

BC unisex restrooms to receive new signs

BY EMMA GOSS
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Barnard's LGBT student club, Q, is launching an initiative to solve "the bathroom problem" by installing signs that designate all unisex bathrooms on campus open to people of any gender.

Maddy Popkin, BC '14 and Q co-president, and Barnard's Student Government Association will pass a formal resolution on Thursday explaining why they believe the initiative is important and detailing how they will implement it. Representatives in SGA unanimously agreed to support the initiative when Popkin addressed them on March 11.

"It doesn't make sense to have a picture of a man or a woman on it—when you go into a bathroom there'll be a toilet," Popkin said.

With the support of Barnard Dean Avis Hinkson and SGA, Popkin placed an order for new bathroom signs that indicate that the restrooms are gender-inclusive. These signs will be delivered next month and installed in the single-stall unisex bathrooms in every building on Barnard's campus, with the exception of the Diana Center, which currently has no single-stall unisex restrooms.

Regarding the Diana, Hinkson said in an email, "We are currently looking into what

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RAISE YOUR BOYCE | Mary Boyce beat out three other candidates for the SEAS deanship.

MIT prof Boyce named SEAS dean

MechE dept. chair will be first female dean, to start in July

BY LILLIAN CHEN
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University President Lee Bollinger appointed Mary Cunningham Boyce, head of the department of mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as the next dean of the School of Engineering and Applied Science, effective July 1.

Boyce takes the reins of a school that, limited by space, is looking to stay competitive with its peer institutions and bolster its presence in the New York entrepreneurial scene, as it recovers from a faculty revolt that led to the resignation of its dean last year.

"She's first of all a very, very distinguished scholar and academic," Bollinger told Spectator Tuesday afternoon. "She's done an extremely fine job as chair of a very large department, mechanical engineering, at MIT, of course, a very distinguished engineering school."

He added, "She has a great character and a great way about her and you just feel that she'll be just a wonderful leader for the school."

Boyce succeeds Interim Dean Donald Goldfarb, who has held the post since July, when former dean Feniosky Peña-Mora stepped down.

The school's first female dean said she was looking forward to capitalizing on SEAS's advantages and expanding its global reach.

"We have lots of opportunities now to create more capabilities in open innovation and international experiences, everything that Columbia has already been working on, and an ability to do some shaping of other opportunities for the Columbia SEAS students that capitalize on our strengths," she said in an interview Tuesday.

Boyce beat out three other finalists for the job: Goldfarb; Andrew Gellman, head of chemical engineering at Carnegie Mellon University; and Paul Weiss, director of the California NanoSystems Institute at the University of

California, Los Angeles.

Bollinger and Provost John Coatsworth said that they thought Boyce had distinguished herself both as an academic and as an administrator.

"I think we were looking for exactly what she is," Coatsworth told Spectator Tuesday. "That is, a successful scholar whose research has been important in her field and a successful administrator who has proved that she can run a successful enterprise and do so with incredible success."

Coatsworth said that SEAS is "poised to become one of the engineering powerhouses of the 21st century."

"I think it has all the ingredients that are needed," he said. "It's located in the city of New York, which, in itself, is becoming a center for engineering excellence in the world."

Former Engineering Student Council Vice President of Policy Logan Donovan, SEAS '13, said Boyce was her first choice for the position. Donovan participated in the student interviews with the dean candidates.

"She comes from MIT, which is an incredibly well-respected engineering school," she said. "I think there are a lot of programs that she's made at MIT that a lot of students at Columbia cite as things they'd like to see at Columbia."

Donovan pointed to MIT's Toy Lab, a program that Boyce created for freshmen with an emphasis on product design for entertainment. Boyce said in her meeting with Columbia students that 20 percent of MIT freshmen take the class, even though it is not for credit.

With the Toy Lab, "she's already demonstrated that she's found a way to understand students' needs and undergraduates and create something for them," Donovan said.

Kristin Myers, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, had Boyce as a professor when she was getting her Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at MIT. Myers called Boyce an

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Barnard mobile app has map, campus updates

BY ANDREA SHANG
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Barnard College: now available in the app store.

Barnard's Office of Communications is launching a mobile application on Wednesday that will provide services such as "Text a Librarian," an emergency operations feed, and a live shuttle map.

Joanne Kwong, Barnard's vice president for communications, said that Barnard wants to create a better image of the school online due to the way that many prospective students evaluate colleges.

"What we've heard, just anecdotally, is that there's a lot of judgment of a college's website

by applicants," Kwong said. "That a website not looking good must be some kind of reflection of the school. And some have been saying that whether the school has a mobile app or not is indicative as well."

Kwong said that the app's launch was intended to coincide with the release of admission decisions this year. Applicants to Barnard's class of 2017 will receive both electronic and mailed decisions for the first time this week. The new app has an admissions icon that allows users to see admissions statistics, tour information, and deadlines available on Barnard's admissions website.

"Once someone's accepted, it's up to us to woo them."

Kwong said. "We want to show that we're an institution that cares about technology and advancing education."

Kwong also said that the app is part of the college's effort to update technological services and to retain a competitive edge with other schools.

"We did an informal study of our peers and we noted that most of the Ivy Leagues had a mobile presence, but other liberal arts schools like Barnard didn't," Kwong said. "With this app, Barnard will be at the forefront. You can fall behind by just staying still."

The app will be available for Apple and Android users, but not for Blackberrys or Windows-based phones. According to

Kwong, these phones didn't have a user base high enough to make the app available to them.

Laura Downs-Buma, Barnard's electronic communications director, called the current app a work in progress. Planned features include a virtual tour of the campus, updates on Dining Services' daily specials, and the integration of a new eBear.

Last summer, administrators approved the creation of the app, a joint project between Barnard's Office of Communications, Admissions, and Information Technology. A Massachusetts Institute of Technology-based vendor was hired to develop it by last fall.

"We're definitely going to tailor our content to what people are interested in," Downs-Buma said. "We're excited for the campus community to use it."

Students said that the app would be helpful for staying in the loop with campus services.

"This is very much a progressive approach to engaging Barnard students with the community," Ogor Ophedo, BC '14, said. "Barnard is making sure we're always on the go and connected in some way."

"I think the app is probably going to be convenient for students," Margaret Gay, BC '13, said. "I'm not totally up to date on all the events because it's not located in one concentric spot. It's good to have an app where you can access all this information."

She added that she thought the app would be a hit among prospective students.

"I think prospectives are going to find this really appealing," Gay said, "and probably think that Barnard is cool and hip with it," she added with a laugh.

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Useful information for prospective students and parents can be found here. The module can be used to plan visits and apply.

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Navigate Barnard's campus with this section. It's possible to search for classroom buildings, offices, and houses, zoom in and out, or browse buildings by type, such as residence halls or dining locations.

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Keeping cool

College is not the time to be overly mature.

Tolerance for all ideas

Jake Goldwasser triangulates the first signs of tolerance from the Dutch.



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Lions baseball to take on Manhattan College

The 6-11 squad looks to extend their four-game winning streak as they host their 1 train rivals, the Manhattan Jaspers.

EVENTS

Predicting Elections

A panel considers different ways that democratic elections are predicted.
15th Floor, International Affairs Building, 6:15 p.m.

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New signs will identify unisex bathrooms as gender-inclusive

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we can do in that building to provide a gender inclusive bathroom option. In addition, we will continue to find other ways to maintain a campus community that values all people and their identities.”

The change is mainly a visual one.

“This initiative is changing a few signs. We’re not rebuilding bathrooms or knocking down walls or anything,” Popkin said.

“The point of having gender-neutral bathrooms is so people who don’t identify with one of the genders can go into a bathroom free of mental distress, and from threats of physical, emotional, or verbal violence,” Popkin told the representative council at the March 11 SGA meeting.

Popkin said that another problem with the current bathroom signs is that they combine the unisex image with the handicap image, implicitly attaching the message that opposing the gender binary is considered a handicap. The new signs will include a handicap sign next to a separate gender-inclusive sign.

“For a few students at Barnard, they don’t go to the bathroom anywhere except their dorm,” Popkin said at the meeting. “They are faced with the horrifying task of choosing which bathroom to go into. It’s an unnecessary harm that we’re committing to these students.”

Besides the new signs, Q will spearhead an educational campaign with fliers posted throughout campus and in all bathrooms explaining where to find gender-inclusive bathrooms on campus and why they exist. Popkin is working toward putting up the educational fliers by April 20.

“Having an education campaign started in time for visiting students weekend would be great,” she said.

“It seems like the entire

room is in support of this,” JungHee Hyun, BC ’13 and SGA president, said at the meeting. “Even if this is something that doesn’t impact a ton of students, we’re also looking out for the good of other students.”

SGA Representative for College Relations Rachel Ferrari, BC ’13, co-wrote the resolution with Popkin, Hyun, and two other SGA representatives. She said that a formal resolution would be more effective than a letter of support or a proposal.

“There aren’t enough people to gain a majority for who wants it, but there’s not opposition to it. It’s a positive change for all students. It’s not going to hurt you. It’s in such formal language that it’s almost as if—why wouldn’t we do this?” Ferrari said.

Ferrari added that this initiative aligns with Barnard’s mission statement. “As a college for women, Barnard embraces its responsibility to address issues of gender in all of their complexity and urgency, and to help students achieve the personal strength that will enable them to meet the challenges they will encounter throughout their lives,” she said.

Students said Tuesday they were in support of the initiative.

Ashiana Jivraj, BC ’15, said that although it targets only a small group of students, the initiative would help because “we’re not planning for today, we’re planning for the next four generations of Barnard students.”

“Maybe there’s not a big enough need today, but it doesn’t cost us anything except for the sign fees.”

“I think having this in place will make everyone more tolerant because we’ll be more aware on a daily basis,” Sherrie Deng, BC ’14, said. “We’re a liberal arts school—we should be open-minded about things.”

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Students excited by Boyce’s experience, fresh perspective

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“incredible teacher ... one of my best instructors at MIT.”

“She was really excited to bring the MIT culture here to Columbia, creating a very active and creative environment for the undergrads in terms of education, projects, and entrepreneurship,” Myers said. “I think her vision was that she was really focusing on upping the ante of our undergraduate education.”

Students agreed that Boyce would bring a fresh perspective to the school.

“I think she’s going to bring in a much-needed new perspective for SEAS, especially her coming from MIT,” ESC Vice President of Student Life Sheila Misheni, SEAS ’14, said.

Donovan said that Boyce was the only candidate to suggest how full-time students could take advantage of online courses.

“A lot of engineers struggle with study abroad or wanting to do internships that aren’t at standard times. At MIT, one of the ways they’ve allowed students to take advantage of more opportunities is to allow them to follow along on online courses so they don’t fall behind on their coursework,” she said.

ESC President Tim Qin, SEAS ’13 and one of two students who served on the search committee, said he hoped Boyce would help ESC and other engineering student groups plan a student-run engineering career fair next spring. He noted that MIT has one of the largest student-run

career fairs in the country.

Former Engineering Graduate Student Council President Andrew Kang, a fifth-year Ph.D. student and the other student on the search committee, said Boyce emphasized how “Columbia has this untapped potential in New York City.”

“She really had this palpable excitement about how Columbia could really leverage being in New York City,” he said. “I think she was able to translate that message really well to everyone, starting from the undergrads ... to the grad students to the faculty to the senior administration to alumni.”

Kang also said he was impressed by Boyce’s understanding of graduate-student issues. He explained that master’s and Ph.D. students have very different needs—Ph.D. students are more focused on research, while master’s students are more focused on coursework—and that Boyce wanted to ensure that students were integrated into the community.

“She knew exactly the kind of issues that would need to be tackled, and I think that was very impressive that she kind of understood already what that situation was.”

Bollinger shared the sentiment that Boyce responded well to faculty and students.

“It’s a time for SEAS to really shine, and she understands all of that and is excited by that,” he said.

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Light Blue to face tough competition to start season

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such impressive competition, the eight athletes traveling down South will certainly have their work cut out for them.

Still, Wood said that the Light

Blue athletes must concentrate on their own performances.

“We can simply focus upon ourselves and not have to worry about any external factors,” Wood said.

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Lions win game one with strong hitting

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for eight runs on nine hits in five innings. Freshman second baseman Nicole Borchard led the Lions with two hits, a run, and three RBIs, while freshman shortstop Macy Shrum added two hits and two RBIs.

“We knew in Florida we weren’t playing our best softball, so we focused more on what we could do better—like hitting in better counts, getting better pitches to swing at early, laying off her changeup,” Noonan said.

In the second game, the Lions’ top pitchers Brooke Darling and Emily Kenyon struggled against a strong offense, and Manhattan jumped out to an early 4-0 lead. But the Lions tied the game with a four-run third inning with the help of two Jaspers errors. The two teams went on to exchange two-run frames, sending the game into extra innings.

In the ninth, with a runner on third and one out, Manhattan intentionally walked Emily Snodgrass—the Lions’ leader in home runs and RBIs. The next hitter, Alix Cook, made them pay with a two-run double. But after a strikeout and a pop out to start the bottom of the ninth, Manhattan rallied with a walk and three consecutive hits to win the game.

“We had a couple of opportunities to win,” Noonan said. “We scored a couple of runs in the top of the ninth, got two outs, and couldn’t close the door, so we really need to work in the next two days of practice on finishing.”

The Lions will try to keep their offense going this weekend, with doubleheaders against Dartmouth on Friday and Harvard on Saturday at home.

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CU hockey would be big draw

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currently ranked at 11th place.

Clearly, it is not a matter of spending. It is a matter of caring. All we need to do is create a decent environment and a program will surely flourish.

Just because we may not yet have a hockey tradition at Columbia doesn’t mean it’s too late to start now. Sure, the startup costs of either building or renting a hockey rink that is actually near campus may be high, but the long-term rewards of having a large-viewership sports program that students will actually be excited about—a nationally relevant team—seems like a pretty worthwhile payoff to me. The fast-paced, nonstop action of the game is a natural fit for the fast-paced, nonstop action of New York City. The Columbia student body is likewise a fitting demographic.

Cornell made the initial investments despite smaller endowments and is profiting from the decision. Yes, it would require quite a bit of work to figure out the logistics of an arena, but potential options exist, such as the Barclays Center or the Lasker Rink. Perhaps even building our own arena may be a sensible option. High building costs may be countered by renting out the rink, as Columbia would essentially have a monopoly in the area. I am confident that we will figure it out. All we need to do is try.

For once, we would possess a program that wouldn’t be subject to monetary constraints, and to me, at least, that is worth the extended efforts.

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The Core, the city, and the Dutch

There doesn't seem to be much
dignity in the American concep-
tion of the Netherlands: brothels
and marijuana. But the laissez-faire
policies of Dutch social life have a
lot to say about how genuine, open
discussion of ideas became possible,
and they are the remnants of a long
history of free-thinking. For that his-
tory, Columbia owes a lot to this tiny
country.

Whereas most of Europe in the
Middle Ages was agrarian, commerce
was at the center of Dutch economic
life because much of the country is below sea level. The
towns that arose from trade in the Netherlands allowed
for a successful, literate middle class. Trade kept the
Dutch incentivized to tolerate other cultures, at least in
business. The result was a progressive, wealthy country
by the standards of the day.

Unlike other European powers that wanted to spread
Christianity to the world, the Dutch were only interested
in making money. The most famous stop on their world
tour was what would become New Amsterdam. The
foundations of New York were all laid by the Dutch—
Manhattan was named by an officer on Henry Hudson's
ship, sailing for the Dutch East India Company; Harlem
is named after the Dutch city Haarlem; and of course,
Columbia is situated between Amsterdam and Broadway
(a translation of the Dutch "Breede Weg"). When the
Dutch formed New Amsterdam, they created a colony
that is not necessarily affectionate for other cultures but
certainly with a pragmatic tolerance based on commer-
cial interests. New York remains grounded in commerce
and now takes for granted the very basic idea of the
peaceful existence of radically different ideas.



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Thinking Twice

Don't curb your enthusiasm

BY DANIEL GARISTO

I entered college determined not to be the stereotypical
"firstie." I didn't want what seemed to be a saccharine-en-
thusied attitude toward college life. Sure, I wanted to appre-
ciate and enjoy going to Columbia but not as a wide-eyed,
slack-jawed kid who was so painfully just out of high school.

No. Instead, I slipped right into the role of jadedness—care-
ful to control my excitement, careful to temper my enthusiasm.
After all, I was legally an adult who was living away from home
with no parental retinue. It seemed only natural that I should
skip the cliché childlike wonder and enchantment.

Somehow, this seemed to be the more "mature" way of
approaching college. Tempering exuberant impulses was a
necessary attempt to prove that I was not a naïve first-year.
Rather, I was a young adult—one who had a responsibility to
prove this fact to the other young adults around me.

One of my greatest fears now is that I'll become so acerbic that I'll simply miss the fun of college.

At Columbia, this meant embracing a culture of self-
aware criticism. It meant adopting a sardonic tone to belie
my inexperience. It meant a cynical view of myself and oth-
ers around me. It meant a disdainful snort when someone
asked if I was going to attend a football game. It meant,
perhaps, a knowing look or a chuckle when someone men-
tioned either NSOP or an overly enthusiastic floormate. It
meant a continual self-evaluation. Was I doing something
that would be considered embarrassing? Too much enthu-
siasm? Too many questions? Even... too friendly?

There's no question that a critical analysis of ourselves
and others is an invaluable and necessary skill to have.
Without it, we would be unaware of our faults. Flaws would
remain unfixed, unexamined, unprotested, unscrutinized.

We're really, really good at that. Perhaps too good in
some cases.

Ironically enough, one of my greatest fears now is that
I'll become so acerbic that I'll simply miss the fun of college
entirely. I'm not sure that this is the time or the place for
such an attitude. Practicing a veil of self-aware criticism is
undoubtedly a useful skill that will serve us in the future,
once we leave the "Columbia bubble," but the veil itself
isn't needed now.

The bubble is a highly-criticized, intangible, initially
imperceptible part of Columbia's essence. It exists in the
physical space of our campus, through the social channels in
which we interact. Perhaps most pervasively, it engenders a
divide between Columbia and the outside world.

During my tenure at Spectator, I've edited no less than
half a dozen pieces where authors criticized and lamented
our existence behind the bubble's translucent fences. Colum-
bia's walls protect us from the outside world and
carry within them a miasma of community, ideas, and ex-
periences of the wider, wilder world.

As Cecile de Laurentis wrote in her column last semester,
we live in a city typified by its "urban reserve." We emulate this
exterior in hopes of skipping the growing pains of maturation.

But when we do so to the extent that we hold such disdain
for each other—becoming hypercritical of ourselves and oth-
ers—we miss the opportunity that we've been presented with.

I am, to be sure, far from the best person to write this
piece. My nature long before Columbia was somewhat re-
served and often cynical. But I can recognize when this at-
titude goes too far.

And you might wonder if I'm being hyperbolic, as even
the most intransigent of senior snarks have fun and lets
loose on the weekend. But if his or her outlook is still that
same disdainful maturity, they miss all that it means to be
full of fascination and surprise at the world.

Quite honestly, it's a magical opportunity and, quite pos-
sibly, the last one we'll have. The insulation provided by
the Columbia bubble should allow for unabashed growth
and exploration, support when we ask stupid questions,
encouragement when we suffer embarrassing losses, and
openness to be innocent and naïve. That, to me, is the truly
mature approach.

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opinion editor for Spectator.

In 2010, the face of uproar in New York over Park51
(nicknamed the "Ground Zero Mosque"), Mayor
Bloomberg reminded angry New Yorkers of the com-
mon thread throughout the city's history: tolerance. "Of
all our precious freedoms, the most important may be
the freedom to worship as we wish. And it is a freedom
that even here—in a city rooted in Dutch tolerance—was
hard won over many years." He went on to define the
central question of the debate, "Should government at-
tempt to deny private citizens the right to build a house
of worship on private property based on their particu-
lar religion?" He specifically delivered the speech from
Governor's Island, "to stand where the earliest settlers
first set foot in New Amsterdam."

You can tolerate the expression of an idea without accepting the content.

Three years earlier, when Mahmoud Ahmadinejad
came to Columbia, President Bollinger expressed a
similar sentiment in defending the Iranian dictator's ap-
pearance at the World Leader's Forum: "It should never
be thought that merely to listen to ideas we deplore
in any way implies our endorsement of those ideas or
our weakness of our resolve to resist those ideas or our
naïveté about the very real dangers inherent in such
ideas."

Bollinger went on to say, "It is required by the exist-
ing norms of free speech, the American university, and
Columbia itself."

Many of the ideas in the Core are actually about the
creation of ideas. Philosophy doesn't just make assertions
about the world or about human beings, it makes asser-
tions about making assertions. And many of the enlight-
enment thinkers had this very insight: You can tolerate
the expression of an idea without accepting the content.
This foundational premise for Columbia was developed



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STAFF EDITORIAL

Welcoming Dean Boyce

On Tuesday, University President Lee Bollinger an-
nounced the appointment of Mary Cunningham
Boyce as the next dean of the Fu Foundation School
of Engineering and Applied Science. Boyce will join
Columbia after 25 years at the Massachusetts Institute
of Technology, where she is currently head of the de-
partment of mechanical engineering. The editorial
board congratulates Professor Boyce and expresses
our excitement and support for her tenure as the 15th
dean, and, notably, the first female dean, of the engi-
neering school.

Despite having spent the majority of her career
at the much more science- and engineering-centric
MIT, Boyce recognizes the advantages of a univer-
sity like Columbia. She told the editorial board in a
February interview of her desire to link "pockets of
excellence" around the University to SEAS—to con-
nect engineering with research in business, public
health, or journalism. She also emphasized the neces-
sity of interdisciplinary cooperation among faculty
and administrators for successful, targeted growth
of the school within the vast and entangled Columbia
organizational structure.

With regard to undergraduate education, Boyce
specifically identified study abroad opportunities as a
"critical element" in engineering education, while
acknowledging the difficulties of study abroad among
curricula filled with time-sensitive requirements. In
recognizing the past efforts made to overcome
these challenges, we hope to see such programs ex-
pand in the coming years with fresh ideas from an

by, among others, Descartes, Spinoza, and Locke. The
Core includes these writers because without them mod-
ern universities could not exist, but what country would
have allowed such dangerous ideas so long ago?

You guessed it. Descartes lived in the Netherlands
for more than 20 years, wrote all of his major works
here, and was affiliated with several Dutch universi-
ties. Spinoza enjoyed religious freedom in Amsterdam's
Portuguese-Jewish community. He had this to say about
his city: "For in this most flourishing state, and most
splendid city, men of every nation and religion live
together in the greatest harmony and ask no questions
before trusting their goods to a fellow-citizen ... His
religion and sect is considered of no importance ... and
there is no sect so despised that its followers, provided
that they harm no one, pay every man his due, and live
uprightly, are deprived of the protection of the magiste-
rial authority." That was in 1670, less than 20 years be-
fore the Salem witch trials. After fleeing England for the
Netherlands, John Locke wrote "A Letter Concerning
Toleration," in which he refutes the establishment of
a state religion and champions its free practice, the
basis for the first amendment. He specifically identifies
churches' ability to form and meet as crucial, an idea
that Bloomberg references regarding Park51. The work
was published in Gouda—yes, the place where they
make the cheese.

Before tearing Ahmadinejad to shreds, Bollinger
said this: "In universities, we have a deep and almost
single-minded commitment to pursue the truth. We do
not have access to the levers of power. We cannot make
war or peace. We can only make minds, and to do this
we must have the most fulsome freedom of inquiry." For
this axiom of our school, we have the Dutch to thank.
Though we might argue against bad ideas, we should
never suppress them; some that seem ludicrous now
will one day be commonplace.

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13 "Shady" spot
14 Mesabi Range output
15 Not for minors
16 "Furry" forecaster?
18 Chain with a red cowboy hat logo
19 Some spring rolls?
20 Former "Today" co-anchor Curry
21 Plant sold in animal-shaped pots
22 Gave away, as true feelings
25 One ... time
27 "Jolly Roger," e.g.
30 "Formal" beginning
33 Lip balm stuff
35 Subleased
36 ...ray Disc
37 Gives substance to, with "out"
39 Decks out
41 L.A.'s ... Center: second-tallest building in California
42 Salsa ingredient
45 "Freedom from control
48 "Leave the ground
49 Spotlight color
50 "Done!"
53 Vagrant
55 PSAT takers
57 Acct. accrual
59 Summers in China?
61 Big name in publishing, and a visual hint to the three adjacent pairs of answers to starred clues
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65 Die-down
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68 Versatile
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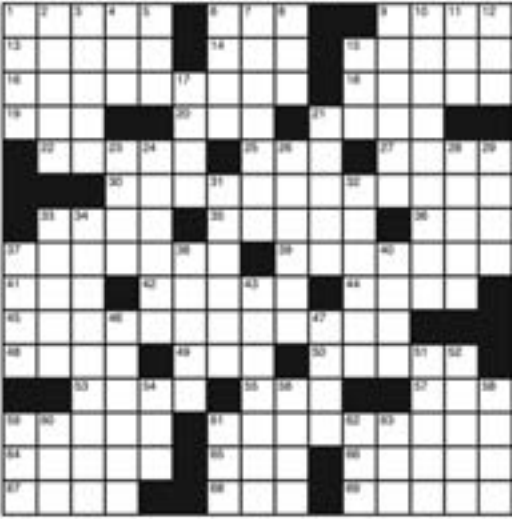
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62 Parking place
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Lions would benefit from hockey team

With nearly \$7.8 billion, Columbia has the fourth largest endowment in the Ivy League and the sixth largest of any American national university. When considering such a sizeable endowment, the approximately \$20 million spent on athletics in the past year (according to the Equity in Athletics Data Analysis Cutting Tool) does not actually constitute that great a number. A closer analysis of the information provided by the U.S. Department of Education shows that the sports programs actually pay themselves off. The total revenue generated neatly cancels out the total expenses.

So why not add another marquee, revenue-generating sport? Especially one that the other Ivies are actually good at: hockey. The only other member of the Ancient Eight that does not have a varsity hockey squad is Penn. But even the Quakers have a team that plays at the American Collegiate Hockey Association Division II level. The team practices and competes at the Penn's Class of 1923 Arena, which is conveniently located on campus.

Meanwhile, the Lion club squad consists of a hodgepodge of undergraduate and professional students who must travel all the way across the bridge to the Ice House in Hackensack, N.J., in order to compete against other Division III club teams. (My high school team played its games at the Ice House. I can tell you it's certainly not a venue suited for a college team.) The fact that our athletic department is not actively pursuing funding a men's varsity hockey team is a travesty. In a city as hockey-crazed as New York, we are passing up a tremendous athletic opportunity by not investing in the sport. Not only is it incredibly viewer-friendly, it also—importantly—does not require major funding to successfully compete at the national level. We don't need to spend half of our athletic budget (as Rutgers does on its football team) in order to bring attention to our program and win games.

While no Ivy League university can realistically contend with the football programs of Notre Dame, or the basketball teams of Duke, what with funding and recruiting expenses, members of the Ancient Eight have had great success with hockey on a national level. Ivy schools have not merely fielded winning teams but have even served as alma mater to many players who go on to have successful professional careers. (NHL opening day rosters this year featured nearly 20 Ivy graduates, and alums include players known for everything from mustaches to legendary playoff performances.) The school that instantly comes to mind is Cornell, which, though it spends roughly the same amount on athletics as we do, is able to generate quite a buzz around its hockey team. A team that, despite having a relatively mediocre 2012-13, still boasted a sold-out crowd and intense professional-seeming atmosphere when it matched up against Michigan in an exhibition game at the legendary Madison Square Garden this past November. Students came out and filled the Cornell seating sections that day because they were genuinely excited about their sport. Alumni and just plain old hockey fans followed suit and shared in on the energy and excitement flowing through the arena.

Certainly not a big-time athletic spender either, Yale is actually able to field one of the top hockey teams in the nation,



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FOCUSED HITTING | Senior Alex Black leads the Light Blue with 17 hits, three home runs, and a .474 slugging percentage.

Lions take on Manhattan in battle of 1 train

BY MYLES SIMMONS
Spectator Senior Staff Writer

Having won its last four games, Columbia baseball (6-11) will take the field Wednesday afternoon in a battle of the 1 train against Manhattan (9-9). The double-header will serve as the team's final tune-up before Ivy play begins Saturday afternoon against Harvard.

Both the Jaspers—whose home field lies off the northernmost stop on the 1 line at Van Cortlandt Park—and Lions have been playing good baseball as of late. Manhattan has won six of its last seven games. In those wins, the Jaspers have

held their opponent to three runs or fewer five times.

Manhattan also features a lineup that can pack a punch with its 3-4 hitters. First baseman Kyle Murphy leads the Jaspers with three home runs and comes in second with 10 RBIs and a .420 slugging percentage. Catcher Ramon Ortega usually bats behind him and leads the team with a .299 batting average, 12 RBIs, and four doubles.

Nevertheless, Light Blue head coach Brett Boretti said his team is concentrating on its own strengths and playing good baseball.

“We need to have our heads on ready to compete and do things correctly,” Boretti said. “We’re more focused on what we want to do in order to be

successful—playing smart and playing hard.”

The Lions’ bats have been heating up over the course of their four-game winning streak, especially in the middle of the order. Senior right fielder and co-captain Nick Ferraresi has recorded seven RBIs along with a double and two home runs. He’s brought his season totals up to a .230 average, and 10 RBIs.

Senior first baseman and co-captain Alex Black also hits in the heart of the order and leads the team with 17 hits, three home runs, and a .474 slugging percentage.

But the offense would mean nothing without the Light Blue’s consistent pitching.

“I think right now we realize it’s got to be a total team effort with everybody chipping in on

both sides—defense and offense,” Boretti said.

Still, the head coach said that the team is more worried about playing well than continuing its winning streak to build so-called momentum.

“In baseball, momentum, that can be an overrated thing,” Boretti said. “You’re not going to see a team like the Miami Heat run off 30 wins in a row. Momentum in baseball, as the saying goes, is as good as your next day’s starting pitcher.”

The first pitch of game one is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Robertson Field at Satow Stadium. Game two will begin shortly after the conclusion of game one.

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Lions head to Princeton in search of first Ivy win

BY ROBERT MITCHELL
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Columbia lacrosse (1-7, 0-3 Ivy) will travel to New Jersey Wednesday to take on Princeton (4-3, 1-0 Ivy), in what promises to be a difficult but intriguing match-up. The Lions are looking to reverse their current losing streak and pick up their first Ivy win.

The Lion have now dropped seven straight games since starting the season with a blowout victory against Mount St. Mary’s. A win against the Tigers, which would be the first in school history, could propel the Light Blue back onto the right course. But Princeton has yet to drop a game on its home turf, which makes the prospect of a Columbia win even harder.

Despite having the talent to stay competitive, inconsistency has been the main issue for the squad. Light Blue senior Kacie Johnson boasts second-leading Ivy League scorer. Defensively, the team leads the league in ground balls with 178 and has caused 91 turnovers. Junior Paige Cuscovitch has been instrumental, causing 24 turnovers over a span of just eight games. But the team has faltered in last-minute situations, losing three games by a single goal twice in the waning seconds of the game.

Like several of the elite programs, Princeton has relied on the depth of its offense with seven different scorers and seven assists overall. Erin McMunn has propelled its offense to such heights, notching 15 goals and 12 assists to provide a consistent dual threat to opponents.

The Light Blue will take the field at 7 p.m. at 1952 Stadium. sports@columbiaspectator.com

Light Blue splits 2 games in rematch with Manhattan

BY PHIL GODZIN
Spectator Staff Writer

In its final contests before conference play, the softball team (10-10) split its double-header against Manhattan on Tuesday, dominating the first game 11-1 and just losing the second 9-8. It was the second time in two weeks the Lions and Jaspers went head-to-head, after splitting two games last week in Florida.

The Lions came out swinging in game one, scoring six runs on six hits in the first inning. The first six hitters of the game reached base, and every starter finished with at least one hit.

“It was good for our team to

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see we can get a big number on the scoreboard early, and then the fact that we continued to score in the subsequent innings was really big for us,” head coach Kayla Noonan said. “We had production throughout the entire lineup and definitely is going to help us moving into Ivy weekend.”

The Lions were unfazed by their matchup against ace Kate Bowen, who shut down the Lions for a complete game en route to a one-run win in their last meeting. Bowen was tagged one hit.

SEE SOFTBALL, page 2

Lions open season at Texas Relays

BY MELISSA CHEUNG
Spectator Senior Staff Writer

The men’s and women’s track and field teams will kick off their outdoor seasons Wednesday at the 2013 Texas Relays. The four-day event will be held at the University of Texas, Austin.



The Lions are coming off nearly a month’s absence from competition, but are looking to build on successes from both the cross country and indoor seasons.

“We should be significantly better outdoors,” head coach Willy Wood said. “We have focused our entire training schemes upon being our best in May and June.”

Both squads are due for a breakout season, as they have had numerous impressive showings in both the fall and winter, but no significant titles to show for them. After a tremendous 2011-12 season, injuries, illnesses, and other factors have contributed to the Light Blue’s title drought.

“We’ve had a great deal of success in big meets and in our conference championships, both in cross country and indoors,” Wood said. “We know we can compete with anyone.”

Columbia athletes making the trip to Texas will be pitted against the preseason Division I outdoor favorites—Texas A&M on the men’s side and Kansas for the women. Other formidable squads slated to race at the Texas Relays include big-name programs such as Oregon, Louisiana State University, Wisconsin, Florida, and Auburn. All of these are teams listed in the top 10 of the projected preseason national rankings. With

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