

## Ecuador’s president, Bollinger trade barbs on free press

BY BEN GITTELSON  
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Ecuadorian President Rafael Correa took the podium in Miller Theatre on Friday to address freedom of speech issues in his country, calling privately-owned media a power “with no democratic legitimacy.”

Correa addressed a nearly full auditorium about private ownership of media outlets and his lawsuit against Ecuadorian newspaper El Universo, which he admitted was a “hot topic.”

This year, Correa successfully sued El Universo writers and editors for publishing an editorial criticizing him, claiming defamatory libel. The suit resulted in \$40 million in fines and three-year prison sentences for four of the newspaper’s employees. Though they lost a first appeal this week, lawyers for El Universo have said they will continue to appeal the decision, according to recent reports.

University President Lee Bollinger praised Correa for bringing stability to Ecuador and reducing inequality but criticized him for repressing the country’s media.

Correa began his address with a shot back at Bollinger.

“I am afraid to tell you that you are wrong,” Correa said. “Perhaps you read Ecuadorian newspapers.”

Correa went on to defend his lawsuit against El Universo and said that privately-owned Ecuadorian media had lied about the suit. The real debate, Correa said, was whether media organizations should participate in politics. He argued that privately-owned media undermine the foundations of democratic government.

“They are a power without a counter-power, with no democratic legitimacy, that are handling something as essential as information,” Correa said. “This is very dangerous.”

Correa defended laws that allow Ecuadorian citizens to be imprisoned for slander and said that international statutes protect people’s rights to defend their reputations. He also emphasized

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## SEAS students to go coast-to-coast via solar-powered car

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Garrett Fitzgerald and Rob van Haaren always wanted to take a cross-country road trip together to celebrate the



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**POWER OF THE SUN** | SEAS doctoral student Rob van Haaren with a solar panel in his office on the ninth floor of Mudd.



LUCY SUAREZ FOR SPECTATOR

**SPEECH** | Rafael Correa addresses the audience at a World Leaders Forum event in Low Rotunda.

## Jordanian king talks Arab Spring, Israel

BY LAURA ALLEN  
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The king of Jordan, one of Israel’s last allies in the Middle East, expressed optimism about the Arab Spring but added that it likely carries negative consequences for his neighbor to the west during a speech in Low Library on Friday.

King Abdullah II bin-al Hussein spoke at Columbia as part of the World Leaders Forum. He didn’t offer many details on the Arab Spring but said it “brings opportunity for real reform.”

“Peace will be ours to witness,” he said. “The Arab Spring is not about a better future. It is about a better today.”

He also expressed his view that the demand for change will lead to more freedoms in Jordan, especially for women and those affected by the country’s weakened economy.

Victor Casanova Abos, a second-year SIPA student whose

studies focus on the Middle East, said he did not think the king should be so certain about how the Arab Spring will impact Jordan.

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—*Asma Abu-Dahab, School of Social Work student*

“The political reform is being negotiated in the parliament still,” Casanova said, referring to changes to the Jordanian constitution still being debated in the parliament. “So I think he made very, very strong statements

because there is not a real outcome yet.”

Jordan is the only Arab country besides Egypt that currently holds peaceful relations with Israel. Abullah said during the question-and-answer session following his speech that Egypt’s internal struggles—its transitioning government following the Arab Spring—increase the difficulty of working with Israel during Palestine’s current bid for statehood.

“We are going to miss Egypt on the world stage. We need Egypt to solve their problems and come out as strongly as possible,” he said.

He added that the unrest in Egypt isn’t a good thing for Israel, especially, he said, as the state continues to ignore the relationship between the Arab Spring and Palestinian-Israeli conflicts.

“A final solution is long overdue,” he said.

The king added that the

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## CU backpedals on fringe benefits cuts

Full tuition for children restored, retirement is TBD

BY AMBER TUNNELL  
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In response to backlash from faculty and staff, the University has made significant changes to the employee benefits cuts it announced in April.

Columbia will continue to pay 100 percent of the tuition for officers’ children attending the university and roughly 50 percent for children at other colleges. Additionally, employees will also have the option of choosing an “80 percent” health care plan to replace the more costly 90 and 100 percent plans, which are being phased out.

Employees still have some concerns, including more costly health care plans and cuts that will make it more difficult for staff to pursue degrees and take classes at Columbia. Cuts to retirement benefits have not yet been finalized.

But overall, faculty members said they are happy with the concessions made by the University. Philosophy professor Christia Mercer, the chair of Literature Humanities, called the

changes critical for both faculty and students.

“The recommended changes in April were a disaster. Columbia would have become a second-rate university,” Mercer said. “The health and the retirement cuts were simply unacceptable.”

The recommendations released last semester were meant to eliminate the \$25 to \$35 million yearly deficit in the University’s “fringe pool,” to which departments and schools contribute, and which pays for officers’ benefits. But after many faculty members responded to the cuts with outrage—especially members of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, who tend to have lower salaries than faculty at the University’s professional schools—administrators backpedaled.

The Policy and Planning Committee—the group of nine faculty members chosen to represent the interests of the Arts and Sciences—has worked to moderate the fringe benefits cuts, meeting with University President Lee Bollinger on the topic. Italian

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KEVIN ROARK FOR SPECTATOR

**A FAMILIAR ROUTE** | Members of St. Mary’s and the Coalition to Preserve Community march to campus from 125th Street.

## Residents, some students march for Columbia follow-up on jobs

BY EMILY NEIL  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

With brightly colored signs, tambourines, and drumbeats, members of the Harlem community and a few Columbia students joined in a Day of Unity demonstration, calling on the University to provide more jobs for local residents, as the expansion into Manhattanville proceeds.

Shirrell Patterson, a member of St. Mary’s Episcopal Church which organized the protest, said that the demonstration, one of many in the last several years, was “about Columbia, and people finding jobs, and how there aren’t any jobs,” adding that she wants students to know that “Columbia is taking over this whole community.”

“Our stores we used to shop in years ago, Columbia’s bought them all out,” Patterson said.

About 15 people marched in a circle, yelling chants such as, “Jobs yes, racism no, unemployment’s got to go,” “Harlem is not for sale,” and “Columbia U is a big fat phony” outside the Columbia University Employment Information Center, at 125th and Broadway. Then they headed up to campus and ended the march gathered around the front door of University President Lee Bollinger’s house—a familiar route for members of St. Mary’s and the Coalition to Preserve Community, a local

group openly opposed to the Manhattanville expansion.

Yoni Golijov, CC ’12 and a student involved in the demonstration, said job creation is a universal concern.

“We’re uniting students and workers and the community about jobs, because that’s really affecting everyone right now,” he said. “Nationally there’s 25 million people unemployed, and a lot of that you can see here in Harlem right now. Columbia expanded into Harlem and said that they would be providing 6,000 jobs. Obviously not all of them are for the Harlem community. They used that as misinformation—you would need a college degree for many of those jobs... but at least 2,000 is what we’re looking for,” he added.

The University has said that 6,000 new jobs would be created, with around 3,300 for people starting out in the workforce. In a recent Manhattanville update, the University has said that current employment opportunities are limited as the project is in it’s beginning phases.

Jim White, a volunteer at St. Mary’s and a member of the Coalition to Preserve Community, emphasized the call for unity between Columbia and Harlem that he felt was at the center of the demonstration.

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#### Lost we are not

Our generation is much stronger in times of economic recession than the news gives us credit for.

#### Bonding at NSOP is a flop

Running into the “friend” you made during NSOP is a close encounter of the awkward kind.



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#### Mistakes costly against Albany

The Columbia football team struggled at both ends of the field in a 44-21 defeat to in-state rivals Albany.

### EVENTS

#### An Evening on the Israeli Economy

Join former Deputy Governor of the Bank of Israel Zvi Eckstein and economics professor Joseph Zeira for a discussion about the financial crisis and the Israeli-Arab conflict.

501 Schermerhorn, 8-10 p.m.

### WEATHER

#### Today



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POWER OF THE SUN | Rob van Haaren with a solar panel in his office on the ninth floor of Mudd.

## SEAS looks to increase programs on solar energy

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course “Photovoltaic Systems Engineering and Sustainability,” and it is already popular among SEAS undergraduates.

“Given the students’ keen interest in renewable energy, solar market growth, and the national and global need for clean energy, it is prudent that we should not only encourage our students, but grow the department in this area,” Fthenakis said.

Fthenakis said he also believes that offering a master’s degree in renewable energy would serve student interest well.

From the days when van Haaren and Fitzgerald talked about sustainability at parties to the final stages of preparations

for what they are calling Solar Journey USA, the two have been extremely committed to sustainable development.

“When they see our project they might think, ‘Oh, solar is pretty cool, and it’s getting closer,’” van Haaren said. “They might trade in their big pickup truck for an electric car.”

Even van Haaren’s backpack is an indication that solar energy is “getting closer.” It is equipped with a mini-solar panel that powers a battery which charges his cell phone and iPod.

“We’re running this sustainability race right now,” van Haaren said, “moving from fossil fuel power, the electricity generation, to something cleaner.”

Fthenakis said he applauds

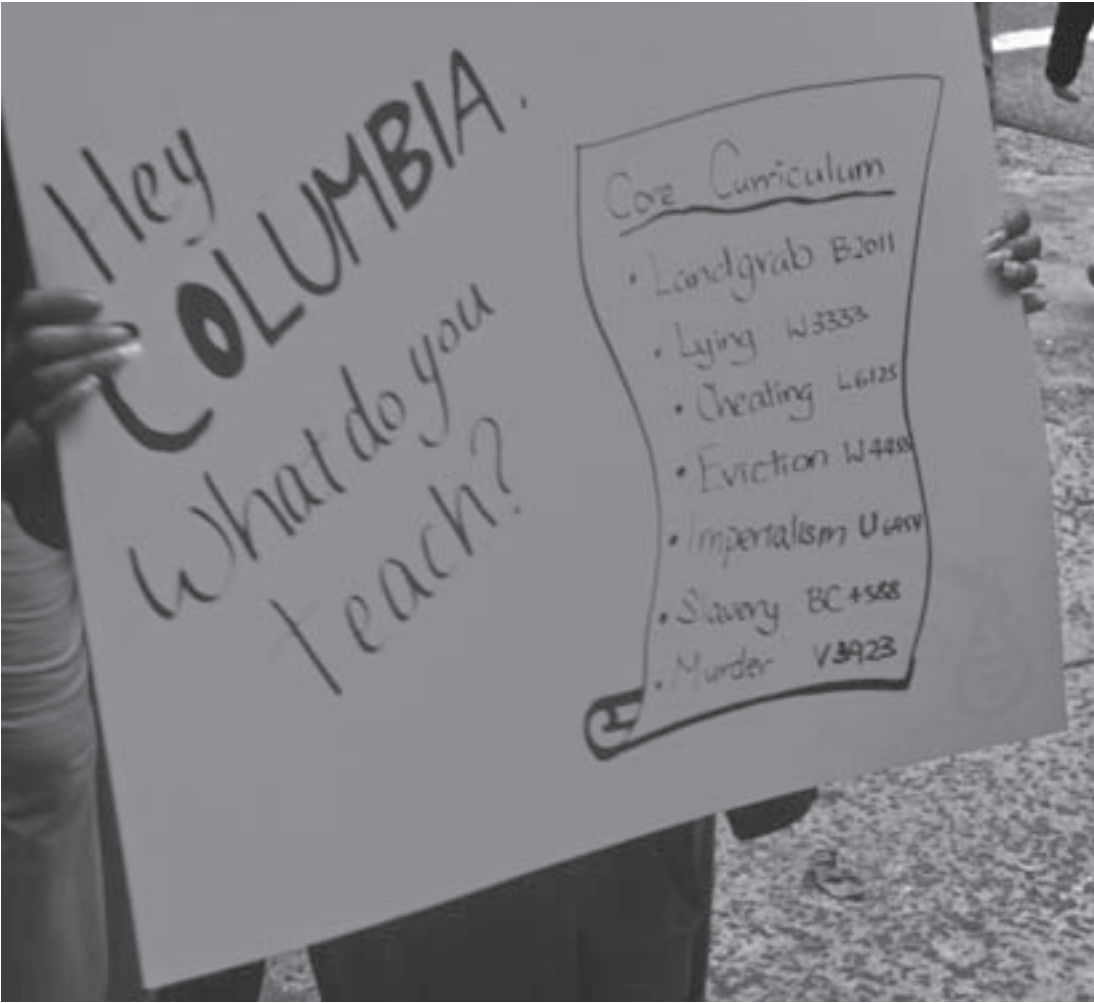
his students for their ingenuity.

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—Rob van Haaren, SEAS doctoral student

“They are the young ambassadors of our school and the country,” Fthenakis said.

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TWO STORIES | Some community members allege Columbia hasn’t done enough to reach the public.

## Some residents still upset about Manhattanville

### PROTESTS from front page

“We want to reach out to the Columbia community. We want to be friends,” he said, adding that the community is “angry” at the current lack of cooperation from the University in providing employment opportunities to Harlem residents.

The University has consistently refuted this claim, saying last spring that the center has hired over 900 local residents since opening and that it has awarded 68 percent of the project area’s construction to firms owned by minorities and women or to locally-owned firms.

Bystanders who watched the group cross College Walk had varying responses.

“It’s catchy,” Sharon Guan, BC ’12, said as she stood on Low Steps, watching the protesters pass by.

Kate Hampton, a graduate student in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, had mixed

feelings.

“There’s probably something to the claims of Harlem’s gentrification, and Columbia not offering a lot,” Hampton said.

“It’s hard not to get emotionally involved, and be an objective participator.”

—Grace Hatamyar, BC ’12, writing senior thesis on Manhattanville

“Columbia shouldn’t retract efforts to spread business into Harlem, but should try to find a compromise. Columbia does a lot to help. People are quick

to forget the good [Columbia] has brought,” she added.

The University has taken measures to reach out to the community, including a recent community gardening service day at a local senior center.

Grace Hatamyar, BC ’12, is an urban studies major with a sustainable development concentration who attended the protest to meet community members and learn about the issues for her thesis, which is about the Manhattanville expansion and its effects on employment and housing in the community.

“It’s hard not to get emotionally involved, and be an objective participator,” Hatamyar said, adding that she feels invested as a community resident as well, since she lives on 122nd Street.

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## Faculty, staff to get slimmer health plans

### BENEFITS from front page

professor Teodolinda Barolini, a PPC member and chair emeritus, said that Bollinger “reacted in a way that I’m extremely impressed by.”

Mercer, who is not a member of the PPC, said PPC members worked hard to come up with “a realistic and practical way of responding to the original package.”

“Columbia students are not going to be well-educated unless we have top faculty,” Mercer said.

### TUITION ADJUSTMENTS

After many faculty members objected to a reduction in tuition benefits for children of employees, the University decided to continue offering those benefits at the same level.

Columbia plans to cover 100 percent of the undergraduate degree tuition at Columbia or Barnard for up to eight terms for the children of newly-hired full-time officers. In April, the task force on fringe benefits—a 27-member body made up of faculty and administrators—had recommended reducing this benefit to 80 percent for current employees, while grandfathering the 100 percent benefits for new hires.

For children of employees attending college elsewhere, Columbia will continue to cover either 50 percent of that school’s tuition or 50 percent of the Columbia College tuition, whichever is less. The task force had recommended reducing this benefit to 40 percent for new hires.

But in a change that remains from the April recommendations, new hires will have to work at Columbia for four years before becoming eligible for the child tuition benefits.

“We understood there would have to be some trade-offs,” Barolini said.

Employees were notified of the modifications to the tuition cuts in late June.

Barolini said that overall, Columbia did a great job of restoring these original benefits but added that there are some others that she would still like to see restored.

For instance, Barolini noted, employees who were not seeking degrees could previously take one free course per term—in other words, up to three courses per year. But with the cuts, they will be limited to one course per year.

The benefit cuts for degree-seeking employees have drawn even more criticism. Under the new policy, officers admitted to a degree program that starts after this term will be limited to one free course per term. Previously, professors and research officers were eligible for one course per term, and all other officers were eligible for up to 15 credits per term.

Additionally, new hires will need to wait two years before becoming eligible for these benefits.

Lani Muller, CC ’93 and the academic administrator for the Italian department, said that this change will be particularly problematic for her. Muller has taken Hungarian and Russian language classes at Columbia but she will now be limited to one class per year, as opposed to one per term, as an officer not seeking a degree. Muller took beginning Russian last year but will now have to wait several terms before she can resume her studies because she cannot afford \$8,000 for a 6-credit Russian course. This wait will make it harder for her to learn the language, she said.

“I understand the idea of needing to cut funds, but it needs to be done with more sense and sensitivity,” Muller said.

Muller added that the cuts are unduly penalizing people without families, who will not take advantage of the restored

child-related tuition benefits.

Daniel Savin, chair of the University Senate’s Research Officers’ Committee, echoed Muller’s concerns, saying that the cuts will make it much harder for degree-seeking employees to obtain their degrees and for non-degree-seeking employees to learn subjects that require continuity.

Because of these concerns, Savin said, research officers would prefer degree-seeking students to be allowed two courses per term, and non-degree-seeking students one per term.

Savin questioned the rationale behind the University’s decision to limit classes taken by employees because they should come at no extra cost—the University already offers the courses the officers wish to take. He added that these changes could decrease the University’s ability to hire highly-motivated people who would like to take courses while working.

“We have no understanding for the logic of their decision,” Savin said.

But changes could still be made. In an email sent in June, the University said it is still reviewing whether or not to allow employees seeking degrees to enroll for free in two classes that need to be taken concurrently. Interim Provost John Coatsworth said that a final decision on benefits for degree-seeking employees will be released in a few weeks.

### TWO PLANS OUT, TWO PLANS IN

Administrators have also finalized changes to employee health insurance benefits. Columbia has decided to introduce two new health plans and phase out its two current plans for non-unionized employees.

Coatsworth told Spectator that over the next three to five years, Columbia will work to move employees off of the Point of Service 90 and POS 100 plans, which are very expensive for the University to maintain. Under these plans, the University pays 90 percent and 100 percent of health care costs, respectively, up to an out-of-pocket maximum.

But in a few years, these plans will become subject to a federal “Cadillac tax” created by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, the health care reform legislation signed into law last year. Monthly contributions for employees enrolled in these plans will start to rise, which Coatsworth said should encourage employee to switch to the new plans.

“Eventually, people will have to move out of them anyway, so we want to do it over time,” Coatsworth said. “But we want to offer these alternatives as rapidly as we can put them together.”

As announced in April, the University will begin offering a new High Deductible Plan paired with a Health Savings Account. But administrators announced earlier this month that the University will also start offering a POS 80 plan. This new plan will require a lower monthly contribution than the POS 90 and POS 100 plans, and coinsurance—the amount the plan pays—will be 80 percent for non-routine and preventive care office visits.

Out of these four plans, the POS 100 will have the highest premiums, the POS 90 will have the second highest, and the POS 80 will have the third highest. The HDHP’s premium will be the lowest, but it will have higher deductibles than employees are used to, Coatsworth said, as will the POS 80 plan.

It’s unclear so far how much each plan will cost—the University will release figures later this month, according to an email sent to employees just over two weeks ago. But Coatsworth noted that the University was

able to moderate the monthly contribution increases for the POS 90 and 100 plans.

“What we discovered during the course of the year was that medical costs were rising more slowly than we had anticipated, and we found other places in the budget where there were savings that we could use to mitigate the problem of the debt overhang,” Coatsworth said.

“What Columbia employees will face this fall in terms of medical premiums will be rates of increase that they will find more or less consistent with rates of increase in medical premium costs in the next few years,” he added. “Nothing extraordinary.”

Savin, though, said research officers are still concerned because they don’t have all the details of the new plans yet.

“We are concerned that they will be dramatically reduced,” he said.

Several professors said they could not yet comment on the health insurance changes because the costs have not yet been announced. But Barolini said the University is moving in the right direction. She noted that faculty had received a questionnaire about health insurance, saying she hoped the final changes would reflect faculty sentiments.

“People said they would rather pay more up front, and have more protections,” Barolini said.

### RETIREMENT CHANGES STILL A CONCERN

Finalized changes to the retirement savings plans have yet to be announced. According to College of Physicians and Surgeons professor Jessica Kandel, a member of the fringe benefits task force who is working on the retirement benefits, this is due to complexities in retirement planning that required more work after the task force finished the other projects.

Retirement benefits have been grandfathered, meaning that changes will only affect employees hired after they take effect. Coatsworth said that Columbia is working with an outside consultant to make sure its new plans conform to strict federal standards.

“Each time we’ve come up with a scheme, it’s turned out that we can’t do it that way, so we have to figure out another way to do it,” Coatsworth said. “So that’s a technical delay, more than anything else.”

Any changes to the retirement plans will not take effect until the 2012-2013 academic year, according to the email sent from the co-chairs of the task force in June. Coatsworth said he hopes the changes will be finalized this semester.

Barolini said retirement is an issue that the PPC remains concerned about, stating that it is a “matter of tremendous importance to this community.”

One of the main concerns for professors near retirement is their ability to retain their Columbia-provided New York City apartments after they retire. Faculty members are currently expected to leave their Columbia apartments three years after they retire, making some more likely to postpone retirement in order to maintain their housing.

Barolini said this issue of housing needs to be looked at with the retirement benefits by the task force. Coatsworth said he will soon appoint a committee to examine all retirement-related issues.

“We want to make sure that our tenured faculty feel comfortable retiring at the age that they’d like to retire,” Coatsworth said.

Sammy Roth contributed reporting.

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	FRINGE BENEFITS		
	BEFORE APRIL	APRIL RECOMMENDATIONS	CURRENT
Columbia or Barnard tuition for children of full-time officers	100 percent tuition covered	80 percent for new hires with grandfather clause for current officers	Return to 100 percent coverage, but with a four-year waiting period for new hires
Free courses for degree-seeking staff and administrators	Up to 15 credits per term	One free course per term, and new hires must wait two years to be eligible	Awaiting decision from administrators
Health insurance plans	Columbia covers 90 percent or 100 percent of costs	High-deductible health plan coupled with health savings account	Choice of high-deductible health plan or POS 80, in which university covers 80 percent of costs

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# USenate to host town hall on smoking ban

BY SAMMY ROTH  
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If you thought the University Senate was finished holding town halls, think again.

At its first full meeting of the semester on Friday, the senate discussed course evaluations, pay equity, and construction problems with the Northwest Corner Building. But much of the meeting was taken up by debate on a resolution to ban smoking on the Morningside Heights campus. On that issue, the senate plans to host a town hall in early October for students and faculty to express their views, similar to the three town halls held last semester to debate inviting the Reserve Officers' Training Corps back to Columbia.

In December, the senate voted to prohibit smoking within 20 feet of buildings on the Morningside campus. On Friday, Business School senator Mark Cohen introduced a resolution to move to a full ban, citing the health risks posed by secondhand smoke and the administration's apparent lack of success in enforcing the 20-foot rule.

"As a governing body at Columbia, it is imperative that we have the courage and strength of conviction to take an important and leading role on issues such as this without compromise or regard for popularity, or lack thereof," Cohen said.

Some senators expressed support for Cohen's resolution, which will probably be voted on at the senate's October 14 plenary, after the town hall. But others were staunchly opposed to the resolution, including Ron Mazor, CC '09 and Law '12, who said that it wouldn't be effective.

"There's drinking in dorms, there's smoking in dorms, what have you. It's actually prohibited by law. ... It doesn't stop people from doing it," Mazor said. "Personal behavior is not curable by passing laws."

Law School professor Philip Genty said he was "appalled" by Cohen's resolution. He argued that the senate should wait to see if the current policy works.

"I have no doubt that there will be a certain number of people for whom this is something of a crusade, who will not stop until they're able to impose their wishes on the entire community," Genty said.

Genty also called the issue

of the smoking ban "a moral issue disguised as a public health issue," a point echoed by Emily Ross, a student senator from SIPA. Ross asked Cohen if he would institute a tax on sugary drinks on campus.

Others voiced strong support for the proposed ban, including Vice President for Information Services Jim Neal, who said the current policy has been routinely ignored. Neal, who has an office in Butler library, said he has to walk through a "wall of smoke" to get to work every morning.

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—Ron Mazor,  
*Law School Senator*

"When I come in to work, there are literally thousands of cigarette butts on the ground. Yes, it's my responsibility as a member of this community to ask those people to move away from the entrances to the library," Neal said. "They tell me where they're going to put their cigarette butts, rather than move away."

Andrew Payne, a student senator from the School of the Arts, expressed a nuanced view, saying that Columbia can discourage smoking without instituting a full ban.

"We as university leaders, can say, 'You're going to die of cigarette smoke,'" he said. "'You're going to die, it's horrible.'"

Payne also compared the smoking ban to laws against marijuana consumption, saying Columbia should not "take the role of the state and be so draconian" by banning smoking.

"I like to smoke marijuana," Payne said during the plenary.

"Right now, I am unable to by federal and state law. Because of the draconian drug laws that we have in this country, it has led to a trillion-dollar prison industry, which consequences I believe many of our colleagues here can speak unlimited amounts of knowledge about the dangers of that industry."

University President Lee Bollinger left the plenary early to introduce Ecuadorian President Rafael Correa at the World Leaders Forum, but not before endorsing a push by some student senators to make end-of-semester course evaluations public.

"My own particular belief is they ought to be available to students," Bollinger said. "But this is a matter of debate, controversy. People have other views. It's not something that I can or should decide on my own."

The meeting also featured two end-of-year committee reports left over from last semester. Campus Planning and Physical Development Committee chair and chemistry professor Ronald Breslow presented his committee's report, during which he discussed flaws in the construction of the Northwest Corner Building. He described fume hoods in chemistry labs that were built with faucets, but without sinks or drains.

"Columbia should look very carefully before continuing to employ the people who did the interior plan on this operation," Breslow said.

Research officer Daniel Savin, chair of the Research Officers Committee, said research officers are disappointed by recent cuts to the University's tuition benefits for employees. He also criticized administrators for not taking action in response to a May 2010 report from the provost's office which showed widespread pay inequality at Columbia, both between men and women and between different racial groups.

"It's a little embarrassing that they've had it for a year and a half but done nothing," Savin said.

Senators also voted Friday to approve 25 new certificate programs for Mailman School of Public Health students pursuing masters of public health. The vote was nearly unanimous—no one voted no, but two senators abstained.

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ROYALTY IN LOW | Jordan's king takes the stage at Columbia's World Leaders Forum on Friday.

## Jordanian king optimistic about Arab Spring

JORDAN from front page

Israeli people want change but their political system does not allow for that.

"The more they kick this down the road, the more problems they create," he said.

Amandine Bressand, BC '12, said she was happy that he addressed the issue of the Palestinian bid for statehood but

wanted to hear a more nuanced perspective on the series of anti-establishment uprisings that transformed the region in 2011.

"He did remain pretty general as to what the Arab Spring was embodying," Bressand said.

She added that she would have liked Abdullah to go into more detail on "the dirty business of what's going on now," referring to recent protests in Jordan.

Asma Abu-Dahab, a Jordanian Arab in her first year at the School of Social Work, said she wanted to ask the king what the biggest obstacle facing reform in Jordan is, but there was not enough time.

"I liked when he mentioned that Israel needs a Spring or a reform but I wish he talked more about Jordan," Abu-Dahab said.

## Ecuadorian pres. defends jail time for journalists

ECUADOR from front page

the need for a distinction between rule of law and "rule of opinion," which he said privately-owned Ecuadorian media wanted to enforce.

A question-and-answer session following the speech became heated after only a few questions. Correa repeatedly interrupted a representative from the Committee to Protect Journalists who asked about the El Universo

lawsuit and called the representative a "liar."

Verónica Ucrós, 28, a student at the School of Continuing Education, said that the exchange reminded her of the "typical behavior of Latin American dictator wannabes" like Álvaro Uribe, Colombia's former president.

"All these restrictions are not warranted," Ucrós said. "Maybe the journalist committed an ethical fault, but three years jail is not a fair judicial decision."

Farsai Chaikulngamdee, SEAS '14, said she thought a number of Correa's arguments were interesting but wasn't sure if she bought them completely.

"He talked about how he wants to present the truth, but if it's just his opinion, it's propaganda," Chaikulngamdee said. "Because he was such a good speaker, it was easy to be persuaded, but you have to question his opinions as well."

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## SEPT. & OCT.

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### 09/26

**THE ARGUMENT**  
4 PM

Minor Latham Playhouse, 118 Milbank Hall

### 09/27

**TRANSLATING IRÈNE NÉMIROVSKY**  
7 PM

Event Oval, The Diana Center

### 09/29

**PSYCHOANALYSIS & OUR TIME**  
7 PM

Julius Held Auditorium, 304 Barnard Hall

### 10/03

**JULIA WARD HOWE'S HIPPOLYTUS REMAKING GREEK TRAGEDY FOR NINETEENTH-CENTURY AMERICA**  
NOON

BCRW, 101 Barnard Hall

### 10/04

**WHY I WRITE**  
7 PM

Event Oval, The Diana Center

### 10/06

**THE TRANSATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE & ITS EFFECT ON THE IGBO & YORUBA CULTURES**  
6 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

### 10/11

**"SEX" IS NOT A MECHANISM: Making "Sex-Specific Medicine" More Scientific**  
6:30 PM

James Room, 4th Floor Barnard Hall

**EILÉAN NÍ CHUILLEANÁIN, DEBORAH LANDAU & LAURA NEWBERN**  
7 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

### 10/12

**ENTHUSIASM & CRITIQUE**  
7 PM

Event Oval, The Diana Center

**POWER TALKS WITH LLOYD BLANKFEIN**  
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# Shallow encounters

BY JOSH FATTAL

Yesterday I bumped into an old friend. I walked over to him, eager to talk, to reminisce—but it was awkward, and silent. I was confused at first, a smile still on my face. But now I so passionately remember why we had no enthusiasm to speak. We were NSOP buddies, and it had ended before it could have even begun.

NSOP, 2011. Group 100. That's me. I find my Orientation Leader, standing leisurely at the head of the circle, with freshmen just like me sitting around him. I sit down, and turn to my left. I see a girl, looking just as confused and uncomfortable as I do. And so I begin. "What's your name?" I think I heard it. "Where are you from?" I feel my BlackBerry vibrating. One new BBM. "What classes do you plan on taking?" I hear a list. I think I've heard of one of them. Lit Hum. I'm in that too. Wait—what was her name again?

You and I are equally guilty of this non-crime. The act of systematically making new friends through the useful medium of small talk is something we are very familiar with. We've been doing it all our lives, of course. But this daily discourse, this unexciting routine, matters deeply to us freshmen emerging from a long week at NSOP. We've become masters of "What's your name?" "Where are you from?" and "What classes do you plan on taking?" We're all experts on The Three Questions. But it's this shallow medium of meeting new faces that has only hindered our social circles from growing. If Columbia is to truly give its undergraduates a feeling of living "under one roof", the constancy of The Three Questions needs to be replaced with real, natural social interaction. We have to start seeing the people we meet for who they really are.

NSOP was our week of first impressions—but our first words were not quite so poignant. We sat with our orientation groups in a circle performing the small talk routine, first with the questions, then with an icebreaker, then with a long round of A Warm Wind Blows. I remember playing the game. But I don't remember the players.

## NSOP needs to shed its formality, and begin to build friendships.

As we sit in our group, staring blankly at each other, the environs of Columbia fill our vision. And the names look down at us—Plato, Aristotle. The work we're going to set out to do. Now, though, our work is to make friends. Yet I can't escape the realization that what I'm doing isn't achieving that. The icebreakers won't let us even try. They never seem to lift off from the most basic questions we are used to asking strangers. They touch on similar interests, pet peeves, and idiosyncrasies. But this isn't supposed to be some cheap memory game—NSOP icebreakers need a face-lift. In all the time we've spent breaking the ice, how do we still not know anybody else's values? How is it that we don't know whom we want to be friends with? It follows, then, that we haven't made many friends.

Fresh out of NSOP, my innocent Columbia mind is brewing with an idea. We thrive on small talk where brief, innocuous encounters characterize our day. But what defines those encounters? Banter about things that don't mean anything to us? Even your name, your unique name, is to me one of millions. I can't associate it with you yet because I don't know you. So let's change the dialogue. Let's change the routine. I don't want to know where the wind blows. I want to learn our histories together. NSOP needs to shed its formality, and begin to build friendships. We need roundtable discussions of our different cultures, heritages, and intended legacies. Our different motivations and skills. We need to attend concerts, plays, and movies, and bond through common passions. We need to talk, not ask. And in return, we should expect stories, not one-word answers. Get rid of The Three Questions. Maybe then we can all stop feeling so alone.

The author is a Columbia College first-year.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I have just read your September 21 report on the Town Hall sponsored by Spec and the College Student Council and I must thank you for both the event and the reportage. This is the best thing that has happened since the regrettable resignation of Dean Moody-Adams. No doubt there are valid reasons for respecting confidentiality in the Dean's personal case, but since there has been so little transparency in the central administration's handling of developments relating to the College, it is reassuring that your Town Hall Meeting brought out, perhaps not the largest possible audience, but speakers representing the College and University Senate and the Governing Board itself, as well as other students, and of course Dean Valentini. I don't know Dean Valentini personally, but I was impressed by his openness, forthrightness, and enthusiasm for dealing vigorously with the needs of the College, especially the Core.

Much more needs to be done to enlist senior faculty in the teaching of the Core, and in helping to train graduate students and junior faculty to overcome their inhibitions as specialists when facing the broad demands the Core makes in preparing students for world citizenship.

I hope Spec and the College Student Council will extend this excellent Town Hall into a regular series, perhaps twice a semester, with a growing number of issues and participants. From what I know of President Bollinger and Vice-President Dirks I believe they would gladly join in this open forum. The same could be said, I think, of the more than 30 members of The Society of Senior Scholars, professors emeriti who continue volunteer teaching in the Core and who could help balance the increasing number of younger teachers, who could benefit from the mature experience of the Seniors.

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### Correction

"Haitian President skips WLF; Wyclef Jean makes surprise appearance," a news brief that appeared in the Sept. 23 edition of the paper, incorrectly stated that Haitian Prime Minister-designate Garry Conille filled in for Haitian President Michel Martelly at the World Leaders Forum. Haitian Foreign Minister-designate Daniel Supplice spoke in Martelly's place.

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# If ours is a lost generation

Every now and again, an article comes out that reports that some study has decided that our generation really is just that bad. This past Thursday, for example, "The Atlantic Wire" ran a piece under the title, "More Signs that American Youth Are a Lost Generation." The sign is actually freshly released census data announcing that the unemployment rate for "young people" is the highest it has been since World War II. Only 55 percent of Americans aged 16 to 29 have jobs, and the number of Americans between the ages of 25 and 34 living with their parents increased by 25 percent during the recession. It isn't the data itself, though, that has signaled that ours is a Lost Generation, but Harvard University economist Richard Freeman, who announced that, "These people will be scarred, and they will be called the 'lost generation'—in that their careers would not be the same way if we had avoided this economic disaster." On Friday, having read Richard Freeman's inspirational proclamation to a nation, I went to the Fall Career Fair. In the interest of full disclosure, I went because I wanted to write this column criticizing the disproportionate representation of consulting and finance firms in attendance (to be fair, there was more variety in the field than I expected). But it turns out that the employed folk behind the tables were not the most compelling people there.

"The Atlantic Wire" points out that there have been multiple Lost Generations. Gertrude Stein first uttered the phrase in reference to the young men who came of age in Europe during the First World War. More recently, though, it has referred to the youth of Japan in the 1990s, which, crippled by Japan's 10-year recession, withdrew further and further from society. Apparently, "the new census data reads like a warning sign that American youth are increasingly challenged by listlessness, and it will likely lead to future consequences."

I would like to write, "If this is true, nobody told the young people in attendance at Friday's Career Fair!" But somebody did tell the young people in attendance at



EMILY  
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## Back to the Future

Friday's Career Fair. The author of this article told them. Harvard economist Freeman told them. Countless writers for countless newspapers and magazines have written countless words for the express purpose of telling them. They watch the news. They read the blogs. They know that they are considered a Lost Generation by the generation that bears responsibility for the state of the economy. And they still put on their suits and hand out their résumés. What else are they supposed to do?

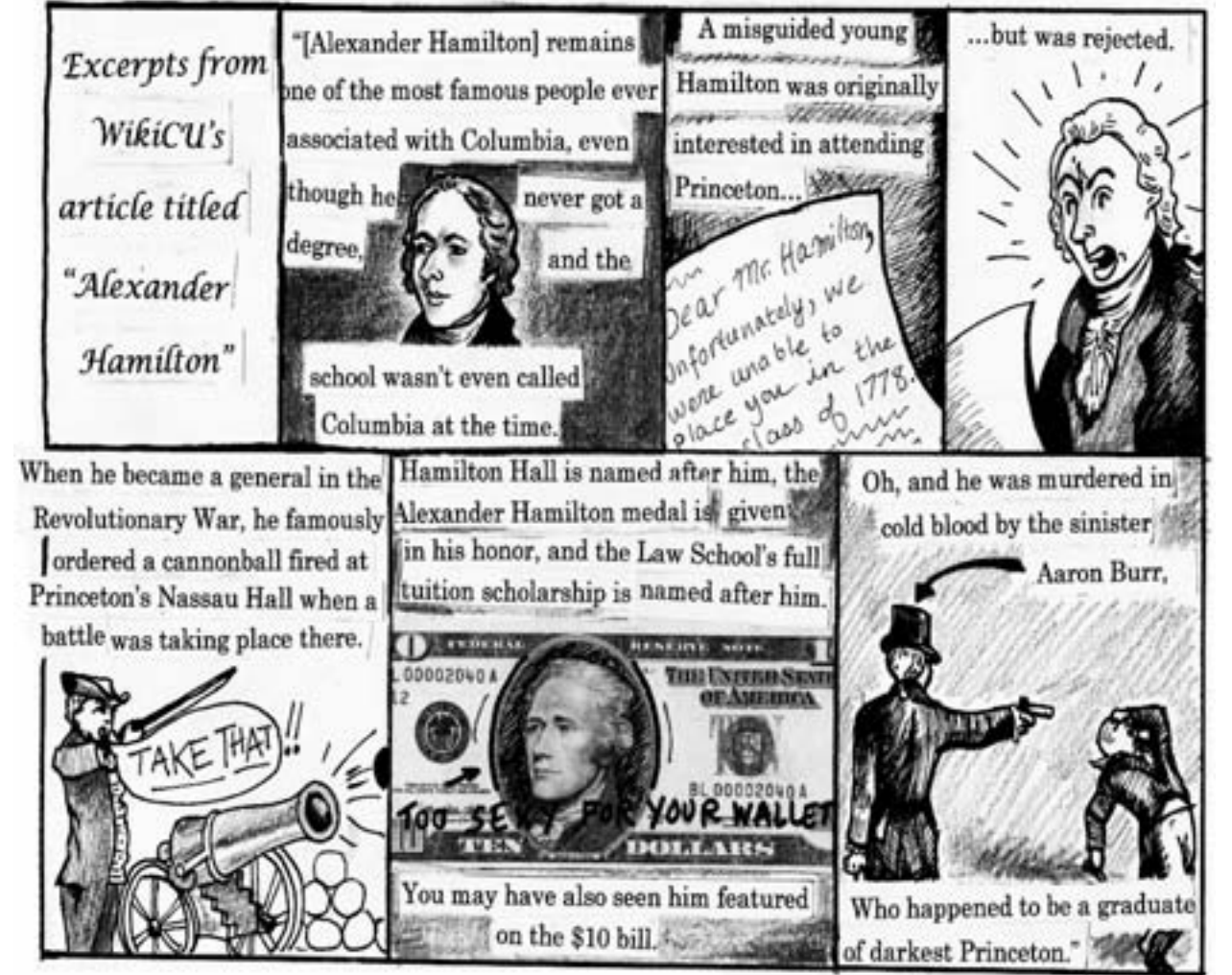
This is not to say that the Career Fair is our generation's salvation. I actually left the Career Fair feeling sad, disingenuous, uncomfortable being around so many dress pants at one time, and still unsure of what consulting actually is. Nor is it to say that those in attendance at the Career Fair are the saviors of our generation. I know plenty of driven, determined people who decided not to go, not because they don't want jobs, but because they did not think they would find them on Friday afternoon in Roone Arledge Auditorium. It is not to say anything but this: Calling ours a Lost Generation isn't helping anyone find anything.

## Going to one Career Fair—or even several—does not direction make.

If, as Freeman has decided, we will be scarred, we will wear those scars. Those of us who have children (yes, "Atlantic Wire," I know that child-bearing is happening later and later in life) will tell them what this period was for our country. We will try to avoid the mistakes of preceding generations. And it will take time. And going to one Career Fair—or even several—does not direction make. But we will not stay lost forever. We will try to find our way.

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# Rhodes’ selection criteria different from skills needed

SPENER from back page

criterion indicating that its spirit is very much alive. In fact, of the 10 Ivy League Rhodes Scholars last year, eight were involved in athletic or outdoor activities ranging from varsity basketball, to taekwondo, to ski and snowboard racing—the last being the athletic pastime of Raphael Graybill of Columbia (who also won the Marshall Scholarship—which doesn’t look for any athletic prowess in the selection process). We see that applicants need not be varsity athletes playing prominent sports but certainly must acknowledge how integral sports must be to the selection process. There is a section of the Rhodes Scholarship webpage that discusses the importance of sports. It reads that committees “look for evidence of energy and vigor, which sports—or other activities—can provide” and goes on to say that sports neither qualify nor disqualify applicants but are certainly important.

I surely agree that athleticism is a desirable quality in what we might describe as the “complete” person, but “success in sports” as a criterion for the Rhodes is a bit strange when related to the practical nature of the scholarship. Rhodes Scholars can undertake a range of degree programs at Oxford, many of which are taught under the tutorial system while others are more research-focused and involve little classroom time. Of course, students could engage in extracurricular activities, including sports, at Oxford, but the information from the Rhodes Trust stresses that academic study is the primary purpose of the scholarship and those students who are not serious about postgraduate education need not apply. My point is that there is a disparity between the criteria for selection and the skills needed to excel at Oxford. The spirit of the selection criteria appears to be that the scholars should be civically minded and well-rounded so as to change the world for the better. I agree with this logic but think that individual study at Oxford might not be the best fit for such people. Although I run the risk of entering a larger theoretical discussion, I question whether our future leaders need to be Oxford-educated intellectuals or athletes.

The prestige of the Rhodes Scholarship elevates Mr. Rhodes’ personal belief that athletic achievement plays into future success in the mainstream. We look at Rhodes Scholars like demigods among humans—the award comes with an enormous cachet—and we begin to view their traits and accomplishments as things to be valued in every person. They are undeniably treated as the leaders of tomorrow. I argue that sports do not directly determine whether a person will successfully complete a postgraduate degree at Oxford. Likewise, do our leaders need a postgraduate degree from Oxford? There are three things on the court right now: the criteria, which include the “success in sports” clause, the scholarship, which enables study at Oxford, and the prominence of the Rhodes Scholarship.

I am not sure whether I think there is a problem with the Rhodes system. Mr. Rhodes’ second criterion and the rest of the Rhodes system simply prompted me to reflect on what I—and the rest of society—look for in the best of us. Students that excel in all imaginable areas, especially sports, continue to impress me, and I do think that certain people really can conduct scholarly research, play in the NFL, and hold elected offices in their lifetimes, using their manifold experiences and abilities along the way.

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# In home opener, Light Blue turnovers punished by Albany

TURNOVERS, from front page

to make a play running the ball, and I just didn’t tuck the ball away. That’s just another unforced error I can’t have.”

While Brackett believes that there were a lot of careless mistakes made on the team’s five fumbles (of which only two were lost), Ford believed that his team should receive credit for some of it. That said, he also admitted that very rarely at this level does someone hit so hard that the fumble is a direct result of a tackle.

“Now and then in this game there will be a hellacious hit,” he said. “One that you’ll be watching on film and you’ll say ‘come on in here and look at this hit...the mouthpiece went this



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**OUTDONE** | The Light Blue were guilty of offensive and defensive mistakes on Saturday that were punished by Albany. The team from the capital scored three touchdowns off of three Columbia turnovers in the second half.

# Lions remain winless after defeat by Albany

FOOTBALL, from back page

punt. Albany moved the ball downfield, but much of its progress was contradicted by a penalty for a chop block which led to a fourth-and-16 situation. Albany converted a fake punt with a pass down the middle of the field, deep into Columbia territory. However, one of Albany’s 11 penalties—an illegal procedure—negated the play and Albany’s Paul Layton was forced to punt.

On the ensuing drive, Columbia quarterback, junior Sean Brackett, completed an exquisite pass for 27 yards to senior wide receiver Mike Stephens. The Lions sent Delaney out to punt on fourth down, but they attempted some trickery of their own with a fake punt. Senior Nico Papas bobbled the direct snap and was smothered by the Albany defensive line, resulting in a turnover on downs at the Albany 49-yard line.

Having the benefit of a start from good field position, Albany quarterback Dan Di Lella hit freshman wide receiver Cole King for a 16-yard gain to the Lions’ 27-yard line. A few plays later, Columbia looked to have Albany junior wide receiver Ryan Kirchner wrap up on a pass over the middle but was unable to finish the tackle. Kirchner bounced off three simultaneous tackles and scampered into the end zone for a 25-yard touchdown, putting the Great Danes up 21-7.

Late in the second quarter, Di Lella and Smith helped drive the Great Danes into Columbia territory and set up a Herb Glass field goal with 17 seconds remaining in the half.

After a great return on the squib kick by freshman running back Alec Fisher,

Columbia was looking for a field goal. They came away with an unconventional touchdown. With seven seconds to play, Brackett tossed a Hail Mary into the end zone which was picked off by Albany’s Justin Hassan, but the defensive back immediately fumbled the football. Columbia freshman wide receiver Connor Nelligan emerged from the skirmish with the football in the end zone as time expired. The momentum-turning touchdown cut the Great Danes’ lead to 10 points going into halftime.

The Lions’ defense looked strong, forcing a three-and-out on the opening drive of the third quarter. However, the Lions’ offense fell apart for much of the third quarter, committing turnovers on three consecutive drives.

The momentum that Columbia was building on their first drive of the second half abruptly ended when Albany linebacker Dave Plungas read Brackett’s eyes and made a great interception on the Albany 41-yard line. The Great Danes took advantage of one of the weaknesses the Lions’ defense displayed all afternoon by throwing two quick screens up the sideline for a total of 51 yards. On the fourth play of the drive, Smith continued his great afternoon with a four-yard touchdown run to put Albany up 31-14.

The Lions’ offensive miscues continued on the next drive. With strong pressure up the middle, Brackett seemed to be attempting a pass but was ruled a fumble that Albany defensive end Eddie Delaney recovered on the 10-yard line. Albany immediately capitalized on the mistake with a 10-yard touchdown pass from Smith to Kirchner out of the wildcat formation.

With the game reeling out of control,

Brackett tried to spark the Lions’ offense by scrambling for a first down but ended up fumbling the ball, which was recovered by Albany defensive tackle Zach Morton on the Lions’ 37. Three plays later, Albany threw another sideline screen to tailback Osbourne for a 37-yard touchdown. The score put Albany up 44-14.

While the offense struggled to keep possession, Columbia’s poor tackling, bad angles, and inability to react to the wildcat formation allowed Albany to convert those three turnovers into 21 points.

“Number one is poor angles,” Light Blue defensive back Neil Schuster said of the defense’s struggles. “They ran a lot of bubble screens. You can’t allow guys to cut back. There’s no excuse for that.”

Albany running back Andrew Smith, rushed for 155 yards and two touchdowns.

“We knew he was going to run hard and we just didn’t tackle him,” Columbia sophomore linebacker Zach Olinger said.

The Lions’ offense finally got settled down on a 16-play 99-yard drive in the fourth quarter. Brackett connected with sophomore tight end Hamilton Garner on two important plays, including a 29-yard pass down the sideline. Brackett then connected with senior wide receiver Paul Havas for a one-yard touchdown pass in the corner of the end zone to put the score at 44-21 with less than 10 minutes left in the fourth quarter. However, Albany was content to run down the clock for the rest of the game. The score remained unchanged, giving the Great Danes the win.

Columbia will look to correct its offensive and defensive errors before its game next Saturday at Princeton (0-2).

# Field hockey ends six-year losing streak against Cornell

BY STEVEN LAU  
*Columbia Daily Spectator*

Celebration was in order for the Columbia field hockey team as a six-year losing streak to Cornell came to an end on Saturday. For only the second time in team history, the Lions (3-4) came out on top against the Big Red (3-4) in a 3-1 victory.

“There’s a lot of different story books in the Ivies, and this was one of them,” head coach Marybeth Freeman said. “I was so proud, especially of our senior group that was able to finally get this win.”

The Lions focused on simplistic play, concentrating on possession and ball speed to counter the defensive tactics of Cornell. For the first half, the Light Blue dominated with this game plan, outshooting the Big Red 6-3 and earning five penalty corners.

The game’s first goal came in the 13th

minute, when junior forward Gabby Kozlowski tipped in a penalty corner shot by junior midfielder Paige Simmons.

But the initial lead was short-lived, thanks to the Big Red’s two sophomore forwards. After gaining possession in the Lion’s defensive zone, Brittany Thompson sent a cross inside the circle that Hannah Balleza tipped into the back of the net.

Though the score was tied at the break, a yellow card on Cornell’s freshman back Ann DiPastina at the end of the first half left Columbia with the numbers advantage at the start of the second period.

“We knew that if we stayed the course today, if we continued to work for each other, that we couldn’t be dominated or defeated because we were going to be up numbers,” Freeman said. “At half time the talk was very much of

high energy. If we put one in, we knew another would follow.”

It was only two minutes after the break when senior forward Adriana deVries put in the game-winning goal after a scramble in front of the net.

Down a goal, the Big Red turned up the offense, forcing Columbia senior goalkeeper Christie O’Hara to make seven saves in the second half. Despite pressuring the Lions’ defense, Cornell failed to capitalize, even missing a penalty stroke awarded after an illegal save by a Columbia defender.

Senior back Desi Scherf sealed the victory for the Lions when, off a rebound from her teammate and classmate Maggie O’Connor, she snuck a shot past senior goalie Alex Botte in the 59th minute.

Columbia will look to stay undefeated in the Ivy League when it takes on Princeton on Saturday in N.J.

## MEN’S GOLF

### Light Blue earns second place at Cornell Invitational

The Columbia men’s golf team finished in second place after two days of competition at the Cornell Invitational, held in Ithaca, N.Y. last weekend. The tournament took place on the par-72, 6,890-yard Robert Trent Jones Golf Course, featuring 13 other teams.

The Lions went into the final round of play on Sunday leading Binghamton after shooting a two-over par 578 on Saturday.

The Light Blue counted on solid performances from sophomore Andrew Kim and junior Michael Yiu going into the invitational, both of whom finished in the top twenty individuals in the previous tournament. They pulled through, finishing at second and 14th place, respectively, at the end of the second round and tied for fifth overall. Sophomore Jordan Lee and senior

Brendan Doyle also turned in noteworthy performances for the team.

Columbia headed into Sunday with promising results, after shooting a tournament-best 29 birdies in the first two rounds of play.

At the end of the tournament, Binghamton had taken over first place, finishing seven-over par with a total score of 871. Columbia concluded the tournament ten strokes over par with a score of 874. Senior Sam Mysock played the tournament as an individual and finished tied for second, and junior Ford Fischer joined his teammates in fifth place.

Next week the Lions are slated to compete in the Macdonald Cup, which will be held in New Haven, Conn. from Oct. 1-2.

—Melissa Cheung

# Women’s soccer opens Ivy account with win, falls against Fordham

BY MOLLY TOW  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

The Light Blue offense continues to be erratic, but now that Ivy League competition has officially begun, the Lions have shown they can produce results in the crucial games.

The Columbia women’s soccer team (3-5, 1-0 Ivy) was not able to clinch its second straight weekend sweep, but it made an early statement in conference play by defeating Cornell (1-8, 0-1 Ivy) in Friday night’s Ivy League opener. The Lions then returned to New York City to face Fordham (5-4-1) in the Bronx on Sunday, where they suffered their fourth shutout loss of the season, falling 3-0 to the Rams.

The Light Blue was met with difficult weather conditions upon their arrival in Ithaca. The match was scoreless for the first half-hour of play, with Columbia consistently controlling the tempo of the game. In the 32nd minute, last weekend’s overtime hero, freshman midfielder Erin Falk sent a corner kick to the feet of sophomore defender Chelsea Ryan, who put the Light Blue on the board first. “Chelsea had a very fine game, she was involved in couple goals.”

The score remained 1-0 in favor of the Lions as the second half commenced, but it was Cornell who next found the back of the net. With 25 minutes remaining on the clock, junior forward Maneesha Chitanvis showed off her long range shooting, evening the score at one apiece. Then Columbia stepped up its aggression.

Five minutes after the equalizer, the Light Blue crashed the Big Red goal, as Ryan hurled a throw into Cornell’s six-yard box. This caused the Big Red to scramble and eventually led to an own goal that gave Columbia the lead again.

“After they scored, our level of intensity was more important,” head coach Kevin McCarthy said. “Our response to their goal was excellent. By playing in their half and creating chances, quite frankly, I’m not sure it was an own goal, I think that one of our players might have had a legitimate touch on it. Either way, we put ourselves in a position to succeed and we won. It was much more about our response to their goal. They never gave up fighting.”

Senior forward and co-captain Ashlin Yahr, who had not seen playing time for two weeks due to an injury, sealed the game for the Lions in the 83rd minute.

“That’s obviously great that Ashlin has been a consistently important attacking player for three years here,” McCarthy added. “When she’s on the field, we obviously benefit from that and we’re a much more dangerous attacking team. She works so hard it’s a great opportunity for her and when she gets a chance to finish I’m always very happy for her.”

Sophomore forward Coleen Rizzo found Yahr in Cornell’s defensive third, and Yahr quickly capitalized on the opportunity to put Columbia up 3-1.

Despite constant slipping and sliding, senior goalkeeper and co-captain Lillian Klein dealt with the moisture and tallied five saves for the day. Columbia held a narrow advantage in offensive statistics, as it outshot the Big Red 14-13 and had six corners to Cornell’s four.

Like in many of Columbia’s matches, there was little to note in the early minutes against the Rams, apart from a Fordham yellow card in the 12th minute.

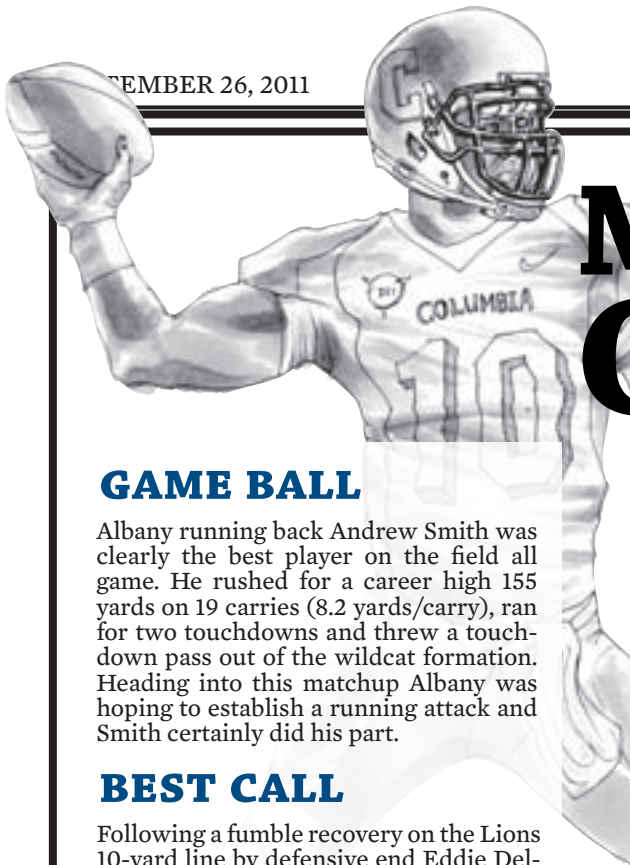
“We struggled with our energy level a little bit today,” McCarthy said. “We played a team that hadn’t played since last Sunday and we had an emotional and challenging match on Friday night. Having said all of that, we still expect to get the result and we’re very displeased that we failed to do so.”

The first goal didn’t come until after the hour mark, when midfielder Rachel Madasci put the Rams up 1-0 in the 65th minute. From there, Fordham’s attack started to bombard the Lions. Seven minutes later, the Rams struck again. Freshman forward Kristina Maksuti put the ball in the back of the net and put Columbia at a two-goal deficit. Fordham’s final goal came with just over 10 minutes to play, and the Light Blue was unable to respond for the remainder of the game. Klein was rested for the day, which allowed rookie goalkeepers Grace Redmon and Jourdan Sayers each to play a half for the Light Blue.

“Our goalkeepers played very well today,” McCarthy said. “They both represented themselves well and to have young goalkeepers in our program is a very good omen.”

Although the Lions ended their weekend on a sour note, the focus remains on Friday’s resounding victory. Columbia will look to build on its conference success as it next hosts Brown on Oct. 1.





# MONDAY MORNING QUARTERBACK

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## GAME BALL

Albany running back Andrew Smith was clearly the best player on the field all game. He rushed for a career high 155 yards on 19 carries (8.2 yards/carry), ran for two touchdowns and threw a touchdown pass out of the wildcat formation. Heading into this matchup Albany was hoping to establish a running attack and Smith certainly did his part.

## BEST CALL

Following a fumble recovery on the Lions 10-yard line by defensive end Eddie Delaney, the Great Danes went to the wildcat formation that had already resulted in a 41-yard touchdown run by running back Andrew Smith. However, this time, Smith held on to the football and threw a beautiful 10-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Ryan Kirchner who found a gap in the confused Columbia defense.

## WORST CALL

With less than four minutes left in the first half, the Lions attempted what appeared to be a fake punt near midfield. On the play fullback Nico Papas fumbled the direct snap and was smothered by the Albany defensive line. The Great Danes gained possession and went on to score a touchdown on a pass to Ryan Kirchner to go up by a score of 21-7.

## TURNING POINT

Any of the three consecutive turnovers in the third quarter could be considered a turning point. However, the Lions seemed to lose control of the game when quarterback Sean Brackett fumbled the ball deep in Columbia territory. The fumble was a questionable call (Brackett believed it was an incomplete pass) but the momentum clearly shifted after this play.

## RECORD



GAME ONE  
@ FORDHAM  
L 21-14



GAME TWO  
VS. ALBANY  
L 44-21



GAME THREE  
@ PRINCETON  
10/1



GAME FOUR  
VS. SACRED  
HEART  
10/8



GAME FIVE  
VS. PENN  
10/15



GAME SIX  
@ DARTMOUTH  
10/22



GAME SEVEN  
VS. YALE  
10/29



GAME EIGHT  
VS. HARVARD  
11/5

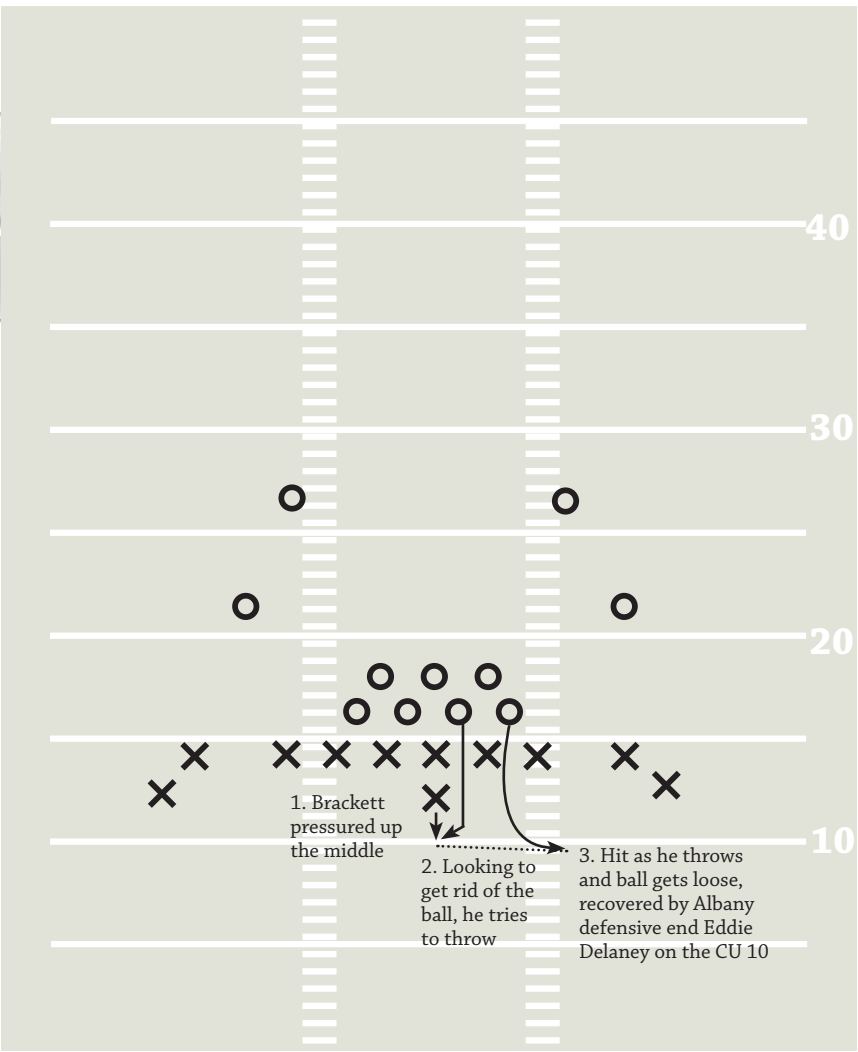


GAME NINE  
@ CORNELL  
11/12

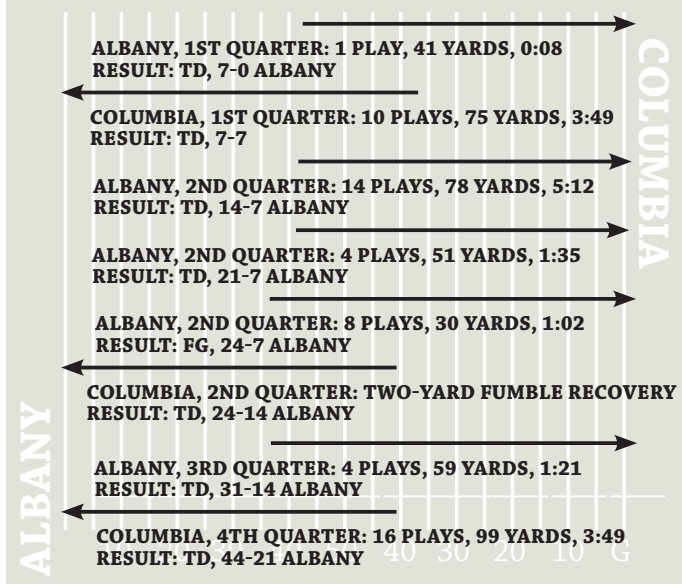


GAME TEN  
VS. BROWN  
11/19

## PLAY OF THE GAME



## KEY DRIVES



IVY LEAGUE FOOTBALL STANDINGS				
	OVERALL	IVY	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
YALE	2-0	1-0	74	44
HARVARD	1-1	1-0	46	37
CORNELL	1-1	0-1	41	50
BROWN	1-1	0-1	28	44
DARTMOUTH	1-1	0-0	58	44
COLUMBIA	0-2	0-0	65	34
PENN	0-2	0-0	67	20
PRINCETON	0-2	0-0	68	13

## PIXBOW STANDINGS: WEEK 1

1	Ronnie "Squeaky Bum Time" Shaban	11-5
2	Zach "Boom Goes the Dynamite" Glubiak	10-6
3	Victoria "Batting a Thousand" Jones	9-7
3	Mrinal "Word on the Street" Mohanka	9-7
5	Michael "Turn Up the Mike" Shapiro	8-8
5	Jeremiah "Sharf Attack" Sharf	8-8
5	Ryan "Roar Ryan Roar" Young	8-8
8	Jim "On the Couch" Pagels	7-9
9	Benjamin "The Top Spin" Spener	6-10
10	Myles "A Second Opinion" Simmons	5-11

## Volleyball comes from behind in Ithaca, wins against Big Red in Ivy opener

BY ROBERT WREN GORDON  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

The Columbia volleyball team (7-4, 1-0 Ivy) displayed a never-say-die attitude this weekend as it battled back from a two-set deficit against the Cornell Big Red in Ithaca, N.Y. The Lions won the match 3-2, and start their conference schedule undefeated.

The Big Red's attack effort was lead by a 16-kill, 14-dig double-double by Cornell senior Madeleine Przybyl, while teammates Kelly Marble, Janel

Forte, and Meagan Tatum all contributed with 13, 13, and 12 kills, respectively.

Even though the Big Red took a 7-4 lead in the first set, it was eventually tied at 7-7 and again at 11-11. The Lions took a 14-11 lead at one point, but the game evened out again at 19-19 before Cornell went on a run to take the set 25-21.

Cornell proved to be an even more formidable foe in the second set. Despite a 1-1 tie at the beginning of the set, the Big Red was able to rally to seven-point leads thrice, going up first 19-12, then to 20-13, and

finally to 21-14. A late rally by the Light Blue equalized the score somewhat, but the Big Red capitalized off of late kills by Marble and Tatum to defeat Columbia again by a score of 25-21.

On the brink of losing their Ivy opener, the Lions played hard in the third set, taking an early 5-2 lead on blocks by freshman Denis Dearman and senior Monique Roberts. Even though Cornell came back and notched things up to 7-6, the Lions fought back, protecting their lead and going up to 9-6. The whole team pulled through

over the rest of the set to lead the Light Blue to a sweeping 25-13 victory, bringing them right back into the contest from the brink of defeat.

Carrying the momentum into the fourth set, the Lions found themselves neck-and-neck with the Big Red, tying at nine all before Columbia went up 11-9. Despite the Lions maintaining the lead for much of the set, Cornell came back and tied things at 22-22 before the Lions eventually took the set 25-23.

The Lions' comeback set the stage for what would be

a pivotal fifth set with both teams tied 2-2 in the match. Even though the Light Blue did once go up 14-8 in the fifth, the Big Red kept it close, bringing the score to 14-10 before the Lions eventually took the set 15-10 and won the match 3-2.

Columbia's performance last Saturday echoes head coach Jon Wilson's sentiments from earlier.

"Our ability to play tough at the end of close games has improved significantly," he said last week.

The Lions' overall attack was led by junior Megan

Gaughn who notched 14 kills, 15 digs, and two service aces. Other top contributors included Roberts, junior Heather Braunagel, sophomore Sierra Worthy, and freshman Caitlin Brenton, who all scored at least seven kills. On defense, sophomores Charlee Dyroff and Colleen Brennan led the way, with Dyroff recording 30 digs and Brennan recording 37 assists and 11 digs.

The squad sees its next action this Friday as it travels to Providence, R.I. to take on Brown before heading to New Haven to face Yale on Oct. 1.

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The Rhodes Scholarship raises questions

At an Ivy League university such as Columbia, I think it's fair to assume that we are all aware of the august Rhodes Scholarship that often falls to some of the most motivated, engaged, and intelligent students in our ranks. The Rhodes Scholarship brings to mind prominent politicians and media members, not athletes—so we often overlook the second criterion listed in Mr. Rhodes' will, which reads “energy to use one's talents to the full, as exemplified by fondness for and success in sports.” Although the will is very clear regarding sports, some might dismiss this criterion as antiquated and therefore probably not considered by current Rhodes selection committees. This is not the case.

  
**BENJAMIN SPENER**  
**The Top Spin**







The spirit of the selection criteria appears to be that the scholars should be civically minded and well-rounded so as to change the world for the better.

I did not really know about the role of athletics in Rhodes selection until reading about how Myron Rolle, a safety on the Florida State football team, chose to accept the scholarship and study at Oxford University before entering the NFL. I found it odd—and impressive—that such an elite athlete could also find time to earn the Rhodes. After doing a bit of research, I discovered the aforementioned clause and realized that sports definitely play into the committees' evaluations. Rolle is an especially high profile Rhodes recipient, as he came from a blue-chip college football program and was also drafted into the NFL, but athletes really do comprise a rather large portion of the scholarship winners.

I recently looked at the biographies of the Rhodes Scholars over the past few years and spotted numerous athletic achievements along with academic honors, research experiences, and service projects. It seemed like almost every applicant in some way embodied Rhodes' second

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	<b>VOLLEYBALL</b> Columbia 3 Cornell 2
	<b>FIELD HOCKEY</b> Columbia 3 Cornell 1
	<b>WOMEN'S SOCCER</b> Columbia 3 Cornell 1  Fordham 3 Columbia 0
	<b>MEN'S GOLF</b> 2nd of 14
	<b>WOMEN'S GOLF</b> 3rd of 12



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**OFFENSIVE ACTION FAILED** | During the game against Albany, Light Blue quarterback Sean Brackett struggled, leaving the field with an unsatisfying result.

Amidst miscues and mistakes, football falls 44-21

**BY SPENCER GYORY**  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

Offensive miscues committed by Columbia and exploited by the University of Albany led to a 44-21 home loss for the Lions. “We didn't play very well,” Columbia head coach Norries Wilson said. “We turned the ball over four times. We fumbled five times. We didn't tackle very well on defense. We have a lot of work

to get done to be able to win a football game.” The Light Blue looked strong early in the game, but a holding penalty negated a 28-yard run by sophomore Marcorus Garrett and forced the Lions to punt. Albany immediately took advantage of junior Greg Guttas' poor punt by scoring a touchdown out of the wildcat formation on the very next play. Albany tailback Andrew Smith received the

direct snap, found a seam in the defense, and ran 41 yards for the score, putting the Great Danes up 7-0. However, the Lions responded with an efficient drive to tie the score at 7-7. Junior Nick Gerst capped off a 10-play, 75-yard drive with a one-yard rushing touchdown. The Great Danes followed with their own 14-play drive powered by a strong running

game. In their own territory, Albany took a gamble that paid off by going for the first down on 4th and one. Later in the drive, Albany lost running back Ben Miseikis for the rest of the game after he fractured his leg on a 13-yard screen play. After play resumed, strong Columbia safety, senior Neil Schuster, saved a touchdown by breaking up and nearly picking off a pass in the end zone. The Lions

couldn't hold the Great Danes off for long, however. On the very next play, Albany running back Omar Osbourne found a hole in the defense and ran for a 17-yard touchdown. The score put Albany up 14-7. After a brief drive, the Lions brought sophomore Paul Delaney, who replaced Guttas for the rest of the game, out to

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Turnovers threw over the game for Lions football

**BY JEREMIAH SHARF**  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

The turnover: a football team's own worst enemy. In the popular video game NFL Blitz, a turnover is indicated by a pause, an annoying blow horn, a flashing screen, the word “interception” or “fumble” in large red print, and the flipping of the screen. This flipping of the screen was one of the many aspects of Saturday's game against Albany that would doom the Lions. In a game during which Columbia fell to the Great Danes by a final score of 44-21, the turnovers were arguably the biggest factors of such a lopsided victory. After the game, Albany head coach Bob Ford confirmed this sentiment. “I think that was probably what caused the disparity in the score more than anything else,” Ford said. “I think if we played them 10 times, we probably wouldn't beat them by that score again.” The Lions totaled six turnovers throughout the course of the game, including two interceptions, two lost fumbles, and two turnovers on downs.

Turnovers on downs generally occur more when teams are struggling and need a score and are not necessarily the direct result of a mental mistake. One of the two occurred towards the end of the game, when head coach Norries Wilson had already taken most of his starters out, including junior quarterback Sean Brackett. The second, however, was the result of a botched fake punt attempt from the Albany 49-yard line, in which senior Ben Popeck fumbled. The Lions recovered, but it was fourth down, so Albany received the ball with great field position already leading 14-7. From there, Albany drove 51 yards in four plays, finishing the drive with a 25-yard touchdown pass. It was difficult to tell at the time, but this drive was the one that would put the nail in the coffin for the game. The next turnover by the Lions actually worked in their favor. With the Lions losing 24-7,


Brackett hurled a Hail Mary to near the end zone which was intercepted by Albany junior safety Justin Hassan, who proceeded to fumble it into the arms of Columbia freshman wide receiver Connor Nelligan, who took it into the end zone. The touchdown cut the deficit to 10 at the half, and had the Lions re-energized going into the locker room. Although a fluke, Brackett's play had the chance to turn things around for the team.

“Second one I tried to make a play running the ball, and I just didn't tuck the ball away. That's just another unforced error I can't have.”

—Sean Brackett, junior quarterback


However, Albany came out gunning in the second half, and the Light Blue continued to make costly mistakes—most notably a multitude of turnovers—that led to it being outscored 20-7 in the second half. Of the four turnovers, three were directly related to Brackett—two fumbles and one interception. The first fumble occurred in the worst possible spot, with the Lions back at their own 10-yard line. The Great Danes went on to score on one play to extend the lead. The very next drive saw more of the same, as the Danes were able to capitalize on the mistakes of the quarterback, scoring a touchdown on that drive as well. “I didn't think the first one was a fumble, I thought I threw the ball away but the ref didn't think so,” Brackett said. “Second one I tried

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