Ringing Cell Phones Cause Hang-Ups In Classrooms

By Andrea Pricheea Contributing Writer

Cell phones are an important issue at Baruch. They seem to be a disturbance in the classrooms and library. A majority of students and faculties complain about the effects of cellphone ringing and disturbing the classroom. Others do not find cellphone a major problem although sometimes they feel the consequence of interruption.

For some people, cell phones have become something indispensable: they depend on them on a normal basis. Nicole Chang, a senior majoring in Marketing, considers her cell phone one of the accessories she can not imagine leaving her house without. "I got too used to my cell phone!" said Chang. "I am practically hooked on it." When it comes to cells in the classrooms, however, there are some students who admit that they disrupt their concentration when they go off during class.

"Well, I don't mind them and I don't think the school should have a say if we are allowed to have them or not," said Chen, a finance major. "But I think that students should turn them off during class, that would show respect to their classmates.

Although some students may tolerate the ringing of cell phones in the classrooms, others feel that they should not even be allowed in the classrooms or in the library. "They should be banned from the library," said Andre Hinckson, an accounting major. Teachers believe that cell phones may be useful and to some extent indispensable, but they may be a necessity but they become a nuisance when they begin to interfere with the learning process.

"Cell phones are important to have but at least put them on mute," said Antoniena D'Arnelio, professor of Italian. "It's an interruption of my thought process and I can't get used to it." Time Capsule To be Placed In Academic Complex

By Shaw-sae Wei News Editor

Much has been made of Baruch's new academic complex, its modern features and state-of-the-art appointments. A bench-mark for CUNY’s 21st century aspirations, its grand opening early next year will ring in a new chapter in the history of our school.

But, as a reminder to all of the Baruch students who come after us, the new building will carry with it some of our generation's memorabilia as well. A time capsule, aluminum, cylindrical and filled with goodies and artifacts of the year.

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Baruch’s Golden Key Chapter Brings Home Two Awards

By Kin Ping Koo Arts Editor

The Baruch College chapter of Golden Key National Honor Society won two awards at the association’s Eastern Regional Conference held on April 2.

"I think regional conferences are a way for student leaders to recognize that it is more than a campus-based organization," said Ronald Aaron, dean of Student Affairs and advisor to Baruch’s Golden Key chapter. "It provides the opportunity to spend time with counterparts and gain knowledge through the workshop process. It has always pulled people together, and has always been fun and rewarding.

Baruch is no stranger to winning. This year, the chapter won two awards: Best Web Site (www.baruch.cuny.edu/goldkey) and Best Membership Drive.

"It's always nice to be recognized, but to be recognized twice is really special," said Aaron. "It also provides an added incentive for the group to prepare for the International Conference.

Baruch competed against other members of Golden Key from regional colleges such as Pennsylvania State University, West Virginia University, Temple University, University of Pittsburgh, Rutgers University from Rutgers and New Brunswick, Lehman College, Brooklyn College, Hunter College, Queens College and host school Hofstra University.

The conference, which had the theme “Simply the Best”, was not only about competition. Members convened to establish regional unity and to learn from each other. Numerous workshops such as Other Officers: Beyond the Four, Effective Communication Between Officers, and Leadership and How to Influence People were held for the betterment of Golden Key members.

"Having a taste of being a winner, I hope, will provide further incentive for the chapter to do their best, so that hopefully they will continue to gain such recognitions," said Aaron. "It's a good motivator.

The majority of the attendees were Golden Key officers.

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Baruch College Health Care Center Opens Doors

Students at entrance of the New Baruch College Health Care Center last Thursday. Center has received favorable amounts of students in first week of operation, the Center offers a variety of services free of charge. (Photo/Hubert Reyes)

By Hubert Reyes News Editor

Three months after Beth Israel Hospital was awarded the contract to provide health services to Baruch students, the Baruch Health Care Center officially opened last Monday.

The center offers physicals, regular check-ups, urine samples and pregnancy tests free of charge. It charges a sliding scale fee for services that have to be done outside of the clinic. Those include testing for sexually transmitted diseases and blood. The Center is open Monday to Thursday from 9 AM to 8 PM and on Friday from 9 AM to 5PM. Students can make appointments by calling (212) 802-6220.

Baruch administrators and Beth Israel representatives were the only ones present at the opening. The mood was that of happiness and excitement, expressed both by the administrators and the representatives.

"I couldn’t be more delighted with the way things have worked out," said David Garlock, director of Purchasing and Auxiliary Services.

Paul J. Szklarski, the Beth Israel representative, was happy with the way things have worked out. Szklarski felt excited over the prospect of working at Baruch, even though it is the third campus that Beth Israel provides health services for. Yeshiva University's downtown and uptown campuses are the other two.

The Center will be staffed by three Beth Israel employees. There will be a coordinator, physician assistant, and a nurse practitioner servicing the students at all times. All three were present at the time of the Center’s inauguration. They all expressed their eagerness to work at Baruch.

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Enjoy Spring Break!
Healthcare Center Offers Many Services

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"Let me get some ideas in here," said Jennifer Bilka, the physician's assistant. Although the staff members felt that they are capable of taking care of the students' needs and of providing top-notch facility, they encourage student feedback. "We would like input from the students," said Marylie M. Fragoso, Practice Nurse.

Although the opening of the Center was not publicized a small number of students walked in to find out what was going on and talked out with appointees. When interviewed around campus, no one knew that Baruch has just received a health care facility. Baruch hopes to provide health care to students, faculty, and staff, but they also hope to make students aware of the healthcare system. "I will definitely take part of this," said Marilyn Antone, a business management major. "I think it would be a great opportunity for the students who are interested in medicine." The Center is located inside the 360 Park building on the 26th Street side entrance. A plaque on the side of the wall directs students to the location of the medical facility. The facility has the look and feel of a small clinic. Upon entering, there is a reception desk to the left and a small waiting area at the right. Next to the patient guide and nurse's exam room is the waiting area with a couch and coffee table.

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Time Capsule Awaits Student Ideas

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2000 will be embedded into the structure of the campus in commemoration of Baruch College's facade building of its own. It is a space equivalent to a hundred-year-down, magical site in the community center of our city. The location of the capsule will mark the location of the capsule. This step will be available and for those administrators or engineers responsible for digging up and breaking open the capsule 100 years from now. Normally, knowledge of the capsule location is not yet known.

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Baruch’s policy of requiring students to bring their own paper in order to print anything out at a general-use computer facility has served its purpose, if ever there was a valid one for its first place. It is phased out of existence. The student-friendly policy is dead.

Perhaps originally intended as a cost-cutting measure, it is apparent that the policy now only hinders those students not lacking in the habit of over-printing on an administration that is already burdened with an administration, that is already cluttered with non-computer users. In the 360 PAS building alone, there are perhaps hundreds of computers connected to printers overflowing with school-supplied paper. Administration members and departments are not lacking for paper, dedicated departments like English writing labs and Art Department labs, are not lacking for paper, and yet, even the computer serving the office of Student Life, USG and the Ticker is barely suffering under weight of paper to print on. With this relative abundance, it would not come as a surprise to anyone if, at times, the above groups were known to waste a sheet of paper or two.

Taking a look at our print paper available for average students, we are not lucky enough to be taking a class that gives them permission to print their own computer lab or who don’t know anyone who works for a Baruch office, are forced to deal with the consequences of a cost-cutting measure. From an environment or a conservation standpoint, forcing users of Baruch computers to use their own paper is a poor solution, for paper is an item that is not so easily replaced and the paper access for free is so available that students and administrators may indeed invite wastage and inefficiency in terms of both paper and printer maintenance costs, besides the potential of providing the university’s primary supporters with an unnecessary burden, thus becoming exorbitant, then the resulting austerity measures should at least be shared by administration, faculty and students alike.

Instead, the average, non-so-well-connected Baruch student is being forced to tighten his her belt and squeeze for paper while the rest of the school enjoys the resplendent paper supply. And all this is of course natural, normal in an environment where students and faculty are expected to live up to the same standards. Students are expected to pay for this material they need, and if they are not able to afford this material, where would they turn to?

But in the words of DeSena, “no one is perfect.” There is no perfect human being, the perfect human being is the one who admits his faults and refrains from doing them, the one who has the courage of his convictions. The one that has learned to accept responsibility for the actions that he has committed.

Federal laws of cell phones are everywhere. On the street. in buses and in bars, the phones are all the rage. A modern gadget that can answer a question while you are driving, while you are cooking, while you are brushing your teeth. The modern day cellphone.

Baruch has outlived its usefulness. In effect the average baruch student is actually subsidizing the reams of paper used by him in his daily activities. The CUNY graduate center located on the site of the old B’ Altman’s department store in Madison Avenue was to house all of Baruch’s administrative offices, the student union, the Ticker and more. The project was slated to be finished by 2004. But in 1997, the project was delayed, and the center was to be completed by 2006. But now, the project is to be canceled, and the center will be turned into a parking garage.

Re: Giuliani Bashing -- Keep it up.

Buffy Ruiz

Newspaper Columnist

“Are you the light of the world—like a city on a mountain, glowing in the night for all to see?”

By Hasani Gittens

Byline: Hasani Gittens

I am afraid that when you review your seat on the “Giuliani-can-do-no-wrong” bandwagon before the wagon has actually left the station, you will be left wondering why you have ever permitted yourself to be put onto such a bandwagon in the first place. Giuliani has overlooked many things, and has not generally cared to even consider it in the first place. The public relations (PR) machine that runs the Giuliani administration is not too worried about what is happening on the streets.

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By Dean Adamson

Contributing Writer

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A FUTURE IN JeOPARDY

Softball Team to Fold Unless Lagging Attendance Picks Up

By Ksenyatta Pious
Sports Editor

The women's softball team has hit some hard times. As of press time, the team may not be playing anymore. Sadly, the team has beeniddled with inconsistencies. The worst part is that it is not inconsistency in the form of play, rather it is in the form of girls not showing up for games. The team has had to forfeit a number of games because there were seven girls and nine needed to at least start the game.

The Blues have more than enough players on their roster, yet the players are not committing to the team. Most players have a hard time committing due to classes and work. Most of you know that I constantly harp on how difficult it is to play sports at Baruch because of the so-many demands placed on students. I commend all those who are student-athletes for going through these rigors. While sports are extracurricular activities and should never precede classes, it is sad to see players say they would do something and then renege on the agreement. I think students always know before hand how much time they require in an extracurricular activity. That said, it is unfair to the team for students to decide to be a part of the team for a limited amount of time or in sparing roles. My gut feeling tells me that some players at Baruch join clubs and teams just to have something to put on their resumes.

I hope that the women's softball team gets over this problem especially since there has been such a demand for the team. For game information, contact Ralph Sirianni at (212) 387-1274.

This Just In...

Soccer

On May 9 and 11 between the evening hours of four and six, there will be a soccer intramural tournament. The games will be played four players against four. The championship game will be the same day as the basketball intramural championship on May 18 during club hours.

All those interested will have to sign up as a team or as individuals. Players can sign up in the following rooms in the 23rd street building: 725 and 1120. In addition, interested persons may call Ralph Sirianni at (212) 387-1274.

Basketball Intramurals

On Thursday, May 4, the basketball intramural season continues. At 12:45, Supreme Clientele will take on Shyimpele. At 2:15, the Knicks will tip-off against JDC. The next game will feature Los Muchachos 2000 against Kiluminati. The games will be played four players against four. The championship game will be the same day as the basketball intramural championship on May 18 during club hours.

Jon Minners' Commentary Corner

By Jon Minners
Arts Editor

Hey yo! Jon Minners, the world's hardest worker, comes at you with another Commentary Corner. Not only do I do this, but I have the Axium to worry about, finding a cheap freelance job, work, friends and a girlfriend. I am also a legend in my spare time. How much more can I take? I feel like I am going to snap.

Well, the time to snap has come. When I first started this column, I was asked to write some sports. I lifted weights a lot, I play basketball all the time and I love wrestling, so the powerball that-be thought I would be perfect for a sports column.

I didn't even like the idea, but agreed to do it on my own terms. I decided to write an anti-sports column that insulted the entire world of sports in every issue and forced people to look at themselves and the stupid things they do. Who knew people would like this. It is my second full year writing the column and I am going to miss it. Look for another form of the Commentary Corner to make a debut on the Internet soon.

See, the world of sports insists on giving me fuel for me to spit fire with, and I just can't stop because I am leaving Baruch. Can it? Let's look at the habits of the world. John Starks couldn't take being booted by the crowd, so he cried a little and he was successful. He retired from the Chicago Bulls. I don't see him on the Knicks though. Loser. Not everyone gets their way, except if you are a big name sports superstar like Keyshawn Johnson. I can't stand when people sign a contract and then want out of said contract. How does that-work? This guy has the nerve to ask for a restructuring of his contract. Okay, it isn't real bad thing to ask. Cost of living increases, they say it is the fault of the players and they must do it themselves.

One more reason to hate sports. I read this real quick story, so I am not sure on the names and the school, nor did I bother to do any research on the item since I'm Jon Minners and don't have time to do that sort of thing. Turns out that some girl was the victim of some nasty college initiation crap where they stufl a banana in her mouth and forced her to do various things to simulate ejaculation. What the hell is that all about? My God. What kind of world do we live in? Things like that make me sick and also make me not want to write anymore about sports. This is why I hate college sports. Pimps, 'bo's, and stupid initiation methods. The people that run these programs should burn in hell.

Well, what is going on that isn't bad? Well, the Cardinals are packing some power this year and McGwire may not be the only one who will be lighting them up. For the first time in years, the Cards have home run power and are winning games to boot. I wonder how long it will last. The Knicks beat the Pacers in a wild game and are now proclaiming themselves as the team to beat in the East. Unfortunately, the Knicks are the team everyone can beat in the west, so chances of the Knicks being atop are slim to none. The Knicks should put bags on their head when walking in public. All the hype and nothing to show for it.

The Mets are struggling this year, and hope things don't last for long. They say it was the jet lag that got them in. I wonder how long jet lag lasts. The Hockey playoffs have started and have not one really cares. I will be looking at the scores right next to the fishing column. Let's go, who the hell made it this year?

Well, that will do it for this edition of the Minners Commentary Corner. I made it through an entire column without sorcerying all other papers and telling you John Rocker sucks. Quite an accomplishment if I do say so myself. This is Jon-"I don't hate sports. The voices in my head tell me to" -Minners saying, Later!