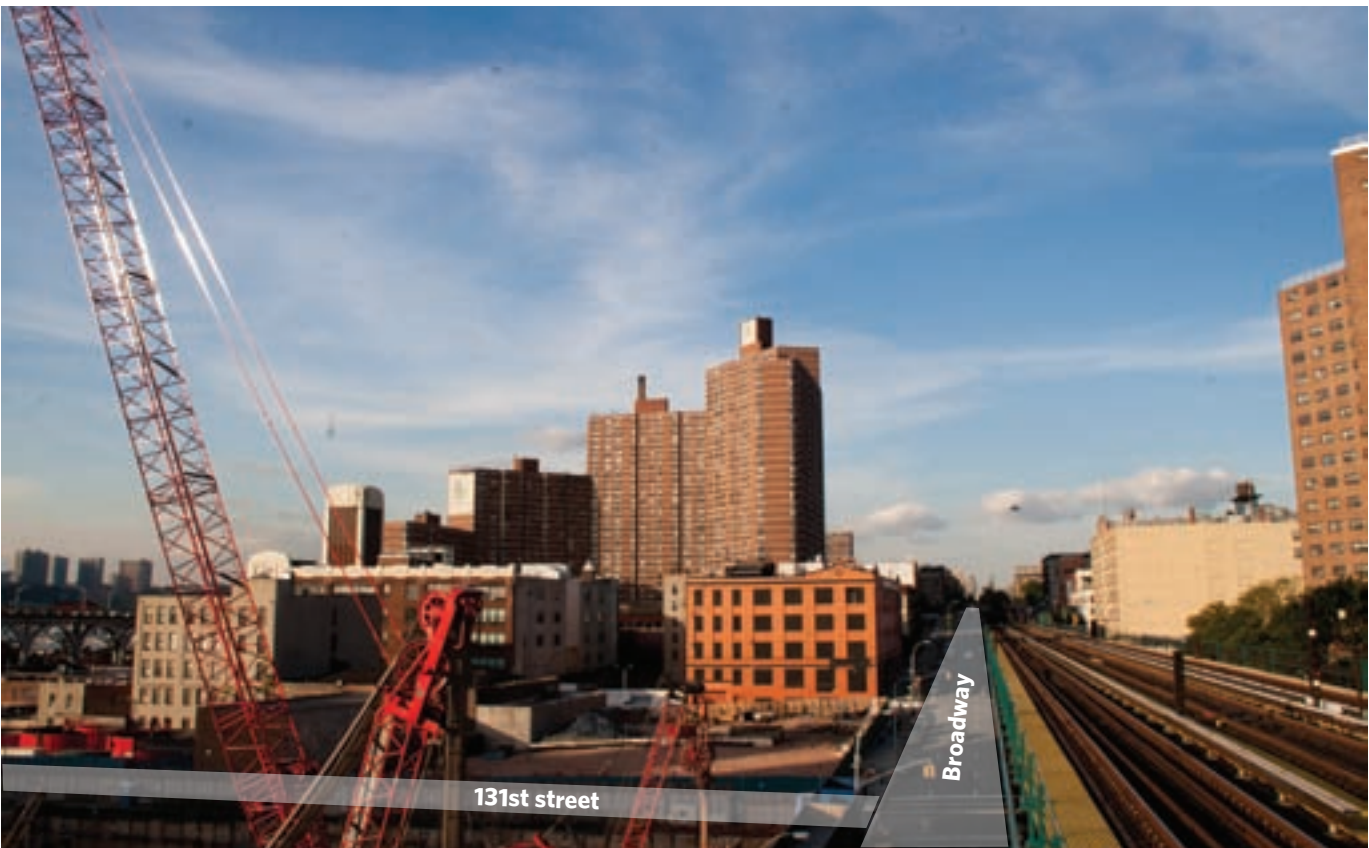
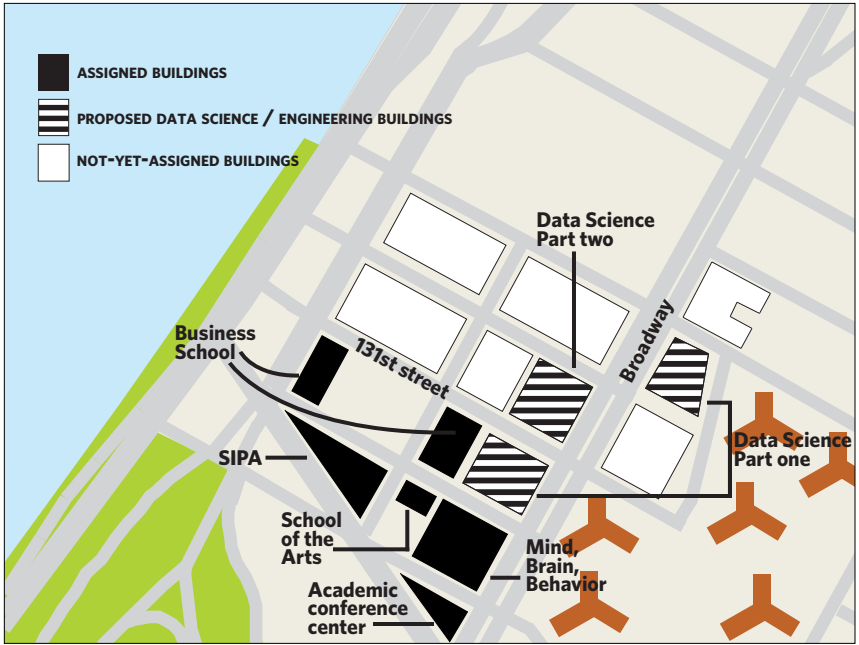


## MANHATTANVILLE: WHAT WE KNOW SO FAR



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Columbia’s entry into a city-wide competition for funding to build a new applied sciences campus will include plans to turn three buildings in Manhattanville into centers for data science—first, in the space north of the Mind, Brain, and Behavior Institute and in the Nash building, east of Broadway between 132nd and 133rd streets, and then in a building between 131st and 132nd streets. Those buildings would bring SEAS faculty together with professors from many other schools, including the Journalism School and the Mailman School of Public Health.



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## Columbia Cottage re-opens after health violations

BY FINN VIGELAND  
*Spectator Senior Staff Writer*

Columbia Cottage has reopened after it was shut down due to health violations last week. The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene closed the Chinese restaurant, at 111th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, after it found 53 points of sanitary violations on Tuesday. It cited the presence of filth flies and the potential for food contamination in its inspection. Employees deferred comment to the managers, who were not available for comment this weekend.

Although the city ordered the restaurant to close on Tuesday, its doors were open for business again by Friday.

The restaurant, which specializes in Szechuan cuisine and offers free wine with meals, was issued a pending grade after it racked up 55 points on its Sept. 20 inspection, which found live rats and mice in the cooking facilities.

That inspection necessitated the follow-up on Oct. 4. The city closes restaurants only when it discovers “conditions that may be hazardous to public health,” according to the DOHMH web site.

Columbia Cottage is a popular destination for campus groups. The Columbia Linguistics Society holds bi-weekly meetings of between 10 and 20 students there, Alex Klapheke, CC ’12 and the group’s president, said.

“It was a nice setting for a group meeting,” he said. “The food was pretty good. It never seemed unsanitary or anything. I never thought it would be shut down.”

“I don’t have a problem going back as long as I knew they cleaned up and got a better health rating,” Klapheke said. Still, he said that the nature of the violations would encourage him to “look for other places” for the club’s meetings.

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**REOPENED** | Columbia Cottage, a restaurant popular with students, reopened after it was closed last Tuesday for health violations.

## New CI group preaches money smarts

BY AVANTIKA KUMAR  
*Columbia Daily Spectator*

Many low-income students know all too well that money talks, but a new Community Impact program aims to teach students that money thinks too. For the first time in five years, Community Impact—an umbrella for over 25 local community service groups—added a new program to its roster. That group, Moneythink, looks to teach financial literacy and entrepreneurship to high school students.

**“Looking ahead, by 2020, the goal is to be one of the biggest mentoring college initiatives in the country.”**

—Cheryl Liu, CC ’14 and Moneythink coordinator

Community Impact programs “definitely cover a huge scope, but there’s health groups, there’s art groups, there’s groups that tutor students to prepare them for college applications and with the SATs, but I think, if you look at the statistics for financial literacy in the United States, it’s just very jarring,” Cheryl Liu, CC ’14 and Moneythink coordinator, said. “There’s a need that goes beyond the youth groups, and definitely, we target the

youth groups because we feel like they’re the next generation of American small business leaders.”

Originally founded at the University of Chicago and currently active on 16 college campuses, Moneythink emphasizes basic entrepreneurial skills such as writing a check, managing a bank account, and balancing a checkbook. Moneythink volunteers also mentor high school students in setting personal and business goals and navigating the current economic climate.

Although Community Impact’s limited resources and funding make it difficult to accept new programs, executives agreed beforehand to reopen the application for new groups this year to celebrate Community Impact’s 30th anniversary on campus. Moneythink beat out six other organizations that applied for recognition.

Jason Mogen, CC ’12, and Chloe Oliver, CC ’12, both Community Impact executives involved in accepting the new group, considered Moneythink well-suited to join Community Impact because Moneythink’s specific focus on finance would attract a diverse base of volunteers and offer a unique emphasis on personal finance.

“This one provided something new and very different,” Mogen said. “It was something that we felt would work well with the resources that Community Impact has to offer.”

Community Impact has a number of programs geared toward health promotion, tutoring, and the arts, but it did not

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## Plans emerge for engineering in Manhattanville

### Columbia faces uphill battle in winning city funds

BY SARAH DARVILLE  
*Spectator Senior Staff Writer*

Columbia is finalizing plans for a huge expansion of its engineering programs into Manhattanville—but if and when those plans will become reality remains unclear.

The plans are about to be submitted to a city-sponsored competition aiming to bring a new applied sciences campus to the city by offering space on Roosevelt and Governors Islands and promising \$100 million in funding. But Columbia has a very different vision, one that reflects its plans for a new campus but which may hurt its chances with the city.

Since Columbia just freed up acres in Manhattanville, the University isn’t interested in the city’s proposed space. What the University does want is millions to kickstart a multidisciplinary center for engineering and data science, the first part of which would be located in a new building north of the future Jerome L. Greene Science Center and in the Nash building, according to officials involved in the planning.

“We think we can actually fulfill your visions better with what we’re doing here than anyone coming in and going to Roosevelt Island,” University President Lee Bollinger said. “But we’re not prepared to completely change our focus, our plans, our vision.”

The plans would be a huge expansion of the resources available to Columbia’s engineering programs, since they include 1,000,000 square feet of additional space and would eventually stretch to a third building north of 131st Street, according to the Dean of the School of Engineering and Applied Science, Feniolsky Peña-Mora.

The new center, focused on data science, will involve more than just SEAS, pulling in faculty from the Columbia Business School, the Columbia Journalism School, the School of International and Public Affairs, the Mailman School of Public Health, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Peña-Mora described SEAS as the core of the plans and said that the additional space would initially allow them to hire about 100 new faculty members and to

take on 1,000 students, mostly postgraduates, focused on researching “smart cities” and their environments, new media, cyber security, healthcare data, and finance. A second phase of growth could double those numbers, he said.

With the city indicating that it will decide the winners of the competition by the end of the year, Peña-Mora said that a small cohort of students could begin working with faculty on those data science topics as early as next fall.

Those new programs would also lead into two new degrees: a master’s and a doctorate in engineering with specialization in entrepreneurship and start-ups.

All of that is largely dependent, however, on whether Columbia wins the city’s money—something it appears unlikely to do. The competition has attracted bids from more than 25 schools, including Stanford University and Cornell University, with plans that stick closer to the city’s vision.

“We understand we’re at a disadvantage. We understand we’re the underdogs in this,” Bollinger said. “And the reason is because it looks like the city wants to use Roosevelt Island, they want to use Governors Island, and they want someone who’s new.”

What Columbia does have going for it is that it could potentially turn those plans into reality much sooner than other universities could, since the Manhattanville site has already undergone the elaborate and often contentious city land use approval process.

That was Bollinger’s focus when he met with the city’s Deputy Mayor for Economic Development, Robert Steel, this spring.

“We are ready to build,” Bollinger told him.

Peña-Mora would not say if SEAS already has money available to use on expanding engineering in Manhattanville. “We are working on that,” he said.

“We’re putting all the energy into this, and we’re positive we’re going to put together a compelling proposal and win it. In event we don’t win it, we have to look at

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### NEWS BRIEF

#### Columbia reaches \$1 million settlement over Medicare fraud

The University will pay \$995,000 in civil damages to settle a fraud case against a former urology professor at the medical school, the United States Attorney’s Office announced Wednesday.

“This case should serve as a reminder that regardless of how well-established or prestigious the entity or individual, this Office will pursue those who engage in Medicare Fraud, and they will bear the costs of their actions,” Manhattan U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara, Law ’93, said in a press release.

The lawsuit alleges that between 2003 and 2009, Erik Goluboff, an oncologist at New York Presbyterian Hospital and Columbia College alumnus, violated Medicare regulations by requesting reimbursements for unnecessary medical tests—billing Medicare incorrectly to earn illegal profits and reporting

more procedures than he was actually performing.

The case was brought to the attention of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in November 2005, when a whistleblower at Presbyterian Hospital stepped forward and filed a complaint against Goluboff.

The lawsuit also claims that the University and Presbyterian Hospital were aware of Goluboff’s fraudulent practices and ignored them, benefiting from the illegal reimbursements from Medicare.

According to the U.S. Attorney’s Office, University officials internally described Goluboff’s “alarming compliance issues” with Medicare protocol.

According to the terms of the lawsuit, Columbia must make the full payment by Tuesday, Oct. 11, or it could face more legal action.

—Abby Mitchell

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#### Post-grammatic stress

Emily Tamkin’s encounters with Russian help her reflect on learning for learning’s sake.

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Valentini’s “3, 2, 1” plan needs to rely on more than money and budgets.



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#### Miscuses lead to defeat, Lions remain winless

Three missed extra-point attempts on special teams and a Sacred Heart conversion on third and 22 on the defense were among the miscues that led to a fourth consecutive Lions loss.

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African leaders, UN officials, and CU professors discuss 10 years of change in Africa. IAB 1501, 6-8 p.m.

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The Native American Council of Columbia University sponsors a celebration of indigenous people’s heritage.

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# Is it really this hard to root for the Yankees?






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tremendous global reach makes it difficult to feel like a part of the fan community. The Yankee organization is certainly part of the New York brand. New York is a premier global city, and the Yankees are its marquee sports franchise. Part of the disengagement with the team occurs for me because I see the Yankees compete on a national level while I view New York competing as a city on a transnational level. At this point, New York City is more akin to London or Tokyo than to Detroit, so watching the Yankees play the Tigers—especially if the Yankees win—just seems inane and a bit sad. I might then be tempted to root for Detroit, the underdog city, but that also proved unsatisfying, seeing as I have too little disdain for the Yankees to overcome the weirdness of rooting for a team based in a faraway city.

Columbia draws students from a very wide array of places, and, although upwards of 30 percent of students are from mid-Atlantic states, it is fair to assume that most students have little to no fondness for New York City’s five to 10 professional sports teams (depending on who is included as “professional”) before relocating to the City. Never mind students with existing team loyalties who find their niches either at Columbia with like-minded students or off campus (like a friend of mine who commutes downtown to a bar catering to Green Bay Packers fans). I am more concerned with the difficulty of adopting a New York team, whether it is the Jets or the Rangers, when a few years at Columbia are all the roots that we have here. I cannot imagine matching the zeal of my tri-state friends during my time at Columbia. Their passions run deep, and, to me, New York professional teams seem a world away from campus and distant compared to the teams that I grew up watching in Texas. My experience as a student in New York City led me to regard the metropolis as a gathering place for people from all over the world, each bringing their own athletic allegiances. I have trouble identifying the tri-state area as a zone of the United States with regional sports rivals. Therefore, its professional teams are of no use to me except for the occasional distraction.

As I left my lounge on Thursday, the Detroit Tigers had begun celebrating on the field and images of dejected-looking New Yorkers flashed by on the screen. I felt a bit guilty about not being able to feel the same as those New Yorkers. I would like to say that they are my brethren and that our emotions might align sometime around something mainstream like sports, but I might end up remaining an outsider in this arena, especially since my Columbia lounge cohorts are often non-native New Yorkers. Ultimately, the Yankees will probably not be my team. Maybe I can adopt the Mets if they live up.

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**LAST-MINUTE HEARTBREAK** | Junior winger Nick Scott expresses his frustration at the final whistle. The Lions fell 3-2 after taking a 2-0 lead in the first half.

## At home, men’s soccer concedes in 90th minute en route to 3-2 loss

BY MRINAL MOHANKA  
*Spectator Senior Staff Writer*

With under a minute left on the clock, Penn freshman Duke Lacroix picked up a long ball on the left flank. He ran at Columbia right-back, junior Quentin Grigsby and floated in a cross to senior forward Christian Barreiro after finding space past the fullback. The forward took a touch to control the ball before firing an effort from about 15 yards out, past Columbia goalkeeper Alex Aurrichio to end the Light Blue’s five-match unbeaten streak in Ivy League play.

The Columbia men’s soccer team (4-6-1, 1-1 Ivy) fell to a heartbreaking 3-2 defeat against Penn (6-4-1, 1-1 Ivy) on Saturday at Columbia Soccer Stadium. Reigning Ivy League Rookie of the Year sophomore Henning Sauerbier and senior defender Ronnie Shaban, a sports columnist for Spectator, scored in the opening eight minutes of the contest to put the Light Blue two goals to the good, but the Quakers overturned the deficit to clinch the win with a mere 44 seconds of regulation time remaining.

“We didn’t put together a full performance,” Lions head coach Kevin

Anderson said. “When you don’t put together a full performance it becomes a little bit like roulette—sometimes you end up on the winning side of it, and sometimes you don’t. We performed well in the first half for the first 20, and then I think we performed well during the middle of the second half in terms of applying our game-plan and our intentions and the way that we as a group know we can be a successful team.”

Sauerbier, who scored against Brown last week, made it two goals in two games when he found the back of the net in the seventh minute. The German forgot about his despair and reacted quickly to convert the rebound when his own header came back off the crossbar.

“I mean, we started off pretty well—we went up 2-0,” Sauerbier said. “It doesn’t matter who scored the goal, I was lucky that today I could score the goal. Anyway, after about 30 minutes we stopped playing, and there’s actually no reason why. We had them down, and we had to keep them down—there’s no excuse.”

Center-back Shaban would double the advantage only 62 seconds later, when he buried a header from junior

Nick Scott’s corner.

However, the lead would vanish before halftime, as Penn senior Thomas Brandt helped himself to a brace.

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—Kevin Anderson,  
men’s soccer head coach

Brandt’s first goal came from a looping header from a set-piece that found its way past Aurrichio in the Columbia net. His second was a strike from distance after the referee played an

advantage for Penn rather than stopping play for a foul by Columbia senior Francois Anderson.

The home side had the better of the second half, but neither team had any clear-cut chances to take the lead until the closing stages.

Columbia fans were on their feet with eight minutes to go as a shot from Sauerbier that hit the side-netting appeared to have landed inside the net.

The Lions have an impressive 3-1 overtime record at home this season and would have fancied their chances had the game gone into additional time, but Barreiro’s goal in the final minute decided the contest.

The Lions ended with the edge in shots, 11-8, and Sauerbier pointed to the team’s failure to build on their early advantage as the downfall.

“There were individual mistakes—all of us—and you have to keep up playing in this moment,” he said. “We let them back into the game, and in the second half we were pretty unlucky with the goal 44 seconds before the end, but that’s soccer—you have to keep them down.”

The Lions continue Ivy action next weekend when they travel to Princeton.

## Women’s soccer scoreless in losses to Penn, Monmouth this weekend

BY MOLLY TOW  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

Effort and resilience are admirable traits in a team, but they can only get you so far.

Returning home after going on the road usually sparks the Light Blue’s offense, but this was not the case on Friday, as the Columbia women’s soccer team (4-8, 2-1 Ivy) fell to Penn (9-2, 2-1 Ivy) 2-0. The Lions had to make a quick turnaround, as they traveled to Monmouth (8-4) on Sunday. Once again, they were blanked, this time 1-0.

“We did not perform at the level that we expected to Friday night,” Columbia head coach Kevin McCarthy said. “It was very inconsistent, and credit to Penn for scoring two very classy goals, but our mentality was really not good enough to go and beat the defending Ivy champs consistently throughout the match. We did have a better second half but really never broke through, so that was a frustrating result.

Against Monmouth, the Lions’ effort was consistent but not enough, McCarthy said. “We outshot them and held them to one corner kick and created a lot of chances, but once again, we did not do enough to get the result. It leaves us in the wake of this weekend mired in frustration.”

Unlike in previous matches this year, scoring chances came early on for both teams in the Penn matchup. Just three minutes into the game, the Lions looked like they would be first on the board. Sophomore forward Coleen Rizzo sent a long, arcing pass to senior forward and co-captain Ashlin Yahr deep in Penn territory. Yahr’s shot was on target, but Penn junior goalkeeper Sarah Banks dove to deny the attempt.

The Quakers would quickly make the Lions pay. Just two minutes later, sophomore forward Kathryn Barth capitalized on a Light Blue defensive miscue, firing a long-range shot past senior goalkeeper and co-captain Lillian Klein to put Penn up 1-0.

At only 10 minutes played in the contest, Penn struck again. Seeing that long shots may be successful against the Lions, senior midfielder Theresa Yankovich tried her luck from 30-yards out. Her shot hit the crossbar and bounced in to double Penn’s lead with 80 minutes left to play.

“I think it’s appropriate to give some credit to Penn that they came out and were willing to do whatever it takes, whether it was pulling hair, pulling shirts, sliding to tackle.”

—Kevin McCarthy,  
women’s soccer head coach

The Quakers outshot the Lions 9-4 in their shutout of the Lions. The Light Blue had four corner kicks in the game to Penn’s one but could not convert any of the opportunities. One of these corners saw the Lions nearly even the score at one in the first half. Rizzo’s head connected with a cross in the 22nd

minute, but once again, Banks was there to snatch the ball away and preserve her shutout.

A closely contested second half was unfortunately one with very little action. There were just three shots taken in the entire 45 minutes.

Klein finished with six saves for the day. Banks only recorded three, showing Penn’s solid denial of any Columbia offensive threat.

“I think it’s appropriate to give some credit to Penn that they came out and were willing to do whatever it takes, whether it was pulling hair, pulling shirts, sliding to tackle,” McCarthy said. “They knew if they lost that game, that their chance of repeating as Ivy champs would be over, so they came out with the type of fight, and we didn’t match it in the first half. It wasn’t until the second half where we really did that.”

Luck was not on the Light Blue’s side on Sunday either. The Lions hoped to put a nonconference victory under their belts to close out the weekend, but the Hawks, who lead the Northeast Conference, defended their home turf.

For the second day in a row, Columbia appeared as though it would take the early lead. At 24 minutes into the game, senior midfielder Liz Wicks found the head of freshman forward Alexa Yow on a cross into the box, but Yow’s attempt went wide.

The remainder of the first half was fairly uneventful, with a close opportunity from the Hawks that also went wide.

As the second stanza got underway, Monmouth had its own chance to break the scoreless tie, but sophomore forward Dana Costello’s shot hit the post. With 20 minutes remaining, the Hawks found the back of the net. Monmouth executed a set play perfectly, as

midfielder Nicole Close tallied the goal.

Sophomore defender Chelsea Ryan and Rizzo each had an opportunity to even the score in the final 10 minutes, but neither Lion was able to convert her attempt.

The Lions outshot the Hawks 8-7 for the afternoon and recorded three more corner kicks than their opponents as well.

“The mentality was good and unfortunately we were down another player, one of our first-years that has been starting had to rest, and it dwindled our numbers a bit,” McCarthy said. “Two days on the road after a frustrating loss it was good to see the gals come out, fight, and dictate play for the large portion of the match. We had chances, we were behind the defensive sometimes, we created more attacking restarts, more shots, more corner kicks, but we didn’t break through. They had a decent shot from about 18 yards and it went in under the crossbar, and we couldn’t pull one back.”

Freshman Jourdan Sayers got the start in net for the Lions on Sunday. Despite conceding the goal, she ended her day on a high note with a penalty kick save with just one minute to play in the game.

“She handled the ball and she was great,” McCarthy said. “Her punts and goal kicks were excellent and they really helped transition us. They did get a penalty kick with about a minute left after we were throwing all of our players forward, and it was great to see her snuff that out. I’m really pleased for her but that’s all we expect out of Jourdan—she’s an excellent goalkeeper.”

The Lions return to the field when they go on the road to Princeton to continue conference play. Kickoff is scheduled for 4 p.m.





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# The undergraduate’s lament

I had a Russian oral exam last week. It ended with my teacher entreating me to review grammar. I can never be great at Russian, she told me, until I master the grammar. I thanked her, left her office, and broke down.

To be clear, my professor was completely correct. But I am a senior in fourth-year Russian who has put many hours and a semester in a very cold country into learning this language, and though I would like to think that I will have the rest of however long to learn this, I realize that “however long” may come to an end when I graduate in May. I may never use the grammar or the (still to be attained) greatness after that.

I descended still further down existential lane. I realized that I could wonder why I’ve tried as hard and cared as much as I have for any class I’ve taken here (excepting those that I’ve taken for the science requirement). Many of my peers could probably be asking themselves the same (though, hopefully for them, they are not). I wondered if there was a point to anything I’ve (and, at the risk of dragging my class into this, we’ve) been doing here.

Why do we bother to see our majors and Core and elective classes as anything but means to an end (a high grade point average, a lucrative job offer, etc.)? Why do we spend time trying to read between the lines if we’re going to forget the words in a few years? Why do we exert ourselves challenging professors and teaching assistants on theories that they may or may not just want to see regurgitated in blue books around midterm time? Why do we struggle staying up late perfecting projects that don’t count for all that much, pushing ourselves to learn languages we may never need?

I considered the argument that all of this can be explained by asserting that we learn for the sake of learning. I thought of how two years ago I could barely say, “I don’t understand Russian” in Russian (although I got very good at saying that very quickly, as it was my most practiced phrase in class). Of how art history majors appreciate beauty in dripped paint in addition to learning dates. Of how physics and chemistry students understand more of how the world around them works. I believe in this argument and its validity—I’m just not sure it alone is enough.

But perhaps it’s not just the pursuit of knowledge for its own sake. Maybe it’s for our sake, too. I thought of what I’ve learned besides grammar in Russian classes. Of what I now know about dedication and perseverance and flexibility and fool-heartedness. Maybe we try to do better because that, in turn, makes us be better. Maybe that will stay with us long after we’ve forgotten what we’ve learned in these classes.

And then I understood—or, at least, began to understand—that I might never know why we try and care as much as we do about books and foreign vocabulary and facts we may never remember or use. But I do know that trying to be great at Russian is not as important as trying to be great at whatever one committing oneself to. Genuine interest and enthusiasm is what I—we—will have gotten out of these classes.

I sat down to study Russian grammar.

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## Back to the future

# On Barnard’s advising system

BY FARIDA BEGUM AND MARIA ALYSSA STILLER

Given the controversy over academic advising at Barnard, the last few days have gotten us thinking about what it is that we expect from our advisors. As a small college, Barnard tries to promote greater student-faculty interactions, and the advising system plays a role in providing guidance for students regarding academics. Barnard’s system is set up so that every semester, students are encouraged to meet with a faculty member at least once when it comes to registration, so no student feels overwhelmed by the array of choices available to her.

This begs the question: How can advisors best help students in choosing classes?

A good advisor is one who makes an effort to know the student and is able to make academic recommendations catered to that specific student. The advisor should utilize his or her own knowledge and experience working within the Barnard/Columbia community, and should give counsel that reflects current situations that might affect his or her advisees. It is best for students to have advisors who take enough of an interest to give candid advice.

If a conscious effort is made to speak to an advisor regarding any classes, it is only expected and necessary that the advisor provides the student with his or her input. We would rather have an advisor provide us with valuable viewpoints than have one who is apathetic. To ask our advisors to remove themselves from the context of their working knowledge and experience defeats the purpose of seeking out their consultations in the first place. The added advantage of having a well-informed person versus a detailed syllabus or information available online is that a person can engage with a student. There is a back and forth exchange in which students can explore their ideas and concerns. Thus, there is nothing wrong with an advisor letting a student know where she might feel out of place or where she might be comfortable.

At the end of the day, we should always think about what

it is we want or need from education. No one is ever bound to follow any particular piece of advice, and no advisor will force any student to stay away from a class or take a class. The college experience is meant to open up a space for students to challenge people’s opinions, and that includes interactions with one’s advisor.

To assume that we Barnard women are incapable of making a good final judgment in light of different opinions that stray from our own is to deny us the ability to make informed decisions.

## We would rather have an advisor provide us with valuable viewpoints than have one who is apathetic.

As students, we are constantly bombarded with varying views and advice from many people, but we know better than to simply take all advice without questioning it. If anything, our liberal arts education teaches us to regard all opinions as just that—someone’s opinion.

As a double major who has always had at least two advisors since sophomore year, I was never led to believe that all advice given should be acted upon. Even if we were not fortunate enough to have great advisors, we knew to seek academic advice from our class deans, the Dean of Studies, or any professor on campus. Barnard has great structures in place to guide students, which are readily available if one needs it.

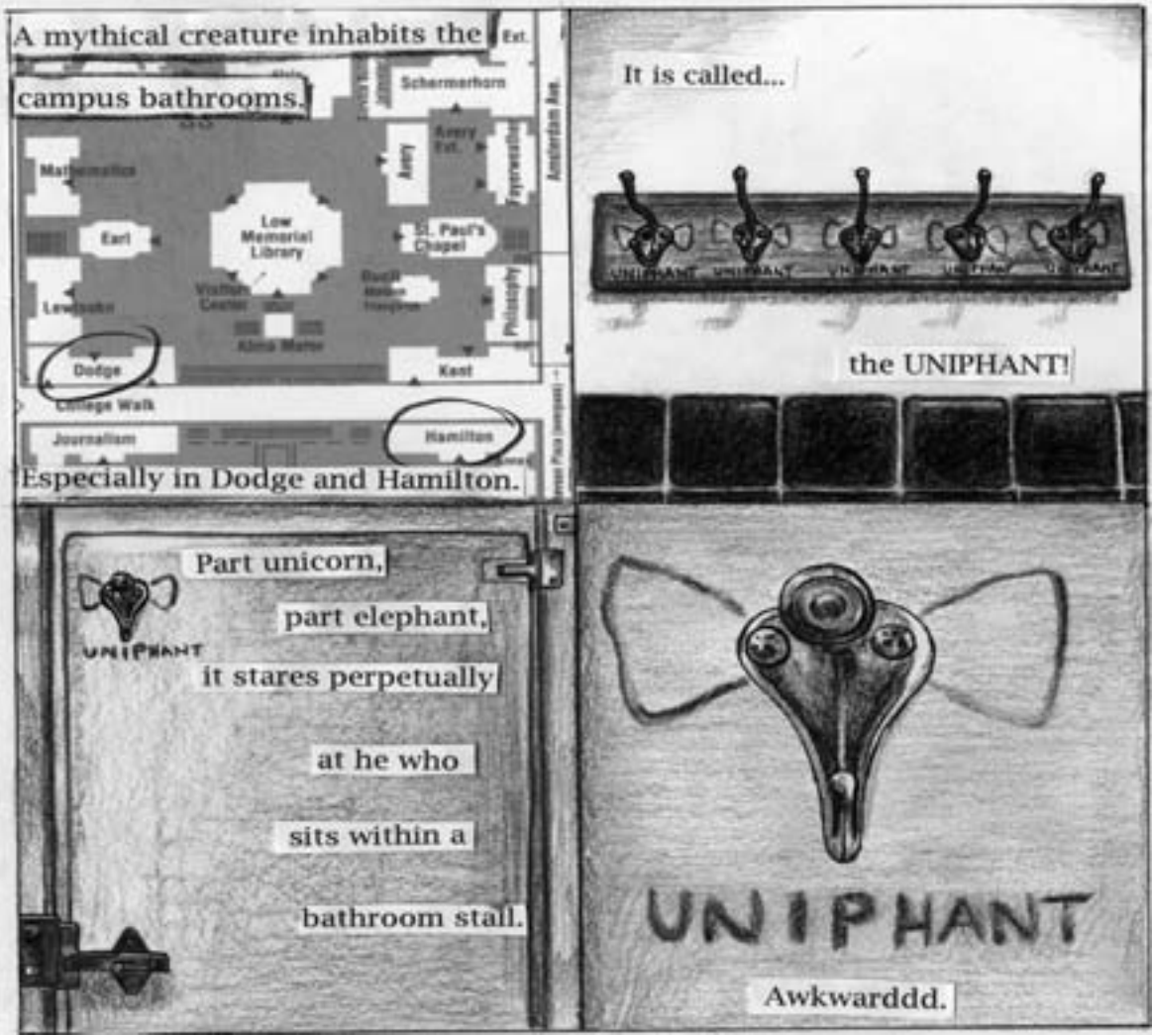
An advisor’s role is to provide advice to students—but how students choose to utilize that information is up to them.

Should advisors be called out for giving advice? We might as well get rid of the advising system if that’s what’s going to happen.

Thank you to all the advisors who have been sensitive to their advisees’ needs and tried to provide genuine advice. For all it’s worth, we’ve always felt extremely supported and well-guided by the advisors at Barnard.

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## BLACK AND BLUE AND WHITE



AMALIA RINEHART

# Modifying Dean Valentini’s initiative

BY DAVID BERKE

At the town hall meeting held by Columbia College Student Council and Spector last month, Dean Valentini proposed his “3, 2, 1” fundraising initiative. The plan would encourage graduating Columbia College seniors to donate a full percent of their incomes to the College in the three years after their graduation. Our new Dean deserves kudos for his innovative thinking—and the late night Bwog comments, for that matter. However, to be feasible and to accomplish more than just raising money, his proposal needs to be reworked.

## A successful initiative should be about more than money.

Most glaringly, “3, 2, 1” is insensitive to the sizable portion of recent grads who will pay considerably more than 1 percent of their annual incomes for their Columbia education long after graduating. On top of already onerous student loan payments, the Dean’s tithe is simply too much to ask. The proposal also faces logistical issues: What about students who matriculate directly into graduate school, or those who struggle to find employment? The College can ask such alumni to donate 1 percent or 50 percent—the results will be equally unsatisfactory.

To achieve something significant, we need a “3, 2, 1” plan with a smaller target. Instead of 1 percent, the College should ask grads to donate \$50 per year for their first three post-grad years. To drum up that cash, all students have to do is stay in one night to save up what they would otherwise spend on dinner, drinks, and a movie. Those of greater or lesser means can always donate more or less.

A successful initiative also should be about more than money. It should foster alumni connections with the College, reinforcing what meant most to us about our years here. To that end, the “3, 2, 1” plan should be

run so that recent alumni can donate directly to specific programs, student groups, or departments. If one professor in particular changed your life, donate to her or his department. If you care deeply about maintaining a socioeconomically diverse student body, earmark your money for financial aid.

These specific donations will remind alumni what was most important to them during their college years, keeping them in touch with Columbia as they transition away from the community. As an ancillary benefit, class-wide targeted giving will serve as monetary feedback for administrators. It will allow them to see what areas of the College are making the biggest impact on students, as well as which areas could use improvement.

Since “3, 2, 1” encourages students to show CC the money, it is only fair for the College to respond in kind. If Dean Moody-Adams’ resignation proved anything, it was the administration’s opaque and furtive treatment of the College’s finances. Donors now demand transparency from nonprofit organizations, and they have come to expect that recipients will maximize the real-world impact of every dollar donated. Why should the College be any different?

As such, the College should begin far broader public disclosure of its finances. The University already releases annual audited financial statements—a fascinating read if you are procrastinating in Butler. However, this budget is consolidated. It does not present a financial breakdown for individual schools. The University’s “Annual Operating Budget Policy” (which is slightly less fascinating) states that deans and department heads have to submit individual budgets as part of the University-wide reporting process. The College and its departments should publicly release the financial reports they are presumably already preparing for the University at large. Such a reform would impose no real onus on the College—since it would just be a matter of disclosing data already collected—but it would demonstrate transparency and perhaps spur giving from more than just recent alumni.

Dean Valentini’s honest and engaging approach with students has been a welcome change, and it has given me hope for a better, more student-oriented College administration. A “3, 2, 1,” initiative with the modifications outlined above would be a strong step in that direction.

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# Volleyball sweeps Penn and Princeton, climbs to second place in Ivy standings

BY ROBERT WREN GORDON  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

This week the Lions (10-5, 4-1 Ivy) returned home to Levien Gymnasium in impressive fashion, dominating Princeton on Friday before battling out a tough victory in five sets against Penn on Saturday.

The Princeton Tigers (11-6, 4-1 Ivy) were previously undefeated, riding high on a three-game winning streak after defeating Harvard and Dartmouth last weekend and Penn a week prior to the pair of wins. This past weekend was their first time out of New Jersey since mid-September, and the Tigers certainly showed it in their play. Despite keeping the score close, particularly at the beginning of the first set, the Tigers failed to score 20 points in any set as the Lions swept them in three by scores of 25-17, 25-15, and 25-19.

“We were on a high high,” Coach Jon Wilson said. “We were kind of firing on all cylinders. It was our first time home, our first Ivy League home match, we were glad to be off the road, we were hungry to get at Princeton who was in first place and we just were ready. Princeton was a little bit unready.”

Defeating Princeton provided the Light Blue with the win it needed to move above the Tigers in the conference standings. However, the weekend wasn’t over, and a loss against Penn could have easily dropped the team back to third place, combined with a Princeton victory at Cornell.

On Saturday evening the Light Blue faced Penn (6-9, 2-3 Ivy). The Quakers have struggled throughout the season and had only won one of their past five games leading into this weekend.

Despite their dismal record, Penn played the Lions hard. The first set was competitive throughout, and the Quakers were seconds away from potential victory, leading the Lions 24-22. Instead of closing the deal and taking the set, the Quakers committed an attack error, which was followed by a kill by senior Cindy Chen, tying the set. The two teams continued to battle back and forth for dominance before the Lions eventually took the set 29-27.

“You’re playing a team you might think you should beat at home, but man they played really well,” Wilson said. “They had a couple of starters missing, but their reserves played really well, and they just played loose and hard.”

The skill of Penn’s reserves was demonstrated during the

second and fourth sets, both of which were Quaker victories. During the second set, with their backs against the wall, the Quakers pulled away early, and even though the Lions were able to tie things up several times, the team found itself playing catch up as Penn eventually opened a 21-15 lead, from which it took the set.

“They were on a little bit of a rise and we were on a little bit of a down and it just made for a struggle, and that’s just part of the season, the key is we figured out how to win it,” Wilson said.

“It’s a testimony to the kids that they can find a way to win against a team that was absolutely on fire against us. That’s what a championship run consists of.”

—Jon Wilson,  
volleyball head coach

The Lions did win it in this game of back-and-forth momentum swings. Each team responded to the other, the Lions responding to losses in the second and fourth with big wins in the third and most importantly in the fifth.

“We got a little stuck today and had to just fight for everything,” Wilson said. “It’s a testimony to the kids that they can find a way to win against a team that was absolutely on fire against us. That’s what a championship run consists of.”

With the sweep of Princeton and Penn, the Lions are now tied for second place in conference standings with Princeton, trailing Yale, the conference leader.

“Hopefully we can just keep the momentum going and have a great season,” sophomore middle blocker Madeline Rumer said. “Our plan is to win every game but since we’re in second place we feel like we’re in a good position to take the lead in the second half of the season.”

The Lions get back on the road this weekend, returning to New England to face Dartmouth on Friday in Hanover, N.H. before heading south to battle Harvard in Cambridge, Mass. on Saturday evening.



ERIC WONG FOR SPECTATOR

**WEEKEND SWEEP** | Sophomore Madeline Rumer and junior Megan Gaughn led the Lions this weekend as the Light Blue cruised to a 3-0 win over Princeton before edging Penn 3-2 at Levien Gymnasium.

# Lions fall to defeat at No. 5 Syracuse

BY STEVEN LAU  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

All it took was 44 seconds for the Syracuse Orange to demonstrate to the Columbia field hockey team why it is ranked No. 5 in the nation.

The early goal, scored by junior forward Kelsey Millman, ended up being all the Orange needed for the win, as Syracuse shut out the Lions 3-0 on Sunday.

However, the final score fails to show the Columbia defense’s success in holding back a Syracuse attack that tallied 40 shots and 16 corners on the day.

Leading the Light Blue backline was junior goalkeeper Christie O’Hara, whose 13 saves tied her single-game record, and junior midfielder Katie DeSandis who had a career-best of three defensive saves.

According to head coach Marybeth Freeman, the Lions’ performance on defensive setpieces and O’Hara’s persistence in the cage kept the score low.

But Columbia’s tenacity on defense only picked up after Syracuse widened its lead in the 12th minute, when senior forward Heather Susek scored her 10th goal of the season.

“When we play a team of the caliber of Syracuse, in order for us to be successful, we have to rise to that challenge,” Freeman said. “After they scored those two goals on us, we raised our level of play. We made our adjustments. We settled down. We focused on the simple.”

O’Hara and the defense prevented the reigning Big East champions from hitting the back of the net again until midway through the second half when freshman midfielder Stephanie Hussey took advantage of a penalty corner to score the Orange’s final goal.

Focused on keeping the ball out of their own net, the Lions were unable to create much offense, finishing with three shots, only one of which was on goal.

Syracuse’s dominance was not unexpected, but the Lions underperformed compared to their normal expectations.

“This is actually the first game I feel that we didn’t set the tone, and we didn’t play our game from the start,” Freeman said.

Regardless, Freeman is not viewing the loss to Syracuse as a setback, but rather as a match that will help her team improve.

“Playing a game against this kind of opponent will only make us stronger,” she said. “It is a great testament to our ability to go into next weekend and compete in two tough games.”

Columbia will be home for the weekend, facing Penn on Friday and Virginia Commonwealth on Sunday.

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GAME BALL

Sacred Heart quarterback Tim Little torched the Lions secondary on Saturday afternoon. The redshirt freshman completed 33 of 48 passes for 371 yards and three touchdowns. Little also ran for a key touchdown early in the third quarter. Little managed the game beautifully and put the ball in the hands of his offense's playmakers.

BEST CALL

After conceding two straight sacks to Columbia outside linebacker Josh Martin, Sacred Heart's coaching staff turned to their bread and butter. On third and 22, they caught the Lions off guard by calling a draw play for Greg Moore. The sophomore running back/wide receiver eluded over half the Lions defense and picked up the first down.

WORST CALL

Already down by a touchdown, the Lions needed to hold the Pioneers to a field goal. Unfortunately poor open field tackling prevented the Lions defense from getting off the field. On a crossing pattern, Tim Little hit Greg Moore, who outran the linebacker covering him. Cornerback Mike Murphy completely missed him on the tackle and had to watch Moore run into the endzone untouched.

TURNING POINT

Tied at 13-13, the Lions were forced to punt on their first offensive possession of the second half. Sacred Heart shifted the momentum for the rest of the game by blocking Paul Delaney's punt. The Pioneers took advantage of the great field possession and scored on a quarterback sneak to put Sacred Heart up by a touchdown early in the third quarter.

RECORD



GAME ONE  
@ FORDHAM  
L 21-14



GAME TWO  
VS. ALBANY  
L 44-21



GAME THREE  
@ PRINCETON  
L 24-21



GAME FOUR  
VS. SACRED  
HEART  
L 34-25



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

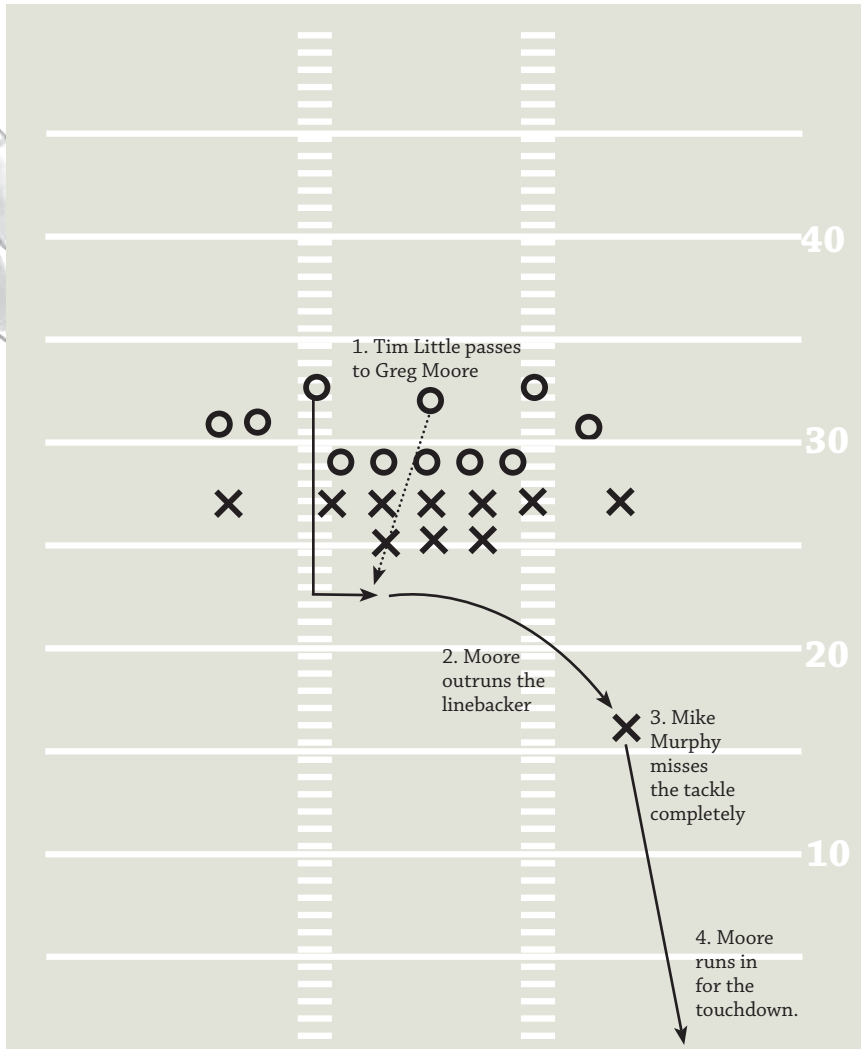


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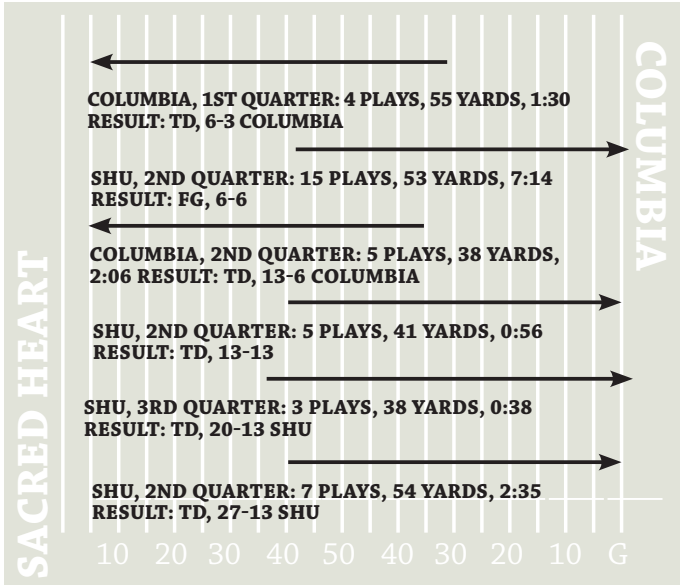
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PLAY OF THE GAME



KEY DRIVES



IVY LEAGUE FOOTBALL STANDINGS				
	IVY	OVERALL	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
YALE	2-0	3-1	111	81
HARVARD	2-0	3-1	118	71
PENN	1-0	2-2	90	107
PRINCETON	1-0	1-3	78	117
BROWN	0-1	3-1	83	78
COLUMBIA	0-1	0-4	81	123
CORNELL	0-2	2-2	103	98
DARTMOUTH	0-2	1-3	78	96

PIXBOX STANDINGS: WEEK 4

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1	Ronnie "Squeaky Bum Time" Shaban	18-14
1	Zach "Boom Goes the Dynamite" Glubiak	18-14
4	Jeremiah "Sharf Attack" Sharf	17-15
4	Victoria "Batting a Thousand" Jones	17-15
6	Myles "A Second Opinion" Simmons	16-16
7	Michael "Turn Up the Mike" Shapiro	15-17
8	Benjamin "The Top Spin" Spener	14-18
9	Ryan "Roar Ryan Roar" Young	13-19
10	Jim "On the Couch" Pagels	12-20



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KICKING AND SCREAMING | Kicking definitely proved to be a challenge for the Light Blue this weekend as sophomore kicker Luke Eddy failed to convert three extra-point attempts.

## Light Blue football remains winless, falls 34-25 in final nonconference game against Sacred Heart

FOOTBALL, from back page

After the Lions were forced to punt after a three-and-out, fans saw the best and the worst of Columbia football. Outside junior linebacker Josh Martin overpowered Sacred Heart's offensive line on two straight plays registering sacks that forced the Pioneers back 13 yards. While they nearly had Moore wrapped up for a loss on third and 22, the Lions couldn't find a way to bring him down, and he ran for the first down. Sacred Heart took advantage of the opportunity and tied the game 6-6 with another Rogers field goal.

Poor tackling plagued the Lions defense in the same way it has all season. "We weren't stout enough in the run game," senior safety A.J. Maddox said. "Guys were missing the first tackle. Everybody has to move their feet. We've got to grab jerseys, pull and claw the ball

out and make sure we get guys on the turf. We practice tackling almost every day. It's just got to get done." Later in the second quarter, the Lions forced a fumble but were unable to convert the Pioneer mistake into points because of a costly holding penalty and a sack. "Offensively, I think we played one of our best games so far," Brackett said. "When we stayed on schedule, we moved up and down the field. When we had an incomplete throw or a holding penalty that killed us. It kills drives." The Lions defense forced a three-and-out and began their next possession on Sacred Heart's 38-yard line. After a few effective draws by Brackett and a pass to senior wide receiver Kurt Williams, Brackett found a wide open sophomore tight end Hamilton Garner in the end zone to put the lions up 13-6. However, errors on special teams

allowed Sacred Heart to score 14 unanswered points. With less than two minutes left in the half, Sacred Heart was able to tie up the game. After a poor squib kick and a facemask penalty, the Pioneers began from Columbia's 41-yard line. Five plays later, sophomore quarterback Tim Little found senior tight end Rich Rossi on a pass over the middle to tie the score at 13-13. With the help of Columbia defenders' poor angling, Rossi was able to run into the end zone for a 28-yard touchdown. After a three-and-out on the opening possession of the second half, Sacred Heart blocked sophomore Paul Delaney's punt and recovered the ball on Columbia's 39-yard line. The Pioneers immediately took advantage of the great field position. Little found Rossi for a 31-yard completion on a post over the middle, and the tight end was finally pulled down at the half-yard line.

On a quick quarterback sneak, Little pushed into the end zone to put the Pioneers up 20-13. "We had a punt blocked against a look that we talked about for five straight days," Wilson said. "We showed the look, we ran the look and we still had a punt blocked. We missed two PATs and we had one blocked. I don't think our special teams played well at all." Four minutes later, the Pioneers put themselves up two touchdowns thanks to poor open field tackling. Columbia cornerback Mike Murphy completely missed senior wide receiver Garry Coles who ran into the end zone for a 27-yard touchdown to put the Pioneers up by two touchdowns. "We didn't make plays in space," Wilson said. "I saw guys not doing what they are coached to do and practice all week."

The offense responded with an efficient and balanced touchdown drive capped off by a three-yard touchdown run by junior running back Nick Gerst. Sacred Heart pulled back the momentum with an 80-yard drive, which took nearly five and a half minutes. Little connected with Rossi for a 12-yard touchdown, Rossi's second of the day, which put the Pioneers up 34-19. Columbia was able to drive down the field with another efficient drive, but Brackett was unable to find Williams on a slant play on fourth down with less than six minutes left in the fourth quarter. Columbia kept hope alive late in the final quarter with a 16-yard touchdown pass from Brackett to Garner, his second of the day. However, the Lions attempt of the onside kick was unsuccessful, and the Pioneers were content to run down the clock until the end of the game.



Hard to root for New York’s sports teams

On Thursday night, in the midst of working on various home-work assignments, I heard loud voices coming from down the hall. Already looking to take a break, I stumbled over to my floor lounge to find a few fellow residents watching Game Five of the playoff matchup between the New York Yankees and the Detroit Tigers. I really have no vested interest in either of the teams or baseball in general—but I decided to stick around since the game was already in the eighth inning, and it was a high stakes game. Ultimately, the Yankees lost and were eliminated from the playoffs, and I was somewhat indifferent.

As a non-baseball fan and a non-native New Yorker, I often find myself evaluating my feelings toward the Bronx Bombers amid students from the tri-state area whose affinity for the Yankees seems far more natural. Like many other Columbia students, I came to New York with the intention of embracing its culture—music, art, food, and sports. For a variety of reasons, the Yankees just do not resonate with me. Their successes and failures simply do not pull on my heartstrings.

I have always felt that rooting for the Yankees would be disingenuous, since picking up a perennially successful, affluent team to root for is so easy. Yes, the Yankees organization is a de facto cultural ambassador for the United States and New York to the rest of the world—their hats and history are iconic. However, the team’s



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FALLING OVER | Junior linebacker Josh Martin looks to make an assist during Saturday’s game against Sacred Heart. The defense made several costly mistakes.

Special teams errors, defensive lapses lead to defeat  
Sacred Heart beats Columbia 34-25, football now 0-4 for the season

BY SPENCER GYORY  
Spectator Staff Writer

Once again, inconsistency marred the Lions’ (0-4, 0-1 Ivy) chance to notch their first victory of the season as they fell to Sacred Heart 34-25. Despite the offense’s improvement, the Lions couldn’t overcome the errors committed by the defense and special teams. “Getting better is not good enough”

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Columbia head coach Norries Wilson said. “We have to be exact. The goal isn’t to try. The goal is to get it done. We didn’t reach that at all today. We didn’t even approach it.”

On the first drive of the game, Sacred Heart’s offense drove down the field

and freshman Chris Rogers converted a 32-yard field goal attempt to go up 3-0. Columbia responded quickly on the ensuing drive by establishing a strong running game. A few plays after a 20-yard run by junior quarterback Sean Brackett, sophomore running back Marcorus Garrett saw a huge hole in the defense, cut back, and scampered into the end zone for a 16-yard touchdown. As it did all afternoon, Sacred Heart’s

offense used two plays—draws up the middle and lateral passes—to march down the field. However, good defensive containment kept the Pioneers short on third down. On fourth down, the Pioneers took a risk which didn’t pay off. The Lions predicted the play call and smothered sophomore running back Greg Moore to force a turnover on downs.

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