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So we stand here
On the edge of Hell
In Harlem
And Look out on the world
And Wonder
What we're gonna do
In the face of
What we remember
Langston Hughes.

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President Moses: 1993-1994 Year In Review

BY DAWN L. PALMORE

Last September, at her College-Wide convocation, President Moses laid out the four major areas that she intended to focus on as the new President of CCNY. They were in her words "continuing to build on the tradition of excellence and access that is a hallmark of City College; to hire and promote quality faculty and staff; to focus on the needs of the student; and to build external constituencies."

In a recent interview, Moses was asked what her major accomplishments were so far, as they related to these four areas. Moses said that she has successfully hired three permanent Vice-Presidents (see interviews inside this issue) who are here to service the needs of the students. She has hired Dr. David Lavalley as Provost and Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Nathan Dickmeyer, as Vice President for Finance and Management; as well as Mr. Thomas D. Morales, as the new Vice President of Student Affairs. This new administrative team is an essential element in order for Moses to implement her many upcoming plans.

Moses also notes her new initiative called the Campus Planning Process as a major goal over the past year. This process will "provide us with a blueprint for what the campus priorities are for the next seven to ten years." As planned, this document will invariably serve as a means to increase funding here on campus. The campus planning document is scheduled to be completed by December of this year.

During her first year in office, Moses has strived to improve the lines of communication between her office and the students here on cam-



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CCNY President Yolanda T. Moses

pus. She has, met on various occasions, with students on campus to attempt to ascertain what students perceive City's priorities should be.

One such concern that students expressed, is the belief that many students fear that the quality of their education here at City is not measuring up to other schools. This past year, City College has been hit with a lot of negative media attention in regards to this issue. In particular, articles that appeared in U.S. News and World Report as well as The Daily News. Moses responds to these articles, as well as the students' fear of getting a poorer education by simply saying "They are not true." She sites that these articles are full of inaccuracies and distortions. President Moses is quick to point out the positive media attention that City has received from The New York Times, New York Newsday as well as The Amsterdam News to combat the negative media attention. She also

sites that this past year has been a year marked with awards that City College students and departments have received.

In terms of Moses' academic program plan, she and Provost Lavalley were successful at hiring fifteen teaching positions in various departments. According to Moses, this is a great accomplishment in light of the fact that the school has been

hit severely with budget cuts. Furthermore, Moses expresses a sincere interest in supporting new programs that will help prepare students that would have otherwise been at a disadvantage due to factors such as socio-economic backgrounds, students that come from different high school preparation, or even different cultures. Ultimately, President Moses is a stern believer of the notion that "students succeed in an environment that cares about them." Therefore, she believes that she must continue to build an environment that supports and addresses the many concerns that students bring with them to campus each day. In effect, new V.P. of Student Affairs, Thomas Morales and President Moses are eager about their plans to rebuild the division of Student Affairs. In the past years, that division has been hit hard due to the budget cuts as well.

In short, President Moses is set on the goal of making City College an

institution that becomes centrally involved in providing services to City College, and the Harlem community as a whole. When asked about how she intends to set forth such innovative goals, she says, "she can't do it by herself." She is a firm believer that this must be a collective effort where her administration, students, state and private funders and beyond become actively involved in pulling together various resources, thus making this goal come to fruition. □

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Editorial

Introduction: Delivering the Goods

As students here at City, we often grow dismayed, and downright mad due to the apparent lack of services here on campus. Often times we are faced with outdated equipment in our departments and the library, nightmarish registration lines, the high prices in the bookstore and cafeteria, the lack of scholarships and services, or even the tyranny of the financial aide office. The list goes on and on, right?

Well we here at *The Paper*, have decided to focus our premier issue this semester, on instrumental folks here on campus; the folks that possess the

power to yield change. In short, we are focusing on the people who are central to providing the level of services that we as students are demanding.

This issue focuses on CCNY's tri-lateral level of governance. The City College Administration; our elected Student Governments; as well as the Faculty Senate, are the three bodies that essentially control life here at City. The Paper staff has interviewed the President of the school and her new administration, the Presidents of the student governments, and the

Chair of the faculty senate will be highlighted in the next issue, all in an attempt to inform you — the City College student — of who the real "players" are on campus.

Well we hope that this issue will notify and ultimately empower you. In the end, however, it is up to us to hold these people accountable when the goods/services either have or have not been delivered.

Dawn L. Palmore,
Editor-in-Chief

Campus News

New President Elect of CCNY Alumni Association

Alfonso D'Elia, class of 1973, was elected President of the CCNY Alumni Association at the organization's 142nd Annual Meeting which was held recently at the New York Hilton. Mr. D'Elia succeeds Mr. Peter Chin, '65 EE, who was appointed Life Director at the meeting. City College President Yolanda T. Moses attended the meeting and reported on developments at CCNY.

City College To Receive \$1 Million Research Grant

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA) has awarded a \$1 million grant to City College for transportation research. This grant will be used to operate CCNY's Region II University Transportation Research Center. The center is a multi-disciplinary, inter-college effort which addresses transportation issues affecting the economic and social life of the city, state and region. City College is the lead institution of Region II, which is one of 13 regional consortiums that the U.S. Department of Transportation has established around the nation.

Black Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Neville Parker

BY RENEE STEVENS

Following his triumph over the shackles of apartheid, the author Mark Mathabane wrote "I have prepared myself thoroughly, because if what I believe in is true, then it has to withstand the severest test." On this campus, within this university system, there is an outstanding example of thorough preparation achieving tangible results. This example is personified in the man currently serving as the Director of the C.U.N.Y. Institute for Transportation Systems - Dr. Neville Parker.

Having first experienced City College as a student, the Herbert G. Keyser professor of civil engineering has translated his life experiences into a personality and work ethic that demands the positive direction of all surrounding energies.

Earlier this year, Dr. Parker was the recipient of the Black Engineer of the Year Award (for his role as an Outstanding Educator). He notes that this honor further emphasized his belief in the educator's responsibility

to the development of the whole student. This belief materializes in Dr. Parker's involvement in outreaching student support structures such as the G.P.A. Initiative and the Research Center for Minority Scholars.

In April 1994, Dr. Parker was invited as the keynote speaker for CCNY's Student Leadership Conference entitled "Accepting the Challenge of Leadership".

During the Conference's closing session, Dr. Parker reminded the students present, that we are charges of energy within our institution and must learn to acquire all necessary information for success. The students felt so wholly impressed and empowered by the professor's outspoken and straightforward addresses, that they saw the need for his presence at their student government retreat.

In accepting his personal call to leadership, Dr. Parker has focused on the necessity of preparing students to successfully handle responsibility. Knowing that even with preparation,

errors will be made, he reminds us that the only people who don't make mistakes are the ones who don't do anything.

As a man of action, Dr. Parker uncompromisingly demands positive performance from his students. Always providing them proper support and guidance, he provides each one with the tools that build confidence and construct achievement. Dr. Parker has been well received by the students on campus due to his proven dedication. He has also worked hard to establish a working relationship with the Harlem community. During this year's Harlem Week Celebration, Dr. Parker was a given plaque to commemorate his community involvement.

Dr. Neville Parker is a dedicated faculty member who definitely deserves our support. Dr. Parker extends his doors open to students from all backgrounds to come and talk with him, thereby making him accessible to students and their needs. □

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An Interview With the New Vice President of Student Affairs

BY HUGH THOMAS

This semester, Thomas Morales is CCNY's new Vice President for Student Affairs. Morales comes from SUNY New Paltz where he was the Vice President for students.

Born in Puerto Rico, Morales grew up in the Bronx and he graduated from James Monroe High School. He entered the State University of New York (SUNY) as a SEEK student, which at that time was called the Educational Opportunity Program. He graduated from SUNY New Paltz cum laude. He received his Masters degree at SUNY Albany in Educational administration and Policy Studies. He is now in the final stages of getting his doctoral degree in the same department.

Upon graduation, he became a SEEK counselor. This is his 19th

year in higher education. He also spent three years at Cornell University as assistant director of the State Program.

When asked why he chose City College he said that "City College represented the opportunity to come back home to New York City and to serve with a student body of historical underrepresented students of color. I was attracted to City College because it is the flagship of the CUNY University system with a new president who is very committed to student services and placing students central to the college needs." When asked about his goals, Morales says that he intends to "work closely with the three student governments to provide quality services and consequently meet the students needs. He also plans to accomplish this goal by

being accessible to the students. One of the things he intends to do is to call a town hall meeting in which the student body will be invited to express their concerns and problems to student affairs. He is going to look at ways in which information about housing and other services for students (including international students) can be made more readily available.

Morales promises to be an advocate for students. Morales recognizes the importance of having as many diverse student activities as possible. He also plans to create a sense of community within the larger Harlem community. Morales is also of the belief that we at CCNY have a responsibility to the larger Harlem Community.

Morales also intends to analyze how

effective City is at delivering services for students. Morales pointed out that he has taken over the department of Student Affairs, and their budget has been cut every fiscal year. This year is no exception, the department has been cut by 1.6 million dollars. Despite these severe cuts, Morales will, however, support programs, such as tutoring services, which will benefit the students academically. He recognizes that many of these restrictive policies here at City are necessary, however, on the other hand he feels that these rules need to be flexible to accommodate the students as opposed to setting up blockades.

Now that we are aware of what he is about, it is up to the student body through their governments, to see to it that all these goals are followed through. □

City College's New Provost

BY ALTON STEWART

On meeting the "new" provost to City City College Dr. David K. Lavalley added that he was actually not exactly new to City College but has been working with City College students for over fifteen years.

Prior to coming to City, Provost Lavalley worked as Associate Provost at Hunter College for four years, and prior to that was part of the faculty of the chemistry department since 1978. Other credentials in Lavalley's academic history includes serving as Assistant Professor at Colorado State University, serving as Visiting Professor at Los Alamos Laboratories, and Post Doctoral Associate at the University of Chicago, where his degree in chemistry was obtained.

Other relations that Lavalley had with City includes his experience teaching the doctoral students in Chemistry (which is a joint program involving Hunter, Lehman and Brooklyn College). In addition, Lavalley has been the coordinator for the Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) program at Hunter for over ten years — a sister program also exists at City College and at other CUNY colleges.

On the topic of new professors coming to the college this Fall, Dr. Lavalley listed distinguished English professors Dr. Gloria Watkins and Dr. John Reynolds. The School of Architecture will receive Dr. Henry Mcharey. The Department of Theater and Dance will receive Prof. Gene Nesmith. The Chemistry department will receive Dr. Mario Conesco. Also, Dr. Patricia Kenyan is new to

the department of Earth and Planetary Science, and Paul Cover goes to the Music department.

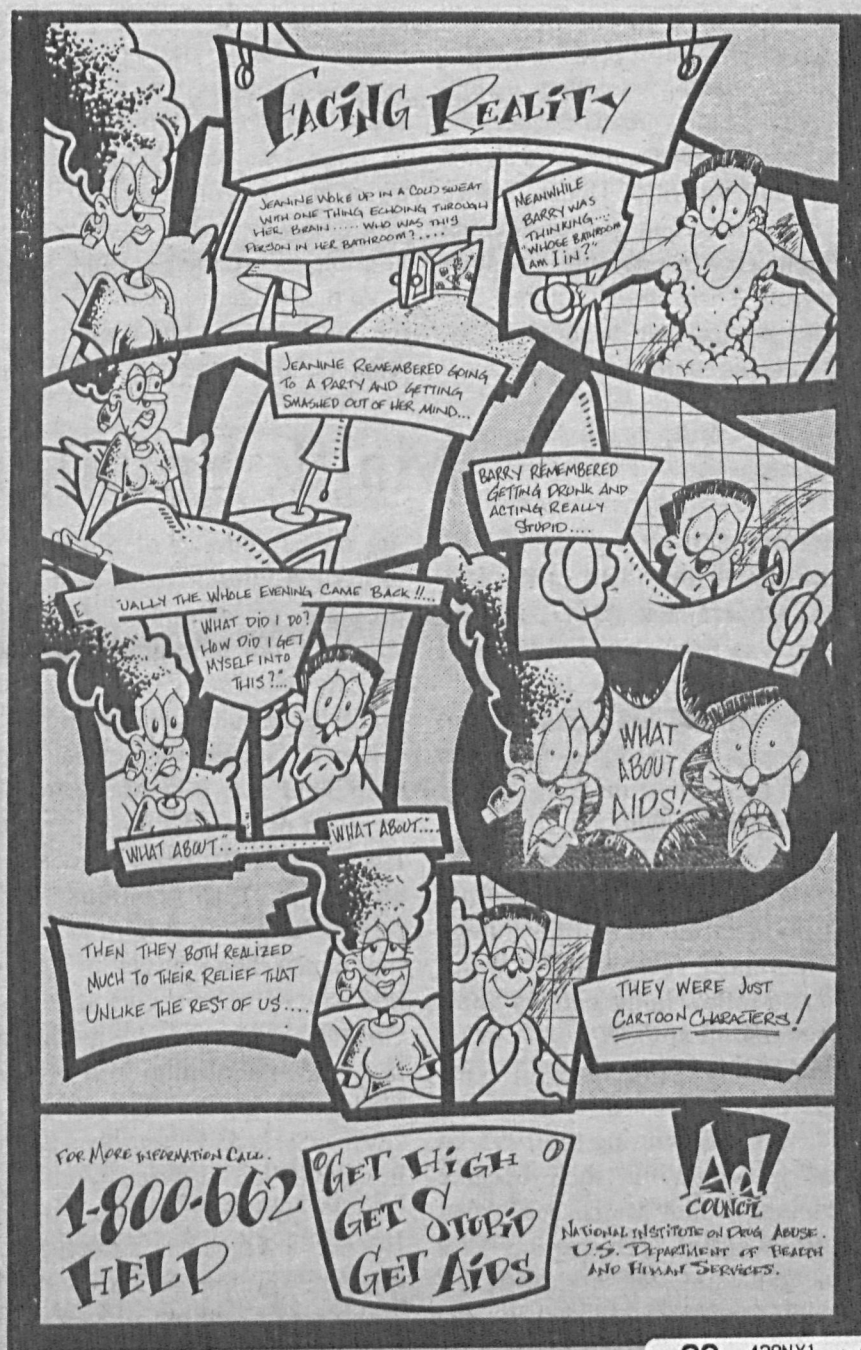
Other new faculty include Dr. David Johnson, who will be added to the History department, and Dr. Alexander Cusicks, who will be teaching Chemical Engineering. The Department of Special Programs receives Dr. Nelson Reynoso and Dr. Tricia Tam.

Two additional faculty members are expected for the Spring semester. These additions will be in the Mechanical Engineering (M.E.) and the Electrical Engineering (E.E) Departments. On the topic of engineering, Provost Lavalley stated that M.E students will have an option of Bio-engineering added to their curriculum. These Bio-engineering courses are being instructed by Dr. Shelly Weinbaum, who has been working on the implementation of studies in the area of Bio-materials and Materials Science.

Provost Lavalley was asked about the inadequate funding for the Cohen and Science libraries at the college. He stated that the expanding numbers of requested publications coupled with drastic increases in the prices of individual journals (approximately four times the rate of inflation) as the main cause. These factors, according to Lavalley, are exacerbated by a fixed budget allocated to the libraries. To counteract inflation and simultaneously become more efficient, Lavalley stated that the library department is exploring electronic means of acquiring and making available information to the student body — a service that is available at many other colleges.

In closing, Provost Lavalley stated that he intends to have a major impact on the students of City College. One way he intends to do this is by continuing to mentor students in the field of Chemistry. Also, he intends to teach General

Chemistry starting in Spring '95. He also emphasized the necessity of the formation of student-teacher relationships. This will be one of his many priorities. Provost Lavalley will also work on the re-evaluation of the Chemistry curriculum. □



CCNY's New V.P. of Finance & Management

BY CURTIS LEBLANC

CCNY's new Vice-President of Finance has been in the field of higher education or finance since 1971. Dick Meyer has been at the post for four months.

Before coming to CCNY, Dick Meyer was the Vice President for Finance and Administration, at Teacher's College, Columbia University. Prior to that he was the Academic and Division Head for International Management, at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. He has been employed by the American Council on Education, a higher education organization, as well as Johnson State College, a small college in Vermont.

His academic achievements culminated in a Doctorate in Education Administration, Stanford University (however, as he will tell you, he is always learning); he earned a MBA, Harvard U. He received his B.S. degree in Metallurgy, at Michigan St. University.

The following interview was conducted so that you can have more insight as to how he functions here at CCNY.

Paper: Describe your job and how it fits into the dynamics of how the college functions?

V.P. Dick Meyer: [First of all] I divide Finance and Management up into three areas: the first area is finance; the second area is services; the third area is facilities and security. Under finance you'll find budgeting and accounting purchasing, accounts payable, inventory and payroll. Then under facilities and securities physical plant services, safety, security, events coordination. I am coor-

dinator and facilitator between the various department offices and functions. I try to make sure that everyone understands what everyone else's needs are. What we are here for is the education of students and to do research. If I don't heat the classrooms, or keep the buildings water tight, or get the mail delivered, the education function breaks down. My role is to fulfill those needs. It means that I have to listen to what other people say, I have to understand what the college's mission is, and I have to put systems in place that listen, and that allow the institution to change. My relation in all that is facilitating listening and translating things that we do and to help other people listen.

Paper: What, if any, was your most significant professional contribution to the college?

V.P. Dick Meyer: One of the things that I have found frustrating, is that the information available about the finances is one of the reasons why there is no money to do [extra curricular activities]; we don't know how much money is available. Different departments and different people control different pots. We have lost our ability to set priorities and to balance agenda and to talk to each other because we are too busy trying to hold on to what little is left. The VP of Finance could be a great player because I could get more information and I could hide money better than anyone. One of the things that I am trying to do is organize that information in a way that it is more comprehensible. Currently, I can't tell how large the budget is. I can tell you what the tax levy is, but I can't tell you what we have spent out of trust and

gifts, in total necessarily. So I couldn't compare us to another institution, because our information is so scattered.

There are a couple of other important priorities. One is I have to hire a permanent director of the personnel department.

A third area that is really quite important for us to get a facilities area that better defines to what it does. Our relatively short term goals are to get a back log in the copy room taken care of—something went wrong there. Short term, I've got to get the engineering building looking spiffy before their 75th anniversary.

But in regard to student areas, working with the Vice President for Student Affairs to try and see and help him understand what resources are available to him, for him to do what he needs to get done. His area has been hit very badly by the budget cuts and I have to try to put some pieces that he needs right now together on that.

Paper: What are your professional goals for this coming academic year?

VP Dick Meyer: At this point...I have begun the fiscal year without an emergency, that is we are squeezing and using our reserves we are not doing any of the hirings that we would want to do. And we are doing it without a crisis, despite the fact that I just walked into it and it was hard given the size of the problem not to create an emergency. It took me several weeks to try to grasp whether or not an emergency was necessary. Whether we were going to have layoffs; were we going to have to go to the legislature and ask for a tuition increase. But,

slowly but surely, we were able to say that if we do this this way, bend here and sacrifice here, we can fit it all in and avoid a crisis. It is not pleasant, but I know we can't call it a crisis.

VP Dick Meyer: Obviously, since I have a high priority for the information system, what we have now is five to seven, independently financed departments and my goal is to get at least two of them talking to each other by the end of this fiscal year. Second goal, is to get a forecasting program in place so that in February I can determine that there are this many people under contract, this many large leases outstanding and we have to teach this many courses, so this is how much we have absolutely committed in funds and we know that we are going to get some relief on this and the legislature can go either way and then sit down with people and tell them this looks pretty bad, this looks like we've got some flexibility and here is what you can do. [I] want to get started on the master plan which will take a look at the use of space on campus, whether classrooms are appropriate and then begin to list the highest priority projects which need to be done. Whether we have labs or whether we should change the size of classrooms; whether we do not have enough faculty offices; whether architecturally we can make the campus more attractive, its not a campus where you can sit on a bench under a tree and talk to a bunch of friends, its a street corner campus. We can have the street corners and campus places too, we could work on that, for a softer environment. We have some possible

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Malik Small, President of DSG

BY NICHOLE ROWE

Malik Small, President of the Day Student Government (DSG) at City College, is an English major who will graduate with honors in June 1995. Currently serving his second term, Malik hopes to graduate from his post with the highest marks.

Born to parents who are alumni of the City College, Malik grew up in college's surrounding community. This provincial tie to the college was the main reason why Malik decided to follow in his parents' footsteps and enroll at CCNY.

Malik was previously Vice President to Oswald Willis, the President of DSG during the 1993-94 school year. Willis then became incapacitated and Malik succeeded him as President. During his first presidential term, Malik showed his advocacy for Peer Education by aid-

ing in the funding of programs like the G.P.A. Initiative, a peer tutorial program on campus. Malik also achieved the long-promised goal of getting the library and other study places open for extended hours.

Recent Student Government elections held this past May saw Malik returned to the position of President. His party, Students for Students, won all major DSG positions. Malik recalls his previous term as a "learning experience" he is in "a better position to help revive the Student Government as a viable policy-making and governing body at City College."

When asked if there was anything he would do differently this year, Malik's list included getting more students involved in sitting on committees which effected the policy-making within City College; working

on improving the services that Finley Student Center gives to the students; and merging the Day Student Government with the Evening Student Government (ESG). Malik offered reasons for these changes, saying that, "historically there has been a lack of participation in by the majority of students in regards to student life. I believe they [students] should participate in the process which results in the changes." As for the DSG and ESG merger, it is a move aimed at consolidating services in order to help save money, and in order to prevent the duplication of certain services. In addition, there is not a definite distinction between Day and Evening students because many of the Day Students are also Evening Students.

When asked if he sees any shortcomings in this year's DSG, Malik

confides that he is working with a new staff and that it will take a while for them to learn how the government works, and how to work with members of the faculty. Malik says that he will provide a quicker dissemination of information to the new participants in order to speed up the transitional process.

Malik's ultimate goal as President of DSG is to make it a meaningful governing force on the City College campus. He also stresses the enhancement of student life and promises to be an advocate for solving whatever problems the student body encounters for which he may find a solution. Malik, however, urges CCNY students to become concerned in their own student life. "You really can't complain if you don't help to solicit the changes you need!" is the message he sends. □

President of Evening Student Government

BY MATSELISO MASITHELA

The new president of the Evening Student Government (ESG) is a graduating senior by the name of Diane Francis. A transfer student from Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC), she has been attending City College for the past two years.

Francis is an African Studies major who has, for a variety of reasons, found that one way she can be active and best serve the college is as a student representative. It was after careful consideration that she decided to come to City. She had hoped for a lot and set some expectations. Disappointed by the limited enthusiasm by students in campus life she immediately became involved in various clubs. This was her chance to make a difference.

Originally a day student, she became an evening student last semester so that she could run for the position as ESG president, and thus gain experience in her future field. She was convinced she could make a

positive change here at City from the example that former ESG president Bolanle Olagundoye had set forth.

The obligations which are typical of evening students make it difficult to find running mates, thus she ran independently. This fact, however has hindered her. She has good chemistry with Vice President, and friend Marie Vielot, and Treasurer, E. Tyson Gaines, a student government veteran.

Realizing the necessity for a good working relationship, she hopes to establish a good working relationship between the ESG, Day Student Government (DSG), and Graduate Student Council (GSC). Many of the campaign issues which are now on the student governments agenda, are oriented toward the improvement of student life.

The majority of the graduate students attend class in the evening, thus similarities between the groups can help them work towards the same goals. In addition to working closely with the student governments, she

notes the importance of work closely with administration. She believes that administration is there to provide for us. She states that "if we approach them the way they need to be approached we can ask for what we want and get what we need." She regards the lack of communication between administration and students as a major hindrance when pushing forth our goals. Therefore, a major accomplishment would be to break that barrier.

Francis cites the fact that evening students pay activity fees, just as day students, however the college ignores their needs. Some of the needs she that she plans to address are the improvement of student services, such as making the writing and math lab accessible to evening students. The labs are just one example of a student facility that caters to day students and ignores the needs of evening students. Filled with bountiful ideas, like having a welcoming reception for evening students and even an evening student club

hour(s), she helps to develop a strong relationship with the students. She wants to issue a survey, which would enable her to get a census of the needs of evening students. She realizes the importance of familiarizing herself with students so that students will feel at ease to approach her and ask for assistance. She notes that there is plenty of room for improvement. She said she asked herself "if I had known all the problems that we have, would I have really gotten involved?" She responds with the realization that she definitely would have. For the end of the school year her ultimate goals for her constituency, are to improve student life, services, and strive for academic excellence.

The Evening Student Government headquarter is located in the North Academic Center (NAC) room 1/112. The telephone is (212) 650-7205. She welcomes you, if not implores you, to come to her with any queries, problems, or comments. □

City College's New Student Ombudsman

BY LAURIE C. ZEPHYRIN

The Webster Dictionary definition of an Ombudsman is a complaint investigator. The City College students have elected their new complaint investigator. His name is Tyler Hemingway. As Ombudsman, Hemingway has a number of duties and responsibilities. These responsibilities are listed in the City College Day Student Government By-Laws as:

1: He shall protect the welfare of any and all students whenever he determines that their legitimate rights, privileges and prerequisites may have been denied or abused.

2. Where he determines that existing policies, procedures or structures could, to the advantage of students, be improved, he shall work with the appropriate bodies to effectuate the change;

3. He shall be the chief Executive Officer for all student elections and referen and shall Chair the Student Senate Elections Agency, except where he himself is a candidate;

4. He shall be ex-officio, without vote, a member of the Student Senate and the Executive Committee of the Student Senate;

5. He shall establish and maintain a regular schedule of hours which shall be posted on his office door, in the Senate Office, and in the information office of the Student Center.

When asked how he would protect the welfare of the students, Hemingway stated that the procedure taken to help students would depend

on the problem of the student. The first step would be to meet with the source of the problem. Hemingway said that there would be no circumventing the chain of command. For example if a student had a problem with a professor, Hemingway would first meet with the professor. If necessary, he would then meet with the Dean of the Department, then the Provost, the Faculty Ombudsman and so on. Every department is required to here his complaints when needed.

Hemingway has a number of goals to achieve this coming year. First and foremost he wants to fill the position of Vice President of Campus Affairs for the Day Student Government and the Student Senate. He stated that Senators are needed to represent each major at City College. This past election resulted in the appointment of only eighteen (18) Student Senators. There are twelve (12) seats that are waiting to be filled. Hemingway emphasizes the problem of inadequate student involvement on this campus. Senators are important in effectuating change and bringing to the attention of the Student Ombudsman problems students have in their respective majors. Also, Senators relay messages from other divisions to students to keep the students abreast of changes that occur in the college. Hemingway urges the student body to become Student Senators and represent the students of their majors. For those interested in becoming Senators call the Day Student Government at 650-8176 or

your Student Ombudsman, Tyler Hemingway at 650-8179.

What are Hemingway's plans for this school year? Well, he plans to prepare early for the upcoming Spring elections for Student Government. His reason for this is to get as many students as possible to become aware of and participate in the election. Representation of all students at City College is what will allow the Student Government to work for students.

Hemingway also stated that education is what Student Government is about. He plans to seek funding to create a student evaluation of faculty. The school does in fact implement professor evaluations, however, they are solely used for promotional purposes.

When asked how these faculty evaluations would be paid for, he stated that students should not have to pay for accessible evaluations of professors in each division. Hemingway personally feels that the college should pay for

this service.

He plans to start with evaluations in departments where the need is the greatest. Then, each academic year a new division will be chosen by the new Student Government, thus creating a smooth transition. Hemingway pointed out that names and faces change, however, the problems will always remain the same.

Some other objectives that Hemingway also emphasized are:

1. Creation of a Security Review Board with Students, Faculty and Administration as members. and

2. Accessibility and accountability of faculty to students.

Hemingway plans to work with the students and for the students at City College.

If anyone wants to set up an appointment with Tyler Hemingway, to your student Ombudsman, feel free to call his office at 650-8179. □

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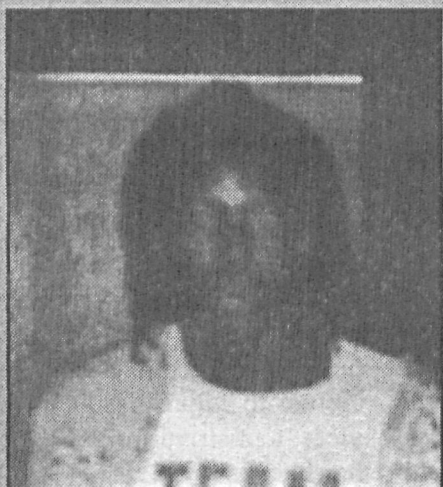
spaces and then there are things like the hut [the space between the administration building and Shepard Hall which is currently occupied by a building.] If we could find some space to put the equipment that is in the building, then we could tear it down and turn it into a nice place, we got some potential to do those things. Also we would like to raise a level of service that we give on campus. Make all of the offices as good as our best offices

in treating students and giving answers and not hassling people around. New things can be done these days with telephone registration, you can pay by credit card over the telephone. Your advisor can pull up your records and say that you need to take this to register and put it in from his/her office. These are the things we need to explore and the Provost and my office are moving in that direction because we really want to get better service. □

CITY VIBES

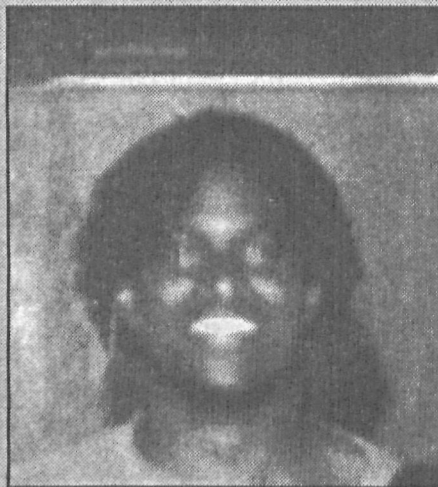
BY DUANE GRIFFITH AND TANYA S. HIBBERT

Question: If passed, how do you think the crime bill will effect the African American community?



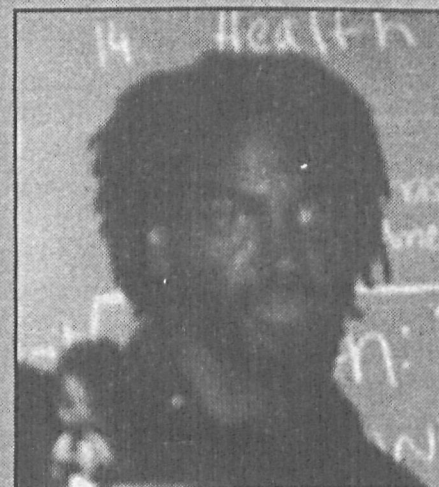
Mesu Ra
Advertising Design Major

"It won't serve as a deterrent to crime. You'll find that you, will have more black people dying, and it will give a reason to take resources from right of passage programs to put into jails, electric chairs, smoke chambers and soon we'll have public hangings."



Daryll Pierre
Mechanical Engineering Major

"They need to reassess that bill and then put out a new one that further addresses crime prevention and puts less emphasis on adding police and prisons."



Joslin Contave
Electrical Engineering Major

"From what I understand it is misleading. The Black communities are the most impoverished and the crime bill is trying to create a police state and our communities are being criminalized. In other words, you have money being allocated to buy more cops, more prisons, and more jobs in the justice department and at the same time programs in education are being cut."

Fencing City College

BY MATSELISO MASITHELA

The fencing in of City College is raising questions and anxieties among many students. There is a cloud of confusion as to why and where the fence is being erected.

The plans outline a replacement of certain fences which are currently up and around areas of South Campus. There will also be cleaning and refurbishing of any current fencing which is dilapidating. The plan also will restore the three ornamental arches located on the campus: one on Amsterdam Ave., in between Harris Hall and Goethals Hall, and the other two which are located on Convent Ave.

Except for the fact that this is going to cost our college money, the student's concern is not about the reparation of existing fences, but the installation of a new one. Mrs. Joan Hill, the director of Campus Planning, went over the new plans with The Paper.

The first issue she addressed was that the new project is not a fence but infact three security gates: one will be in between the Marshak (Science) Building and the Administration building on the side of St. Nicholas Terrace; the second gate will be located on this same side in between the Marshak and the A. Phillip Randolph High School; lastly, the placement of the most obvious gate will be put up in between the

North Academic Center (N.A.C.) and Harris Hall on Amsterdam Avenue and 138th St. The existing at this site construction fence is needed to excavate for the new gate.

The gates are said to be built so they can better regulate pedestrian traffic in off hours. What does that mean? During school semesters the last night class ends around 11:00 p.m. The security would then close the gates around midnight. Mr Timothy Hubbard, head of security, assured that student activities would not be adversely affected. Planned student activities would then be arranged so that the gates, particularly the 138th St. gate would remain open until the end of ceremonies.

The purpose of the new gates is to curb easy access for thefts, burglary, and other crimes. Mr. Hubbard acknowledged that though the crime rate on the campus is not high, and is in fact dropping, this increased security is more of a preventive measure. Ideally, the ultimate crime rate would be 0%. It is felt that the gates would be means of getting one step closer to this rate.

Though it seems like a beneficial and innocent plan there will be obvious inconveniences. The 138th St. entrance is going to be closed off during heavy construction time. People who wish to enter from the west of Amsterdam Ave will have to go through either the 137th

St. Amsterdam entrance (near the 200 side of N.A.C.) or, underneath the arch in between Harris Hall and Goethals Hall.

From interviews with the school's representatives the new construction will consist of repairs and new gates, not a fence around the school. Since City College is in the heart of Harlem, a community which many are proud to be a part of, the last thing the students from this school want is to be sectioned off

from Harlem. This act would give the feel of a quasi Rikers Island. Yet assurance was given that the new gates were indeed for security purposes, and not exclusion purposes.

The Paper was told that this gate would not effect any current or future campus and community activities. Mr Hubbard said "...infact, I doubt the students will even notice it [after it is constructed]." For our sakes we hope we won't. □

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Health News

Blood Donor Recruitment in the African-American and Latino Community

BY SUZETTE OYEKU

"In the United States, about one in every 400 to 600 Blacks and one in every 1,000 to 1,500 Hispanics inherit Sickle Cell Disease." Sickle Cell Disease is an inherited blood disease that can result in repeated bouts of pain, damage to vital organs, for some death may occur.

The disease most often affects the morphology of red blood cells, for example, oxygen-carrying red blood cells in the body are round and flexible but under conditions of Sickle Cell Anemia, the red blood cells may change into a crescent or sickle shape within the blood vessels of the body.

The change in the shape of the red blood cells can result in the patient having shortness of breath and being easily tired. In order, to reduce the presence of these sickled red blood cells, many Sickle Cell patients require frequent blood transfusions

as part of their regular treatment, which necessitate large amounts of blood. Also, the special cross-matching needs of children that repeatedly receive blood transfusions, requires a variety of donor participation. Thus, the need for blood donors is increasing.

According to a study in the New England Journal of Medicine, the blood donor population was 90% white and all of the Sickle Cell patients and subsequent transfusion recipients were black. These findings boldly illustrate that there is a lack of participation of African-Americans and Latino in urban blood-banking programs.

You may ask what can your donation of blood do to help alleviate this pressing issue? By making a donation of blood you are helping to increase the availability of compatible blood for patients of Sickle Cell

Anemia and other chronic disorders as well as aiding the regional donor programs in meeting the overwhelming national need for blood. It has been cited that there is greater probability of successful crossmatch of blood between blood donor and recipients if they are of the same race.

As stated in the New England Journal of Medicine, "if the increase in requests for blood types found in black donors continues as it has over the past decade, demand will exceed the supply." Consequently, we are urging all African-American and Latino CCNY students to take the time out and become a blood donor. The recruitment of African-American and Latino donors is crucial to having an adequate supply of blood for those whose lives depend upon it. You could help save someone's life by donating just a pint!

If you are wondering where you could donate blood, the Comprehensive Sickle Cell Program of St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital, located on 114th Street & Amsterdam Avenue is sponsoring a blood donor recruitment drive to establish a new donor base for patients of the Sickle Cell Program.

If you are interested in donating blood, please call the Comprehensive Sickle Cell Program at (212) 523-3013 or Suzette Oyeku at The Paper office at (212) 650-5029. □

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A Gift of Life

BY LAURIE C. ZEPHYRIN

Fatal blood diseases, such as leukemia, Aplastic Anemia and sickle cell disease, end up taking the lives of thousands of ethnic and racial minorities. The only chance that these people have for survival is a bone marrow transplant. A successful transplant would in fact cure the disease. Unfortunately, a disproportionate number of minorities end up dying from these blood diseases because of the shortage of minority donors in the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP).

In July of 1992 "Reader's Digest" published a special feature story entitled "Window of Hope". This article was a compelling account of a black leukemia victim, JoAnne Johnson, who searched in vain for a matching bone-marrow donor. She did not receive the transplant in time, therefore, she died.

Children, men and women die from blood diseases, such as leukemia, because of the inability to find a suitable match for them.

One organization that is dedicated

to increasing the opportunities for African-Americans and Latinos with life-threatening blood diseases is the Link To Life Network (LTLN). According to the LTLN, African-Americans and Latinos make up only 6.8 % of the bone marrow donors registered in the NMDP. This startling statistic explains why it is so important for African-Americans and Latinos to sign up with the NMDP and become donors. Once African-Americans and Latinos are aware of the simple testing procedures and the desperate need for them to register, many will sign up.

In order to ensure that all patients in need of a transplant have an equal chance at finding a compatible bone marrow donor, it is necessary for minorities to become donors. These donors save lives.

African-American and Latino donors are important for African-American and Latino patients who have fatal blood diseases. Why? Simply because of the matching of tissue types required. Marrow transplants require matching of tissue

types, which are characterized by complex genetic traits. These traits are often unique to the tissue characteristics of an individual's bone marrow and are inherited in the same way one inherits skin, eye and hair color. Thus, when no matching siblings are available, the best chance of finding a matched marrow donor is someone from the same racial background.

Many people can benefit from bone marrow transplants. In many instances it gives people a new chance at life. Those who are waiting to be matched, live with a desperate

hope that a donor will be found in order to allow them to live longer lives.

Those of you who are interested in becoming registered donors please call the NMDP at:

1-800-654-1247

Also, for more information on the Link To Life Network, call Mr. William Anthony Rogers at :

1-212-650-6400 Please call. You can make a great difference in a person's life. Remember, by simply registering, you are giving someone a very important gift...The Gift of Life!! □

Student Health Services

BY MATSELISO MASITHELA

Student Health Services is a facility which is designed to service the health needs of City College students. Trained staff and administrators are always there to aid ailing students in various ways.

Mary Groves, a licensed practicing nurse is a new staff member. Tyler Hemingway, the graduate assistant is a trained paramedic. Although currently there is a search for a Health Services director, the center has functioned under the influence of Seda Johnson, the administrative assistant.

For the most efficient service, all students should make appointments.

The staff is trained to help with medical problems, drug and substance abuse, and issues on sexuality. Currently it is equipped for student and general medical care. Over the counter drugs are available for the alleviation of some minor illnesses. Insurance is not necessary to pay for the majority of the services offered. All medical records are kept confidential and your rights as a student and a patient are protected.

The Student Health Services hours are from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The center is located in the Marshak (Science) building room J-15. Pay them a visit. □

SPECIAL ELECTION

All students are invited to attend the student government election for VP of Campus Affairs and Senatorial positions. Come to the DSG office NAC 1/111 for date and time.

EXPRESSIONS

A Dawn No Setting

What triggered all this?
 That serene red rose or the sight that I miss?
 Even if I would catch complete amnesia,
 I would remember always, her style, her smile, her kiss
 Her name, The purity of a virgin day.
 Her face, like an angel in display
 A figure - more spectacular than the stars... the Milky Way.
 Even my heart noticed her before my eyes could glance.
 A proudly placed picture next to the word romance.
 With each attribute being worth thousands of poems,
 The sole image that gives my imagination substance.

But I am a symbol of her affection
 Or just another trophy in one's collection
 To she whom I fear to loose
 Would I win the race for her hearts election
 ...and so i ask again
 What triggered all this?
 That serene red rose or the sight I miss?
 ...What triggered all this?

by Joseph Regis

Who's the mack?
 is it the brother with the cadillac
 Or is it the brother who sells the crack
 Who's the mack?
 is it the man; and if so
 what makes him more man than me?
 Who's the mack?
 is it the Brother working nine to five
 or is it the Brother with out a dime
 that is out there doing crime
 Who's the mack?
 is it a priest, a poet, a teacher
 damn I don't know it
 can it be the president
 hell I don't know
 but someone out there
 is the mack

by Jermaine Grinnage

How can we understand the savages of this world?

A man is walking in a dark dangerous forest, filled with wild beasts.
 The forest is surrounded by a vast net.
 The man is Afraid.
 He runs to escape from the beasts.

He falls into a pitch Black hole....by a miracle, he is caught in some
 twisted roots.
 He feels the hot breath of an enormous snake, its jaws wide open, lying
 at the bottom of the pit.

He is about to fall into these jaws.
 On the edge of the hole, a huge elephant prepares to crush him.

Black and White mice gnaw the roots from which the man is hanging.
 Dangerous bees fly over the hole, letting fall drops of honey....

then...the man holds out his finger, slowly, cautiously...
 he holds out his finger to catch the drops of honey.

Threatened by so many dangers, with hardly a breath between him and
 so many deaths
 he still isn't free from desire.

THE THOUGHT OF HONEY HOLDS HIM TO LIFE!

EXPRESSIONS

Casual Lover

I meet him on occasion
Maybe here or there
The hormones take control
He's my casual love affair

We take off to be alone
As so oft' before
To keep each others company
Nothing less, nothing more

No vows of love are uttered
No promises to be true
No I'll love you forever
Or it'll be you and only you

All we are, are bedmates
We share nothing more than sex
When that love affair is over
We'll move on to the next

We live our separate lives
We don't let feelings interfere
That's how it is when all you have is
A casual love affair

Is what you want a casual lover
A sometime love affair
Is what you want a sex partner
Or do you really care

Someone to hold when your alone
Someone to stroke and grind
Someone to warm your bed at night
To help you unwind

Can you handle that empty feeling
Knowing they don't really care
See that's a consequence you must face
With a casual love affair

by Tanya S. Hibbert

chaos

the voice of the hectic screams within me,
pushing against my wall of self denial.
I try to hold within
this voice of madness
that cries tears upon my unseen soul.

But I fail.

I embrace this madness
I seek comfort in its cold arms,
I return to something
I did not know I was.

The tears flow
from an unseemly source,
my soul.

I have none.

by marlon calliste

are you the one

are you
are you the one
who has been killed
and been reborn
are you slow death
are you the stealer of babies
the killer of dreams
the reality of existence
is your home in the place where the wind was
kept in check
since the ancient days of my fathers
fathers
parents
fathers
why is there no light in thine eyes
no shadow in thy face
no rhythm in thy blood
are you the one
save me
are you the one
killer of dreams
what are you.

by marlon calliste

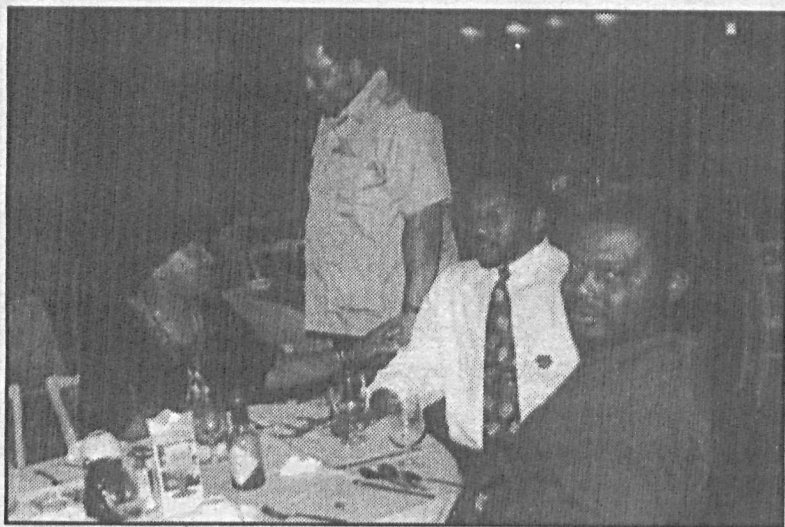
Student Government Retreat— 1994

by Dawn L. Palmore

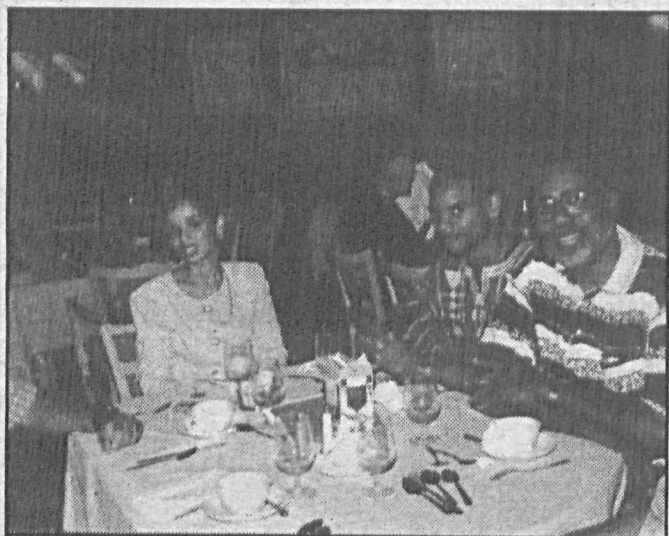
From Friday August 12, thru Sunday August 14, the Student Governments, and the division of Student Affairs sponsored its second annual student government retreat. The purpose of the event was to establish a working relationship between the newly elected student governments, and student affairs division, who have in the past, been at war with one another.

Highlights of the event were speeches delivered by Dr. Neville Parker, Dr. James DeJongh, and President Yolanda T. Moses. Dr. Parker, Civil Engineering Professor, and Director of the CUNY Institute for Transportation Systems, opened up the event with his keynote address. He spoke of the need students to become truly empowered. In his important dialogue with the students, Dr. James DeJongh, Chair of the Faculty Senate promised to work hard with the student governments to produce useful materials for students. President Yolanda T. Moses also spoke of some of her successes after her first year as president, as well as her goals and intentions for the upcoming year. The event was successful in that the parties involved made concrete promises to work hard to improve the quality of life here at City. However, it is ultimately up to us to hold the student governments as well as administration accountable for their promises.

The event took place at the Fernwood Resort and Country Club in Fernwood, Pennsylvania.



(l-r) Pres. Moses; Dr. James DeJongh (standing); Tyler Hemingway, Ombudsman; Olatunde Oniyede, CCNY Business Office Manager.



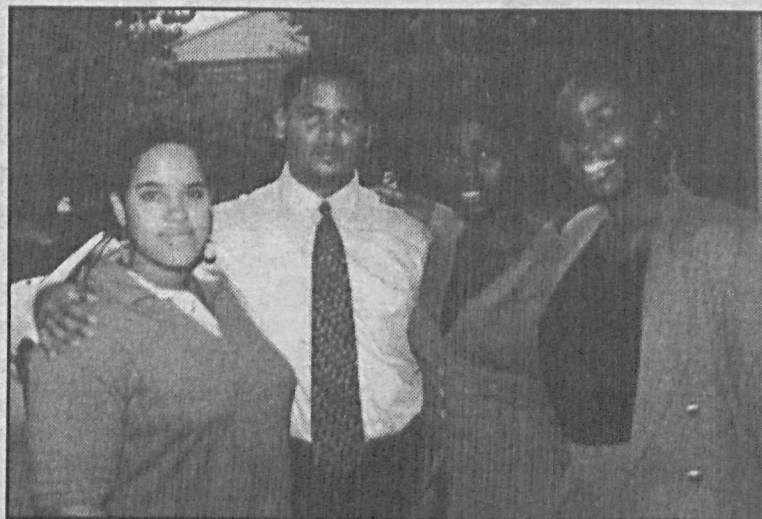
Dr. Neville Parker (right) and CCNY students, Jeff Munroe, and Heather Odum talk while dining.



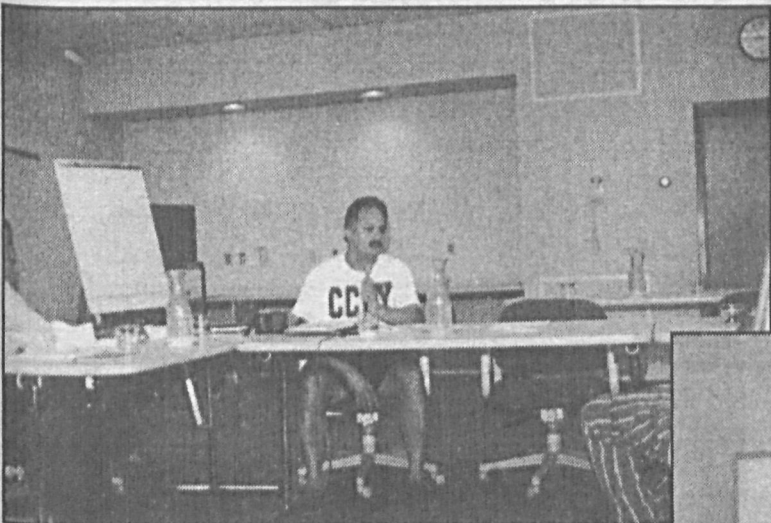
Bolanle Olagundoye (with mic.) addresses the many concerns of CCNY students.



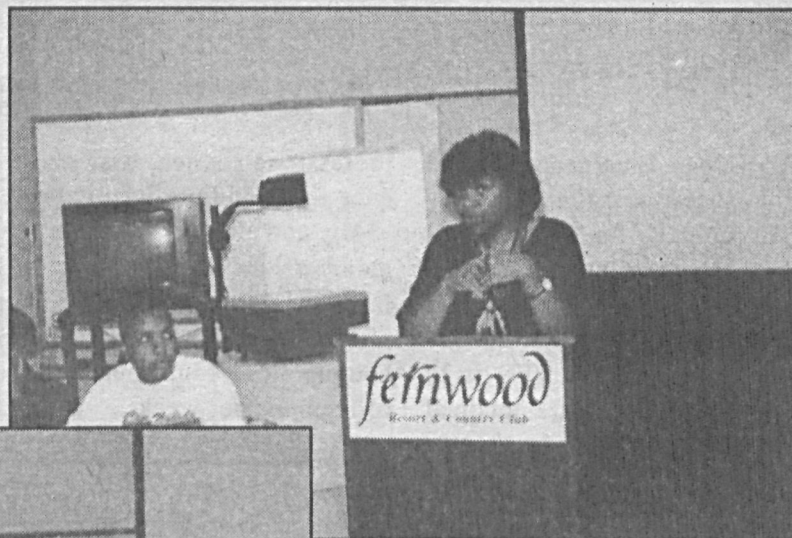
(l-r) Carmello Rodriguez, Finley Center; James Barlow, DSG Senator; Rene Padilla, DSG Senator; V. P. Morales; Pierre Jeune, DSG Ex. V.P.; and Malik Small, Pres. DSG.



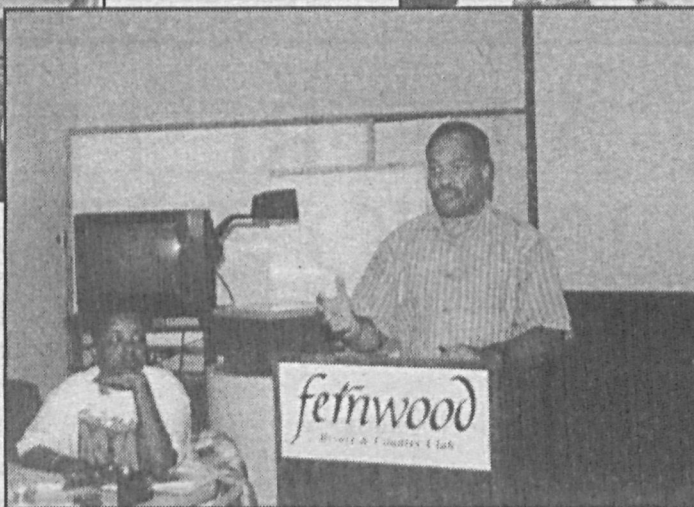
(l-r) Monique Minto, conference secretary; Malik Small, Pres. DSG; Bolanle Olagundoye, Treasurer DSG; and Frances Rice, V.P. of Community Affairs.



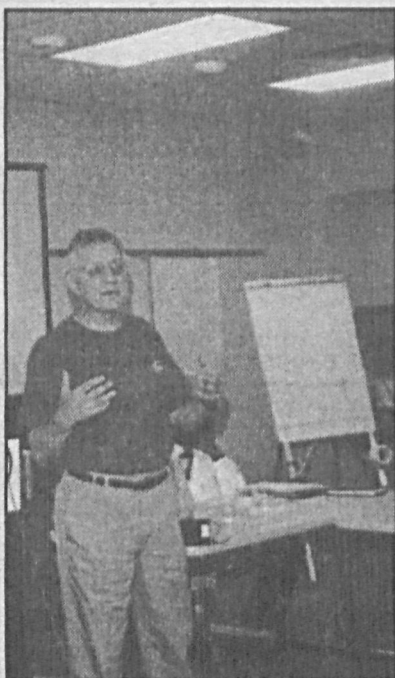
V. P. Morales introduces himself to the student gov't, and promises to work hard with the student leaders.



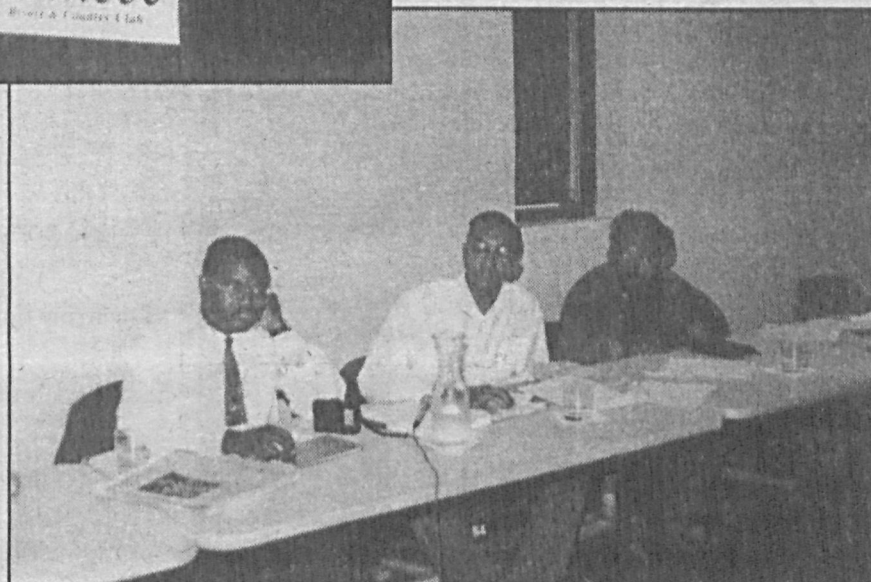
Pres. Moses as she address the conference attendees.



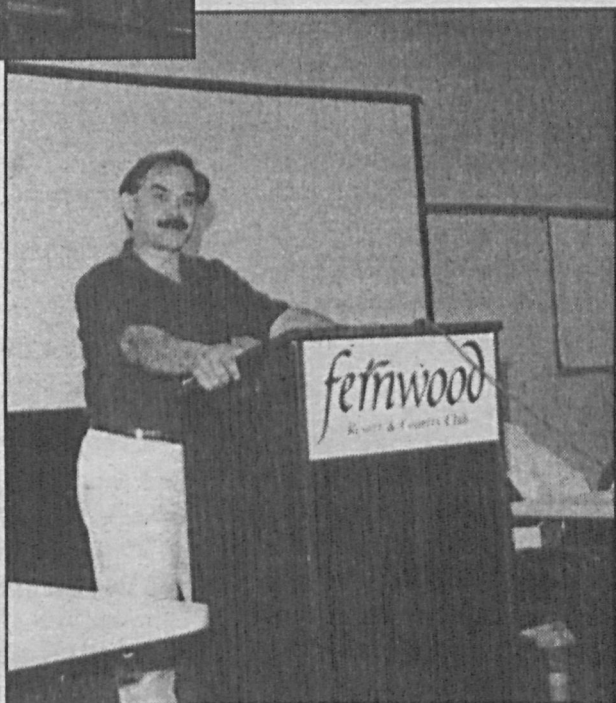
Timothy Hubbard, Director of Security Services.



Asst. Dean of Student Affairs, Dean F. Kogut.



Carmello Rodriguez (left) and two Student Government representatives, Ray Flete, Senator (middle) and Pierre Jeune, DSG Executive V.P.



New Provost David K. Lavellee explains how he functions on campus as provost.



Evening Student Gov't representatives (l-r) Marie Vielot, V.P.; Diane Frances, Pres.; E. Tyson Gaines, Treasurer.

Health News

The Volunteer Emergency Squad of City College

The Volunteer Emergency Squad (VES) has been serving the City College Community for over ten (10) years; providing pre-hospital emergency care and training in First Aid and CPR to the college community.

The main objective of VES is to provide a forum for future medical

professionals where they can experience first hand pre-hospital care.

Any and all students are eligible for membership. General meetings and in service trainings are held once a month. Each member is required to complete one four hour tour and one office hour per week.

In the future VES will include the implementation of an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) course to the campus (SP '95). Also, VES will host an Emergency Medical Convention for both City College Students and similar groups at other CUNY schools.

For more information concerning the Volunteer Emergency Squad (VES) please call the office at 650-7519 or drop by their office in Baskerville room 34/35. □



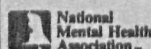
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Learn to see the warning signs.

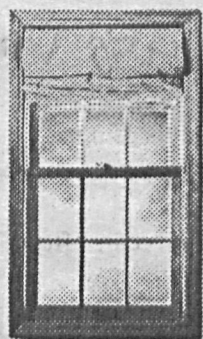


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times have you

fallen asleep watching it only to

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Banner"? And what about your

lamps and lights? Do you turn

them off when you exit a room?

Is your house excessively lit dur-

ing the day? Next, check your

thermostat. Odds are, it could

use adjusting. And finally, see if

there's a draft coming from your

windows and doors. If there is,

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sive. Turn your

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degrees. If you

get cold, grab a

sweater or a blanket. If you're

hot, wear fewer clothes.

As for your windows and

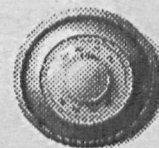
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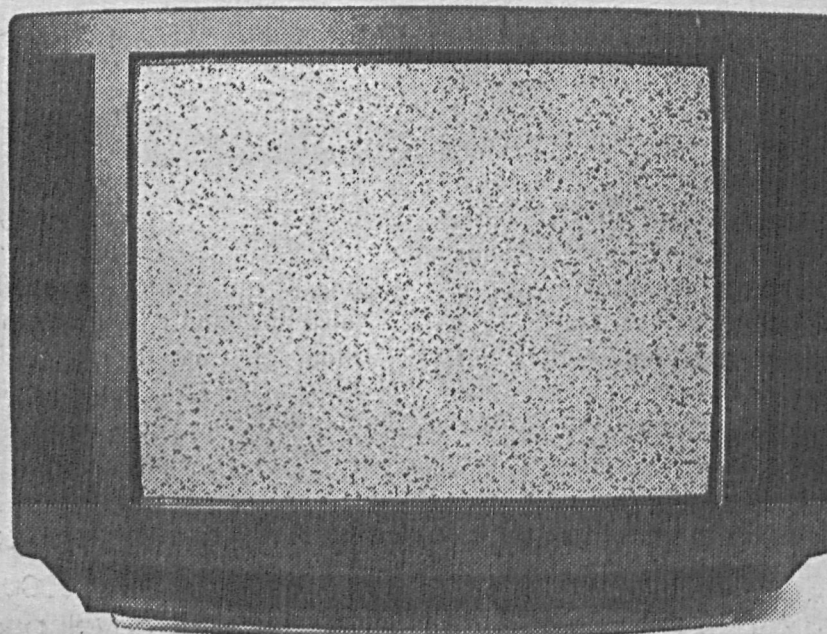
stripping should do the trick.



Turning off your lights can save electricity and reduce carbon dioxide pollution.



If everybody adjusted their thermostat by 6 degrees we could save up to 190,000 barrels of oil a day.



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Opinion

Killing Haiti's Environment Kills its People

BY LUDOVIC BLAIN

Many members of the Haitian community may wonder why it is so important to protect Haiti's environment when there are so many other ills that are plaguing our people. At the same time, it may not be apparent that many of those ills have environmental aspects. For example, poverty causes families to exploit natural resources in the most profitable and least sustainable ways. This leads to the further straining of local ecosystems which makes surviving on the land even more difficult. This intractable spiral of poverty and environmental degradation is occurring in Haiti. Widespread poverty has quickened the pace of tree cutting, which leaves the land denuded, lacking nutrients and unable to sustain farming. Therefore, it is precisely because environmental destruction is

so severely impacting Haitians that the struggle for empowerment must include ensuring ecologically friendly social and economic development.

Historically, environmentalism has been viewed around the world as a white middle class affair about which social justice activists and people of color were unconcerned and unorganized. In fact, there are very few people of color who have leading positions (or any at all) in the major environmental organizations. However, people of color have a long history of environmental activism. For example, many of the struggles for civil rights in the United States were focused on access to natural resources, such as parks and beaches, and for healthy living conditions. Martin Luther King, Jr., was assassinated while supporting Memphis sanitation workers' strug-

gle for, among other things, better working conditions, an environmental issue that workers still fight for. Throughout the world, many campaigns for human rights center around the safety and health of indigenous communities.

The narrow definition of 'environmentalism', one which essentially excluded social justice from its purview, has been expanded to include anything that affects human health. In truth, it makes no difference whether one's cancer was stimulated by a hole in the ozone layer, a tobacco addiction that was encouraged by a multi-billion dollar advertising campaign, or by long-term exposure to toxins dumped nightly into a nearby bay. This expanded definition includes urban issues and issues of environmental degradation in underdeveloped countries.

Therefore, political situations that cause a worsening of environmental destruction must be viewed as environmental, not just political, problems.

Since environmental impacts cut across lines of race and class, solutions to the underlying prejudices that create those problems must involve people across those lines as well. The fight for justice and community control will lead to sustainable communities that are viable not only for the current generation but for many to come.

Ludovic Blain is a CCNY student, environmental justice advocate for the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), and co-founder/board member of the NYC Environmental Justice Alliance. □

THIS WAY FOR BLACK EMPOWERMENT

Honest Cops and the Fight to Save Our Youth

BY DR. LENORA FULANI

African American police officers often find themselves in extremely difficult situations—caught between their loyalty to their uniform and the needs for their communities. Each day they have to deal with the racism of their fellow officers and with our young people on the streets, who are often in trouble and so marginalized that they don't care what happens to them. When it comes to police corruption of our young people Black police officers—and all honest cops—are up against tremendous obstacles.

In 1989 two young men came to me with an incredible story. Ricardo Burgos and Larry Davis had grown up poor in the Bronx. One day when they were young teenagers, they were approached by a group of police officers who offered them cocaine and said that if the kids sold the drugs on the street they could keep a portion of the money. Reluctant and afraid, they nonetheless decided to take the police up on the offer. The first transaction Ricardo and Larry sold was \$70,000 worth of cocaine.

Thus began the three-year relationship in which Larry and Ricardo sold drugs and weapons for corrupt police officers. According to Ricardo, the police took the cocaine and the gun from their evidence rooms or confiscated them during drug raids.

The police drug right which employed Larry and Ricardo and hundreds of other Black and Latino

youth operated out of the 44th Precinct in the Bronx and the 34th Precinct in Manhattan. The two young men felt increasingly trapped by their relationship to the corrupt cops. One day, instead of handing over cash from a police-orchestrated deal involving some 40 young men and nearly a million dollars, Larry took off. The police came after him in an attempt to regain the money and silence their former street dealer, precipitating a massive manhunt and a dramatic shoot-out in which Larry escaped, unscathed, over the rooftops of the South Bronx.

Eventually Larry was captured; the rogue cops came after Ricardo as well. Both were indicted on a series of trumped-up murder charges.

Larry and Ricardo came to me during the course of the legal trials, when they were attempting to tell the true story of how the police sold drugs and corrupted hundreds of ghetto youth. I fought hard for them in court and through the media. Although we were able to win a series of acquittals, both were finally convicted and are currently serving long prison terms.

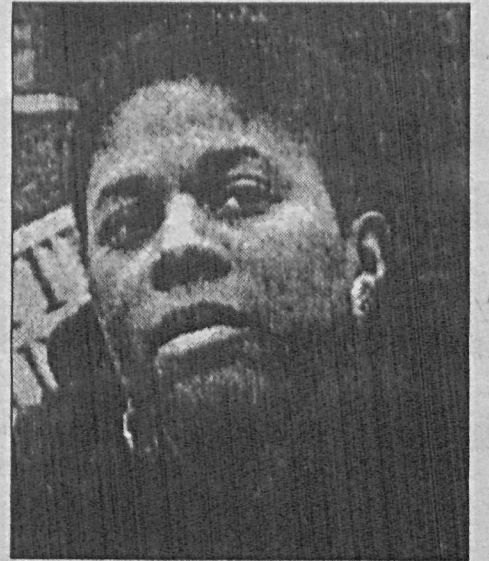
Our efforts to get out the truth about the police corruption fell on deaf ears. Honest cops didn't dare speak up for fear of being gunned down by their fellow officers. Elected officials shunned the case because none of them wanted to go up against the Police Benevolent Association, New York's police

union. The media insisted on portraying Larry Davis as a mad dog cop killer and the police as crusaders against drug abuse.

It was only this year, after a rogue New York City cop was arrested for dealing drugs in a suburban county, that the Mollen Commission launched a serious investigation of police corruption in the 30th Precinct in Central Harlem. Ultimately, 25% of the precinct's cops were arrested. That's what it took to get the establishment to pay some attention to police involvement in drug dealing. Imagine how many young lives could have been saved if Larry Davis and Ricardo Burgos had been listened to back in 1989.

That's the level of corruption, cover-up and indifference. But there are many officers out there who are not only decent but aware that the responsibility for the human tragedies they witness every day on the streets reaches all the way to the top of the political heap. They are also profoundly aware of the limitations on what they, as individuals, can do to fight the corruption and help our lost youth.

That's why I am extremely honored



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to have been endorsed in my race in the Democratic Party primary for governor of New York by New York's two largest African Police fraternal organizations—the Guardians Association of the New York City Transit Police Department and the Guardians Association of the New York Police Department. I think we see in each other a partner in the fight to save our youth. These are just the kind of alliances that will need to be built if we are ever to stop the destruction of our young men and women. □

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Opinion

"Re-Inventing Government"

Like most of my schoolmates, I start this academic year by setting both my priorities and goals for success and doing all that is possible to achieve them. Last Spring Semester, we took a step in that direction and elected our campus representatives. In May, less than current 15% of our colleagues elected our Student Government administration. The Student Government is, ideally, in the service of and the political arm of the students, within the rubric of the College's machinery. It consists of a president, a number of vice-presidents of varying titles and an Ombudsman: the students' counsel, who takes a grievance for appropriate redress. This has happened three times since my arrival at City. These elections however, have consistently turned out to be popularity contests instead of selections of qualified leaders. As a result, more often than

not, the administrations turn out to be self-serving opportunist whom seem to have absolutely no direction. This is a failure in leadership and characteristic ineptitude, will no longer be tolerated.

As the representatives of the 14,000 students on campus, the Student Government *should* work for the whole College community. Yet, every year I see their unwillingness and ineptness to serve. For example, last year on numerous occasions, I, like many others, tried to meet with the student Ombudsman and never succeeded. Also, I have had discussions with student groups of the many schools within the college in an attempt to ascertain what this school needed. The prevailing attitude, among other things, is that they do not feel a part of the school community. This should be held intolerable and should not be accepted from our

elected representatives.

I admonish the Student administration to understand that an election with the paltry percentage of students that participated, is hardly a mandate for business as usual. So, I challenge the current administration to set a goal, among others, to create a sense of community about campus and meet the standards of the by-laws. There is good reason, because there are many highly regarded schools of various disciplines on campus: the Schools of Architecture and Engineering to name a few. We can all learn from their successes. Moreover, whatever reputation the college continues to enjoy is in most part due to the work product of the graduating students of our various schools. Therefore, it is beyond my comprehension, why they would not be included in the larger community. It is, in my opinion, a failure in lead-

ership and service to continue to let our schools stray.

In sum, I have taken the challenge of attempting to hold the student administration both responsible for, and accountable to the students. Although I will be relentless and unmerciful, I sympathize and appreciate the volume of work the job entails. Nevertheless, I do take your positions very seriously. You wanted it, you got it; now do it. The parameters of responsibility extend far beyond your perks (that includes, among other things free long distance calls) and the NAC Building.

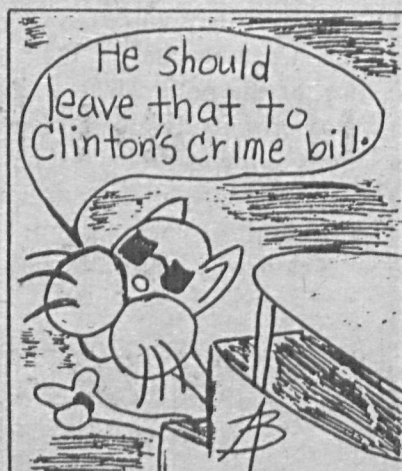
I ask a student reader, an operative if you will, to step forward for a covert operation, and assist me in my endeavor. If someone is interested, please stop by NAC 1/118 or call (212) 650-5029 and ask for Curtis LeBlanc, Ass't Editor.

Stay tuned...

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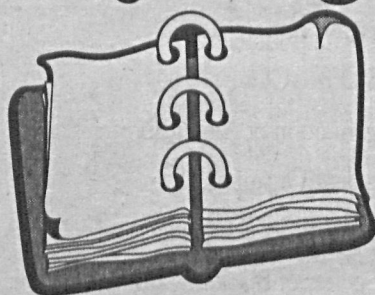
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CCNY's CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

It is the beginning of the school year and your academic schedule has finally come together. This is the time to review the activities that City College has to offer and find out what you want to join. Whether you want to learn Tae Kwon-Do Club or explore your creative side through...oh...maybe...*"The Paper,"* the range of activities offers something for everyone.

Joining a club or organization is an excellent way to meet people, who share the same social and academic interests as you. Below is a list of the clubs. For more information go to R1/201 G or call (212) 650- 5024.

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Amateur Radio Club	Golden Key National Honor Society	Sociology Club
American Institute of Chemical Engineers	Government and Law Society	Students for Cultural Exchange
American Medical Student Association	Haitian Engineering Student Association	Students for Educational Rights
American Society of Civil Engineers	Han Wave International Student Association	Student National Medical Association
American Society of Interior Design	Hillel foundation	Students for Non-Intervention in Central America and the Caribbean
American Society of Mechanical Engineers	Homer's Greek Club	Tae Kwon-Do Club
Anthropology Society	Hong Kong Club	Tau Epsilon Phi Fraternity
Antigua/Barbuda Students Association	Indo-Pak Society	Technology Education Student Society
Asian Culture Club	Indian Culture Club	United Chinese Students Association
Aspira Hispanic Club	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Upside Down Club
Association for Computing Machinery	International Students for Professional Engineering	Urban Legal Studies Association
Attitude Dance Club	International Students Against Racism	Vietnamese Student Association
Bangladesh Student Association	International Studies Club	Voice
Biograph of CUNY Medical School	Intervarsity Christian Fellowship	Volleyball Club
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Biomed Third World Organization	Italian-American Student Association	World Political Organization
Caduceus Society	Jewish Student Union	WCCR Radio
Camping Club	Korean Campus Crusade for Christ of CCNY	Young Communist League Study Group
The Campus	Korean Academic Society	
Capoeira Society	L'Atelier Intercultural Multi Media Society	
Caribbean Student Association	Latin American Engineering Student Association (L.A.E.S.A.)	
Chess Club	LAMBDA Alpha MU Society	
Chi Epsilon, Civil Engineering Honor Fraternity	Latin American Legion	
Chinese Christian Fellowship	Math And Coffee Club	
Chinese Electrical Engineering Student Association	Model Organization of American States	
City College Concrete Canoe Club	Muslim Student Organization	
City College Students Organized for Students	National Student Speech Language Hearing Association	
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Daughters of Africa	Nigeria Students Organization	
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Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology Society	Philosophy Society	
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