

Administrators B.C. (Before Clark)

By Emily Sachs



Denise Darrigrand

Dean of Students since 1996

First job out of college: Darrigrand, a triple-major at SUNY Potsdam, was a counselor at a residential treatment center for emotionally disturbed boys.

What she did before Clark: After working as an assistant director of residential halls for Mohawk Valley Community College in New York, she moved on to Wesleyan University in Connecticut, where she worked at a number of jobs

in the Dean of Students office from 1980 to 1996. According to an article in *The Wesleyan Argus* (headlined "Darrigrand Forced Out") during her time as Dean of Students, Darrigrand was involved in a number of controversial decisions regarding the housing process as well as student groups. In one campus publication, she was anonymously "castigated as being over-powerful and vindictive, and particularly for being hostile to [two student groups]," says *The Argus*.

Her work with the housing lottery was also brought into question. During the 1996 housing lottery, Darrigrand "placed several non-black students in the Malcolm X House, much to the chagrin of the black community," writes *The Argus*.

"The housing lottery is a traumatic event; it was especially traumatic under her," says current *Argus* Editor-in-Chief Gwen Glazer.

Darrigrand describes the situation surrounding her departure as "complicated." When a new president came to the university, he restructured the offices of student services. "It's fair to say that he and I didn't see eye-to-eye on how to work with students," she says. "[It was a] mutual decision that I wouldn't stay."

Great irony: One of Darrigrand's first projects upon arriving at Clark in the Fall of 1996, was to restructure the Dean of Students office. In doing so she eliminated the position of Associate Dean of Students held by Barbara Engram, who then left Clark. David Milstone later took over the same position.

Outstanding accomplishments: Last year's mass mailing asking the Clark community to refrain from sending mass mailings.



Jack Foley

Business Manager from 1984-1994
Executive Assistant to the President since 1994

What we hear: Some say Foley, as part of his duties as a Daka manager, was required to prepare vats for Jell-O wrestling, a feature of CUFS' semesterly "Porn Nights."

First job out of college: After graduating from Dartmouth College, Foley worked as a bartender in Washington, DC.

Before Clark: Foley was hired as a manager for Daka, Clark's foodservice provider. During that time he oversaw the daily operation of Daka, the Pub (now Grind Central), and worked closely with Spree Day preparations. Foley has many fond memories of Jell-O wrestling— or at least preparing the kiddie pools which were filled with Jell-O for students to play in. So the CUFS rumors are likely false. "I haven't been involved in porn flicks yet!" he insists.

Linda Connors,

Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Student Activities since 1990.

What we hear: Rumor has it that Connors was a regular DJ in The Pub (now Grind Central) when she caught the eye of administrators who liked how she interacted with students. From there she was signed on as an administrator.

First job out of college: One of five Programming Coordinators at Boston University. "It was very bureaucratic," she says. "I hated it."

What she really did Before Clark: Connors went on to be the Associate Director of Campus Activities at New Hampshire College. Part of her job included running their version of a University Center. "It was like half the size of Dana Commons. It was really pitiful," she explains.



Stephen Goulet

Clark Police Officer 1983-1986
Sergeant 1986-1989
Chief of Police since 1989

First "real" job: Police officer in nearby Grafton, Mass.

Before Clark: Worked for an armored courier service.

Real stories of the Clark patrol: During Goulet's tenure he says he has seen "everything from A to Z." There was the bag lady who moved into a JC bathroom, her clothes actually hung from the fixtures. "There's nothing you can do to get me out of here," he recalls her saying. "Are you hungry?" he asked. Indeed she was and he says she gathered her things and followed him to a nearby pizza place where he bought her lunch. She never moved back to JC.

Then there was the time 35 students were arrested at once during a campus event. And he has many stories from doing security for special events like speeches by G. Gordon Liddy (Liddy got in a verbal altercation with a student who gave him the finger) and Abbie Hoffman ("He was quite a character," Goulet says). And the Chief can't forget the 1986 fire in a Bullock Hall room, when he came close to getting burned while searching for students. "Thank god no one was in the room," he says. As it was, the smoke he inhaled sent him to the hospital.

But the most rewarding experience? His charity work with "Cops for Tots" for which he has collected Christmas gifts for children for over ten years. "I like doing things for our students, but there's something about those kids which just gets to me."

Admissionists B.C.

Before Clark, cont'd.



Harold Wingood

Dean of Admissions since 1995

You may remember him for: His “recycling” of 500 copies *WheatBread* because he thought they were “not good for Clark.”

His first job out of college: Admissions counselor at Babson College

Before Clark: He also worked in admissions at Duke and Tufts. Wingood was the Dean of Admissions at Washington University in St. Louis. During his three years there, the minority admissions— especially those of African-American students— dropped dramatically while Asian student enrollment increased.

Brushes with greatness: At Tufts, he saw actors Rita Moreno and Tom Poston and at Duke, he saw actress Susan Lucci and anchorman Ted Koppel and his hairpiece in the lobby (“In real life it looks like a toupee,” Wingood admits). He also witnessed the Duke admittances of basketball players Grant Hill and Christian Laetner (“I never thought he was dropdead gorgeous,” Wingood says about the latter). While Clark is still hurting from Chelsea’s rejection,

Wingood is happy to report that some of the first daughter’s classmates are among our Class of 2001. Wingood indicates that improved celebrity admissions are in the works. “I’m open to suggestions,” he says. “It would be great to have a few more celebrities here.”

David Milstone

Associate Dean of Students since 1997

Dean of Residential Life and Housing 1986-1997

First job out of college: Working in residential life, running one of the infamous UMass “towers.”

Claim to fame: When the first snow falls at UMass, tradition has it that the first snowball fight also must follow. Picture 5,000 students from one half of the campus attacking the other half.

Milstone says broken windows were the least of the problems at this annual event. One year he happened to be on duty when the fight broke out. He called the police, who suggested he take care of the situation himself. Milstone says that he and his staff went outside and he led the “Go to Amherst!” chant. “They turned around and went to Amherst College and did some damage there,” he says. “I felt a little bad, but it was our way of avoiding UMass buildings.”

Before Clark: At the famed Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Milstone worked as the school’s equivalent of an Area Coordinator. He also met his wife there.



Richard Traina

President of Clark since 1984

What he did after college: After graduating from the University of Santa Clara in California, where Traina was the Features Editor of his prize winning campus newspaper, he went on work as a draftsman’s assistant at a shipyard.

Near miss: While teaching at Wabash College (which remains today an all-male institution), Traina was hired to work with then-Mayor of Indianapolis, Richard Lugar. A week after being offered the job, Traina was offered a deanship— which he accepted instead. The Republican Lugar, in the meantime, went on to be an Indiana Senator and, in 1996, lead an unsuccessful campaign for the Republican party nomination for President.

Before Clark: Traina worked as Dean and Professor of the College at Franklin & Marshall College in Pennsylvania.