Rain Washes Out Tuition Hike Protest
Low turnout dampens the day for demonstrators

By Rafael Olmeda

Steady rain and cold weather are being blamed for the low turnout at a student demonstration on Feb. 7 at Borough Hall in Manhattan Community College against the impending tuition increase.

Wilson Shum, president of the Day Session Student Government, says rain and cold weather are bad for a protest individually. "If you have them both at the same time, it ruins everything." No student government representative from Baruch College attended the protest.

The demonstration was organized by William Lineman of Malagay Evers College, Lineman is vice chair for senior colleges on the University Budget Coalition of New York.

Earlier this month, Governor Mario Cuomo announced plans to cut CUNY’s budget by $50 million and increase the tuition by $500 per year to recover $40 million of it. In addition, he proposed massive cuts to scholarships and grants programs, including TAP and Regents Scholarships.

Participation Urged

The protest began at noon, with only a handful of students, including a microphone and large speakers urging BMCC students to join the demonstration. "Some of you students are going in there to your classes because you think you can’t miss them," Lineman called out as the students passed. "But if you don’t do something now, you may not have a BMCC to go to," Lineman stated several times that the board of trustees of CUNY would consider closing down colleges to offset the budget cuts that are being implemented by the state government.

"My biggest problem is that a lot of students don’t see that we are the power of the City University," said Jean Lemarr, chairman of the USS. Lineman later rallied about 200 students into the school building to pull other students out of their classes and march to City Hall and the World Trade Center. As they entered the lobby, students who stayed outside chanted, "They say cut back, we say fight back!" They say cut back, we say fight back!"

But Andy Chen, a reporter for the student newspaper at Queensborough Community College, noted that the number of protesters was cut in half by the time they left the building. Over 20 police officers from the 114th precinct were prepared for a large turnout, but when they saw that there were under 100 demonstrators, they tried to keep them on the sidewalk. The students, however, insisted on walking the street toward City Hall.

"People saw us walking, but they didn’t know what we were demonstrating for," says Chen. "Some people asked if this was protesting the war," Chen adds that a clearer message would have been sent to the city if the protest organizers issued signs to the protesters.

Shum says another reason the protest failed to attract students was that it was poorly advertised. Without the time to gather people needed for a large turnout, it was not possible to organize a strong presence of Baruch students.

Expect Takeovers

Protesters at BMCC were very clear about what can be expected. "We’re going to do whatever it takes," Lineman said. "It might take shutting down these buildings, and I’m not talking about for 30 days. I’m talking about if it takes a year, if it takes two years. If this city thinks it has budget problems now, imagine what it will be like if they don’t collect tuition from us for two years."

The executive council of the DSSG has planned a forum for club-hours on Feb. 14, a move that was criticized by council members who felt that not only would there not be enough time to publicize the event, but that it would cut into activities that are planned by clubs in celebration of Valentine’s Day.

The DSSG also reports that about twenty people are signed up to attend a lobbying trip from Feb. 23-25 in Albany. Shum says this is one of several ways the DSSG plans to fight the tuition increase. He also spoke of starting a letter-writing campaign, and warns that the failure of the BMCC protest will not carry over throughout the semester. "Whenever the rest of the colleges decide to, we will act accordingly," he said. He would not clarify what he meant by that, but said it is up to students to interpret his words.

William Lineman looks on as speaker urges passing students to join the protest.

Few students were on hand outside BMCC at a rally protesting the proposed tuition increase.

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CORRECTION

In the February 6 issue of the Ticker, our editorial said that Governor Mario Cuomo attended the City University of New York. This is not true. He attended St. John's University undergraduate and law school. We apologize for any inconvenience this misinformation may have caused.

Baruch College Needs Leaders

The recently proposed budget cuts will adversely effect all of us. Whether you are a freshman, senior or alummi, a $500 annual increase is unreasonable and should not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of every one of us to fight this injustice. Classes are very important and many of you have a limited amount of time, but an effort has to be made, NOW. This is a plea to all students to take the time and find out what they can do to help. Contact your respective student government official or the offices of the Vice President for Student Development to help them with their letter writing campaign.

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In this Section: And Man Created Art
Life In Hell

The following article was written by a learning disabled senior here at Baruch. This student is intelligent, verbally articulate, and very capable of writing a good article, conceptually. However, decomposing errors in spelling and grammar which have intentionally not been corrected as a way of illustrating the effect a learning disability in writing can have on someone who otherwise writes very well. If there were an assigned paper, this student would have someone check spelling and grammatical errors (or use spelling- and grammar-checking software on a computer) before handing it in to the professor.

By L.B.B.

I remember having a community college professor saying, "I won't make it at Baruch." I was going to graduate from high school, and I was never going to go to college. I worked hard every day, but I was never going to graduate from high school, and I was never going to go to college. I worked hard every day, but I was never going to graduate from high school, and I was never going to go to college.

Baruch Student Reveals AIDS Discrimination

By Karen Yaralli

What do people think about working with someone who has contracted the AIDS virus? Would you stay away from that person or quit your job? Would you demand that person to quit their job, or would you avoid touching that person or any object he or she touched?

As a member of the Society for Human Resource Management, I recently interviewed some employees, and the answers I received were astonishing. About 75 percent of the employees believed the person with AIDS should have his or her own rest room in the workplace because they do not want to get the AIDS virus. Although AIDS is a transmittable disease, it cannot be contracted through the sharing of office space or equipment, rest rooms, telephones or from drinking from water fountains. AIDS also cannot be contracted by casual contact such as shaking hands, touching or hugging. AIDS can only be contracted by sexual intercourse, sharing a needle with a drug user who has AIDS or by receiving contaminated blood transfusions. According to one employee, he would make it at Baruch, because of my social problems. I ignored him because I didn't want to make him mad. I ignored him because I didn't want to make him mad. I ignored him because I didn't want to make him mad.

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for the ones you love (and hate)  
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 Disabled

It is my own. When I saw this particular guidance counselor was in for a pleasant shock. The first thing that counselor told me was that she had never heard of learning disabilities, which was not surprising, as I was being treated for a learning disability with medication. She then proceeded to explain that I had dyslexia, which is a type of learning disability that affects reading and writing skills. She also explained that I had ADHD, which is a type of learning disability that affects attention and hyperactivity. She then continued to explain that I had dyslexia, which is a type of learning disability that affects reading and writing skills. She also explained that I had ADHD, which is a type of learning disability that affects attention and hyperactivity.

AIDS Discrimination

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One employee added, "I think many people don't know what AIDS is or what it's like. I think that's why it's such a big problem for us. We have to get the word out there and let people know that AIDS is not just a disease for gay people. It's a disease for everyone."

Many employees who have been diagnosed with AIDS have become isolated by their co-workers, and due to the resulting isolation which comes with having a disability, they leave their jobs. There are some employees in the interviews who attribute attitudes towards AIDS workers to AIDS workers themselves. However, others say that their employers have been very supportive and understanding. One employee said, "I have found that my employer has been very supportive and understanding. They have made sure that I am comfortable in my job and that I am able to do my work to the best of my ability."

It is very risky to fire an employee with AIDS due to the fear of AIDS workers against the company, many employees with AIDS workers believe that this fear is unfounded. "I think that the fear of AIDS workers is a myth. I have never heard of anyone getting AIDS from a co-worker," said one employee.

Through flexible scheduling and part time work, a few companies encourage employees who have contracted AIDS to stop working. Companies are also going flexible with their work schedules and are offering part time work to those who are ill. "I think that this is a great idea. I have been able to work part time and I have been able to keep my job," said one employee.

I heard from Dr. Perrone, who is the Director of Disabled Student Services, that learning disabilities range from simple to complex and can be caused by many different factors. He explained that learning disabilities are not caused by lack of memory and abstract ideas. He also explained that although learning disabilities exist, there are still many myths about them. He said, "I think that it is important to help people recognize problems and be aware of what is available to help."

Can't Find What We Know About the New MCAI? How can we prepare our employees for the future?

Thanks to Susan Kaplan

The Future of Films in America

Now that January has passed and half of February is already behind us, the film industry is looking to the future. The first film of the year was "The Breakfast Club," which opened on February 8. The film is about a group of high school students who are each dealing with their own personal problems.

The film was directed by John Hughes and produced by Steven Spielberg. "The Breakfast Club," is a coming of age story that deals with themes of identity, relationships, and conflict.

The film was a commercial success, grossing over $100 million. It was nominated for six Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Director.

The next film of the year was "The Color Purple," which opened on February 15. The film was directed by Steven Spielberg and starred Oprah Winfrey, Denzel Washington, and Whoopi Goldberg.

The film was based on the novel by Alice Walker and was a critical and commercial success, grossing over $100 million. It was nominated for six Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Director.

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Focus on Foreign Trade Issues

By Eric Loyola

Only by taking the seemingly harsh stance that complete immigration reform is the key to creating a stronger economy can America begin to build a brighter future, according to a group of economists and politicians who gathered at Baruch College.

The economists and politicians agreed that, in order to create a stronger economy, the United States must open its borders to more immigrants. This would create a more diverse and dynamic workforce, which would in turn lead to greater innovation and growth.

However, the group also acknowledged that immigration reform would not be easy. There are many who believe that too many immigrants are coming to America, and that this is causing problems in the labor market.

Still, the group of economists and politicians believes that the benefits of immigration reform would outweigh the costs. They believe that the United States would benefit from a more diverse and dynamic workforce, and that this would lead to greater innovation and growth.

The group also discussed the importance of education and training for immigrants. They believe that immigrants who come to America should be given the opportunity to learn English and gain the skills they need to be successful in the workforce.

Overall, the group of economists and politicians believes that immigration reform is crucial for the United States to become a stronger economy.

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and Davis added another four points to
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also added two steals and a block. She also
had two assists. "On the loss of Williams,
and Davis, who was 49-28 at the half," said
Weiner. "That's the most important thing."
The Day Session Government proposes the following:

"Cuomo fired the first shots...we fell prey to a surprise $200 scud attack...we CAN NOT afford to lose."

- Thursday February 14th- Rally in the Auditorium during club hours.
- Monday February 25- Lobby day in Albany (free bus ride to all students who care about their future and their children’s future)
- Letter writing campaign to our elected officials
- Voter registration campaign to give us, the people in the CUNY system, more political influence
- Protests more far reaching and powerful than any before.

For those who have forgotten, those streets outside our school are still OUR STREETS!! And those buildings are still OUR BUILDINGS, and this college is still OUR COLLEGE!!

Yes, I am well aware that there is a war going on in the Middle East. If I had not been admitted into this college, I probably would be over there, but that is not the case. I am here, and I am ready to wage a different kind of battle. It is not going to be about liberating a country from its aggressor. It is going to be about saving a college system and the future of its students, faculty, and administrators from the wrath of our City and State Government. I can’t fight this battle myself, neither can the D.S.S.G. members go at it alone. We need you to join the numbers that will be present at our rallies and lobbying days. We need you to write letters to the politicians that are planning on destroying us. And we need you to get fed up with what our State and City Government is doing and protest so loud that Cuomo and the rest of his political militia could hear and feel us. Yes, it is time to get fired up.

Cuomo fired the first shots in December. Unfortunately, we fell prey to a surprise $200 Scud attack that wounded and hurt many of us. Yes, he won the first battle. But as you are reading this letter, the trenches are being dug, and we are readying ourselves for a battle that will begin very soon. This time we are ready, this time we are fired up, this time, we CAN NOT afford to lose.

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