Klan In U.S. History PART II

there was a mass murder of five (5) anti-klan organizers in the south. The neo-Nazi and klan groups involved were infiltrated and armed by an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). Local police were also involved in the leadership of this group. The murders from these groups were found acquitted in both local and federal trials.

Today, the military and the police departments are littered with klansmen and neo-nazis. Yet times appear to be different. When the early klan appeared, local police and sheriffs would openly identify with the kkk. Today, the police departments are more multi-racial and promote the image of color-blindness. Still, there is a high number of neo-nazi and klan organizing within the police and military ranks.

1986, Chicago, IL: Black FBI agent Donald Rochon sues the Bureau. He is the target of harassment and death threats from white agents in the field office. His wife receives KKK-type materials and threats. Ironically Rochon was an LAPD officer who spied on and disrupted Black organizations opposing police brutality.

1992, Los Angeles, CA: A Black cop who had been ostracized and verbally abused by fellow officers since testifying about racism in the LAPD, finds a chalk outline of himself in front of his locker with the indication of two bullets in his head.

1992, Chicago, IL: A fire-fighter and his brother are arrested for shooting at their Puerto Rican neighbor. Nazi materials, weapons, ammunition and explosives are found in their home.

1992, Boynton Beach, FL: Officer fired from the force for flaunting a swastika tattoo at a Jewish woman officer. Seeks reinstatement by claiming that Nazism was widespread and accepted in the department.

1993, Patterson, NJ: A cop is busted for dealing in illegal weapons with an undercover officer. Nazi materials found in his home.

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Prehistoric Man Read on Toilet



This photo was posted in Mr. Parkens' archeology eCircle, accompanied by his profound comment, "They probably read this on the can."

In an eCircle that archeologist David Parkens uses to keep in touch with fellow archeologists, Parkens shared his recent discovery that cave etchings were created for the purpose of providing Neanderthal men with reading material while they sat on rock toilets. The buffaloes, clouds, and depictions of people were also created while the men were seated, Parkens believes. The discovery was made after an assistant remarked on the odd height of the etchings, which looked like they were made "from a crouched" position.

"We were always so distracted by the masterpieces that lined the walls," Parkens said, "we never gave much thought to the odd-shaped rocks lining the floor."

Typing on his laptop from a site 122 miles west of Nairobi, Kenya, Parkens said the mish-mash of styles has led his team to conclude that the etchings were the work of a number of artists.

The artists probably worked on their pieces, Parkens theorizes, before moving to another "seat" and allowing the next Neanderthal to read and respond to his work

from the now-empty seat, in a perverse game of musical toilets. The scene in the cave following a large meal, David Parkens conceded, "must have been a curious one, indeed."

While Parkens considers the find "enlightening", he worries about the change that may occur in how we view cave paintings all over the world, especially after the responses from other eCircles.

"So we should no longer view the caves as galleries where club-toting Michelangelos unburdened their souls," archeologist Jane Finey asked in the discussion area, "but perhaps more like a restroom where middle-schoolers trade notes while they poop?"

"Judging by the long time needed to etch them," typed Bill Thomas "should we infer that Neanderthals were often constipated?"

"The thing we MUST keep in mind," David implored his fellow archeologists "is that cave etchings are STILL wondrous works of beauty, and contain a wealth of information about Stone Age life. Regardless of the circumstances in which they were made."

Supermodels to Discuss Addition, Subtraction

A group of international supermodels is using their eCircles chat area to improve their mathematical skills. Yesterday's meeting was about subtraction and its practical application. Following is a partial transcript of their seminar:

Angel Loirette: So maybe we could start just by talking about an example of subtraction from our life that we've had to do. If we can think of any.

Aspen Lancaster: I haven't been in school for so long.

Audrey McCann: OK I invited this guy friend for diner. When the bill came he just sat there saying he had such a grate time and it was fun and I like starting freaking out. The bill said 29 dollars. I had this salad. It had these olives on it and kept thinking like oh my god I really shouldn't have eeten those and now all there's all this extra

time i'm gonna be in the jim, and those olives they were like the eyes from this boyfriend, this italian boyfriend from italy he was so cute but he thought he was gay

Angel: What happened Audrey?

Audrey: Oh so there was like the olives and the bill and so I just throw all this monie on the tabel and like run out. he comes back the next day with all this monie I gues I left like 800 dollars and so I took the monie and slammed the door, but that was like subtraction right I mean like a lot?

Aspen: That was really mean. Don't ever see him again.

Angel: He should have given you back like 700 and 61 dollars.

Audrey: What about, that tip thing?

Aspen: Like 700.

Audrey: So, when you pay it's like the bill that you minus

Aspen: Yeah. But if you date a guy that's not mean, you should always be adding. Like that's how you know.

Angel: We'll do that next week.

Study Reveals Ping Pong Players Have Most Sex

Members of an eCircle dedicated to the study of human sexuality are about to release a report claiming that ping pong players have seventeen times as much sex as non-ping pongers. "It's fascinating," said Heidi Bryant, Professor of Sexuality at Dunkirk Tech. "Simply put, ping pong enthusiasts "do it" more than the rest of us."

Professor Bryant's eCircle includes sexuality experts from all fifty states, as well as Madagascar. Over the past 27 months, the scholars have been sharing scads of data in their eCircle, including statistics, one-on-one interviews and photos.

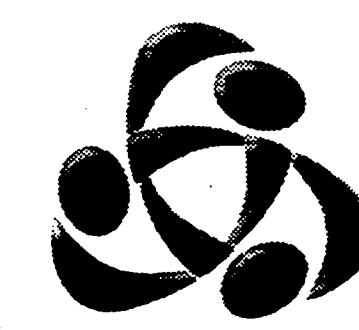
"When the results of our study came in, we all just kind of slapped our hands on our foreheads and said 'duh'," Bryant recalled. "Traditionally,

the Chinese have dominated international ping pong competitions, and look at the birthrate in that country!"

Professor Bryant went on to say that the group still doesn't know what it is about ping pong that promotes copious amounts of sex. "We suspect the fast-paced frenzy of the game gets the old blood pumping, and players need an

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La Nina and El Nino's Angst-Ridden Illegitimate Son Slams Tiny Pacific Island With 34-Day Blizzard

Typing from a portable computer to friends in her eCircle yesterday, Mary Simpson described the dire situation at Kokena, a tiny island just off the Western coast of New

eCircler Tells of Living 'Diablo Loco'

Guinea. Ms. Simpson also used her eCircle to share photos of the storm damage, which her friends described as "super, super scary." Mary Simpson is studying in Kokena as part of a biology program run by Tidewater State, a small college in Florida.

"We've had to make long-sleeved winter clothing out of palm fronds," wrote Mary. "The natives have smashed

our microscopes, sunken our boat, and make us crawl around for our food because they think it's our fault. I don't know how much longer we can hold out." Her eCircle friends, along with her university and one member of the U.S. Government, are arranging a relief operation for the island as quickly as possible.

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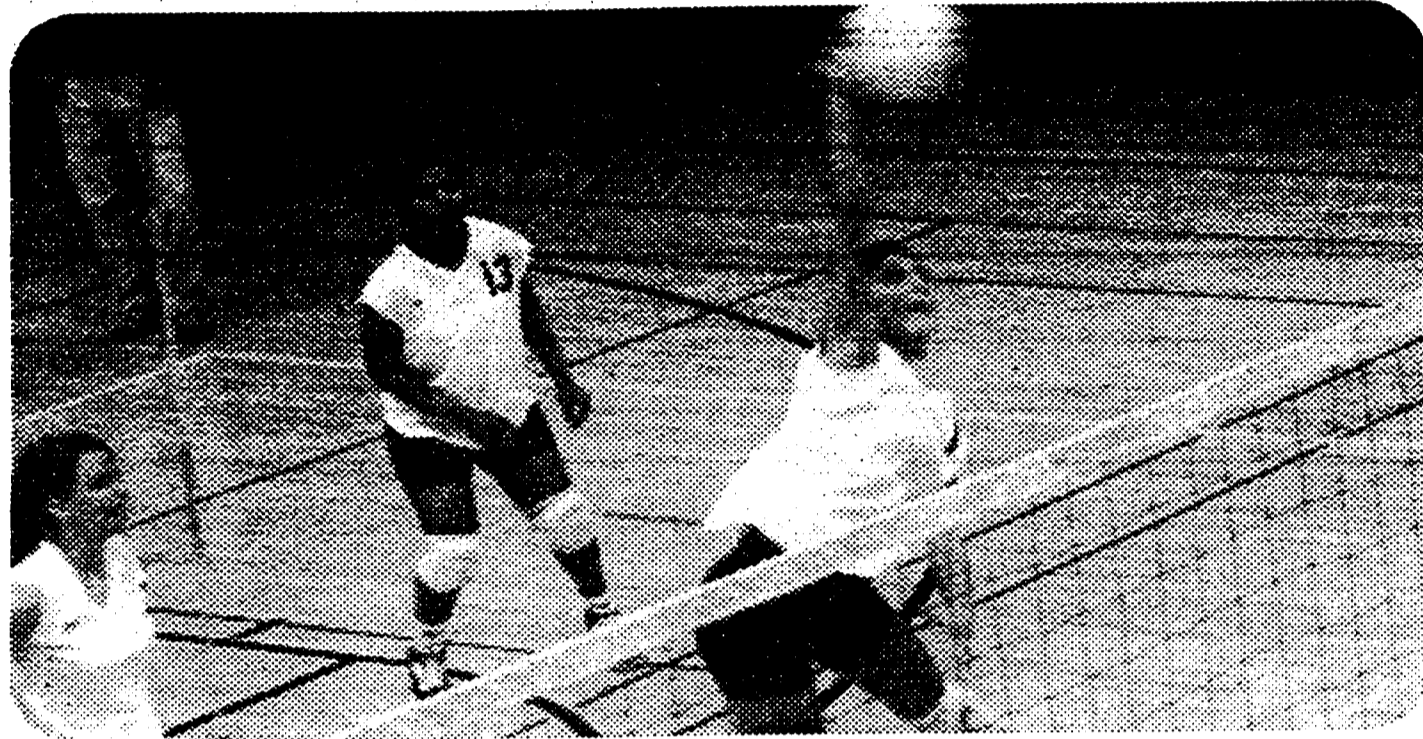
STATESWOMEN ARE HUDSON VALLEY CHAMPIONS BUT COME UP A MATCH SHORT IN CUNY CHAMPIONSHIP

By Kenyatta Pious
Sports Editor

As I predicted, the women's volleyball team made it to the CUNY championship! As I am now 3-0 on my predictions, I should have perhaps stated that the team was going to win it all instead. After third seeded Baruch defeated sixth seeded Brooklyn College in three games and second seeded Lehman College in four games, I was confident that the Stateswomen would win it all even against returning champion, Hunter College.

Unfortunately, for Baruch, Hunter is much like our highly esteemed Baruch cheerleaders in that Hunter does not lose! A very cocky Hunter won the 1999 CUNY Athletic Conference/Modell's Women's Volleyball Championship on its home court to earn its first-ever automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Championships. The Hawks routed Baruch College 15-4, 15-6, 15-9 in the final, winning Hunter's fourth straight title and 13th in 15 seasons.

A slew of awards went to Hunter: Anna Wroblewska was named Most Valuable Player for the second time in row and Player of the Year; Lauren Caiaccia, was named Coach of the Year; and Jezel Rodriguez was named Rookie of the Year though many felt Rodriguez



Marianna Papadopoulou spikes the ball for a Baruch point. (Photo/Maya Antic)

was a potential MVP. Caiaccia was last spring's Coach of the Year and won the CUNY championship with the Hunter men team. My only criticism against Hunter is that the team was collectively pompous and boisterous about its dominance. There is a certain team decorum that most teams have that did not seem to be a part of Hunter.

With a perfect 12-0 mark in CUNYAC this season, and a 45 match winning streak dating

back to 1996, Baruch was overwhelmed by Hunter. The Stateswomen made a few careless mistakes that not only cost the team but are unexcusable in a finals match, especially against Hunter. When queried, coach Jimmy Lam said "We played very well and I am proud of my team. I think the fact that we played five matches in a span of two days may have contributed to our performance against Hunter." The Stateswomen were playing the CUNY tournament and the Hudson Valley tournament at the same time which is usually not the case.

Three Stateswomen were named as CUNYAC All-Stars: Rebecca Matos, Marianna

Papadopoulou and Carla Pimentel. Congratulations to them.

On a very bright note, the Stateswomen are the 1999 Hudson Valley champions!! Hudson Valley is a post season tournament that CUNY teams can qualify for.

Baruch defeated Pratt Institute in the first round and Lehman in the semi-final round. The Stateswomen played the college of Mt. St. Vincent's in the championship match. After losing the first game 13-15, Baruch would pick up tempo and win the next three 16-14, 15-8, 15-8.

Carla Pimentel and Marianna Papadopoulou were named to the All-Tournament team. Graduating senior, Carla Pimentel, was named as the Most Valuable Player.

All things considered, Baruch has nothing to cry about for losing in the CUNYs, instead, the team can already begin to look forward to next year. Hunter is a dynasty right now but the greater truth about all dynasties is that they all must crumble! Moreover, the Stateswomen are only losing two players to graduation: Carla Pimentel and Pei-Ling Lou. Lastly, we thank the team for a most entertaining season and we wish the graduating seniors good luck on all their endeavors. I wish to personally thank all those who came to the games and supported our team! Note: at presstime there have been no pictures developed with the Stateswomen holding their trophies, please stay tuned...

Minners' Commentary

By Jon Minners
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Welcome back. I am a happy New Yorker as the New York Yankees won another World Series, making quick work of the Atlanta Braves. Take that Rocker.

The parade was very emotional as Darryl Strawberry broke out in tears over the struggles he overcame to make it this far. Everyone deserves a break, and even though he has gotten plenty, it was nice to see him up there.

It was a long season for the Yankees as several players had a very emotional year with family members dying and other Yankees facing personal demons. They deserve this one. It will be their last though, as the Mets will take it all next year. You heard it here first, and so far, all of my predictions have been wrong. Damn it! That's not really good then. Oh, well. I have to be right some time.

The World Wrestling Federation is running an angle where the Big Show's father is dying of terminal cancer, and the Big Bossman is making fun of it. First off, the Big Show's father isn't really dying, and the fact that they are running this angle is appalling. The fact that they have another wrestler making fun of it is even worse. I don't care how much this angle is getting both wrestlers over with the fans. The fact of the matter is that it is wrong and they may have crossed the line on this one.

I am getting back into football, now that the World Series is done with. The New York Giants are kicking ass, and have me excited about their prospects for the coming season. I am in a total football kick right now. In what will be a change from my normal commentaries, I have decided to take a look at a video game dealing with the world of football. If you don't like it, tough. Don't interrupt the growth of my column.

I just got a new game for the Sega Dreamcast called NFL 2K from Sega Sports that is exactly like the football I see on TV.

I started it up, and played as the New York Jets. The gameplay is phenomenal. The players look realistic and the plays are amazing. The gameplay is fluid and fast, and it has the feel of an actual TV game. Instant replays are

shown of the great plays and you can get a close-up look at those bone crunching tackles that will make you cringe in pain. After every touchdown, there is a scoring summary, and announcers describe the action on every single play, never falling behind the action, and always sounding like they have something new to talk about.

The game was amazing. The Jets played just like the Jets. They won the first game with great passing, beating the Patriots into submission. One distracting point came when scoring updates were shown on the bottom of the screen along with ads for future Sega games (great marketing idea). I found that to be so cool, that I was reading the scores when my quarterback was sacked. Shouldn't have been distracted, but it was really cool to see that.

I haven't found the knack for defense and I have been called for almost every penalty I could be called for. Still, the game is rather easy to learn and fun to play. I enjoyed the announcing, the gameplay, and the fast loading times. I enjoy even more the fact that I can create my own team complete with logo, my own fantasy league, my own players and my own draft. This game is kick ass and extremely realistic.

Some strange facts. The Jets finished at 4-12, which they are on pace to be in the real NFL. Another interesting fact. The Giants started out at 1-4, and then ended the season 9-7, making the playoffs, and losing to the Cowboys in the second round. And, the Cleveland Browns did not win the Super Bowl like I predicted earlier in the season. I wonder if the NFL season will end in a similar manner. Oh yeah, the Dolphins won the Super Bowl.

Now, what I can't wait for is the realism of their next sports title for the NBA. I heard it is even far more realistic. In this game, you can make a player choke his coach, get suspended, get reinstated, become a superstar for another team, skip practice and still come up with a big five-year salary. Cool! You can also choose what injury you want to inflict Patrick Ewing with. Sounds like a great game to me.

Well that's about all the time I have. I have got to play some more Dreamcast. I love this game. Later...

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ON ANY GIVEN SUNDAY...

By Shan-san Wu
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Last week vs. spread: 6-8 Overall: 39-40
Cardinals (+7) at NYJets

The Jets still have no idea how to compensate for the loss of Vinny. Parcels proving to himself and to his buddy Bobby Knight that nice guys don't always finish last. Arizona.

Jaguars (-6) at Falcons

Fred Taylor is Back. The Falcons are back to Earth and transformed back into their usual pumpkin selves after last week's Cinderella ball. Plenty of post-halloween pumpkins lying around ready to be smashed. Jacksonville.

Eagles (+4 1/2) at Panthers

According to the 'jockocracy' at FOX sports, Eagles are improving every week. Carolina.

Rams (-3 1/2) at Lions

In the Rams' Year of Destiny, they will beat up and coming teams like Batch's Lions by a TD or two. St. Louis.

Bears (+6 1/2) at Packers

If a lactose intolerant Bear eats a cheesehead, defecates in the woods, and nobody is there to hear it, did it actually happen? Yes. Bears.

Chiefs (+3 1/2) at Colts

Manning+Harrison+James: look out. This isn't Volunteer Country anymore. Indianapolis.

Bills (+4 1/2) at Redskins

The Bills will keep all of their wins close this year. Washington.

Buccaneers (-3 1/2) at Saints

Clash of Titans III. New Orleans.

Broncos (-1 1/2) at Chargers

Seau humbled last week. The Broncos are a test of his hunger and his taste for cheval meat this week. San Diego.

Steelers (+3) at 49ers

"When I left, I was but the learner. Now I am the Master." - Lord Vader. Pittsburgh.

Bengals (+9) at Seahawks

Safari time for Holmgren after last week's cheese fondue party. Seattle.

Picks of the Week: Overall: 2-3

Ravens (-3) at Browns

Couch and the Browns needed a gift from above to win last week. Lightning never strikes the same place twice. Baltimore.

Titans (+3) at Dolphins

Over in Miami, the seeds of discontent sown earlier in the season from Johnson's ultimatum to Marino are bearing Huard fruit. Ripe for the plucking. Tennessee.

The Baruch Pulse

By Kenyatta Pious
Sports Editor

The men's soccer team lost a gruelling match to York 1-0 in the quarterfinals. York's only goal came on a 43rd minute penalty kick by Alex Proano, his sixth goal of the year. Goalkeeper Diego Gallrdo made the score stand, denying the nation's leading scorer Ilya Yermolenko of Baruch.

The women's basketball team is in dire need of players. Almost all the players from last season have not been able to return this year because of a number of reasons, including school

schedule conflicts and new job hours. This year the team has a new coaching staff. Bob DiNardo is the new head coach and he explained that he did not expect to be in this situation. DiNardo will not be able to aggressively recruit until next year since the season is starting in a few weeks. DiNardo urges that all who are interested should come out to the gym and participate. The coaching staff is ready and willing to train and coach anyone regardless of skill level. For more information, please see Ralph Sirianni on the seventh floor balcony of the 23rd street building or call (212) 387-1274.