NEWS FROM PRIDE ROCK

With Head Coach Paul Nixon

"It has been a very emotional last couple of weeks around here as we prepare to say farewell to two student-athletes that have been fixtures in our program for the past four seasons. Kathleen Barry (CC ’11) and Lauren Dwyer (CC ’11) have been integral parts of Columbia's most successful seasons both at the NCAA Division 1 level and in the Ivy League. This season, as co-captains, they have shown resilient leadership helping our team rebound from a tough non-conference start to currently sit alone in 4th place in the Ivy League entering the final weekend of the season. Last weekend in their final two home games, they helped the Lions avenge an earlier season defeat at Penn when Columbia beat the Quakers 61-54, and they both scored in double figures during the Lions hard-fought loss to league-leading Princeton. This gave the team a 5-2 home record in the Ivy League and an overall record of 6-3 at home in 2011, with 2 of the 3 losses coming by a single point. As we prepare to close out the season with our last two games at Yale and Brown, Kathleen and Lauren will complete outstanding careers. Lauren became just the second player in program history to accumulate over 1,000 points, over 500 rebounds and over 100 blocked shots in her career. The first was Kathy Gilbert White (CC ’91). Kathleen was named the program's first Academic All-American, as she was joined on the First Team by Maya Moore of Connecticut, LizRepella of West Virginia, Erin Anthony of West Point, and Amanda Johnson of Oregon. These are two Lions who have left their marks on the Columbia Women's Basketball Program and while they will be sorely missed, we know their future careers after basketball will be just as successful."

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**2010-11 Schedule**

**November**
- 12 Long Island
- 16 Fairleigh Dickinson
- 19 St. John’s
- 23 Manhattan
- 27 San Diego

**December**
- 2 Wagner
- 5 Monmouth
- 9 Fairfield
- 12 Iowa State
- 28 Hawai’i
- 29 UNLV
- 30 Cal State Bakersfield

**January**
- 5 Lafayette
- 15 Cornell
- 19 St. Francis
- 22 Cornell
- 28 Harvard
- 29 Dartmouth

**February**
- 4 Brown
- 5 Yale
- 11 Princeton
- 12 Penn
- 18 Dartmouth
- 19 Harvard
- 25 Penn
- 26 Princeton

**March**
- 4 Yale
- 5 Brown

*Home Games are in Bold*
Senior co-captains Kathleen Barry and Lauren Dwyer have been members of record-breaking Columbia women’s basketball teams throughout their careers. As first-years, they were contributors on the first Lions’ team to finish an Ivy League season with a .500 record, and two years later were integral parts of the best NCAA Division I team in Columbia women’s basketball history (18–10 record, 9–5 in the Ivy League).

This season, both student-athletes have helped a youthful Lions bunch overcome a slow start and remain competitive in the Ivy League. Columbia’s win over Penn on Feb. 25 marked the 27th conference victory for the class of 2011, the most of any senior class in program history.

With just two games remaining in both players’ careers, Barry and Dwyer took time out of their schedules to sit down with GoColumbiaLions.com and answer a few reflective questions on their four seasons on Morningside Heights.

**Looking back on your three-plus years as a Columbia student-athlete, what were the most memorable games of your career?**

**Dwyer:** My first start freshman year (against Hartford), I was so insanely nervous that I actually don’t remember much of the game itself except the constant feeling of nerves. My sophomore year when we beat Harvard was one of our most memorable wins because of how much it mattered and the inevitable Ivy rivalry between the two teams and the exciting finish. And of course, my junior year against Robert Morris -- last second shots are definitely good memories!

**Barry:** My most memorable game was going home to play in San Diego this year. I played high school conference championship games at the USD arena, so getting to play there again as a college senior in front of family and friends meant a lot to me and kind of brought my basketball experiences full circle.

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Kathleen Barry Named to Capital One Academic All America First Team

NEW YORK -- Columbia senior women's basketball student-athlete Kathleen Barry has been named to the Capital One Academic All-America First Team, it was announced on Thursday by the College Sports Information Directors of America. With the award, Barry becomes the first women's basketball player in Columbia history to be named an Academic All-American.

The top scorer and rebounder for the Lions this season, Barry is averaging 10.5 points and 7.0 rebounds per game and ranks second in the Ivy League in rebounding. The 5-10 guard/forward has also been a menace on defense in Ivy League play, recording a league-leading 29 steals in 10 conference games.

In the classroom, Barry is an economics/math and Spanish major and maintains a 3.99 GPA. She has been named to the Academic All-Ivy League team twice in her career.

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Dwyer Scores 1,000th Point

Senior Lauren Dwyer became just the ninth player in Columbia women's basketball history to score 1,000 points in a career and finished with a team-best 12 points.

Dwyer knocked down a short jumper midway through the second half at Princeton to register her 1,000th point, and tied Charlene Schuessler '90BC for eighth on the Columbia all-time scoring list (1,002).

Women's Basketball Announces Camp Dates for 2011

Columbia head women’s basketball coach Paul Nixon has announced dates for the 2011 Paul Nixon Basketball Camp. The women’s basketball elite camp is slated for June 24-26, 2011, and is open to girls ages 14-18. The girls’ basketball skills camp, which is scheduled for June 27-30, is open to girls ages 7-18.

For more information on both camps, please contact assistant coach Shanna Cook at 212-854-8861 or at ssc2153@columbia.edu.
The senior class of 2011 has compiled the most Ivy League victories of any senior class in program history?

Where Is She Now?

Neila Buday

Currently Reside: Sea Girt, NJ—near the beach 😊
Currently Work: The Ranney School—a private day school in Eatontown, NJ
Years at CU: 19! August 1991–August 2010
Graduated from: University of Vermont. Go, Cats, Go (unless of course they are playing CU!)
Fondest Memories at Columbia & Life in NYC: I loved my time at Columbia and in NYC. It’s still hard to believe that I am not there anymore. It became such a part of my life and who I am. I love all the restaurants in the city. There is so much to do and eat at any price! I also love just wandering around the streets and parks, always so much people watching. I have so many fond memories of Columbia and basketball. (a red-eye bus trip to Maine, 6AM workouts and practices). There are on court moments that stick out…like beating Harvard on their court (twice I think), and sweeping Dartmouth. But for me it was mostly about the people. Rehabbing a player’s back from an injury and seeing them succeed on the court. Seeing how determined they were to get back to what they love. I loved watching the women grow and mature from 17-18 year old freshman to people I consider great friends and great people. CU women’s basketball players have accomplished so much on the court, in the classroom and in their careers. I am very proud to have them as my friends and be a part of the Lions family.

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Every gift you make helps our program grow and supports critical needs like equipment and uniforms, recruiting, alumnae and networking events, and training and travel, and also supplements our operating budget—you generosity helps us achieve our ultimate goal of becoming Ivy League champions. THANKS!

~ Katie Day ’03 CC –’99,’00,’01,’02

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