

## CCSC knocks on doors, asks for concerns

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Columbia College Student Council members went door to door on Sunday night, introducing themselves to students and asking to hear their concerns in McBain, Carman, and John Jay halls.

Before and after the canvassing, council members convened in Lerner Hall's Satow Room, the council's second Sunday meeting under a new policy making attendance optional for council members. CCSC Vice President of Communications Virat Gupta, CC '12, estimated that 15 to 17 of the council's 32 members showed up, which he said was "a little lower than expected."

Vice President of Campus Life Jasmine Senior, CC '12, said the low attendance was not necessarily a bad thing.

"We're getting those kinds of people who are involved and who do care," Senior said. "We're getting people who are actually interested in completing all the floors, taking time with each individual student, and letting them know we care."

Gupta said the canvassing was meant to move the council away from the "bubble" of issues it traditionally focuses on. He noted that council members sometimes fall out of touch with "small, tangible issues that affect student life" and wanted to use door-to-door outreach to raise awareness of what the council does.

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**STAYING INFORMED** | State Assembly member Herman Farrell expressed support for a redistricting plan at a town hall Saturday.

## Rangel's congressional district might be expanded to Westchester

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Congressman Charles Rangel needs to accept that redistricting will expand his district outside of Manhattan, New York State Assembly member Herman "Denny" Farrell told attendees at a town hall Saturday morning.

The town hall, which was hosted by Farrell and New York City Council member Robert Jackson, was held at the Church of the Intercession on 155th Street. Farrell spent most of the two-hour event discussing a controversial plan to alter Rangel's district dramatically, perhaps extending it as far north as Westchester.

Every 10 years, congressional district borders are redrawn by

state legislatures, based on data from the most recent national census. Farrell said that whenever redistricting comes around, he gets calls asking him to talk to Rangel and prioritize the reapportioning of his district.

"Until we draw Charlie Rangel's district, we're not going to draw anything else in the state. Every 10 years. He's the dean, the number one, longest serving—he's entitled to that respect," Farrell said.

Rangel's historically significant 15th Congressional District, which encompasses Harlem, Morningside Heights, and parts of Queens, has been represented by African-Americans since 1944.

But according to 2010 census data, the district's population went down during the last 10 years, as did

its African-American population—voting-age citizens are now 27 percent white, 33 percent black, and 35 percent Hispanic, making the redrawing of the district's borders a contentious issue. Legislators are trying to redraw the district to include more people, particularly more African-Americans.

"Charlie's finally accepted that if you want that seat to remain an African-American seat and you don't want a war between the African-Americans and the Dominicans, we have to take the district out of Manhattan, from Harlem right out here to 155th Street, from Westchester to Central Harlem," Farrell said. "And Charlie is choking."

Rangel is known to be extremely averse to moving any parts of his

district out of Manhattan, and his constituents—some of whom were in attendance at the town hall on Saturday—might be concerned that if his district is expanded northward, his attention will be diverted away from their needs.

"The only way he can guarantee that his legacy be the things he's done, and not the stupidities they wrote about him, is to be re-elected one more time by his people," Farrell said, alluding to ethics charges that led to Rangel's censure by the House of Representatives in December 2010. "It says that he is the man, and he is the one we want."

Farrell's impassioned pitch for the redistricting plans drew

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**HACKATHON** | Programmers began coding applications on Saturday afternoon at the start of a 24-hour "hackathon." It was the first event in the Application Development Initiative's DevFest.

## Coders get to work for week-long DevFest

BY MARGARET MATTES  
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Computer programmers kicked off the second annual DevFest on Saturday, starting a week-long development competition in which students code and create applications.

The student-run Application Development Initiative is hosting the competition, for which about 180 people registered online. The competition is open to high school, college, and graduate school students.

"We're just all about building stuff and helping people to build stuff," ADI board member Nathan Hwang, SEAS '12, said.

The event started off with a 24-hour "hackathon" from Saturday to Sunday, during which students coded through the night, and will culminate in a "demo fest" and competition for the best app next Saturday.

App designers began by pitching their projects to other coders, who joined the designers with whom they wanted to work.

"I'm hoping that [the designers] think about the process over the next week," and advance their skills in a "low-key, low-pressure environment," Hwang said.

Preparation for the event varied among participants. While some students had just thought of their app ideas Saturday morning, others were at the final stages of design and promotion.

"In theory, this time is for us to make teams," Shameek Bose, SIPA, said. "But in reality, it's hard to find teams this quickly."

Bose is designing a gaming application that would donate proceeds to non-governmental organizations working in developing countries. Bose said that his app is still in its "concept phase," and that he came

to DevFest looking for other interested coders, particularly to help him design the game itself.

"If all of our visions are aligned, I'd love to form a group ... but we need a little bit of serendipity," Bose said.

George Valdes, a student in the Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, is hoping to get other developers involved with his app, "Situity," which would allow individuals to share places they have explored. People would check in at particular locations and then compare their urban area data with their friends' data.

"We realized that there's a crisis in architecture," Valdes said. "The ambition is that the app will instigate you to go to more places or follow people who are very knowledgeable ... It's a tool, but

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## Flex-accepting restaurant shut down after poor health report

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Flor de Mayo, a Chinese/Peruvian restaurant on the Upper West Side, was shut down due to health violations last week.

An inspection by the city's Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on Tuesday found 56 violation points at the restaurant, which is located at Broadway and 101st Street and which accepts Columbia Flex dollars. A score of more than 28 violation points translates to a "C" grade.

inspection the previous week had found 58 violation points.

In addition to the roaches and improper temperatures, Health Department inspectors reported that some food was not protected from contamination, some food surfaces were not properly washed, and there was not enough vermin-proofing.

Students who enjoyed Flor de Mayo expressed dismay about the shutdown. Yani Zhang, SEAS '15, said that she has eaten there within the last two weeks and that the health violations worried her.

"It was superb for the price," she said. "It was really nice—I wanted to go again."

Amin Fernandez, CC '11, said he regularly ordered food from Flor de Mayo.

"I like the convenience of ordering online, with Flex," he said.

After hearing about the health violations, though, "I won't be eating there any more," Fernandez added.

Flor de Mayo's other location, on Amsterdam Ave. between 83rd and 84th streets, is still open. It has a "B" health grade, based on an October inspection, which also turned up roaches but totaled only 16 violation points.

"Each facility is inspected and considered on its own merit," Caraway said.

Flor de Mayo managers and owners were not available for comment at the Amsterdam location over the weekend. Caraway said the restaurant will be scheduled for its next cycle of inspections in two to four months.

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### "I won't be eating there anymore."

—Amin Fernandez, CC '11

The inspection found roaches, as well as cold food stored at temperatures above 41 degrees Fahrenheit—a "public health hazard," according to the Health Department's website. Health Department Deputy Press Secretary Chanel Caraway said that roaches were found in both food and non-food areas of the restaurant, and that fish and pork chops were not properly cooled.

Caraway added that the restaurant will remain closed until "they correct violations, submit an affidavit of correction, schedule a re-opening inspection, and pay any outstanding fines."

Inspectors found six violations, including four "critical" violations. A separate

## CubMail to be replaced by Gmail

### All undergrads will use Google email accounts by December

BY YASMIN GAGNE, BEN GITTELSON, AND FINN VIGELAND  
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Say goodbye to CubMail. After a year of negotiations, Columbia will be moving to a Google-based email client by the end of this year, Dean of Student Affairs Kevin Shollenberger told Spectator on Friday.

Columbia University Information Technology will roll out the Gmail-like interface in phases. First, 50 to 80 students—some of whom already forward Columbia emails to their personal accounts, and some of whom don't—will be selected for this trial run by Shollenberger, Columbia College Student Council President Aki Terasaki, CC '12, and Engineering Student Council President Nate Levick, SEAS '12.

Later, 1,000 students chosen by lottery will make the transition, and by the end of 2012, every undergraduate in Columbia College, the School of Engineering and Applied Science, and the School of General Studies will have a Google-based email account.

All students starting at Columbia this fall will be signed up for the Google email accounts.

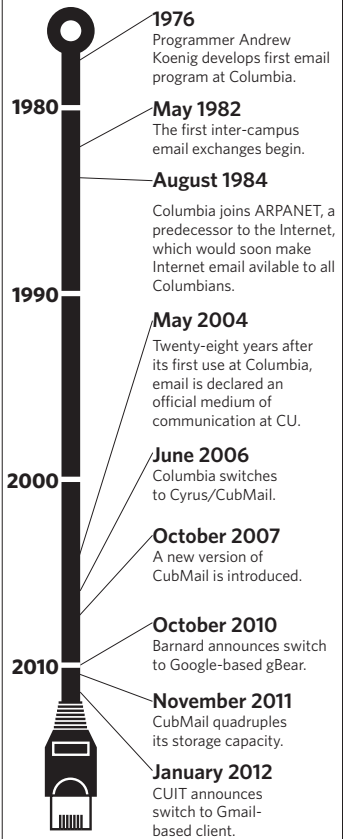
Terasaki said it was "fantastic" that the University was able to make the switch despite logistical concerns, noting that University Senators Alex Frouman, CC '12, and Kenny Durell, CC '12, helped push to make it happen.

"I'm glad that it's finally here," Terasaki said. "I'm really excited that our senators were able to lead the way on this and take this charge up for the students."

Melissa Metz, the director of UNIX, email, and databases at CUIT, said that the decision to move away from CubMail reflects the number of students who have already stopped using it. According to Metz, 30 percent of students already forward emails from CubMail to their personal accounts, and of those students, about 90 percent forward

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Columbian Republicans and Democrat comment on Obama's address.

#### Home away from home

Andrea Viejo finds warm welcome from CU's immigrant community.



### SPORTS, BACK PAGE

#### Lions rally, fall short at Cornell

Facing a 14-point deficit with 15 minutes to play, the Light Blue staged a spirited comeback to pull within two points under a minute to play before losing 65-60.

### EVENTS

#### Opium in Afghanistan

A panel will discuss rights and responsibilities surrounding the opium trade. 1501 International Affairs, 6:30 p.m.

#### Where is New York?

Join design professionals for a talk about New York City's changing architectural landscape.

Wood Auditorium, Avery Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### WEATHER

#### Today



43°/36°

#### Tomorrow



52°/43°





HENRY WILLSON / SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
**KNOCK, KNOCK** | CCSC VP for Policy Ryan Cho, CC '13, knocked on doors on Sunday night.

## Council’s canvassing targets freshmen, sophomores

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“They need to know who we are, what we do, and how to get in contact with us,” Gupta said. “If they see us as a resource, we’re able to better do our jobs for them.”

The students council members talked to brought up a variety of problems, ranging from the narrowness of the spiral staircase in Ferris Booth Commons, to long lines at the Lerner package center, to the difficulty of registering for chemistry labs.

Gupta explained that the council visited McBain, Carman, and John Jay in order to target freshmen and sophomores. He noted that there was a particularly heavy turnout from freshman and sophomore council members.

Class of 2014 Representative Roko Rumora, though, worried that the canvassing effort did more harm than good. He said that if council members were going to knock on students’ doors and take up their time, they should have asked more “targeted” questions.

“What feedback we did get was really good, but I don’t think it was worth it on a larger scale, and I think a lot of people were frustrated to see us,” Rumora said. “No one’s issues were that crucial that it would outweigh people being more irritated with CCSC than they were before.”

Senior agreed that the canvassing had room for improvement, saying that next time around, “it’ll be a lot better.” She said, however, that the meeting was a good use of

time because it raised awareness of the council’s role.

University Senator Kenny Durell, CC ’12, said the canvassing effort brought out issues the council would not otherwise have known about. For instance, he discovered that the Columbia University Rock Climbing Club wants to turn a squash court into a climbing wall.

“I think those are concerns that can be swept under the rug, because it’s one group amongst many, and they don’t think that CCSC is going to be the advocate for that,” Durell said. “I found a lot of kids I don’t think we would have reached if we hadn’t had this night.”

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## State Assembly member says he supports redistricting efforts

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a cheer from the crowd, and the town hall meeting then moved on to more community-centric concerns as Jackson took the floor.

A discussion about class sizes—the Department of Education has been unable to get kindergarten class sizes down from 26 to the recommended 20, despite \$24 billion being spent on New York City schools this year—prompted many responses from the audience about the rising crime rates among youth in Harlem and Washington Heights.

Several locals, including Joyce Adewumi, who leads the New York African Chorus Ensemble, also discussed funding for art centers.

“We need an arts facility for Community Board 9,” Adewumi said. “We have artists—some have been inducted into the Rock and

Roll Hall of Fame—who are so underutilized. If we have an art center here, we can get our children off the street.”

She was echoed by CB9 member Vicky Gholson.

“The kids in my neighborhood have not received what they needed to offset the pain the families had to absorb from the drugs being brought down from Washington Heights,” Gholson said. “I don’t want to be patient any longer. We’ve got to find mathematical formulas to bring the money into this district.”

“I’m trying to do as much with 10 times less,” she added. “But I know that I received a multimillion dollar education from the Harlem community, and I should be in the position to afford that back to the babies coming behind me.”

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## Collaboration key at 2nd annual DevFest

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it’s also a way to connect people in a physical way.”

For Michael Yan, SEAS ’15, DevFest is about experiencing what it means to design applications and code, something he is interested in doing after graduation. He said he has never participated in a “hackathon” or development competition before, adding that his goal is “not necessarily to build something life-changing, but really just to gain knowledge.”

“I’m just hoping to learn as much as possible, because this is a really great environment, and everyone here knows stuff that I don’t know,” he said.

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## New emails will not incorporate Google Docs

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to Gmail.

The phased rollout is intended to help CUIT recognize and troubleshoot any problems with the new system before they expand it to the entire undergraduate student body. Frouman stressed that Columbia’s ultimate goal is to expand the new email system to the entire University, including graduate schools.

“We want everybody to have it as soon as they can,” Frouman said.

Barnard transitioned from Barnard College Webmail to a Google-based system in Fall 2010. A survey conducted by Barnard College Information Technology in October 2011 showed positive feedback from students.

Metz said CUIT is still working with faculty members to determine “whether the new system was right for them.”

CubMail was first introduced in 2006, and students have criticized its outdated look for years. Frouman said that when he raised the issue of changing CubMail in the senate in the fall of 2009, he was surprised that CUIT representatives had no idea it was a widespread student concern.

Last January, Columbia, along with 28 other universities—including Harvard, Princeton, and Stanford—began contract

negotiations with Google in a consortium called the Common Solutions Group.

Not all schools in the consortium chose to adopt Google-based email. But even though Columbia ultimately did, its negotiations were stalled by concerns about whether or not Google Documents complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Columbia determined that Google Docs is not ADA-compliant because it is not compatible with some screen readers for the visually impaired, and as a result, Google Docs will not be part of student email accounts.

Terasaki said Gmail is a “better system” than CubMail, offering features like Google Calendar that can be helpful for classes. The new University accounts will remain separate from students’ personal Gmail accounts, according to Durell, a member of the USenate’s Information and Communications Technology Committee.

Levick said he was looking forward to seeing how Gmail and Google Calendar would integrate with classes.

If faculty start using the new system, for instance, they could schedule tests and other class events and share them with their students. Students will also be able to share calendar events with

each other, and every University Network ID will automatically be added to each user’s contacts.

“I think it’s an almost universally good move,” Levick said. “I think everyone’s excited.”

Levick said that to choose students for the initial test run, he will reach out to student representatives, “people across disciplines in engineering, as well as people I know who are tech-savvy, and people who still use classic CubMail.”

Frouman acknowledged potential privacy concerns about the switch to Google, especially in light of the new privacy policy Google unveiled last week. The policy has come under fire, with some experts saying it allows Google to collect too much information about users’ activities.

Metz, though, said that “privacy will not be an issue,” as the new system will operate under the terms of a Columbia-approved contract, not Google’s new privacy contract.

Eleanor Templeton, the director of communications for Student and Administrative Services, said that in the long-term, the cost of the new system is “pretty minimal.” The University’s main expenses will come from consulting with an information technology firm about the transition.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS JAN. & FEB.

JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
01	02	03	04	05	06	07
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				

FEBRUARY						
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26	27	28	29			

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL EVENTS ARE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE.

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**01/31**  
**GUEST WORKERS, TEMPORARY LABOR & THE FUTURE OF AMERICAN IMMIGRATION**  
**6 PM**  
Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

**02/09–02/12**  
**ATHENA FILM FESTIVAL**  
Barnard Campus

**02/15**  
**VOICES OF A WOMEN'S HEALTH MOVEMENT**  
**6:30 PM**  
Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

**02/21**  
**NOT FEELING AT HOME**  
**Migration, Belonging, and Nostalgia**  
**6 PM**  
Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

**02/21**  
**IS A PUBLIC SCHOOL A PUBLIC GOOD OR A SHOESTORE?**  
**6:30 PM**  
James Room, 4th Floor Barnard Hall

**02/22**  
**POWER TALK WITH MARY KAY HENRY**  
**7 PM**  
Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

**02/23**  
**A QUESTION OF METHODOLOGY**  
**Feminist Studies of Gender and the State in Contemporary Iran**  
**6:30 PM**  
James Room, 4th Floor Barnard Hall

**02/27**  
**REIMAGINING EQUALITY**  
**6:30 PM**  
Event Oval, The Diana Center

**02/29**  
**ISRAEL & ITS NEIGHBORS**  
**An Insider’s View**  
**6 PM**  
Event Oval, The Diana Center

**BARNARD**  
THE LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE  
FOR WOMEN  
IN NEW YORK CITY



SPORTS BRIEFLY



WOMEN’S TENNIS

Women’s tennis won both Flight A championships at the Cornell Invitational this past week-end. Sophomores Bianca Sanon and Tiana Takenaga claimed the doubles title against the Big Red’s freshman Nina Turudic and sophomore Ryann Young after the Cornell tandem withdrew from fever. Second-seeded Sanon went on to defeat the host’s junior Christine Ordway in the singles championship 6-2, 6-4. Junior Katarina Kovacevic and freshman Crystal Leung made it to the Flight B championships before falling 8-6. Cornell swept Flight C after Columbia freshman Amy Li lost in the quarterfinals.

—Laura Allen



WRESTLING

The wrestling team dominated Franklin and Marshall this past Friday, taking the dual match by a score of 32-12. Seven of the Lions’ 10 wrestlers won their matches, with the Light Blue’s three losses coming in the 141-, 184-, and 197-pound classes. Kevin Lester, a 285-pound senior, posted another strong performance, pinning Diplomat freshman Alexander Henry in 4:15 to mark his 13th consecutive win after a shaky start to the season. Senior Kyle Gilchrist picked up his 20th win of the year at 133 pounds and became the fourth Columbia wrestler with 20 wins on the season, joining Lester, 157-pound junior Jake O’Hara, and 174-pound junior Stephen West.

—Eli Schultz



WOMEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING

The women’s swimming and diving team (5-1, 4-1 Ivy) walked away on Saturday from its double-dual tri-meet against Brown and Boston University with a pair of victories. The Lions finished 184-115 over Boston and 182-118 against Brown. In the first event, Brown’s 200-yard medley relay out-touched the Columbia A squad, but a Light Blue team of freshman Chacha Bugatti and sophomores Aileen Smith and Corinna Bertlesen followed up with a dominant 2-3-4 placement in the 1000 freestyle. The Lions continued to win, as senior Dorothy Baker touched first in the 100 backstroke and junior Katie Meili won the 100 breaststroke. In the 200 butterfly, juniors Caroline Lukins and Kristina Parsons finished second and third. Meanwhile, in the diving events, freshman Alyssa Menz and sophomore Katie Furr were the two top finishers for the Lions in the one-meter dive. To finish off the meet, Columbia’s 400 freestyle relay of Baker, Meili, freshman Salena Huang, and sophomore Laney Kluge touched the wall first.

—Charlotte Murtishaw



MEN’S TRACK AND FIELD

The men’s track and field team accumulated a total of 40 points at The Armory II meet this past weekend, taking third place in a field of 13 teams. Unlike their two previous meets this season, the Lions had better results in the short-distance and field events than in the mid-distance ones this weekend. Sophomore Cody Love took third in the 400-meter dash, and the Columbia team, comprised of Love, freshman Kevin Boyd, sophomore Sam Miner, and sophomore Nolan Kier, took second place in the 4x400m relay. Sophomore Duncan Dickerson took first place in the weight throw, with a distance of 18.15 meters.

—Melissa Cheung



MEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING

The men’s swimming and diving team (5-2, 3-2 Ivy) continued to pick up wins as it defeated Brown 190.5-106.5 and Boston University 192-106 in a double dual tri-meet. Swimmers mixed up their typical events—freshman Omar Arafa won the 100-yard freestyle, while freshmen David Jakl and Michael Fox-Moles tied for first in the 100 backstroke. The relay teams also turned out strong performances, with the 200-medley relay team of Arafa, senior Bruno Esquen, junior John Wright, and freshman Stanley Wong taking first place. The divers also contributed, with junior Jason Collazo winning both the one-meter and three-meter diving events and freshman Micah Rembrandt taking third in the one-meter dive and second in the three-meter dive.

—Eric Wong



WOMEN’S SQUASH

Going 2-2 in four matches this weekend, the women’s squash team trounced lower-ranked teams but struggled against top competition. The No. 15 Lions started their weekend by sweeping No. 30 Georgetown on Friday and No. 22 Connecticut College on Saturday in two 9-0 victories. Despite a 3-6 loss to a strong No. 12 Middlebury team in its second Saturday matchup, the Light Blue aimed to rebound against No. 11 Williams. Although Columbia ended up falling to Williams in an apparently one-sided 2-7 match score, the Light Blue had moments of brilliance against its highly-ranked rival. Fifth-seeded freshman Dheeya Somaiya and sixth-seeded sophomore Skylar Dickey both pulled out victories in their individual matchups for Columbia. Somaiya took out her opponent in straight games and kept her composure when the scored was tied at 9-9 in the third, winning two pressure-filled points to take the match. Dickey showed similar poise after she lost her opening game 8-11 and went on to take three straight games for the win.

—Caroline Bowman



MEN’S TENNIS

In its first dual match of the season, the men’s tennis team rocketed off to an impressive start by sweeping Fordham 7-0 on Saturday. Highlights of the tournament included a doubles match won by Columbia juniors Nathaniel Gery and John Yetimoglu, who defeated Michael Puntillo and J.J. Tauil 8-1 at the No. 3 spot. Following in their wake, senior Haig Schneiderman and freshman Winston Lin beat Fordham’s Mischa Koran and Kuba Kowalski in an 8-5 match at the No. 1 spot, and freshmen Max Schnur and Ashok Narayana took the No. 2 spot with an 8-4 win. The players of the singles matches also had notable success, particularly in the fierce face-off between Schneiderman and Kowalski as they battled it out for the No. 1 spot. The match was neck-and-neck, but ultimately, Schneiderman emerged victorious and cemented the 7-0 sweep for the Lions.

—Elise Drexler



MEN’S SQUASH

The men’s squash team split the weekend with two wins and two losses, all played on home court. On Friday, in its first match of the weekend, the Light Blue defeated Georgetown 9-1. Saturday began with a matchup with No. 18 Connecticut College. Columbia junior Graham Miao managed to finish off the Camels with a hard-fought 6-4 victory. Four of the Light Blue’s individual wins came in the minimum three games, and two of the losses came in five games. The afternoon match did not go as well. The Lions fell to No. 14 Middlebury 9-1, with freshman Thomas Galluccio earning Columbia’s lone victory. The Light Blue came up short again on Sunday, falling to No. 10 Williams College 9-1.

—Mia Park

MONDAY MORNING POINT GUARD

GAME BALL

Chris Wroblewski was arguably the best player on the floor this week and was certainly the best player on the winning team. He made four of his six shots from downtown and led Cornell with 19 points, which tied for a game-high.

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LINEUP SHAKEUP

Senior guard Steve Egee got his first start of the season because Alex Rosenberg was late to Ithaca due to a family commitment. Sophomore guard Van Green saw significant playing time (16 minutes) for the first time in a while.



INJURY REPORT

The Light Blue is still pretty healthy with no new injuries (major or minor) to report.

SHARING TIME

After playing just nine players last weekend, Smith opted to spread the minutes out a bit more. Eleven different Lions saw playing time, and seven played 15 minutes or more.

BOX SCORE

PLAYER	MIN	FGM-A	3PM-A	FTM-A	REB	AST	TO	PTS
BARBOUR	38	6-15	1-6	6-7	1	5	1	19
LYLES	22	0-5	0-3	0-0	3	0	0	0
DANIELS	21	2-6	0-1	2-2	9	1	2	6
CISCO	32	4-6	0-0	2-2	11	1	2	10
EGEE	20	1-5	1-3	2-2	0	0	2	5
ROSENBERG	22	3-6	1-3	3-6	4	2	5	10
SPRINGWATER	22	1-4	1-4	2-2	3	1	2	5
GREEN	16	0-3	0-2	1-4	4	0	0	1
STAAB	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
OSETKOWSKI	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
KOWALSKI	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0

IVY STANDINGS

	W	L	PCT
Harvard	4	0	1.00
Penn	2	0	1.00
Yale	3	1	.750
Princeton	1	1	.500
Cornell	2	2	.500
Columbia	1	3	.250
Brown	1	3	.250
Dartmouth	0	4	.000

IVY SCOREBOARD

Harvard .....	65
Yale .....	35
Yale .....	62
Dartmouth .....	52
Harvard .....	68
Brown .....	59
Brown .....	66
Dartmouth .....	59

IVY SCHEDULE

 GAME ONE VS. PENN L 66-64	 GAME TWO VS. PRINCETON L 62-58	 GAME THREE VS. CORNELL W 61-56	 GAME FOUR AT CORNELL L 65-60	 GAME FIVE AT DARTMOUTH 2/3, 7 P.M.	 GAME SIX AT HARVARD 2/4, 7 P.M.	 GAME SEVEN VS. BROWN 2/10, 7 P.M.
 GAME EIGHT VS. YALE 2/11, 7 P.M.	 GAME NINE AT PRINCETON 2/17, 7 P.M.	 GAME TEN AT PENN 2/18, 7 P.M.	 GAME ELEVEN AT YALE 2/24, 7 P.M.	 GAME TWELVE AT BROWN 2/25, 6 P.M.	 GAME THIRTEEN VS. HARVARD 3/2, 7 P.M.	 GAME FOURTEEN VS. DARTMOUTH 3/3, 7 P.M.

BY THE NUMBERS

4103

Number of members in a near-sellout crowd packed into Newman Arena on Saturday to support the Big Red and score some free jerseys. Cornell’s venue seats a maximum crowd of 4,473.

21.2

Lions’ shooting percentage from beyond the arc in their first four Ivy League games.

37.5

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# Education is Obama’s strength

BY SARAH GITLIN

President Obama’s State of the Union address last week touched on the economy, energy, housing, immigration, and the tax code. At the Columbia Democrats watch party, however, by far the most applause went to the president’s remarks about the affordability and quality of education. In particular, we approved of the president’s call to Congress to prevent a drastic increase in student loan interest rates, extend the tuition tax credit, double the number of work-study jobs available to students, and pass the DREAM Act. College should never be out of a student’s reach because of the burden of paying for it. Financial aid at Columbia gives—or, at least, is supposed to give—students 100 percent of their demonstrated need. But that doesn’t mean that many Columbia students aren’t familiar with the agonizing wait to determine whether they can go to their dream school, their fate hinging on how much the financial aid office is going to give them. Many of us also have friends at other institutions who struggle to pay their way through school and graduate with crushing student loan debts. Increasing federal loans while reducing interest rates will help many of them, as well as our own students, make their way through college, as will offering more part-time employment opportunities.

In our quest to make college more affordable to millions of students, however, the government should never lose sight of educational quality. One of the president’s proposals had the disturbing possibility to do just that. He promised to decrease federal aid to any university that has rising tuition. There are, however, many reasons for tuition to increase. Some—a higher overhead, a disproportionate salary growth, and lack of frugality—are surely to be avoided. But there’s another perfectly legitimate reason that tuition could rise: A university could be investing in the quality of its education and raising the standards for its current and future students. None of us would want Columbia to dramatically increase class and discussion-section size, reduce professor quality, cut lab funding, and eliminate certain majors in the interest of saving tuition dollars! Skyrocketing tuition prices are a problem, but in carrying out the president’s policy, we must be careful not to incentivize cost-cutting at the expense of quality.

Elsewhere in his speech, the president fully understood the importance of quality education. The biggest applause line of the entire State of the Union, at least at our watch party, didn’t have to do with the cost of education but with its content—the president asked schools to stop teaching to the test. For every one of us who went to middle and high schools obsessed not with actual learning, but rather with the expectation that we regurgitate information on standardized achievement tests, this comes as a welcome change from the mentality that has taken hold in the federal government since the passage of No Child Left Behind. If policy follows from the speech, the next generation of Columbians may have a high-school experience that is more intellectual and less based on rote memorization and testing strategies.

Our watch party was also very happy with the president’s call to help college students who, through no fault of their own, entered the United States illegally as children. It’s far past time to pass the DREAM Act, which would allow students to stay in the United States after graduation. We have no way of knowing how many undocumented Columbia students there are who would benefit from the passage of the DREAM Act.

The Columbia Democrats didn’t agree with the entirety of President Obama’s State of the Union address—scattered boos could be heard when he announced his plans to open up more land to drilling, allow more hydrofracking, and crack down on online piracy. But we were very pleased with most of it, from the calls to modify the tax code, to a plea for comprehensive immigration reform, to commitment to investment in clean energy. As Columbia students, the educational section hit closest to home for most of us, and we can only hope (and lobby!) that Congress and the states write the president’s educational reforms into law.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Improve disability access

The issues with Disability Services do not directly concern most people who use Columbia’s Morningside Heights campus. Yet as a recent Spectator article (“For some, campus disability access not enough,” Jan. 26) points out, its problems are intimately relevant to some in their day-to-day lives in Morningside Heights.

For the most part, the various Disability Services offices at Columbia seem to serve their functions well. The existing system provides housing and testing accommodations, as well as support services that include note-taking, assistive technology, and alternate-format materials for students with disabilities. Unlike many administrative offices on campus, the Disability Services offices at the various schools are seldom subject to heavy criticism and seem to be fulfilling their missions well.

Although the University provides reasonable services with regard to academic accommodations, it often ignores more basic issues of physical space. Columbia’s McKim, Mead and White campus was designed in a different time with a geographic space that makes it difficult for the physically disabled to access. Though we acknowledge that the University has inherited problems of physical space from the past, Columbia must improve disability access in Morningside Heights. It does not seem unreasonable to expect the University to install more ramps or to provide easier access for the physically disabled—accessibility maps, for example, already exist, but they should be displayed more prominently at building entrances. Nor does it seem overly burdensome for the University to centralize information regarding Disability Services so that faculty and staff can understand the needs of the disabled. It is especially important for staff like security guards to understand this information, as they are crucial points of contact for people who need disability access.

It is encouraging to see professor Rachel Adams push for these changes in her project, “The Future of Disability Studies.” We applaud her work and recognize the need for the University as a whole to facilitate improvements to disability access.

Though we recognize the difficulties that Columbia faces on a campus that is more than a century old, there are obvious and simple measures that the University can and should implement. At the very least, Columbia should learn from the problems that it currently faces in Morningside Heights and be especially conscious of disability access as it plans its new campus in Manhattanville.

# Mexican in New York

“You’re Latin! Where are you from?” is something I often hear as soon as people notice my thick Spanish accent. “I’m Mexican,” I respond. Upon which they ask, “Mexican-American?”

“No, I’m international. Born and raised in Mexico and on a Mexican passport.”

Being Mexican in New York comes with a lot of baggage. This is true coming from any Hispanic country. You are instantly associated with the immigrant discourse, the last subway stops of Spanish-speaking boroughs, and the underground restaurant scene. They tell you, “I know a lot of Mexicans,” but you will never know those Mexicans or what they are like because you do not eat, hear, speak, or feel the same thing that they do. The same is true of Dominicans, Puerto Ricans, Panameños, etc. We foreign Latin American students will be constantly classified as second-, third-, or fourth-generation immigrants who have settled in New York while being aware that we belong to different worlds. Unable truly to relate to such an association, I initially felt obliged to distance myself from “them.” I clarified that I was a visiting student with a temporary visa. However, with time, I’ve learned to reconsider the immigrant discourse and emotionally attach myself to it.

When I feel homesick, it is the Latino immigrant diversity on campus and in this city that comforts me. I still remember the day I arrived alone at Columbia for International Student Orientation. I was lost, confused, and in desperate need of directions. Upon walking into Hartley Hospitality, I met a few Dominican and Mexican guards willing to lead me to my dorm. The warmth of their Spanish welcome resonated with familiarity. It offered a sense of home away from home and evoked a feeling of protection. Looking back, I must confess it was one of my favorite moments at Columbia, being introduced into a life for the first time through the lens of someone who was familiar with where I came from. I must confess that despite many reasons to complain about it, dinner at John Jay is delightful because I am always greeted by a series of “hola joven” and “buenas noches” from the staff. Similarly, I love swiping into my dorm building to the lyrics and music of Mexican pop singer Luis Miguel that the guard plays, and enjoy discussing enchiladas with classmates who have Mexican heritage.



ANDREA VIEJO

## From Outside In

With time, I have realized that the immigrants in New York keep me from losing a sense of home. They are always so eager to speak to me because they are afraid of losing a heritage that they have been away from for years, decades, or even a lifetime, and are only able to trace it through a distant blood line.

We live in an interconnected multicultural world. However, we are often unwilling to embrace, expose, and discuss the heritage that we share with others. When I finally opened myself to this heritage, I learned a lot more about my own culture and background than I could have ever imagined. The way I see it, the Mexicans I have talked to—whether in the subway or in a Latino Studies class—are so concerned with losing their Aztec heritage that they bring up aspects of Mexican culture that I have almost taken for granted. Through these interactions, I have discovered a new perspective on Diego Rivera’s mural exposition at the Museum of Modern Art, the taste of Jamaica juice, and the struggle of Emiliano Zapata.

## When I feel homesick, it is the Latino immigrant diversity on campus and in this city that comforts me.

Above all, the immigrants in New York have taught me to reconsider the responsibility I have when it comes to immigration discourse. It is because “we”—foreign students pursuing an education abroad—do not work to improve the unemployment rates in our own countries that “they” come to live to the United States. Distancing myself from the immigration issue does nothing to solve the issue. Instead, I find it better to understand their perspective and advocate for immigration issues both in New York and back home.

I do not know if I will eventually try to settle in this country and undergo the same exhausting process of obtaining a green card. If I do, I will become one of “them.” My children will probably grow up as Mexican-Americans, and I will be glad that I sought to open myself and understand the implications of the immigration discourse.

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Yael Wiesenfeld

# Obama: not an American Promise

BY KATE CHRISTENSEN

Michelle looked absolutely dynamite in her sapphire Barbara T’fank dress at Tuesday’s State of the Union address. But possibly the most remarkable thing about the speech was how tepid the audience was. There was much less ovation-ing compared to previous years—possibly because there wasn’t much to clap about.

Obama’s most frustrating misconceptions related to the housing crisis, home ownership, and education. President Obama defined the “American Promise” as “If you worked hard, you could do well enough to raise a family, own a home, send your kids away to college, and put a little away for retirement.” That is not the American Promise. Not everyone should own a home. Not everyone needs to go to college. And everyone—starting with you, my fellow Columbia students—should start a Roth IRA as soon as possible. In today’s America, where population is stagnant and the middle class is in decline, it is not at all clear that home ownership is a good investment. The notion that all Americans should own a home is neither economically feasible nor responsible, as it probably was what spawned the bubble of ludicrous loans and mortgages that drove our economy into crisis. Renting homes or apartments is often more economical than owning—as most of us students know, living in a city can prove less financially burdening than suburban dwelling.

The president pointed out that the largest portion of our national debt at this moment is the student loan bubble. Categorizing the problem as university degrees versus none is the wrong categorization. Everyone needs a way to develop the skills necessary to support themselves and their families, but many of those skills are not taught in colleges. Our country needs electricians, plumbers, mechanics, and pilots just as much as we need teachers, lawyers, and doctors. I wholeheartedly agreed with Obama when he said, “Community colleges need to become community career centers.” We need to incentivize education for skill sets that lead to jobs. The student loan system needs reform. Currently, regardless of the cost of their college, many students can take out Pell Grants and loans up

to the point of the tuition cost of the most expensive colleges. And they can take out loans regardless of their major—so they go into debt regardless of whether they study sociology (for which there are few jobs) or engineering (for which there are many jobs). A rational policy would be for the government to use more financial aid to incentivize students who choose degrees that will result in more lucrative jobs like biology, accounting, or economics. By the government granting loans equally to all students at all colleges, there is no reason why colleges would have to compete on price. Rather, they compete for students by adding more comfort, more programs, more tuition, and more student debt. This model could cause a disproportionate number of financial aid students in SEAS versus Barnard, CC or GS, but these students would also be more likely to pay off their loans.

Obama also claimed that all students should stay in high school until they graduate or they turn 18. He essentially is saying that when a student passes one of these two goal lines, he can spike the ball and walk off the field in triumph. These are the wrong goals. The real goal line is for students to have a job that will enable them to support themselves and their family, or to go to a trade school or conventional college like Columbia, where they can pursue advanced skills and knowledge that will lead to attractive jobs.

I applaud Obama’s call to bring jobs back to America. It’s easy for management to outsource. What’s hard is to figure out how to make it in our country cost-competitively. But figuring that out is far from impossible—companies like BMW, Toyota, and Honda prove that you don’t have to go abroad to save money on manufacturing. Our workers are the most productive in the world.

Obama needs to continue to incentivize American businessmen who create American jobs. And most of all, he needs to stop thinking that he is helping the middle class by creating public sector jobs for them that only contribute to a bigger, more bureaucratic government. By instituting a policy that encourages irresponsible spending and poor educational and fiscal decisions, he will perpetuate a short-sighted future for college students that will set us up for financial and career degeneracy.

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27 "Can \_\_\_ honest with you?"  
28 2011 World Series champs, on scoreboards  
30 Rogue  
32 Ring loudly  
34 "Othello" villain  
37 Fits of anger  
41 CRANE  
44 Actor Davis  
45 \_\_\_poly  
46 Yours, to Yves  
47 Presidents' Day mo.  
49 "\_\_\_-haw!"  
51 Any nonzero number divided by itself  
52 Anata's org. until 2004  
55 Remove, with "off"  
58 "Key Largo" 54-Down winner  
60 QUAIL  
63 Not shortened, as a film  
64 Suit to  
65 "Joy of Cooking" writer Fanny Flinn  
66 Stiller's comedy partner  
69 iPhone message  
70 Cowardly film beast played by Flynn  
71 Swashbuckler  
72 Brother of Cain and Abel

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2 "\_\_\_ on Pop": Dr. Seuss  
3 "Lay it on me!"  
4 Christmas song  
5 Like the Grand Canyon  
6 Higher than  
7 All-night pill  
8 Bale binder  
9 Reel from a blow to the head  
10 Wife of Jacob  
11 Involuntary impulses  
12 Eliot's "\_\_\_ Manner"  
13 Obey  
21 Used to be 22 Upper-left PC key  
23 Topper, for short  
24 Helps with a heist  
29 Actor Bert (see 70-Across)  
31 Carver or Delany  
33 Explorer Ericson  
35 Moo \_\_\_ gai pan  
36 The "O" in SRO  
38 "Time to move on"

39 Money-saving, in product names  
40 Downhill racer  
42 Abstain from alcohol  
43 Canines metaphorically exchanged for something desired  
48 Prohibit  
50 Good  
52 Nom de \_\_\_ pen name  
53 Solitary man  
54 Hollywood award  
56 Grecian urn poet  
57 Cosmetics giant  
59 Lesser of two \_\_\_ successor  
61 French franc  
62 Deli counter call  
66 One of the Stooges  
67 Picnic undesirable

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**BETTER LATE THAN NEVER** | In spite of family obligations that led to a late arrival and removal from the starting lineup, freshman guard Alex Rosenberg had 10 points coming off the bench for the Lions.

## Men’s basketball team struggles in final seconds of away contest against Cornell

**MEN’S BASKETBALL**  
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The bleeding could have been much worse if Brian Barbour had not stepped up. The junior guard had just three points in the first half, but scored Columbia’s first 10 points of the second half.

“What casual observers probably don’t recognize is that they load up so hard on him in the first half,” Smith said of Barbour. “I think they wore down a bit—they can’t guard him that way the whole time.”

Barbour finished the game with a team-high 19 points on 6-for-15

shooting. As he had in the Light Blue’s close losses to Princeton and Penn two weeks ago, Barbour put on an impressive second-half performance to put his team back in the game, only for Columbia to come up just short.

“Each one gets worse a little bit—hurts more and more,” Barbour said.

“It’s tough coming all the way up here, fighting back, and then not being able to pull it out. Having to travel back is not going to be as fun, but, you know, we’re right there, which is a positive—you got to try to look at the positives after these things. We’re so close, so we just got to keep going.”

Still, the Lions had their chances.

With about 12 minutes to play, junior center Mark Cisco hit his second consecutive jumper to bring Cornell’s lead back to eight, and the Light Blue continued to chip away from there.

With 1:49 left to play, freshman guard Noah Springwater hit two free throws to cut the deficit to 60-59. Two foul shots by Cornell junior guard Johnathan Gray brought the Big Red’s lead back to three, but the Lions had three opportunities on their next possession to tie the game. However, all of those three-point attempts—by Barbour, freshman forward Alex Rosenberg, and sophomore guard Meiko Lyles—were off the mark.

Cisco, who had a career game against Cornell last weekend with 18 points and 20 rebounds, was obviously a focus of the Big Red’s defense this week. His two jumpers were his only shots of the second half.

“They were defending me really hard,” Cisco said. “Every time I got the ball, they were straight doubling me. But, you know, I was trying to kick it out to the guards—some of those fell, some of those didn’t.”

Still, Cisco recorded his third consecutive double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

“I played all right. I could do better,” Cisco said.

What was perhaps the difference in the game was Columbia’s poor shooting from three-point territory. The Lions made just four of their 22 attempts from beyond the arc (18.2 percent) and have struggled from downtown since the start of league play.

“We’re getting good shots. We just got to hit them—that’s all it comes down to,” Barbour said. “I know we’re going to, I know it’s going to come, but it’s tough when you miss a couple.”

The Light Blue will need those shots to fall when it takes on league-leading and nationally-ranked Harvard next Saturday after facing off against Dartmouth on Friday.

## Light Blue posts strong showing, captures Metropolitan crown

**BY MILES JOHNSON**  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

This past weekend, the Columbia women’s track team made history. Competing at home at The Armory, the Lions won the Metropolitan Indoor Track Championships for the first time in school history. Fourteen teams gathered at The Armory to compete in the third annual indoor track and field competition. Senior Kyra Caldwell was once again a bright spot for the Columbia women and finished first in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.64 seconds.

However, the distance runners were the driving force behind the entire team’s success. Freshman Waverly Neer won the 1000 with a time of 2 minutes 52.52 seconds, junior Emily Lanois won the mile with a time of

4:52:47, and freshman Aryn Foland conquered the 3000 field with a time of 10:00.99. Additionally, the 4x800m relay team, comprised of freshman Madeline Rathbun, sophomore Sophia Harrington, junior Mallory Anderson, and Neer, took first place, breaking the tape at 9:14.39—a full three seconds ahead of the competition. The success of the women’s track team is particularly impressive, considering it is missing the efforts of star senior sprinter Sharay Hale.

In the field events, senior Monique Roberts won the high jump, clearing 1.76m, and freshman Nadia Eke won the triple jump with a distance of 12.58m. The Lions finished with 156 points, 12 ahead of second-place St. John’s. The Light Blue will be back in action next Saturday at The Armory for the New Balance Collegiate Invitational.



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**A STEP AHEAD** | Senior Kyra Caldwell won 60-meter hurdles, headlining Columbia’s first Metropolitan Championship win.

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Mangurian needs patience and support

Last week, during half-time at Columbia basketball's first bout with Cornell, football coach Pete Mangurian walked onto the court and gave a speech promising some on-field improvements in exchange for some fan support this coming season. Another promise for change from another new coach prompted me to reflect on the turbulent nature of high-level coaching and how it varies from other comparable jobs, especially at universities.

Before the college level, coaches take on a predominantly didactic role, and their administrative responsibilities are limited to taking care of things like jerseys and negotiating practice times. College football demands far more administration and political savvy on the part of coaches than youth soccer does, but head coaches are forced to stray from their primary role: teaching football. As it does with any professor at Columbia, the University charges Mangurian with helping students develop in a certain area, while also demanding that he handle a variety of ancillary tasks. For professors, these tasks include research and departmental administration. For Mangurian, these tasks include recruiting and alumni relations.

As much as the roles of professor and coach lend themselves to comparison, the analogy fails when we consider the differences in how we judge the performance of each. While academic jobs can be incredibly secure, coaches always seem to be one bad season away from losing their positions. Tenure allows professors to be effectively free of political pressures and gives stability to academic departments. Sure, tenured professors can be dismissed for consistently poor conduct or performance, but their dismissal doesn't seem imminent after a bad year. Professor approval involves many determinants, including their teaching, publishing, and service to campus organizations. In contrast, the coaching world is results-driven, and it is hard for a coach to defend a losing season—winning percentage seems to be the only criterion of success.

Despite this easy way to evaluate coaching performance—and although a tenure system would be too generous and perhaps inappropriate for coaches—I think athletic administrators could learn a thing or two from their colleagues. It's a shame that coaches do not get the same chance to experiment that professors on campus enjoy. In an ideal world, coaches could revamp their system after a failed season and restructure their experiment as a professor might.

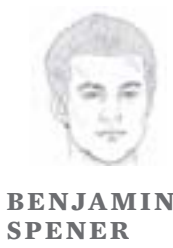
With that in mind, we should give Mangurian a few years to overhaul the football program, since it is unclear what strategies might better our team. One of his main challenges will be how to make the most of his current roster while also having a recruiting vision—it might behoove the current team to focus the running game, but Mangurian might eventually want to transition to a spread offense.

Judging by his peppy demeanor last weekend, Mangurian may try to emulate Jim Harbaugh next season. Harbaugh, formerly the coach of Stanford, took over an 8-8 San Francisco 49ers team and brought them to the divisional round of the playoffs in his first year by being enthusiastic and fun on and off the field. Like Harbaugh, Mangurian could regularly introduce new plays during the season and avoid being dogmatic with his coaching. There are many ways to improve a football team, ranging from play-calling to general attitude, and most require a small step back in exchange for a long-term step forward.

As Mangurian said at the basketball game, he'll take care of on-field issues. In exchange, he expects us to leave behind the last 50 years and support the program. I'd like to stress that we can only help the team by giving Mangurian time to experiment. After a half-century of persistent failure, some experimentation may be what it takes to turn our program around.

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The Top Spin



HANNAH D'APICE FOR SPECTATOR

CUTTING THE DEFICIT | Junior guard Brian Barbour scored 16 of his 19 points in the second half, spearheading the Lions' ultimately unsuccessful rally.

Cornell hands CU third single-digit Ancient Eight loss

BY MICHELE CLEARY  
Spectator Senior Staff Writer

ITHACA, N.Y.—For the third time in four games, the Lions found themselves in a large hole in the middle of the second half. For the third time in four games, they managed to stage a comeback and pull within two points with less than 30 seconds to play. For the third time in four

games, they came up just short, losing to Cornell 65-60 on Saturday night.

“You know it's an Ivy League game—same deal,” head coach Kyle Smith said after the game.

“We're just 1-3 in these situations. We had a number of shots to tie it or even go ahead.”

The fact that the men's basketball team (12-8, 1-3 Ivy) had several chances

to tie the game was surprising, given that it was trailing the Big Red (7-11, 2-2 Ivy) by 14 with 15 minutes remaining in the second half. Cornell took a seven-point lead into halftime and opened it up in the first five minutes after intermission by knocking down five consecutive threes.

Senior guard Chris Wroblewski made the first two of those treys and

led his team with 19 points on 5-of-8 shooting. Last week at Levien, Wroblewski was just 3-of-13 from the field and 0-for-7 from beyond the arc.

“I knew he'd eventually snap out of his shooting slump, and unfortunately, it was tonight,” Smith said.

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HENRY WILLSON / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

LONE RANGER | Junior guard Tyler Simpson accounted for almost 40 percent of Columbia's points in an ugly loss.

Lions leave Palestra still winless in conference play

BY HAHN CHANG  
Spectator Staff Writer

Thirty-one seconds into the game, Penn freshman guard Renee Busch hit a three-point shot, and Penn grabbed a quick 3-0 lead. Busch hit another jumper 37 seconds later, putting Penn up 5-0. From then on, the Lions (2-15, 0-3 Ivy) played catch-up and were ultimately unable to close the gap as the Quakers (8-8, 1-1 Ivy) prevailed 75-50.

Busch had an outstanding game for Penn, shooting 4-for-6 from beyond the arc, netting a game-high 20 points, and grabbing eight boards.

After the Lions sprang back with two quick field goals by sophomore center Nicole Santucci and junior guard Tyler Simpson—making the score 10-6—the Quakers took off, led

by Busch's 14 first-half points. Penn sophomore guard Alyssa Baron hit a jumper with 1:05 left in the half to put Penn up 37-24 going into the intermission.

After the Quakers struck first in the second half with a layup from freshman forward Katy Allen, the Lions responded with a score from Simpson and a three-pointer from senior guard Melissa Shafer, leaving the Lions trailing 39-29.

As Columbia looked ready to mount a comeback, Baron put up five points in 28 seconds to pad Penn's lead.

The Light Blue tried to cut Penn's lead back down to 10. Offensive production from Simpson, who finished with a team-high 19 points, and sophomore guard Taylor Ward brought the Lions to within 13 with 10:58

remaining in the game.

The Light Blue, which took almost as many shots as the Quakers, had a steady 34 percent field goal percentage, slightly higher than its 33.2 field goal percentage for the season. However, the Lions only put in four of their 16 three-pointers, while Penn made 10 out of 21.

Columbia could not bring down the Quaker lead to under 20 points. Down by 28 points with 41 seconds remaining in the game, Columbia freshman guard Miwa Tachibana scored the final shot—a three-pointer—to finalize the score at 75-50.

The Lions, in search of their first Ivy League victory, will look to rebound in back-to-back games at home against Dartmouth and Harvard this weekend.

SCOREBOARD



MEN'S BASKETBALL  
Cornell 65  
Columbia 60



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL  
Penn 75  
Columbia 50



MEN'S TENNIS  
Columbia 7  
Fordham 0



WOMEN'S TENNIS  
Won A bracket in doubles and singles at Cornell Invitational



MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING  
Columbia 196  
Boston University 102  
Columbia 190.5  
Brown 106.5



WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING  
Columbia 184  
Boston University 115  
Columbia 182  
Brown 118



WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD  
First place at the Metropolitan Indoor Track and Field Championships



MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD  
Fifth place at Armory II



MEN'S SQUASH  
Went 2-2 at home, beating Georgetown and Connecticut College while falling to Williams and Middlebury



WOMEN'S SQUASH  
Split four home matches, defeating Georgetown and Connecticut College, but came up short against Middlebury and Williams



WRESTLING  
Columbia 32  
Franklin and Marshall 12