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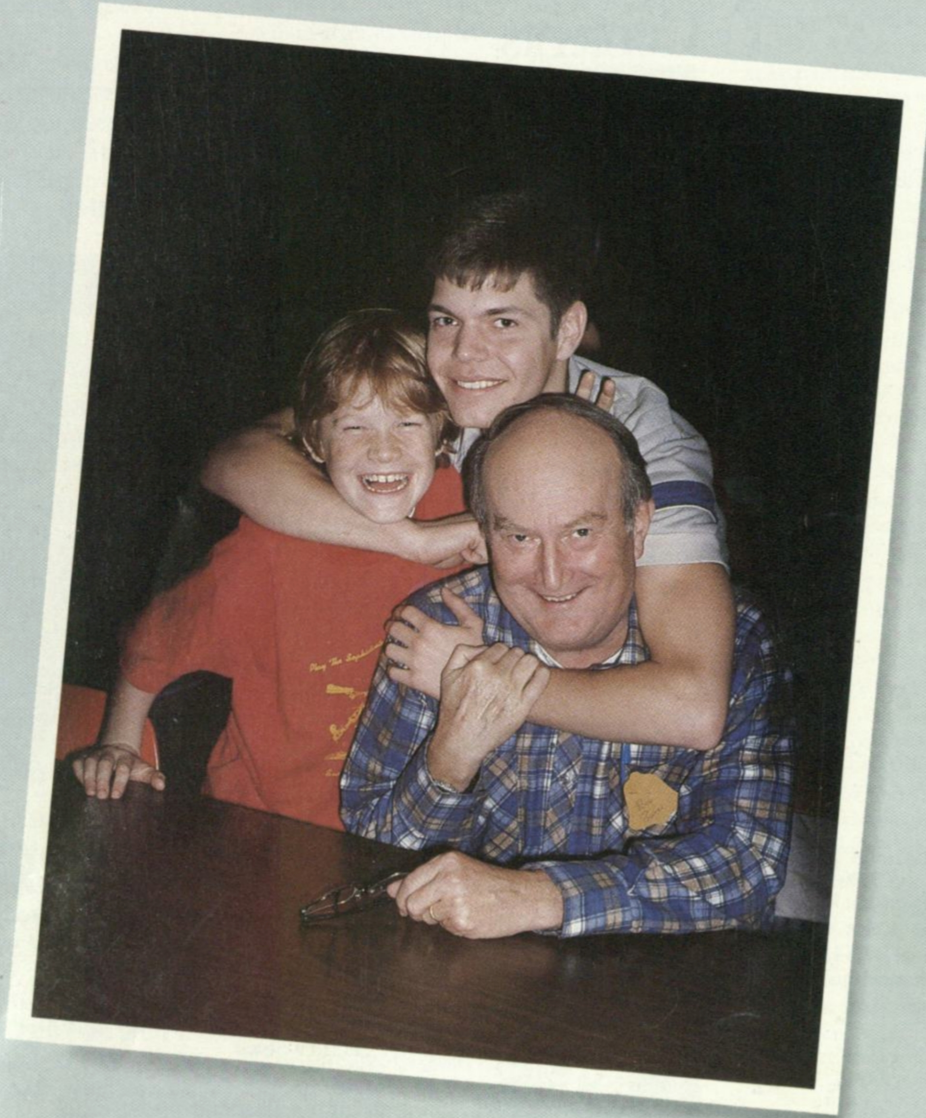
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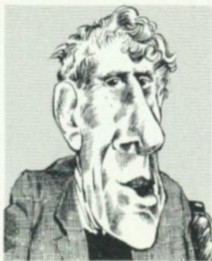
Cover: Biology professor Robert Burns clowns around with his two "little brothers," Rob Snow and Bryan Wolff. Photograph courtesy of the Big Brothers and Sisters Association of Knox County.



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Midwest chic

Recent incantations in the weekly news magazines have touted the emerging chic Midwest. The heartland is a hit back East and out West, it seems, as people fed up with toxic beaches and outlandish prices eye a kinder and gentler land, frozen, shall we say, in the 1950s.

This, of course, is not news to those of us who actually live in the Midwest, or close enough to it so that our friends just shake their heads and pray we'll eventually return to our senses. But now that the heartland is hot, we can no doubt expect

thronges of coastal refugees to cross our borders (that's Ohio to the east, Nebraska to the west) bringing with them all the nastiness of American urban life. In order to keep these strangers out, thereby making places like Gambier our little secret, I recommend you bring up the following points if you overhear anybody talking about moving here.

Cuisine. Despite the talk of delicately sauteed catfish in Campbellsport and pan-roasted breast of duck in Defiance, the cruel facts of heartland habitude are Velveeta soup and marshmallow Jell-O. Of course, a few newcomers will want to attend the county's annual Coon Supper, where they will sample the delicacy of chopped-up ringtails boiled until gray. (This is not to be confused with squirrel stew, which starts out gray.) New Yorkers will no doubt think the gathering high camp. But if you enunciate the words raccoon, stew, and eat very clearly in the same sentence, most modern people will rethink the prospects of a satisfying diet

in the heartland.

Housing. Certainly the low cost of housing in the heartland makes a move here inviting. You can buy a lovely little house for a song and fix it up really nice. So nice, in fact, that it reminds you of the suburban bungalow you left behind. Which is exactly what your neighbors will mutter as they tromp through your yard, sleuthing their next stew critter. First on the list of those Midwestern values baby-boomers think they are longing for is humility. If you want to make friends in the American countryside, you get yourself a trailer, throw a couple of

appliances on the front porch, and watch a lot of television.

Atmosphere. Hassled urbanites like to dream about the serene harmony of field and stream in the heartland. They are clearly unfamiliar with that celebration of nature called hunting season. In the Midwest, hunting season lasts from

approximately the first of November until the last week in October. Men with weapons, both primitive and advanced, kill everything that is cute in the woods. The screams of deer, rabbit, raccoon, squirrel, pheasant, quail, and duck can temporarily put you off your food. Of course, given the menu, that can sometimes be a blessing.

If, after all your attempts to dissuade them, people still want to move to the Midwest, there is but one thing left to do. Demand they buy a house with lots of bedrooms and a garden big enough to share. Then sell the condo, put the Nordic trainer in storage, and move in with them.

—M.H.B.



Letters

Looking north from South Africa

I read with interest Pamela Scully's article on the effects of apartheid on South Africans in the Summer 1988 *Bulletin*.

No educated human being can favor differentiating social, legal, and economic opportunities on a racial basis. All Kenyon alumni are educated human beings; opposition to apartheid can be taken for granted in your magazine's primary audience.

Apartheid is a fact in both urban and rural South Africa. It's an unfortunate fact, but a fact nevertheless. It needs to be taken into account when one tries to think out the possible steps to a future in which race is not a factor in the social, legal, and economic life of South Africa.

The standard response is one man, one vote. It's a nice idea, and one which every Kenyon alumnus would naturally support. The traditions of the College, of our country, and of the political system in which most of us have spent our lives tell us that one man, one vote will produce the greatest good for the greatest number while simultaneously protecting the lesser number. Would it work in South Africa?

We don't need to look into a crystal ball for an answer. Instead, pretend for a moment that you are a South African white looking north at what has happened in all those African places where one man, one vote was put into practice during the death throes of colonialism in the 1960s and 1970s. Do you like what you see? Would you want for yourself a military dictatorship in which one man has the only vote that counts? Country after country in black Africa can be honestly described in those terms.

Would you want for your fellow citizens, of whatever race, exploitation so severe it makes apartheid look like kindergarten bullying? That, too, accurately describes tribalism and genocide in too many black African nations. Would you want economic viability to evaporate into Swiss bank accounts? Mobutu of Zaire, one of the wealthiest nations on earth in natural resources, is by far the richest man in the world. Yet most people in that country would consider themselves fortunate if they had just half the real income of the average South African black. Freedom is great stuff; very, very few in black Africa have even a sniff of it.

Apartheid is wrong. It's evil. One man, one vote in South Africa would perhaps change the evils, but it would also compound them immeasurably. One has only to look at black Africa to understand the reluctance of

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Susan Balboni and John DeMarchi '90 at the potting wheel

Kenyon's Craft Center is a haven for potters and putterers alike

At the north end of campus, opposite Bexley Hall and across from the Health Center, stands one of those white clapboard houses, not exactly colonial and not quite Victorian, that are ubiquitous in Gambier. It's easy to miss it altogether, but for those who have lived and worked at the Craft Center, it is a remarkable house with a rich and wonderful past—and present.

Like so many other campus buildings, the Craft Center was originally located else-

where, in this case across the street from the old Alumni House. It was moved to its present site in 1885 and has seen several renovations over the years.

Before the building was the Craft Center, it was the home of a number of Kenyon faculty members, including John Crowe Ransom, founding editor of the *Kenyon Review*. He and his wife, Robb, lived there from 1943 until his retirement in 1958. Before the Ransoms moved in, Professor of Eco-

nomics Emeritus Paul M. Titus and his wife, Catherine, occupied the house.

In 1972 the building became the Craft Center. Since its earliest days, pottery has been at the heart of the Center's activities. For the last eight years Susan Balboni, an artist who has shown her work nationally, has taught interested Kenyon students and members of the faculty, staff, and community everything from how to throw their first pots to the fine points of raku, a glazing technique. Both a beginning and an advanced workshop are taught each week by Balboni. She also teaches a mixed-media workshop and yoga.

In 1982, Joyce Parr, a former member of the art faculty, introduced the first quilting class at the Craft Center. Today Elaine Hartley, one of Parr's original students, continues the tradition. Stained glass workshops have been conducted in the former living room by local artist Carol Mason for four years now, and a darkroom continues to be available for student photographers.

"The College is very fortunate to have exceptional local artists who give much more to the Craft Center than they're paid for," says Cheryl L. Steele, assistant dean of students.

Janice N. Gossman '89 of Princeton, New Jersey, a coordinator of the Ceramics Club for the last three years, notes that working with clay is more popular than ever this year. She has seen a huge jump in the students' technical skill and an increase in the number of students coming to use the ceramics studio.

Originally, student coordinators lived in a second-floor apartment and managed the Center in exchange for

reduced room and board. For the last two years, the coordinator has lived in regular student housing and maintained an office in the Craft Center. This year's coordinator, John C. DeMarchi '90 of Cleveland, Ohio, is a potter who has made a particular effort to involve children from the Gambier Cooperative Nursery School in Craft Center activities. Indeed, sharing with the community is part of the spirit of the Craft Center.

Melissa "Missy" Siders '84 learned to throw pots and work with clay at the Craft Center. She was also the Center's coordinator for two years. When she joined the Peace Corps and went to Senegal,

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she worked with villagers to construct wood-fired clay stoves. She also visited African clay workers to learn more about the different techniques used in Northern Africa. Siders adds, "My skills developed as coordinator really helped in writing proposals for grants to meet village needs."

Shelley Terry '88 took what she learned from stained glass workshops at the Center and, as part of Kenyon's participation in the Appalachian People's Service Organization,

contacted a West Virginia high school and set up a two-week glass workshop. The students constructed a four-by-four stained glass window that now adorns their school.

Despite its obvious successes and popularity, the fate of the Craft Center has been uncertain at times. In 1976, then-coordinator James S. Franchek '78 commented that College officials were "planning on calling in an architect to see how functional this building will be in the future; they don't have a guarantee that it will stand much longer." However, Steele asserts that today there are no plans either to tear down or to change the purpose of the building.

Current craft coordinators, who meet every month to discuss ways to improve the Center, stress that it fulfills a unique function on campus. It not only provides the opportunity for students to develop skills in specific crafts but also offers alternative venues for self-expression in a nonacademic, nonpressured atmosphere.

For those who take advantage of the opportunities offered by the Craft Center, it is not just another anonymous white house, but a haven for artistic and personal expression.

—K.A.



Bettie Teasley '92

Three generations called it home

Many people have wondered about the curious square depression in the Craft Center's backyard. Helen Forman and Elizabeth R. Forman '73, Gambier residents and daughter and granddaughter, respectively, of John Crowe Ransom, are happy to clear up the mystery.

Famous gamesters, the Ransoms held croquet in especially high esteem. As residents of what is now the Craft Center, they put in a croquet court. Friends from the early days of the *Kenyon Review*, including writers Robert Lowell '40, Peter Taylor '40, and Robert Penn Warren, would often join them for a game. Players divided into teams, everyone hoping Lowell, who was a terrible croquet player, would be on the other side. Then they would play on into and even past dusk. Helen Forman remembers that "on long summer evenings everyone would move their cars to ring the court and turn on their headlights so they could continue into the night and finish the game."

She also recalls her mother, Robb, commenting that "the worst thing about being married to a professor is that they come home for lunch." Robb and the kids, engaged in a mid-day croquet game, would look up to see a figure on the back porch eating a tomato and studying the playing field. Slowly but surely, Ransom would wander down toward them and, once on the court, would proceed to give mostly unwelcome advice. Apparently it was hard for anyone to resist joining in. "Once, when the house was being painted, the crew got interested in a game and started refereeing," remembers Helen.

Croquet was not the only use for the playing field. Robb was prone to sitting backwards

on her bicycle and pedaling around and around the court, which Helen says "was very impressive."

In addition to croquet, bridge games were a feature of the household (with a running tally kept on the door of what is now the Craft Center's glass room), along with hangman, word games, all-night sessions of Monopoly, and poker games, which were referred to as "Wednesday prayer meetings." Indeed, for the Ransoms and their literary friends, play and literature often merged. They could and did pursue

married by the time her parents moved into what is now the Craft Center, in keeping with Southern tradition she and her young children would spend the occasional summer with her parents. She remembers hanging diapers out on a line in the backyard once when her younger brother was whirling around a frog-gig, a long pole with a barb on the end. The barb went flying, just missing her, and stuck into the house and stayed there for years.

Elizabeth Forman, who is acting registrar at Kenyon this



John Crowe Ransom on the porch at the Craft Center

games as ardently as they discussed literature.

The Ransoms were also baseball "nuts," as Helen puts it. She remembers that the family used to sit out on the side porch (it has since been removed) and listen to multiple radios so they could follow several baseball games at once. They kept track of the scores on a chalkboard set on an easel. While the Ransoms wanted to hear all the action, they were partial to the Cleveland Indians.

Although Helen was already

year, has her own fond memories. She recalls coming downstairs one fine morning for one of the breakfasts her grandfather used to fix and stopping to peer through the staircase spindles. She remembers having to sit there an awfully long time, missing breakfast to boot, because she was too embarrassed to admit she had disobeyed warnings to the contrary and gotten her head stuck between the spindles.

—K.A.

Civil rights leader Hale named advisor for multicultural affairs

Frank W. Hale Jr., active for thirty years in the civil rights movement on American college campuses, begins work as executive assistant to the president for multicultural affairs at Kenyon this winter.

"It's an extraordinary stroke of luck that we are able to attract Frank Hale to the College to assist us with our ambitions to achieve greater diversity," said President Philip H. Jordan Jr. in announcing the appointment. "He is a nationally known and highly regarded figure in the field of minority affairs."

Professor of communication at Ohio State University (OSU) since 1971, and vice provost for minority affairs there for the past year, Hale retired last fall. Prior to his teaching position in Columbus, he was president of Oakwood College, a black institution in Hunts-

ville, Alabama, and professor of English at Central State University in Ohio. He has been a consultant and lecturer at more than eighty colleges and universities across the country, has accepted awards of merit from organizations including the United Negro College Fund and Jesse Jackson's 1984 campaign committee, and has published books and articles on affirmative action and black higher education.

Kenyon, like many of its peers, is trying hard to attract the black and Hispanic students who will, recent statistics show, account for some 18 percent of all eighteen-year-olds by the turn of the century. But administrators are running up against a variety of obstacles, most notably the shrinking pool of qualified minority candidates. In 1980, 33 percent of

blacks who graduated from high school went on to college. In 1987, that number had dropped to 26 percent, despite an increase in the number of blacks who completed secondary school.

The reasons, Hale says, are varied and complex. Funds for educational programs traditionally aimed at minorities were cut back during the Reagan Administration. Loans have taken priority over grants in educational funding, effectively removing poor blacks from the higher education system. And affirmative action programs have become dirty words, much as "liberal" did in the 1988 presidential campaign.

An advocate of goals in minority recruitment on campus, Hale notes that "as long as there are racial inequities there is a need for racial remedies.

"Kennedy and Johnson put affirmative action on the front burner. Ford put it on the back burner. Under Reagan, affirmative action has gotten clear off the stove," he says.

There is a difference between goals and quotas, says Hale. "I have no problems with goals. All organizations have goals, that for which to strive beyond where you once were."

Many who in the 1960s believed affirmative action programs were the correct remedy for past injustices now point to a growing black middle class and assume there is no longer any need for preferential treatment, Hale asserts. But things have not improved much for large segments of the black community, he points out. Blacks have by no means reached parity in academe or the professions relative to their numbers in the general population.

Indeed, blacks reached a peak in their enrollment in higher education in 1976, Hale notes. A decade after Lyndon Johnson's endorsement at Howard University, not just of equal rights but equal results,

1.6 million blacks were enrolled in undergraduate colleges and universities, representing a full 10.6 percent of the undergraduate college population and four times the number of blacks enrolled in 1969. It was a short-lived victory.

According to the College Board, in 1987 there were 1 million blacks enrolled in American colleges, or 8 percent of the 11 million students enrolled last year. "Ironically, in 1976, the year of our Bicentennial, we began to see a decline," says Hale. He calls the ensuing decade one of "disintegration and revisionism. "Many black young people have given up," he says.

Kenyon, with a student body of 1,573 this year, has twenty black students, twenty-four Hispanic students, and forty-two Asian students on campus. While the numbers are a lot lower than College officials hope eventually to achieve, they represent twenty more students of color than a year and a half ago.

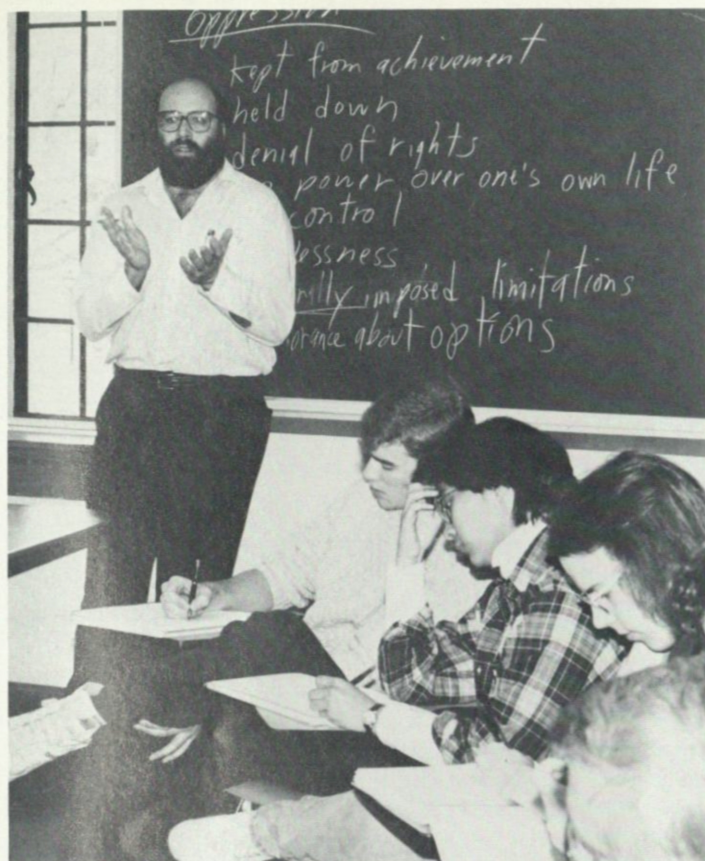
According to Jordan, Hale's responsibilities at Kenyon will include assistance in policy and program development. While he will not have direct responsibility for minority student affairs, Hale says that the underrepresented will no doubt come to him with their concerns. And he welcomes that leadership role.

"The College, with all of its good intentions, cannot totally speak for those who have been left out. Integrity demands that people in my position have two ears—one to the administration, and one to the cries of those who feel they have been left out." And, he adds, the twain shall meet.

—M.H.B.



Frank Hale



Harry Brod leads a gender studies class.

Harry Brod integrates issues of gender into the curriculum

According to Harry W. Brod, visiting associate professor of gender studies and philosophy at Kenyon, "While women have been obscured from our vision by being too much in the background, men have been obscured by being too much in the foreground."

Brod will spend this year and the next two at the College exploring ways to integrate issues of gender into existing courses and helping to create new courses. In the process, he will work closely with each department and with a Gender Studies Committee composed of faculty members, administrators, and students.

The creation of a gender studies program, rather than a women's studies program, and the appointment of a man rather than a woman to fill that position were not without

controversy. Brod is quick to acknowledge the fears of feminist critics that gender studies will lose sight of the unique concerns of women's studies in an attempt to "mandate equal time for men."

Brod readily acknowledges that a definition of gender studies, particularly vis-a-vis women's studies, is still very much in flux. "Women's studies, men's studies, and gender studies are all contested terms," he says. Brod does not intend to formulate a definition alone; instead, he plans to work with others to help establish what gender studies will be at the College.

Ellen Furlough, an assistant professor of history who served on the the search committee that hired Brod, says that although the committee was sensitive to the issue of hiring a

woman, members unanimously felt that Brod was the best candidate. She adds that the need for a woman in the position as a role model for students is partially mitigated by the number of women on Kenyon's faculty now, many of them teaching courses that include women's perspectives.

Along with its policy on nonsexist language, which stipulates, in part, that "language used by its members in all public communications—both oral and written—be nonsexist and nondiscriminatory," the new gender studies program places the College in the forefront of national efforts to reexamine liberal arts curricula. Brod argues that such curricula have never been free from unacknowledged subjectivity, cultural biases, and "gender blind spots." As far as he knows, his gender studies position is the first of its kind in the country.

Brod himself comes out of the tradition of women's studies and gender studies, as well as men's studies. As he explains it, men's studies is the direct heir of women's studies and shares many of the same methods and feminist perspectives. He contends that just as feminists have pointed to the use of the generic term "man" for "human" to write women out of history, the overgeneralization of man as male to man as generic human tends to leave out whatever is specific to men as a gender.

Just because gender studies includes women studies, says Brod, does not mean that courses specific to women's studies are not still needed. "Women's studies embodies an important standpoint from which to integrate the curriculum as a whole," he says.

Kenyon has offered an interdisciplinary women's studies course in recent years and, prior to Brod's appointment, there had been a part-time administrative position in women's studies held at different times by various women

faculty members. Members of the Women's Faculty and Administrative Caucus, a group that spearheaded efforts to implement women's studies in some form, felt that the time had come to expand the position to full-time status and hire someone whose expertise cut across a number of disciplines. The caucus was instrumental in shaping and bringing before the entire faculty a proposal for a gender studies position. In December 1986, after considerable debate, the faculty voted 67 to 38 to approve a gender studies position with a goal of hiring by this past fall.

The appointment of Brod comes at a time when not only the definition but the legitimacy of women's, men's, and gender studies is still a matter of debate on many college campuses, including Kenyon's. Critics such as Allan Bloom, author of the recent bestseller *The Closing of the American Mind*, predict the decline of Western civilization if traditional curricula are altered to include women's or other gender-based perspectives and concerns.

Brod's Introduction to Gender Studies, which he teaches with Visiting Instructor of Classics Harrienne Mills, actually combines the classics with feminist texts. The reading list includes Euripides and Sophocles, as well as Charlotte Perkins Gilman and Alice Walker. According to Brod, the goal of the course is to get students to evaluate different arguments in order to reach and defend their own opinions. He adds that the intent is to teach students how to think, not what to think.

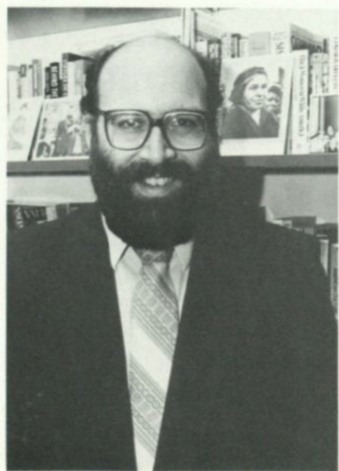
Brod notes that at the beginning of the introductory class he and Mills give a brief history of women's studies—"how we got where we are"—and a few sentences about the history of other disciplines. All disciplines have a history and none is etched in stone, says Brod. Disciplines are the carriers not

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only of knowledge but also of ideology, he adds. Brod hopes that the presence of gender studies at Kenyon will help raise questions about the history of all knowledge.

The majority of the students in the course are women. Brod says there are several reasons for this. "The psychological content of male roles is not questioned by most men. You would also expect the groups who have less power to ask the hard questions. Women will raise questions about gender bias and difference, just as people of color will be the ones to ask questions about race," he says.

Brod received his doctorate in philosophy from the University of California at San Diego in 1981. From 1982 to 1987 he taught in the Department of Philosophy and the Program for the Study of



Harry Brod

Women and Men in Society at the University of Southern California (USC). Last year he was a fellow in law and philosophy at the Harvard Law School. His interests and expertise are wide-ranging and include applied ethics, social, political, and legal philosophy, and nineteenth- and twentieth-century continental philosophy as well as gender studies.

Referring to his interest in gender studies, Brod says, "It found me, rather than me having gone looking for it. I was in a traditional male career track in political theory and the history of philosophy, the position at USC opened up, and one thing led to another." A self-professed child of the sixties, he explains that he attended men's consciousness-raising groups, and his interest in gender issues evolved from the personal to the social and political to the academic. He has written widely on gender studies and is the editor of two collections of essays: *The Making of Masculinities: The New Men's Studies* and *A Mensch among Men: Explorations in Jewish Masculinity*.

Claudia J. Esslinger, chair of the Women's Faculty and Administrative Caucus and an assistant professor of art, says that while the particular evolution of gender studies at Kenyon is not to everyone's liking, "We do have a position with an expert and that's something to be pretty positive about."

—K.A.

Students petition for women's perspectives

While the most vigorous discussion of women's studies and gender studies seems to take place between faculty members, Kenyon students recently made known their feelings on the issue.

Representatives of the Women's Network presented a petition to the faculty at its monthly meeting on December 19, 1988, urging professors to "broaden their course content by integrating women and minority scholars [who] address their relevant [disciplines], or at least to include feminist perspective in departments such as English, political science, history, philosophy, religion, and modern foreign languages." The petition was signed by approximately three hundred students.

Krista L. Roybal, a sophomore from Glendora, California, and one of two women addressing the faculty, spoke of the dearth of role models for women students in academe; asked that professors' expectations of students be raised by including consideration of feminist perspectives; and urged faculty members to contribute to a better intellectual climate between the sexes on campus by placing value on women's scholarly work in their classes.

"Professors hold a unique position of power to mold our sensitivity and knowledge," petitioners argued. "It is at their discretion that we are exposed to certain contemporary issues and not to others."

Because the study of women's perspectives is now integral to the intellectual community, the petition says, Kenyon will lose its competitive edge and graduates will be at a disadvantage until work by women is incorporated into the curriculum.

There was some questioning of the women, following their talk, about why they did not

request women's perspectives in the sciences and of the implication that professors should be told what to teach. Whether for the content of their presentation or their bravery in the face of the entire faculty, the students received a round of applause. Said Vernon J. Schubel, assistant professor of religion, "It is very important that students are taking part in the discussion rather than waiting for the experts to come in."

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The petition, which originated from a Women's Network discussion of patriarchy in academe, had been presented to Cornelia Ireland Hallinan '76, a trustee of the College, at the board's fall meeting. It was subsequently referred to the Academic Policy Committee, which began discussion of it in December.

—M.H.B.



Barbara Gensemer and Karyn Sheffield-Jordan, assistant to the director of career development, look over a list of alumni career consultants.

Department Alumni Program offers proof of life after Kenyon

Contrary to the popular belief that college students in the 1980s are ever so directed, and generally toward careers in business, most students haven't a clue what they'll do when they graduate, says Barbara J. Gensemer, director of the Career Development Center at Kenyon. She hopes to change that.

In the last seven years, Gensemer has transformed what started as a shelf of books in former Dean of Freshmen Susan T. Givens' office into a well-stocked library in Gund Commons with five staff members. The center offers a wide range of services, including aid in the preparation of resumes, practice in interviewing for jobs, career planning, and individual counseling.

Gensemer and her staff also sponsor an externship program for juniors and seniors, offer advice on graduate and professional schools, and assist in planning the annual Department Alumni Program. With the help of the various academic departments on campus, Gensemer brings in about forty alumni for a weekend each year, representing two dis-

ciplines and a variety of professions.

The alumni brief the students on particular careers—and the paths they have taken to them—in morning general symposia. In the afternoon, the groups break down into smaller discussion sections where advice and counsel are the name of the game.

"Oftentimes," says Gensemer, "students just want to be reassured" that there is hope of employment in the wide world with a liberal arts degree; that there are numerous roads to travel to success; that success is measured in a number of different ways.

"Can you move to the Rockies for two years and play the banjo and then come back, cut your hair, and join the real world?" queried one student of alumni in communications careers last fall.

"Sure," answered one participant. "But you must turn that time into an application."

If some of the questions are less than penetrating, at least it shows some thought is being given to life after Kenyon, Gensemer says. "The students I worry about are the ones who

go four years without paying any attention to the future and whose families don't know how to help them or handle it."

Faculty members, whom Gensemer regularly consults, are also encouraged by the career weekends. Not only does it give them a chance to visit with former students; it also sometimes brings large and diverse departments together.

Linda Metzler, an associate professor of modern foreign languages, says that through the program she saw her older colleagues in a new light, witnessing the evident quality of their commitment to students over the years and their exhilaration in seeing that commitment pay off in the lives of their former students.

In addition to those who are asked by the faculty to participate in the Department Alumni Program, alumni far and wide play an enormous role in career counseling, Gensemer says. She points to a computer printout of some fifteen hundred Kenyon graduates who have agreed to be contacted by their prospective peers. Many participate in career workshops with current students in their home cities.

If students are generally uncertain at twenty-one where they're going, lots of people seem willing to give directions. But the bottom line, of course, is self-determination. Wrote one student participant in the alumni program, "They seemed to help me realize that you have to do everything in your power to get what you want, because things won't just happen."

—M.H.B.

Fall sports wrap-up

By the end of the fall sports season, the Kenyon Lords and Ladies had taken a familiar spot in the NCAC All-Sports race. Kenyon was in fourth place with 28 points, following Allegheny College in first place with 36 points, Ohio Wesleyan University in second with 33, and the College of Wooster in third with 32.5.

Men's Cross Country. The Lords placed fourth at the NCAC Championships, their best showing in recent times, and advanced to the NCAA regional meet, where they placed twelfth of 16 teams. A season highlight was defeating Wooster for the first time. Senior Alex Hetherington of Richmond, Virginia, Kenyon's MVP, was the Lords' only representative on the All-NCAC team.

Women's Cross Country. The Ladies fell on hard times this year as several top runners suffered injuries during the season. They finished the year in fifth place in the conference. Although the team did not advance to regionals, 2 runners qualified individually. Freshman Kara Berghold of Pawling, New York, and sophomore Tracey Fatzinger of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, placed twentieth and twenty-first



Senior Talal al Sowayel

respectively. Berghold was also named the Ladies' MVP.

Field Hockey (13-7-1 overall, 3-4-1 NCAC). The Ladies posted the finest season in the history of the program with an overall record of 13-7-1. They set the College record for most wins in a season, eclipsing the old mark of 11 set in 1981. With their 3-4-1 record, the Ladies placed fourth in the NCAC.

Four players were named All-NCAC and All-Great Lakes Region. In addition, the Ladies' goalkeeper, junior Cathie Herrick of Crofton, Maryland, was honored as the conference Player of the Year. She was also Kenyon's only first-team All-Great Lakes selection. Coach Sandy Moore was named the NCAC Coach of the Year for turning Kenyon's program around. It was the second time Moore received Coach-of-the-Year honors.

Football (6-4 overall, 4-2 NCAC). The Lords posted their first winning season since 1984. With a mark of 4-2, they tied for second place in the NCAC with Case Western Reserve and Ohio Wesleyan universities. As it was last year, the highlight of the Lords' season was their 8-7 victory over Denison University, but this year the win occurred on the Big Red's home field.

The Lords set several team records, including the season record for most passing touchdowns (21), most passes attempted (382), and most passes completed (205). The latter 2 marks were also NCAC records. Fourteen team members were named All-NCAC, including senior Ed Beemiller of Chardon, Ohio, who was Kenyon's only first-team selection.

Senior Eric Dahlquist of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, was named Kenyon's most valuable player. He was named second-team All-NCAC and set several Kenyon and NCAC game, season, and career records. He



Senior John Wallace (right) goes after the ball.

is the first quarterback in the College's history to throw for more than 5,000 yards, and he holds the Kenyon record for most passing yards at 6,389.

Men's Soccer (11-5 overall, 4-2 NCAC). With 11 wins (6 of them shutouts) to their credit, the Lords tied the College record for most victories in a season, which was set in 1973. They were 4-2 in the conference—Kenyon's best showing in the 5-year history of the NCAC—and tied for third place. The Lords placed 3 players on the All-NCAC team, including MVP Ron Harrington of Hudson, Ohio.

Women's Soccer (6-8-1 overall, 1-4-1 NCAC). The Ladies struggled this year, ending the season with a mark of 1-4-1 and a tie for sixth place in the conference. Their sole NCAC victory was at the expense of Wooster. However, they still placed 3 players on the All-NCAC squad, including MVP Mollie Curry of Charlotte, North Carolina.

—L.G.

Volleyball team reaches national championship; players and coach earn conference honors

When you think of a Kenyon sports team in the national spotlight, you think of Kenyon swimming. And, of late, you might also conjure up women's tennis. But Kenyon's fall teams have never been a force on the national level—until this year.

It was a first for the Ladies as Kenyon's volleyball team was ranked in the top 10 in the NCAA Division III and was invited to participate in the NCAA Championship.

Not only were the Ladies chosen for competition; they advanced directly into the second round, having received a bye in round 1. Although the Ladies lost to Ohio Northern University, they ended the year ranked seventh in the country.

The Ladies ended their best season with a mark of 37-9 and set the College record for most wins in a season. They placed second in 3 of the 4 tournaments in which they competed, including the North Coast Athletic Conference

(NCAC) Championships.

Four players were named All-NCAC. First-team selections included Heather Spencer of Kenton, Ohio, and Holly Swank of Newark, Ohio, who was further honored as the NCAC Player of the Year, an award she has received 3 years running. Kirsten Holzheimer of Euclid, Ohio, and Kris Snyder of Indianapolis, Indiana, were named to the second team.

The accolades did not stop there. Swank and Spencer were named first-team All-Midwest, and Swank became the first volleyball player in Kenyon's history to be named an All-American when she was chosen to the second team. Spencer was further honored as a second-team Academic All-American.

Topping off an outstanding season, Kenyon Coach Gretchen Weitbrecht was named Division III Coach of the Year.

—L.G.



Sophomore Judy Hruska reaches for a spike.

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educated white South Africans to give up apartheid unless some idea more promising than one man, one vote is proposed to replace it.

Meanwhile, it is too easy to waggle a finger of admonition at South African whites in the presumed certainty that if they would only do things our way, all would come right in the end. There is virtually no evidence among countries that share the continent with South Africa that our way would produce anything but a catastrophic social, legal, and economic outcome. Articles like Scully's may help us understand the extent of apartheid's evils, but they do not make a contribution to helping South Africans solve their real and painful problems.

Donald G. Hoffman '45
Los Osos, California

Pamela Scully replies:

Mr. Hoffman has produced virtually the same argument put forward by the Nationalist government and white South Africans who do not support fundamental change in South Africa. President P.W. Botha also has said that apartheid is outdated and wrong, yet he too points to black Africa as justification for the maintenance of white minority rule in South Africa. Clearly Mr. Hoffman rejects apartheid and the inequality and racism it entrenches, but he seems to be saying that white domination of the economic and political life of South Africa is necessary to maintain economic stability and a degree of democracy.

The premise that we have to look at possible future scenarios from the whites' perspective has led to the convoluted and self-righteous thinking that characterizes so much white political rhetoric. To stand in the shoes of black South Africans results in a radically different assessment of present-day South Africa, as well as a more just vision for the country's future. No argument can justify the disenfranchisement of 70 percent of the South African population. Apartheid represents a deliberate and sustained attempt to undermine the ability of black South Africans to determine the future of their country, to earn a decent wage, to experience family life, to aspire to be more than "pariahs in the country of their birth."

It is at best dubious to lump the historical experience of South Africa with that of the rest of Africa. South Africa is virtually unique on the African continent in its endowment of natural resources and in having a significant white minority who regard South Africa as their home and do not see themselves as colonial expatriates. However, I am fascinated by Mr. Hoffman's choice of example.

Mobutu Sese Seko is indeed corrupt and presides over an undemocratic political process. He once enjoined his followers to "steal cleverly, little by little, and invest your money in Zaire." Let us not forget, however, that Mobutu received significant support from the

American intelligence community in his coming to power in the early sixties. It is also documented that the Central Intelligence Agency plotted the assassination of Patrice Lumumba, the charismatic opposition leader who had a democratic vision for Zaire.

Interestingly, Mobutu is one of the few African leaders who will meet with P.W. Botha.

Mr. Hoffman does not seem to realize that in the last five years there has been a silent military coup within the South African state. Members of the military now occupy many of the most influential positions within the government and have a direct say in intelligence operations within and without the country. One need only see the violence that is being perpetrated in the black townships by the military and police in the name of "law and order" to know how inaccurate is the remark that what goes on in the rest of Africa "makes apartheid look like kindergarten bullying."

Democracy exists only as a fiction within South Africa. Any person, black or white, who challenges the legitimacy of the white minority government and the political system of the country runs grave personal risk. The recent conviction for treason of three leaders of the nonviolent United Democratic Front is proof enough of the bankruptcy of justice in South Africa.

A final comment concerns Mr. Hoffman's choice of the term "one man, one vote." South African democrats use the term "one person, one vote." That more accurately describes the kind of post-apartheid South Africa towards which we are striving. None of us wishes to replace a racist government with one that only recognizes the political rights of men.

Big time and doing just fine, thanks

I read with great interest Stuart Schott's article "Good land, bad habits" in the Summer 1988 *Bulletin*. I am the fourth generation to farm our land, raising corn, beans, wheat, and sunflowers. We operate two substantial farrow-to-finish hog farms, delivering thousands of fat hogs to market each year, and run a cow-calf herd, selling feeder cattle to feedlots in the West. We own and operate thousands of acres and are, of course, incorporated. Mr. Schott, I am the man whom you are writing about.

You make the comparison between the large-scale farmer's costs to produce one acre of corn, \$393, and the Amish's costs of \$44. According to your estimates, I have lost about \$1.5 million in corn production alone in the past decade. (Average sale price of \$1.85 per bushel, times the average yield of 160 bushels per acre, equals \$296 in gross sales, less \$393 in planting costs, equals a \$97 loss per acre; \$97 times 1,500 acres of corn, times ten years, equals a net loss of \$1,455,000.) The last time I balanced my checkbook that loss had not materialized.

Your point on the expensive twelve-row combine was interesting, but flawed. The goal

of that machine is not, as you state, to save time in the field and reduce labor costs. Its purpose is to permit the operator to harvest the crop as rapidly as possible, reducing the chance that fall winds will down the fragile and dead plant. That machine pays for itself not in decreased labor costs but in reduced field losses. In short, it reduces your risk.

Your suggestion that small farmers use manure as fertilizer and therefore avoid chemical fertilizers was misinformed. Yes, manure is an excellent fertilizer, and we use all that we can produce, but there are serious limitations to its use. Manure (especially hog) can be high in phosphates which, although necessary for proper plant development, in excess can retard plant growth. Manure is plentiful in nitrogen but does not contain any potash. To say that the small farmer has somehow cornered the market on common sense is mistaken. I assure you that the small farmer approaches his fertilizer requirements in the same way the large farmer does: by taking soil samples and sending them to a lab for analysis.

Your comment that large-scale farmers are "on the ropes" more often is not correct. That argument, by your admission, is based on large-scale farmers having an inherent diseconomy of scale. Two hundred years of agricultural history disagree with you. In fact, small farmers often have more than one source of income, and the second is unrelated to agriculture.

You stated that 95 percent of the tillable landscape in Iowa is planted in corn—every year. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, in 1988 Iowa farmers planted 10,400 acres of corn and 7,500 acres of soybeans.

You make another error by calling timothy a legume. Soybeans are a legume. Timothy is a grass.

I also take issue with your arguments regarding pest control, herbicides, and erosion. We don't, and most of my peers don't, use pesticides routinely. We do use herbicides to control weed growth but not to the point that we don't cultivate. We could, but to do so would be uneconomical.

The John Deere metal-tipped plow is a thing of the past. Today we chisel plow or use a field cultivator, neither one of which turns the soil over. Both techniques leave large quantities of plant residue on the surface to vastly reduce potential run-off. We can and will continue to improve these techniques, but we are not as archaic as you suggest.

That you say we disregard our "riparian habitats...and living quarters for wild flora and fauna" is not true. I am, and have been for over seven years, on the board of governors of the Nature Conservancy here in Illinois. Farmers as a group have done more to directly impact the preservation and revitalization of our biotic diversity than any other group save big business. (Big business gives big bucks.)
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Stretching the borders of off-campus study

Even pre-med students are going abroad as internationalism gains credence in the curriculum

by Mieke H. Bomann

Ten years ago, students who elected to study off campus went to western Europe, almost without exception. England, France, Italy, and Spain were the destinations of choice. But things have changed. This year, four Kenyon students are studying in Africa, four in China, three in Japan, and one in Hong Kong. While the number of students studying in England is still greatest—twenty-nine this year—the boundaries of the off-campus-study map, traditionally marked by Romance languages and Western cultural values, are being stretched.

There are a number of reasons for the shift, College administrators say.

Increased offerings in non-Western languages and a broadened general curriculum shaped, in part, by the four-year-old International Studies Program, have spurred students' interest in non-Western cultures. And the Office of Off-Campus Studies has responded to increasing demand for nontraditional study opportunities with an array of new programs.

"The interest in teaching non-Western things and the increased commitment to internationality itself has generated interest on the students' part," says Jane A. Wemhoener, director of off-campus

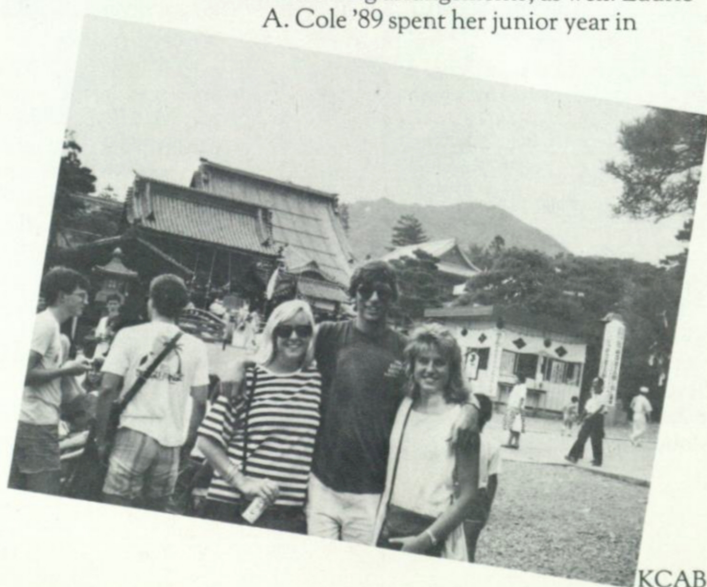
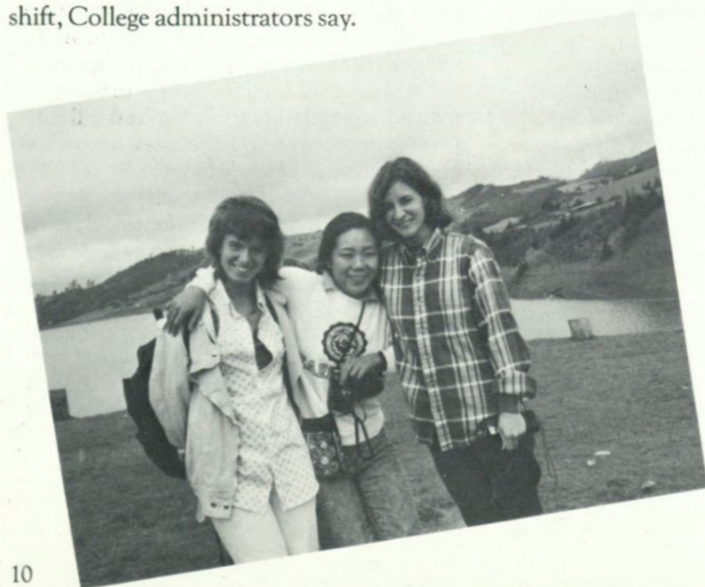
studies. Whereas a decade ago few students ventured outside Kenyon's successful program at the University of Exeter in England, these days the College regularly sends students to Africa, Asia, and South America.

There have been other changes in the nature of off-campus study. Science students, who in the past were discouraged from going abroad for fear of losing a competitive edge if they were planning to apply to medical school, are finding out that spending a semester or year off campus may be professionally advantageous.

"Medical schools now welcome students who have studied abroad," Wemhoener says. "It gives students a dimension of maturity, and an academic dimension, that they don't get here." Two chemistry majors and a biology student went abroad last year; one biology major is studying abroad this year.

About one-third of Kenyon's junior class goes off campus each year. That includes students who choose to study at another college in the United States for a semester. A growing number of students studying abroad are going away for just one semester, a trend Wemhoener says she is not happy about. Ten weeks is simply not enough time to get a feel for a different culture, especially when study requires learning another language. "It takes a while for us to make fools of ourselves in another language," she points out, but shyness in communication wears off by second semester, and language fluency "soars" in the second half of the study year.

Language fluency has much to do with living arrangements, as well. Laurie A. Cole '89 spent her junior year in



Stockholm, a participant in Hamilton College's two-year-old Swedish program, which Kenyon cosponsors. She chose to live with a family, in order to improve her Swedish language skills, rather than in the international dormitories at the University of Stockholm, where English is spoken regularly. "I had a little sister who was three," she says. "I either learned the language or I didn't talk to her. She was my best teacher."

A political science major from Avon Lake, Ohio, Cole also worked as the English-language editor for a Swedish magazine and, by the end of her stay, considered herself fluent in reading, writing, and speaking Swedish.

Another student for whom family life made all the difference was Andrea L. Steege '89. An international studies major from Parkersburg, West Virginia, Steege has concentrated on Latin American studies and wanted to spend time in a Third World country. She participated in the Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) program in Bogota, Colombia, which Kenyon administers. All of her classes were taught in Spanish, and Steege says she was initially exhausted just trying to communicate. But in her host family were two brothers who helped her with the language and showed her the social side of Bogota.

Off-campus study, once considered a fanciful excuse by the upper-middle class to sample the better beers of Britain, has been reexamined and, at Kenyon anyway, has come into the mainstream of the liberal arts curriculum. The average grade-point average of a student who goes off campus is 3.1. Students interested in Japan especially must have done well.

"Every year I get someone who comes in and wants to do the Love Boat," Wemhoener kids. "They are not allowed. There are a lot of guided tours still on the

books, somewhere, but not in this office."

The cost of studying abroad has gone up as the dollar has lost its value but Wemhoener points out that all Kenyon scholarships are transferable to overseas programs. Loans and Pell Grants are also guaranteed for students who participate in a Kenyon-sponsored program.

"This is not something just for the rich and famous," says Wemhoener. "If you have a student who wants to get to know a country and not travel all over, he can do it on a shoestring."

There is a typical pattern of emotions that characterizes the student who goes abroad, says Wemhoener. At first there is the exhilaration of being in a different culture. But soon there is a feeling of isolation, of being a stranger in a strange land, and students begin to question relationships and values they thought were firmly held. Oftentimes, students want desperately to come home. By spring, however, most have adapted to the culture and to the academic routine and have no desire to leave.

Consequently, returning to campus is sometimes difficult. "They come back and don't want the learning to stop, and they sense everyone else wants them to go back to the same things," Wemhoener says. So she set up a "re-entry" program, one of a kind among GLCA members. Students are greeted on their return by the dean of students; there is a counseling workshop; Wemhoener hands out a six-page evaluation form of the programs; and private interviews are held with every student who studies off campus.

"It helps a student place the experience in perspective. Even the most well-meaning friends ask 'How was your trip?' and expect you to say 'Fine.' We stress serious sharing without bringing out

seven thousand slides."

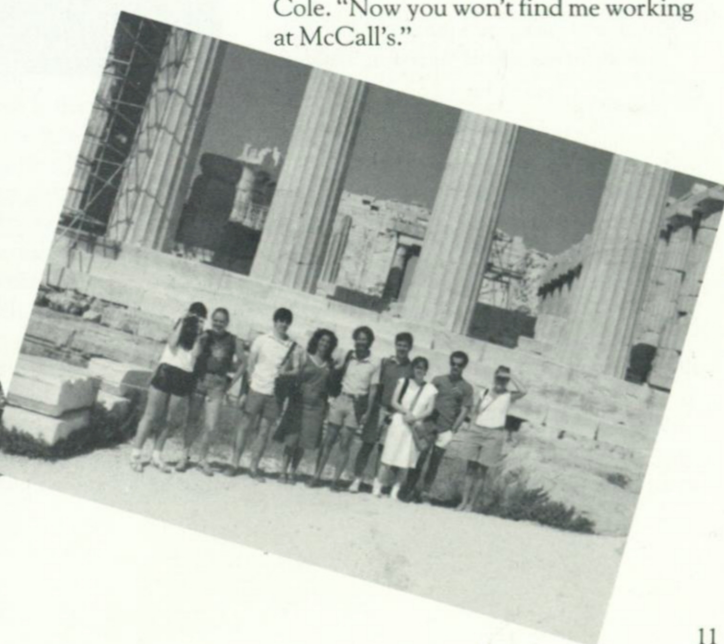
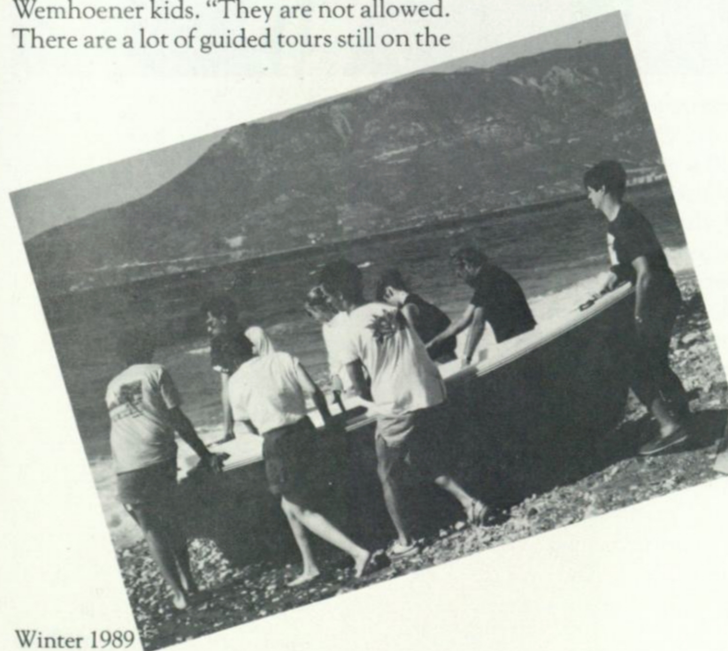
Ironically, it is the students who have studied in Western Europe who generally have the most trouble acclimating themselves back in the States. As Wemhoener points out, if you study in Japan, you never really blend into the culture. But in a country such as England, the cultural changes are real but subtle. Students adapt wholeheartedly and then are frustrated when those efforts are turned upside down upon their return.

Coming back from the University of Sussex wasn't as bad as Susan C. Chong '89 expected, but it wasn't easy, she recalls. An economics major, Chong is from Malaysia, so the trip abroad added another dimension to an already rich tapestry of cultural experience in college. "I was actually so used to the American way that I had to adjust to the slower-paced English life," she says. But Chong soon learned to appreciate the political sophistication of her British and French flatmates and, like many students who return from abroad, complained about the rather mediocre quality of everyday conversation among students at home.

Cole, who had the good fortune of living in a city with one of the lowest violent crime rates in the world, was disheartened upon her return to the States to realize that the threat of crime would now limit her freedom. "I was so independent," she says of her year in Stockholm.

That lives are changed from having lived abroad is obvious in conversations with those who have returned. They can talk forever about their experiences. Snapshots with new friends are abundant. But most of all, there is a sharpening of sensibilities and a maturing of the intellect that shines through.

"I had always wanted to write," says Cole. "Now you won't find me working at McCall's."



*"Doing things by example is important," says Bob Burns.
"The relationship has to be strong if you're going to make it work."*



Professor of Biology Bob Burns and Rob Snow identify a tree behind the Biology Building.

Someone *to lean on*

Kenyon volunteers build a bridge to the community

by Mieke H. Bomann

If recent statistics are accurate, Professor Robert D. Burns is going to live a long, long time.

Burns, who has taught biology at Kenyon since 1963, has busied himself for the past twenty-five years with the usual endeavors of a liberal arts teacher-scholar: dedication to students, investigation of a research specialty, and receipt of grants and awards. But for the last four years, the fifty-nine-year-old professor has involved himself in another project that has become as important in his life as the academy, kangaroo rats, and the National Institutes of Health put together. Burns is a Big Brother to a Knox County teenager.

A national organization whose local chapter was founded in 1975, the Big Brothers and Sisters Association of Knox County pairs children ages six to sixteen living in single-parent homes with volunteer adults who serve as role models and persons to count on. Paul Yaekle, director of the local program, says there are about three thousand children in the county with just one parent at home.

While family income is not a criterion, to be eligible for a Big Brother or Sister a child must be without any visible support system from family, friends, neighbors, or church. About six hundred children in the county meet the Big Brothers and Sisters guidelines, although the organization is only able to match two hundred children at any one time.

Burns first learned of Rob Snow in the local newspaper, where children interested in being matched are featured in periodic profiles. A high-school freshman

whose parents are apart, Snow was doing poorly academically and lacked self-esteem. Burns worked hard to establish a rapport with Snow, to prove his dependability.

"Doing things by example is important," Burns says one morning between classes. He points to the small area in his office that Snow has claimed as his own work space; to emulate the professor's briefcase as best he could, the young man emptied out his fishing tackle box and filled it with his school papers. "The relationship has to be strong if you're going to make it work."

And it has. For the past two and a half years, Snow has been an honors student and wants to go to college. Four years ago, that seemed an unlikely goal. While Burns agrees the time he and Snow spend together is important and fun, he underscores that it is his influence that has been most nurturing for the young man. For example, Burns was able to arrange a summer job for the teenager as a counselor at a forestry camp. "That was a tremendous thing for him," Burns says. "He had never had responsibility."

Of Burns, who won the organization's annual award for Big Brother of the Year in 1987, Snow writes that he has "given me the opportunities to learn and try a variety of things, but most of all he has given of himself."

While Snow will soon leave home, Burns' relationship with younger brothers will not end. Burns has adopted another younger brother, Bryan Wolff. Ten years old, Wolff is having problems in school as well. But he has already learned

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to take advantage of the resource now available to him. He called Burns up the other night wondering which animals have backbones.

If women traditionally defined themselves by the volunteer work they did—and are still the ones who in addition to a full day of work outside the home bake the cake for school, sit on the board of the battered women's shelter, and work at the cooperative nursery school once a month—those men who have followed their example may be better off for it. A decade-long study of 2,700 people in Tecumseh, Michigan, found recently that men who did not volunteer of their time in the community were two and a half times more likely to die in the study period than those who volunteered their service.

As they did for Bob Burns, the statistics bode well for Richard Kipp.

Kipp attracted considerable attention when, in 1980, he became the first male "house spouse" in Gambier. Kipp resigned from the position in Kenyon's anthropology department he had shared with his wife, Rita, since 1976 and went home to become the full-time caretaker of their three children.

Kipp no sooner stepped foot inside the house than he was recruited by the local YMCA to coach soccer and then by New Directions, the battered women's shelter in Mount Vernon, to staff the office. He is currently chair of the finance committee of the board of New Directions and serves on the board of Head Start, the



Rich Kipp coaches a YMCA soccer team.

federally funded program for low-income and handicapped preschool children.

"You can always say no to these things, but I don't want to," Kipp says. "I had a sense I should get involved, and getting involved has really felt good."

That a volunteer receives more than a volunteer gives is a sentiment frequently expressed by those who work for no pay. A sense of accomplishment and feeling good about yourself are two of the main dividends.

Michelle Sherbahn is a good example. A food-service worker in Gund Commons, Sherbahn joined the Big Sister group three years ago and finds her relationship with Heather Hogle, who is seventeen, has become like that of real sisters. "I wanted to give someone something I wanted as a kid—and that someone could give back to me, too," she explains.

Like Burns, Sherbahn is also a Big Sister to another, younger girl, Theresa, who is twelve. "I tell her my story," says Sherbahn, who unlike her husband, Jeffrey E. Sherbahn '84, did not attend college. "If I had everything to do over again, I would get good grades, do well, and go to college. I try to push her that way."

The experience of helping others leads to all sorts of personal awakenings. Karen M. Frasca, director of staff relations and benefits at Kenyon, has been tutoring a woman in her forties in reading and writing for the past year. Sponsored by the Licking County Joint Vocational School, the literacy program uses the Laubach Method to familiarize adults with the different sounds of letters and with spelling and sentence formation.

"It is a real challenge," says Frasca, who notes the irony of working all day in an institution whose very being is rooted in

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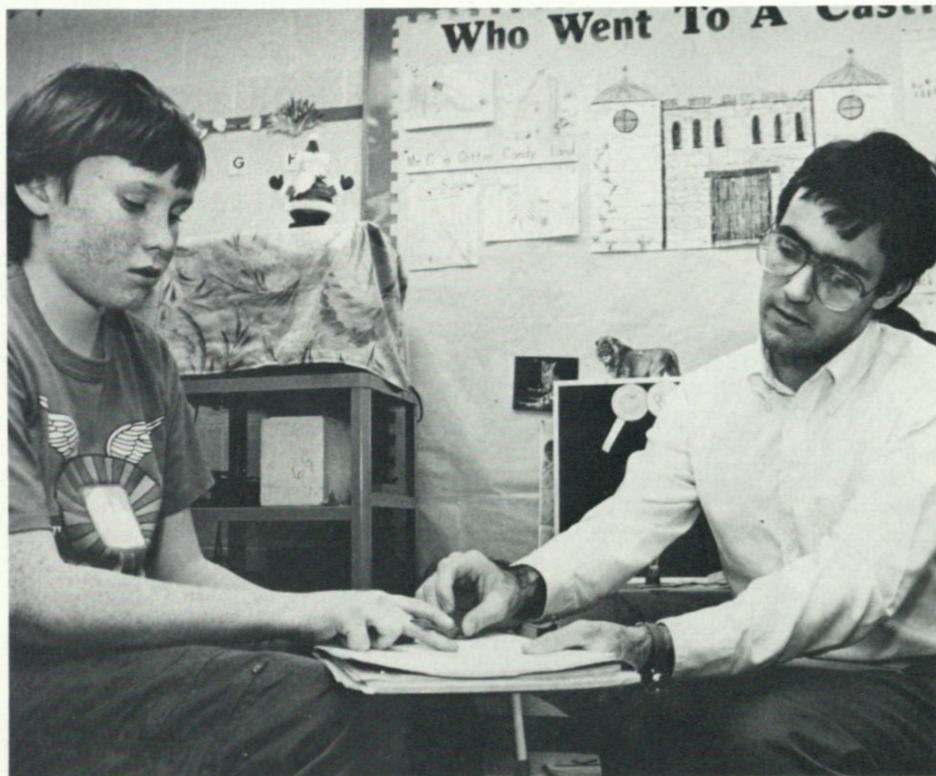
sustained and complex use of language, only to end up at night in another school where students are struggling to acquire the basic skills of citizenship. "It helps me to understand what my blessings are. If I couldn't read..." and her voice trails off, for the unimaginable has been brought home to her.

Students frequently criticize the academy for being far removed from "real life." Experiential learning is sometimes seen as a more effective way to learn than, or at least a highly desirable counterpart to, life in the classroom. Volunteering at a community organization has given some Kenyon students a feel for the texture of modern life that is sometimes difficult to grasp on campus.

Mark H. Vacha '92 is one of those students. The freshman from Parma, Ohio, participates in a mentoring program at Centerburg Elementary School in Centerburg, Ohio. Every week for an hour, he and a gifted sixth grader get together to work on a special project—they are studying knights and military operations of the Middle Ages—and improve the child's critical thinking skills.

"I always thought that science was supposed to be something you applied," says Vacha, who is taking introductory psychology this year. "I thought tutoring would be the sort of thing where you could get out and get a sense of science at work."

Students give of their time for a variety of reasons. There are those who have purely altruistic motives and who ask to



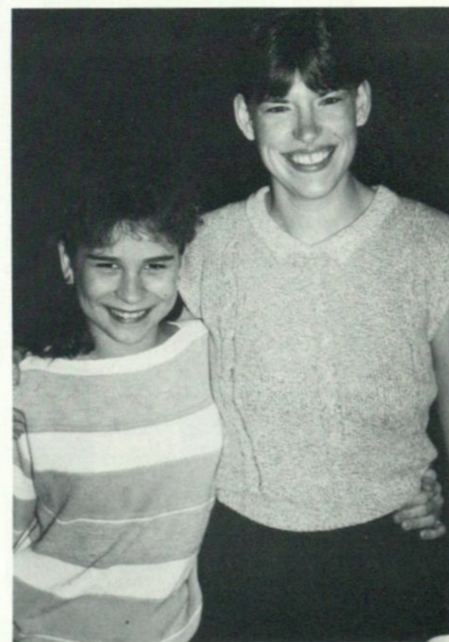
Freshman Mark Vacha (right) works with a student at Centerburg Elementary School.

be assigned to the place with the neediest cases, according to Elizabeth A. Englander '89, who is a coordinator of the Off-campus Activities Program in Psychology. For herself, being a classroom assistant at Head Start provided time with children, whom she loves, and a chance to take a break from the academic routine.

"It was almost selfish," she admits. "I thought it would be nice to get off campus and find out what their lives were like."

Whether volunteer work is seen as a way to develop skills to be used later in a career, to counteract self-involvement, or simply as a way to make things better for someone else, the rewards come at little cost except a bit of time and an open heart.

"Writing checks to charities is good," says Frasca. "But to share in a process with others results in a renewed value for a skill that I've taken for granted my whole life."



Michelle Sherbahn (right) and her "little sister"

THE GENIUS IN QUESTION

*A conversation
with Jonathan
Miller*

Jonathan Miller, the British writer and director of *Beyond the Fringe* and Eugene O'Neill's *Long Day's Journey into Night*, spent an evening in conversation with Professor of Drama Thomas S. Turgeon in November in Kenyon's Bolton Theater. Hilarious and brilliant, Miller waxed eloquent on such diverse topics as medicine (he produced and hosted the television series "The Body in Question," and he is also a physician), opera, history, and irony. Following are excerpts from that conversation.

On why he does what he does...

I started my life as a doctor. There are terribly strange moments when I look at what I'm doing in the afternoon, when I know that lots of people have a serious professional activity. Just every now and then you do catch yourself watching people dressed up in absurd costumes trying to be other people and you do ask yourself what on earth are you doing. You have to remind yourself that one of the most serious things we do is play-acting, and the business of pretending to be something other than what we actually are and not being serious for a moment has got this peculiar great importance, actually.

There is this curious thing about the theater; it's pretense, but also comic, also subversive, that allows us some sort of lunacy, the possibility of time out. And I



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think without this opportunity for time out, time in would be less productive. The fact that every so often throughout the year we have this interlude, when life is turned upside down, when men dress as women and women dress as men, when everything is mockery and everything is rude—without this interlude of false noses the possibility of successfully pursuing our real activity, our real life, would be undermined. We need renewal, we need recreation.

The word recreation really means re-creation, making ourselves over again. Hamlet says "Hold up the mirrors," and he holds up a distorting mirror, the purpose of which is to get you to reappraise yourself in some way. There's a technique which landscape gardeners use in order to see their gardens with which they've grown overly familiar. They often stand up and look at it upside down between their legs. Though it seems playful, it actually is a mode in which we recover our seriousness.

On the importance of irony...

Irony is, as in literature, simply one of the techniques by which you actually appear to be saying something or appear to be saying nothing, and actually are saying the opposite. I think that it's a sign of sophisticated theater and sophisticated literature. Now one thing which I find is very different in the United States is what I call irony deficiency on Broadway. Here [at Kenyon] we can go about and you understand what we're talking about. But if you're playing for a large popular American audience, you have to say what you mean and mean what you say, and the things must be quite clearly spelled out. If you are ironic, they get ill at ease, they feel in some odd way that you're getting at them. They don't know

quite what you said. "Why doesn't he say what he means?" They get restless and in the end rather hostile.

Irony is a very dangerous technique, and it does depend on the audience understanding that there is such a thing as irony rather than hypocrisy. Often they confuse irony and hypocrisy, or they confuse irony with confusion, or with indirectness, or with inarticulateness, or with dishonesty. It's a very subtle and dangerous principle to play with. You have to know that your audience is familiar with irony. If they're not familiar with irony, there is irony deficiency, as there is in Canada for example. That's a classic case of irony deficiency.

On ambiguity...

You have to have some sort of confidence in the audience being able to read. You have to depend on them knowing that there is such a thing as multiple reference and that there may be even contradictory references. I find that aspect of Freud most interesting really, the totally contradictory propositions and images which in fact suggest opposite ideas. That is something which audiences perhaps do not have frequent access to—the contradictions that are often involved in multiple reference. They want universal meanings. "Come on, come on, be specific! What do you want to say?" Maybe what we just want to say is to make many illusions rather than make a clear statement. We know that Shakespeare intended to write plays. But we don't know what he was trying to do in writing plays. I think there was probably no particular reason he was writing plays. Many things were going on in his plays, things to which he did not have privileged access, though he was the author of the play.

Today, perhaps more in America than in Europe, people want the author to be in some way in a position to be questioned on what he meant and to come out into the open. [But what we find fascinating about the arts is] that they're filled with irony and complications and contradictions and so forth.

It's one of the canned phrases of the late twentieth century, "Are you communicating?" "I'm in communications." Or, "He's not communicating," or "She's not communicating," as if there was some sort of obligation to get messages across. What's interesting about this is that there are the overtones and complicity of meaning, and none of us quite know what we mean by what we say or what we do. We know what we say, but we don't quite know what we mean, nor are we obliged to know what we mean; we can mean many things.

One of the things that's exciting about this ambiguity is that it makes individual audience members search for something, put things together in their own habits.

But I think it goes back to the things the philosophers were interested in, a whole cluster of philosophers, in this country particularly. They were interested in what is the notion to believe in something. Is it something you can actually print out a version of? Is believing something the rehearsal of an unequivocal sentence of the matter? It's quite clear that is not what it's like to be in a believing stage of mind, rehearsing a sentence under your breath. Believing something is not like a phrase which expresses belief, any more than having a head cold is like a series of undelivered sneezes. It's very much more complicated.

On American life...

Well, I think [this notion of communicat-

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ing] comes about from something which is very peculiar and distinctive to modern life, in particular to modern American life. I think it has something to do with the idea of democracy in America. The thing which makes American life valuable and cherishable is that people aren't putting on airs anymore, they're being good guys and therefore they put out straight, unequivocal communication to one another and that allows modern cooperation to go ahead.

Europe was seen by the nineteenth-century American as filled with equivocating, darkly wrong people as opposed to the world of people who mean what they say and say what they mean. I think that it's modern life, and since modernism came to America before it came to anywhere else, it comes from that.

On delivering commencement addresses...

I am invited to do so with increasing infrequency. I represent an extremely alarming example to the parents who are attending the graduation. They think, "My God, I hope none of my kids take any sort of encouragement from what he does." If I do address commencement classes from medical school I usually take an opportunity to not put as much emphasis as they do on the technicrafts, the sciences. Doctors are very much better at being skillful than at being nice. That's partly because they're cradle-snatched. Most people start being doctors before they're fully human beings. When I'm giving these commencement addresses to American colleges, I try to say being smart isn't all there is to it, and knowing what there is to know about DNA and neurotransmitters is not all there is to it, and actually understanding what people are like and what it's like to be a person is a great deal more important.

On the difference between directing an opera and directing a play...

Now people often ask this. I think they're exactly the same; as far as I'm concerned, that's what they are. They're just plays, plays with music. This makes musicians get hot under the collar. But if your music is sensitive, you try to make what happens dramatically on the stage congruent with what is going on with the music. I don't read music, and I don't play an instrument, but I think I know what's going on because I hear it. And as far as I'm concerned, singing is just simply another form of diction, another way of expressing something that is in your heart. The staging of an opera is exactly the same as the staging of a play. There is a technical complication with an opera, in that a play doesn't have eighteen people saying the same thing all at the same time.

There are directors who tend to direct by numbers and who will in fact make people track the actual structure, bar to bar. I prefer to direct from very long phrase to very long phrase—that's the rhythm of action. There are people who are virtually beating time to the music.

On time...

Plays go in real time, although not always. In Shakespeare, people's characters solidify over periods of time which quite clearly are not the real time after all. It's much more a fact that real time takes place in opera than it does on stage. There are long ensembles, for example with Mozart, where the action is carried forward in real time. Sometimes even the duets are in real time. In big ensembles, quite clearly it's not the real time at all, everything is arrested. Something is happening which is not like real action at all; it's contrary to the action and everything really is frozen into immobility.

Changing periods is something quite

interesting. Forcing a work into the late twentieth century for fear it won't work otherwise shows an insensitivity to what's going on in the eighteenth century. I think it's a general principle that you don't. With Mozart, certainly, I would never change the period. I always play Mozart in his own period or the period to which he refers. In fact, as a general rule, I would say this about transposition, in opera anyway. All operas up to 1830 are set in one or two periods and only those periods. It is either set in remote antiquity or it is set in modern time. Mozart was, for example, set in modern time. But you get into the nineteenth century and quite suddenly history becomes a sort of huge shopping spree. They will set their work in any particular century they like; there's hardly a century that doesn't get colonized by the nineteenth-century composers. It's part of nineteenth-century romanticism to use history as a setting without necessarily altering the tone of the work. So therefore they are very loosely and arbitrarily attached to the period of their setting. There is nothing about the music, for example, that could make you think it takes place in the eleventh century. There's nothing about the music which leads you to think that it's happening in Egypt. It sounds like a nineteenth-century opera. For Mozart, there is a sort of distinction, discrimination, that the thing is placed in the past in order to be serious, in the present in order to be comic.

The idea that it's not readable, not legible, not understandable unless it's tugboated up river to modern times is subserving to the requirements of a modern audience. "I don't recognize it unless it's like me, or unless the sort of places where things happen are like the sort of places which I would visit" is just a radical overvaluing of modern times.

Kenyon's Rhodes Scholars: A measure of strength

*"Snap, point, look":
Peter Seymour directs the theater of language*

Ninth in a series

Despite the embarrassment of it, the fact that mainstream America is illiterate in the languages of the wide world is perfectly understandable. Foreign language instruction through high school traditionally involves less than inspired pedagogy, such as rote memorization of less than cheery texts—say, Baudelaire's *Les Fleurs du mal*. Things usually don't improve much in college, where teachers for the most part are true to rather passive techniques, and students run for the nearest translation.

Kenyon in 1980 changed all that when it adopted the Kenyon Intensive Language Method (KILM), based on the techniques of John Rassias, who had developed a program at Dartmouth College for Peace Corps workers who needed to learn a language quickly. KILM received much of its initial direction from B. Peter Seymour, professor of French, British subject, and Rhodes Scholar.

Born in 1928 in Hamilton, Bermuda, Basil Peter Seymour thanks his mother, secretary of the English Speaking Union on the island, for his interest in language and teaching. Seymour attended high school in Surrey, England, where he was

put into the modern languages division and passed his examinations in 1947. Because he did not serve in the armed forces during World War II, Seymour was not eligible for a general college scholarship, reserved for returning servicemen. So he applied for a Rhodes Scholarship, which he was denied until the following year, when, after reapplication, it was awarded to him.

Soft-spoken and without pretense, Seymour characteristically hedges on the reasons for his success. "I was fortunate to have been born in a small place," he says, implying that competition for the scholarship in Bermuda was less stiff because fewer people put in for it. But that Seymour graduated from Oxford University's Honours School of Modern Foreign Languages and Literature in 1953, with a bachelor of arts degree in French, may be attributed to more than the luck of the draw.

Long interested in public service—his mother also ran a service organization on Bermuda during the war—Seymour entered the British Colonial Service, the administrative service that staffed the English colonies. He agreed to an

appointment in Hong Kong and in 1954 was sent to Cambridge University to learn Chinese. But on his arrival at school, he was for some inexplicable reason enrolled in a program for West Africa. Disgusted with what he says was the "ridiculousness of the bureaucracy," and worried that Hong Kong would fold under pressure from the Chinese, Seymour fell back on an earlier plan to teach.

"It's the smartest thing I've ever done, to get into teaching," he says softly, in a voice still tinged with the accent of one schooled in the Queen's English. "But it is ironic that Hong Kong is the one place that I could have had a lifetime career with the Colonial Service."

After receiving his master's degree in French from the University of Toronto in 1957, Seymour joined the ranks of academe, first at John Hopkins University, where he began doctoral studies, and then at Kenyon, where he joined the faculty as an instructor in 1963. In 1987, he was promoted to full professor.

The change in language instruction at Kenyon began in 1979, when Robert H. Goodhand, professor of French and director of the Integrated Program in

Humane Studies, went to Dartmouth to investigate John Rassias' innovative method. Seymour subsequently took part in a workshop at Hope College with a colleague of Rassias' and, following Kenyon's decision to adopt the new pedagogy—thanks in part to a grant from the Gund Foundation for apprentice-teacher compensation and language-lab materials—organized two workshops for the College's language faculty.

The Rassias method involves a radical transformation not only of instructional technique, but also of a teacher's personality. It is the injection of theater, of drama, and of play that distinguishes KILM from the traditional presentation. The master teacher, hand in hand with an apprentice, plays a distinctly theatrical role in the classroom. Students are encouraged to become "stars" in the course of the "show." Creative language "play" leads to an uninhibited atmosphere, and grammar drills and dialogue rehearsals become part of the fun.

The backbone of the method is the apprentice teacher (AT), who drills small sections of the class daily. At Kenyon, the ATs are students with at least a moderate degree of fluency in the language. Using a rapid-fire drill technique, each member of the class is given the opportunity to make up to sixty-five individual responses per period. Students also put in time at a language lab, where they may tape themselves and listen to others speak.

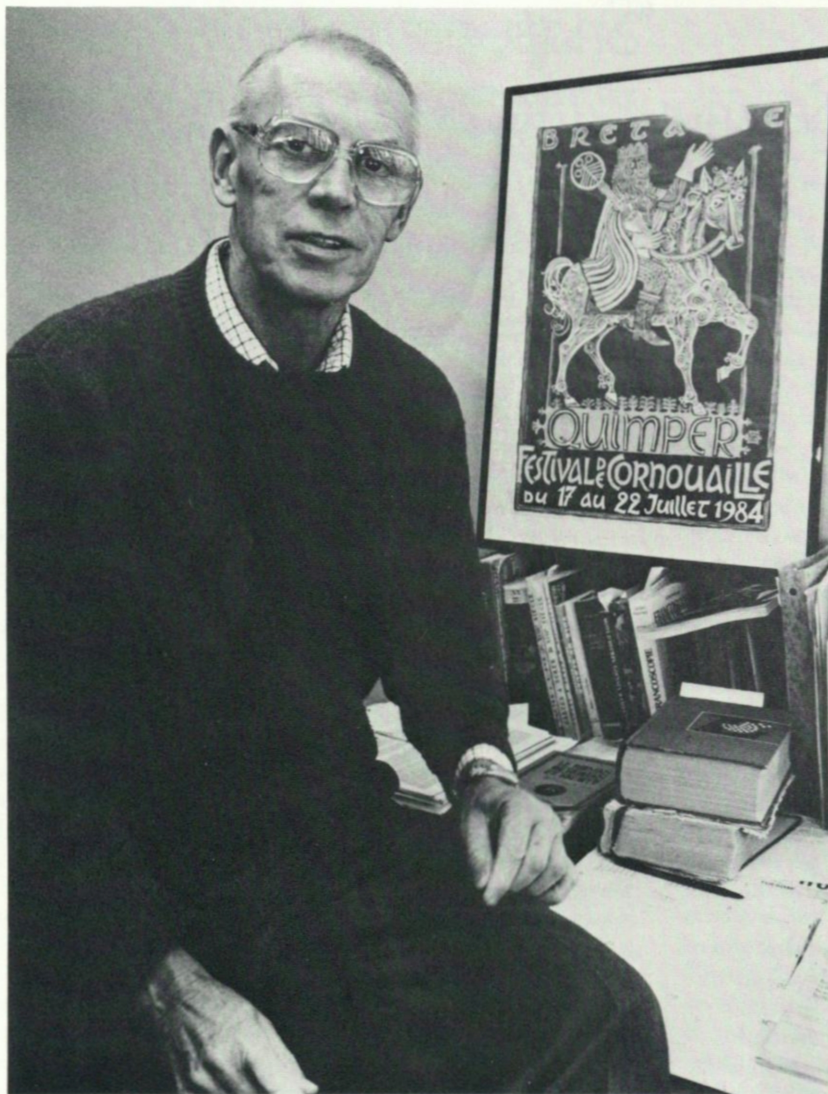
What has come to be known as the "snap, point, look" approach, demanding of teachers a new playfulness in the classroom, not to mention physical agility, required tremendous flexibility of the part of those schooled in more passive traditions. Too, the number of hours that the professor had to spend in the classroom increased substantially, as classes met every day instead of the usual three

times a week.

"You had to alter your personality," Goodhand says. "It was such a horrendous transformation. But Peter got enthused."

Integral to KILM is getting language students to act out what they are trying to say. "Drama is the key," says Seymour. "You don't speak in a vacuum; you speak with feelings. The classroom is a theater, a make-believe world. It's a matter of rediscovering the language."

Jonathan E. Tazewell '84, assistant



Peter Seymour

director of admissions, studied German from the fifth grade through his freshman year at Kenyon. But he says that he spoke French as well as German after just one year of exposure to KILM and Seymour's particular brand of teaching.

"The introductory classes are inten-

sive, and they require a lot of animation to get the point across. I really found Seymour to have an amazing grasp of how the class needed to be taught. He was into the theatrics of it all, but he was also very patient and took time to explain things in a very caring way." Seymour wasn't, Tazewell adds, tolerant of people who were lazy.

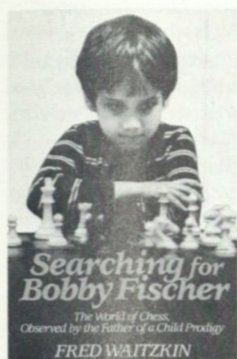
The past few years have been difficult for the professor, who underwent quadruple-bypass heart surgery in 1987. Seymour will retire from Kenyon this June, and he and his wife, Nellette "Nan" Seymour (who earned her bachelor's degree at Kenyon in 1976; his son, Richard, is currently a junior at the College), have tentative plans to move back to Bermuda, where Seymour hopes to interest a local college in adopting KILM. He also has a Dana Fellowship, which will enable him to devote one-sixth of his time to cataloging the papers of the late A. Denis Baly, professor of religion emeritus.

"I like to think that my major contribution to the modern foreign languages department and to the College has been in KILM," Seymour wrote in a self-evaluation two years ago. "Its success and the present state of modern-language teaching at Kenyon is clearly the result of a joint effort by the master and apprentice teachers of the intensive language courses. Nevertheless, I would like to think that I gave important leadership to my colleagues in the early years of the program."

More recently, Seymour has concentrated on French literature and is especially interested in the

eighteenth century. There is little doubt that, for those who have passed through his classes, this professor of French with a decidedly British flair has made a difference.

—M.H.B.



Searching for Bobby Fischer: The World of Chess, Observed by the Father of a Child Prodigy

By Fred Waitzkin '65
Random House

Many of the books that have been written about child prodigies have focused on the amazing feats of the children and the possible origins of their unique genius. Chapter after chapter, one hears of the incredible arithmetic calculations, musical compositions, or paintings that are the result of a unique mind.

In Fred Waitzkin's *Searching for Bobby Fischer: The World of Chess, Observed by the Father of a Child Prodigy*, we are provided with a new and revealing perspective: a child's chess expertise as seen through the eyes of a parent. We are invited to share the hopes and dreams, fears and concerns of a father who loves his little boy as a parent but who also admires and envies the championship chess skills his son possesses.

Josh is Waitzkin's eleven-year-old son, who likes baseball and video games and who, after picking up the game at age six, happens to be the highest-rated eleven-year-old chess player in America. Waitzkin himself is a chess buff who first became interested in the game in 1972, when the Fischer-Spasky match catapulted the game of chess into the nation's consciousness. At first the father and son match-ups were uneven as Waitzkin introduced his son to the game and won consistently. Five years later, however, Josh has not only surpassed his father's chess ability but also has begun to study with two chess coaches, each specializing in a particular phase of the game.

In this book, which spans a three-year period, Waitzkin provides insight into the moral dilemmas and worries he faces as a parent of a gifted child. Waitzkin expresses concern that he might be pushing Josh too much.

However, he believes his son needs guidance and discipline to excel in this sport. "Perhaps Josh doesn't really like chess, I tell myself. Maybe I'm forcing it on him. When I ask him how he feels about the game he shrugs in a way that suggests he likes video games more. Then I have to wonder if you can really trust what an eight-year-old says he likes. I'm the parent; I must decide what's best for him. But what is best?" He worries that Josh does not have the time to engage in other youthful activities, but he also broods that Josh does not spend enough time studying chess.

For all of Waitzkin's worries about his son growing up "normally," Josh is portrayed as a healthy, well-adapted young boy who has an awesome talent and passion for the game of chess. Waitzkin often acknowledges the role his wife, Bonnie, plays in helping both him and Josh keep the game in perspective.

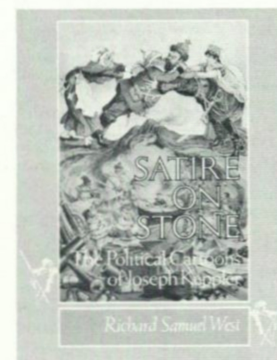
The book also provides an interesting look into the world of chess and the various attitudes extended towards this cerebral sport on the international level. "Chess," Waitzkin writes, "is part of the Soviet national consciousness, like baseball or football in the United States." Throughout the chapters, one is taken on a whirlwind tour of dingy chess parlors to tables set up in Washington Square to the pomp and circumstance surrounding the world championship matches in Moscow's famous Hall of Columns.

As Waitzkin and his son Josh travel deeper and deeper into the chess world, they are confronted by and introduced to a host of eccentric characters. They meet indigents who play chess in the park, grand masters who drive taxis for a living to fund their obsession with the game, a Russian champion who is denied his title because he is Jewish, as well as other chess prodigies, some of whom are kept home from school to study only chess. They all share the same enthusiasm, dedication, and addiction to chess as Josh and his father.

In the stories of the chess characters and their matches, one is constantly reminded of the spirit of Bobby Fischer that pervades the chess world. Fischer has been the source of unending stories as well as the playing motivation for the majority of young and old, expert and novice chess players in this country. He represented the self-taught American underdog who defied odds and beat Boris Spasky, the well-schooled Russian, in the 1972 World Championships. Since then, however, he has disappeared from the public eye. This enigmatic character, who captured the heart of so many Americans that summer, exploded into the chess world and withdrew just as quickly. When he left, he took with him the nation's spotlight on chess as well as the momentum of an emerging enthusiasm for the sport.

Searching for Bobby Fischer is a captivating tale of the relationship between a father and son as they are exposed to the exciting and challenging and often political world of chess. Waitzkin's perspective is heart-warming as he struggles to strike a balance between his concern for a well-rounded and balanced childhood for his son, and his own enthusiasm for Josh's tremendous chess potential. Every chess expert, parent, and player in the chess world is looking for the next Bobby Fischer in the stable of up-and-coming chess prodigies. Waitzkin hopes it will be his gentle-dispositioned, dark-eyed son, Josh.

—Mary J. Zembar, visiting instructor of psychology



Satire on Stone

By Richard S. West '77
University of Illinois Press

Joseph Keppler was one of the two great political cartoonists of the nineteenth century, one of the founders of the craft now practiced by Pat Oliphant, Jeff MacNelly, and Jim Borgman '76. Thomas Nast first established political cartoons as a major force in American journalism, but Keppler quickly supplanted him as the leading cartoonist in the country. Keppler's humorous weekly, *Puck*, became a powerful political force from the early 1870s into the 1890s, contributing most notably to the political career of President Grover Cleveland. *Puck* was renowned for the quality of its art and the power of its satire, and it made Keppler famous and wealthy.

Richard West '77 has provided us with a scholarly biography of a significant figure of nineteenth-century American politics, journalism, and art. *Satire on Stone* provides its readers with both a short, 115-page biography of Keppler and a collection of his work. It features over 150 pages of beautifully printed cartoons covering Keppler's entire career, from 1864 to 1893, including sixteen pages of color prints. The cartoons amply demonstrate the

quality of Keppler as both an artist and a political satirist. A preface by Borgman pays homage to Keppler as a creator of the political cartoon, an art form and vehicle of political expression which was at a "grandiose, garrulous, and festive peak" in the age of Keppler.

West has devoted himself to the field of political cartooning for more than a decade. He has published a newsletter on the history of cartoons and a trade magazine for political cartoonists. He recently edited a collection of the cartoons of Tony Auth and has now begun work on the biography of Homer Davenport, another early cartoonist.

Keppler ranks as a major figure in the history of liberal reform movements of the late nineteenth century. Many of his earliest political cartoons attacked political corruption in Washington, D.C., and New York City. West writes: "He was, at thirty, a fully formed cynic, ready to believe the worst about anyone in power or anyone who aspired to it." Keppler spent much of his career crusading against political patronage and for civil service reform. He staunchly opposed high tariffs and business monopolies. His cartoons lampooned the excesses of the rich, but late in his career he also focused the power of his pen on the radical wing of the rising labor movement.

He came to prominence as a liberal Republican, opposing second and third terms for President Ulysses S. Grant. At first skeptical of Rutherford B. Hayes (Kenyon Class of 1842), he became a supporter after Hayes turned against the corrupt bosses of the Republican Party. Keppler fiercely opposed James G. Blaine for more than a decade and championed Grover Cleveland, the Democrat's nominee to oppose Blaine. Keppler was at his best as a critic of the powerful, and West sees his work as clearly suffering during Cleveland's presidency, when Keppler felt he had to pull his punches and concentrate on defending Cleveland.

West presents Keppler as a sympathetic figure. This is the biography of a man who came to the United States from Austria as an almost penniless immigrant in 1867 and who rose, thanks to talent and hard work, to become the premier political cartoonist in the country by 1880. We follow his early hardships in Europe and commercial failures during his first few years in America. But this is essentially a story of success. He finds, West indicates, the perfect art form for his talents and rapidly develops both his art and the sophistication of his political voice.

The positive tone of the biography also derives from the fact that Keppler was a highly principled advocate of political reform in a period noted for political mediocrities and scoundrels. He contributed significantly to journalism in terms of support for quality art and political independence. Nast preceded him in achieving some independence for his own political stance, but Keppler further advanced the idea that an editorial voice could be devoted more to political principle

than to party or the personal advantage of a newspaper owner.

West does recognize some flaws and tensions in Keppler. Keppler seems to have been vain and have had a mixed record in dealing fairly and successfully with subordinates. While *Puck* proved to be a great success, Keppler's last great endeavor, the *Puck* pavilion at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair, turned into a fiasco. West also presents a sophisticated discussion of prejudice, recognizing a significant strain of anti-Irish sentiment in many cartoons and some validity to charges of anti-Semitism made against Keppler. Still, West largely defends him as an opponent of restrictions on immigration, as a public critic of all forms of bigotry, and for "a degree of enlightenment on the issue of prejudice that was rare for its day."

—John M. Elliott, associate professor of political science

Letters (Continued from page 9)

One of our most popular programs is for farmers to dedicate a portion of their property to a wildlife preserve. They retain ownership of the property, manage it, and receive a tax deduction. Everybody wins.

A.J. House '80

Payson, Illinois

Stuart Schott replies:

The key to the comparison between an Amish farmer and a large-scale farmer is the unrealized income from land rental. Had the Amish fellow included this hidden production cost in his overall estimate, the model would have revealed less disparity but would still clearly indicate the sizable cost advantage for the Amish farmer. Mr. House does not say whether or not he includes this cost in his reckoning.

The ownership of twelve- and sixteen-row combines of course becomes a necessity in large-scale farming to allow harvesting in those critical, weather-permitting periods. However, in an economic model, they must be reflected as a savings in labor costs. For example, if Mr. House combines 1,000 acres in five days, and that production rate is equaled by five farmers on 200-acre farms with smaller, less expensive equipment, then he has saved the equivalent of twenty working days of labor. But the colossal cost of big equipment outpaces its savings too often when you consider the downtime of farm machinery over the course of the year. Hardly ever pointed out is the difficulty in housing such equipment. I see large-scale equipment constantly out in the field, much of it rusting before its time. Bushings get wet, then freeze and crack.

Indeed, to calculate the real cost of producing food one must figure in the \$25 billion in government subsidies paid farmers by taxpayers. The General Accounting Office estimates that the Farmers Home Administration, which provides low-interest loans to farmers, has accumulated losses of \$36 billion. Ameri-

can farmers are productive but at a higher cost than we're led to believe.

In the small, diversified farming style, manure—a free resource—offsets the use of chemical fertilizers. The corporate-style farmer, who often does not have a separate hog operation as Mr. House does, seldom if ever uses manure to any extent. Agricultural run-off of fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides is the single biggest source of pollution to our water resources today. We've made great strides in controlling effluent disposal by industry, and our sewage plants have largely been upgraded. But non-point pollution is growing, and our rivers, lakes, and now groundwater quality are declining as a result.

The correction of my legume error is sustained. It doesn't, however, obscure the point that rotation has been ignored too often in order to plant the cash crops.

Mr. House misunderstood my reference to the John Deere plowshare. The point is that ever since the days of the plowshare in the West, farming and the environment have not been in equilibrium. Water is drawn down at an unreplenishable rate; irrigation leaches out salts and poisons which in other, less arid parts of the country would be washed away with normal rainfall. Western terrain was generally impervious to the wooden plow because the indigenous grasses had long and tough root systems. The change came when metal plows enabled farmers to farm, not just ranch, the West.

Mr. House's service with the Nature Conservancy should be a beacon of hope to those of us who are discouraged by what we see on America's approximately 425 million acres of farmland. According to David Risley, a wildlife biologist with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, our Ohio pheasant population plummeted from an estimated 10 million birds to less than 100,000 since the advent of modern farming. When in the 1950s U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz told farmers to plow fencerow to fencerow, they took him seriously. Cover disappeared and small game followed.

Stewardship of our land is much too frequently a casualty of personal economics. Yes, some farmers are uninformed or mismanage. Some deliberately exploit the system. A great number, however, simply knuckle under to the economic pressure. Sure, they realize that about ten years from now their soil will have lost more fertility, but they know, too, that they won't be farming in ten years if they don't get a big harvest of corn this season—and probably next season as well. Like many city dwellers, many farmers place a naive faith in "salvation by technology," certain that science will bail them out and save the soil, check erosion, and heal whatever else ails the land.

I am renewed when I visit the farms of my New Order Amish acquaintances. Small and diversified, they seldom (Old Order Amish never) take government payments. In Adams County, Ohio, a newspaper report carried the

story of how Amish farmers have actually restored the soil to productive status despite the toll of erosion in this hilly landscape. And it's done organically, with horse and livestock manure, rotation of crops, and so on.

Adrian Kaufman, a tax accountant in Sugarcreek, Ohio, relates the uncanny ability of Amish farmers to net \$35,000 to \$40,000 on less than 200 acres. When I see these Amish farmers with the same two- or three-row piece of horse-drawn machinery that their grandfathers used, I know who is conserving our resources. I believe Mr. House when he says he uses chemicals only as needed as he has a farm that's profitable and an educated eye toward the future of his soil and the environment. But an \$8-billion farm chemical industry tells us other farmers pile it on.

I do not disagree with Mr. House's statistics on Iowa's corn and soybean crops. However, continuous plantings of the same crop do occur, and whereas soybeans do indeed replenish the nitrogen in the soil, this legume has erosive features that have contributed to soil losses.

Another reason I'd like to see the re-emergence of small farms is so more young people can have a chance at farming. To see ten families, each with 200 acres, making a go at diversified farming would be a healthy contrast to the 2,000-acre corporate operation. There are others who feel the same way. In South Dakota it is now illegal for a corporation that does not include a farm family member in management to operate a hog farm.

I don't claim there's a full-throttle revolution going on, but I do think that citizens, concerned more than ever with cleaning up a badly damaged environment, are beginning to pay more attention to industry and agriculture, which control our basic resources.

Don't forget Malabar Farm

I very much enjoyed the Summer 1988 issue of the *Bulletin* and in particular Stuart Schott's article "Good Land, Bad Habits." I am surprised, though, that he did not mention Louis Bromfield's Malabar Farm, located just outside Mansfield, Ohio. Although he farmed on a small scale, Mr. Bromfield was a research pioneer in many areas of crop farming and particularly in several of the areas mentioned in Mr. Schott's article.

In *Malabar Farm*, Bromfield says that after eighteen years of living in Europe, "on my return to my own country it had seemed strange that in a comparatively new country like my own, there should be so many plagues and blights and insect pests. I hadn't encountered them in Europe....Could not vegetables grown in a balanced soil created especially for them prove completely or almost wholly resistant?"

He spent many years proving his theory to be true and relates with a clear and whimsical style, in several books, the good and bad results of his research. *From My Experience* contains a wealth of information about meth-

ods for creating "ideal conditions for wildlife," such as his famous multiflora rose hedges for birds, in order to employ their aid in combating insects. A favorite method of his for enriching the soil was what he called "sheet composting." He would mix heavy quantities of organic matter into the top eight or ten inches of soil and thus produce a soil which was not only very rich and fertile but which "absorbs all moisture like a sponge and maintains it as well. This method produced fields with no poor spots; knolls, slopes, and steep hillsides all produced evenly and abundantly."

Another method Bromfield employed, and which is particularly relevant to this past summer's drought, was the thick planting of corn without plowing or cultivating. Not only did this method cost 80 percent less than the conventional method of planting in rows, but there also was no erosion or loss of organic material. In addition, during several drought years, "beautiful corn was grown without irrigation because the close-growing corn prevented the sun and hot winds from reaching the soil and drying it out."

Though primarily a writer of novels and not a scientist, Mr. Bromfield had a wonderful eye for seeing incongruities, a talent for figuring out reasons for them, and a knack for devising methods to remedy them. Perhaps he used unconventional methods and many times was laughed at by his farming neighbors, but the research Bromfield conducted in the 1940s and 1950s shows that beautiful crops can be grown relatively free of insects and disease without the use of harmful chemicals and can be done, as he said, "at a modest profit."

G. Taylor Johnson '83

Rocky River, Ohio

Motorman memories

I was pleased to see a story in the Fall 1988 *Bulletin* on one of my great interests in life—trolley transportation.

Some time in the past I donated most of my lifelong collection of transportation books to Kenyon. Many of these books deal with that short-lived but wonderful passenger conveyance, the trolley car.

Not long after I graduated from the College, I went to work for what is generally accepted as the most sophisticated of all trolley lines, the Chicago, North Shore, and Milwaukee Railroad. The line operated hourly express trains (of trolleys!) between Chicago and Milwaukee. They traveled at speeds well in excess of eighty miles per hour and offered such first-class amenities as parlor and dining-car service and even bar-lounges.

Today, this remarkable property is but a memory—as are literally hundreds of somewhat similar "interurban electrics" which connected hundreds of cities and towns, primarily but not entirely in the Midwest. The advent of the paved highway and the automobile did them all in.

It is interesting to note that the history of this short-lived transportation phenomenon

has been extensively chronicled by volunteers through a number of organizations like the Seashore Trolley Museum. I know of only one other American industry that has been similarly chronicled by volunteers—the theater pipe organ. The service life of this grand instrument in movie palaces was even shorter than that of interurban electric railways.

Arthur M. Cox Jr. '42

Lakehurst, New Jersey

Have you considered a career with Kenyon?

The College is currently seeking qualified candidates to join Kenyon's development team. These development officers will share responsibility for a wide range of annual and capital support programs, including the Kenyon Fund, Kenyon Parents Fund, major gifts work, and corporate and foundation relations.

Travel is required. Salary and benefits are competitive.

Alumni and alumnae are strongly encouraged to apply. Nominations are also welcome.

For more information, please contact:

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A Correction from the Office of Alumni and Parent Affairs

The petition postcard that alumni recently received from the Office of Alumni and Parent Affairs incorrectly listed Thomas P. Moore '72 as a candidate for alumni trustee. The postcard should have listed Cathy L. Rollins '76, who is an incumbent, instead. We regret any confusion the error may have caused.

Neither caterpillars nor butterflies, new students begin their journey to adulthood on Founders' Day

Shortly before 11:00 a.m. on a perfect fall day, bright and unseasonably warm, freshmen, transfer students, and faculty began gathering outside Rosse Hall for the 1988 Founders' Day Convocation and Rite of Matriculation.

Apparel seemed to be in the forefront of many students' minds. Some wore winter coats, others draped light jackets over their arms, and one young woman seemed to have taken one look at the thermometer and decided the weather was right for a sun dress. On the steps of Rosse Hall, a freshman worried if he was underdressed.

For faculty, what to wear was less of a problem. The somber black of academic robes was broken by brilliant splashes of purple, yellow, magenta, and even pale pink, offering ample competition to the fall leaves.

However attired, at precisely 11:10 a.m. the attendees entered Rosse Hall and took their seats to the processional played by the Scioto Brass Quintet. President Philip H. Jordan Jr. presided over the ceremonies, and Associate Professor of Spanish Linda Metzler acted as faculty marshal.

This year's keynote address was delivered by Joan L. Slonczewski, assistant professor of biology and author of the award-winning science fiction novel *A Door Into Ocean*. Slonczewski took as her theme "On Becoming a College" and expanded it to explain "becoming" in a more personal sense. Addressing the audience of new students, she said, "All of you face, as I did and still do, the eternal quest of 'becoming.' Shall I become a tinker, tailor, soldier, sailor—doctor, lawyer, corporate chief? Lurking in the background, for many of you, shall I someday become the parent of a child? But is it possible that there lie other 'becomings' ahead, which you may not even have dreamt of?"

She asked, rhetorically, what it meant to become a college student and went on to relate that the college she attended sent Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* to the entire freshman class the summer before they entered. Slonczewski shared a particularly apropos passage from *Moby Dick* about the attempt of the

cannibal Queequeg to become "civilized": "Queequeg was a creature in the transition state—neither caterpillar nor butterfly. He was just enough civilized to show off his outlandishness in the strangest possible manner. His education was not yet completed. He was an undergraduate."

Slonczewski returned throughout her talk to the metaphor of Queequeg and the caterpillar. She pointed out that "We take our places in the long line of individuals who have shaped Kenyon, a line that only began with the founders whom we memorialize today.

The caterpillar becomes the butterfly during the process of development, by which a single cell become a whole organism...So it has been with Kenyon." Referring to the crises and challenges the College has survived and learned from, particularly during the 1960s, she added "Many students began to challenge the very academy which they sought to join, just as the cannibal Queequeg came

to challenge Christian civilization." Concluding her address, Slonczewski argued that humans are unique because they have "developed thought and reflection to the highest degree of the creatures we know on this Earth. We have the ability to be students throughout our lifetime, taking on new challenges, new careers, and new ways of being, always reflecting on what we are and what we have been. Surely Kenyon's founders intended the College to be a place for becoming this kind of human being."

Following a sustained round of applause, the Rite of Matriculation was presented by Acting Dean of Students Donald J. Omahan '70 and recited enthusiastically by the newest members of the Kenyon community.

Recently elected members of Phi Beta Kappa were introduced, all of them women and all juniors. They are Katherine V. Cantrell of Silver Spring, Maryland, Tanya M. Charlick of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, Heather C. Goodspeed of St. Louis, Missouri, M. Saskia Hamilton of Washington, D.C., Irene L. Katzan of Fairview Park, Ohio,

Phoebe H. Lang of McLean, Virginia, Ellen M. Miller of Columbus, Ohio, and Sarah M. Turgeon of Gambier.

After the benediction, newly matriculated students poured out into the sunshine. That afternoon, they continued an old tradition by signing the matriculation book and inaugurated a new one by visiting Cromwell Cottage for an informal reception with Philip and Sheila Jordan and members of the Student-Alumni Association.

—K.A.

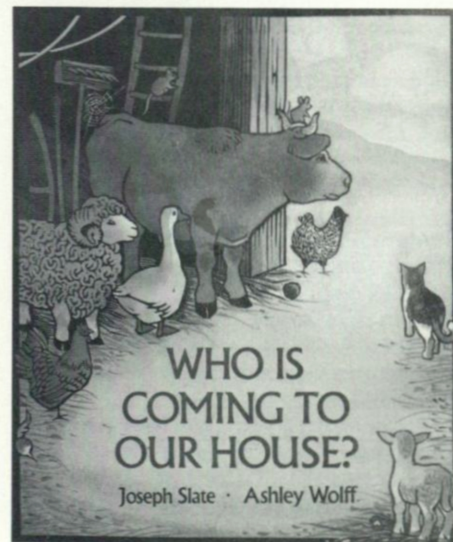
Slate's new book tops New York library list

Who is Coming to Our House?, a children's book written by Joseph F. Slate, professor of art emeritus, is among the 100 titles chosen by the New York Public Library for its annual list of outstanding books.

Slate's work is one of twenty-six titles selected for children ages two through eight. Illustrated by San Francisco artist Ashley Wolff, Slate's book is about the first Christmas. Published in November 1988 by G.P. Putnam's Sons, the book is already in its third printing.

Slate, who retired from the Kenyon faculty last spring to pursue his interests in art and writing, was also the winner of a 1988 Ohioana Library Association citation for his contributions to children's literature.

The 100 winning titles chosen by the New York Public Library are on exhibit at the Donnell Library Center in New York City. A list of the books selected can be obtained by writing to the Office of Children's Services, New York Public Library, 455 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10016.





Students Joel Logan '89 and Yiji Shen '91 confer in the Academic Computer Center.

Mathematics courses capitalize on computing

Remember chanting the multiplication tables, or spending weeks learning to use a slide rule? Those tedious schoolroom traditions largely died out with the advent of small calculators. Now an equivalent college-level tradition—solving complex equations by hand or calculator—is fading fast as computing moves into the mathematics curriculum.

Kenyon's mathematics department is in its second year of teaching calculus using computer algebra systems that make quick work of lengthy calculations. No longer does the three-semester calculus sequence involve hours of class and homework time for solving complex equations or drawing plots. Instead, instructors and students rely on MACSYMA and Maple, numerical and graphics packages running on the College's VAX system, to compute limits, integrals, and derivatives.

Time saved in working through calculations is now spent studying theories and techniques of calculus. "The machine permits us to focus on conceptual work," says Stephen P. Slack, professor of mathematics. "We can discuss a problem without taking a half-hour's pause just to do the arithmetic."

The calculus sequence begins with a training session at the Olin Computer Center, where students get started using Maple. Classrooms are equipped with a terminal connected to an overhead projector; with the terminal screen displayed for all to see, the instructor can demonstrate how Maple works and can use it to solve sample equations and

draw graphs. Tests are held in the computer center, where each student sits next to a terminal and may use Maple as a kind of "super-calculator."

Jeanette R. Palmiter, visiting assistant professor of mathematics, has researched the effects of computer algebra systems on learning. She emphasizes that Maple's impact on the way calculus is taught and learned goes far beyond its convenience for tests or homework. Because less class time is devoted to computations, she says, "students are learning that calculus is not merely a bag of computational tricks."

According to Slack, as students come to rely on computer algebra systems, their own calculation skills will erode. But that's a fair bargain for the improvement in conceptual skills, he maintains. Getting the answer isn't the key process; "What's important is knowing why you're doing it and what to do with your results."

Without Maple, says Slack, "We had to work through a long analysis, and then we could finally draw a graph. Now, the first thing a class looks at can be a graph, and in that graph we can see problems or questions to pursue." Incorporating Maple into the curriculum has also freed the faculty from restrictions on the topics of study. Observes Slack, "Now the teachers can use more complex, realistic problems. We don't have to stick to just a small number of equations that can be solved simply and quickly."

"The old textbooks are full of artificial equations whose answers just happen to be integers," he chuckles. Indeed, Slack expects that publishers will soon respond with new calculus textbooks as more colleges adopt computer algebra systems. At present, Slack estimates, just a handful of colleges are using computer algebra systems as extensively as Kenyon. "In that aspect of educational computing, we're among the leaders," he notes.

The mathematics department is currently working to purchase equipment to run another computer algebra system with more features. The software, called CAL, was written by Associate Professor James E. White, who joined Kenyon's mathematics faculty last fall. CAL includes graphics, numerical and symbolic calculations, and a script-driven program that allows students to explore the discipline on their own.

—S.R.

Faculty news

Art

Eugene Dwyer lectured in December at the Cleveland Museum of Art. His talk was entitled "The Care and Feeding of the Gods: Small Bronzes from Pompeii." **Claudia Esslinger** has received a grant from the Ohio Arts Council to work on a project about women's body images, using three-dimensional painting and video.

Economics

Bruce Gensemer has taken a partial leave of absence for the 1988-89 academic year to chair Kenyon's Commission on Student Life.

History

Roy Wortman has received a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities to continue his work on the history of the National Farmers Union. In December he delivered a paper on Tor Cederwall, a Swedish-American labor organizer, at a meeting of the Greater Cleveland Labor History Society. Wortman recently coedited, with Frank Annunziata and Patrick D. Reagan '75, a book entitled *For the General Welfare: Essays in Honor of Robert H. Bremner* (who served as mentor to all three men in graduate school at Ohio State University).

International Studies

Richard Melanson presented a paper entitled "The Past Has Many Uses: Declaratory History, Action History, and the Reagan Foreign Policy" at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, D.C., in September. In early November he served as a commentator on a panel, "The Future Security Environment," at the annual meeting of the International

Security Studies Section in Washington. In November Melanson also chaired a roundtable discussion of "The Reagan Foreign Policy Legacy" at the Midwest meeting of the International Studies Association in Columbus, Ohio. His most recent book, *Reevaluating Eisenhower: American Foreign Policy in the 1950s*, was published in paperback in December.

Modern Foreign Languages

Jean Blacker has had a paper entitled "*La Geste est grande, longue, et grieve a translator: Writing History for Henry II*" accepted for publication by *Romance Quarterly*. Her paper "*Ne vult son livre translator: Wace's Omission of Merlin's Prophecies from the Roman de Brut*" will appear in the Occasional Publications Series, Volume II, of the Anglo-Norman Text Society. **David Lapeza** read a paper entitled "Teaching Reading Comprehension" for the language pedagogy panel of the South Central Modern Languages Association Conference held in October in Arlington, Texas. He is completing work on his eighth book-length translation, *The Sound of Horsemen and Archers* by avant-garde Soviet writer Yuri Miloslavsky.

Philosophy

Harry Brod presented a lecture entitled "Perspectives on Masculinities: Power, Pain, and Pride" in November at the University of Rochester in New York. In December he gave a talk on Jewish masculinity at Congregation Tifereth Israel in Columbus, Ohio, sponsored by the Columbus chapter of New Jewish Agenda.

Physics

Thomas Greenslade will direct a program for high-school teachers of physics this summer at Kenyon. The ten participants will each receive a \$1,000 stipend. Applications are due by February 15, 1989, and can be obtained from Greenslade. The program, which will be repeated three times, is funded by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and the Joyce Foundation.

Religion

Katherine Anderson '82 has joined the department as an adjunct instructor for the 1989 spring semester. The holder of a master's degree from Harvard University, she will teach a course on women and the church in the Middle Ages. **Vernon Schubel** has been awarded a Fulbright grant to study Islamic civilization. He will travel to Pakistan to research the ritual of pilgrimages to the tombs of Sufi saints. His will be the first major study of Sufi shrines in Pakistan.

Alumni Association news

Boston

Thirty-six stories above the streets of Boston, seventy-four Kenyon alumni and parents gathered at the Federal Club on November 17, 1988, to enjoy good food and drink, to bask in one another's company, and to hear about Kenyon from Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, and about "Liberal Education: Principles and Problems" from Harry Clor, professor of political science. Pamaja Burrell '76, president of the Boston Alumni Association, hosted the gathering.

Chicago

More than ninety Chicago alumni and parents greeted one another at Zum Deutschen Eck on November 11, 1988, for the annual Chicago Alumni Association dinner. Liz Eggers Lind '83 and Bob Lind '83 planned the event, and David Cannon '73 and Michael Sawyer '79 hosted the evening's program. Glenn Connick P'89, Marylen Marty-Gentile '74, Laura Jones Nelson '81 and George Nelson '81, and Nancy Ullmann P'89 were recognized for their outstanding service as association steering committee members. Bill Caples '30, president of Kenyon from 1969 to 1975, was also introduced. Kirk Emmert, associate professor of political science, and Lisa Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, were the guests from Gambier. Professor Emmert discussed why George Bush was victorious in the presidential election and why he will most likely be defeated in his attempts to overcome the major obstacles his administration faces.

Cincinnati

On November 4, 1988, the doors of the Peterloon mansion in Indian Hill were opened to fifty-four Kenyon alumni and parents for their annual gathering. The Peterloon home, which dates back to 1928, and its seventy-one acres are operated by the Peterloon Foundation. Walking through its paneled rooms, with furnishings dating back to Charles II, Queen Anne, and the Elizabethan era on floors of parquet de Versailles, guests were treated to a feeling of visiting seventeenth-century Europe. Jeff Bonyng '79, president of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, Chris Romer '83, and Tom Hedge '83 made the arrangements. Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, greeted the group and introduced the Chasers, a student a cappella group, who sang a medley of their songs. The finale was the singing of "Philander Chase" by the Chasers and the alumni in the entryway of Peterloon.

Connecticut

Douglas Givens, vice president for development, and Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, traveled to Fairfield County,

Connecticut, on November 9, 1988, to meet with alumni and parents to talk about the current state of the College, particularly as it relates to the final year of the Campaign for Kenyon. Rich Hebert '80, president of the Connecticut Alumni Association, welcomed the group at Tommy's Restaurant, reviewed recent happenings in the association, and recognized Anne Himmelright '82 for her service to the association.

Houston

Kay and Bob MacIntyre '69 welcomed twenty-four members of the Houston Alumni Association into their home on November 5, 1988, to share exceptional Mexican fare and the latest news about Kenyon. The Gambier visitors, Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, and Betsy Hohmann '89, president of the Student-Alumni Association, brought an update on Kenyon events and student life and relished the 70-degree weather. Sandy Vilas '69, president of the Houston association, planned the evening's program with the MacIntyres and Sheila Doran-Benyon P'91, Houston parent chair.

Kansas City

The small but mighty Kansas City Alumni Association met on December 8, 1988, at the Savoy Grill in downtown Kansas City for steak, lobster, and news about Kenyon. Joining association members were seven prospective students and their parents, who were treated to Dean of Admissions John Anderson's speech entitled "Composing a Diverse Kenyon" and a viewing of the film "A World of Difference." Mark O'Connell '80, president of the Kansas City association, and Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, hosted the evening and were delighted by the turnout of alumni and prospective students.

Los Angeles

Thanks to Los Angeles Alumni Association President Jonathan Spira '84 and his knowledge of fine French fare, Los Angeles alumni and parents gathered at Chez Paul on Santa Monica Boulevard for a Saturday luncheon on October 22, 1988. President Philip Jordan Jr. and Director of Alumni Affairs Lisa Dowd Schott '80 journeyed away from the crisp fall weather of Gambier to experience the foggy, warm climate of Los Angeles and to report on current events at the College, including the progress of the Campaign for Kenyon.

Orange County (California)

Orange County alumni gathered on October 20, 1988, at the University of California at Irvine University Club to greet one another and President Philip Jordan Jr. and Director of Alumni Affairs Lisa Dowd Schott '80 from Gambier. Lamar Hill '60, president of the Orange County Alumni Association, presided through cocktails and then made a

quick getaway to attend his son's football game (which was a win!). Jake Rohrer '66 graciously served as master of ceremonies for the remainder of the evening and introduced President Jordan, who spoke about the state of the College and the progress of the Campaign for Kenyon.

Philadelphia

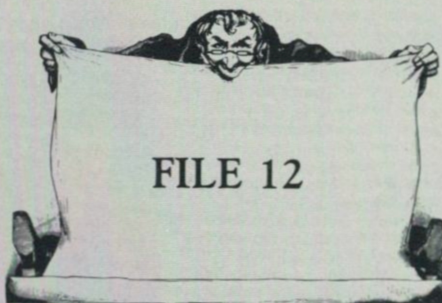
Although their son Ted Wood '89 had just returned to Gambier that morning following Kenyon's October break, Ted and Schuy Wood P'89 opened their home to fifty alumni and parents on October 12, 1988. John Salvucci '75, president of the Philadelphia Alumni Association, welcomed those gathered and presented the Kenyon Regional Service Award to association steering committee members Roger Brown '70, Barry Gross '72, and Cathy Hazlett '81 for their years of work on behalf of the association. Gambier was represented by President Philip Jordan Jr. and Sheila Jordan, Director of Alumni Affairs Lisa Dowd Schott '80, and Campaign Field Director Dorien Ter Haar '86. President Jordan spoke about the current state of the College and plans for the future with respect to the Campaign for Kenyon.

St. Louis

John and Ann Brightman P'89,'90 hosted the St. Louis Alumni Association on December 8, 1988, at the St. Louis Country Club for a luncheon gathering. The seventeen alumni and parents in attendance enjoyed Dean of Admissions John Anderson's speech entitled "Composing a Diverse Kenyon." Lisa Dowd Schott '80, director of alumni affairs, discussed her efforts to involve alumni, parents, and students in regional volunteer efforts for Kenyon.

San Diego

San Diego Alumni Association members were treated to the gourmet talents of Dan Ralston '71 at the Oceanside home of Dan and Liz Pegram Ralston '76 on October 21, 1988. Eleven alumni dined on a menu of Texas barbecued brisket, black beans, roasted peppers, and sourdough bread. President Philip Jordan Jr. and Director of Alumni Affairs Lisa Dowd Schott '80 traveled from Gambier to share in the feast and to bring news about the largest enrollment in Kenyon's history, campus renovation projects, and the successes to date of the Campaign for Kenyon.



*An irregular compendium of interesting,
if not wholly relevant,
facts and acts of nature*

This and a dime...

We don't take much stock in these things (unless it will get us a good steak downtown) but we thought you might be interested to learn that Kenyon was included by *U.S. News and World Report* on last year's list of the top twenty-five "national liberal arts colleges" as determined by a survey of college admissions directors, deans, and presidents. Kenyon took the number nineteen spot, just below Haverford and just above Barnard. The only other Ohio institution on the list, Oberlin, placed sixth.

Just how socially dense is Kenyon?

The Social Density College Guide, etc., a recently released publication, tells us one in every forty-six students on the Kenyon campus, for a total of thirty-three people, is "social"—i.e., mummy and/or daddy swells the ranks of the Social Register. With a "social density ratio" of 1:46, Kenyon ranks sixth in the nation, behind Trinity, Middlebury, Connecticut, Lake Forest, and Denison. Our food service, always quick to respond to demographic information, is considering a new casserole, Caviar Surprise.

(Extracurricular) life before Kenyon

This year's freshman class appears to confirm the reported surge in altruism among the college-bound. Of the 409 students enrolled in the Class of 1992, 250 were involved in community service during high school. Other activities claiming a piece of their time included work (354), musical groups (182), travel abroad (118), language clubs (88), editorship of a student literary magazine or newspaper (61), and presidency of student government (22).

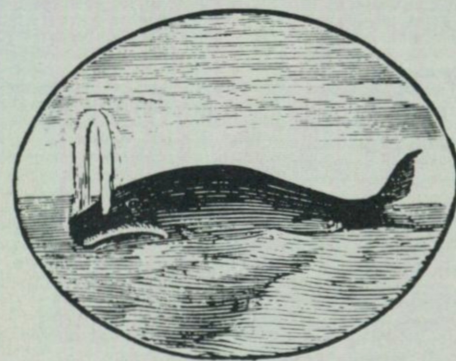
A walk down Middle Path

Fletcher R. DuBois '71, Kenyon's very own troubadour, wrote this song, presented here for the first time, while sitting on Middle Path just before the Alumni Variety Show during Reunion Weekend 1987. He then went into Rosse Hall and performed it, garnering a standing ovation.

You can't recapture or imprison the past
It's useless to try
It can't be done with cunning or craft
Some memories are open as the sky
But on this early summer evening
Above the fresh wet grass
Suddenly there was a firefly
And I didn't know if I should cry or laugh
Why I've returned, if you should ask
Of many reasons I'll give one:
When day is done
To walk down Middle Path

A small whale of a tale

Some people think about what they'd like to have for dinner. Visiting Assistant Professor Lawrence S. Blumer of the biology department wondered instead just how small an aquatic endotherm could be and still survive. Using a calculation based on the metabolic heat production and heat loss of *terrestrial* endotherms, Blumer figured (and reported in a recent issue of *Nature*) 6.8 kilograms, the size of a baby river dolphin.



Class notes

Editor's note: Members of classes for which no class agent is listed should send their class notes to:

Kenyon College
Office of Public Affairs
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Gambier, Ohio 43022-9623

'24 65th Reunion
Kenyon College
Office of Public Affairs
College Relations Center
Gambier, Ohio 43022-9623

C. Howard Allen Jr. writes to lament the fact that "lately, the Class of 1924 seems to have disappeared from the *Bulletin*. But some of us plan to be back for our sixty-fifth (count 'em!) reunion in 1989. A return to the Hill is always delightful." Howard lives in Bratenahl, Ohio.

'25 **Theodore C. Diller**
416 Cumnor Road
Kenilworth, Illinois 60043

'26 **Kenyon College**
Office of Public Affairs
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Gambier, Ohio 43022-9623

Jackson E. Betts reports that he is the author of a book, *A View from the Back Bench*, and that he recently served as an acting municipal court judge. His hobbies these days are woodwork and swimming. Jackson lives in Findlay, Ohio.

'29 60th Reunion
Edward Southworth
4141 Williams Road, Route 1
Monroeville, Ohio 44847

Canon John D. Zimmerman reports that he and his wife have little news to pass along these days. "Our social life consists mainly of visits to doctors or hospitals or both." The Zimmermans live in Newport, Rhode Island.

'30 **William G. Caples**
990 Lake Shore Drive, Apt. 24B
Chicago, Illinois 60611

'31 **Thomas B. Greenslade**
P.O. Box 569
Gambier, Ohio 43022

'33 **F. Merrill Lindsay**
1810 West Wood Street
Decatur, Illinois 62522
Co-Agent: James W. Newcomer

'34 55th Reunion
John B. Tritsch
547 Old Plantation Road
Jekyll Island, Georgia 31520

'35 **Benjamin A. Park**
50 Coe Road, Apt. 236
Belleair, Florida 33516

'36 **Robert P. Doepke**
1228 Edwards Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45208

'37 **Edmund P. Dandridge**
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Raleigh, North Carolina 27612

'38 **Jay C. Ehle**
Winton Place, Apt. 2613 12700
Lake Avenue
Lakewood, Ohio 44107

'39 50th Reunion
William T. Alexander
12700 Lake Avenue, Apt. 1808
Lakewood, Ohio 44107

Edwin W. Gerrish received the highest honor presented by the American College of Surgeons, the Distinguished Service Award, at its annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, on October 27, 1988. He recently retired from the directorship of the College's Department of Assembly, a position he held for eighteen years. Prior to that, Edwin was in private practice in general surgery in Mobridge, South Dakota. He lives in Northbrook, Illinois.

'40 **Lawrence G. Bell Jr.**
10129 Ford Road
Perrysburg, Ohio 43551
Co-Agent: Robert O. Cless

'41 **Kenyon College**
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Frederick Greeley writes that he has been appointed by Governor Michael Dukakis to a third term on the Advisory Committee for the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program. During the past year, he reviewed two biographies of *Sand County Almanac* author Aldo Leopold for professional journals and published an essay in a newspaper. Fred also notes that he has seen **Arthur M. Cox Jr. '42**; "We spent a delightful Fourth of July on Trout Lake in northern Wisconsin."

'42 **Arthur M. Cox Jr.**
930A Liverpool Circle
Leisure Village West
Lakehurst, New Jersey 08733

Donald G. May tells us he plans to retire from solo practice in internal medicine on September 1, 1989, after thirty-eight years in Kalamazoo, Michigan. In addition to a busy schedule there, he and his wife, Jane, have been serving as medical missionaries in underdeveloped countries for two- or three-week periods each year since 1977 with the Christian Medical-Dental Society. "I am not looking forward to playing golf in North Carolina, washing my car in Miami, or frequenting the craft shops in Phoenix," Don notes. "I hope I will find an effective use of my experience on a voluntary basis in my community." **Frederick C. Alpers** writes that he is semiretired but continues to work two or three days per week at the Naval Weapons Center "carrying on work begun in January 1943." Fred lives in Ridgecrest, California.

'43 **Maier M. Driver**
488 Lane Drive
Bay Village, Ohio 44140

Philip T. Doughten reports he has been re-elected to a four-year term as Tuscarawas (Ohio) County coroner; he has now served in that capacity for thirty-eight years. Philip lives and practices medicine in New Philadelphia, Ohio. **Paul B. Herrick** writes that he has been retired for more than two years now and has been "enjoying every minute of it." He and his wife, Janie, returned to the Hill in October 1988 for the first time in almost twenty-five years for Homecoming and the inaugural inductions into the Kenyon Athletic Association's Hall of Fame. "What a treat it was to witness the new enthusiasm, life, and vigor on the campus!" While in Gambier, Paul saw **W. Donald McNeill '40**, one of the inductees, and classmate **William B. Lehecka** "whom I hadn't seen since football days" and his wife, Linda. The Herricks live in Lake Wylie, South Carolina.

'44 45th Reunion
Donald B. Hamister
1141 Camino Del Rio
Santa Barbara, California 93110

Donald B. Hamister will be among two outstanding alumni and one former faculty member recognized by Kenyon with honorary doctorates this year. The degrees will be presented at Honors Day, April 18, 1989; classmates and friends are welcome to attend. Don is chairman, president, and chief executive officer of the Joslyn Corporation.

'45 **Kenyon College**
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College Relations Center
Gambier, Ohio 43022-9623

E. Jason McCoy Jr. writes that he'll be escaping the Canton, Ohio, winter this year. "I'll be at 9525 Blind Pass Road, 904, St. Petersburg, Florida, until the end of March if anyone wants to stop by."

'46

Judson F. Chase
13726 Strathaven Drive
Matthews, North Carolina
28105

John M. Kaufholz reports from Canton, Ohio, that he is recovering from spinal fusion surgery in October 1988. "I'll be out of action for six months," he says. **Edmund T. Weiant** writes that he has retired from the faculty of the College of Charleston. A former professor of German and Russian, he continues to reside at 675 Dobester Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina 29412.

'47

Oliver C. Campeau
336 Wellington Avenue, Apt.
1505
Chicago, Illinois 60657

John H. Lothrop informs us he has completed thirty-four years of teaching. For the last twenty-five of those years, John has been assistant headmaster of the Canton Country Day School in Canton, Ohio. **Charles M. Rehms** reports that after several years of semiretirement he has returned to part-time teaching as a professor of law at the University of San Diego. "After years of administration, it's challenging to be back in the classroom," he writes. Chuck lives in Poway, California.

'48

David Harbison
640 Dartmoor
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

David Harbison represented Kenyon at the inauguration of James Johnson Duderstadt as president of the University of Michigan on October 6, 1988.

'49

40th Reunion
Bernard S. Hoyt
400 West Washington Blvd.
Grove City, Pennsylvania 16127

Raymond D. Ashman Jr. reports he is chairman and chief executive officer of Ashman Enterprises. He is also a member of Kenyon's board of trustees and chair of its buildings and grounds committee. A resident of Akron, Ohio, Ray is a general partner in the Kenyon Inn. **Reverend John B. Birdsall** writes that he retired on January 1, 1989, after more than thirty-six years in the Episcopal ministry. He and his wife, Nina, plan to move to Easton, Maryland, and then travel to the Holy Land. In retirement, John plans to "play a little golf, perhaps some tennis, and do a little clergy 'supply' work on Sundays." The Birdsalls' new address will be 314 Linden Avenue, Easton, Maryland 21601. **George R. Benner** represented the College at the inauguration of the Reverend Paul L. Locatelli, S.J., as president of the University of Santa Clara in California on November 11, 1988. George lives in Los Altos, California. **Charles D. Hering Jr.** served as Kenyon's

representative at a convocation celebrating the centennial of Tiffin University in Ohio on September 16, 1988. Charles lives in Tiffin.

'50

Louis S. Whitaker
Principio Recess
Route 1, Box 338
Wheeling, West Virginia 26003

Jerry Fink writes that 1988 was a busy year for him and his wife, Liza. They spent the summer in North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, the winter in Florida, visited Colombia, Costa Rica, and Europe, and took short trips to New York City and Toronto, Canada. "On several occasions, we got together with Libby and **Bob Johnson** for dinner," Jerry notes. The class was saddened to learn of the death of Nancy Parry Schneebeck, wife of **William H. Schneebeck**, on December 6, 1988. One of the Schneebecks' four daughters, **Lynne Schneebeck '88**, is a Kenyon graduate. Bill lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Vero Beach, Florida. **Peter Weaver** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Peter, an English major, is president of Newsteam Video and a syndicated personal-finance columnist. He lives in Bethesda, Maryland.

'51

Will Pilcher
1248 North Street
Santa Rosa, California 95404

C.E. Frazer Clark Jr. and **Arthur W. Sherwood**, both English majors at Kenyon, participated in October's Department Alumni Program at the College. Frazer is a publisher living in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Art, who lives in Baltimore, Maryland, is an attorney active in the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the Family Support Foundation. **Roger M. Whiteman** reports he had a visit at his home in Wayne, Pennsylvania, from **David A. Keyt**, who was teaching at Princeton University for a term. Dave, who taught Hellenic Studies at the University of Hong Kong last year, is a professor of philosophy at the University of Washington.

'52

William W. Wenner
1316 Petersville Road
Brunswick, Maryland 21716
Co-Agents: Robert L. Hesse, Bill B. Ranney

F. Reed Andrews Jr. tells us he just finished his thirty-second year of sports car racing. "I co-drove a Dodge Shelby Charger in IMSA Firehawk Endurance Series events in Atlanta, Georgia, Watkins Glen, New York, and Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, as well as in SCCA endurance races at Nelson Ledges and Lexington, Ohio," writes Reed, who on weekdays is a mild-mannered vice president of Butcher and Singer in Cleveland, Ohio. "I've also raced my old VW Rabbit GTI in regional races in Ohio." **James C. Livingston**, who serves as

Walter G. Mason Professor of Religion at the College of William and Mary, recently had a book entitled *Anatomy of the Sacred* published by Macmillan. Jim writes that he received a fellowship for college teachers from the National Endowment for the Humanities for the 1989-90 academic year. **Leighton B. McLaughlin** tells us that, after twenty-nine years as a newspaperman, he is teaching journalism at Riverside (California) Community College and advising the student newspaper staff. He and his wife, Bev, have four sons: one in law school, two in college, and one in high school. The McLaughlins now live at 1290 Versailles Circle, Riverside 92506. **Frederick C. Neidhardt**, a professor of microbiology at the University of Michigan, reports he received an honorary doctorate from Purdue University at Commencement in 1988. Last summer, he and his wife, Geri, and younger son, Marc, traveled to the Pacific Northwest, where they visited older son Rick and where Fred taught at the University of Washington. Fred plans research-related trips to Austria and Denmark during the 1988-89 academic year, "If only I liked to travel!"

'53

R.S. (Dick) Harrison
422 Wards Corner Road
Loveland, Ohio 45140
Co-Agent: Ward B. Gordon

'54

35th Reunion
Richard R. Tryon
2 Moraine Court
Champaign, Illinois 61821

'55

Lewis C. Leach
3908 Versailles Drive
Tampa, Florida 33634

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Charles L. Schwarz Jr.
1642 Courtland Drive
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004
Co-Agent: Ben H. McCart

Perry J. Pascarella participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Perry, who majored in English, is editor-in-chief of *Industry Week* magazine and lives in Bay Village, Ohio. **R. Michael Sly** reports he was appointed associate editor of the *Annals of Allergy*, the official journal of the American College of Allergy and Immunology, beginning in January 1989. In January 1990, he will start a four-year term as editor of the journal. Michael is chair of the Department of Allergy and Immunology at Children's Hospital-National Medical Center and a professor of child health and development at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. He and his wife, Ann, live in Potomac, Maryland, and their daughters, Teresa Perper and Cynthia Schattenfeld, live in nearby Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Legacies continue Kenyon's family ties

The following freshmen, members of the Class of 1992, are following in the footsteps of at least one family member as they walk along Middle Path.

David B. Ansbacher Caroline E. Lesesne '91, cousin

David M. Balshaw Paul C. Spehr '52, uncle; Jennifer Balshaw Fiedelholz '85, sister

Christine L. Beardsley John P. Gerace '85, cousin; Jane E. Gerace '91, cousin

Karena M. Berghold Mark M. Berghold '85, brother

Claire A. Bradley Samuel R. Bradley '57, father; Howard A. Bradley '48, uncle

Jennifer P. Bowman Andrew H. Bowman '68, father; Lucien L. Bowman Jr. '67, cousin

Michael A. Carnighan Robert H. Carnighan '59, father

Andrew T. Cope Peter T. Cope '88, brother

Heather L. Craig John D. Craig Jr. '89, brother

John C. Day Susan M. Day '91, sister; Mark O. Day '88, cousin

Julia T. Flotten Sarah K. Flotten '89, sister

Moss Freedman Edward J. Freedman '89, brother

Matthew W. Garber Michael P. Garber '90, brother

Michael D. Hallenbeck Jan T. Hallenbeck '61, father

Rebecca A. Hamilton William S. Hamilton '65, father; Frederick N. Hamilton '75, uncle

Karen R. Healy Paul B. Healy '85, brother; Robert C. Healy '91, cousin

Elizabeth S. Heslop John W. Heslop '67, father; Ann A. Heslop '75, aunt; Mark R. Jacobs '75, uncle

Mary S. Hooker Evan "Bud" Evans '25, great uncle

Scott A. Jarrett James W. Jarrett '66, uncle

William S. Jonas Matthew Sall '86, cousin

Michael S. Lontchar Mark N. Lontchar Jr. '90, brother

Christopher B. Lord Nathaniel D. Arnot III '91, cousin

Jane A. Lukes Amy J. Lukes '86, sister

Megan Lynch Michael S. Lynch '77, uncle; Lynn McGowan Lynch '76, aunt

Amy L. Mayer Neal M. Mayer '63, cousin; Tiffany C. Steckler '88, cousin

Patrick J. McFadden Brian J. McFadden '90, brother

Catherine D. McGavran Frederick J. McGavran '65, uncle

Gregory J. Melville Michael A. Melville '88, brother; Susanne M. Melville '90, sister

Diane E. Rochat Nancy L. Rochat '90, sister

Thomas D. Rockwell Karen J. Rockwell '83, sister

Jennifer E. Schleich Michael B. Schleich '85, brother; Jeffrey D. Schleich '87, brother

Rachel J. Schwartz Bethany L. Schwartz '90, sister

Eric A. Seed David H. Seed '90, brother

Tierney E. Sherwin John G. Sherwin '51, father; Crocker A. Nevin '84, cousin

Cynthia L. Sorensen Meredith O. Bruch '91, cousin

Franklin E. Staley Katherine W. Staley '87; sister; Arthur D. Bond III '83, cousin

Richard A. Thompson III William C. Williams '54, uncle

Hilary B. Vonckx Jennifer L. Vonckx '88, sister

Melinda S. Wallace William C. Wallace '57, father

Rebecca A. Walsh Susan A. Walsh '79, sister

Cara S. Winikoff Lee S. Segal '80, cousin; Eran J. Segal '82, cousin

Geoffrey W. Wissman Kim Sarap Wissman '79, stepmother; Michael D. Sarap '78, step-uncle



'57

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George Farr III writes that he recently changed jobs. He is now with the Private Banking Group at Citibank in New York City.

'58

Robert S. Price
1034 West Upsal Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19119

Jon P. Barsanti tells us his son, Jon Jr., who graduated from Lawrence University in June 1987, is now a sales representative "quickly learning the true value of a liberal arts education." Jon and his wife, Terrie, live in Mequon, Wisconsin. **Ronald K. Bennington** reports he has been a Big Ten football official for the past five years. Ron is a lawyer in Canton, Ohio. **Donald D. Bly** reports he is enjoying two half-time positions with Du Pont in Wilmington, Delaware. He manages a small analytical science group and serves as liaison to the Corporate Committee on Special Compensation, where he advises on major corporate award proposals for innovative contributors to the company. "It's very interesting to peer into creativity across a large company."

Roger M. Smyth was recently appointed director of security for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, taking up his duties in July 1988. He previously served as chief of police for Lyndhurst, Ohio, from 1967 until his retirement on last June. Roger has received a number of commendations during his career, including being recognized for playing a key role in solving a gangland bombing murder. He is now responsible for more than two hundred police officers in a five-county area. **Robert S. Price**, who sent us the information, notes, "Roger was a fine football player in high school and has been elected to his high school's athletic hall of fame."

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Paul F. Bedell reports he retired from the U.S. Navy in 1986 as a commander. He currently serves as supervising physician at the student health center of California State University at Northridge. "As with everybody, it's been thirty years of good and bad," Paul comments. "It all goes with the territory." **Richard "Mick" Robbins** is "alive and well and working as a management consultant with Cleveland Consulting Associates," according to one of his coworkers, **Julia A. Marlowe** '83. Mick lives at 21 Annandale Drive, Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022.

'60

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Robert G. Heasley has been named resident manager of a Gulf States Paper Corporation plant in Waco, Texas. A Gulf States employee since 1972, he previously served as production superintendent of the Nicholasville, Kentucky, plant. Bob and his wife, Peggy, now live at 9503 Casa Grande Drive, Waco 76710.

James M. Rambeau participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. An English major at Kenyon, Jim is now an associate professor of English at Pennsylvania State University and lives in University Park.

'61

Patterson H. Travis
1515 Gone Away Court
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

Paul L. Abbott, who is director of guidance at South Kent School in Connecticut, tells us he took up "serious biking" two years ago and likes to ride a hundred miles per week. His wife, Terese, is a kindergarten teacher in Kent, Connecticut. Paul's elder daughter, Kathleen, is a second-year law student at Rutgers University; his younger daughter, Elizabeth Abbott Greenberg, graduated from Skidmore College with honors in anthropology and membership in Phi Beta Kappa in May 1988 and is now a preschool teacher. **John E.**

Baker writes that he has developed an interest in Civil War replica guns and has won a few second and third prizes in "black-powder shoots." He recently joined RCA Telephone Systems as an account representative and is "back on the road again." John lives in Erie, Pennsylvania. **Jan T. Hallenbeck** reports that his son, Michael, is a member of the Class of 1992 at Kenyon. Jan, a history professor at Ohio Wesleyan University, lives in Delaware, Ohio. **Nicholas K. Long** served as Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of Larry G. Osnes as president of Hamline University on October 15, 1988. Nick lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

'62

James G. Carr
4525 Wedgewood Court
Toledo, Ohio 43615
Co-Agent: Paul C. Heintz

James G. Carr, who majored in English at Kenyon, participated in October's Department Alumni Program at the College. Jim is a U.S. Magistrate in Toledo, Ohio. **David H. DeSelm** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Samuel W. Speck Jr. as president of Muskingum College on October 23, 1988. Dave lives in Cambridge, Ohio. **Paul C. Heintz** served as the College's representative at the inauguration of Tom G. Kessinger as president of Haverford College on December 3, 1988. Paul lives in Haverford, Pennsylvania.

'63

Neal M. Mayer
8305 Burdette Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20817

Richard C. Foster explains his absence at reunion by noting that he is still teaching at Rivers School in Weston, Massachusetts, "and exam period always seems to correspond with reunion time." Richard, whose oldest daughter entered junior high school in September 1988, writes that his family "bought a little house in Sancerre, France, and spent some wonderful time there last July." **Donald J. Mabry** writes that he conducted a conference on "The Latin American Narcotics Trade and U.S. National Security" in June 1988 with a grant from the Tinker Foundation. He has also given papers on "The U.S. Military and the War on Drugs" at the Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., in September 1988 and on "Latin American Narcotics and Hemispheric Security" at the Third World Studies Conference in Omaha, Nebraska, in October 1988. Don is a professor of history at Mississippi State University.

'64

25th Reunion
David A. Schmid
237 Brigantine Circle
Norwell, Massachusetts 02061

Bruce D. Blois informs us he is working as a counselor in head injury rehabilitation at the New Medico Rehabilitation Center at Forest Manor in Middleboro, Massachusetts. He has been a social worker and counselor in Massachusetts and Rhode Island since 1974; prior to that, he was in the Episcopal ministry for seven years after earning his master's degree in divinity from General Theological Seminary. Bruce and his wife, Theresa, live in Providence, Rhode Island. **David Diao** writes that he will be unable to attend the twenty-fifth reunion, but he does have a good excuse. The Modern Museum in St. Etienne, France, will be showing his work from the past five years—"my first personal museum show." David recently had a "mini-reunion" in New York City with **Charles H. Lynch III**, **Edwin L. McCampbell**, **Peter Scarlet**, **Jeffrey W. Way**, and **Jeffrey R. Fisher** '65.

'65

William S. Hamilton
6316 Iris Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45213
Co-Agent: Gene E. Little

Thomas R. Sant represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Josiah H. Blackmore II as president of Capital University on October 7, 1988. Tom lives in Columbus, Ohio.

'66

Denis B. Pierce
1231 Oak Avenue
Evanston, Illinois 60202
Co-Agent: Carl S. Mankowitz

Louis H. Berney writes that, after several years as a reporter for the *Boston Globe*, he went to India for two years and worked as a freelance journalist, covering India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. Upon his return to the United States, he continued to do freelance writing while teaching high school English for a year at a private school outside Baltimore, Maryland. For the last year, he has served as press secretary and special assistant to Governor Madeleine Kunin of Vermont. **Stephen R. Conafay** has been named senior vice president of corporate affairs for Glaxo, Inc. He was previously corporate vice president in charge of government affairs with Pfizer, Inc., in Washington, D.C. Stephen, who holds a law degree from American University, lives in Durham, North Carolina, with his wife, Jackie, and their three sons. **Peter S. Sheridan** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Neil R. Grabois as president of Colgate University on October 9, 1988. Peter lives in Hamilton, New York, where he is a professor of chemistry at Colgate.

'67

Lawrence C. Schmidlapp
538 Centre Island
Oyster Bay, New York 11711
Co-Agents: Jeffrey B. Ellis,
Robert E. Koe

Stephen W. Carmichael was named teacher of the year for 1988 by the students of Mayo Medical School, where he is a professor of anatomy. Stephen will be among two outstanding alumni and one former faculty member recognized by Kenyon with honorary doctorates this year. The degrees will be presented at Honors Day, April 18, 1989; classmates and friends are welcome to attend. **Brian J. Derry** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of James S. Vinson as president of the University of Evansville on September 16, 1988. Brian lives in Mount Vernon, Indiana. **Jeffrey B. Ellis** writes that he and his wife, **Nancy Peek Ellis** '72, "wonder if we'll survive this parenting, but **Lee Van Voris** claims we will." Jeff, who lives in Crystal Lake, Illinois, is "still navigating the crowded skies for American Airlines." **Douglas V. Johnson** served as Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of F. Thomas Trotter as president of Alaska Pacific University on October 1, 1988. Doug lives in Anchorage, Alaska.

'68

Howard B. Edelstein
48 Lyman Circle
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122
Co-Agent: William E. Bennett

Pedro L. Arango writes, "Reunion '88 was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with some of Kenyon's most illustrious sons and daughters, but where were Grog and Bear? A reunion without Zeke?" Pedro, who lives in Grosse Pointe, Michigan, where he is head of the upper school at University Liggett School, urges, "ADs assemble in '93!"

'69

20th Reunion
Brackett B. Denniston
 20 Seabury Point Lane
 Duxbury, Massachusetts 02332

Kenneth R. Abraham tells us he is executive vice president of Creative Printing and Publishing in Longwood, Florida. "I'm having fun publishing customized comic, coloring, and activity books for airlines, banks, restaurant chains, and such—fun for three- to twelve-year-olds." Ken and his wife, Eileen, live at 2011 Hastings Street, Orlando, Florida 32808. **Scott L. Baird** married Victoria S. Scimera in River Forest, Illinois, on August 6, 1988. Scott is an assistant professor of physics and astronomy at Benedictine College, and Victoria is secretary of Trinity Episcopal Church, both in Atchison, Kansas. The Bairs live at 1450 North Third Street, Atchison 66002-1206. **Stephen L. Bartlett** reports that, although his family still resides in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, he is living in Reston, Virginia, during the week and commuting home on weekends. "I do not recommend such a lifestyle to everyone," he adds. "And as you might imagine I have plenty of midweek time to cast about the northern Virginia countryside in search of another flagon; it does help me keep my spirits and weight up. All manner of Kenyon alumni are welcome to join me in my quest!" **Rabbi William E. Blank** writes that he is currently engaged in the private practice of hypnotherapy in Sacramento, California. In January 1989, articles he has written will appear in *The Journal of Reform Judaism and Meditation*. **Jeffrey W. Zoller** has been named vice president for finance for the corporate group at Bertelsmann Printing and Manufacturing Corporation in Berryville, Virginia. He is responsible for the corporation's financial planning and for providing assistance to its operating divisions. Jeff holds an M.B.A. from Emory University.

'70

Richard J. Brean
 300 Le Roi Road
 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15208

Baxter F. Ball Jr. represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Sara Simmons Chapman as president of Russell Sage College on October 28, 1988. Baxter lives in Albany, New York. **Richard J. Brean** served as Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of Grace Ann Geibel, R.S.M., as president of Carlow College on December 12, 1988. **Daniel Mark Epstein** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. An English major at Kenyon, he is the author of a number of books of poetry and the editor, with **David L. Bergman '72**, of *The Heath Guide to Poetry* (1983) and *The Heath Guide to Literature* (1987). Daniel lives in Baltimore, Maryland. **Robert A. Rubinfeld** and **Louise A. Oelbaum** (Washington University

in St. Louis, Fordham University) were married in New York City on August 25, 1988. Robert, who earned his law degree at New York University, is of counsel to the law office of Leon H. Charney, and Louise is a vice president of the Wells, Rich, Greene advertising agency, both in New York City.

'71

Ross I. Schram III
 602 Georgia Avenue
 Signal Mountain, Tennessee
 37377

Stuart C. Ballin writes that he is married to Anne Reeler and living in Geneva, Switzerland, "working for myself and still traveling a lot. Anyone passing through Geneva is welcome to look us up" at 12 Rue Robert de Traz. **Jeffrey D. Harris** reports he has been practicing family medicine in Hickory, North Carolina, for the past eight years. Jeff and wife, Pat, a librarian at the local junior high school, have two children, eleven-year-old Christopher and eight-year-old Bethany. **Lieutenant Commander Robert J. Roesky** has been appointed special assistant to the director of installation services at the Defense Construction Supply Center in Columbus, Ohio. He was previously stationed at the Defense Depot in Tracy, California. Bob now lives in Gahanna, Ohio, with his wife, Theresa Eriksen, and their children, Erin and Christy. **Thomas D. Southworth** informs us that he and his wife, Mary, have left the Williston Northampton School to join the faculty of Choate Rosemary Hall in Wallingford, Connecticut. Tom is associate director of admissions and director of financial aid; one of his colleagues is **Pamela J. Pleasants '83**. Mary teaches English (one of her colleagues is **Watson "Chip" Lowery Jr. '69**) and counsels seniors through their college selection process.

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W. David Bailey and his wife, Julia, announce the birth of a daughter, Eleanor Sydelle Bailey, on September 15, 1987. "While Dad and Mom work on their careers in advertising, Eleanor and her three-year-old sister, Andrea, are establishing themselves as professional models of baby clothes and products," writes David. "Proceeds are going into a savings account for their college tuition." The Baileys live in Anaheim, California. **Arthur C. Barton III** was recently elected to the school committee in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. "I will be inducted just as contract negotiations with the local teachers union start," he writes. "And the week of the election, I was transferred to the loan workout area of Rhode Island Hospital Trust. I expect to get my fill of tough negotiations." **Seth M. Black** reports he was recently elected to the Presidential Commission on the Employment

of People with Disabilities. Seth lives in Sag Harbor, New York, and practices medicine in New York City. **James F. Peterman** represented Kenyon at the installation of Samuel R. Williamson as vice chancellor and president of the University of the South on October 10, 1988. Jim, who lives in Sewanee, Tennessee, and teaches philosophy at the University of the South, is presently working on a book, *Philosophy as Therapy*. **Jeffrey A. Wolin** reports he was awarded a Photographers' Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts for 1988-89. A number of his photographs were recently published in *Aperture* magazine. Jeff lives in Bloomington, Indiana.

'73

Steven A. Fineberg
 13 West 13th Street, Apt. 3A
 New York, New York 10011
 Co-Agents: Marci Barr Abbot,
 Thomas P. Stamp

Thomas E. Allen participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. A psychology major at Kenyon, he is director of the Center for Assessment and Demographic Studies at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C. Tom lives in Takoma Park, Maryland. **W. Leon Alward** reports he has settled in Iowa City, Iowa, where he is assistant professor of ophthalmology and head of the glaucoma service at the University of Iowa. Lee and his wife, Kazi, have three children, Alec, nine, Sarah, seven, and Erin, two. The Alwards live at 2015 Ridgeway Drive, Iowa City 52240. **Gregory P. Andorfer** was named one of "Twenty People to Watch in 1988" by the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. Greg, who holds a master's degree in film and television management from the University of California at Los Angeles, is vice president of national programming and executive producer at WQED-TV in Pittsburgh. As an English major, he was also a participant in the College's Department Alumni Program in October. **Rosecrans Baldwin Jr.** tells us he left Brickell Associates in New York City to become vice president for contract sales and marketing for the Chartwell Group, manufacturers of furniture and textiles. "I'm now working in Orangeburg, New York—off the Manhattan commuter train at last!" Crans and his wife, Ann, have two children, Rosecrans, eleven, and Leslie, seven, and live in Darien, Connecticut. **John R. Berryman** writes that, after fifteen years in oil exploration, he has made a career change and is now associate director of Bioserve Space Technologies, a NASA center for the commercial development of space. Bioserve is based at the University of Colorado in Boulder. John and his wife, Janice, live in Aurora, Colorado. **James A. Brokaw II** served as Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of Alan F. Harre as president of Valparaiso University on October 26, 1988. Jim, a musicologist, lives in Valparaiso, Indiana. **Mitchell L. Jablons**

and his wife, Razelle, announce the birth of their second child, Michelle Sondra Jablons, on April 14, 1988. The Jablons' first child, Jeffrey, is now two and a half years old. Mitch, who is an anesthesiologist at Overlook Hospital in Summit, New Jersey, and his family live in Watchung, New Jersey. **Todd P. Leavitt** writes that 1988 was a banner year for his family. "In January, we moved to Hollywood, where I assumed the executive vice presidency of the Reeves Entertainment Group ('Kate and Allie,' 'That's Incredible!'). On September 30, we welcomed twin six-pound daughters, Chloe Gabrielle and Eliza Layne, who join a six-year-old sister, Julia Paige." Todd notes that before leaving the East Coast he and his wife, Lauren, visited **Christy C. Adams II**, "who is still roughing it up in Maine, hauling lobsters and growing mushrooms. It's nice that some things just never change." The Leavitts now live at 421 20th Street, Santa Monica, California 90402. **Vicki Dapper Prouty** reports "life is a three-ring circus—job, kids, and house restoration." She has been with the U.S. Department of Energy as an environmental attorney in the Chicago, Illinois, office for almost nine years. Vicki and her husband, Ken, have two children, four-year-old Andrew and two-year-old Mallory. And they're restoring an early Frank Lloyd Wright "bootleg" house in Oak Park, Illinois. Vicki sends regards to "Mickie and Pete, Peggi and Bill." **Lawrence M. Wittenbrook** represented the College at the inauguration of Donald S. Stanton as president of Oglethorpe University on November 3, 1988. Larry lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

'74

15th Reunion
William A. Kozy
165 Conestoga Trail
Sparta, New Jersey 17871

Mark M. Block writes that "life in New York City makes me feel like a plumber fixing a backed-up septic tank—I don't mind working in it, but I don't want to hang around and sleep in it." So, on his "thirtysomethingth birthday," he and his wife, Ida, bought a house in Maplewood, New Jersey, "complete with an old Jaguar XJ-6 that was in the garage." Their new address, as of February 1989, is 86 Woodland Road, Maplewood 07040. **Steven A. Beres** reports he is an attorney with the United Auto Workers Legal Services Plan in Canton, Ohio. He and his wife, Joan Kodish, who is also a lawyer, have a son, two-and-a-half-year-old Andrew Geoffrey Beres, and two basset hounds, Basil and Sherlock. **Jane Peden Burton** tells us she has just moved to Columbus, Ohio, with her daughters, Margaret, six and a half, and Elizabeth, four. Jane's new address is 342 North Remington Road, Columbus 43209, and she "would be glad to hear from any local Kenyon alumni!" **Alice Fleming Feder** writes from Sandy Hook, Connecticut, that she divides her time between her interior decorating business and

her sixteen-month-old son, Noah. "I have the best of both worlds!" she says. **Alva Greenberg Gahagan** writes that she and her husband, **Frederick "Fritz" Gahagan**, are busy planning for the reunion. Alva is president of the local Parent-Teacher Organization and vice president of Child and Family Agency; Fritz is a lawyer in New London, Connecticut. The Gahagans live in Lyme, Connecticut. **Pamela Bauman Gibbs** tells us she is assistant corporate secretary and legal assistant manager at BP America. Pam and her husband, Geoff, live in Strongsville, Ohio. **Carol A. Heiberger** reports she is working in strategic planning and marketing for Bell Atlantic, splitting her time between Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D.C. "I'm also swimming, house hunting, and planning a trip to Pakistan and Thailand." **Brad R. Heinz, Marilyn L. Jones, and Geraldine Coleman Tucker**—all of whom were psychology majors at Kenyon—participated in the Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Brad, who lives in Chicago, Illinois, is a senior psychologist in the Du Page County Mental Health System. A Cincinnati, Ohio, resident, Marilyn is executive director of Brown County Counseling Services. Geri, who lives in Burke, Virginia, is a managing editor with Gannett News Service in Washington, D.C. **Jean Richardson Hill** is "teaching nursing (Basic Bedpans 101) at Lakeland Community College, scuba diving any chance I get (preferably in warm water), and doing lots of mommy-type things for the Hill horde!" Jean and her family live in Concord, Ohio. **Ronald L. Hopping** reports he is an optometrist in private practice in Houston, Texas, where he lives with his wife, Desiree, and son, Reed. Ron specializes in contact lenses and lectures about them as well. **David W. Horvitz** reports he is "running a savings and loan, building a house, raising four children, fixing my boat, and working for Kenyon." David and his family live in Hollywood, Florida. **Richard S. Irving** writes that he recently completed his M.F.A. and is currently acting and singing in and around Los Angeles, California. His new address is 5001 Southridge Avenue, Los Angeles 90043. **Charles D. Kaufman** tells us he is a commercial real estate broker and building-owner representative in New York City. He and his wife, Janet, have a nine-month-old daughter, Olivia. **Clare Kendall** reports she is a physician at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, England, "doing a three-year general practice training scheme." Clare can be reached at 111 Miles Buildings, Penfold Place, London NW1 6RQ, England. **William K. Keyes**, clever as ever, writes that he is "raising 3 kids, living in a 3-hundred-year-old house in a 3-acre swamp with 3-inch mosquitos, and working 2 hard." The Keyes family is at home in Wrentham, Massachusetts. **Richard K. Liggitt** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of I. King Jordan as president of Gallaudet University on October 21, 1988. Chard is deputy director

at Bank Capitol Markets Association in Washington, D.C. **John S. Maddox** reports he is the owner of the Portable Epicure, Ltd., a catering business, and the Christmas Stork, a seasonal Victoriana shop. He lives in Sag Harbor, New York. **Marylen Marty-Gentile** writes, "I'm raising Brett and Chase and serving as the Chicago admissions representative for good ole you know who." Marylen, her husband, Michael, and the children live in River Forest, Illinois. **Sarah Shepherd Moss** reports she is a product manager for a publishing company. She and her husband, Scott, have two children, Whitney, two and a half, and Chandler, age one, and are "trying to cope" with building an addition onto their house in Southbury, Connecticut. **Ellen Winters Miller** writes that she is now a psychotherapist, "my third career change since college." She is also the mother of nine-month-old Aaron and stepmother for the past eight years of Kenny, seventeen, and Jesse, fifteen. Ellen, her husband, Bruce, and family live in Newport Beach, California. **David R. Pasahow** informs us he is now a partner in Heidrick and Struggles in Chicago, Illinois. He and his wife, Clair, have a fourteen-month-old daughter, Meredith. **Jeffrey K. Rucker** writes that he is an intellectual-property attorney in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He and his wife, Joan, have a three-year-old son, Brandon. **John M. Schmidt** tells us he is president of the New Jersey Shore Foundation. John lives in Chatham, New Jersey. **Jane Herschopf Schreck** and her husband, Don, announce the birth of their first child, Sam Schreck, on May 16, 1988. **Paul Shapiro** and his wife, Bonnie, announce the birth of identical twin sons, Seth William and Zachary Reid Shapiro, on June 21, 1988. The Shapiros live in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. **Janet Bloss Shuff** writes that her first book for Bantam Publishers is now in print, a teen romance entitled *Two Boys Too Many*. She has sixteen other books in print, most published by Willowisp Press. Janet and her husband, **Ronald F. Shuff**, general counsel at Duriron in Dayton, Ohio, are enjoying their new home at 1189 Lytle Five Points East, Centerville, Ohio 45458. **Caroline "Coty" Sidnam** reports she is "a full-time architect by day, full-time parent of two by night." Coty, her husband, Carl Pucci, and children live in New York City. **Richard B. Smith III** writes that he and his wife, Peggy, are "raising our first child, a son, Richard B. IV, coexisting with a busy surgical practice, and generally living the life of country gentry." The Smiths live in Kirtland, Ohio. **Jacob S. Spiegler** and his wife, **Diane Skowron Spiegler '76**, write, "Our daughter, Laura Ann, was born February 1, 1988. Being very tiny, she spent the first month of her life at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, where she had several visits from **Dr. Kathy Weise '76**. Big sister Sarah (who had told her daddy, 'I told you it would be a girl!') was very happy to have Laura come home and join the family." The Spiegler live

in Shaker Heights, Ohio. **Susan Lando Stout** reports she is still a part-time lawyer specializing in estate and trust administration for Equibank and "a full-time wife and mother to my husband, Gary, and daughter, Jane." Susan and her family live in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. **Stuart B. Weiner** tells us he is in private practice in hematology and oncology in Grand Blanc, Michigan. Stu and his wife, Kathy, have two children, Brandon, seven, and Seth, six. **Andrew J. Wellenbach** writes that he is "enjoying fatherhood with fifteen-month-old Matthew, still working as vice president at Goldman Sachs, and getting depressed over my declining golf game." Andy, his wife, Tricia, and family live in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. **Timothy W. Welsh** reports he and his wife, Mary, now have two children: Grace, born in April 1984, and Sam, born in February 1988. Tim recently received his master's degree in early childhood special education. **Gregory P. Widin** and **Katharine Dawson Widin** announce the birth of a son, Peter Burton Widin, on August 6, 1988, "almost exactly four years after our daughter, Joan." The Widins live in Stillwater, Minnesota. **Gail P. Woodhouse** has been named a principal in the Boston, Massachusetts, firm of Amsler Hagenah Maclean Architects. She has been with the firm for eight years and was a key figure in a number of award-winning projects, including the Wheaton College Campus Center. Gail, who earned her architecture degree at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, is the first person invited to become a principal since the firm was incorporated in 1975.

'75

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Barrie B. Alexander represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Johnnetta Betsch Cole as president of Spelman College on November 6, 1988. Barrie lives in Atlanta, Georgia. **Jean M. Amabile** and her husband, Patrick Mattimore, announce the birth of a son, William, on November 18, 1988. They also have a daughter, three-year-old Liza. Jean is a public defender in San Francisco, California. **S. Blake Axtell** reports, "After trying several careers, it seems that banking agrees with me." He is a commercial lending officer with Shawmut First Bank of Springfield, Massachusetts. Blake and his family live at 33 Faculty Street, Wilbraham, Massachusetts 01095. **Teresa G. Betts** writes, "I work part-time and go to Ohio State University part-time. My husband, William Rafalski, and I are raising an active three-year-old, Andrew Whittingham Rafalski. Ain't thirty-five grand?" **David L. Craine** reports he has moved to Baltimore,

Maryland, where he has joined Alex. Brown Realty Advisors as a vice president. Duffy and his family now live at 730 Chapel Ridge Road, Lutherville, Maryland 21093. **John E. Davis** was Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of Alan J. Stone as president of Alma College on October 28, 1988. John is a faculty member in the Department of Exercise Science at Alma. **David E. Lopatto** and **George F. Parker**—both of whom were psychology majors at Kenyon—participated in the Department Alumni Program at the College in October. David, who lives in Grinnell, Iowa, is an assistant professor of psychology at Grinnell College. A resident of Norfolk, Massachusetts, George is a vice president of David L. Babson and Company in Cambridge. **David A. Meyer** and his wife, Helen, announce the birth of their second child, James Anthony Meyer, on August 6, 1988. The Meyers live in San Francisco, California. **Richard H. Miller** and his wife, Robin, announce the birth of a son, Brian Harrison Miller, on March 15, 1988. Richard has moved from Washington, D.C., to Cleveland, Ohio, but he remains with the law firm of Jones, Day, Reavis, and Pogue, "doing merger and acquisition work with a subspecialty in proxy contests." Robin, a physician, has returned to private practice after conducting research at the National Cancer Institute.

Elizabeth Lerch Oxley reports she and her husband, Warren, and daughter, Kathryn, have moved from Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Davenport, Iowa. Beth is teaching law at a local college, and Warren is practicing with a local firm. "We would welcome visitors who happen to be traveling east or west along Interstate 80." **Patrick D. Reagan** coedited a pioneering work, *Voluntarism, Planning, and the State*, published by Greenwood Press in 1988. He also wrote a special article for the anthology, "Creating the Organizational Nexus for New Deal National Planning" and contributed "American Planning: A Bibliographical Essay." **Diane E. Souder** and her husband, Jim Graf, announce the birth of a daughter, Emily Louise Souder Graf, on December 28, 1987. Diane is a recreation planner for the National Park Service in Sante Fe, New Mexico, to which she commutes daily from her home in Albuquerque. "We continue to work on our 101-year-old Victorian house—a rarity in downtown." Diane notes that she is coordinating a national open-space conference for October 15-17, 1989; anyone interested should contact her at 505-243-8309.

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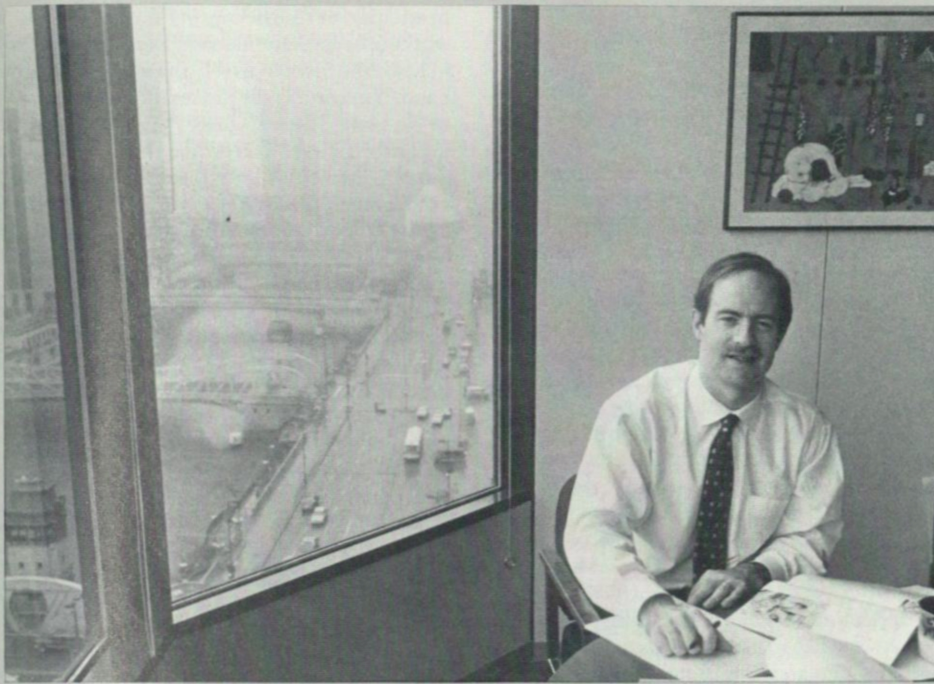
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Paul A. Abbey reports he is completing a special fellowship in microvascular surgery at St. Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne, Australia. He plans to continue practice as an

orthopedic hand surgeon upon his return to the United States in late 1989. Until the end of September, Paul can be reached at Flat 9, 40 Washington Street, Toorak, Victoria, Australia 3142. **Elizabeth Evans Arthur** and her husband, John, announce the birth of a son, William Lloyd Arthur, on December 15, 1988. The Arthurs live in Springfield, Illinois. **Doug Ballard** tells us he will be costarring with Howie Mandel in a Rob Reiner pilot, "Past Imperfect," on ABC-TV this season. Doug lives in New York City. **Douglas M. Bernhardt** informs us he received his master's degree in divinity, cum laude, from Gordon-Conwell Seminary on May 27, 1988. Currently a candidate for holy orders in the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, he hopes to be ordained to the diaconate in June 1990. Doug lives in Beverly, Massachusetts. **Christopher G. Carey** and his wife, Joanne, announce the birth of a daughter, Lucille Marie Carey, on June 29, 1988. The Careys live in New York City. **Gillian Teweles Denavit** and her husband, Francois, announce the birth of a daughter, Chloe, on May 13, 1988. Gillian, who lives in Paris, France, plans to continue work as a freelance journalist. **Christine E. Henry** and her husband, Bruce Staley, announce the birth of a son, Adam Staley, on November 25, 1988. Chris and her family live in Wilmington, Ohio. **Victoria C. Leighton** writes that she is an information consultant with Bell South Corporation in Atlanta, Georgia. "At a recent industry conference in Washington, D.C., I ran into **Phil Robins**, who is working for Dialcom in Maryland." **Rabbi Charles P. Rabinowitz** reports he has accepted a call to Congregation B'nai Abraham in Hagerstown, Maryland. He has also taken on a second journal for his rabbinical association, this one on congregational-rabbinical practices. The Rabinowitzs now live at 1609 Woodlands Run, Hagerstown 21740 (telephone 301-797-3847). **Sylvia "Becky" Robbins-Penniman** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. A psychology major, she is now an attorney and chief of the enforcement section of the Division of Securities in the Ohio Department of Commerce. Becky lives in Columbus. **Diane Skowron Spiegler** and her husband, **Jacob S. Spiegler '74**, write, "Our daughter, Laura Ann, was born February 1, 1988. Being very tiny, she spent the first month of her life at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, where she had several visits from **Dr. Kathy Weise**. Big sister Sarah (who had told her daddy, 'I told you it would be a girl!') was very happy to have Laura come home and join the family." The Spiegler family lives in Shaker Heights, Ohio. **Eugene R. Thomas** and his wife, **Michele Moisio Thomas '77**, announce the birth of their third child, Elizabeth Moisio Thomas, on July 9, 1988. "Elizabeth is quickly learning about life as she watches her active brothers—Jacob, four and a half, and Nathaniel, two and a half, at play." Gene and Michele



Stu Wegener

Stu Wegener faces America's problems head on at the Chicago Community Trust

"It's easy to start feeling insulated in these glass and steel boxes," says Stuart S. Wegener '75 looking out the window in his fourteenth-floor office at the edge of the Loop in Chicago, Illinois. "But then you remember there's 60 percent unemployment in the Woodlawn community."

He hopes to do something about that. A senior staff associate at the Chicago Community Trust, Wegener began his career there in 1983 as an intern and then as a part-time staff member while he was attending graduate school in public policy at the University of Chicago. He joined the trust as a full-time staff member in April 1985.

The nation's second oldest and third largest community foundation, the Chicago Community Trust made grants totaling more than \$31 million in 1987. Unlike other types of foundations, which usually take their funds from a single source, community foundations use gifts from many individuals and organizations to support charitable agencies and programs within a specific geographic area. In effect, community foundations administer various funds, some restricted and others not, for their donors, matching charitable intent with grant purpose.

"As a community foundation, we have as a goal to be as open and responsive as

possible to community needs," Wegener notes. One of eight members of the program staff at the Trust, Wegener evaluates requests for funding from social service agencies and programs dealing with children and youth, the developmentally disabled, the elderly, the handicapped, and the poor. His recommendations for funding are then considered by the rest of the trust staff and passed on to an executive committee of community leaders for final approval.

"What I like most about this job is that it gives me a good handle on what problems face the community," Wegener says. "The challenge is to identify or come up with programs that will effect systemic change, that will get at the root causes of the problems and not just deal with the symptoms."

Wegener is quick to point out that grantmaking alone is not a panacea for urban ills. In addition to responding to appeals for funds, Trust staff members conduct research and develop their own programs, such as a \$4-million basic human needs program they designed to expand the capacities of agencies trying to respond to the problem of homelessness in Chicago. "We are always looking at what we're doing to determine to what extent we're really serving the needs of the poor and the underclass," he says,

adding that one of the best ways to address those needs is through creative support of the advocacy efforts of various private agencies that attempt to influence public policies affecting such groups.

"Philanthropy is at its most developed and sophisticated in the United States," notes Wegener, "but ironically Americans don't know much about it beyond the micro level of their own giving." He admits that he spends a lot of time at social functions explaining just what a foundation is and how it operates.

"For me, there's real satisfaction in being able to target resources to major social problems in the city," says Wegener. "I've dealt with some small but exciting grants that, in a microcosmic way, illustrate the effectiveness of a larger idea." As an example, he points to the Trust-sponsored Prepared Food Program of the Greater Chicago Food Depository. The Program gathers unused food in a refrigerated truck from caterers, restaurants, food photographers, and hotels for distribution around the city to various programs for feeding the poor.

The Trust provided the program with \$122,500 in start-up funds, which were used to support staff salaries and capital equipment, including the truck. Last year, the program was responsible for salvaging five million pounds of previously wasted food. While Wegener says the program may not be at philanthropy's cutting edge, "it's pretty close—and it deals with suffering in a very real way."

After graduation from Kenyon with a degree in history, Wegener, a Grand Rapids, Michigan native, moved to Washington, D.C., to become a staff assistant to the Ways and Means Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. With that experience under his belt, he knocked on doors until he found a job with U.S. Representative David P. Obey of Wisconsin, whom he served as legislative aide until the fall of 1983.

When he left Washington for graduate school at Chicago, Wegener thought he would probably head back after completing the program. But his internship at the Trust changed all that. "In Washington, I felt I was working at arm's length, removed from the actual activity of government. Here I'm in the community, I can see for myself what's going on. I have a greater sense of connectedness to the problems facing Chicago and America and can work on developing some solutions to them."

—T.P.S.

both work for Exxon Production Research in Houston, Texas, where he leads the thermodynamics-gas processing group and she is in geochemical research.

'77

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Michael Arenson writes that he is living in Santa Cruz, California, working in science education and curriculum, and pursuing a master's degree in education. "I still play string bass and spend a lot of time outdoors. And I would love to hear from Kenyon friends." **Susan L. Kmiecik** married James Schermerhorn on August 6, 1988. Among the Kenyonites in attendance were **Rebecca A. Byam**, **Karen Gustafson Krupp**, and **Karen Handel Walker** and **Jeffrey A. Walker '74**. "What a great mini-reunion it was!" Susan is in her eighth year as a nurse for a vascular surgery group, and Jim is a career counselor at Old Dominion University, both in Norfolk, Virginia. The Schermerhorns are living at 4354 Stafford Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia 23321. **Rabbi Stacy K. Offner** reports she recently accepted the position of rabbi of Congregation Shir Tikvah, a newly founded progressive synagogue in Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota. Stacy continues to make her home in St. Paul. **Janice A. Olsen** tells us she is producing documentaries and specials for KMGH-TV, the CBS affiliate in Denver, Colorado. Janice, her husband, Ben McCoy, and their daughter, Katherine, "invite anyone passing through to give us a call." **William C. Portman III** was named president and chief executive officer of Portman Equipment Company on July 12, 1988. Wym, who earned an M.B.A. at the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth, was previously operations manager of the Cincinnati, Ohio, company. He and his wife, Jan, live in downtown Cincinnati and are involved in "Over the Rhine" housing projects. **Michele Moisio Thomas** and her husband, **Eugene R. Thomas '76**, announce the birth of their third child, Elizabeth Moisio Thomas, on July 9, 1988. "Elizabeth is quickly learning about life as she watches her active brothers—Jacob, four and a half, and Nathaniel, two and a half—at play." Michele and Gene both work for Exxon Production Research in Houston, Texas, where she is in geochemical research and he leads the thermodynamics-gas processing group. **Charles P. Waite Jr.** and his wife, **Susan Butterfield Waite '78**, announce the birth of their third child, Stephen Waite, in April 1988. The Waites, who recently moved from California, now live at 13424 157th Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington 98052. **Stephen Wirls** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of A. Richard Kneedler as president of Franklin and Marshall College on November 20, 1988. Steve lives in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where he is an assistant professor of government at Franklin and Marshall.

'78

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Laurel A. Albin-Hinkle and **Paul J. Hinkle** tell us they and six-year-old Travis have moved from Alexandria, Virginia, where they were for six months, to Baltimore, Maryland. "Never a dull moment!" says Laurel. **Susan Gottfried Christian** and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Christian, in January 1988. Susan is head of production for Eisman, Johns, and Laws Advertising in Houston, Texas, where the family makes its home. **Elizabeth Gutai Drehman** and her husband, Alvin, announce the birth of their third child, Rebekah Jill Drehman, on December 4, 1988. Betsy and her family live in Chelmsford, Massachusetts. **Daniel I. Krumholz** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. An English major, he is now a publicist with the Arts and Entertainment cable network. Dan lives in New York City. **Reverend James H. Logan Jr.** has been elected by the alumni of the Princeton Theological Seminary to serve a three-year term on its board of trustees. Jim lives in Matthews, North Carolina. **Robert K. Lundin** reports he has been working at grand prix and steeplechase horse events in his traveling retail booth (Bob's Equestrian Emporium). In his travels, he has seen **James R. Chambers** in St. Paul, Minnesota, **Bradford S. Ott '79** in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and **Nigel M. Roberts '79** in Chicago, Illinois. "In February, I start the Florida circuit, just possibly with an exclusive U.S. Equestrian Team franchise," writes Tennessee Bob. **Bruce V. Thomas** has been named a partner at the law firm of Mays and Valentine in Richmond, Virginia. His wife, **Julia Heldman Thomas '80**, was promoted this fall to a sales position at William Byrd Press, a division of Cadmus Corporation in Richmond. **Susan Butterfield Waite** and her husband, **Charles P. Waite Jr. '77**, announce the birth of their third child, Stephen Waite, in April 1988. The Waites, who recently moved from California, now live at 13424 157th Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington 98052.

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Pamela Addison Barker and her husband, Jeff, announce the birth of a son, Brandon William Barker, on March 24, 1987. The Barkers live in Cleveland, Ohio. **Claire M. Bass** writes that she is assistant to the dean at the Chicago Academy for the Arts, where she teaches in the theater department. "I am also working clubs as a stand-up comic. **Murray Clark**, if you love me, send me all your money." **Nina Brodsky Beno** reports that,

in addition to counseling on nutrition, she is working as assistant manager of a bookstore in her hometown in Israel. She and her husband, Yona, are in the process of job hunting in the United States, where they will be moving in the spring. "Our two-and-a-half-year-old son, Daniel, is totally bilingual, thanks to broadcasts of 'Sesame Street' in English here." **Lynn Effron** and **Kathleen V. Kirk** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Lynn, a psychology major, is an attorney and social worker living in Cleveland, Ohio, where she works with the Regional Council on Alcoholism. An English major at Kenyon, Kathy is an actress and writer currently working as a reference assistant at the Newberry Library in Chicago, Illinois. **Cameron R. Macauley** sends greetings from Guine-Bissau (formerly Portuguese West Africa), where he is one of the country's first Peace Corps volunteers. "I'm working in an outpatient clinic in the remote village of Ginane, teaching hygiene and nutrition to Fula and Mandinka people. My A.B. in anthropology has been very helpful; many thanks to professors Rita Kipp and Ken Smail." Cameron uses a ten-speed mountain bike for transportation to the nearest town—a four-hour ride. He would like to hear from Kenyon friends (and anyone interested in the Peace Corps) at Ginane, Guine-Bissau, West Africa. **Mark R. Rennie** and **Mary Debovoise Rennie '80** announce the birth of a daughter, Katrina Schermerhorn Rennie, on September 30, 1988. Mark, Molly, and family live in Millburn, New Jersey. **Rebecca W. Warren** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of Gloria Randle Scott as president of Bennett College on October 9, 1988. Rebecca lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. **Sally Handel Wylde** and **Alan S. Wylde** announce the birth of a son, Richard Christian Wylde, on November 9, 1988. "His five-year-old sister, Meredith, is delighted!" The Wyldes live in Northampton, Massachusetts.

'80

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Mary Melber Ames reports she is law librarian for a 140-attorney firm, Edwards and Angell, in Providence, Rhode Island. With the firm since June 1988, she has visited its libraries in Boston, New Bedford, Newport, and New York City; "The only one I haven't made it to is in Palm Beach." Mary and her husband, **Douglas A. Ames**, live in Brooklyn, Connecticut. **Sallie B. Cosgrove** writes that she is a veterinarian, working in research and teaching at the University of California at Davis. "Riding horses is still my favorite pastime, but I also hope to do some skiing at nearby Lake Tahoe this winter." Sallie's new

address is 2736 Eel Place, Davis 95616. **C. Carlos Dague** reports he is currently finishing his seventh consecutive year as salesman of the year at Mid-Ohio Imports in Columbus, the last two years as BMW and Saab sales manager. "Managing is not as much fun as selling, but it's a necessary step up the dealership ladder. Besides, it allows me to give Kenyon people a friendly price on our 'yuppie-mobiles.'" **Martelle Porter Daniels** writes that she was appointed district court referee in Grand Junction, Colorado, in May 1987. "I handle everything from civil and traffic to child abuse and domestic violence cases." Martelle and her husband, Frank, the chief deputy district attorney in Grand Junction, have two children, three-year-old Hillary Porter Daniels and eighteen-month-old Prudence Porter Daniels. **Jeff N. Dorson** informs us he has opened his own investigation and lobbying firm, Legislation in Support of Animals. "Two and a half years ago, I took a midnight tour of a research lab and it changed my life." Jeff welcomes all mail (Box 2105, Chalmette, Louisiana 70044-2105) and "would especially like to hear from **Garry Bender**." **Lloyd E. Hamovit** writes that he is chair of the art department at Kents Hill School in Kents Hill, Maine. He is also assistant head coach of the football team, which won the Northern New England Evergreen Conference Championship with a 9-1 record. "We hope to keep supplying Kenyon with gridiron stars of the future. I like teaching high school because I can keep up with the latest tunes, clothes, and slang!" **Jennie Hut-ton Jacoby** reports that she and her husband, **Douglas B. Jacoby '82**, have moved to 15 Bay State Road, Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts 02181. Doug has finished his Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota and accepted a postdoctoral position at Brandeis University. **Mark M. O'Connell** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of the Reverend Thomas J. Savage, S.J., as president of Rockhurst College on October 29, 1988. Mark lives in Kansas City, Missouri. **Nancy Beachy Overfelt** sends her thanks for the support of her friends following the death of her husband, Charles, in June 1988. "My daughter, Catie, and I are gradually becoming accustomed to this major change in our lives." Nancy lives at 1111 West 76th Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri 64114. **Roger S. Pierce Jr.** served as Kenyon's representative at the inauguration of Paul LeClerc as president of Hunter College on November 20, 1988. Roger lives in New York City. **Ethan M. Powsner** and his wife, Cynthia, announce the birth of their daughter, Hilary Rachel Powsner, on May 28, 1988. Ethan is a corporate real estate attorney for Hardee's Food Systems in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. "For all you fast food freaks, Hardee's is now number three in sales in the hamburger industry, trailing only McDonald's and Burger King." The Powsners recently visited **John G. Teeter** and his wife, Tessa, in Baltimore, Maryland, where John is pursuing a fellowship at Johns Hopkins University and Tessa is

working as a nurse. **David B. Reed Jr.** married Amy Leventer on October 8, 1988. They met at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, where Dave was flying U.S. Navy helicopters, and Amy, a geologist, was doing research. They now live in Fallon, Nevada, where Dave flies search-and-rescue missions in the Sierras. In June 1989, they plan to move to Columbus, Ohio, where Dave will pursue a career in medicine and Amy will begin postdoctoral studies at Ohio State University. **Stacy S. Remke** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. An English major, she is now a clinical social worker at Minneapolis Children's Medical Center. Stacy lives in Minneapolis. **Mary Debevoise Rennie** and **Mark R. Rennie '79** announce the birth of a daughter, Katrina Schermerhorn Rennie, on September 30, 1988. Molly, Mark, and family live in Millburn, New Jersey. **Stephen R. Sexsmith** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of John A. Synodinos as president of Lebanon Valley College on December 4, 1988. Steve lives in Annville, Pennsylvania. **Robert I. Sprague** and **Lenore Johnson Sprague '81** announce the birth of a daughter, Laura Louise Sprague, on November 17, 1988. The Spragues live in Houston, Texas. **Julia Heldman Thomas** writes that she was promoted this fall to a sales position at William Byrd Press, a division of Cadmus Corporation in Richmond, Virginia. Her husband, **Bruce V. Thomas '78**, has been named a partner at the law firm of Mays and Valentine in Richmond.

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James B. Archer writes, "I visited with **Val Schaff** in Tulsa, Oklahoma, back in October. We took in all the sights in about an hour—with time out to talk with **Wes Tutchings '61** back on the Hill." Jim, who lives in Houston, Texas, where he is a fiscal officer for the Harris County Toll Road Authority, asks, "Has anyone heard from **Mark Brown**?" **Robin L. Bennett** writes that her job as a genetic counselor at the University of Washington Hospital is fascinating. "I recently moved to Bellevue, Washington, and am the proud owner of a new hot tub. I look forward to some Kenyon visitors!" Robin's address is 14243 S.E. Allen Road, Bellevue 98006. **Sarah Nolan Gary** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of James L. Powell as president of Reed College on October 8, 1988. Sarah lives in Portland, Oregon. **Steven E. Peter** married Diana Williams (Rhode Island College, Columbia University) in New York City on June 25, 1988. Steve is an investor for Lawrence O'Donnell Marcus and Company and is completing his M.B.A. at New York Univer-

sity, and Diana is an associate at Montague Realty in Brooklyn Heights. **Jonathan B. Schulze** married Beth L. Spyker (Florida Southern College, Pennsylvania State University) in Towanda, Pennsylvania, on July 2, 1988. Jonathan is an English and writing teacher for the Athens (Pennsylvania) School District, and Beth is a health and physical education teacher for the Sullivan County School District and owner of Foster Hall Antiques. **Lenore Johnson Sprague** and **Robert I. Sprague '80** announce the birth of a daughter, Laura Louise Sprague, on November 17, 1988. The Spragues live in Houston, Texas.

'82

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Elizabeth Alda writes that she will receive her master's degree in special education in May and will then be teaching deaf children. She has recently seen fellow Southern Californians **Michael G. Berick**, **G. Darwin Toll Jr.**, and **Michael K. Zorek**. Elizabeth says she is "still recovering from the depression of the election." **Myles H. Alderman Jr.** reports he and his wife, Linda, have "moved to suburbia and can be found at 184 North Quaker Lane, West Hartford, Connecticut 06119." Myles, who is now with the law firm of Breetze and Thorne in Hartford, saw **David P. Rose '81**, his wife, Linda, and their son, Timothy, in Richmond, Virginia, last fall "and all are well." **Staff Sergeant Timothy K. Aral** writes that he has been transferred back to West Germany for a second three-year tour with the U.S. Army there. "Any old friends traveling in southern Germany are welcome to share some good German beer!" Tim and his wife, Kathryn, can be contacted at C Battery 5/17 FA, APO, NY 09352. **Peter S. Austin** and his wife, Cathleen, announce the birth of a son, William Childs Austin, on February 25, 1988. Peter reports he is still in Mellon Bank's corporate banking department, "having survived the recent purges." The Austins live in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. **Kathleen Jameson Barbour** and her husband, John, announce the birth of a daughter, Susan McKinley Barbour, on September 5, 1988. The Barbours live in East Grand Rapids, Michigan, and "would love to hear from Kenyon friends!" **Daniel A. Blockus** writes, "I have severed all ties with the East Coast and have made my way to the comforting bosom of Berkeley, California. I seem to be entering a new phase of exploration after completing my master's degree in teaching at Brown University and working with kids in a variety of places and situations." Dan encourages "all cronies who have vanished in the sea of time"

AIDS researcher Brooks Jackson looks to cure in 2000

How safe the nation's blood supply is from the AIDS virus is a question J. Brooks Jackson '75 has had to answer more than once. Medical director of the University of Minnesota Hospital blood bank, Jackson is responsible for the processing and testing of donated blood. In addition to testing for syphilis, blood type, and compatibility, Jackson oversees technicians whose job it is to screen blood for the AIDS virus.

The first reported case of transmission of the virus by transfusion was in 1982, Jackson says. Before blood was screened for the AIDS virus, the chance of receiving bad blood was 1 in 12,000. Forty cases have been documented in Minnesota. But the odds have improved. Today, thanks to an accurate blood test, the chance of infection is 1 in 700,000.

Jackson, who devotes about 50 percent of his time to medical research, works with three others in an \$8-million federally funded AIDS treatment unit as well, testing new drugs against the virus by monitoring the treated blood of infected patients. "The patients are concerned we're not moving fast enough," Jackson says. "But it's not an easy disease. The incubation time is so long."

The Federal Drug Administration has been criticized for being too slow in okay-

ing new drugs for AIDS treatment, and Jackson says his feelings are divided on the issue. "The research community doesn't like the speeded-up drug releases," he says. "Experimental drugs reduce patients' incentives to get into a clinical trial that is double-blind and placebo-controlled."

"Society is better off with the trials. But the patients involved ask, 'Why should I be the one to get the placebo?'"

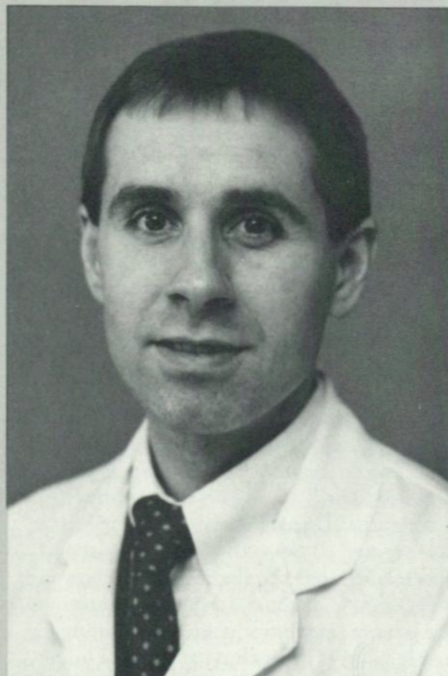
Jackson says that if the animal data looks promising on an experimental drug, then the choice is "theirs, not ours."

A recent grant from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia, will enable Jackson to study people who have tested positively for just one or two of the numerous viral proteins that compose the disease. The year-long project will try to determine what causes the irregular reaction and whether those patients should be categorized as infected with the AIDS virus.

Jackson originally planned a career in business and received his master's degree in business administration from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth. But after working for a year as a supervisor of a strip mine, he realized he had little taste for labor negotiation and decided to attend the Dartmouth medical school.

Jackson calls the intense, high-level research being done on AIDS "kind of like the Manhattan Project." It is the potential infection rate of the virus that makes AIDS such a catastrophic disease, he says. In real terms, more people die from cancer (350,000 annually) and heart disease (200,000 annually) than do those with AIDS (about 20,000 annually).

"I think it will plateau in 1991 or 1992," he says. "And I figure on 2000 for a cure."
—M.H.B.



Brooks Jackson

to contact him at 1630 University Avenue, Apt. 24, Berkeley 94703. **Nicholas M. Boyle** married Christina Boutis (Barnard College) in Southampton, Long Island, on June 18, 1988. Among the Kenyonites in attendance were **Douglas F. Culver**, **Rory P. Mach**, and **Mark A. Rowat**. "The week-end-long event included a Greek Orthodox ceremony, a beachside reception, and non-stop celebrating. Only Kenyon can properly train people for such affairs." Nick and Christina live in New York City. **Jeffrey A. Cahn** tells us he joined the Chicago, Illinois, office of the law firm of Jones, Day, Reavis, and Pogue in December 1987. "My practice involves representation of large investor-owned public utilities before state and federal agencies, as well as general litigation." **Timothy W. Carlson** and his wife, Kerry, announce the birth of a son, Steven Timothy Carlson, on May 21, 1988. Tim is a partner in the law firm of Holcomb, Connelly, and Carlson and an assistant prosecuting attorney for Butler County, Ohio. The Carlsons live in Middletown, Ohio. **Robert W. Dickerman Jr.** reports he is a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Massachusetts. Bob and his wife, **Beth Crawford-Dickerman '83**, an attorney with the firm of Corash and Zurn in Northampton, Massachusetts, live at 39 North Street, Northampton 01060. **James F. Ginley** and his wife, Joanne, announce the birth of a son, Nicholas Luther Ginley, on October 5, 1988. "So far, Nick has met only two other Kenyonites, his 'uncles' **Bruce Berlin** and **Norm Kenyon**." The Ginleys live in Silver Spring, Maryland. **Katherine M. Hawn** reports she finished her master's degree in pediatric nursing in December 1987 and is now a pediatric nurse specialist in gastroenterology and nutrition at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. She is also coaching a girls' high school swim team and fixing up the house she bought last year. **Kristin F. Hay** tells us she attended a Kenyon mini-reunion on Long Island on July 4, 1988. Among those in attendance were **Karla Hay Diserens '74**, **Robert C. Diserens III '76**, **Karen C. Hay '76**, **John T. Mackessy**, and **Linda Day Mackessy '83**. Kristin lives in Columbus, Ohio. **Linda Slanec Higgins** defended her doctoral dissertation, "Identification, Characterization, and Regulation of the Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor on Bovine Adrenal Chromaffin Cells in Culture," at the University of California at San Diego on December 5, 1988. Linda is now at the University of California at Berkeley, where she is conducting postdoctoral research. **Douglas B. Jacoby** and his wife, **Jennie Hutton Jacoby '80**, have moved to 15 Bay State Road, Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts 02181. Doug has finished his Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota and accepted a post-doctoral position at Brandeis University. **J. Howard Kay Jr.** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of G. Benjamin Lantz Jr. as president of the University of Indianapolis on

October 6, 1988. Howard lives in Indianapolis. **Christopher H. Martone** informs us he is an oral and maxillofacial surgery resident at Detroit Receiving Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. Chris lives in Farmington Hills, Michigan. **J. Gregg Parini** and **Pamela J. Reed** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Gregg, a psychology major, lives in Granville, Ohio, where he is head swimming coach and an assistant professor at Denison University. An English major at Kenyon, Pam now teaches English at the Cranbrook-Kingswood School in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. **Alyssa C. Salomon** writes from Chicago, Illinois, that she has bought a one-hundred-year-old house. "Guests are welcome, if they don't mind heat in the summer and cold in the winter." **Tracy O'Donnell Stone** has joined the sales staff of Anderson-Stokes, Inc., in Chestertown, Maryland. Tralive with their son, Zachary.

'83 **Reid W. Click**
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Frederik S. Barends tells us he was assistant headmaster, director of athletics, head coach of ten teams, and history teacher at Atlantic Friends School in Brigantine, New Jersey. "Unfortunately, the school closed in August after eighty-eight years. I'm currently a substitute teacher at Columbus (Ohio) Academy, Columbus School for Girls, Wellington School, and the Bexley City Schools, as well as a tutor and basketball coach, while I look for another job in private-school teaching or collegiate athletics." **Beth Crawford-Dickerman** reports she is an attorney with the firm of Corash and Zurn in Northampton, Massachusetts. Beth lives at 39 North Street, Northampton 01060, with her husband, **Robert W. Dickerman Jr. '82**, a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Massachusetts. **Linda Day Mackessy** participated in Kenyon's Department Alumni Program at the College in October. A psychology major, she is now assistant planning director with United Way of Franklin County. Linda and her husband, **John T. Mackessy '82**, live in Westerville, Ohio. **Lisa J. Disch** is one of seven recent Ph.D. recipients to participate in a two-year teaching appointment with the University of Chicago under the auspices of a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. In addition to teaching a section of "Self, Culture, and Society," Lisa is working on a book based on her dissertation, "Breaking the Silence of Women in the Conversation of Mankind: The Political Theory of Hannah Arendt." An English major at Kenyon, she was a participant in the Department Alumni Program at the College in October. **John D. Emens** has been promoted to instructor in the economics department at Denison University. Jack received his master's degree from the London School of Economics in 1987 and has been a part-time visiting lecturer at Deni-

son since that time. **Matthew J. Ericksen** and **Virginia Berry Ericksen '84** announce the birth of a son, Nicholas Jay Ericksen, on April 8, 1988. "Nicholas made his first trip to Kenyon in May for his dad's fifth reunion." The Ericksens live in Newton, Massachusetts. **Carolyn Hudson Ethington** writes that she is alive and well in Salt Lake City, Utah, where she is "closing in on a B.A. in English at Brigham Young University." Carolyn and her husband, Paul, an insurance broker, have been married five years and have two children, four-year-old Eric and two-year-old Kristi. Carolyn tells us her brother, **Mark H. Hudson '84**, is a dogsled driver in Snowmass, Colorado, "and even appeared on the 'Today Show' in December." **Julia A. Marlowe** reports she has joined Cleveland Consulting Associates as an editor. She is also pursuing a master's degree in English at John Carroll University. Julia lives in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. **Eileen K. McLaren** married Tod A. Shivak in Gambier on November 28, 1987. Professor of Religion Donald L. Rogan performed the ceremony at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Eileen and Tod live at 9246 Abby Lane, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48198. **Robert A. Moore** reports that after receiving his M.B.A. in finance and international business from Columbia University in May 1987, he began a career as an investment analyst at IBJ Schroder Bank and Trust Company in New York City. Robert has been married since May 1987 to Mary Lauderdale (University of Maryland), who is a law student at Rutgers University. The Moores live in Millburn, New Jersey. **Annemarie Leonard Muller** and her husband, Jim, announce the birth of their first child, James Regis Muller, on September 3, 1988. Annemarie has returned to her job at Squire, Sanders, and Dempsey in Cleveland, Ohio, where she is a legal assistant. The Mullers' new address is 1366 Brockley Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio 44107. **John A. Rogan** married Virginia Latham in Birmingham, Alabama, in January 1988. Among the Kenyonites in attendance were **Evan R. Roberts '77**, **John F. Herger '78**, **John E. Matson '78**, **John S. Maynard '78**, **Julie Lamb Maynard '78**, **Charles G. Spalding '78**, **Kimball McGinnis Biss '79**, **Andrew P. Burnside '79**, and **Suzanne D. Elder '81**. John and Virginia live at 4680 Highpoint Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30342. **J. Morris Thorpe** writes that "most of my married friends are reproducing like mad. If I plan things right, I'll have an endless supply of babysitters and cheap yard labor in ten or twelve years." Morris, who says his work is keeping him busy and "militant nonsmokers" are keeping him down, lives in Brighton, Massachusetts. **Nicholas J. Valldejuli** reports a new address. He now lives at 714 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois 60302 (telephone 312-848-8696).

'84 **5th Reunion**
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William H. Alderman reports he is a second-year student at the J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University. Bill spent last summer working in corporate finance at Bankers Trust in New York City. **Susan Opatrny Althans** tells us she has been named assistant director of major gifts at Case Western Reserve University. She is also working on a master's degree. Susan and her husband, Gregory, live in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. **Jeffrey A. Bell** writes that he is completing a dual master's degree program at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies and the Wharton School of Business. He also works part time as a marketing and finance associate with a real estate syndicator in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he and his wife, **Colleen Murphy Bell '85**, are living. **Allison J. Cleary** and **Diane C. Simpson**—both of whom were English majors at Kenyon—participated in the Department Alumni Program at the College in October. Allison, who lives in Skaneateles, New York, is now a graduate student in communications at Syracuse University after serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Dominican Republic. A resident of San Francisco, California, Diane is an advertising account executive at Foote, Cone, and Belding. **Virginia Berry Ericksen** and **Matthew J. Ericksen '83** announce the birth of a son, Nicholas Jay Ericksen, on April 8, 1988. "Nicholas made his first trip to Kenyon in May for his dad's fifth reunion." The Ericksens live in Newton, Massachusetts. **Douglas Heuck**, a reporter with the *Pittsburgh Press*, has been lecturing on the topic "Homeless and Invisible." In July, he spent two weeks living on the streets with Pittsburgh's homeless. Doug lives at 210 Biddle Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15221. **J. Brian Horgan** and **Sarah Mott Horgan** announce the birth of their son, John Brendan Horgan, on August 2, 1988. "We are going to call him Brendan," writes Sarah. "Brian and I are still living in Hudson, Ohio, and teaching at Western Reserve Academy." **Scott A. Kellermeyer** married Peggy Nungesser in Shaker Heights, Ohio, on July 30, 1988. The wedding party included **Suzanne Kellermeyer Regan '81**, **John M. Hawn**, and **Virginia E. Bradford '85**, maid of honor. Other Kenyonites in attendance included **Margaret Lanphier Hawn**, **Richard T. Klaus**, **Carol S. Leslie**, **Stephen A. Neri**, **Matthew R. Quilty**, and **David M. Roegge**. Scott is a dental student at Case Western Reserve University, where Peggy heads the medical school's annual fund. The Kellermeyers live in Pepper Pike, Ohio. **Jeanne B. Maine** and **Franklin H. Top III** were married in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

on May 28, 1988. Among those in the wedding party were **Stephen M. Kelley**, **Paul W. McCartney**, **Charlotte "Tory" Smith**, and **Stephanie Suntken Seidel**. In addition, more than thirty Kenyon alumni were guests at the wedding. Jeanne and Frank live in Chicago, Illinois. **James R. Whittum** was recently presented the A.I. Pruett Award at Wright State University School of Medicine. He was also inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha, a medical honor society. Jim lives at 210 Jackson Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402. **Evan A. Zuckert** married Alison E. Powell (Southern Connecticut State University) in New Haven, Connecticut, on August 20, 1988. Evan, an M.B.A. candidate at the University of Connecticut at Stamford, is a commercial lending officer at Connecticut Bank and Trust Company in Norwalk, and Alison is manager of the commercial credit department at People's Bank in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

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Karen L. Agee reports from Los Angeles, California, that she recently had a visit from **Julia D. Eastin**. "We joined **Bryan Merryman '84**, **Michael Stoner '86**, **John Wilson '86**, and **Beth Welty '87** for 'Kenyon talk' in Los Angeles and saw **Sam Taylor '85** during a trip to San Francisco." Karen is now assistant to the vice president for production at Tri Star Pictures. **Gina A. Bauman** writes that she is in her last year at the Columbia University School of Social Work. She is also counseling children with cancer and their families at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. "After graduation, I plan to move back to my home city, Los Angeles, to practice social work and play lots of volleyball." **Jennifer Balshaw Fiedelholz** and her husband, Glenn, announce the birth of their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Fiedelholz, on July 2, 1988. Jennifer, who is pursuing a master's degree in public policy at Georgetown University, and her family live in Germantown, Maryland. **Carol B. Fiedler** tells us **Rebecca A. Milner** married Larry Stratton (Carleton College) on June 25, 1988. "Becky and Larry are living in Plymouth, New Hampshire, where both teach at Holderness School. Also attending the wedding was **Mary Pat Ennis**, who graduated from Ohio State University's law school in May 1988." Carol, who received her master's degree in political science from the University of Chicago in June 1988, continues studying there for her Ph.D. **Robert E. Grunawalt** reports he graduated with a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Michigan. Bob is now working at a small software

company in Ann Arbor, Michigan, that works with computer-aided design programs. **Margaret C. Harding** tells us she has changed jobs and is now working for a computer company, "which is great!" Margaret lives at 32-34 Upland Road, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178. **Patricia W. Homans** writes that she will graduate in May 1989 from Washington University in St. Louis with an M.B.A. and a master's degree in health administration. She hopes to pursue a career in health care consulting. **Robin E. Muller** reports she is now assistant women's basketball coach at Virginia Commonwealth University. She has a message for **Brian Brooks** and **Kelly Smith**: "Come visit me!" Robin's new address is 5760 Pony Farm Drive, Apt. 212, Richmond, Virginia 23227. **Lisa A. Neuville** writes that she has been admitted to the bar in Arizona "and I hope I never have to take a bar exam again." Lisa, who says she is enjoying her first winter in "the Valley of the Sun," lives at 5101 North 40th Street, D413, Phoenix, Arizona 85018. **Harvey M. Stephens** married **Mary Beth Atkinson '86** in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on August 20, 1988. Among the Kenyonites in attendance were **Stuart M. Gutsche**, **David S. Peebles**, **Christopher W. Pisano**, **Jeffrey H. Schneider**, **Mary J. Schwendener**, **Lawrence H. Shannon**, **Timothy E. Stautberg**, **William Taylor**, **Sarah D. Van Oosterhout**, **Lauren C. Davis '86**, **Carrie L. Martin '86**, **John J. Oderman '87**, and **Katherine R. Thornwell '87**. Harvey and Mary Beth are living at 1621 South Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois 62704. **Nancy J. Snelsire** married Michael Teague (North Carolina School of the Arts) on October 1, 1988. "Sarah Kading, who was maid of honor, came up from Texas, where she is studying at the University of Texas, and **Cilla Wright** came down from Washington, D.C., where she makes mischief and attends sit-ins on her lunch break. We caught up on old times while driving around in my husband's 1941 Studebaker." Nancy and Michael live in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

'86 **Christopher M. Schwarz** 1642 Courtland Drive Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004
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Ross C. Agnor reports he is a second-year medical student at the University of Cincinnati. Ross and his wife, Rebecca De Capua-Agnor, live at 3502 Clifton, Apt. 5, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220. **Mary Beth Atkinson** married **Harvey M. Stephens '85** in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on August 20, 1988. Among the Kenyonites in attendance were **Stuart M. Gutsche '85**, **David S. Peebles '85**, **Christopher W. Pisano '85**,

Jeffrey H. Schneider '85, **Mary J. Schwendener '85**, **Lawrence H. Shannon '85**, **Timothy E. Stautberg '85**, **William Taylor '85**, **Sarah D. Van Oosterhout '85**, **Lauren C. Davis**, **Carrie L. Martin**, **John J. Oderman '87**, and **Katherine R. Thornwell '87**. Mary Beth and Harvey are living at 1621 South Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois 62704. **Wendy A. Crabbe** tells us she is sharing an apartment with **Robyn S. Williams** at 3530 Daleford Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120. Wendy, who recently earned her real estate license, is a paralegal with Schneider, Smeltz, Huston, and Ranney, and Robyn is an insurance consultant with International Management Group. Wendy reports **David B. Lingafelter**, another of the large Class of '86 contingent in Cleveland, is a full-time M.B.A. student at Case Western Reserve University. **Lisa A. Domeck** represented Kenyon at the inauguration of the Reverend Michael J. Lavelle, S.J., as president of John Carroll University on September 23, 1988. Lisa lives in South Euclid, Ohio. **Maureen D. Donahue** reports she has returned from Tokyo and is now living in Hawaii, where she is teaching Japanese at Hawaii Preparatory Academy, a boarding school for high school students. She earned a master's degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages at Temple University's Tokyo campus and a proficiency degree from the Japanese Language Institute at Sophia University, both in August 1988. Maureen's address is Box 428, Kamuela, Hawaii 96743. **Paulo E. Franco Jr.** tells us he is in his third year of law school in Richmond, Virginia, where he is serving as associate editor of the law review. He recently accepted a clerkship with the Supreme Court of Virginia—"I begin work five days after taking the bar." **Bradley D. Hazelrigg** reports he is a first-year M.B.A. student at Georgetown University, focusing on international business. He passes along the following information: **Leslie S. Brauman** and **Elyssa L. Ramsey** are sharing an apartment in Boston, Massachusetts; **Elizabeth "Bits" Leik** is working for a law firm in Baltimore, Maryland; and **James D. Polk** recently completed work in a dinner theater in Akron, Ohio. Brad notes that he has "plenty of room for visitors" at his digs at 1932 35th Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007. **Robert M. Hurley** tells us he has been a finance and accounting manager with Procter and Gamble for the past two years. He sends along the following news of classmates: **Robert "Stretch" Klamar** is finishing up his classroom work in medical school at Ohio State University; **Thomas G. Kovach** made the law review staff in his first year of law school at Ohio State, where **Randall W. Mikes** is a second-year student; **Paul A. Restuccia** is in law school at Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois; and **Joseph D. Rubin**, whom Bob saw on a recent West Coast business trip, is in his second year at Hastings School of Law in San Francisco,

California. Bob and his wife, Susan, live at 3126 Dayton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45211. **Dean E. Kuska** married **Suzanne Barritt '88** in Ann Arbor, Michigan, on September 24, 1988. **John R. Geletka '87** served as best man, and **Amy Heasley Williams '88** and her husband, Chris Williams, did the readings. Other Kenyonites in attendance included **Richard G. Schuster '87**, **Daniel F. Waldeck '87**, **David G. Abood '88**, **Kathleen M. Kahle '88**, **Annette K. Laursen '88**, **Katherine B. Luther '88**, and **Laura J. Mills '88**. Dean and Suzanne are living at 12 Cobblestone Drive, Clay, New York 13041. **Gayle L. Reavlin** has been named manager of West Coast development for Magnusfilms (producers of *Anna*, the film for which Sally Kirkland was nominated for a 1988 Best Actress Academy Award) in Santa Monica, California. She will coordinate script development and submissions, serve as liaison with writers and publishers, and assist the president. Gayle was formerly with Bantam-Doubleday-Dell Publishing Group. **Margaret C. Rule** and **Eileen B. Shaver** report they are sharing an apartment at 808 Kerr Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, and both working in the hotel business, Peggy in catering and Eileen in sales. "Now that we aren't living out of boxes, everyone is welcome to visit. In the small world department, **Marjorie Baker** works in the office next to mine at Hyatt Regency Columbus. Peggy and I ran into **Heidi Hottinger Slemmer**, who's in her third year at Ohio State's veterinary school, at a Steve Winwood concert in September. Our common question was, 'Where is **Tracy Davis** and why doesn't she write?'" **Heidi A. Sauerbrey** has been named an account executive at *New England Monthly* in Boston, Massachusetts. Heidi was previously in advertising sales with *Sailing World* magazine. **Charles "Cully" Stimson** reports he is director of admissions and financial aid and director of alumni relations at St. James School in Maryland. He also teaches English and edits the school's quarterly alumni publication. Cully has been traveling a good deal, including a twenty-five day safari in Kenya and Tanzania followed by a three-week tour of Egypt and Greece. **Lee A. Tucker** tells us she visited in England last summer for the wedding of **Alison Wright Smithers**, where she saw **Laura "Jenny" Huff**, **Charles R. Needle**, and **Ruth J. Staveley**. Lee, who says she is "thinking about graduate school," works for the State of Washington and lives at 10730 Greenwood Avenue, N., Apt. 23, Seattle 98133. **John W. Zinsser** writes that he has moved to Tokyo, where he is working at a management consulting firm with **Craig A. Phares '87** as one of his colleagues. John says he would "love to hear from anyone over this way" at 3-24-3 Takagi-Cho, Kokubunji-Shi, Tokyo-To, Japan 185.

'87

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Stephanie L. Abbajay reports she is now an assistant editor at *The National Interest*, a quarterly foreign-policy magazine, and a staff reporter for Report from America, a news service, both in Washington, D.C. Stephanie provides the following news from classmates. **Peter D.A. Carson** is working on Capitol Hill as a staff member for U.S. Congressman Christopher H. Shays, a Republican from Connecticut. **Linda H. Djerejian** is an assistant producer for CNN in New York City. **Christopher J. Eigeman** is on the theater circuit in New York City and had a call-back for a new John Hughes film. **Eden E. Fisher** is living at 1007 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20002; she is working as a policy analyst for the Child Welfare League of America. **Sharon L. Hauser** has been named assistant director of annual giving at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York. **Eric S. Kessler** is in his second year at George Washington University, studying international relations, and is working on Capitol Hill as a staff member for U.S. Senator Frank R. Lautenberg, a Democrat from New Jersey. **Joseph E. Lipscomb** is an investment banker with First Boston in New York City and plans to pursue a joint degree from the Wharton School of Business and Johns Hopkins University. **Zelda J. Novak** worked on the senatorial campaign of Alan Keyes in Maryland and is now an assistant editor at the Public Interest in Washington, D.C. **James K. Sokol**, on sabbatical from the world of food and jewelry, has moved to New York City where he is working for Beverly Sills at the City Opera. **Harriet S. Stern** is living at 5505 South Everett Avenue, Apt. 2E, Chicago, Illinois 60637; she is working in an art gallery and going for a master's degree in art history at Northwestern University. **Wendy L. Stetson** has moved to Vermont and can be contacted at Box 618, Waitfield, Vermont 05673. **Edward C. Wood** has moved to Boston, Massachusetts, where he is in the marketing department at SuperVideo—"Videos are my life." **Richard A. Zappala II** is in his second year at Boston College Law School "and loving it." That concludes the Abbajay report. **Lieutenant Charles C. Adams IV** of the U.S. Marine Corps reports he graduated from basic school and the infantry officers' course at Quantico, Virginia, and is now commanding a platoon at Camp Margarita, Camp Pendleton, California. He can be contacted at 223 Calle Serena, San Clemente, California 92672. **R. Kirk Anderson** reports he will receive his master's degree in Asian studies

from Harvard University this spring. He plans to continue studying for a doctorate, focusing on contemporary Chinese short fiction and Taoism. Kirk lives at 881 Broadway, Somerville, Massachusetts 02144. **Robert A. Harris** married Denise C. Bowman in Columbus, Ohio, on September 25, 1988. Robert, who is appointments secretary to Governor Richard Celeste of Ohio, plans to attend law school this fall, and Denise attends the College of Education at Ohio State University.

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Suzanne Barritt married **Dean E. Kuska '86** in Ann Arbor, Michigan, on September 24, 1988. **John R. Geletka '87** served as best man, and **Amy Heasley Williams** and her husband, Chris Williams, did the readings. Other Kenyonites in attendance included **Richard G. Schuster '87**, **Daniel F. Waldeck '87**, **David G. Abood**, **Kathleen M. Kahle**, **Annette K. Laursen**, **Katherine B. Luther**, and **Laura J. Mills**. Suzanne and Dean are living at 12 Cobblestone Drive, Clay, New York 13041. **Ronald R. Bayus** reports he is "working six days a week as a chemist at Lucas Aerospace but still finding time to explore Cleveland's 'Flats' with **Paul Baier**, **Jodi Campbell**, **Sten Johnson**, and sometimes **Mark Henry**." Ron lives at 27621 Chagrin Boulevard, Apt. 206, Woodmere, Ohio 44122. **Peter B. Gudaitis** was one of seven participants in the "Learning through Service" program of the Association of Episcopal Colleges to receive the presiding bishop's Distinguished Service Award at the Episcopal Church's general convention in July 1988. He was honored for his work with the people of Lincoln County, West Virginia. Peter is now lay chaplain at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. **Seth L. Harris** had a showing of his sculptures, "The Art of Cool," at the PDG Art Gallery in New York City in September and October 1988. Seth reports he is now "back in the heartland, Columbus, Ohio." **Amy E.M. Heasley** married Christopher S. Williams (College of Wooster) on September 3, 1988. Amy writes, "A wild collection of Kenyon alumni, students, and friends were there to share the day," including her father, **Robert G. Heasley '60**, and her brother **R. Graham Heasley Jr. '83**. Chris is a son of Professor of Psychology Jon L. Williams and his wife, **Laurel S. Williams '84**. Amy and Chris now live at 2902 Treedise, N.W., Apt. C, Canton, Ohio 44709. **Ensign Douglas J. Kush** recently completed U.S. Navy Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island. Doug joined the Navy in June 1988. **Annette K. Laursen** reports she is working at Hurricane Island Outward Bound (Continued on inside back cover)

Deaths

The Reverend John deBoer Cummings '22 on October 18, 1988, of complications following a stroke. A resident of Redlands, California, he was ninety.

John majored in science and was a member of Delta Tau Delta. He was active in the Drama Club and was editor of *Reveille* and the *Collegian*. Prior to attending Kenyon, John served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1917 to 1919. After graduation, he taught history for a number of years at private schools in New England, including Lenox, Hotchkiss, and St. Paul's; he also taught at Cranbrook in Michigan. John spent summers during that time as director of Teton Valley Ranch for Boys in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. In 1923, he received a master's degree in history from the University of Michigan; in 1937, he received a second master's degree, in education, from Columbia University. Ordained as an Episcopal minister in 1944, John became the headmaster at St. Michael's in Newport, Rhode Island, in 1947. He went on to serve as rector at St. John's Church in Columbus, Ohio, before assuming duties as chaplain and instructor at St. Stephen's School in Austin, Texas, in 1950. John later became chaplain at St. Mark's School in Dallas and served as rector at St. Andrew's Church in Amarillo. In 1954 he assumed the pastorate at Trinity Episcopal Church in Redlands, California, which he held until his retirement in 1966. He attended his fiftieth reunion at Kenyon in 1972.

John is survived by a sister, Jane Paepflow.

Willis H. Lamb 1926 on August 8, 1988, of a stroke. He was eighty-six and a resident of New York City.

A Kenyon matriculant, Willis worked for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company for thirty-nine years and, following his retirement, worked part-time for Chase Manhattan Bank in New York City. In 1987 Willis attended the annual New York City Alumni Association dinner.

Willis is survived by two brothers, John and Charles Lamb.

Lawrence W. Mills '26 on September 5, 1988, of pneumonia. A resident of New Port Richey, Florida, he was eighty-three.

Lawrence graduated from Kenyon cum laude with a major in philosophy. He was active as a student in Sigma Pi. After leaving Kenyon, Lawrence went on to earn a master's degree and a doctorate at Ohio State University. From 1929 to 1941, he taught at Case Institute of Technology, where he also served as assistant dean and then dean of students. In 1941 Lawrence entered the U.S. Army as a first lieutenant and remained in the service until 1945, leaving as a lieutenant colonel. From 1945 to 1971 he served as director of edu-

cation for the American Osteopathic Association, playing a key role in the founding of many osteopathic colleges. Beginning in 1971, Lawrence spent two years as an education consultant for the Oklahoma, and then the Florida, legislatures.

Lawrence is survived by a daughter, Sally A. Steine, a son, Robert L. Mills, and four grandchildren.

J. Crawford Brooks '35 on August 27, 1988, of cancer. A resident of Santa Rosa, California, he was seventy-three.

Prior to entering Kenyon, Crawford attended Santa Rosa Junior College. Following graduation from Kenyon, cum laude with a major in economics, he was employed at the U.S. Department of Agriculture from 1935 to 1937, when he received an Edward Harkness Fellowship to study in England, and then at the Library of Congress from 1938 to 1940. During this period Crawford also studied labor relations at American University in Washington, D.C. He served at the War Department from 1940 to 1941 and the Office of Government Reports in the Executive Office of the President from 1941 to 1942. During World War II, Crawford was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve in the Pacific, where he was an executive officer on a mine sweeper. He was also a congressional naval liaison in Washington, D.C., earning the rank of lieutenant commander. From 1945 to 1947, Crawford was an official at the U.N. Relief and Rehabilitation Commission and also worked for UNICEF. In 1947 he joined the State Department and worked on pre-Marshall Plan economic relief and aid. During the 1940s Crawford was also president of the Washington, D.C., Alumni Association. After attending graduate school at George Washington University, he served as public affairs officer in the State Department in La Paz, Bolivia, for three years, beginning in 1952; from 1953 to 1954 he also worked for the U.S. Information Agency. Crawford spent 1956 and 1957 on special assignment as the American observer of a British expedition to Antarctica. During his tenure as a foreign service officer he served in Central and South America, China, and Iceland and as American consul in Veracruz, Mexico, and Valencia, Spain. He retired from government service in 1967 and beginning in 1968 headed the Friends of Robert Ripley, helping to establish the Santa Rosa's "Believe it or Not" Memorial Museum. Following his retirement, Crawford also taught international relations at Santa Rosa Junior College.

Crawford is survived by his wife, Doris Cunningham Brooks, a daughter, Lindsay C. Brooks '79, and a son, Kearney A. Brooks.

John R. Barlow 1940 on October 6, 1988, of congestive heart failure. A resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, he was sixty-nine.

After attending Kenyon, John joined the

Charles M. Gray Agency in advertising and, during World War II, served in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was employed for many years by the Chrysler Corporation in Michigan, where he was manager of advertising and sales promotion.

John is survived by his wife, Cita Barlow, and his children, John Barlow and Judy Collins.

Robert P. Dellheim '50 on June 28, 1988, as a result of an accident at home. He was sixty-one and lived in New York City.

At Kenyon, Robert majored in English and was active in WKCO and in dramatics. Following graduation, cum laude, he began preparation for an operatic career as a baritone. Although Robert did not end up singing professionally, he continued to sing at the 92nd Street YMCA in New York. He retired from General Motors this year.

Robert is survived by his wife.

C. Ray Smith '51 on August 18, 1988, of heart failure. A resident of New York City, he was fifty-nine.

An English major at Kenyon, Ray was in dramatics and Delta Tau Delta. He went on to Yale University, where he received his master's degree in English, and also attended the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts in London. Beginning in 1961, Ray spent ten years as editor of *Progressive Architecture* magazine; he was also an editor of *Interiors*, *Residential Interiors*, and *Theatre Crafts* magazines. Most recently, he edited *Oculus*, the newsletter of the New York City chapter of the American Institute of Architects and served as design editor of *Unique Homes* magazine. Ray edited numerous other articles and books, many of them on theatrical matters, and wrote for various publications, including the *New York Times Magazine*, the *Village Voice*, and *House Beautiful*. In 1977, E.P. Dutton published his *Supermannerism: New Attitudes in Post-Modern Architecture*, which was published in Italian in 1982. Ray's other books included *The American Endless Weekend* and *Interior Design in Twentieth-Century America*, a college-level textbook published by Harper and Row in 1986. He taught the history of twentieth-century architecture and design at The Parsons School of Design in New York City and, beginning in 1981, at the Fashion Institute of Technology. A fellow of the American Institute of Architecture and of the U.S. Institute for Theatre Technology, as well as a member of the Society of Architectural Historians and the Architectural League of New York, Ray lectured widely at museums and schools throughout the country.

Ray is survived by a son, Scott Sinclair Smith.

Robert C. McOwen '52 on September 20, 1988, of cancer. A resident of Longwood, Florida, he was fifty-eight.

Bob majored in economics at Kenyon and was a member of Delta Tau Delta. He was

active in sports, including football, swimming, and lacrosse. Following graduation and a stint in the U.S. Army, he managed the family business, Dixie Motors in Orlando, Florida, until 1976. From 1977 until his retirement in 1987, he was district manager for Spears Manufacturing.

His classmate and friend Bill B. Ranney '52 remembers, "We called him 'Mother Mac,' a nickname he earned for his caring ways toward his friends. He was always good for a loan for a milkshake and even provided transportation for late-night runs to Mount Vernon."

Bob is survived by his wife, Louise McOwen; a daughter, Kathleen Longwood; two sons, Michael and James; two stepsons, Richard and Michael Mells; and a brother, William H. McOwen '48. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to Kenyon.

Leigh B. Block H'67 on December 9, 1987, in Santa Barbara, California. He was eighty-three.

Block was a vice president of Inland Steel, a company his father, Leopold, and uncle, Philip, helped found in 1893. He attended the University of Chicago from 1923 to 1924 and, the following year, began his association with Inland Steel. A philanthropist, Block was an ardent supporter of Chicago institutions, including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Chicago Zoological Society, and the Chicago Art Institute, of which he was president and chair from 1970 to 1975. He and his wife, the late Mary Lasker Block H'67, were avid art collectors and owned one of the finest art collections in the United States. The Mary and Leigh Block Art Gallery was constructed at Northwestern University, where Leigh was a trustee, in the late 1970s. Following the death of his wife in 1981, Block moved permanently to their home in Santa Barbara.

Block is survived by a son, James, three grandchildren, a brother, and two sisters.

Luis W. Alvarez H'69 on September 1, 1988, of cancer. A resident of Berkeley, California, he was seventy-seven.

Alvarez received his bachelor's degree in 1932 and his doctorate in 1936, both from the University of Chicago. He taught at the University of California at Berkeley beginning in 1938. During World War II, Alvarez was involved with a variety of war-related scientific research projects. From 1940 to 1943 he worked at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology radiation laboratory on aviation and radar projects; from 1943 to 1944 he worked at the University of Chicago with Enrico Fermi. He then moved on to Los Alamos, New Mexico, where he worked on detonators for the plutonium bomb. In the 1950s Alvarez and his group made possible the discovery of scores of fundamental particles by their development of large-scale liquid hydrogen bubble chambers (for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in

physics in 1968), their invention of semiautomatic track-measuring equipment, and their introduction of programming procedures for computers to reduce track data to physically meaningful form. He was also the codiscoverer of the east-west effect in cosmic rays and a demonstrator of orbital electron capture by nuclei. Alvarez collaborated in building the first proton linear accelerator based on the use of cavity resonators and developed the ground-controlled approach blind landing system, which uses microwave radar. He also put forth the theory that the sudden extinction of dinosaurs resulted from the collision of an asteroid with the Earth. From 1954 to 1959, and again from 1976 to 1978, Alvarez was associate director of the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory in California. After his retirement in 1978, he was named professor emeritus at Berkeley. In 1981 he won the Wright Prize for interdisciplinary scientific accomplishment, and in 1987 he won the U.S. Department of Energy's Enrico Fermi Award, the highest scientific honor bestowed by the department.

Alvarez is survived by his wife, Janet Landis; two daughters, Jean and Helen; and two sons, Walter and Donald.

Andrew E. Karrer '86 on November 11, 1988, is presumed dead after the boat in which he was a passenger capsized during a storm off the coast of the Philippines in the Pacific Ocean. He was twenty-four. Andrew was serving as a Peace Corps volunteer at the time of the accident.

Andrew majored in philosophy at Kenyon and was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma and the Sailing Club. He was on the photography staffs of the *Collegian* and *Reveille*. Andrew joined the Peace Corps in June 1987 and received three months of training before being sworn in as a volunteer in Palau. He taught English to island residents, worked with a youth group, and helped organize a Boy Scout troop. Andrew was also helping to develop a financial investment plan and working on planning tax rates for the Philippine tourist trade at the time of his death.

Andrew is survived by his parents, Carol and George Karrer, and two brothers, Matthew and James, all of Worthington, Ohio. Memorial contributions may be made to Kenyon to be used for aid for students interested in philosophy and social policy.

Matthew W. van Deventer '86 was lost at sea and is presumed dead. The exact date of his death is unknown. He was twenty-four. Matt was working in Europe at the time of the accident.

Matt majored in English at Kenyon and was active in the Fourth Floor student art gallery and Amnesty International.

Matt is survived by his parents, Sally and Frank van Deventer of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. Memorial contributions may be made to Kenyon to be added to the general scholarship fund.



Robert Fink

Robert O. Fink, 1905-1988

Robert O. Fink, a former professor of classics at Kenyon, died December 17, 1988, of pneumonia at Northside Manor nursing home in Mount Vernon, Ohio. He was eighty-three.

Fink, an internationally recognized authority on papyrus, taught at the College from 1946 to 1966. He was the author of *Roman Military Records on Papyrus*, the definitive work in its field.

Born in Adams County, Indiana, in 1905, Fink received his bachelor's degree from Indiana University, his master's degree from Cornell University, and his doctorate from Yale University in 1934. Before coming to Kenyon he taught at Yale, Russell Sage College, and Beloit College. He retired from the State University of New York at Albany in 1976.

Fink, who for his retirement returned to Gambier, was an expert in ancient Greek and Latin texts, which he deciphered from the often illegible and faded handwriting on papyrus. His painstaking work helped to piece together some of the great manuscripts of the past, including the Latin papyri found at Yale's great archaeological site in Syria at Dura-Europus.

"As a colleague and as a teacher, he set a formidable example of rare lucidity and learning, challenging us to clear up our vagueness and solidify the soggy patches in our knowledge and understanding," said friend and colleague William E. McCulloh, classics professor at Kenyon.

Fink is survived by his wife, Ruth Kuersteiner Fink. Memorial contributions may be made to the Robert O. Fink Memorial Scholarship Fund at Kenyon.

Hold the ice

A freelancer tells of fears and faux-pas in New York City

by Andrew Welsh-Huggins '83

Not long ago I read in the *New York Times* about a gold rush in the jungles of Brazil, replete with mysterious villains, exotic locales, and fabulous wealth. I was reminded of how closely the ever-romantic occupation of gold digging resembles my own line of work, freelance writing. Long hours, hard work, intermittent pay—the similarities are endless. Sort of.

But freelance writing, like searching for gold, does occasionally turn up a rare and valuable nugget. Take that one afternoon last August, for example. I came home and found a message on my answering machine from an editor at the *Providence Journal* asking me to interview former President Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn.

(After receiving a master's degree in comparative literature from Brown University last May, I had done a number of freelance pieces for the *Journal*. Among them was a somewhat controversial story on a house in Providence for mothers and children with AIDS. My editor, Sheila Lennon, was more than generous with tougher-than-usual assignments.)

The difficult part about this story was that the Carters were really not news; they were in New York City to talk about their book, *Everything to*

Gain: Making the Most of the Rest of Your Life, which had just come out in paperback. But the *Journal* had already run a story on the book when the hardcover edition appeared, and Lennon was interested in an article that focused on Jimmy's reputation as a carpenter and the work he and Rosalynn have done with Habitat for Humanity, a group that builds and mortgages low-cost homes for the poor.

Great. Not only was I to interview a former president; I had to try to direct the discussion away from his publicity agenda. A week before the interview and already my palms were sweaty.

On the afternoon before our scheduled meeting, I loaded my thoroughly jangled

nerves aboard a bus to New York City—big mistake—and arrived at my brother Matthew's Brooklyn apartment feeling like a watch wound way too tightly. In the morning I went to the New York Public Library to organize my notes one last time. I met Matthew for lunch, and dined on bagels, French fries, and a Coke. Just what my stomach needed.

After a fair amount of nonchalant dilly-dallying, I tied my bow tie for the last time (in the window of the IBM Building at Madison and 56th) and headed for the Waldorf-Astoria Towers at just a little past three. There, exuding sang-froid even as my insides turned to ice, I waited in the lobby.

Matthew had agreed to come along just for company and was to wait outside during the interview. But when the Carters' publicist, Tammy Winter, arrived in the lobby, my pulse topped 110 and I decided he was coming with me. I introduced Matthew as my photographer and asked if it would be okay to take some pictures. He never blinked an eye.

We arrived at the Carters' fortieth-floor suite a little past 3:45 p.m., with strict instructions from Winter not to exceed our allotted forty-five minutes. A Secret Service man in the hall gave us a bored nod. My heart crashed



Andrew Welsh-Huggins interviews Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter.

and slammed against my chest when I heard you-know-whose voice inside.

Jimmy was busy talking to a book editor, so it was Rosalynn who graciously escorted us in. She was much different from what I'd imagined—shorter, with lighter hair, and a surprisingly deep voice that made her sound like Lauren Bacall with a mild twang.

"Y'all related?" asked Jimmy, who had finished his other business and was now offering us Cokes. A memorable greeting.

Okay, so then I interviewed the Carters. I mean, I actually did it. Most of my prepared questions—about twenty—went out the window. We ended up talking a lot about the book, but also a lot about Habitat and their own house in Plains, Georgia. Although at times their answers drifted toward the formulaic—some remarks were more or less directly from the book—their manner and their attentiveness to and interest in my questions were generally honest and sincere. They invited my brother and me to Nicaragua and Houston to work on Habitat projects, and they also invited us down to Plains—any time. Pro forma, perhaps, but a nice gesture.

Toward the end of the interview, just as I was beginning to hear myself again over the pounding of my heart, Matthew had the good sense to get up and take some pictures. In the process he managed to tip his glass over, spilling ice across the Waldorf-Astoria's carpet. Thanks, Matthew. The clink-clink-clink of ice returning to its glass as the Carters make their last remarks is one of the highlights of the tape-recorded interview.

We shook hands, said goodbye and thanks, and rode the elevator back down to the flower-bedecked lobby. That's when the reality of the afternoon set in. I thought of all the questions I should have asked. Matthew and I stared at each other—and laughed. After wandering around for a few minutes with that dazed feeling you get after riding a roller coaster, we got on a subway and headed back to Brooklyn to celebrate. Broke as we both were, homemade ratatouille had to suffice, but who cares about haute cuisine after talking to a president?

I barely slept that night, writing and rewriting the story in my head. Good as gold, at least in my mind, "Theology of the Hammer" appeared three weeks later in the *Providence Journal*. By then, I was relaxed again—at least until the next big assignment.

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School in the Florida Keys, teaching sailing and sea-kayaking. She recently finished a tour of duty as a crew scientist on a Chesapeake Bay schooner, the *Lady Maryland*. **Amy B. Malkoff** is living in Boston and attending the graduate program at the New England Conservatory of Music. **Christopher Walsh** tells

us that after leaving Kenyon in 1985 he studied for a year at the University of New Hampshire. "I have developed a band that plays on the eastern end of Long Island. We played about thirty professional engagements in the summer of 1988, and I hope to build on this in coming years." Chris lives at 32 Farmington Road, West Newton, Massachusetts 02165.

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