

TRICK OR TREAT



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TOOTHY GRIN | Rebecca Halfton, a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, plays Halloween-themed games with a young costume-clad guest at the InterGrek Council's Safe Halloween Block Party on Low Steps.

Halloween weekend brings record sales to MoHi Ricky's

BY LILLIAN CHEN
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In pursuit of a top hat to complete his Abe Lincoln costume, Dylan Kario, CC '15, spent his fair share of time waiting in lines at Ricky's costume stores this past weekend. Halloween is the busiest time of the year for Ricky's, a costume superstore with an outlet on Broadway between 113th and 114th streets, which

often sees its sales skyrocket as customers scramble to get outfits for the holiday.

"Halloween is our biggest season," assistant manager Indigo Robinson said. "We make almost double the amount we would make on a regular day."

This Ricky's location—there are 14 in Manhattan—made over \$10,000 a day just within the past week, according to Robinson.

The store first put out costumes in early October, but Robinson said that customers increased as Halloween weekend approached, with lines forming outside just to get inside the store.

Kario said he had to visit three different Ricky's locations around the city to get what he wanted.

"The cashiers had really long lines," Kario said. "The area to the downstairs had a

line ... that went all the way up the stairs. At one point, the cashier line was out the front door." He said that each line was a five-to-ten-minute wait.

The congestion was made more severe by increased security measures, with guards stationed at the front and back of the store for crowd control.

Customers who were patient enough to wait in line were

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Once men-only, CCAA gets female president

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Just after the first female dean of Columbia College abruptly resigned, Kyra Tirana Barry, CC '87, stepped in as the first female president of the college's alumni association.

"It was really an interesting time to come in as president," Barry said.

Barry, a member of the first fully coeducational class of Columbia College, studied urban studies and worked for 10 years in public transportation policy at the federal, state, and local levels before stepping into her new role two months ago at an organization that was all-male until the year she graduated.

Barry's inaugural semester as president of the Columbia College Alumni Association Board coincides with the 25th anniversary of Columbia College's first coed graduating class. This anniversary, however, has not been the CCAA's focus in recent months. When Michele Moody-Adams resigned as dean in August, the CCAA worked to address questions from alumni about the circumstances surrounding her departure, which was allegedly sparked by as-yet-unknown structural changes to Columbia College.

Justin Ifill, CC '06 and

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Mayor says no front runner in competition

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The city received seven proposals from 17 different institutions for its engineering campus competition, according to Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

"Universities are always a major magnet for talent, and the world's most dynamic companies always gravitate to places where they can find the best and the brightest," Bloomberg said at a press conference on Monday. "Along with everything we are doing to diversify and strengthen our economy, a new applied sciences campus has the potential to be a real economic game-changer that will create jobs immediately, and for generations."

The competition asks applicants to propose a plan for a campus focusing on applied sciences, potentially using land on Roosevelt or Governors Islands. The winner or winners will receive \$100 million to put towards the project.

However, of the seven proposals, only three plan to use space on Roosevelt or Governors Islands.

Stanford University and The City College of New York are collaborating on a project for Roosevelt Island, as are Cornell University and Technion-Israel Institute of Technology.

Amity University's proposal is aimed at developing Governors Island. Two of the teams hope to develop campuses in Brooklyn, with Carnegie Mellon University focusing on the Brooklyn Navy Yard. In downtown Brooklyn, New York University has teamed up with University of Toronto, University

of Warwick, Bombay's Indian Institute of Technology, and The City University of New York.

The remaining two proposals target Manhattan, with the New York Genome Center, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Rockefeller University, and State University of New York at Stony Brook proposing a joint campus for midtown. Columbia's proposal aims to use space in Manhattanville.

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— Seth Pinsky,
Economic Development Corporation President

Though some have raised concerns that not using the city's space on Roosevelt and Governors Islands could hurt Columbia's chances, Bloomberg said that there are "no immediate front runners."

"The strength of these seven proposals is the latest of evidence of confidence in New York City's future," Deputy Mayor Robert Steel said in a press release. "While there is significant work

to be done to evaluate these proposals and select a winner or winners, we are humbled and pleased by the academic community's response to Applied Sciences NYC."

In his speech at the press conference, Bloomberg said that he was equally impressed, adding that the proposals are "stronger than anything we could have possibly imagined."

The projects are very diverse themselves—ranging in size from 400,000 square feet to over 2 million square feet—and the cost of building the campuses could top \$2.5 billion. Columbia's project is somewhere in between at 1.1 million square feet.

All of the proposals include plans for labs, classrooms, and research space as well as open public space and space for private sector companies, according to the Mayor's Office.

Now that all of the proposals are in, an advisory committee will meet over the next several weeks to pick a winner. The official decision will probably be released in January, according to the Mayor's Office. Construction could start as early as next year.

"We now begin an extensive evaluation process, working closely with leaders from the public, private and academic sectors, in order to select the proposal that provides the greatest benefit to the City and its taxpayers," Economic Development Corporation President Seth Pinsky said. "While our work is far from complete, we are one step closer to making New York City the indisputable leader of innovation for the 21st century."

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Dev. corp takes heat for delayed start

Residents speaking out against lack of transparency, action

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Three and a half years after its founding, the organization charged with distributing millions of Columbia's dollars to the Manhattanville neighborhood is still not operational—despite claims earlier this year that it would be ready to go by the fall.

As per the Community Benefits Agreement, which was signed by the University and the West Harlem community in 2009, the West Harlem Local Development Corporation is supposed to distribute \$76 million for initiatives related to housing, education, and job training in Manhattanville over 16 years.

Currently, the WHLDC still does not have a website, an office, or a set timeline nor has it released information about its board members or programs. Since 2009, the University has paid \$3.55 million to the WHLDC's fund according to University officials, but residents and community organizers alike complain that there is still no application process by which organizations can apply for funds or means to distribute them. The apparent lack of transparency has led some residents to take more direct action.

Current Congressional candidate and SIPA graduate Vince Morgan accused the organization of spending hundreds of thousands of dollars restructuring the board and hiring consultants, but still remaining "a shell of an organization" in an open letter to the WHLDC on Oct. 24.

"The WHLDC has been plagued with problems since its inception," Morgan wrote. "There's never been a process in place that allows for transparency on the selection of the board members themselves."

ON NOTICE

Morgan is not alone in his criticism.

Last February, West Harlem's Community Board 9 called to disband the WHLDC for its lack of accountability, with residents expressing frustration that they had not seen any tangible benefits stemming from the allocated funds.

In recent months, members of Community Board 9, the district directly affected by the Manhattanville and partially responsible for drafting the Community Benefits Agreement, have argued that the WHLDC must be more accountable.

The members of the WHLDC include two representatives from the community board, three representative seats for local politicians, and its current president, Donald Notice, also executive director of the West Harlem Group, an organization that provides affordable housing to local residents. However the WHLDC has not formally released the names of any of its members.

In April, Notice told Spectator that they hope to have a revamped WHLDC established and up-and-running by mid-July. Though Notice insisted that efforts at increasing accountability, like getting an office and phone number for the corporation, were on the way. Notice's July deadline has come and gone and the LDC still doesn't have a base of operations or mechanism for public accountability.

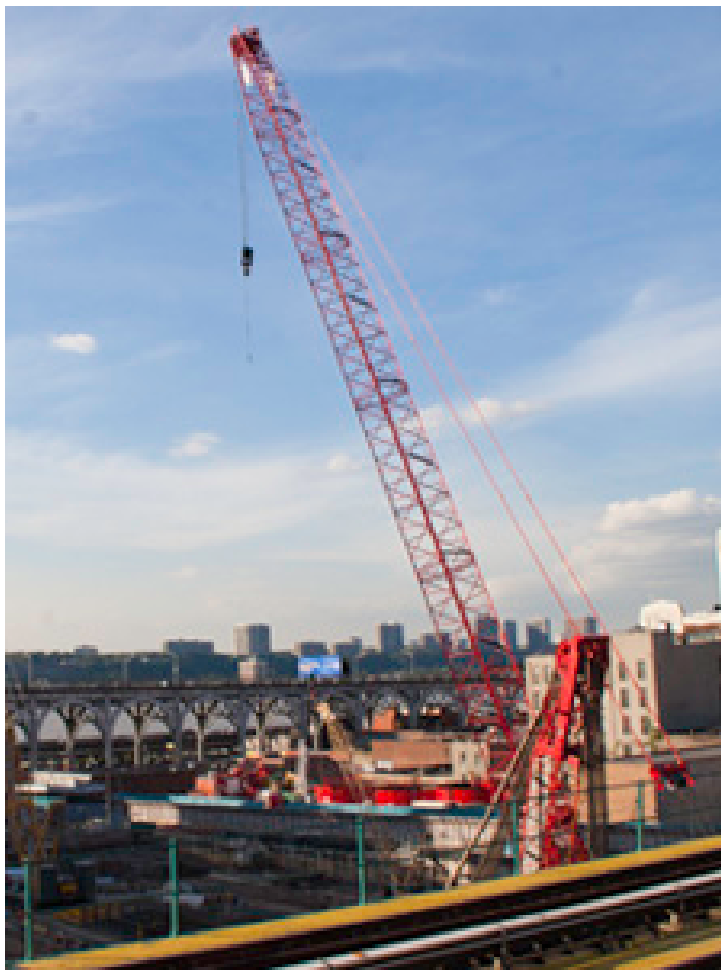
Notice told Spectator on Friday that the WHLDC is currently looking to set up an office somewhere in Manhattanville, but he could not provide additional information since they have not signed a lease.

In an interview with Spectator, CB9 chair Georgiette Morgan-Thomas said that the WHLDC needs to be more transparent with community members, and demanded monthly updates and progress reports from the WHLDC, as well as open information about the process to join its board.

"They have to have some place to operate," Morgan-Thomas said. "If they don't get situated, they're not dealing with the situation at hand."

The WHLDC has also been invited several times to give reports at the community board on its process, and though CB9 members Ted Kovaleff and former CB9 Chair Pat Jones are part of the WHLDC, CB9 members say that they have not kept the board informed on the WHLDC's progress.

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FILE PHOTO

CRANES LOOM | As the Manhattanville campus takes shape, residents say they want updates on the community benefits.

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The Demon Barber takes 96th Street

Crown and Scepter Theater Company premieres its first production, "Sweeney Todd," at Symphony Space carrying on the Halloween spirit through Friday, Nov. 4.



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Injuries creates problems for CU

The football team has suffered injuries to three key players this season: running back Nick Gerst, quarterback Sean Brackett, and wide receiver Mike Stephens.

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The politics of money

Jared Odessky extols the president's plans to make college affordable.

Small is still beautiful

Before heading downtown to protest, Columbia students should invest in campus policies.

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Millennium Villages and the Green Revolution in Africa

The Earth Institute presents a talk with Pedro Sanchez, co-chair of the Millennium Project Hunger Task Force. Jerome Greene Hall, Room 102, 4:20-6:10 p.m.

WEATHER

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CB9 members call for update on dev. corp’s progress, with limited success

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At a recent meeting, CB9 member Walter South demanded that either Jones or Kovaleff present to the board, saying that “we haven’t heard from them in months.”

Former Community Board President Larry English also charged that the WHLDC lacks structure.

“There are no formal written procedures. How one submits a proposal and there has not been any broad advertising to the community ... as to how this process works.”

A LEGAL TRANSACTION

But WHLDC President Notice said that the corporation is simply awaiting state approval to transition to a non-profit entity and currently lacks the legal authority to distribute the allocated funds.

According to Notice, the WHLDC itself has never had the authority to distribute the funds it recieved from Columbia, but was only designed to write the

Community Benefits Agreement and act as a mediator during the negotiation process. Now that the CBA is complete, Notice maintains that the WHLDC must give way to a new organization, the West Harlem Development Corporation, that will be able to make those funding decisions—the same cause for the delay he cited last spring.

“Once the infrastructure is set up, once the state approves everything that has been submitted to them, that gives us the ability to accept applications and get the ball rolling,” Notice said, saying they should receive approval in no more than a month.

“It’s already at the office where it needs to be and in the review process,” he added.

However, despite Notice’s claims that the WHLDC must transition into the WHDC before it can begin receiving applications for programs and distributing funds, Columbia spokesperson Victoria Benitez says this is not mandatory.

“The CBA does not ‘re-quire’ the LDC to go through an

application with the state and transform itself into the WHDC, but it does allow the transition,” she said.

However, despite community members’ frustration, the LDC has begun distributing some of its money. Kovaleff, a WHLDC board member, announced at a recent CB9 meeting that the WHLDC provided \$300,000 for the Summer Youth Employment Program to fund around 200 jobs for residents living in Community Board District 9. WHLDC member Jones said that there have been preliminary meetings with organizations operating in West Harlem and various city departments looking to get funding from the WHLDC. But Jones insisted that these projects can’t happen overnight.

“Right now, they’re looking for a multi-year commitment of seven years, a million dollars each,” she said. “It entails many months of discussion.”

In April, Notice told Spectator that WHLDC should be ready to distribute funds by mid-July. But last week, Notice said he could

not provide a specific timeline for proposals, saying that CBA funds should be available for distribution soon.

“By the end of the year, we should be up and running,” he said. “Fully set up, the state application approved, the office in place and the website in place.”

Notice also said they are searching for a new executive director for the WHLDC, another commitment he had pledged to fulfill by last July.

AN ADVISORY ROLE FOR CU

Though the University is not responsible for how the community benefits money is distributed, they do act in an advisory capacity for the WHLDC.

The University remains committed to fulfilling their obligations to the community, University spokesperson Benitez said.

“In accordance with the CBA, Columbia has contributed \$3.55 million to the benefits fund to date,” Benitez said. “In addition, the University has provided \$10 million to the City for the

Affordable Housing fund.”

Congressional candidate Morgan said he hopes that the University will actively advise the WHLDC on the distribution of funds.

“Columbia University has made good on their promise to put the money up,” Morgan said, commending them for agreeing to the CBA. “I’m asking them to stand with us and say that we have a problem and that we need to address that problem to ensure that the money gets to the right places as intended by the University”

In the meantime, community members said they hope to become more involved with WHLDC’s decisions as they unfold. “What I propose is that we will have a meeting [with the WHLDC] for those board members who are interested,” said Morgan-Thomas. “I will contact the [West Harlem] LDC and set up a meeting where we can actually discuss some of these issues at length.” Morgan-Thomas also suggested increasing legal

oversight for the WHLDC. “We probably need to look at some of our attorneys here on the board ... to be on the WHLDC and some other board members, so that we might make sure that we are properly represented,” she said.

Morgan proposed a more radical approach, saying that he would not hesitate to take legal action if the WHLDC does not act soon.

“No one wants to go to court and no one has to go to court,” Morgan said. “We simply challenge them to make changes to get things moving again.”

Morgan added that he is frustrated and confused by the WHLDC’s inaction.

“What I’m asking for is not rocket science,” Morgan said. “We’ve had three-and-a-half years. Put up a website. Tell us who your board is. Tell us how they were appointed and what their qualifications are.”

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Female wins top spot in CC alumni assoc.

CC ALUM from front page

president of the Columbia College Young Alumni, commended Barry for her efforts to communicate with concerned alumni and fellow board members following turmoil in the college.

Immediately following Moody-Adams’ resignation announcement, Barry convened

the CCAA board for a 9:30 p.m. conference call to discuss the matter.

“It was kind of a DEFCON 2 moment,” Ifill said, referring to the United States Armed Forces planned response to emergency situations.

Alumni contacted the board by “email, Gmail chats, Facebook messages, and texts,” and Ifill

said that Barry was very hands-on from the get-go.

“She made a point to reach out to me when Michele Moody-Adams decided to quit,” Ifill said. “She wanted to know what was going on with young alumni.”

Until a permanent dean is found, Barry said that CCAA will focus on protecting the Core.

“The Core Curriculum is one of the areas that link all the alumni and students,” said Barry, who has served on the Dean’s Alumnae Task Force and planned a women’s varsity soccer reunion in recent years.

She said that she hopes to improve the experience of international students and strengthen the rapport between younger and older alumni during her two-year term.

“We see our role as safeguarding the college and what makes it special and unique,” Barry said of the CCAA. “The quality of experience for students here today is incredibly important to us, and that motivates us to do what we do.”

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CH-CH-CHANGES | Kyra Tirana Barry, CC '87, became the first woman to head CC's Alumni Association this semester.

Despite negative results, good comes from close calls

MOHANKA from back page

at least remind ourselves that second is a somewhat impressive feat in a competitive conference. Winning is hugely important, but it isn't everything. There's got to be some props for trying. You can't expect to win everything out of the blue—and maybe this era of closeness is just an intermediate phase and a sign of things to come.

On Saturday afternoon, I sat in a room watching YES with about 10 people cheering on the Lions football team. The Lions didn't win, but they put up a fight. The weather was absolutely brutal, but the Light Blue athletes were giving it their all. It could have

been easy for a winless team to throw in the towel in those conditions. But they didn't do that, and I really think we ought to give credit where credit's due. Even when they were trailing 16-13 with the clock ticking down, there was a sense of belief in the air. That elusive first win was in sight. So close. But then Brackett's pass in the final minute was intercepted. We were so close, yet so far from paradise.

They didn't win, but I smiled because they tried... at least they came close.

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Football suffers from hurt players

INJURIES from back page

without Stephens in a key moment at the end of the game. The junior quarterback did not have an open receiver on fourth down at the end of the contest, and the Elis picked him off. Stephens may not have gotten open, but he would have certainly garnered more attention from the defense than his replacement.

Injuries are not the only contributor to Columbia's inability to win a football game, but it is not unrealistic to believe that Columbia would be on the right side if at least one of those matchups were it not for a few unfortunate bang-ups.



KATE SCARBROUGH / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

LONG LINES | Ricky's sees a significant increase in business during Halloween.

Ricky's makes bank over holiday season

RICKY'S from front page

rewarded: only 30 people were allowed downstairs at a time, allowing patrons the space to explore the variety of superheroes and gore costumes and masks.

Even with dozens of local elementary school age students trick-or-treating on Monday, college students still had the greatest presence at the Ricky's

near campus.

Robinson said that she estimates around 60 percent of those customers this week were Columbia students.

Throughout the year, students shop there for basic necessities, ranging from shampoo to nail polish, but during Halloween, students flock to Ricky's for their costumes and accessories all hours of the day.

“People have parties,” Robinson said. “People were coming in at 11 o'clock at night buying costumes.”

Even a snow storm Saturday didn't stop people from waiting out in the cold.

“We still had a huge crowd,” Robinson said. “Thursday, Friday, and Saturday were our busiest days ever.”

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Volleyball, men’s soccer, field hockey all in complicated hunt for Ivy League titles

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Though both women's volleyball (7-3 Ivy) and field hockey (4-2 Ivy) dropped games this weekend against Yale, they remain in contention for Ivy League championships. Men's soccer (3-2 Ivy) is also still in contention. Volleyball started the week tied for second with Princeton. At home this weekend, they lost to Yale 3-1, and then bounced back with a 3-0 victory over Brown.

While title contention is still possible, a number of scenarios must play out. Most importantly, the volleyball team must win all of their remaining league matches against Harvard, Dartmouth, Penn, and Princeton with the last two on the road. Yale also needs to drop at least two games for Columbia to remain in contention for a co-championship. If both Yale and Princeton drop three of their four remaining games on top of Columbia winning its remaining four matches

of the season, the Lions will claim the title.

Field hockey had a two-game winning streak snapped in its 3-1 defeat to the Bulldogs. Its final game of the season will be at home against Harvard on Friday. Besides winning this final game, the field hockey team must hope that Yale loses to Brown and Princeton loses to Penn to force a three-way tie.

“We're very much focused on the things we can control,” head coach Marybeth Freeman said. “There's a lot of 'if' and a lot of things out of control. There [are] things we as a staff have stressed to our athletes. Two things we can always control: our attitude and our performance.”




The field hockey squad has been focused on putting its best foot forward every game, regardless of the implications. However, some extra emphasis will be put on this final game.

“Our next game is our most important game, because not only is it an opportunity for us to recognize

our seniors—the time, the dedication and the effort they put into the program—but because its our last game at home against an Ivy League opponent,” Freeman said. “This final game will be an emotional one for our seniors. The team will rally around the seniors and upperclassmen. Our goal is to put our best foot forward for all of us and have a team mentality.”

Men's soccer is currently tied for fourth with two games to play, but they are very much in contention. They will have to win their final two conference games against Harvard and first-place Cornell. They will also need the winner of the Brown vs. Dartmouth game on the final week of the season to lose their game this Saturday.

Volleyball continues its title challenge at Levien Gymnasium against Harvard at 7 p.m. while field hockey plays its final game against Harvard at Baker at 6:30 p.m. Both matchups are on Nov. 4. Men's soccer plays Harvard at Columbia Soccer Stadium this Saturday at 4 p.m.

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‘Sweeney’ slices doubts in Crown and Scepter’s first production

BY JENNY SINGER
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What with the cast of “Marisol” slugging people to death with golf clubs, Hamlet and his cronies slashing and poisoning everyone in sight, and innocent teenagers poised to be tossed into nuclear reactors in a few months in Columbia Music Theatre Society’s “Zombie Prom,” fall is proving to be a bloody season on Columbia and Barnard stages. However, no show can touch the gruesome violence and shocking tragedy of “Sweeney Todd the Demon Barber of Fleet Street,” produced by the new Crown and Scepter Theater Company at Symphony Space (2537 Broadway at 95th Street) on Friday, Nov. 4, at 5:30 and 9 p.m.

Stephen Sondheim, whose work is challenging and polarizing, is known as perhaps the pre-eminent composer and lyricist of the last 50-plus years on Broadway. His work is never more achingly stunning than it is in “Sweeney Todd,” based on the British urban legend of a man who seeks revenge on a corrupt judge for the loss of his daughter and wife during London’s grimy industrial revolution. Benjamin Barker returns to a gloomy London as a free man, under the name of Sweeney Todd. He hatches a plot to avenge the wrongs done to him, slicing the throats of half the cast and serving them to Londoners in savory pies cooked by his morally bankrupt sidekick, Mrs. Lovett. Call it “Les Misérables” for the masochistic and more musically savvy crowd. It is the valuable moral lessons, haunting melodies, and brilliant lyrics of “Sweeney” that keep audiences from running out of the theater in fear.

The dark and occasionally nauseating musical, written to match the style of a classic Victorian melodrama, goes down easier with smooth direction by Joseph Rozenshtein, CC ’12, and a talented ensemble including stand-outs Alia Munsch, BC ’12, and Dhari Noel, CC ’15. Michael Carter, CC ’14, who dons an ashen face as the eternally focused Sweeney, wins the audience’s sympathy even as he slices through the neck of another customer. (One wonders how word of mouth works when almost all of the customers are killed.) Shelley Farmer, BC ’14, knocks her rolling pin with impeccable comic timing as Mrs. Lovett. But it is Omar El-Okdah, GS ’12, as Judge Turpin, who steals the show. The morally reprehensible Judge, who adopts Sweeney’s daughter and later tries to marry her, looks and sings better than Woody Allen ever



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DARK TWISTED FANTASY | Symphony Space, above, held Crown and Scepter’s “Sweeney Todd,” a successful first production despite minor malfunctions.

did. Enunciating every line with perfect dialect, he is both petrifying and magnetic.

At times it is difficult to say who is more vengeful, Sweeney Todd or director Joseph Rozenshtein. In his remarks to the audience on opening night (Monday, Oct. 31), Rozenshtein said, “We got very little support from our University, though we thank them graciously.” Rozenshtein said that about 2 or 3 percent of funding for the production comes from the Gatsby Charitable Foundation through the Arts Initiative at Columbia University,

and that the rest was funded privately. This accounts for the steeper-than-usual ticket prices: \$10 with a special discount, \$18 without.

The Crown and Scepter Theater Company was founded this year by Rozenshtein and musical director Mitchell Feinberg, SEAS ’13, for the purpose of producing “Sweeney Todd,” but it will go on to serve as a theater company unaffiliated with Columbia. It even plans to produce shows like “Spring Awakening” in the coming season. “Sweeney Todd” is notoriously difficult musically,

and is an extremely ambitious show for any theater, let alone the nascent Crown and Scepter. At times the singers and orchestra struggle with Sondheim’s thorny score, the sound system stifled singers, and pieces of the set fell down around the actors. There was also one hilarious moustache malfunction. Nevertheless, the three-hour production is haunting and somewhat beautiful, and Sondheim’s score makes the nightmares the audience will inevitably have for weeks to come totally worth it.



COURTESY OF THE KUNQU SOCIETY

FAN OF THE OPERA | The classical Japanese performance showcased the drama in fan dancing.

‘Classical’ dances show beauty, not depth

BY ANNABELLA HOCHSCHILD
Columbia Daily Spectator

In the opening act of “Classical Beauties,” the curtain rose to reveal a stark stage featuring a lone woman in traditional Japanese dress. The allure of the opening number continued throughout the showcase of Asian classical pieces. Despite some shallow performances, the program of “Classical Beauties” was a beauty—exactly what it promised to be. Hosted at Miller Theatre on Sunday, Oct. 30, the event showcased Chinese, Japanese, and Indian traditional dance, theater, and music works.

The opening piece featured a dance of slow, meditative-yet-deliberate movements set to classical Japanese music. This piece was danced by Helen Moss, who goes by the stage name Fujima Nishika-no. Her stage presence was well-grounded and concentrated in an almost religious devotion to her fan—used throughout in a way similar to that in Flamenco dance.

This adoration of the fan was continued as the three other dancers presented Japanese classical dance. While the pieces were undeniably enjoyable, they seemed to lack any deeper emotional substance.

The same cannot be said for the show’s Indian dance performance. Almost as bright as the flamingo-pink and neon orange costumes was the emotional intensity of the dancers, Sadhana Paranjhi and Satya Pradeep. As they danced stories of devotion, love, and comedy, their synchronized

actions perfectly offset their often-mirrored emotions. The short pieces, filled with fluid movement and extravagant costuming, were clearly audience favorites as they provided a light relief from the other slower-moving pieces.

However interesting the Japanese and Indian dances presented were, they can only be considered as warm-up acts to the performances from the Kunqu Society. Kunqu is a blend of theater and opera that developed from the 16th to 18th centuries, exemplified by the colorful and exuberant performances of Peking opera.

The first piece was “Encounter at the Pavilion,” a late 16th-century piece that tells of a meeting between a young man and woman, and his ensuing desire for her. The parts were sung by Min Cheng and Lou Yang, who both made valiant efforts to shed drama into the rigid piece. Nevertheless, at certain times, even their desperate efforts could not stop several members of the audience from napping.

The second piece was an altogether different affair. In “Kneeling by the Pond,” Min Cheng, Jiehua Shi, and Fulin Wen often captivated the audience in fits of laughter. This is not a regular occurrence when watching 16th-century Chinese opera, but here, hilarity only added to the effect of their performances.

The “Classical Beauties” on Miller stage showcased a grace and charm that have withstood the test of time. While the depth of emotions in some pieces exemplified their lasting power, the beauty of others proved to be only skin-deep.

Chic consignment chain thrives on UWS

BY ANGELA WANG
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Defined by the mantra of “resale goes upscale,” Second Time Around (2624 Broadway, between 99th and 100th streets) proves unlike any other secondhand apparel store in the city, and its newly opened branch on the Upper West Side gives the Columbia community a unique chance to consign and explore an ever-changing designer inventory.

As the fifth branch in Manhattan, the Upper West Side location opened at the end of September, and customers are already fitting in and out of its doors. Numerous elements set Second Time Around apart from the average vintage store. The primary difference is that the people who sell their clothing, shoes, and jewelry to the shop will maintain ownership of the items until they are sold. Second Time Around provides that window for customers to view and purchase many designer brands (Gucci, Hermès, Chanel, Cynthia Rowley, and Calvin Klein were among those spotted) on sale.

Moreover, the secondhand store strictly adheres to a highly selective standard—the clothes they consign must be at most two-years-old, and only gently worn. The UWS location’s assistant manager, who gave her name as Elise, said, “[An item] doesn’t have to be from the ’70s.”

Instead, the Second Time Around stores “prefer that it’s modern, so somebody that’s very into fashion, in love with what came out this season, can go to the store and find something from the runway,” she said.

Like other stores near campus, Second Time Around offers students \$20 store credits for referring their friends to consign.

The assistant manager emphasized the concept

behind Second Time Around as an environmentally aware effort. “It’s a great [way] to be environmental because you’re cleaning out your closet and you’re bringing other stuff in, so it’s a constant cycle of clothing,” she said.

And this cycle does not seem to run dry. For a shop that has only been open for a month, the racks are filled to the brim with selections. The apparel is classified by type of clothing (skirts, dresses, blazers, etc.). Shoes, ranging from leopard-print loafers to vibrant red flats, adorn the corners of the room, and a display case in the center of the space showcases the jewelry (giant silver and gold necklaces retail for an average of \$30). The store’s supply of dresses, skirts, and blouses will keep you occupied with picking the perfect cut and length.

The store strictly adheres to a highly selective standard—clothes must be at most two-years-old and only gently worn.

As a new store, the interior design is very basic, composed of perpendicular placements of racks, as minimalist and humble as the “Second Time Around” logo printed in a simple font outside.

With more than 25 branches nationwide, Second Time Around is making a splash on the vintage market scene, garnering nationwide attention with its blog and upcoming TV show on Bravo.



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Forever a loan

President Barack Obama knows firsthand the pains of paying for a Columbia education. During a speech to students at the Auraria Campus at University of Colorado in Denver this past Wednesday, Obama spoke of his struggles with college tuition and student loans, noting that he and his wife had together accumulated \$120,000 in debt from money borrowed to fund higher education. Unfortunately, the situation has only become worse since the Obamas went to college.

After two years of relative inaction in the realm of education, the current administration is finally looking to mitigate the financial headache bred by tuition bills nationwide. While the president used his time at Auraria to criticize Republican obstruction of the jobs bill, the centerpiece of the speech was an announcement of something that was long a key feature of his campaign rhetoric—student loan reform. Republican criticism has targeted the pronouncement as an unmis- takable political appeal to young voters, a constituency that Obama brought out in droves in 2008 and is likely to lure back to the polls in 2012. Whatever his inten- tions, the president has announced a college afford- ability plan that is a laudable step toward true reform in higher education and deserves the support of not only students, but of all Americans.

Most of us are well aware of the burden of a college tuition, but it is important to put things in perspec- tive. Today, the average cost of tuition at both public and private institutions is three times greater than it was in the early 1980s. This has obviously necessitated more available credit in the form of student loans—on average, more students take out loans today than at any other time in our country’s history. The size of loans themselves has also grown with the exponential leap in tuition. Last year, a student who took out a loan to pay



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for college graduated with an average debt of \$24,000. In the wake of slow economic growth and fewer job prospects for college graduates, the future looks bleak for those of us who have had to supplement financial aid with outside assistance.

President Obama’s plan is a commendable move forward in making college more affordable.

Does President Obama’s plan fix everything? No, but it certainly puts us on the right track. Planned to be ex- ecuted in 2012, the president’s proposal consists of four main initiatives, some of which were initially sched- uled for implementation in 2014. The primary tenet is loan consolidation. Instead of requiring payments to multiple private and government agencies throughout the month, Obama’s plan will allow borrowers to pay a single government loan fee once a month at a reduced interest rate. This will aim to bring down monthly costs by hundreds of dollars for 1.6 million people and also seek to limit penalty-inducing confusion. The second initiative will accelerate already existing plans to cap loan payments at 10 percent of discretionary income. This would be a significant reduction from the cur- rent 15 percent cap and would surely help to alleviate some of the burden. The next proposal would institute loan forgiveness after a period of 20 years instead of 25, ensuring that college financial worries do not plague Americans well into their adult lives. The final initiative is less sweeping than the other three, but its simplic- ity is its biggest selling point. The administration aims to produce a fact sheet titled “Know Before You Owe,” which would provide students with information on how

More than a paycheck

BY PAUL ANTHONY ARIAS

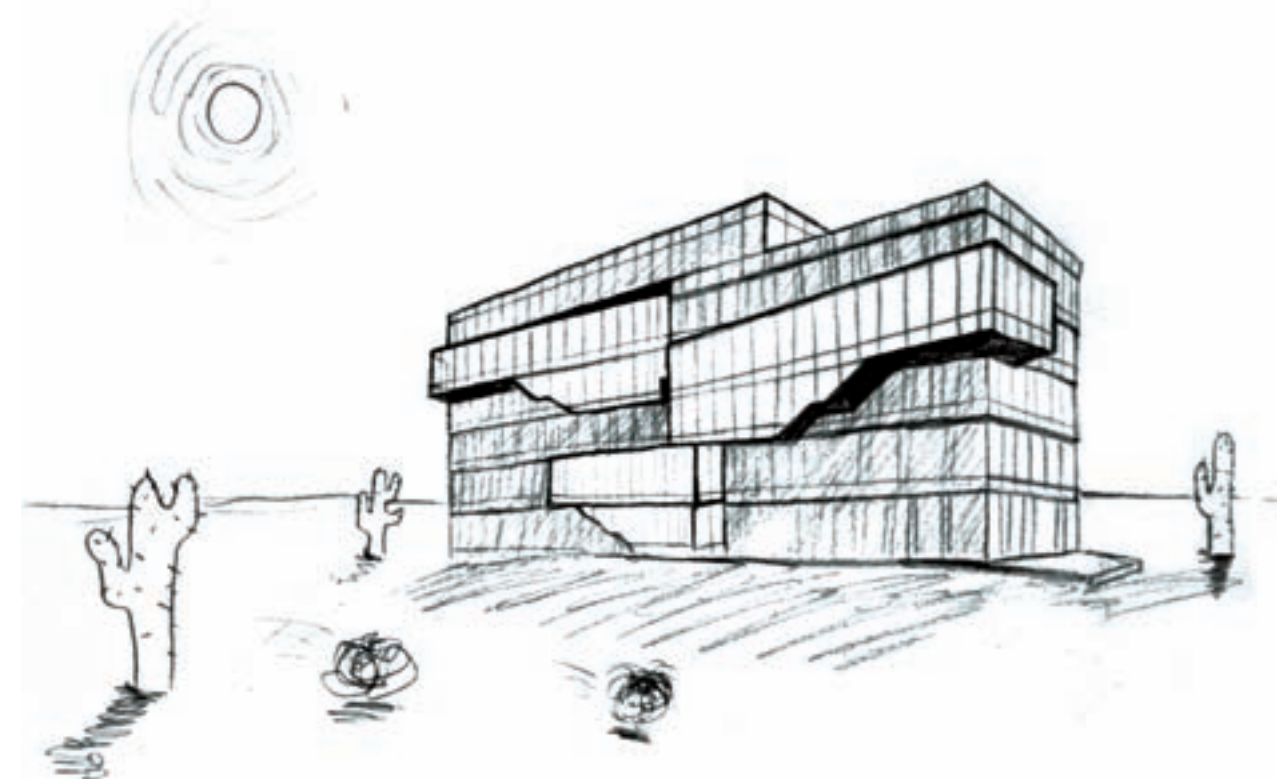
In the midst of the Occupy Wall Street movement, there has been a parallel movement across campus. This is the carefully dressed caravan of seniors on their way to consulting and finance information sessions. It is a movement that I, as a senior, have fallen victim to on oc- casion. It is in my face every day as I watch my friends walk around with coffee mugs from Accenture and dis- cuss offers from Oliver Wyman. Talking to them, I feel envy because I, too, wanted to be an attractive candidate for the corporate cream of America, just to confirm that I am a valid member of society. Yet, more than anything, it makes me feel pity, because I know that life is too sweet for me to be another white-collared employee whose life is set for the next 10 years. I want more than just a big salary, and, at 21, I am young enough to do so much more than receive large paychecks. I wanted to do what I came to Columbia to do—change the world. But now I am faced with a dilemma in my senior year. While I don’t want to be sucked into the black hole that is consulting and finance, I’m not ready to dedicate my life to activism and camp out with other protestors at Occupy Wall Street. As it turns out, there is a solution to my dilemma—vol- unteering abroad.

Columbia can benefit from a campus of students who are involved both globally and domestically.

Many people might say that they have already studied abroad and have tasted the foods and learned the histo- ries of their respective host cities. However, how many of us went to the impoverished areas of these countries? How many of us truly got to know the children struggling to make it to school because they need to work at home to help their family gather enough food for the day? At Columbia, faced with the “dilemma of the Ivy League,” we worry about retirement age and when we’ll get our first loft. We worry about getting the Rhodes Scholarship or Phi Beta Kappa recognition. In other places, families worry about getting enough eggs for the day and if they will have enough money to send their children off to school. Bilingual Education for Central America, based in Honduras, is a not-for-profit organization that has been working to address these issues in the small rural town of Cofradia since 2001. The organization has now expanded to two different schools, and it seeks new col- lege graduates who are willing to work towards providing a low-cost, accessible education to impoverished chil- dren in Latin America. I volunteered with them in the summer of 2010, and I can honestly say that BECA has changed my life.

Despite the success of this institution, there have been many times when, financially, BECA has had its struggles. Some employees even had to give up their salaries certain months in order to continue the operations of the organi- zation. This form of commitment that the directors and staff at BECA have shown over the years is outstanding, but is one that should not have to happen to the leaders of our international community who strive daily to improve our world, one child at a time. On campus, the Columbia University Child Rights Group is attempting to acknowl- edge this and will be having a fundraiser later this month. Yet the goodwill should not stop there. The world needs more volunteers, and Columbia can benefit from a campus of students who are involved both globally and domesti- cally, making a name through public interest work. BECA is only one of many organizations looking for volunteers. Princeton in Latin America is another organization that recruits volunteers yearly to improve conditions in Latin America. The opportunities are endless and can be found all over the world in countries ranging from Honduras to Senegal. As Columbia students, we have been given the gifts of intelligence, opportunity, and leadership, as well as the name of the one of the greatest universities. It would be a shame for us not to share these privileges with the world before succumbing to white-collared luxuries.

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Act local

BY XINYI LIN

Last week, Barnard’s Student Government Association held a town hall meeting discussing more efficient ways of using the Diana Center. This meeting was compelling, be- cause I use the Diana Center on a daily basis and genuinely appreciate SGA’s effort to reach out to hear opinions from students. Unfortunately, I did not attend the discussion because I had to fulfill other responsibilities that night. Equally unfortunately, only four students attended the event, resulting in a perfect 1:1 ratio with the four admin- istrators SGA had invited.

I was surprised, disappointed, and embarrassed by the fact that even the Diana Center, a prominent building that is very relevant to every Barnard student’s campus life, failed to attract a crowd. I also felt sorry for the news writer who had to cover this event with such a low turnout and yet still had to make the story sound good. Students’ low participation in policy-shaping campus events—such as town hall meetings, talks with the administrators, and panels on improving the community—is as widespread at Columbia as the plague.

A few weeks ago, for example, Barnard students held a protest against Barnard’s new tuition policy and the fact that the administration failed to respond to students’ voices on multiple occasions. This protest, which relates to stu- dents in a very practical and financial way, had such a low turnout that it reportedly became more of an information session for passers-by than an actual demonstration. On the other side of the street, Columbia College Student Council and Spectator’s co-sponsored Q&A session with the newly appointed Dean Valentini, and General Studies Student Council’s town hall meeting on housing and financial aid, were also not well-attended.

Ironically, the students whom I’ve befriended on this campus are generally vocal, concerned, and thoughtful individuals. But our student population fails miserably when it comes to campus issues. We’re vocal in making complaints to our friends, but not to those who make the

to make their own financial decisions when planning out payments. Clarity is a quality often lacking when navigating the waters of college finance, and President Obama’s endeavor to make the process transparent de- serves more than a passing glance.

Criticism directed at the plan has come in the form of arguments about its cost from lower interest rates and its execution. Republicans point out that this plan seeks to help pay the way for those who are college- bound while forcing blue-collar Americans who have not pursued higher education to foot the bill. This reasoning is asinine—promoting higher education will not only lead to investments in economic growth that can help all Americans, but the very point of this plan is to expand the accessibility of colleges and universities to those who were previously barred from attending because of financial circumstances. This will relieve the burden on middle- and lower-class workers in paying for their children’s education—not exacerbate it. In terms of the plan’s implementation, the president has been criticized for his use of an executive order instead of bringing the proposal to Congress. However, it is evident that Republicans in the legislature would do anything to strike down what would be a perfectly sen- sible bill simply to further their “party of no” mentality. Relief is necessary right now, and the American people would ultimately suffer from further delay.

While student loans are not going to go away, President Obama’s plan is a commendable move for- ward in making college more affordable. Without a doubt, higher education is the gateway to success in this country, and it’s a breath of fresh air to see a policy maker finally focusing on the right line of attack. When it comes to education, perhaps our politicians are finally learning.

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rules. A friend echoed this sentiment when he remarked that people at Columbia go to Occupy Wall Street but not to their own town halls. Similarly, voter turnout for na- tional elections, albeit low, is higher than in local elections, even though the results of the local elections actually have more effects on everyone’s day-to-day life. Such a counter- intuitive phenomenon may be explained by the fact that local events do not have the same appeal as larger, more exciting events like Occupy Wall Street.

Our student population fails miserably when it comes to campus issues.

The greatest advantage of attending a school in New York City has also become its greatest disadvantage in cultivating concern for Columbia. The world outside the gates offers so many and such varied opportunities that it becomes extremely difficult—and unappealing—to pay attention to our relatively small, unexciting campus. This is a topic of much discussion, as Columbia students often bemoan the lack of community on campus. But when op- portunities arise to address this issue and form a larger coalition, students are nowhere to be found.

As the next generation of educated elites, we must take it upon ourselves to be active, and real activism should start on the local level. I have no immediate solutions to the problem of community (or the lack thereof), but I would like to urge my fellow classmates to pause and take a mo- ment to look at the campus around us. I promise, you will find something that concerns, interests, and calls you.

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For Columbia, close counts for something

Remember that time someone complained that they “just missed” getting an A and had to settle for an A-?

I was talking to a friend the other day about the World Series. After I explained how Game 6 between the Texas Rangers and the St. Louis Cardinals unfolded, she asked me, “So what’s the moral of the story?” My response: Life is dictated by fine margins.

For those unaware, the Rangers were one strike away from winning the World Series, twice. Twice. Unfortunately for them and my co-editor, they couldn’t seal the deal.

I don’t think this past weekend could have made that response of mine more relevant to the world of Columbia athletics. It’s often said that sports aren’t our thing, we suck, we don’t care, etc., but recently the conversation has been about how several of our teams are in the race for an Ivy crown in 2011. Field hockey, volleyball, men’s and women’s cross country, and men’s soccer all had title aspirations going into this weekend’s action. They had those aspirations because they are, were, or expected to be, close to the best in the conference. While there’s never a tale without a twist, sometimes it’s the twist that makes the tale—and this weekend had its fair share of twists, especially the changed weather on Saturday which football and cross country braved.



MRINAL MOHANKA

Word on the Street

Several of our teams are in the race for an Ivy Crown in 2011.

For cross country, it was a case of close, but no cigar. The men, led by Kyle Merber, finished in second place behind Princeton, while the women narrowly missed out to Cornell. Merber finished second in the individual results—by a mere one-tenth of a second. He was in the lead with 100 meters left, but Dartmouth’s Ethan Shaw edged him at the end. The women had 51 points, compared to Cornell’s 49 (the lower the better)—and that’s the closest the Lions have come to an Ivy title in 2011. You can tell by that margin that the Light Blue almost had it, and it’s the little things that make the difference. While nobody should be fully satisfied with second place, we should acknowledge the effort. Merber was hospitalized for hypothermia immediately after he crossed the finish-line, and if that doesn’t deserve props, I don’t know what does.

It was so close, but yet so far, for both field hockey and volleyball. Both teams hosted Yale on Friday, and wins against the Bulldogs would have put the Lions in pole position for the Ivy crown in their sport. But the Bulldogs took both games 3-1, and now the Lions need other teams to do them a favor in the final weeks of the season.

The men’s soccer team kept its dream alive with a hard-fought win against Yale. However, it isn’t the close nature of the contest that really made me think “oh God, that was so close.” In the 48th minute senior winger Francois Anderson hit the crossbar at 1-0. I think the woodwork is one of the more annoying things about soccer, because fine efforts that deserve to go down in history as beautiful goals are often forgotten instantly because they didn’t end up in the back of the net. My beloved Liverpool Football Club has struck the woodwork 10 times this season—far more than any other team. It’s unbelievable and annoying. Ten more goals (assuming keepers are beaten when the uprights are rocked) and LFC’s position in the Premiership would be hugely different. Will Stamatis hit the woodwork up at Dartmouth, and had that result been different, the Lions would have an even better shot at lifting the 2011 Ivy trophy. You may not think it, but even those few inches of wood can have a huge say in determining a team’s fate.

While there are no prizes for second place, I think it’s important to

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MANY MEN DOWN | Junior running back Nick Gerst is one of several key Light Blue players that has been injured and off the field so far this season.

Injuries result in multiple ‘what ifs’ for Light Blue

BY JEREMIAH SHARP
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The last thing any coach wants to hear is a report from a team doctor saying a key player has been injured. Unfortunately for football head coach Norries Wilson, these words have been heard a lot throughout this dreadful season.

With the team now at 0-7, it is important to look at factors like injuries, which are outside of the players’ and coaches’ control. The team is certainly not winless only due to injuries, but there have been countless close moments where one might have said: “Columbia may have won the game if only they had their receiver.”

Injuries are bound to occur in a physical sport like football, but the timing of the injuries and the personnel who have been afflicted has put Columbia on the wrong side of seven consecutive contests this season.

Injuries have plagued the Lions since their first week’s matchup at Fordham. While senior wide receiver Mike Stephens was back in the fold

after sitting out most of last season with an injury, Columbia was short another key contributor in junior running back Nick Gerst.

The Lions’ run game was stifled, racking up only 73 yards. When Gerst is added as a threat in the backfield along with junior quarterback Sean Brackett and sophomore running back Marcorus Garrett, the Light Blue running game is three-pronged.

During the second game of the season, Columbia trailed Albany by 30 points in the fourth quarter. While many of the key skill position players were pulled for backups to avoid injury, Wilson elected to leave Stephens in to return kicks. After fielding back one return, he was tackled awkwardly and left the field hobbling.

Then came the Ivy League season opener at Princeton. Coming into the game, Columbia was the heavy favorite, but that didn’t seem to stop a motivated Princeton offense from rushing for 227 yards. While allowing that many rushing yards to a lousy Princeton team is never acceptable, the absence of Stephens—who was injured the previous game—may very well have been what the Tigers needed to hold Brackett to under 200 passing

yards—preventing the Lions from coming back in the second half and allowing the Tigers to repeatedly run down the clock.

Stephens would miss the next two games, including another heartbreaking loss, this time to Penn. Columbia had several opportunities to capitalize on Penn’s mistakes, and the lack of a veteran presence might have led to Brackett’s inefficient 16-for-37 completion rate.

Brackett was absent for the loss to Dartmouth, but whether Brackett’s absence could lead to a 37-point swing is a completely different question. The biggest factor to figure in this loss is the players’ mentality, knowing they were going into the game without their offensive leader. How much this affected the team is unknown, but it certainly created a mental handicap for the struggling squad.

That led to last weekend’s snow-filled contest against Yale. With Gerst out, the Lions were already thin at running back, and this was a game where they knew they would have to do a lot of running. Brackett also sat out the previous game, so the team was still cautious with him, which meant Garrett would be in charge of the bulk of the carries. Rushing was one of the

Lions’ biggest issues on Saturday—the team ran for only 69 net yards—and losing Garrett late in the second quarter may have been to blame.

Wilson said he did not change his strategy with the departure of Garrett because he believed the backups would fill in. Brackett reiterated this sentiment.

“Marcorus has really been out main back the whole year,” he said. “But I think David Chao stepped up nicely, Griffin Lowry, even Alec Fisher, the freshman, came in and they played pretty well for the conditions and the situation they were in.”

They may have stepped up, and Columbia did have a legitimate shot at winning the game, but its chances were seriously diminished when a familiar face was taken out of the game after scoring a late touchdown. Stephens’ four-yard touchdown reception was bittersweet for the Lions, as the senior had to sit out the remainder of the game.

“After I caught it, I kind of got folded over a little bit, but no big deal,” Stephens said.

For the third time, Brackett was

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Lions take on Adelphi in their final nonconference matchcup

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The Columbia men’s soccer team (6-7-1, 3-2 Ivy) takes to the road this evening to go against Adelphi (6-8-1) in a clash crucial to the Lions’ bid for the postseason.

“It’s an extremely important game,” head coach Kevin Anderson said. “It’s an in-region game where there are two ways to make the tournament. You either make it by your in-region results and your RPI—that’s not necessarily the national poll. Or you make it by winning your conference. So those go hand in hand because you need to have a winning record.”

The RPI is a team’s national ranking according to various statistical measurements and is a large determinant in which teams qualify for the NCAA tournament. Last year, four Ivy League teams qualified.

A win against Adelphi would put the Lions record at 7-7-1, which is a point above the .500 mark. The fact that it is the Light Blue’s final nonconference game of the year will not mean that there will be a shuffling of the squad with key players rested. The only certain change from the side that beat Yale 1-0 on Sunday will be the absence of senior captain Mike Mazzullo. The midfielder picked up his fifth yellow card of 2011, and thus must

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serve a one-game suspension. Junior forward Will Stamatis scored his sixth goal of the season against the Bulldogs, and will be crucial to the Light Blue offense in Garden City tonight.

The Panthers head into the clash on the back of a 2-1 loss against Army. The Panthers have been sharing goal-scoring responsibilities fairly evenly, with seven players having scored two goals this season. Junior forward Brandon Stoneham, who scored against Columbia last season, leads Adelphi in points with two goals and three assists.

Adelphi dominated the contest when the two sides met last year—the 3-0 loss was the Lions’ worst home defeat of 2010. The Lions had 17 chances to score, but were unable to find the back of the net. Mazzullo struck the cross-bar twice, while Stamatis had four shots in the fixture.

The Lions will certainly be looking for retribution this time around as they seek to build momentum for the final stretch of the season.

“We’re going to Adelphi to win,” Anderson said.

Kick-off is scheduled for 7 p.m. this evening in Garden City, N.Y.

CU club water polo comes out on top in Ivy Championship

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The Columbia men’s club water polo team won the Club Ivy Championship this past weekend. The Lions beat Dartmouth 12-8 and then Yale 7-5 on their way to lifting a trophy of solid silver.

“It was definitely some of the best water polo we’ve played to date and over my entire Columbia career,” senior utility Keith Heyde said. “All the teams are pretty equally matched so it was a great gear up to nationals. It was also a fun and exciting thing because it’s great to have the Ivy tournament because the varsity teams play with the five club teams. It really benefits the club teams into becoming stronger programs.”

After winning the club Championship, the Lions played in the Final Four bracket. This part of the tournament pitted the club squad Lions against the three Ivy varsity teams—Princeton, Brown, and Harvard. The Lions played Princeton first and were leading after three quarters, but eventually fell 15-10. They took on Harvard later in the third-place game, and were defeated 16-6. Despite this, it is important to note that the Lions only had two

substitutes, whereas most other teams had a full roster with 12 people on the bench. Sophomore Silas Wilkonsin stood out for Columbia with over 40 blocks over the course of the weekend.

The Lions now look ahead to the National Championships, which will get underway on Nov. 11 at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Columbia is seeded 14th because of its finish at last year’s event, and will open the tournament with a match against No. 3 Michigan.

“Genuinely, I think last weekend was by far the best water polo we’ve played so it’s all positive for nationals,” Heyde said. “We’ve got a good chance of going pretty far. Last year we lost in the first round and we’re hoping to do better this time.”

“Right now we’re ranked 10th in the nation,” junior attacker Kai Golden, who is also president of the men’s water polo club, said. “We have a bid to nationals so we were undefeated in our state this past year which was pretty nice, but our state doesn’t have as much competition as we’d like it to. But I think we have a fair shot of going pretty far at nationals. Columbia’s never gotten beyond the first round at nationals, but this is definitely our year.”