

Officials look to regulate food trucks

BY CASEY TOLAN
Columbia Daily Spectator

Food trucks and carts are facing greater scrutiny from local officials—a move local vendors are calling unnecessary.

Members of Community Board 7 will begin a street-by-street survey of Upper West Side street food vendors on Friday, and City Council member Gale Brewer introduced new legislation last month to track the number of permits allotted to food vendors city-wide.

CB7 members will conduct the survey over the next three weeks, recording whether food trucks, food carts, and fruit stands are complying with regulations, directly competing with restaurants, or, in the case of trucks, emitting fumes or noise.

“The idea is to get an accounting of what we have and where it is,” Andrew Albert, co-chair of the CB7 transportation committee, said. “We’re not trying to kill them—we just want an idea of what we have and how we can make it best serve the neighborhood.”

TASTY BUT SMELLY

Despite food trucks’ popularity, some local residents are concerned with the noise and fumes the trucks emit and the parking spaces they take up, Albert said.

Brewer’s legislation, introduced in the City Council last month, requires the city’s



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HALAL HUBBUB | The combination of food carts, like this one on Broadway, and new food trucks have prompted calls for regulation.

Department of Health to differentiate between permits given to food carts, which tend to be more neighborhood-based, and those given to food trucks, which are motor vehicles.

Brewer, who represents the Upper West Side, said the distinction is important because she’s been receiving complaints from constituents about trucks, especially regarding their fumes.

“If you live above a truck that has a generator or is

cooking, people do complain,” Brewer said. “People like the trucks to eat from but don’t want to hear them or smell them if they live above them.”

CB7’s transportation committee has also recently fielded a lot of complaints from Upper West Side residents about the vendors being “disgusting or smelly,” Albert said.

Andy Chang, human resources manager and partner at Korilla, which was serving long lines of customers

on Amsterdam Avenue between 116th and 117th streets Wednesday night, said that wasn’t true for his business.

“If anything, our truck sends out a good aroma,” he said. “It’s barbecue—you can’t make anything that smells bad.”

Officials also worry about the competition that food trucks present to brick-and-mortar businesses.

“The restaurant is paying big rent dollars, big taxes, and to have an unfair competitor in front of

them who’s paying no rent is a bit one-sided,” Albert said.

Chang disagreed. “If your product was good enough, people would go there,” he said. “The reason they come to us instead of you is that our food’s better than yours—not to sound cocky.”

Nick Brnjos, an employee at Healthy Bites NYC food cart at 115th Street and Broadway, said that he worried that officials were biased toward

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Architects talk challenges of sports center

BY GINA LEE
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From too-close subway tracks to a very steep slope, the challenges facing construction on the Campbell Sports Center have made things interesting for its engineers and architects.

Members of the design and construction teams described some of those challenges, including the proximity to the 215th Street subway station, at a lecture given at NYU-Poly on Wednesday night. Construction on the University’s new athletics facility at 218th Street and Broadway, on the southeast corner of Baker Field, began this spring and is expected to be completed by fall 2012.

Originally, the team had planned to start construction with a smaller crane at the top of the slope, but the prospect of pointing a crane toward an elevated subway track concerned the MTA. That meant the sequence of construction had to be changed, and a larger crane brought in to start construction on a different part of the building.

Olaf Schmidt, senior associate at Steven Holl Architects, the

architecture firm designing the building, described that the inspiration behind the design was the combination of mind and body. The strength and conditioning floor on the bottom of the building represents the body, the study space and hospitality zone on the top of the building represents the mind, and the student athlete theater in “the arm” of the building represents the union between the two.

Schmidt also revealed some design details. The walls will be partly Columbia blue and formed by aluminum panels, and backlit screens will light up the 218th Street corner at night. He described the theater as having a “dynamic slope, kind of resembling the subway car.”

The five main objectives of the project, Schmidt said, were to create new visibility for Columbia athletics, form an inviting new gateway, design state-of-the-art athletic spaces, extend field play into the building, and provide sustainability and ecological innovation.

Nat Oppenheimer, principal of Robert Silman Associates, the structural engineering firm working with the architects,

said that the greatest geotechnical challenge was deciding the most cost-effective scheme given the steep slope at the site, around which the architects and engineers had to design an innovative steel framing and plank layout. The steel framing, going up now, will be completed within the next month and a half, according to Pat Arnett, associate at Robert Silman Associates.

Oppenheimer added the firm is trying to keep the plans realistic and within budget, despite the scope of the project.

“We pride ourselves on doing work that gets built,” he said. “I don’t want you having the feeling that we just spent money to solve every problem.”

Schmidt said Campbell will allow Columbia athletics to have a more visible presence uptown, but the site does present an architectural and structural challenge.

“It’s an unusual project, and it’s a challenge for the architect and design teams,” Ruth Shragowitz, senior project manager for Columbia Facilities, said.

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STEEP CLIMB | The new center, in an official rendering above, presents unique engineering challenges.



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GRAD CHAT | University President Lee Bollinger spoke to about 50 graduate students in his home on Wednesday night.

At fireside chat, Bollinger talks Occupy, global centers

BY ABBY ABRAMS
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University President Lee Bollinger took questions on Occupy Wall Street, job prospects, and a favorite topic—globalization—at a fireside chat for graduate students on Wednesday.

“The basic idea is that in the past decade, and in the past quarter-century, the world has changed substantially,” Bollinger said. “We need to make it possible for faculty and students to learn what this new world is all about, what they need to face, so we’ve set up offices in seven parts of the world,” Bollinger said, referring to the university’s global centers.

President Bollinger then asked the students how many of them had been to China, India, and Africa, each of which received a small showing of hands. When he asked how many had

been to Europe, almost every hand went up.

“That’s good, and that’s the problem,” Bollinger said, chuckling.

Jess Applebaum, a third-year student in the School of the Arts, brought up financial aid. She said she felt “curious and hopeful that Columbia might, in the future, continue to give more funding toward artists to be able to come and do their work” at the University.

Bollinger used that as an opportunity to discuss the Manhattanville expansion, explaining that he believes “the Manhattanville campus and the new building for the School of Arts will actually lead to much more success in fundraising for financial aid. People think these things are exciting. They want to be part of it, and they want to help.”

Daphne Carr, a music student in the Graduate School

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Concerns continue as park crime increases

Parents push for more police in Morningside

BY FINN VIGELAND
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Gun violence has prompted the New York Police Department to amp up its patrols in and around Morningside Park, but recent shootings still have some parents rattled.

Dave Ehrenberg, 26th Precinct captain, said his officers have increased enforcement in Morningside Park since two shootings this June—including one in which a 16-year-old boy was shot in the face on a park basketball court—but parents are still anxious, especially because most of the incidents have happened in places like playgrounds or basketball courts that are designated for children.

Most recently, shots were fired on Nov. 21 at 119th Street off of Morningside Avenue—half a block from a public K-8 school—and on Oct. 26, in a playground in the northeast corner of the park.

LOCAL CONCERNS

Mekia Denby was walking her four-year-old daughter home along 119th Street last Monday when the shooting happened. “We were literally in the middle of the block,” she said. “We had passed where the shots were seconds before.”

Denby said she was startled by the shots, not only because it happened across from the park and a school, but also because it was about 4:15 p.m.

“I didn’t know what they were. ... But I literally picked my kid up and my bike and ran to Frederick Douglass [Boulevard],” she said.

At the Children’s Learning Center, a Columbia-affiliated nursery school on La Salle Street between Broadway and Amsterdam Avenue, director Renee Bock has stopped taking students to Morningside Park for recess.

After she heard about the Oct. 26 incident in the playground where she used to take students, Bock said she asked herself, “‘Would I bring my own children to the park if that kind of an incident happened?’ And I knew in my gut I would not do that.”

“A lot of parents are getting increasingly concerned about the climate in the neighborhood,” she said.

It showed. Nearly 20 families with children who attend CLC went to the monthly meeting of the 26th Precinct Community Council on Tuesday. When Denby, whose daughter attends CLC, told Bock about the Nov. 21 shooting, Bock said she thought, “‘Another shooting? And this time one of our families was present?’ We have to get some answers about whether there’s a pattern.”

Ehrenberg, acknowledging that the large turnout was due to parents looking to hear about the NYPD’s efforts in Morningside Park, said, “We do have a little problem there.”

During the meeting, a CLC parent asked Ehrenberg, “‘Should I be allowing my sitter

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The ‘Imperial Messenger’ critiqued

Journalist Belen Fernandez, CC ’03, lambasts columnist Thomas Friedman’s incendiary statements in her book, “The Imperial Messenger: Thomas Friedman at Work.”



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Occupy Columbia’s success should motivate it to do more.

Going home

Jeremy Liss offers some vital strategies for visiting the family.

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Search for new football coach in progress

After firing football head coach Norries Wilson at the end of a 1-9 season, the Columbia athletic department is looking to quickly fill the vacant post.

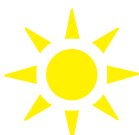
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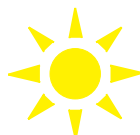
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Parents wary of Morningside Park as violent crimes continue

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to take my kid there?” Ehrenberg paused before answering, “My honest opinion is it’s safe ... but I understand your concern.”

MORE RESOURCES

Although the 26th and 28th police precincts are divided by Morningside Avenue—meaning that crimes in Morningside Park are technically the responsibility of the 26th, and crimes east of the park fall to the 28th—officers at the precinct meeting said that the 26th and 28th precincts have joined forces to prevent crime in the area.

“We don’t want people to think there’s a fine line between the two,” Ehrenberg said.

He stressed that the two precincts have the resources in place to stop the violence. There is always at least one cop in the park from 2 p.m. until 7 a.m., Ehrenberg said, not including other resources, such as officers in patrol cars nearby.

The precinct has deployed a number of plainclothes officers to patrol the park as well, and while Ehrenberg said he was not able to disclose how many, he said these officers have made a “significant amount of arrests” since they were assigned there.

Recalling violence in the park in 2003, Jonathan Kahn, a CLC parent, said that back then, “The 26th and the 28th precincts were not coordinated like this. He [Ehrenberg] seems like he’s got the resources in place.”

Columbia security cameras along Morningside Drive have helped deter crime and identify suspects in the past, 26th Precinct Community Affairs Officer Jason Harper said. The nonprofit Friends of Morningside Park increased its fundraising efforts since the summer, raising \$10,000 that members plan to spend on one new video camera in the park, said Brad Taylor, former Friends president and current treasurer.

Columbia also funds Morningside Park’s one Parks Enforcement Patrol officer—a



FILE PHOTO

SECURITY CONCERNS | The Parks Department, Columbia, and the NYPD all have a hand in keeping Morningside Park secure.

Parks Department employee who primarily oversees quality-of-life issues like dogs without leashes and public urination.

Taylor said the presence of PEPs also helps deter crime, but one officer for the 30-acre park isn’t enough.

“In a park like Morningside that has many areas inaccessible to vehicles, foot patrols are a much needed part of the security mix,” Taylor said in an email.

NEXT STEPS

Police made an arrest in the Oct. 26 incident, but because the only witness was the victim, Ehrenberg said the suspect was charged with menacing and criminal possession of a weapon instead of a higher charge, such as attempted assault.

“We weren’t able to put a gun in his hand,” he said, adding that the gun was never recovered, though shell casings

were. The suspect is already out of custody, but Ehrenberg said that officers are keeping tabs on him.

The two precincts are still looking for video that could pinpoint a suspect in the Nov. 21 shooting, because 911 calls haven’t resulted in many leads, Ehrenberg said. While the first shooting this June “erupted over a previous dispute between two individuals ... where one kid heard the other was going after him,” according to Ehrenberg, detectives are still not sure of the causes of the more recent shootings.

“I think it’s the broken window effect. Somebody gets away with it, so somebody else thinks they can get away with it,” Greg Routt, communication secretary of the 26th Precinct Community Council, said.

After the meeting, parents said they were reassured that the NYPD had adequate

resources to address the crime, but many said there is more that can be done.

“It sounds like they’re doing a hell of a job with what they have, and I am so happy and supportive for that,” Denby said. “As much as we put our trust in our police, there are still things we can do. If we can find some ways to work with law enforcement ... to continue to make our neighborhood safer, I’m willing.”

Denby said that better publicizing of some of the youth initiatives run by the police—such as the Explorers program, which introduces kids to careers in law enforcement—could be one step.

“Could we educate the kids at a younger age about gun violence?” she asked. “Could we tap into them when they’re very young, so that when they’re 12, they don’t think that that’s acceptable?”

Ehrenberg said he does not believe that there’s a connection between Morningside Park activity and violence at the Grant Houses or that any gangs or youth crews are involved. Regardless, he said, the gang unit of the precinct is involved in the investigations.

Xanthe Jory, a mother at CLC who lives at 119th and Morningside, said her concern was that the violence was increasing.

“When one shot happens, it’s easy to say it’s an anomaly. When a second happens, you can say it’s an anomaly. But by the time it’s the fifth shot, it’s hard to write it off,” she said.

“Our kids were using that playground every day. Of course we all got concerned.”

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Bollinger calls police last resort

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of Arts and Sciences, asked for Bollinger’s perspective as a First Amendment scholar on the Occupy Wall Street protesters’ rights and the violence at universities like UC Davis.

“One of the things you learn as a university president is that you just don’t call in the police until you have no choice,” Bollinger said of the violence at California schools last month.

He went on to weigh in on both sides of the New York Occupy Wall Street movement, saying that the city does have the power to limit protesters’ actions in Zuccotti Park in the current cases which have been decided in court.

“That doesn’t mean that you can’t make a new argument for a new case and a new approach,” he said.

Carr was not completely satisfied with Bollinger’s response.

“I thought he answered the part of my question about Zuccotti Park very logically, but it seemed like he was not aware ... that Columbia students have been arrested and that many faculty are involved in organizing [OWS],” she said afterward. “I was hoping he would give a more personalized statement about that.”

Another topic that came up often on Wednesday night was students’ concerns about job prospects after graduation. One student quoted statistics from an article in The Economist showing that American universities have produced far more Ph.D.s in the last few years than there are available tenured faculty positions.

Bollinger responded by saying that he is aware of the trend. “I’m trying to keep us expanding, because I think we need to do that. We need to catch up.”

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Fumes, odors spark food truck survey

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restaurants.

“They want to cancel us because the restaurants complain about us,” Brnjos said. “They think we’re stealing their customers ... but in my opinion, we’re cheaper and faster.”

Brewer said that she has nothing against the carts, and her legislation was the first step in “a larger discussion” about food trucks that could lead to new laws and regulations, like implementing a grade rating similar to that used for restaurants or creating special zones of the city in which trucks are allowed to operate.

“Some trucks are fine, have no violations, but the people are still complaining about them,” Brewer said.

Albert agreed that the Council should pass new regulations.

“We have to have different laws,” he said. “As it is now, the Department of Health knows they’ve given the OK to a food truck, but they have no idea where it is. ... When you approve something, you should have to put down a proposed location.”

AN ‘EXPLOSION’ OF TRUCKS

The issue has increased in

importance as the food truck business has grown exponentially in recent years. Brewer said that when she first brought up her constituents’ concerns with city agencies in 2009, “they had never even heard of the issue.”

“There’s been an explosion of these trucks and carts.”

—Andrew Albert, CB7 transportation committee co-chair

“We obviously have a lot of history of many, many carts in our district, and I’ve always loved them and my neighbors and my constituents do,” Brewer said—but she isn’t as big a fan of trucks.

When they first became popular, food trucks were individually owned and stayed in non-residential areas of the city like Midtown, she said, but now, many trucks have morphed into franchises and migrated to residential areas like the Upper West Side.

“There’s been an explosion of these trucks and carts,” Albert said. Due to a “crack-down” on vendors in Midtown, Albert said he thought it was likely food trucks had moved to the Upper West Side to escape tougher enforcement of the laws, which include prohibitions against continually plugging a parking meter and operating too close to residential entrances.

“There doesn’t seem to be as much enforcement here,” Albert said. “Enforcement is paramount.”

Chang said that his focus was on food, not politics—which he called “a little bit of a headache.” Korilla operates three trucks and employs 25 people, and Chang said they were looking to expand into physical restaurants in the future.

“The industry is booming,” he said. “We’re sitting on top of each other fighting for spots” with other food trucks.

Chris Moffett, a Teachers College student at Korilla for dinner Wednesday night, said he’s all for the food trucks.

“It’s interesting to see so many new ones sprouting up,” Moffett said. “It’s a creative new venue for thinking about food.” news@columbiaspectator.com

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Light Blue to compete against nation’s elite in upcoming meet

Select members of the Columbia women’s swimming team will travel south to Georgia tomorrow to compete in USA Swimming’s Winter National Championships from December 1-3. The meet, an annual roundup of the country’s best, will feature Olympians and other prominent swimmers alongside the eight Lions.

Seniors Dorothy Baker and Caitlin Rogers; juniors Katie Meili, Caroline Lukins, and Kristina Parsons; sophomore Laney Kluge; and freshmen Salena Huang and Mikaila Gaffey will represent Columbia at the competition in a variety of events.

Meili has the most on her plate as she is entered in nine different events. Her program highlights include the 100-meter and 200-meter breaststroke races, in which she is seeded 33rd and 27th, respectively, in a field of roughly 100 competitors.

Parsons and Lukins will both step up to the block in the 100 butterfly with Meili. Lukins will double with an appearance in the 200 butterfly, where she’ll be joined by teammate Rogers. Kluge and Baker will compete in the 100 and 200 backstroke races.

Meanwhile, freshmen Huang and Gaffey have their own events. Gaffey is entered in the 100-meter breaststroke, and Huang will dive in for the 100, 200, and 400 freestyle.

Unlike previous years, the meet will be contested in long-course meters instead of the usual collegiate short-course yards. The decision was made last April to allow the participating athletes an opportunity to earn cuts for the 2012 Olympic Trials.

—Charlotte Murtishaw



COURTESY OF BELEN FERNANDEZ

FRIEDMAN UNDER FIRE | Belen Fernandez, CC '03, above, presents a critical reading of journalist and author Thomas Friedman's most controversial statements in the work "The Imperial Messenger."

Alum's new book puts Thomas Friedman's remarks in hot seat

BY ANATOLE ASHRAF
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On the Jan. 31, 2011 broadcast of "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," the titular host highlighted the reaction of seasoned journalists—such as NBC's Richard Engel—to the Egyptian uprisings against its former president Hosni Mubarak. Stewart then contrasted Engel with a clip of Pulitzer Prize-winning New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman filing a reaction story from the 2011 World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, at what Stewart called "a comfortable distance ... among billionaires." Stewart paid particular attention to Friedman's choice of ensemble from the clip and stated, "It looks like your leather jacket went and bought itself a leather jacket." The comment also seems to be aimed at common criticisms of Friedman's style in general—superfluous, heavy-handed, and reductionist.

Stewart's treatment of Friedman seems gentle compared to what he receives in "The Imperial Messenger: Thomas Friedman at Work," a new book by Belen Fernandez, CC '03, journalist and editor at Pulse Media.

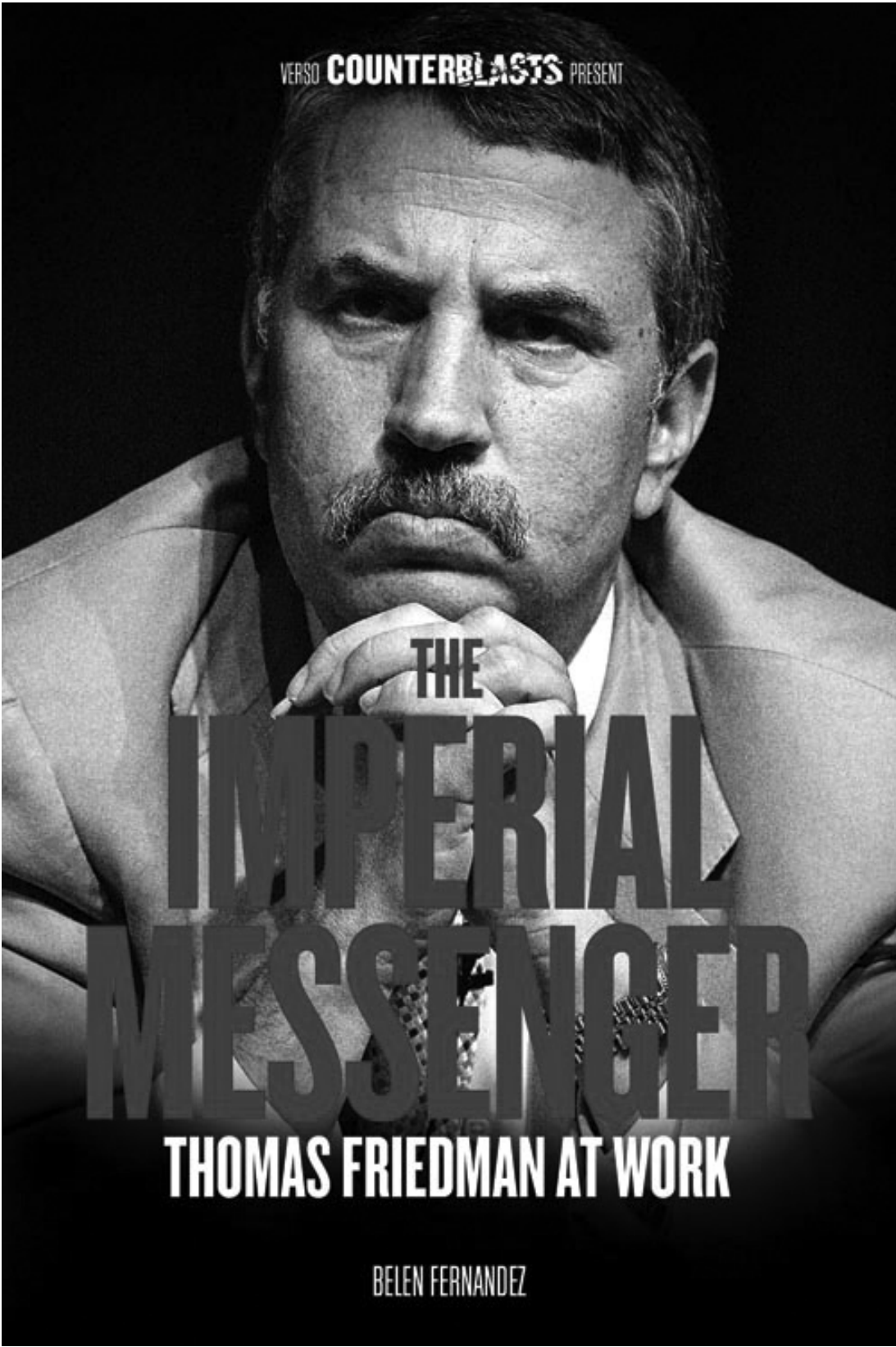
The book, which Fernandez described as "one extended existential crisis" and wrote in a little over

a year, attacks Friedman's "sloppy mistakes, inconsistencies, willful ignoring of contradictory evidence, and sheer illogic." Fernandez focuses mainly on Friedman's post-1995 work as a New York Times foreign affairs columnist and his five books, including international bestseller "The World is Flat."

Fernandez divides her book into three sections:

She juxtaposes Friedman's criticism of the treatment of Arab women with his tendency to stereotype them as "buxom, Cleopatra-eyed Lebanese girls."

Friedman's view of the global role of the United States, his "commitment to Orientalist traditions" and post-9/11 views of the "Arab/Muslim world," and the double standards in America's relationship with Israel. Throughout the book, Fernandez allows the author's work to speak for itself, providing context for the cited quotes with almost 60 pages



of endnotes.

If at any point the book seems confusing or dense, it is because Fernandez features quotes and excerpts from Friedman that contradict themselves to various degrees. But Fernandez balances these awkward and cluttered moments with sharp wit, peppered with healthy amounts of sarcasm.

In the section titled "The Arab/Muslim World," for example, Fernandez offers Friedman's defense of athletes' unethical overreactions to first downs and similar victories: "For the smallest, most routine bit of success in my sport, I want to be able to get in your face—I want to know who's your daddy, I want to be able to high-five, low-five, thump my chest, and dance on your grave. You talkin' to me?"

Fernandez also achieves a fair bit of humorous momentum imagining Friedman as "the prototypical athletic grave-dancer"—in light of his 2003 guest appearance on "Charlie Rose," where Friedman advised the Arab world to "Suck. On. This."

At times, Fernandez achieves an academic

tone that any Columbia student will instantly recognize. Particularly biting and memorable is Fernandez's analysis of Friedman's attitude toward women—one that Fernandez said "has largely gone unnoticed." In one instance, she juxtaposes Friedman's criticism of the treatment of Arab women with his own tendency to ethnically stereotype them as "buxom, Cleopatra-eyed Lebanese girls." Even Friedman's most devoted readers would be hard-pressed to defend these passages, which again feature mostly the man's own words.

Ultimately, "The Imperial Messenger" proves to be a sustained criticism that highlights not only many of the shortcomings of the three-time Pulitzer Prize winner, but also the state of American journalism in which a figure like Friedman can rise to prominence. For longtime readers of Friedman, most of the revelations in the book will be nothing new, but for those critical of or undecided about Friedman, "The Imperial Messenger" is required reading.

German department film series lauds New German Cinema among top Euro film art

BY CAROLINE CHEN
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European art cinema traditionally brings to mind the beautiful black-and-white montages of Federico Fellini and Jean-Luc Godard films, which overshadow the lesser-known works of New German Cinema.

Providing a different perspective on European art film, biweekly screenings organized by a group of graduate students in the German department feature films from this cinematic movement and those closely linked to the tradition, with pieces chosen from the 1970s to

the 2000s.

"Sometimes it's a little harder for us to get a big audience. When people think about European art film, they think the sexy ones to go to are French especially, and maybe Italian. There is probably something true to that there is not such a rich tradition," said Alexis Radisoglou, a fifth-year graduate student and one of the main organizers of the series.

The selection of films does not follow an overarching theme, creating a diverse picture of the New German Cinema movement.

"We discussed when we came up with a plan for a film series whether we should have a retrospective of a particular director or focus on one movement, but we decided to have no

restrictions," said Radisoglou. "It is really about showing films that we thought are good films—films people might have difficulty seeing, and are part of a German-speaking cinema."

As most of the films are rare pieces of art cinema and difficult to come by on the popular market, even on a Netflix catalogue, the series presents a unique viewing opportunity.

Each screening begins with an introduction by the graduate student who selected the film, giving a brief context to add to the audience's experience.

Second-year graduate student Vincent Hessling presented "Palermo oder Wolfsburg" ("Palermo or Wolfsburg") on Tuesday, Nov. 29 in its second screening in the series.

One of the more radical selections from the series, "Palermo oder Wolfsburg," directed by Werner Schroeter, is a surrealist depiction of the assimilation of a Sicilian guest-worker into West German culture.

The protagonist, Nicola Zarbo, leaves his hometown in Sicily in hopes of finding work to support his family. The romanticized and idyllic environment Nicola was raised in starkly clashes with the industrialized society of West Germany.

The film is difficult to absorb in its entirety. The combination of melodramatic Biblical scenes, the excessively poetic and expressive monologues of the Italian characters, especially in the final court scene, and the almost grotesque cinematography only encompass a fraction of the complexities found in the film.

"The director embraces aesthetic phenomena, such as kitsch," Hessling said, "and he really plays with them and achieves a certain cinematic effect that is sort of unprecedented. He succeeds in showing something that is ugly or cheesy so that we can enjoy it, but by the means of montage, he turns it into a real work of art."

The final film in the series is 2008's "Jerichow," screening on Tuesday, Dec. 6, after an introduction by Radisoglou. Following the story of a war veteran who becomes entangled in a love triangle upon returning to his home village, "Jerichow," as Radisoglou described, "is much less explicitly about kind of larger social and political questions."

Radisoglou commented on how "Jerichow," the most current film in the series, bridges the German New Wave movement with modern mainstream cinema. "While at the same time sort of continuing some of the formal traditions of the other films that have been shown, it stands in a kind of relationship to the New German Cinema in the conforms of filmmaking," said Radisoglou.

Aside from exposing audiences to the unique stylistic nuances of German cinema, both Hessling and Radisoglou agreed, the series aims to present bits of German culture outside of known stereotypes.

"It is a nice thing to get more exposure to German culture for students who are learning the language, since they don't usually get that in language classes," said Radisoglou.



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Our role in structural violence

In my last column, I defined and discussed the idea of structural violence: the political, social, and economic institutions that restrict the agency of individuals and limit the options available to them. These structures include educational systems, the media, big business, the judicial and penal systems, etc. All play a role in framing our lives and influencing the opportunities we are able to pursue.

Consider the current financial crisis in Greece—certain institutions (such as the European Central Bank, the German government, and foreign bond holders) have forced the Greek government to impose austerity measures upon the country. Whether these measures are effective, I do not know. But as jobs and social benefits are cut, the average Greek citizen suffers—deeply.

And so who or what is responsible for these structures? There are many factors, of course: history, culture, patterns of institutionalization, big decision-makers.

But what role do we, students at Columbia University, play in facilitating these structures and institutions? Are we to blame for structural violence?

Well, consider this: We vote for a government (of whichever political party) that sometimes interacts in the international sphere with corrupt governments, thus legitimizing these corrupt governments and enabling them to continue their destructive habits. (I don't think anyone needs a reminder of our country's sordid diplomatic legacy in Latin America.)

We buy products from multinational corporations that deny their overseas workers a decent standard of living and employ them in conditions we wouldn't consider



NICOLE DUSSAULT

The Mirror Effect

Turkey Day tactics

The bathroom loomed ominously to my right. Actually, that's too generous. "Water closet" better describes the facilities on that packed Manhattan-bound bus. This was the price I paid for arriving to the terminal late: four and a half hours in the back row, next to a toilet serving 60. And as chance would have it, the lavatory latch was broken. Each lurch of the bus flung the door open and shut, fanning me with odious fumes.

What a fitting metaphor for Thanksgiving vacation.

Don't get me wrong—my break was loads of fun. I bonded with relatives, visited friends, and added three inches to my waistline. But like the swinging Porta-Potty door, thoughts of impending term papers returned again and again to soil my trip.

The worse part was that, even if I had wanted to, there's was no way I could have done work at home. As soon as I walked through the door, a deluge of demands welcomed me. "Jeremy, come tell us about your classes." "Jeremy, come look at this weird rash." "Jeremy, come give Daniel the Heimlich maneuver." These are the kinds of tasks that don't take up much time individually but collectively drive you to feign diarrhea and hide in your bathroom.



JEREMY LISS

Liss is More

Thoughts of impending term papers returned again and again to soil my trip.

So for the sake of future Columbians on Thanksgiving vacations, I spent my bus ride to New York compiling a list of ways to avoid distractions at home. Dreaming up these ideas was no small accomplishment. In the time I spent brainstorming, 12 passengers paid a visit to the commode (not that I was counting). All of them chose to avoid eye contact as they retreated to their seats. Anyway, these are the techniques I wish I'd thought of before the break:

1. The Diversion. Bring home a friend to deflect attention. While your guest is busy answering questions about studying abroad in Russia, you can sneak away and check your Facebook page.

2. The Incognito. Come home in disguise, preferably in a trench coat and a fedora. Mustaches are also a plus. If anyone asks you who you are, mumble something unintelligible.

3. The B.O. Stop using deodorant a week before you come home. This works particularly well when you stretch a lot and do jumping jacks.

4. The Child's Play. Tell your siblings you want to play hide-and-seek. This should give you an hour or so to catch up on your reading. Make sure to occasionally yell things like, "I'm gonna find you..." or "Wow, you guys are really good at this!"

5. The Broken Heart. As soon as you get to your house, burst out in tears and start moaning about a made-up significant other. Once you've run up to your room and slammed the door behind you, nobody will bother you for the rest of the weekend.

6. The Tom Sawyer. Boast loudly about how much fun it is to write essays for Lit Hum. Con your sibling into writing your paper for you. Bill it as a "taste of college."

7. The Vow of Silence. This one's pretty self-explanatory. Tell your family you're doing a project for your anthropology course. Make sure you use a written note.

8. The Helpful Hand. Offer to pick up something for your mother at the grocery store. Take your time. Bonus points if you come home empty-handed and tell her you'll search for it tomorrow.

9. The Magnum Opus. Tell the family you're going to play piano for them in the other room. Put on a CD.

10. The Contest. This is my personal favorite. Offer a prize to the family member who can come up with the best joke for your next humor column. Use all of their material.

Reading through this list, I was struck with two realizations. First, that I could fix my transit toilet woes with a makeshift "Out of Order" sign and a shoelace to tie the door shut. But second, and more importantly, I'm thankful that I can go home to a caring family. There's something irreplaceable about being with people who love me unconditionally. Plus, my relatives usually shut the door when they're finished using the bathroom.

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fit for animals (something that vegetarian activists certainly can attest to).

We pay thousands of dollars every year to attend a university that admits heavily from the wealthiest portion of society, whether directly through legacy, or indirectly by accepting students who exhibit high academic achievement because they attended elite private schools or public schools in wealthy school districts, while those students unlucky enough to live in neighborhoods with underfunded local public schools are incredibly underrepresented.

This is the idea of complicity. Through our participation in society, we enable governments and corporations to commit harm. Though we are not CEOs, or politicians, or major holders of influence, we play a role in systems of power merely by existing within them and not questioning them. We thus legitimize the status quo. Structural violence becomes hidden within our daily lives because we are so accustomed to interacting with the institutions that shape us that we no longer question their right to exist. How often do we consider the ramifications of our shopping decisions on the global sphere? Maybe that soccer ball we just bought was sewn by child labor? What of our habit of leaving the lights on when we leave the room? The latter contributes to the excessive use of energy that helps drive global climate change—a huge factor in the increase of droughts in many parts of the world that deprive millions of farmers of their livelihood.

Am I saying that victims of structural violence are to blame because they also are members of a society? Certainly not. And are we (Columbia undergraduates) fully to blame? No—after all, various forms of structural violence restrict our opportunities too. But do we play a role in legitimizing certain forms of structural violence? Yes.



ASHLEY SANG EUN LEE

Occupy's power

BY VIRGILIO URBINA LAZARDI

For the past few weeks, Americans have learned about the instruments their elected magistrates use to cope with peaceful dissent: batons, rubber bullets, gloved fists, and black boots. In a militaristic operation, Liberty Square was violently accosted, as were spaces in Seattle, Oakland, Denver, Portland, and Salt Lake City. The protestors in Los Angeles and Philadelphia now face eviction, while UC Davis students are still smarting from the university's last show of force. At Barnard, an assembly held by our classmates regarding intolerable financial policies was checked by increased security and eavesdropping officers. The goal wasn't to disband the meeting—that would have been too heavy-handed—but rather to instill a sense of fear in the participants. Ironically, the only fear I was able to smell was that of the administrators.

And boy, does this fear run deep. Just as the elite in this country deride the Occupiers for being a laughable, disorganized ragtag band of deluded lowlifes, they make sure to turn around and hand their blue-clad lieutenants millions of dollars for "insurance." I can't recall the last time the small-government right-wing populism of the Tea Party was run down by riot shields. Then again, isn't there something about the complaints of the Occupy demonstrators that really sings the cuffs of the propertied class? Why can't they whine about something innocuous to transnational corporations, like civil liberties or governmental interference? Instead, these degenerates dare ask why, in today's civilized nations, inflation is held as more important than employment. They ask why the global "race to the bottom" in terms of wage stagnation, austerity, and union-busting is considered commendable. And they ask why the complicit destruction of millions of lives through unregulated speculation is worth \$4.76 trillion while the speaking-up of the dispossessed is labeled a "health hazard." Indeed, what sends shivers down the spines of neo-liberals is that they have no viable scapegoat for their most recent failure. The curtains covering the unfettered capitalist colossus have been ripped away, exposing its inherent iniquities for all to gaze upon.

This is what differentiates today's revolutionary

Of course, it is very easy to play the "blame game." The more problematic question seems to be how we can avoid contributing to structural violence if our mere existence within society legitimizes institutional power. The thing is, we may not be able to completely avoid it. The alternative is to cut ourselves off from institutions entirely—not a very realistic solution.

So what can we do? A good place to start involves the process of reflection. Just by questioning the structures we live in, we question their legitimacy and open the possibility for change (one of the positive attributes of the Occupy Wall Street movement). This is not sufficient for change, but it's a start.

Unfortunately, living responsibly is largely a collective-action problem. In the grand scheme of the 7 billion people living on this planet, the small details of our daily lives seem insignificant. So why not throw away that bottle instead of recycling it? Why not buy products from the company that you know has a shady human rights record? Why not leave off writing to your congressman about global AIDS funding until you have more time? Do your actions really matter?

The thing is, if everyone thinks like that, then yes, they do matter. If we think this way, we can be sure others do as well. So who will live responsibly?

Just imagine that you live your life assuming that everyone else will behave the same way you do. Every action you take will be multiplied by 7 billion and will certainly affect the "grand scheme of things." You will be much more inclined to live responsibly and to question injustice. Because if you don't live responsibly, no one will.

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embers from the roaring flame of the New Left that engulfed the United States in the '60s. The struggle then was focused primarily on social and cultural forms of authoritarianism. While the country steadily grew—more or less—for the benefit of the majority, there were other more obvious targets to face down: Draft-card burners, Freedom Riders, and student radicals organized to subvert cultural norms that suffocated the political rights of one group in favor of another's. Whether speaking against the Vietnam War, institutionalized segregation, or the tyrannical fist of Soviet communism, activists on the street were the agents of reform.

The Occupiers now go one step further. They challenge the very economic assumptions that have led us down this path. Their search is for economic justice, a particular brand of rights without which the hard-won victories of their predecessors are meaningless. Their message has clearly resonated—already they have seen some success in the battle of ideas. In a country that scorns the idea of "class," they have firmly implanted the notion of a 99 percent that continues to decay as a 1 percent (and a 0.1 percent in particular) continues to thrive. Moreover, since the movement's inception, the word "debt" in the media has rapidly been supplanted by the word "jobs." My real hope is that the Occupy movement evolves from its negatively defined beginnings to effect permanent positive change in the political realm of this country.

The protestors know now what they are up against. In a bid to keep the pillars of its economic rationale from collapsing, the establishment has shown that it is perfectly willing to trash the last "personal freedom" neoconservatives haven't already torn to shreds. In our supposedly global universities, we have been effectively told that free speech is tolerated as long as it doesn't seriously question the 1 percent's underhanded maneuvers. Occupy Columbia must move forward in its goals, undaunted by this slight. If anything, Barnard's reaction proves that the group's message is powerful.

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Marquee sports best for Crimson

YOUNG from back page

appearance since 1946. Of course, instead it lost by a point on Doug Davis's buzzer-beater in the league's trademark game of the year.

A year later there is little doubt the Crimson are the best team this conference has to offer, and they are looking to make a statement to those who did not offer them what would have been a well-deserving at-large bid to the tournament last year.

The Crimson may have once again been snubbed this week, as they fell just 14 votes and two spots short of landing the team a spot in the AP top 25 after a strong 6-0 start. (This would be a rare and glorious feat for an Ivy team, even though Cornell achieved it two years ago—let the comparisons between these two teams begin.)

After three wins to open the campaign, including an impressive victory at Loyola-Marymount—a team that already beat UCLA by ten points—Harvard finally started to garner attention with its success at the Inaugural Battle for Atlantis in the Bahamas over the holiday weekend. In the tournament, the Crimson dismantled Utah, a legitimate Pac-12 opponent, controlled the second-half to knock off 22nd-ranked Florida State, and then calmly wiped out the University of Central Florida—who had beaten 4th ranked University of Connecticut (UConn) the day before—to easily win the championship. Florida State would take UConn to overtime in the third-place game, and as disappointing as it may have been that Harvard played too well to match up with the defending national champions, the two teams will face off in what should be a must-watch game a week from tonight. Nevertheless, the championship run can be considered one of the greatest series of wins in the program's history.

Even though senior Keith Wright is a force to be reckoned with when he gets near the basket, it was once again a true team effort by Harvard. Casey, Wright, Curry, McNally, Webster, and Rivard all made their own essential contributions. Remember these names, as you will hear them again come March. Each pass seemed to have meaning, and several clutch shots, including many three-pointers, were drained at important moments. The Crimson have never been afraid to use all of the shot clock and they are usually in control of the rebounding battle—factors which almost guarantee they will hold on to their lead.

Granted, it may not always look pretty—the 28 combined first half points in the upset over FSU matched the lowest scoring half in a Division I game in the last quarter-century. Yet Amaker's calm and collected attitude clearly shines through in Harvard's poise setting up and making shots down the stretch. Meanwhile, the defense has never wavered—holding each opponent below 50 points in the tournament—and will become a scary force during the more defensive-minded Ivy League play.

And while it is mostly upperclassmen leading the team now, most believe Harvard's recruiting has recently rivaled many schools throughout the nation—not just the Ivy League. Thus, while the Crimson may be a force for years to come and while they may be Columbia's enemy, they represent the conference well with their superior play and lack of the arrogance that most college teams display.

The Ivy League is stronger than usual this year, so it will be interesting to see the number of wins that Harvard collects and if it can follow in the Big Red's footsteps with a tournament run. With more continued success, you may even be able to say the Crimson are becoming “the Harvard of college football and basketball.”

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Nationwide search for new coach

FOOTBALL from back page

completing their administrative responsibilities.

The athletic department has set Dec. 15 as the target date to find the next head coach. While it will not rush the process, officials say there is a strategic advantage to hiring a coach sooner rather than later. Columbia is one among many other football programs seeking a new coach. As time goes on, the pool of candidates will quickly shrink.

“There are a lot of coaching opportunities out there,” Murphy said. “There have been a lot of coaches that have been let go at the D-I level. There are going to be lots of people looking for jobs. You don't want to lose potential candidates because you are sitting around not doing your job.”

Murphy is convinced that the next head coach, with proper recruiting, can turn around the notoriously weak program.

“We expect to improve,” Murphy said. “We expect to win. We expect to get better in a very short period of time. I am very confident and excited for this opportunity. I think we have some outstanding people in our pool and we will get a great coach for Columbia.”



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As sickening as it might be for many to come to terms with around here, while we focus on finding a new football coach after a 1-9 season, Harvard is basking in the glow of an incredible undefeated Ivy record and a 9-1 overall season, while its coach can celebrate setting the mark for most victories at Harvard. As we contemplate the number of wins we can expect from a men's basketball team without its best player, the Crimson may wonder if they should even expect a loss this season.

Granted, Harvard is not a powerhouse in every sport—far from it: I can recall its baseball team being a push-over last season—but, as I've detailed in an earlier column, it is succeeding in the two sports that truly matter for an athletic program. Thus, I would say that Columbia would be wise in replicating what it can from the Crimson's model, but that may be too much to ask of any Ivy League school when one considers Harvard's supremacy this year.

The Crimson is rewriting the history books up in Cambridge.

Penn may have had an 18-game Ivy League winning streak, but Harvard football's sheer dominance this season is probably more impressive when you consider the relatively even playing field that exists in the Ancient Eight. After losing its first game of the year, the Crimson seemed to go almost unchallenged for the remainder of 2011, winning each of their seven Ivy games by double-digits and finishing three games ahead of any other Ivy team. And while the craziest game of the year may have been played at Baker on the season's final Saturday, the Crimson was busy making an enormous statement to the rival Yale Bulldogs in a 45-7 blowout in "The Game."

In watching Harvard play the Lions this year, its depth and balance stood out. Quarterback Collier Winters took control of the game, running back Trevor Scales appeared ready to burst for an enormous run at any moment, and a myriad of different Crimson receivers and defenders contributed in a complete team effort. Indeed, Harvard's depth this year is evidenced by Winters' backup Chapple Colton leading the league in pass efficiency, as Colton was beyond a suitable replacement when Winters missed a few games due to injury. Running back Zach Boden created a great tandem with Scales, and it truly was a team effort for the receiving corps.

Unlike former Crimson quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick's run with the Bills this year, the statistics show just how consistently commanding Harvard was. The team scored the most points and allowed the fewest, with an average margin of victory of over 20 points. The defense had the league's most interceptions and sacks. Since week three, the Crimson scored over thirty points in every game—such a run might not be seen for years to come in the Ivy League.

Meanwhile, league play in the men's basketball season will not get underway for over six weeks, but I am already incredibly enamored with Harvard's 2012 squad. The Crimson may have been the league's best team last year, but Princeton battled for a share of the title. Heading into last year's playoff to determine the Ivy League's postseason representative, I thought Harvard would come away with its first tournament



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AD sets Dec. 15 deadline for decision on new coach

BY SPENCER GYORY
Spectator Staff Writer

Eleven days ago, the Columbia athletic department announced the firing of six-year head coach Norries Wilson. It immediately began a nationwide search for a replacement.

Athletic Director Dr. M. Dianne Murphy and associate athletic director Ray Tellier—with the help of football alumni, current players and other members of the sports industry—will lead the search process. Prior to becoming an associate athletic director, Tellier was the head football coach at Columbia from 1989-2002. Murphy and Tellier have been hard at work since that time trying to find the best candidate to transform a program which has had just one winning season since 1961.

"Do you see these raccoon eyes?" Murphy said in an interview. "I haven't slept for days. This is what I'm focused on because Columbia deserves a winning football program."

Three former members of the football team—Kevin Ward, CC '74, Ted Gregory, CC '74, and Don Jackson, CC '73—will serve in the role of a special football advisory committee. Ward will serve as the chair of this committee.

"We have been working on this since the morning that I informed Coach Wilson that he would not be returning," Murphy said. "I met with those three gentlemen Monday night," Nov. 21.

"We asked them to be involved in the search. They wholeheartedly agreed. They helped us identify the things that we were most interested in and the qualities we are looking for in our next head football coach at Columbia."

As the process goes along, this committee will help Murphy and Tellier screen potential candidates.

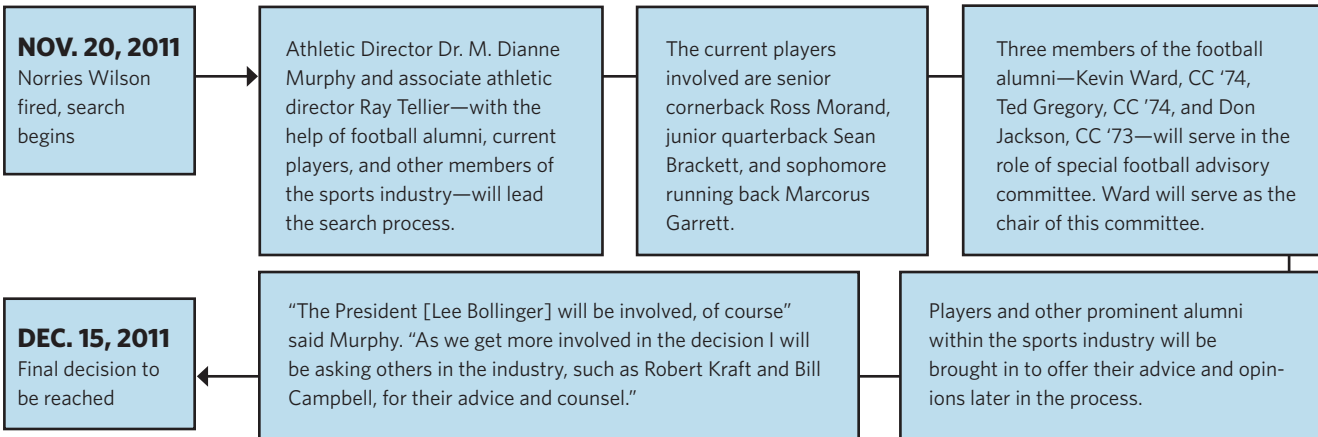
The athletic department has already generated a large and diverse pool of candidates for the coaching vacancy.

"We have generated tremendous interest in this position," Murphy said. "We have already received, unsolicited, close to over a hundred applications in less than a week. With the number of applications we have received I can tell you [the candidates] are so diverse."

Throughout her seven years as athletic director, Murphy has kept a list of potential candidates for the coach of the football team. This is a standard practice for athletic directors in all sports.

Murphy has also reached out to her own network, seeking advice and names of potential candidates.

"We have actively recruited names. I've been on the phone with tons of ADs, conference commissioners, and other football coaches that I know to



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NORRIES NO MORE | After six years at Columbia, head coach Norries Wilson was fired after the Lions went 1-9 in 2011.

get names of potential candidates. And of course I've already screened, on the phone, over 20 potential candidates," she said.

In order to protect the confidentiality of people interested in the position, the athletic department would not release any names of potential candidates.

Players and other prominent alumni within the sports industry will be brought in to offer their advice and

opinions later in the process.

"The President [Lee Bollinger] will be involved, of course," Murphy said. "As we get more involved in the decision I will be asking others in the industry, such as Robert Kraft and Bill Campbell, for their advice and counsel."

Three current players who will be involved are senior cornerback Ross Morand, junior quarterback Sean Brackett, and sophomore running back

Marcorus Garrett.

While some of Wilson's assistant coaches may be actively seeking other jobs, they will continue to work for Columbia until the next head coach is hired. It will be up to the next head coach to determine whether or not those assistant coaches will remain with the program. They are currently on the road recruiting and

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Lions anticipate high-scoring affair in showdown with San Diego

BY HAHN CHANG
Spectator Staff Writer

Coming off their best game of the season against the Army Black Knights (5-2), the Columbia women's basketball team (1-5) looks to upend another top-tier opponent tonight at home.

The San Diego Toreros (4-1) are currently in second place in the Western Coast Conference after commanding victories against non-conference opponents, including a dominating 103-44 victory against Louisiana-Lafayette last

Friday. The Toreros have had this success in large part because of their senior guard Dominique Conners. Conners, who finished 7th overall in scoring in the West Coast Conference last season with 14.1 points per game is a threat in all aspects on the court. This season, she leads the Toreros in points (16.2 points per game), steals (12), and assists (12), and is second in rebounds (30) this season.

"[Conners] has got a future playing basketball, and she's the reason they have multiple players averaging over 10 points per game," Columbia women's basketball

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head coach Paul Nixon said. "She might be the most talented player we will see all season. We're going to have to do a great job of defending her."

Three of San Diego's players—Conners, senior forward Morgan Woodrow, and sophomore guard Amy Kame—are averaging more than 10 points per game this season, helping the Toreros average nearly 80 points per game.

Through its five games this season, San Diego has outscored its opponents by an average margin of just over 18 points.

Tonight's matchup is not Columbia's first encounter against San Diego. The Lions and the Toreros matched up last season in San Diego, with Columbia losing a narrow, high-scoring 91-87 contest.

“It’s going to be critical that we have the same level of intensity as the Army game.”

—Paul Nixon, head coach

Conners and Woodrow combined for 26 of San Diego's 91 points. For the Lions, then-junior point guard Melissa Shafer scored 19 points, hitting three treys, while then-sophomore forward Tyler Simpson put in 17 points for the Lions. The Light Blue is looking for strong performances from both Simpson and Shafer against the Toreros in order to be on the winning side of what many expect to be another high-scoring game.

"It's going to be critical that we have the same level of intensity as the Army game," Nixon said. "[San Diego does] a really great job of putting points on the board."

Columbia looks to repeat its success from the Army game by controlling the tempo and playing with high intensity.

"We're definitely better when we play up-tempo," Nixon said.

While Columbia struggled earlier in the season to execute both offensively and defensively, the win against Army showed the Lions' potential in taking down formidable opponents.

"No team is an easy win," Nixon said. "But we keep playing better, and we have kept improving every game."



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IT'S TYLER TIME | Junior forward/guard Tyler Simpson scored 17 points in Columbia's win against Army on Sunday.

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