Golden Key
Inducts 365
New Members
By Celine Ruben-Salama
Contributing Writer

The annual induction ceremony for new members of the Baruch chapter of Golden Key National Honor Society was held on November 10th in room Four North of the 23rd street building. A record 356 students were inducted as well as several honorary faculty members, and two scholar awards were presented. Most of the speeches at this well-attended event revolved around the importance of excellence in school and giving back to the community.

Roughly 200 of the new members attended the event, in order to receive their membership certificates, and as honorary mention. Many brought friends and family, which caused the audience to spill over onto the balcony, and even forced some people to stand. Baruch chapter president, Jennifer Ding, was pleased with the turn out. “This year we set a record,” she said.

Membership to the national organization is life long, and by invitation only. It is extended to the top 15 per cent of juniors and seniors in schools that have a local chapter.

“Golden Key is more than scholarships, or a line on a resume,” said Bruce Webb, director of the Eastern Regional Division of Golden Key who was a guest at the event.

The Baruch Chapter, one of 300 worldwide, organizes honorary society events such as New York cares Day, Make a Difference Day, Shadow Days.

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Baruch v. Medgar in Poetry Showdown
By Jolie Adams
Contributing Writer

Baruch battles Medgar Evers College in a Poetry Contest. On Friday, November 10th, the SEEK Society of Baruch teamed up with the Black and Latino Male Initiative of Medgar Evers College to present a night of poetry and entertainment at Baruch.

The SEEK Society stems from the SEEK program and adheres to its principles of Searching for Education, Evaluation, and Knowledge for all students. The SEEK Society is comprised of SEEK and Non SEEK students who aim to improve the quality of life in school and in the community. SEEK shares this goal with the BLMI (Black and Latino Male Initiative), who also strive to set an example of success, both personally and academically. The BLMI "contains to proceed with resolve to negate and repair much or all of the social deaddening, with respect to Black and Latino males and the way in which they are perceived collectively," as stated on the event’s program.

This poetry reading encouraged students from both colleges to sign up and compete lyrically for prizes, while also showcasing several other non-CUNY performers. To add to the poetry night, SEEK and BLMI also lined up several guests for the evening including a motivational speaker, two musical acts and a panel of judges for the competition.

The poetry night, set in the student lounge of the 360 PAS building (Rm. 1422) and hosted by Bisola Nei (SEEK president at Baruch), and Alex Mills (BLMI President), started rather late, in fact, closer to seven than the scheduled “6 PM sharp" noted on the invitation letter.

At first, the crowd grew Antony, however the delay seemed inconsequential once the show was underway. The event began with the distribution of flowers as special thanks to Creggett, Mia Gidds, and Ghail Rhodes-Benjamin.

"It really should have started a lot earlier than it did, but it got better once it started," said Edward Kubina. "This is my 1st year as President and we first attempt at having this event on a regular basis, so I think it is going well but I realize that we need to be a little more organized for future events, and we will be," said Bisola Neil, SEEK Society President, offering her apologies. "I am also very grateful to the judges who came on such short notice," she added.

Immediately after, Loretta Creggett began the night with a motivational speech. Creggett is the Director of Public Affairs at HIP Health Plan, one of the largest not-for-profit health care organizations in the country, and specializes in motivational speaking. She has lead career planning seminars for “Take your daughter to work” events and has produced a self-esteem video for New Jersey public schools, and has held countless seminars on employee motivation. Creggett encouraged everyone to strive for your goals, no matter what obstacles are set before you. Her speech included a personal philosophy that she lives by, and encouraged the crowd to embrace it

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Dragging Elections Invoke Strong Emotions
By Hubert Reyes
Editor-in-Chief

Although the recounted votes and the overseas ballots have been officially dealt with, as of press time, the state of Florida has been at the center of every conversation. With coverage running almost 24 hours a day on all the major news channels, it’s no wonder that many students have not only become interested but also annoyed with the political maniagnism of both parties.

With the election process now going into a second week and neither candidate in sight, the process of choosing a president has become a daunting task. With such issues as the “butterfly” ballot and recounted votes fueling the fires of the ongoing bickering between the George W. Bush and Al Gore camps, it’s no wonder why students have started to voice concerns over the political system.

"There should be a better way to improve the election process," said Natalie Brown, a Democratic management major. “The voting process has become outdated.”

Brown’s opinion is one that’s shared by many. Since the inception of the constitution, almost 224 years ago, the methods used for voting for the president have not changed much. The use of paper ballots to register a vote has become a force.

Republican and Democratic representatives of the Bush and Gore camps have now been arguing over what constitutes a vote. In order to put a vote, a voter must punch a hole through their ballot so that it can be considered as a vote. Unfortunately, it looks like some people were not able to punch a hole clear through the paper thereby leaving behind the infamous “pregnant” ballot.

The “butterfly” ballots that have become an annoyance to senior citizens down in Palm Beach County, according to professor of Political Science Lewis Boice, have been used in Chicago as well but they have only now become a problem. "They're a bunch of cry babies," said Boice referring to the Democrats. "The same problem showed up last election but the outcome was what they wanted," added Boice.

As outstand as the use of paper ballots is for the use of a student of the Electoral College which has become an elusive issue in and of itself. With both sides refusing to answer questions referring to the recent process of having a set number of votes per state. The votes are based on the number of representatives a state has in the senate and the House of Representatives.

Due to Florida’s inaptitude, the 25 Electoral Votes that are still up for grabs have become fodder for another debate. It has become a question of popular vote versus Electoral College with people choosing sides and fiercely defending their opinion.

To many, having the process of choosing a president through the use of the popular vote would mean that the voice of the people would truly be heard. To them, the issue of “There should be a better way to improve the election process” is not an afterthought. With both sides refusing to answer questions referring to the recent process of having a set number of votes per state. The votes are based on the number of representatives a state has in the senate and the House of Representatives.

Martino believes that the Electoral College is outdated and it should be taken out. Her belief stems from the fact that the biggest states have the biggest electoral votes and she would prefer to have the population let its intentions be known.

“We have a big population and our population should have a bigger voice,” said Martino.

Although many are bashing the Electoral College because it is the obstacle that seems to slowing down the progress of our Democracy, this is not the first time that a Presidential candidate that has the minority of the votes might actually ascend to the chair of the President.

Just as recently as the last election, Bill Clinton beat out Bob Dole even though Clinton did not have the majority of the popular vote.

“The Electoral College is good because it’s a reaffirmation of the federal character of our country,” said Boice in defense of the aging
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Golden Key Induction a Success

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Golden Key induction ceremony for 2000 held in the Skylight room on the third floor, when members were inducted after fulfilling requirements.

Greatly increased his language skills and expanded his knowledge of the country's culture. He also learned about the traditions and how they are celebrated.

Baruch & Medgar Battle with Words

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Baruch's involvement has greatly increased. Madhaven commented on her experience in Peace Corps.

Currently, the Peace Corps has 7,000 volunteers serving in 134 countries. These volunteers are in their second year of service and have completed 12 weeks in the host country, teaching them the language of that country and helping them learn about other parts of the world and the people there.

Peace Corps Recruiter at Baruch

By Sabina Madhavan

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The Peace Corps' Process Debate

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Students Take Sides in Election Process Debate

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**The Roving Reporter**

**You think it. We write it. We read it.**

While America and the rest of the world waits impatiently for results of the presidential election, the courts, the politicians, and the media play with each other in a show of action and non-action, as we all get ready to finally choose a president. Americans have been seeing enough "faking" (shaking or "buckling on" a campaign trail) to take a break from the political news. The fact that the presidency is hanging on 200 votes out of several million is really odd. The fact that people are taking it easy, and not making a fuss about procedures in other states, shows that they don't have faith in the system.

Q1: The rest of the world is laughing at us. Recently we have had a lot of political problems with the presidency, the Clinton scandal, and now this. What are the chances of the US and not taking it as seriously as before?

Name: Sophina
Major: Finance
Status: Senior

Q2: Are the elections process as effective as we thought it was, especially after the campaign spending issues?

Name: Melissa
Major: Marketing/Advertising
Status: Junior

Q1: In this election, we found that every time there were big changes in getting seats due to previous time, we found that even less included in the vote. On the positive note, this whole vote shows how well our system works. In any other country, there would be huge fraud, but in Washington business goes on as usual. It is a constitutional crisis.

Q2: Do you see the present system as one of the reasons for the election? For instance, get rid of the electoral college. If we did not have it, who do you think would win the election?

Name: Ed
Status: Sophomore
Major: Undecided Business

Q1: There were a couple of times when I thought we were going to lose. Did you think the same way?

Name: Rachel
Status: Graduate Student
Major: Finance

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Name: Jun
Status: Junior
Major: Marketing

Q2: What do you think this country is going through in the presidential elections, as far as you can see, and how is this country going to deal with it? Do you think this country will deal with it?

Name: Caleb
Rutgers University

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Q2: The race is over, we just have to wait and see who wins.

Name: Linna
Major: Accounting
Status: Senior

Q1: I found it surprising that Americans is ideologically divided straight down the middle. Why is this?

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Major: Finance

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Q2: Maybe, maybe not. It depends on how the president deals with foreign policy.

Name: Melisa
Status: Senior
Major: Economics

Q1: I have been surprised by the way that the whole mess shows that our country is built on some sort of base. People grow into wiser, better, people from the us. It won't, even less inclined to vote. On the negative note, there is a lot of disatisfaction with the results. In any other country there would be huge fraud, but in Washington business goes on as usual. It is a constitutional crisis.

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As the agreement set forth by tradition, the most powerful leader in the free world, was to be chosen on Election Day, November 9 by "the will of the people." At press time, the will of the people was still not served.

Two weeks after the people of the U.S. were given the chance to "choose" their next president, the will of the nation turned from the will of Florida. With a race-deciding 25 electoral votes, the will of the people from the state of Florida has become the slide under the nation's microscope. The Sunshine State has been stained and mounted and all are waiting to take a microscope. The Sunshine State has been stained and mounted and all are waiting to take a...
Racial Division and YOU!

Understanding The Electoral College

About two weeks ago a police officer in Los Angeles shot and killed a black man. After the incident, the city ceased all police training. One day later, the U.S. Senate passed a bill that would criminalize the act of protesting the death of black men by police. The bill was signed into law by President Donald Trump.

The bill was presented as a response to the shooting of George Floyd, which sparked nationwide protests against police brutality and systemic racism. However, the bill goes far beyond Floyd’s death and targets any form of peaceful protest.

The bill would make it a federal crime tovoke a “riot” or to “obstruct law enforcement officers.” It would also make it a crime to “interfere with law enforcement officers in the discharge of their official duties.”

This bill is being sold as a way to protect law enforcement officers, but it is nothing more than a tool to suppress civil rights and free speech.

The consequences of this bill are terrifying for anyone who stands up for what is right and just.

The bill would make it a federal crime to “knowingly or willfully” interfere with a law enforcement officer in the discharge of his or her duties. This includes blockading streets, blocking roads, or attempting to prevent a law enforcement officer from entering or leaving a particular area.

The bill would also make it a crime to “knowingly or willfully” use a “means of active resistance, obstruction, or delay” to prevent a law enforcement officer from enforcing the law.

The bill includes a catchall provision that would criminalize any behavior that “interferes with the discharge of the duties of a law enforcement officer.”

This is a very broad provision that could be used to criminalize almost any form of peaceful protest.

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The Expulsion of Napster

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When two record labels and heavy-metal rock band, Metallica, sued Indiana University for allowing Napster, a start-up company that lets people share music electronically, to get rid of Napster, a start-up company that lets people share music electronically, they didn't feel the need to mention every site that had a music-sharing service.

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First, some words about Napster. It's the site that allows you to download and share music files with other people over the Internet. It was created by a company called Napster, which is owned by the Internet company called ;

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DEFENDING CHAMPS OPEN SEASON

At press time, the defending CUNY champions are opening their season in the U.S. M.A. tournament against Kean College. This promises to be a tough match because Kean has added some mobile big men since last year. Nonetheless, the Statesmen will be fine as long as they execute their offense and defend — the goal of every team!

In preparation for the season, however, the Statesmen played two scrimmages against Brooklyn College and Manhattanville. In the Brooklyn scrimmage, our defending champs were phenomenal, appearing to not have lost a beat from last season. The Statesmen won all three halves in convincing fashion, shooting over 50% from the arc, over 60% from the field and over 80% from the charity stripe. In all fairness, the Brooklyn team was not really a good one and had no real size to match up against us. To give you an idea of how poor they were, Brooklyn shot over 20 three pointers and made one!

The Manhattanville scrimmage would prove to be a wake up call for the Statesmen. Baruch would lose in a stunning double-digit margin: 71-43. Everything that could go wrong did. The team collectively did not defend well, allowing easy guard penetration for layups or 15-foot jump shots. Unlike Brooklyn, Manhattanville made shots. The other glaring mistakes by Baruch were the lack of talking on defense and the inability to run the offense correctly. Talking on defense is key to defeating opponents because it allows all five guys on the court to be on the same page as to what the opponent is trying to do and how to defend this strategy. Not talking would bei kind of like going to bed with a girl/guy and she/he is a complete mute — it just wouldn't work! As for running the offense, on the whole, the team did not appear to have a strong grasp of where to be and what to do when the plays broke up and down the court at lightning speeds. If a team is not in shape, it will usually lose.

The other part of basketball is the cerebral — players have to learn and get a "feel" for the game. By this I mean, players have to understand their roles strengths and weaknesses), team plays and conditioning. One of the hardest aspects of basketball is the conditioning. During games, players are literally running sprints for five guys from last season have returned. The other teams in CUNY this year are not as strong as last year because of lack of players.

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Last year's team had the ability to double-digit margin: 71-43. According to DiNardo, one of the major differences between this season and last year's will be that this year's team will be less prone to press. He has a couple of players who understand how to break the press and are legitimate ball handlers. Most opponents that troubled Baruch last year did it off the press. Moreover, his team appears to be selfless which is always a great attribute for any team. DiNardo admits that the season will not be easy, especially since other teams have been heavily recruiting for years and most teams have seniors as starters. He becomes the challenge. "My team understands that it will do well only if it continues to learn how to play together, to practice with fire and to grow from the mistakes and hurdles that we face along the way!"

You don't believe me? Just go down to the gym around six every evening and you will see that DiNardo actually has a team — 10 plus players, a luxury he did not have last year. In fact he had to postpone the season last year because of lack of players!