Corbie Appoints Clark As Acting Dean Of Administrative Affairs

By Chris Chaney
News Editor

On February 19, Dr. Allan Clark assumed the task of preparing York College for the financial hardships of the oncoming fiscal year. Dr. Leo A. Corbie, Acting President of York College, appointed Dr. Clark to the temporary position of Acting Dean of Administrative Affairs.

Dr. Clark fills the void left by Barney P. Levantino, Vice-President of Administrative Affairs, who retired this past January after two decades of service. Though Clark has big shoes to fill, he comes highly recommended, and more than qualified, with a very impressive background in higher education.

Dr. Clark graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) and attained his Ph.D. in Mathematics from Princeton. He began his career as an educator at Brown University—serving as a professor and later as Chairman of the Mathematics Department. Clark has held a long list of positions at top-name universities. He has served as Dean of Purdue University School of Science, President of Clarkson University and Special Consultant to the Chancellor at California State University.

Clark was personally recommended by CUNY Chancellor Ann W. Reynolds for his new job at York College. This gave Dr. Corbie a world of confidence in his first administrative appointment. "I think he is a very valuable person," said Dr. Corbie. "I think he has a lot to offer to the students. I think he has a lot to offer to the students."

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Dr. Allan Clark holds Administrative Affairs position left by Barney Levantino

Students Rally Against Proposed Tuition Hikes

By Anderson Fils-Aime
Reporter

Despite dreary weather conditions, a spirited contingent of York College students took part in a City University of New York (CUNY) rally to protest the proposed tuition hikes by Governor Mario Cuomo. The group started at LaGuardia Community College in Queens and finished the rally at John Jay College in Manhattan.

Cold temperatures, wind, and a steady drizzle didn’t deter two buses loads of students who traveled to LaGuardia Community College in Queens and finished the rally at John Jay College in Manhattan.

School leaders were also present at the rally. "This is where the leaders of the students lost their focus," stated Tracey Bowes, York Student Government (YSG) Vice-President. "There was a communication in letting the students know what our objective was and adhering to it."

In discussions with the police prior to the demonstration, the student leaders were advised that this protest was illegal since a protest permit was not secured. The officers, sympathetic to the students, agreed to escort the students across the bridge via a route that wouldn’t obstruct traffic.

Some of the students, not informed of this discussion, felt that the new route would do little to promote their cause. A quarter of the way across the bridge, some students ran out into the oncoming traffic much to the dismay of the police. This divided the group of 175 students and hurt the cause of the march across the bridge.

Upon arrival at 59th Street, the Queens contingent marched quickly to Columbus Circle where they joined up with the other groups representing John Jay, Baruch, Lehman, and The Borough of Manhattan Community College.

"I was really surprised that a lot of our sister schools didn’t attend the rally," said Christine Perrault, senator for YSG and Student Program Council President. "If we don’t get a better representation from schools such as Brooklyn, NYC Tech, City and Hunter, these rallies will have little impact on legislature decisions to veto the Governor’s proposal."

The growing group of students then walked over to John Jay College where the police barricaded off 10th Avenue. The students had started to march in the streets and the officer in charge of the police at the demonstration, Lt. Frey, said that the contingent was getting out of control. He claimed that the students were obstructing traffic and the police couldn’t allow that to continue.

"Once again our leadership failed us," said Bowes. "They totally lost their heads and the focus of their goals. The police were escorting us—so that was the obstruction of the police.

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Dear Editor:

There are three qualities that I've found abundant in my short time at York College in the shape of our student body. Apathy—lack of feeling or emotion. Ignorance—lack of knowledge or education. Selfishness—seeking the interest of another tuition increase. And what happens to our students? NOTHING.

Dear Editor:

Absolutely nothing. Two information forums were held with the latter also serving as a student rally. Well, these two meetings were poorly attended and those who did attend were not told anything that they didn't already know. No surprise though, when the majority of the students contain those traits defined above.

Presently, there are two movements going on to combat this increase—a letter writing campaign and a "March on Albany" to the state legislature. Hopefully, these will receive more support than the two information forums, and show the CUNY system and others that the York students do care about what happens to their school.

The others I refer to are the students, faculty, and administrators who have made a concerted effort to inform the masses of what is going on. I applaud you for your hard work and concern. I know it must be frustrating to work so hard and see so little in result and participation.

Now that I have had a chance to let the flames die down from my extreme disappointment with the cafeteria food and services, I am more in a position to begin rationally dealing with the situation of the boycott mentioned in the previous issue of Pandora's Box. First, the April 2nd date was a misprint. Now that I am more in a position to begin rationally mapping out our strategy and will distribute flyers that give the exact date on which we will serve. Second, the April 2nd date was a misprint. The April 2nd date has been changed to the 7th. The fault will lie with the students who say "hey the folks pay for this, not me."

In fact, after all is said and done, and if what is happening at York is any indication of what's occurring at other CUNY colleges, there is a strong sentiment growing that the tuition hike will pass. FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. Well, there will be another trait that the present York student will possess. EXTINCTION. Sincerely,

Anderson Fils Aime

Ingredients Are In Place For Lunchroom Boycott

Dear Editor:

Now that I have had a chance to let the flames die down from my extreme disappointment with the cafeteria food and services, I am more in a position to begin rationally dealing with the situation of the boycott mentioned in the previous issue of Pandora's Box. First, the April 2nd date was a misprint. It has become evident that it will take more time than I had originally thought to thoroughly plan and execute this "one day" boycott of Service America Corp. Therefore, Students for Change and myself are currently mapping out our strategy and will distribute flyers that give the exact date on which we and our supporters (which includes members of the student government, and various organizations on campus) will be staging the boycott. On the day of the boycott, Students for Change will provide food free of charge for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. As stated in the previous letter to the editor, we encourage the full participation of the other clubs and organizations on campus. We all stand to benefit by this show of unity.

Second, it has been brought to my attention that Service America Corp. has initiated a survey, which I have not had the opportunity of reviewing prior to this letter. This survey, which is undoubtedly designed by Service America Corp, will be slanted in their favor. It has been a part of our plan at Students for Change to conduct our own survey—one which we will be seeking a nonpartisan party to compile the final results. Students for Change's survey will be initiated within the next two weeks, and will seek to find out what the general consensus is on the cafeteria and its services at present—as well as how many students have had bad experiences. Students have been coming to members of Pandora's Box and Students for Change with their complaints about the cafeteria—ranging from bad food to food poisoning. Students please continue informing us of your situations with regard to the service and quality of food offered at the cafeteria.

Third, I was amazed, as well as dismayed, at the fact that Service America Corp. had and more probably still has access to records containing information about myself which would under normal conditions only be available through the Registrar. Namely, I received an apologetic letter this week from Service America offering me a free meal to try their food again. Students please continue informing us of your situations with regard to the service and quality of food off ered at the cafeteria.

In conclusion, I have the assurance of Student Government that this business of violation of rules and rights concerning the confidentiality of student records will be looked at from a legal standpoint with their assistance. I am carrying a heavy workload this semester, but I will proceed with this effort to correct this issue. It is for the betterment of services being provided to our student body in general. All of the above is noteworthy the indepth news article to come in the subsequent issue of Pandora's Box that will expound on the question of recontracting to Service America Corp.

Reginald F. Lide

Students for Change

Food Service Manager Responds

Dear Editor:

I am responding to the letter published in the February issue of Pandora's Box, concerning the York College Cafeteria. York College contracted with my company, Service America, to provide its dining services. In doing so, we use only the best quality products available from reputable suppliers. A tour of our storage and preparation areas reveals well known brands such as Heinz, Tower Isles, Minute Maid, Land 'O Lakes, General Mills, Pepperidge Farm, Chicken of the Sea, and Tyson, to name just a few. I would invite any member of the York community to visit our "back of the house" operations, as we are proud of what we serve.

We also train our employees to the highest degree possible to ensure quality performance, brought to our customers efficiently, and hopefully, courteously. Because we are human, however, we are capable of making an occasional error, as the author of the February letter unfortunately experienced. I regret the problem and apologize for our subsequent poor handling of its resolution.

All of the Service America employees at York College keenly understand that we have a responsibility to the students and staff to provide wholesome food at reasonable prices in a courteous manner. And we truly appreciate your patronage.

Sincerely,

Mark LeRoy
District Manager
Service America

CORRECTION

In last issue's Freq Search article, coordinator of Spanish Program Prof. Daisy DeFilippis was misstated as chairperson of the Dept. Our apologies to Prof. Edwige Coleman, chair of the department.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

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Diaz Gets A Positive Review

Dear Editors:

The Community Coalition for Academic Integrity at York College congratulates Christopher Diaz, YSG President, for his fine campaign in the recent election at York College as expressed in Pandora's Box, Page 2, February 1991.

It dealt forthrightly with the stark realities that face the York community and York College. It exhorts the student body to stop preconceptions of the type of thinking that has led to such a situation and to demand such conditions at York College.

The community coalition wishes Mr. Diaz the best wishes in this and future endeavors.

Sincerely, Frederick Douglass

President

York College - the modus operandi at York College, which has resulted in unequal integrated education - faculty imbalance as to student population: 75% white faculty and 65% black student body. The results bear investigating. Blacks look to be at a disadvantage, whites at an advantage.

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"Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will."

"The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress."

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York College

York Faculty Members Censure Diaz Letter

Dear Editor:

The undersigned York faculty write to censure the remarks made by Mr. Christopher Diaz in his letter to Pandora's Box (February 1991). It is improper for Mr. Diaz, as a member of the York College Presidential Search Committee, to have much less publish, any preconceptions about the race or sex of any candidate he will or will not vote for; or to publish rumors of duplicity at the Board of Higher Education about whose truth he has no knowledge beyond rumor itself. These things are clear beyond rumor itself. These things are clear beyond rumor itself. These things are clear beyond rumor itself.

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Dear Editor:

It is another Tuesday, and like all other Tuesdays at York the hours of 12:00-2:00 pm are set aside for the formal meetings of student clubs. Tuesdays find one club monopolizing the Center Mall (Atrium) area while all other clubs are secluded in classrooms throughout the main building discussing their objectives. Tuesdays are also the days when student clubs schedule seminars, cultural events, educational lectures and the like - days when a common understanding and unity among diverse individuals can begin to take shape.

York College, a part of Mayor Dinkins' "great mosaic," is populated by blacks, including those from the Caribbean, Hispanics, Asians, and Whites. With this diversified student body, unity has to begin at some point. The starting point should be with the establishment of diversified student clubs, to bring a sense of open cooperation and a sense of unity which is painfully lacking at York.

Jamaal Eaksh

West Indian Culture Club

No Unity Among Student Clubs

Dear Editor,

It is time to know and understand him or her in a way that will put us in the right direction. If we leave this college with a "closed mind" to the understanding of other cultures that are surrounded us throughout our stay at York College, then it will be one more obstacle we have to face in the future.

It is important that our student clubs begin this process of respecting and understanding each other by working together. Student clubs should conduct activities together, share their cultures, their views, traditions, and above all, unite and cooperate into one primary club - the human club.

Jamal Eaksh

West Indian Culture Club

Ruttenberg Rebuts Diaz Letter

Dear Editor:

Student Government President, Christopher Diaz's letter (Pandora's Box, February 1991) is informed by two sentiments that sit ill with each other. On the one hand, behind demands for more African American professors, there seems to lie respect for higher education and the judgement that professors have achieved something worthy of respect. On the other hand, the accusation that the administration and faculty of York College have conspired to exclude African-Americans from their ranks - reduces those "conspirators" to the rank of bigots.

One wonders why Mr. Diaz has adopted the attitude that his teachers are bigots. He seems to think that there can be no other explanation for the statistics he cites, which show that among students there is a majority of Blacks, while among the faculty there is only a small minority of Blacks. Surely he knows that statistics are not so easily interpreted. His insinuating bad-temper with Provost Bodi, for saying that there are relatively few African-American graduate students (the provost never said that Blacks do not go to graduate school, as Mr. Diaz alleged), suggests that he does not care to consider the problem. He is determined to regard white professors and administrators as racist, simply on the ground that there are not enough Black Ones.

But why? Since the reasons he gives are so inadequate, we are driven to suppose that the explanation must be in terms of feelings, or in terms of narrow calculation of interest with disregard for real understanding and truth, or both. One feeling may be a sense of injury that does not permit Mr. Diaz to think of whites as fair-minded and capable of reviewing applications on the basis of job qualifications. To be sure, there is a history (and a legacy) of such discrimination in our country, but Mr. Diaz offers no evidence of it in our college. To assume the operation of such a cause simply on the basis of the persistence of the problem precludes any rational attempt to solve it and reduces all relations between the races to relations of power. Power must be given its due. But there are different kinds of power. Mr. Diaz seems interested in the power he can gain by arousing feelings of resentment in his co-students. The power of a mass-movement, however, can only achieve ends to which the movement itself embraces and espouses. Mr. Diaz speaks only of replacing white faculty and not at all of embracing the value of higher education.

Let me be specific. If Mr. Diaz is serious about replacing me with an African American professor of philosophy — and I appreciate his willingness to wait for my retirement — it would make sense to encourage Black students to study philosophy here at York College. But very few do more than take a 100 level course to help meet the core requirements. Instead of trying to foster and nurture aspirations to engage in research and scholarship, Mr. Diaz impugns those whose job, in part, is to do just that. Does he think it encouraging to African-Americans, even to complete studies on the undergraduate level, to depict their teachers as bigots? In fact, such talk and such attitudes thwart the movement to lay claim to full participation in a cultural heritage by reducing the concept of that heritage to the chains of the slave-masters. I await with hopelessness a resurgence of the sentiment that first moved Mr. Diaz to find in higher education a worthy object of his aspirations. Sincerely,

Howard Ruttenberg

Philosophy
Katherine Lake-Hall Brings New Life To York's Alumni Association

By Ameer Robertson
Editor-in-Chief

In the beginning of 1988, the York College Alumni Association was an organization that was rarely mentioned on campus. It had limited resources, meager membership, and serious internal problems.

Today, the activities of the Alumni Association is a far cry from the activities of that organization that existed three years ago. Its membership has increased by 700%. It is recognized as one of the best run organizations on campus. And nearly every major event at York can boast alumni sponsorship.

The growth success of this York College organization can be largely attributed to Katherine Lake-Hall, who has been the president of the Association since 1988.

Many who know Hall describe her as an energetic and determined individual. This energy and determination has made Hall very effective in what ever she pursues.

"Just the way things are. The positive energy that I have is placed into my work."

Hall admitted that her drive is due to her early experiences in life. The fourteenth of seventeen children, Hall was introduced early on to a competitive atmosphere, which refined the skills that she would later need in life. With so many siblings, the attention that she received was limited.

"I was not treated as well as the other children in the family. I was sort of an outcast," said Hall. "This really put me on my own."

Hall responded by becoming an over-achiever. She was the only one of her seventeen brothers and sisters to earn a college degree. At twenty-one, Hall got married and received the education that she had long been waiting for.

During this recovery, while still in and out of the hospital, Hall decided to pursue a degree in accounting at York in 1982. "There were two semesters in which I had to drop all of my courses because of the illness," said Hall. "I had to keep going back to the hospital. But then again determination... just decided that I was not going to give up and I did not care how long it would take. I was just going to do it (complete school)."

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Women's History Highlighted In Month-Long March Celebration

Marcia Moxam
Community Affairs Editor

When the Women's Center at York College set out to celebrate Women's History Month (March), they decided to go all out. They contemplated the occasion with a whirl of exciting activities.

Various professors have taken turns giving lectures in their field of expertise. These lectures have been taking place in room 200. Refreshments were served to enhance the atmosphere for dialogue. According to Donna Chirico, adjunct lecturer in Psychology and Faculty Liaison for the Center, The Women's Center at York evolved into being in December 1988. It took a coalition of students, faculty and staff coordinated efforts "to provide a variety of urgently-needed services."

Yet, contrary to what the name suggests, the Women's Center does not cater only to the needs of women. Their activities also attract males.

"We provide beneficial information that men need also," said Tania Hernandez, a Psychology Major, and Director of the Center. "Just the other day when we were preparing for one of our events, there were four men and two women helping us prepare the refreshments."

Hernandez is enthused by how well their hard work has been paying off. "We just could not do it without all the help and support," she said, counting off a long list of names on her fingers. "That makes this March so special. We tapped our own resources [faculty and staff]."

Lourdes Nieves, a general member of the Women's Center, assures that students often come into the center to ask about the professors of certain courses that they would like to take.

"When we have our own professors take part in these activities, students can acquaint themselves with their methods and personalities," Nieves explained.

Chirico, Hernandez, and their colleagues, are very encouraged by the attendance of their diverse audience at each of these events. The audiences often include male and female students, department heads such as Dr. Alan Cooper, professors like Charles Coleman, and various staff members.

The Women's Center is student-run for students. "Because we are students ourselves, we don't always have all the answers," said Hernandez. "But we can discuss the problems and try to find solutions, or we can always refer them to people who can. The center is also a place where students can get away from the hustle and bustle of the day."

The Women's Center always has something interesting on their agenda. So, on April 10, there will be a rededication of the Center. This will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony, and the presentation of awards to "students who have given of themselves" and students who attended the March events religiously. Acting President Leo Corbie will preside at the event.

The varied and stimulating lectures for women's history month have been given by: Professor Hasselhorn - "Women in the Renaissance," Professor Schuyler - "Frida Kahlo," Professor Boggs - "Prostitution Among Minority Women," Professor Bonstein - "Contemporary Women Artists," Professor Chirico - "The Status of women in Easter Religious."
Financial Aide's Remice Ardently Takes Student Issues To Heart

By Shawn Douglas
Reporter

Few students at York College get to know the people in the Financial Aid office who keep their funds on track. One of these people is Yvette Remice — a 39 year-old graduate of John Jay College with a B.A. in Criminal Justice.

As a Financial Aid counselor, Remice screens entering freshmen. She determines eligibility for SEEK financial aid, issues financial aid awards where merited, interprets income documentation, and monitors financial aid recipients from one semester to the next.

In conjunction with the above duties, Remice is also the liaison between the SEEK Department at York and SEEK Central at 88th Street. Remice has to keep an accurate account of the SEEK student population records that are shared between the Financial Aid and SEEK Department. She is also a member of CUNY’s Special Program Coordinators since 1983.

In addition to Financial Aid, Remice coordinates the Human Resource Administration (HRA) here at York. Some of the students may remember the workshop she coordinated April 17, 1990 called “Know Your Rights.”

Many students are told that they can’t attend a four year college and continue to receive their semi-monthly benefits. Remice sets them straight.

“I focus on the problems they are having as recipients of public assistance and as students at various CUNY campuses,” said Remice.

Remice is a member of CUNY’s Welfare Advocates. They represent York College along with other members from each of CUNY’s campuses. The committee recently submitted a paper detailing the problems they encountered with students on welfare. They offered recommendations to the State Legislature. One of the more poignant problems dealt with providing day care for students who attend four year colleges in hope of obtaining a bachelor’s degree.

Remice is especially pleased to be a member of York College’s Scholarship Committee and an academic advisor to the Afrikan Students Association.

Hey York! A Column For Key Student Issues

By Chris Chaney
News Editor
Photos by Jose Ramirez

Hey York! Are you willing to pay the $500 tuition increase proposed by Governor Cuomo?

Silvia Caceres/Freshman Communications
“I think it’s unfair to raise the tuition because many of us are low income students and if they raise the tuition it will be impossible for us to stay in college.”

Jorge Rodriguez/Sophomore Chemistry
“I’m against the increase because CUNY was created for low income students and it should be kept that way. Low income students need an affordable education so they can be successful in life.”

Chijioke Ezenekwe/Junior Physical Education
“I really don’t feel that I’m ready to pay $500 extra for an education that I already feel is being cut. I feel it is a very substantial thing. I think what should be done is other things—other things should be cut other than education. Education is the most important thing that many people have and to ask them to spend an enormous amount of money for an education that has already been cut in half isn’t fair and isn’t right. I think Cuomo should understand that these people are all future voters.”

Marleni Vallejo/Freshman Communications
“I think the state legislators should find a better solution because if we have a $500 increase in our tuition most of us will not be able to continue our education. Therefore, we won’t be able to complete our goals.”
Controversial Johanna Takes The House Music World By Storm

By Rodney Williams

House and freestyle music have become extremely popular among many college students. Those students who are regular club goers are familiar with the talents of such artists as Dee-Dee-lite and DJ Bobby Konders and songs like "The Poem" and "Jazz It Up." One more artist can now be added to the list. Her name is Johanna Jimenez—one of the fastest rising stars in the world of house and freestyle.

Jimenez, also known by the name A Bitch Named Johanna, is a recording artist for an independent recording label called Project X Records. It specializes in house and freestyle. She was discovered doing on-stage comedy by Richard Laurent of the house group Krazu.

"He produced my first twelve-inch single called "I'm A Bitch" early in 1990," said Jimenez.

The title of this record, however, was not meant to be offending. The November 1990 issue of Self Magazine gave Johanna's definition of a bitch.

"The Nineties woman: self-confident, very powerful and uninhibited," Jimenez was quoted as saying.

Her current release is an EP (Extended Player) entitled "Sex Is My Base." It includes the title cut and three other tracks: "Love Is My Base," "Freak It," and "Long Distance." Released in mid-February, it has become one of the most popular house and freestyle releases for 1991.

"Freak It" is a high energy freestyle track that is a tribute to the legendary Roger Troutman's dance known as the freak. "Sex/Love Is My Base" are after midnight house tracks that will become true classics. Its tones are reminiscent of Bobby Konders' classic, "The Poem"—except that the feel of the tracks are sexually seductive. Yet the beats are simple, creating perfect house tracks. "Long Distance," also an after midnight house track, has a mediocre tone to it. It is as fast as hard-hitting as the other three tracks. But it completes the cycle for this very exceptionable EP.

The video for "Freak It" was released in late February featuring many college students from CUNY and SUNY schools.

"Being involved in a video was hard work, but it was a lot of fun," said Darlene Dawson, a student at Baruch. "It is an experience I hope to be involved in once again."

The video included scenes of people wearing bright colored psychedelic clothing and dancing in a club-like scene. There was an upbeat atmosphere in the video that complements the music. It is currently being broadcast on Video Music Box on channel 31.

Jimenez has performed at many New York clubs such as the Red Zone, Quick and Fantasia. She has also performed at Suny Old Westbury and received positive reviews from students.

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"New Jack City" Debut Is A Killer!

By Anderson Fils-Aime

Gripping, provocative, chilling, are just a few of the words to describe Warner Brothers' new movie release "New Jack City." The movie, which premiered in 892 theaters nation-wide on March 5, returns America's attention to the war the she left at home when she went abroad to engage in the Persian Gulf conflict. It's a war that was not going as well, nor will end as easily, as the war against drugs.

The movie has been a source of controversy in its brief showing. Its debut was greeted by rioting, looting, and in at least one case, killing. Despite the violent reactions of those few theater-goers, however, the film still raked in over 15 million dollars in its first two weeks.

"New Jack City" marks the directorial debut of Mario van Peebles (best known for his T.V. role as Sonny Spoon). His direction of the Barry Michael Cooper and Thomas Lee Wright screen play, leads to a fast, furious film. It falls just short of its target of being "edu-tainment."

The film chronicles the story of a group of Harlem boys, led by Nino Brown (Wesley Snipes), who develop a million-dollar-a-week business by introducing crack to the drug market. Through the genius of Brown, the gang coined the "Cash Money Boys or Cmb," take over an apartment building in Harlem and make it into their headquarters. It has elaborate security, computers to handle the finances, a laboratory to produce the crack and even a place to smoke it.

Rapper Ice-T and Judd Nelson, portray detectives Scotty Appleton and Nicky Peri. They are recommended by Van Peebles—who plays a supporting role as a chief detective—to bring Nino Brown and the cartel to justice. Both officers are motivated to do a fantastic job, since both were affected by the drug trade at one point in their lives.

Chris Rock does a terrific job portraying Pookie, a youth addicted to crack, who is rehabilitated with the help of Appleton. In gratitude, he infiltrates the crime operation before relapsing and having his cover blown. Allen Payne plays Gee Money, who is Nino Brown's right-hand man.

Women are not portrayed positively in this film. They are either floozies, crack-addicts, or, in the case of Lisa (played by Vanessa Williams), battered. The vernacular of the characters gives "New Jack City" the reality that it exudes. The photograpy of the film holds viewers' attention for the entire 100 minutes of its run.

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Movie Reviewer

"The Doors," a new film from Oliver Stone, is two and a half hours of entertainment. This film, which is based on the life of the famed musician Jim Morrison and his band, is full of drama, drugs, sex, and music.

Oliver Stone, who is known for his controversial movies (Platoon, Talk Radio), paints a vivid portrait of four post-adolescent men who try to overcome many odds for fame and wealth.

The focal point of this drama is Jim Morrison, a self-practicing philosopher of life, whose vision of the world was catastrophic and gloomy. This was the exact image he presented to his audience.

Stone was able to capture the psychedelic influence of the late 60's and early 70's on film. His account of The Doors may not be accurate, and may even be a personification of his view of the group, but he plays with fact and fiction well enough to capture a true-to-life essence on film.

Val Kilmer, who is known mainly for his supportive roles in film, gives a riveting performance of the musician who is on the rocky road to death. His singing, which was partially his own, was equally impressive.

Meg Ryan, does an adequate job as Morrison's common-law wife. Her role is supportive, but a important factor in the film. It allows her to be a key character not only on film, but shows her purpose in true life.

Maclachlan, Dillon and Whaley are suitable in the roles of The Doors. Although Dillon's performance among the band members gamers laughs, Whaley's performance is the most honest among the threesome. His performance of Krieger, the guitarist/songwriter whose troubled past with his father paved the way for the future of wealth and fame, is right on target.

In all, the film did justice to the memory of a rock legend and the group he led to superstardom. With cameos by musicians Paul Williams and Billy Idol, and Oliver Stone as a UCLA film professor, "The Doors" enlighten and entertain. In viewing this movie I found "The Doors" not to be a drama or a documentary, but a homage to a man long since gone, and a legend that will live forever.

Acting Dean Holds Fort

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Alumni President

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permit the organization to function efficiently. Using every means they had for raising funds, they spent a great deal of money and expended a lot of effort. In the long run, this effort paid off.

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the flow of tax. That part of our goal was met. We got people to stop and look at us. There was no need to become disorderly and to be counterproductive to our cause."

Christine Perrault was asked about the positives of the rally. She mentioned the active York contingent.

"We had just as many students present, if not more, than any other school there," replied Perrault. "We made noise and we showed that York College cares. We can't be ignored any longer like we have been before."

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Dr. Clark is originally from Cincinnati, Ohio. But he has moved about a lot as an educator. He has lived in the Mid-west, as well as the East and West Coast. Though he spent his last year and a half in California, it shouldn't be held against him.

Clark has three adult sons, none of whom followed his footsteps in mathematics. This slightly disappoints him, but he figures things could be worse.

"What the hell? If they stay out of jail until they’re 21, I’ve done my job," said Dr. Clark. The length of Dr. Clark’s career at York is undetermined. Whenever the new president is selected he will then appoint a permanent replacement for VicePresident Barney P. Levantino. Until then Dr. Clark is taking things day by day.

"I view it as my job to hold the fort until there’s a new president," said Clark. "And until he gets a new vice-president for this position."

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