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SANDY WEATHER | Clouds gathered over Low Library on Sunday night as campus and Morningside Heights prepared to shut down.

With low-key ROTC rollout, little chance for uproar

BY MARGARET MATTES  
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When the University Senate voted to reinstate a Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps program at Columbia at the end of the 2010-2011 school year, it would be nearly 18 months before the program showed any signs of activity on campus. The many Columbians who vocally opposed the return interpreted the year of silence as inaction. "My sense was last year that it was primarily a symbolic win and there didn't seem to

**ROTC Rollout**  
This is the second story in a two-part series exploring the implementation of the ROTC program on Columbia's campus.

be much interest in the establishment of a fully functioning program," said GSAS student Sumayya Kassamali, who spoke out against NROTC in 2011. Until Thursday, she had not realized that NROTC students were already on campus or that officials from the Navy and Marine Corps were holding regular office hours in a new space in Lerner. But she said her concerns regarding the re-establishment of a military presence to Columbia's campus remained. "That is still a concern and that concern is not going to change, and that will not change how visible or invisible NROTC is," she said. The fact that NROTC's rollout has gone largely unnoticed

is perhaps why there has been no uproar on campus. "We haven't seen anything" in terms of pushback, said Major Javier Garcia, a Marine officer instructor at SUNY Maritime, which hosts Columbia's ROTC classes. And as NROTC settles into the campus culture, administrators are already looking to grow the program and add Army and Air Force ROTC. "THE ISSUE IS STILL REAL" The legacy of the ROTC debate remains in many students' and professors' minds. The University agreed to reinstate NROTC after the repeal of the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy, which prevented gay men and women from serving openly in the military, but one

of students' most prominent objections was that transgender people are still not allowed to serve openly. "The problem of the University associating with an institution that violates the non-discrimination policy ... is still there," Gavin McGown, CC '13 and president of GendeRevolution, a transgender support and advocacy group, said. "The issue is still real. In one case the administration was willing to stand up, in another the administration was not. What it comes down to is that the administration doesn't care." Kassamali also remains hostile to the program. "The

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MTA weighs subway fare hike slated for March '13

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New York straphangers will soon be paying a little more to take the subway. Fares will go up next March, the fourth increase in five years. Under two of the four proposals that the Metropolitan Transit Authority has spent the last two weeks discussing, the base MetroCard fare would increase from \$2.25 to \$2.50. Other proposals include increasing the cost of a 30-day unlimited pass from \$104 to \$125, increasing the cost of a seven-day unlimited pass, and decreasing or eliminating the 7 percent bonus on MetroCard purchases. The fare hikes are part of a larger effort to increase revenue on subways, trains, and bridge tolls—revenue that will help the financially struggling MTA deal with costs like pensions, infrastructure, and health insurance. "We are grappling with long-term measures to reduce these frustrating and difficult non-discretionary expenses, but today, they are the drivers of the need for a fare and toll increase," MTA chairman and CEO Joseph Lhota said in a statement. The fare increase will raise \$277 million annually for the agency, which is funded from

fares from riders, tolls from drivers, taxes, and allocations from the state government. "The equation is unfairly tilted toward the riders," said Gene Russianoff, spokesperson of the Straphangers Campaign, a transit advocacy group that has protested the fare hike. However, he conceded that it would be an "uphill battle" to convince state legislators to increase funding for the MTA. Fare increases are "really a nation-wide trend, that transit systems are both cutting services and asking their customers to pay more," Russianoff said. "They're a direct outcome of financial meltdown in 2008." Russianoff also said he thought the MTA should "restructure the tolling system based on how much congestion they [bridges] carry," with drivers on more congested bridges paying higher tolls. "That would raise a substantial amount of money." The MTA will accept public comment on the fare hike in the next few months and hold public meetings around the city. "The public will have significant input into our decision-making process," Lhota said. "In the spirit of transparency, the public will assist in shaping our fare policy."

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Rangel sends off Harlem charter students on trip to Korea

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Harlem may be known as the home of soul food, but 40 Central Harlem students are about to get a taste of Seoul food. Son Se-joo, the South Korean consul general in New York, and Rep. Charles Rangel gathered at Democracy Prep Harlem on Friday to celebrate the charter school's upcoming trip to Korea. "I can't tell you how proud I am that you're representing my great country and you've been given this opportunity," Rangel, a veteran of

the Korean War, told the students assembled in the schoolyard on 133rd Street near Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard. During the two-week trip next month, 40 students will travel Korea from coast to coast and visit the national assembly, the island of Dokdo, historical villages, and university campuses. The trip was funded by a \$9.1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The trip is an extension of the school's approach to education, which founder and superintendent Seth Andrew adapted from



MEGHAN TUTTLE FOR SPECTATOR

GLOBALIZATION | Rep. Charles Rangel celebrated Democracy Prep Harlem's upcoming class trip to South Korea on Friday.

the Korean education system. Andrew described three central principles to the education model at Democracy Prep Public Schools—"respect teachers," "effort equals success," and "education is the highest value." "I was very surprised how it is possible to bring to the very advanced U.S. the Korean education system," Son, the Korean ambassador, said. In addition to drawing inspiration from the Korean education model, the school places the country's language and culture at the forefront of students' studies. Sophomore Christopher Clarke introduced himself in Korean before talking about his excitement for the trip. "I expect to see things I've never seen before," he said. "It's going to be a whole new experience." Senior Jamie McCoy said she is looking forward to experiencing "a culture that has values that we learn in school." "I'm actually prepared to walk into Korean culture," she said. The students have been gearing up for the trip by learning about Korean traditional dance and Korean pop music, or K-pop, on Fridays. Son also spoke about the significance of "Gangnam Style," the Korean song and music video which went viral on YouTube in September. Some students cited K-pop as one of the main sources of their interest in Korean culture. "I believe 'Gangnam Style' reflects the Korean interpretation of the common human value and emotion," Son said. The song played over speakers in the schoolyard just before the press conference began. McCoy said she values the Korean principles unique to DPPS, such as "the respect and the zero tolerance policies," which are harsh but give the students a sense of accountability, she said. "It made Democracy Prep a better community," she said, adding that because of the mutual respect between the students and the teachers, "there's a connection with your teacher." "In Korea, education is number one," McCoy said. "Education is not one of those things you debate about." Andrew has experience teaching in Korea, where he said the community was "so committed to education as the highest value." "Teachers were golden," Andrew told the crowd on Friday. The Democracy Prep school system opened in 2006 and is made up four middle schools, one high school, and one elementary school, all in Harlem. The grant money will allow Andrew to expand to 15 schools over the next seven years, he said. Rangel told the students that they would be acting as "ambassadors for the United States of America" while in Korea. "Knock them dead," Rangel told the kids, before concluding his speech with "kamsahamnida"—a Korean "thank you." gina.lee@columbiaspectator.com

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DINING SERVICES

On Monday and Tuesday, John Jay will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ferris Booth Commons and JJ's Place will be closed. John Jay will not be open for the study session.

For breakfast, Hewitt Cafe will be open from 8:00-9:00 a.m. only. Lunch and dinner will be on a rotating schedule based on students' residence halls. See spc.me/sandyupdate for more information. Services in the Diana Center will be closed until Wednesday morning, and beginning tonight, Late Night in Hewitt will be canceled until Wednesday evening. For updates, call (212) 854-5262.

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Caged by categorization  
Being labeled as gay eclipses larger questions of identity.

Militarism at CU?

Alex Collazo questions the existence of ROTC at Columbia.



SPORTS, BACK PAGE

Lions experience first Ivy League win

Quarterback Sean Brackett had a strong passing day, leading Columbia to its first Ivy win of the season and first victory over Yale since 2001, 26-22.



EVENTS

University events are canceled today

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WEATHER

Today



59°/52°

Tomorrow



59°/48°





TOP: AYELET PEARL / SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER; BOTTOM: HENRY WILLSON / SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

SUPPLIES | Customers at Morton Williams (top) and Westside Market stocked up before the storm.

## Sandy fever seizes Morningside, cancels classes

### SANDY from front page

have backup generators for emergency lights, Shollenberger said, though he was not sure of how many.

“It’s a little too early to tell” whether classes could be canceled on Tuesday, Shollenberger said. He estimated that his office would have a better idea by Monday afternoon.

In the event of a power outage, Shollenberger said that his office will be “meeting and communicating with the RAs and Res Life staff.” He added, “Have some patience with that, because we’ll have to put out announcements manually.”

### BUSINESS ON BROADWAY

Storm preparations wreaked havoc on local businesses, with lines outside of Westside Market on Broadway and 110th Street stretching around the block. Across the street, in D’Agostino, lines snaked through the aisles to the back of the store.

While many businesses closed at 5 p.m., 24-hour stores Westside Market, Duane Reade, and Morton Williams planned to stay open.

Ian Joskowicz, manager of Westside Market, said, “We’re controlling the amount of people we allow in the store. ... We’ve stocked up on everything we knew we’d need. We spent a week preparing.”

He added, “The only way we’ll close is if we have no employees.”

Diego Zoghbi, CC ’14, said the full impact of the story “really hit when I went to Westside and everyone’s there. There’s a line to get in, there’s no bread, and everyone’s stocking up on water and people are taking it really seriously.”

On Sunday afternoon, University Housewares manager Bob Fendell unloaded a Jeep full of boxes of extra flashlights, batteries, and candles outside the store. Fendell’s mother, who lives on Coney Island, was forced to evacuate, he said.

“It’s been busy, very busy,” Fendell said. “Whenever’s there’s an evacuation, you have to take it seriously.”

Students had a taste of hurricane-like lockdowns in August 2011 when Tropical Storm Irene canceled Convocation and forced the city to shut down its transit system for the first time in history. But Sandy is gearing up to be an even more serious storm.

Adam Sobel, who chairs Columbia’s committee on atmospheric science, said that while there have been storms that have mirrored Sandy’s composition of a tropical cyclone and winter storm, Sandy differs because she will make landfall.

“The most unusual thing about it is that it’s coming back to hit us,” he said. “They usually get blown out to sea and that was the case with the perfect storm of 1991—except this one is actually more powerful.”

### CANCELING CLASSES

The University’s decision to cancel all classes and events on Monday was the first such closure in two and a half years. Union Theological Seminary, Jewish Theological Seminary, and Manhattan School of Music also announced that they would be closed Monday.

(Even prospective students benefited from Columbia’s closure. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions pushed back the early decision deadline for Columbia College and the School of Engineering and Applied Science from Nov. 1 to Nov. 5. “We hope this helps to relieve some of the stress and anxiety you might be feeling as the storm approaches your region,” a notice on the office’s website read.)

With only a week until Columbia’s first planned academic holiday of the fall semester, Alexandra Orth, SEAS ’15, called it “fall break number one.”

Chigozie Akah, CC ’16, said she agreed. “I’m happy that classes are canceled so I can have some extra time. But I’m still a little annoyed now, because my midterm got pushed all the way to next week,” she said.

Administrators urged students to take precautions by stocking up on supplies and charging electronics.

“I have my batteries, my flashlight, and my charged iPad ready,” Akah said.

“I got a test postponed, so that’s solid,” Charles Pan, SEAS ’16, said. To prepare for the storm, he stocked up on water and dry cereal.

### TRANSIT SHUTDOWN

Low-lying zones across the five boroughs were ordered to evacuate on Sunday afternoon. The city’s public schools were closed on Monday and the Coast Guard closed New York’s harbor.

The MTA shutdown—a rare and costly decision—is prudent, said Gene Russianoff, spokesperson for the Straphangers Campaign, a transit advocacy group.

“The first time around was more of a shock to the system,” Russianoff said. “It’s not ideal for a lot of people who have jobs they can’t get to, but I think it’s a very reasonable action.”

Subways shut down Sunday at 7 p.m. and buses at 9 p.m., although the subway closure was expected to take seven hours, while the bus system was expected to take six. The duration of the suspension is unknown, according to a statement from the MTA.

“Service will be restored only when it is safe to do so, after careful inspections of all equipment and tracks,” the statement read. “Even with minimal damage this is expected to be a lengthy process.”

Klaus Jacob, a researcher at the Earth Institute who advises the city on disaster management, said that the subway system would be affected most

if sea levels rose high enough.

“This is not a storm where sandbagging will be an effective protection,” he said.

Jacob explained that subway flooding would be consequential because the water would need to be pumped out of the system and could take weeks to remove.

“MTA only has three mobile pumps—you have to push out the water and it will take time to bring in the pumps from outside,” he said.

While flooding in Morningside Heights would probably be “marginal,” Jacob said, the largest consequences would probably occur in “very low-lying areas, including the Financial District, and subway system in those areas” due to flooding.

The deciding factor for the MTA, however, is not flooding, but sustained wind speeds of more than 39 mph. Winds in the next few days are predicted to be 40 or 50 mph.

“Eighteen out of the 20 subway lines go outside at some point,” usually with elevated segments, Russianoff said. High winds on elevated trains—like the viaduct the 1 train traverses between the 116th and 137th street stations—could be a “recipe for a bad thing happening,” he said.

The shutdown is likely to cost the MTA, which is in dire financial straits. During Irene, the agency sustained losses of \$65 million in lost fares and repairs, for which it has since submitted insurance claims. Because Sandy is expected to be a substantially bigger storm, Russianoff predicted that the losses from Irene are “not as much as they’re going to lose this time.”

Closing such a fundamental system as transit will always evoke passengers’ ire, he said. “A lot of people will be unhappy about this, but the MTA doesn’t have a choice.”

“I think people are grossly overexaggerating how bad this is going to be,” said Joseph Ramos, GS ’14, who lived in Albany during Irene. “We’re not living in ramshackle huts, we’re in New York City.”

“I think this is ridiculous,” said Carmen Larino, who was waiting on Broadway for one of the last buses before the shutdown. “I am 63 years old. Do you know how many hurricanes I’ve walked through? And life goes on, OK?”

She added, “It’s good to be prepared and alert, but to create such chaos is awful.”

Other straphangers said they understood the decision.

“I think this whole situation is quite inconvenient, but a big storm is coming and for the people’s safety they should close stuff,” said Andy Kang, who was waiting for one of the last 1 trains at the 116th Street station shortly before 7 p.m.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## 10/29

### CREATING THE DEMOCRACY THAT WILL ENSURE A FUTURE MIDDLE CLASS

6 PM

The James Room, 4th Floor Barnard Hall

## 11/01

### ANNE CARSON & ALICE OSWALD

7 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

## 11/02

### ALCINA

8 PM

James Chapel, Union Theological Seminary

## 11/07

### NTOZAKE SHANGE ON STAGE & SCREEN

6 PM

Julius S. Held Auditorium, 304 Barnard Hall

## 11/08

### JENNIFER GILMORE & BELINDA MCKEON

7 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

## 11/12

### STIGMA, PRECARITY & THE EVERYDAY LIFE OF OUTCASTE LABOR

12 PM

BCRW, 101 Barnard Hall

### NEW PLAYS

### A reading with New York Stage & Film

7 PM

Glicker-Milstein Theatre, The Diana Center

## 11/13

### TRANSNATIONAL MIGRANT CONNECTIONS IN THE U.S. & EUROPE

6 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

## 11/14

### (DIS)HONESTY

### How We Lie To Everyone—including Ourselves

6:30 PM

Event Oval, The Diana Center

### MUSLIM WOMEN, ACTIVISM & NEW MEDIA CULTURES

6:30 PM

Sulzberger Parlor, 3rd Floor Barnard Hall

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# ROTC admins look to expand, but queer groups still opposed

## ROTC from front page

argument always was what we described as the military vision of the academy,” she said. “The University is a space of intellectual debate and not just a place where opinions come together, but there is an ethical commitment. We are concerned that this [NROTC] doesn’t even express public opinion, but re-frames the University as an elite institution that acquiesces to those in power, i.e. the government, the military.”

Leaders of queer student groups voiced concern at the prospect of the program growing.

“If the program were to expand, I would hope there would be more dialogues on campus ... between everyone who is really involved with this,” Marita Inglehart, CC ’14 and president of Columbia Queer Alliance, said. “I would hope that there would be more active responses.”

“If this program were to become more prominent ... it would effectively have a more central role in the tableau of the University. It would send a very blatant message,” said McGown, who identifies as transgender.

Despite these sentiments, those involved in the program have not experienced hostility on campus. “You kind of expect it coming here,” Patrick Poorbaugh, GS and an active-duty Marine said, “but I haven’t really felt it at all.”

Poorbaugh said that while his first thoughts of Columbia as an institution where he could advance his military career came in the wake of national media coverage of the NROTC debate, he often comes across people who do not even know that the program has returned to campus.

Jose Delgado, GS and a United States Navy sailor participating in the program, agreed. “I’m not so sure people are thinking about it as much as they used to. And if they are, I

haven’t been aware of it.”

He added, “I think Columbia is kind of the example of being supportive of the military, especially when you compare them with their peers.”

McGown, who uses gender-neutral pronouns, said that the only sign of NROTC’s return they had seen was an opinion column in Spectator this month.

“We feel very, very welcome here,” said Captain Matthew Loughlin, the commanding officer of the NROTC program at SUNY Maritime. He said he did not think that opponents of the program had been outspoken, “and if they are, they’ve been extremely cordial in their interactions with us.”

But according to Kassamali, the situation is very different. “It’s a huge disappointment to see this being officially recognized and the fact that there’s an office and that there’s a concrete space on campus—it kind of feels like moving backward,” she said.

“WORD WILL GET OUT”

In spite of any lasting opposition, spoken or unspoken, administrators and NROTC students believe the program will grow. Vice Provost for Academic Administration Stephen Rittenberg, the senior administrator most responsible for the program, said he is looking to expand the program to Army and Air Force ROTC.

“I think the word will get out. It will inevitably grow to a natural size, probably limited by the demographic of [Columbia] College,” Loughlin said. Of Columbia College and School of Engineering and Applied Science students, only first-years and sophomores are eligible.

Loughlin said he thinks the presence of NROTC on campus could be mutually beneficial to both institutions. “I would hope there would be some highly qualified applicants who will choose to apply to Columbia because we have ROTC here and, obviously, the



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ATTENTION | The NROTC staff working at Columbia say that the program plans to expand to Army and Air Force after interest grows.

Navy benefits from the academic caliber of this institution,” he said.

“I have no sense of what [size] is ideal,” Rittenberg said. “I would hope that it would expand. I would hope that high school seniors who are interested in a career in the Navy would see Columbia as a place that they would really want to come to and, similarly, that enlisted personnel in the Navy and the Marines would see this as a place where they could not only pursue their ambitions of becoming officers, but really get a college education.”

Loughlin and his staff are already talking to a few current Columbia students about affiliating with the unit next semester and will be holding an additional orientation program this January to welcome those students.

“We’ve got a lot of interested students who have come up to us and are interested in joining the unit,” Garcia, the SUNY Maritime officer, said. Still, he stressed that neither the program nor the office sees

recruitment as its purpose.

Jeffrey Kysar, the chair of the faculty and student committee that advised the provost’s office on the implementation of NROTC, said that there is no official quota for the unit. “Our goal is to have a robust and long-term program and making sure that it is available to students who want military careers,” he said.

Rittenberg said that while informal cross-town agreements for Army and Air Force cadets exist between Columbia and other units in New York, the University has already begun discussions with the Air Force about bringing a ROTC unit to Columbia.

“Once we are settled with Naval ROTC, we do want to turn our attention to Army and Air Force ROTC,” Rittenberg said. “Some of the things that we are deciding for the Naval ROTC students would be equally appropriate to Air Force ROTC, others would not.”

“We’re not as far along with Army,” Rittenberg added, “but we are intending to get there.”

LeTicia Brown, SEAS ’14 and an Army cadet, said that she thought expanding the program would be a good thing. “I think it would be great to have more of a military community on campus,” she said.

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—Marita Inglehart, CC ’14, Columbia Queer Alliance president

Brown is one of five undergraduate students who participate informally in either Army ROTC at Fordham University or Air Force ROTC at Manhattan College. Most Columbia students

she knows are not aware of the program, Brown said.

It is sometimes a challenge balancing her military requirements with her responsibilities as a biomedical engineering major, she added.

Rittenberg characterized the official return of the military to Columbia as a revival of the University’s longstanding relationship with the military. During World War I, soldiers trained on fighter planes set up in Schermerhorn, and during World War II, temporary classroom buildings were set up behind Low to handle the influx of soldiers, Rittenberg said.

But Kassamali has a very different perspective on the past. For her, the program’s new office space “is a reminder of some of the importance of the University as a site of political struggle and debate.”

“It’s easy to consider the debates we have as solely academic conversations,” she said. “It serves as a reminder that the stakes are really high.”

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# Military education

Columbia's Navy ROTC program proceeds apace. As discussed in these pages last Friday, the military has gone from total exclusion to a permanent Lerner office. I and many others opposed ROTC's return then and now, but (for the time being) it looks like the program's presence is something we will have to accept. The question then becomes: How do we minimize the damage to Columbia, Columbians, and the unfortunates caught up in America's military machinery? If ROTC is to be a part of our campus, what can be done to make it less harmful, perhaps even beneficial? To answer these questions, one must first revisit the reasons why ROTC was opposed. Many people made many arguments at the time, but the most compelling to me are these:

First, the U.S. military is still a fundamentally discriminatory organization. "Don't ask don't tell" was often cited as the reason ROTC was not welcome on campus; its repeal was often cited as the reason for ROTC's return. However, the focus on "don't ask don't tell" ignores the military's continued and explicit discrimination against women, who are forbidden from combat roles. The suggestion that women are somehow incapable of combat would be offensive enough, but the prohibition does not even succeed on its own twisted paternalistic grounds: In wars like Iraq and Afghanistan, where the frontline is impossible to define, women have often found themselves in combat and conducted themselves admirably. The policy serves only to exclude women from more prestigious jobs and combat pay. I restrict myself here to official sexism: I won't even go into the disturbingly high incidence of rape that commanders seem unwilling or unable to address.

The career of soldier (perhaps more accurately: professional murderer) is one with weighty moral implications. A system which requires graduates to follow their high-school senior selves into battle is not something the University should encourage.

Second, the U.S. military is the world's largest instrument of imperialism. During the debates over ROTC, advocates of return often said that Columbia was not an inherently pacifist institution and that the administration should remain neutral in that debate. However, Columbia is also not inherently supportive of U.S. foreign policy. By providing education, training, and material support to the American military, the University provides direct support to the reprehensible actions the military carries out overseas and takes the American side in any conflicts. Any semblance of neutrality, any pretense that Columbia is an impartial place in which to debate academic issues of international relations, disappeared when the administration started granting credits and offices to Navy ROTC.

Finally, ROTC is bad for Columbia students. The model of exchanging scholarships for mandatory future service is fundamentally exploitative, tempting high school seniors with money and a rose-tinted, video-game version of military service. Once committed, escape is extraordinarily expensive. If a Columbia education changes a student's view on war generally or U.S. war in particular, too bad: Unless you can pay back the entire scholarship, you must serve. The career of soldier (perhaps more accurately: professional murderer) is one with weighty moral implications. A system which requires graduates to follow their high-school senior selves into battle is not something the University should encourage.

But these arguments fell on deaf ears. Now that Columbia has committed itself to the Navy, we should try to mitigate the effects of that poor decision. I propose that the University do what it does best: educate. The Navy, or at least the officers we provide to it, must be made to fall more in line with the principles Columbia holds dear. The administration has decided to give course credit for instruction in murder. It should also provide instruction in the consequences and context of that act. The Core provides a good starting point, but a required course or courses for midshipmen, more sharply focused on the military's special concerns, is also in order. Students in ROTC should be asked to consider, in an academic setting, the sorts of concerns that kept Columbia from having ROTC for four decades. The officers we produce should be the sorts of men and women who will end problems like institutional sexism, imperial interventions, and exploitative marketing of war. They should understand the deep flaws in the organization to which they have devoted themselves and have the tools to fix it. They should leave, in short, with the sort of political education a drill sergeant will never provide. If enough universities required classes of this sort, one can imagine a different sort of officer corps: one that is tolerant and inclusive, one that does not try to sell its morbid duties, one that is unwilling to follow clearly immoral orders into clearly immoral wars.

I am not a pacifist, but the U.S. military as it stands right now is no fit partner for our University or any university. If the administration is determined to support the Navy, it ought to at least provide a forum for discourse with the other side, a slight inculcation against the militarist training midshipmen will surely receive.

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# How Columbia turned me into a badass

BY HECTOR GONZALEZ

Before I came to Columbia, I was an obese, theater-obsessed, socially awkward penguin. Now I'm fucking James Dean.

You see, it's really easy to get in trouble at this school: Just act your age. If you partake in any teenage tomfoolery, you're sure to find yourself detailing to Judicial Affairs and Community Standards, to residential advisors, or to Public Safety officers how you have been a very bad boy.

At this juncture, we've run the discourse ragged on Columbia's War on Fun, a war so pointless you'd think Bush declared it. However, for those of you who were students two years ago, you may remember the giant snowball incident. A group of students, during one of those gigantic blizzards, constructed a snowball to match the size of the storm. Public Safety soon came and shut the festivities down, having the snowball plowed away. These students were not disturbing anybody nor were they under any sort of influence other than that of sheer joy. Is this incessant micro-managing and intrusion on the personal lives of students wholly necessary?

What do twentysomethings know about the world, after all?

Another time, I witnessed an RA shut down a friend's party due to noise violation. However, the RA made his rounds too early and, in fact, reported this noise complaint 30 minutes before one was allowed to, according to the "quiet hours" policy. When my friend informed the RA that he would lower the volume, but did not want to kick everyone out so early, the RA, in an overly-brash exercise of his duties, informed the student that he had called Public Safety and had also informed New York Police Department about this violation. This was probably horseshit, considering NYPD does not answer to: "Those damn kids are being too loud."

You may notice I'm a very angry student. My irascibility, though, is not the product of any personal experience with this institution. Actually, I was inspired to write this article when I saw a perfectly able, young man become unwillingly thrust into an argument with a Public Safety officer. We were studying hard on the fifth floor of Lerner—by "studying," I mean that he was attentively



VANGIE SHUE

# Personhood before labels

BY KAI SCHULTZ

I am gay. But why does that even require a name? Why does that label hold more weight than anything else I might call myself? In theory, it doesn't. But I would be lying if I said it didn't and won't matter. The act of claiming a title for my sexual identity is an odd one. For, if I am queer, then I am not straight. If I am not straight, I will always be queer. My orientation is taken for granted in a different way. People assume that I am proud of being gay, because I have, after all, come out. At Columbia, especially, there is an obsession with naming diversity. Throughout my time here, I've felt an expectation to fit myself, rather awkwardly, into the queer community by participating in events like First Friday, by exteriorizing what I consider to be a private part of my identity. I feel pressure to embody a gay persona from queer and straight students alike. Because my Columbia peers pride themselves on celebrating difference, I feel as if my sexuality has been amplified. Yet, although I am attracted to men, I am not proud of being gay any more than one is proud of being straight.

With what, then, has coming out left me? Now I must enjoy anal sex. I must be checking you out. I must have a lisp. I must hate sports. I must I must I must and it all collapses into I am. That is the societal expectation. That is the reality. Sure, we can escape all of those things quite easily. I can, after all, choose to distance ourselves from queer circles. But can we escape the assumptions? Even my straight friends here at Columbia, those who have accepted my sexual orientation and taken on the role of ally, often fall into the trap of homogenizing, generalizing, advertising my identity. By being introduced at parties as gay without my consent to feeling self-conscious about how my clothing choices will reflect the gay identity I carry, I am often linked with being queer. Why must I be the gay friend? You are not my straight friend. You are my friend.

And yet, I do love having openly gay friends on

doing his work while I was munching away on BBQ chips, reveling gleefully in the genius that is South Park. Just then, an unnecessarily angry Public Safety officer dismounts his elevator.

"Building's going to close in five minutes. You've got five minutes before this building closes! Get up! Come on," states the officer.

"Okay, just—" the student barely utters before, "Don't go telling me what time it is. I said get up!" the officer hawked.

"I wasn't going—"

"Don't go fighting with me. You've got four minutes. You're wasting my time!"

Defeated, the poor student turns to me, whimpering, "But, I wasn't going to tell him anything. I was just going to ask what time the building re-opened."

"I know, dude. They're dicks. Accept it." This is the only response I could elicit.

These incidents reflect how Columbia has a funny way of treating its students nowadays. We are just punks. What do twentysomethings know about the world, after all? The only thing Columbia expects from its students is that we keep our shoes polished, our noses clean, and their brochures glossy so the institution can recruit another set of young drones to do its bidding.

I am not entirely discontent with this school by any means. Being a Columbia student has allowed me opportunities not afforded to most young men my age. Columbia offers me substantial financial aid. I just wish that this university wouldn't infringe on my personal life so often.

I have been in front of the Judicial Affairs and Community Standards board three times and counting merely for drunkenly speaking out against the stupidity of system to administrators. You would think that the "drunkenly" part would be what they cared about. I assure you this is not the case. I have had to pen more letters of apology to the administration than love notes to potential suitors.

Yet, all the board can ever say to me is, "We're confounded. Anyone we speak to says you're a sweet kid who puts others way before himself. Why are you here?"

I don't know, Columbia. Why don't you tell me? I'm not a badass—Columbia just brands me as such.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Hello, hurricane

On Sunday morning, the Columbia campus was buzzing with conversation that surprisingly had nothing to do with academic stress, but rather with news of Hurricane Sandy and canceled classes. Though the weather makes for a potentially stressful situation, we understand students' immediate reaction of considering the unexpected break from classes a time to unwind.

Regardless, we hope everyone stays safe. Although many of us will want to celebrate this decidedly strange

deviation from the normal University schedule, we should also remain mindful of those who are seriously at risk because of this storm. Many members of our campus community are no doubt worried about their friends and relatives who may not be as secure as we are on this campus. Be cautious and be mindful of the hidden worries of those around you.

Columbians worried about the storm should look to the football team for inspiration. Last Saturday the Light Blue defeated Yale in the closing seconds of the fourth quarter. If the Lions can shake off two fourth-quarter losses to get their first Ivy win this year, we can surely weather Sandy.







# Field hockey loses in overtime to Yale

BY JOSH SHENKAR  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

Columbia field hockey (8-7, 3-3 Ivy) lost its second consecutive Ivy League game to Yale on Saturday, 3-2. The Lions were then slated to play Rutgers on Sunday but the game was canceled due to inclement weather.

The first half of the team's game against the Bulldogs was fairly competitive, as both teams managed to attempt at least seven shots and earn at least three penalty corners. But the Lions were the only team to get on the

scoresheet as junior midfielder Danielle Cosentino scored in the 20th minute off an assist from senior midfielder Paige Simmons.

The second half was a similarly competitive affair, but a poor eight-minute stretch for Columbia gave Yale the lead. The Bulldogs first equalized at the 55:52 mark off a goal from Mary Beth Barham. Erica Borgo added another goal less than seven minutes later. Still, the Lions continued to pressure the Bulldogs and were rewarded with a tying goal from junior back Creaghan Peters less than 30 seconds before the

end of regulation. Columbia won its last overtime game against Penn and had several early chances to score a winning goal against Yale. But the Bulldogs' defense thwarted the Lions and Borgo scored her second goal of the game to give Yale the win only seven minutes into overtime. Senior Christie O'Hara had another good game in the Lions' loss, making nine saves. The Lions will return to action when they travel to play Harvard on Saturday. The game will be Columbia's final Ivy contest of the season. *sports@columbiaspectator.com*



HELPING HAND | Senior Paige Simmons assisted on junior Danielle Cosentino's opening goal.

## Wide receivers shine in first Ivy win

BY SPENCER GYORY  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

With just over two minutes left, it appeared the Lions' offense would have to watch Yale wind down the clock on a 22-19 victory. The Bulldogs' offense was led by sophomore running back Tyler Varga, who played quarterback for the injury-plagued Elis. But unlike in the previous five weeks of this season, the Light Blue made enough winning plays late in Saturday's game to secure the victory.

As he did for most of the afternoon, Varga—who rushed for 220 yards against the Light Blue—cut through the heart of the Lions' defense after taking the direct snap. But as Varga was going to the ground on the nine-yard gain, senior linebacker Mike Waller stripped the ball away and fellow senior linebacker Ryan Murphy recovered the fumble at the Lions' 45-yard line.

"That's what we needed," Murphy said. "If Waller didn't make that strip it would have been a different ball game. It was another one of those have-to-have-it moments that we had to capitalize on to win, and that's what we did." The Lions offense came back

onto the field with purpose and went back to what had been working throughout the game: the air attack. Senior quarterback Sean Brackett, who completed 70 percent of his passes and threw two touchdowns, led the offense down the field with help from sophomore wide receiver Connor Nelligan. Nelligan has quickly become one of Lions most potent offensive threats, and finished Saturday's contest with 11 catches for 138 yards.

"It was a good game for all the wide receivers," Nelligan said. "We were getting open and Sean was putting the ball on the money every time."

Brackett started off the drive with a nine-yard pass to freshman receiver Chris Connors. Then, over the middle, Brackett found Nelligan, who caught the ball and ran down the middle of the field for 25 yards.

Displaying great recognition of the game situation, Brackett rushed his unit to the line and made it appear that he was going to spike the ball to stop the clock. With the Bulldogs' defense relaxed, the quarterback took the snap and threw it to Nelligan, who juke past his defender and ran down the sideline for 17 yards,

putting the Lions into the red zone. "Brackett played well," head coach Pete Mangurian said. "Here's the thing: Yale is going to play an eight-man front and they're going to stop the run. That's what they believe in, that's their defense, and they're good at it. They give you certain things and you've got to take them."

Two plays later, Brackett went back to Nelligan, who got the ball down to the three-yard line. Brackett and Nelligan connected three times on the drive for 52 total yards.

After struggling earlier in the game at Yale's goal line, the Lions made the necessary adjustments and made a great play call that resulted in a game-winning two-yard touchdown pass from Brackett to junior running back Marcus Garrett with 45 seconds left in the game.

"I think we did better in those moments," Mangurian said. "Winning validates all those moments, but when you start focusing on those moments and not on the final result, that's when you're going in the wrong direction as a program. We're not going to focus on those moments, we're going to focus on the result." *sports@columbiaspectator.com*



RUN LIONS RUN | Two Lions finished in the top 10 at Heptagonals, with an overall second-place finish.

## Men finish second, women sixth at Heps

BY MELISSA CHEUNG  
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The Columbia men's and women's cross country teams finished in second and sixth places, respectively, at the Ivy League Heptagonal Championships on Saturday. The men tallied 58 points, while host No. 23 Princeton had 28 points, giving the Tigers the Ivy title by a margin of 30 points. On the women's side, No. 7 Cornell claimed the championship in dominant fashion, totaling 31 points for the win. The Light Blue had 116 points.

On the men's side, eight Lions placed in the top 25 of the 8,000-meter race at Princeton. Senior Leighton Spencer, who took third place behind Princeton juniors Chris Bendtsen and Alejandro Arroyo Yamin, led the squad. Senior Mike Murphy also placed in the top 10, taking eighth place for the Lions. Spencer earned first-team all-Ivy League honors with his personal record

time of 23:50.6. Murphy, along with teammate junior Jacob Sienko, who took 13th place, earned second-team all-Ivy League honors with their performances.

Heading into the championships, the men knew they would be battling Princeton for the Ivy title. The Tigers had won the championship in five of the last six years before the Lions disrupted their reign in 2009. Despite the momentum the Light Blue had going into the meet from its impressive performance at Wisconsin, it was not enough to stop Princeton from winning its third consecutive Ivy title.

The women had their own difficulties at the championships. Senior Mallory Anderson led the Light Blue, taking 18th place, with three others Lions rounding out the top 25. Senior Erin Gillingham, junior Caroline Williams, and senior Clare Buck took 23rd, 24th, and 25th places respectively, with times differentiating by one second.

It was a struggle for Columbia to measure up to No. 7 Cornell—the Big Red took the first three places in the 6,000-meter race and four places overall in the top 10. The squad ran without its top two finishers from last year's race—sophomore Waverly Neer and senior Caroline McDonough—who were both sidelined due to injury. In the absence of two of their first-team all-Ivy athletes, the Lions struggled to keep up with the rest of the Ancient Eight.

The men's and women's teams have a one week break before returning to action. Columbia next competes in the 2012 NCAA Northeast Regionals on Nov. 9, where the Lions will face the top squads in the region. On both men's and women's sides, the top two teams, in addition to the top four individual runners whose team did not qualify at the NCAA's nine regional meets, will qualify for the NCAA Championships.

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### WOMEN'S GOLF

The Lions finished 10th out of 13 teams this weekend at the Lady Paladin Invitational hosted by Furman University. University of Tennessee at Chattanooga won the tournament with Furman coming

in second. Out of the 74 participants, Columbia junior Michelle Piyapattra tied for 23rd overall with scores of 79-73-82 for a total of 234, while junior Jane Dong tied for 36th overall with scores of 79-79-80

for a total of 238. This invitational closes out the women's fall season, as they'll next compete at the C & F Bank Intercollegiate in the spring. —Mollie Galchus *sports@columbiaspectator.com*



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BREAKAWAY | Junior Beverly Leon tied the game 1-1 with a top corner goal to send the game to overtime.

## Light Blue sends game to double overtime

### WOMEN'S SOCCER from back page

Rizzo in the goals scored category. Sophomore midfielder Erin Falk was credited with the assist of the Lions' game-tying goal.

When asked about Leon's offensive contributions this season, Rizzo said, "I think that she's always been where she

needed to be wherever the ball is, whether it's off a cross or in the box or whether she's providing a cross. She does a great job holding the ball up top, and I think that there's a lot of production that has opened up off of her play."

After a few more shot attempts from both sides during regulation, fatigue clearly

started to settle in as the game moved into overtime. The Lions tallied only four shot attempts in the two overtime periods, whereas Yale did not record a single attempt on goal in the 30-minute overtime.

The Lions' last game of the season is scheduled for this Saturday at Harvard at 12 p.m. *sports@columbiaspectator.com*



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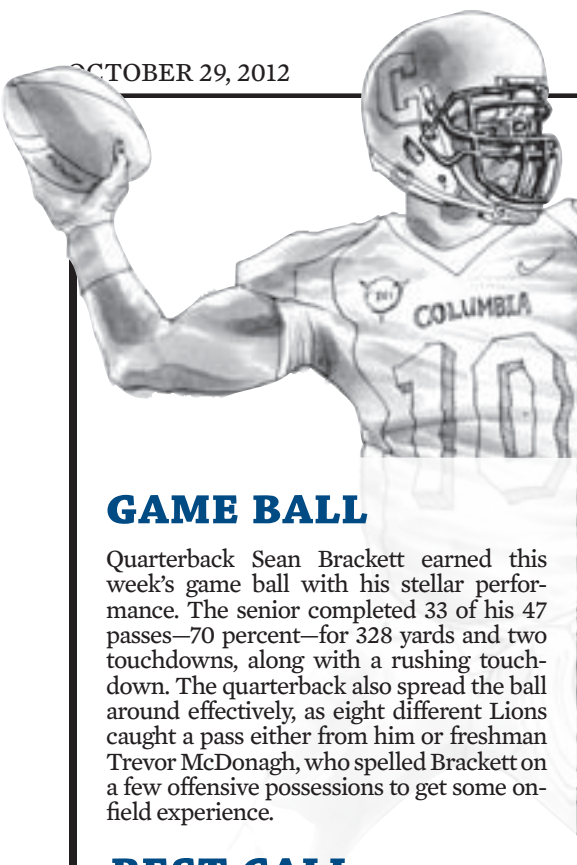


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# MONDAY MORNING QUARTERBACK week #7

## GAME BALL

Quarterback Sean Brackett earned this week's game ball with his stellar performance. The senior completed 33 of his 47 passes—70 percent—for 328 yards and two touchdowns, along with a rushing touchdown. The quarterback also spread the ball around effectively, as eight different Lions caught a pass either from him or freshman Trevor McDonagh, who spelled Brackett on a few offensive possessions to get some on-field experience.

## BEST CALL

The Lions came away with no points after having first-and-goal late in the first half, but flipped the script three times later in the game. One of those plays specifically stands out as being the Lions' best call. Down 14-12, the Lions had third-and-goal on Yale's one-yard line. Brackett lined up in the shotgun with Marcorus Garrett beside him, faked a handoff to the running back, and then kept the ball himself and ran it through a wide open hole in the line for a touchdown. The score put the Lions up 19-14.

## TURNING POINT

Perhaps the most crucial turning point in this game came with just over two minutes left on the clock. Yale running-back-turned-quarterback Tyler Varga carried a run up the middle for nine yards, but Light Blue linebacker Mike Waller stripped the ball away to force a fumble. Columbia's Ryan Murphy recovered it on the Lions' 41-yard line with 2:05 remaining on the clock, giving the offense plenty of time to go down the field and score the winning touchdown.

	Yale	Columbia
Total offensive yards	314	429
Total offensive plays	54	91
Average gain per play	5.8	4.7
Total first downs	18	27
Rushing	14	5
Passing	3	20
Penalty	1	2
Net yards rushing	262	60
Rushing attempts	42	35
Average per rush	6.2	1.7
Yards gained rushing	269	89
Yards lost rushing	7	29
Net yards passing	52	369
Completions-attempts-int	4-12-0	38-56-1
Average per completion	4.3	6.6
Passing touchdowns	0	2
Third-down conversions	7/10	13/21
Fourth-down conversions	0/0	0/2
Time of possession	21:24	38:36
Fumbles: Number-lost	4-3	0-0
Penalties: Number-yards	2-18	10-75
Interceptions: Number-yards-TD	1-2-0	0-0-0
Red-zone: Chances-scores	1-1	4-5

Passing	Comp-Att-Int		Yds	TD	
Brackett, S.	33-47-1		328	2	
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg
Garrett, M.	26	71	0	13	2.7
Receiving	Receptions		Yds	TD	LG
Nelligan, C.	11		138	0	25
Connors, C.	8		96	0	27
Wanamaker, J.	4		31	1	11
Tackles	Solo			Ast	Total
DiTommaso, M.	4	3			7
Murphy, R.	30	30	50	40	330 20 16 G

IVY LEAGUE FOOTBALL STANDINGS				
IVY	IVY	OVERALL	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
HARVARD	3-1	6-1	270	120
PRINCETON	3-1	4-3	195	129
PENN	3-1	3-4	142	171
CORNELL	2-2	4-3	192	189
DARTMOUTH	2-2	4-3	148	133
BROWN	1-3	4-3	147	136
COLUMBIA	1-3	2-5	105	164
YALE	1-3	2-5	127	206

## RECORD



GAME ONE  
VS. MARIST  
W 10-9



GAME TWO  
VS. FORDHAM  
L 20-13



GAME THREE  
VS. PRINCETON  
L 33-6



GAME FOUR  
@ LEHIGH  
L 35-14



GAME FIVE  
@ PENN  
L 24-20



GAME SIX  
VS. DARTMOUTH  
L 21-16



GAME SEVEN  
VS. YALE  
W 26-22



GAME EIGHT  
@ HARVARD  
11/3



GAME NINE  
VS. CORNELL  
11/10



GAME TEN  
VS. BROWN  
11/17

## PIXBOW STANDINGS: WEEK 7

1	Muneeb "Picked Apart" Alam	25-16
2	Sam "Booth Review" Tydings	23-18
3	Peter "For Pete's Sake" Andrews	20-21
4	Alex "Armchair Athletics" Jones	16-25
5	Katie "In the Zone" Quan	15-26
6	David "The Whole Fine Yards" Fine	12-29

## Lions rowing compete at Princeton Three-Mile Chase

BY MOLLIE GALCHUS  
*Columbia Daily Spectator*

The men's and women's rowing teams competed at the Princeton Three-Mile Chase this weekend. The competition, held on Lake Carnegie, was hosted by Princeton's crew coaching staff and was open to men's and women's collegiate crews.

In the men's varsity heavyweight eight, Columbia took 10th place out of 49 teams, finishing in 12:45.469. Princeton won the race while Columbia crews also placed 21th, 35th, and 41st in the competition. In the men's varsity heavyweight four, won by Cornell, Columbia came in 11th of 47 teams with a time of 14:12.109. Columbia teams also came in 17th and 47th in the event.

Harvard won the men's varsity lightweight eight while Columbia crews placed sixth and 24th out of 27 teams with times of 13:03.875 and 14:08.030.

Princeton won the men's freshman eight, in which Columbia A placed sixth with a time of 13:20.248 and Columbia A Lightweight placed 11th out of 33 teams.

The University of Virginia won the women's varsity eight, while Columbia came in sixth out of 55 teams, finishing in 14:19.243. Columbia crews also placed 21st and 50th in the competition.

In the women's novice eight, Columbia came in ninth out of 11 teams with a time of 17:05.494.

Women's rowing will next compete at the Rivanna Romp in Charlottesville, Virginia on Sunday, Nov. 11.  
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## Lions out of Ivy League title race after loss to Yale

BY ERIC WONG  
*Spectator Staff Writer*

Columbia volleyball (10-9, 5-5 Ivy) saw its Ivy League title hopes slip away with a weekend split on the road, losing to Yale before beating Brown.

The Bulldogs overwhelmed the Light Blue at the start, winning the first set 25-15, but the Lions clawed their way back into the match with a 25-21 second-set victory.

The turning point came at 24-24 in the third set, after Columbia had let leads of 14-9 and 23-22 slip away. The Lions could not find a way to side-out, and the Bulldogs put away a kill and an ace to win the set.

"We couldn't pull out the finish," senior captain Megan Gaughn said. "We had them in the third set. I don't think Yale knows how to play from behind. They were scared. It was a big momentum shift for them."

With the 2-1 advantage, the Bulldogs didn't look back, as they led throughout the fourth set to take the match and remain undefeated among the Ivies.

But even with the loss against Yale, the Lions came out strong on

Saturday, wrapping up the match in three straight sets.

"Against Brown, the win showed us that our mind is in the right place," Gaughn said. "It's really easy at this point in the season for teams in the middle and bottom of the Ivy League to take a downturn. We're showing that we're not doing that, and we still have four more matches left."

The team posted impressive hitting statistics, with all individual hitters posting .250 hitting percentages or better and an overall .333 team percentage. Gaughn led the team both nights, with 22 kills against Yale and 13 kills against Brown.

The win over Brown also carries some historical precedence, for a program that has made much progress since head coach Jon Wilson took over at the helm five years ago.

"Coach told us we were the first senior class to go 8 and 0 against another Ivy team," Gaughn said.

The senior class has a few more goals left, including attempting to get their first away win against Harvard on Friday before traveling to Dartmouth the following night.

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OH LANTII! Atlanta Moye-McLaren had 30 digs over the weekend.

## Lions complete fourth-quarter comeback

### FOOTBALL from back page

have plagued Columbia all season were fewer on Saturday than in recent weeks.

"We've been working hard, but today we executed when we needed to, made plays when we needed to," Brackett said. "We had the urgency that we need to have more today. I think that's what made a difference today in our execution."

The Yale offense showed up as well, despite having to deal with a plethora of quarterback injuries. Sophomore running back Tyler Varga had to fill in

under center for the Bulldogs, and performed admirably, rushing for 220 yards and three touchdowns.

"I'm glad I don't have to see 30 for another year," Mangurian said of Varga. "Man, is he good. He's a good football player. I've seen a few good football players, and he's a good one."

With Yale leading 22-19 late in the fourth quarter, it seemed like Varga was going to tear the Lions' defense apart once again and close out the game. But immediately after moving the chains for the Elis on a big third-down run, Varga fumbled

the ball on a first-down scramble, and Columbia recovered it to give its offense one more chance with 2:05 to play.

The Light Blue did not fail to take advantage of the opportunity, driving the ball up the field from its own 41 and punching through the game-winning score with less than a minute left.

Yale got one more chance, sending in wide receiver Henry Furman to quarterback. But after picking up a first down, senior defensive tackle Greg Lee came in for a game-ending sack, as the Lions closed out the 26-22 win.  
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Mark Swinney



## Lions offense comes together in first Ivy win

Assuming you're still alive to read this, I have some good news. No, not that classes are cancelled for Tuesday, although a person can dream. But on Saturday, Columbia's football team put together one of the best offensive performances I've seen in my time here—and, for the first time since 2001, we beat Yale in football.

A few weeks ago, I wrote a column criticizing the offensive game plan. And I'm thrilled to report that my initial fear that we were going to average about eight points per game is going to be wrong. It took seven games, but we're getting a sense of the scheme that Pete "the Man" Mangurian wants to run.

The offensive attack is, unsurprisingly, a variant on the offense that the New England Patriots have liked to run for many years. Lots of short passes, primarily curl routes to the sidelines and crossing patterns over the middle, based on timing; using the pass to set up the run; and using the running back as an outlet valve in case of emergency.

After a few weeks, everything finally clicked on Saturday. What's making the scheme work? I think we've collectively been underrating the skill of our group of wide receivers. Chris Connors, Connor Nelligan, and Jake Wannamaker—a freshman, a sophomore, and a sophomore, respectively—combined for 23 catches for 265 yards. Even that impressive statistic doesn't describe the way they played, with a minimal number of dropped passes, strong catches going over the middle, and an ability to pick up yards after the catch. If these guys continue to develop, this could be a legitimately scary group next season.

The scheme is also giving quarterback Sean Brackett a chance to show that he can, in fact, throw the ball. Brackett got into a rhythm and had by far his best day as a passer. And freshman QB Trevor McDonagh, getting his first collegiate action, gave us hope with a few sharp passes that we'll be in good hands when Brackett fades off into the real world next year.

There are still some issues. Based on my observations, there's only one running play in the playbook—give it to junior Marcorus Garrett and have him run straight up the middle. Repeat ad nauseam.

The problem with this approach is that we have a small offensive line, so it's tough to get any push up the middle. And when we're within our opponent's five-yard-line, it's literally impossible to score a touchdown with this play. Note that our two touchdowns from this position came from a quarterback draw and a dump-off to Garrett in the flat.

But it seems churlish to complain too much, after an entertaining game that snapped a five-game losing streak this season and a decade-long streak against Yale.

Perhaps the most important takeaway is that the conservatism of earlier games was mercifully absent this weekend. The Lions went for it on fourth-and-one at the Yale one in the first half, down 7-5. Some might say that we should have taken the field goal and the lead there. But I like the call for two reasons. One, it shows that we're going to take some chances in order to get as many points as possible. More importantly, though, it shows that Mangurian and the coaching staff trust their players to execute in key situations.

The fact that we didn't actually convert doesn't matter. What matters is that the team is beginning to develop a sense of belief in their capacity to make plays and get wins. When Yale scored a go-ahead touchdown with 7:30 to go, when Luke Eddy's field goal attempt was pushed just wide left, when Yale converted a third-and-one with two minutes to go, it all felt horribly familiar: a third consecutive week of suffering.

But the team never gave up—a forced fumble, a beautiful drive, and a tough defensive stop secured Columbia's first Ivy win of the year.

The Lions are starting to execute the new system successfully and realize that they can play with anyone. And they're going to need it in Cambridge next week, against a legitimately skilled Harvard squad. If we learned one thing this week, though, it's that you can't count them out just yet.

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For Pete's Sake

## Lions fight back for first Ivy League win of season



ALYSON GOULDEN / SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

MASTERMIND | Quarterback Sean Brackett took charge of the offense, throwing for 328 yards and two touchdowns.

## Light Blue falls to sixth in Ivy League with tie against Bulldogs

BY KYLE PERROTTI  
Columbia Daily Spectator

Columbia men's soccer came out of the gate at Reese Stadium in New Haven on Saturday afternoon ready to play. Within the first 10 minutes the Lions (3-7-4, 1-2-2 Ivy) had Yale (4-7-4, 1-2-2 Ivy) on its heels with three shots early in the match. But the Lions failed to maintain their pressure on the Bulldogs and finished the game in a 1-1 tie.

The Lions' early run was capped off at the 14th minute with a goal from 15 yards out by forward Henning Sauerbier, courtesy of an assist from Kyle Culbertson.

Columbia kept its energy at a high level as the first half closed out with the Lions having a 1-0 edge over their Ivy opponents. But by the time the second half rolled around, a momentum shift reared its head. The Bulldogs were able to turn up the energy and pressure, preventing Columbia from getting any real opportunities until very late in regulation.

This shift was solidified at the 69th minute with an easily chipped-in goal by Yale's Scott Armbrust. On the shoulders of this second half goal, it quickly became apparent that the Light Blue was going to be fighting an uphill battle late in the game,

as overtime loomed on the horizon.

The Lions did manage a surge late in regulation. With only one minute remaining before overtime, Sauerbier was nearly able to ice the game, getting past the goalie only to be shut down by a determined Bulldog defender.

The game was almost won by the Bulldogs in the second overtime when Yale's Kevin Michalak managed to sneak past the Lions' defensive front. However, thanks to a little extra effort, Lions goalie Kyle Jackson was able to tip the ball just wide for one of his four saves.

Although Columbia managed to get more shots off (11-9) and Yale had a season-high 10 offside penalties, the Lions were not quite able to capitalize, pushing most of their shots slightly wide. Saturday's stalemate with Yale puts Columbia in a fifth-place tie with the Bulldogs in the Ivy League.

The Lions will take to their home turf Thursday against Adelphi, looking to achieve and maintain the high level of energy that was on display early Saturday afternoon.

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KIERA WOOD FOR SPECTATOR

SHOTSTOPPER | Sophomore goalie Kyle Jackson preserved the 1-1 tie against Yale with a last-minute save, tipping the ball just wide of the goal.

BY ELI SCHULTZ  
Spectator Staff Writer

There was another two-minute miracle this Saturday on Robert K. Kraft Field, but this time it was the Lions who were working the magic, as the football team beat Yale for the first time in over a decade.

YALE	22
COLUMBIA	26

With 0:45 remaining in the game, junior running back Marcorus Garrett caught a pass in the end zone on a third-and-goal at the two-yard line to give Columbia a 26-22 lead. This time, the Lions (2-5, 1-3 Ivy) held on, ensuring that they would not suffer their third consecutive last-minute defeat and ending a string of nine straight losses to Yale (2-5, 1-3 Ivy).

"Obviously we're pleased with the outcome of the game," Columbia head coach Pete Mangurian said. "We've been trying to change this ending for a couple of weeks."

The Lions' offense came out strong and dominated time of possession in the first half, putting the team on track to snap its five-game losing streak. In the first two quarters, Columbia had the ball for 23:47, to the Bulldogs' 6:13. The possession time gap evened out in the second half, but overall the Lions had the ball for 38:36 to the Bulldogs' 21:24.

A lot of the Light Blue's success came through the air. Senior quarterback Sean Brackett had one of his best games of the season, throwing for 328 yards and two touchdowns. Brackett also ran for a touchdown on a misdirection play at the goal line early in the fourth quarter.

Brackett did a good job of spreading the ball around, allowing a number of players to make important contributions in the passing game. Wide receivers freshman Chris Connors and sophomore Connor Nelligan came up big for the Lions, making a combined 19 receptions, as did sophomore wide receiver Jake Wanamaker, who caught his first touchdown in a Light Blue uniform. Sophomore fullback Steven Silvio also saw some action, making three receptions for 39 yards. The drops that

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### SCOREBOARD



**WOMEN'S SOCCER**  
Columbia 1  
Yale 1



**VOLLEYBALL**  
Columbia 1  
Yale 3

Columbia 3  
Brown 0



**WOMEN'S GOLF**  
Lady Paladin Invitational  
10th out of 14 teams  
Junior Michelle Piyapattra tied for 23rd overall



**WOMEN'S ROWING**  
Princeton Chase  
6th out of 55 teams  
14:19.243



**LIGHTWEIGHT ROWING**  
Princeton Chase  
6th out of 27 teams  
13:03.875



**HEAVYWEIGHT ROWING**  
Princeton Chase  
Eights: 10th out of 49 teams 12:45.469  
Fours: 11th out of 47 teams 14:12.109



**MEN'S SOCCER**  
Columbia 1  
Yale 1



**FOOTBALL**  
Columbia 26  
Yale 22



**FIELD HOCKEY**  
Columbia 2  
Yale 3

at Rutgers  
postponed due to inclement weather

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