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NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC

Form 8-K February 26, 2004

> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> > FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 26, 2004

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-31565 06-1377322 _____

(State or other Commission File Number (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

615 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, New York 11590 _____ (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (516) 683-4100

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 1. Changes in Control of Registrant

Not applicable.

Item 2. Acquisition or Disposition of Assets

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Not applicable. Item 3. Bankruptcy or Receivership _____ Not applicable. Item 4. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant Not applicable. Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure ______ On February 26, 2004, the Board of Directors of New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") authorized the repurchase of up to five million shares of the Company's common stock. Share repurchases will commence upon completion of the share repurchase authorized by the Board on June 26, 2003, under which approximately 88,000 shares remained available for repurchase. Item 6. Resignations of Registrant's Directors _____ Not applicable. Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits (a) No financial statements of businesses acquired are required. (b) Pro forma financial information: None (c) Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is the Company's press release, dated February 26, 2004, announcing the share repurchase authorization. Item 8. Change in Fiscal Year Not applicable. Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure Not applicable. Item 10. Amendments to the Registrant's Code of Ethics, or Waiver of a Provision of the Code of Ethics. Not applicable. Item 11. Temporary Suspension of Trading Under Registrant's Employee Benefit Plans.

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NOU applicable.	Not	applicable.
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Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

Date: February 26, 2004 /s/ Robert Wann

Robert Wann

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated February 26, 2004.