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Thursday, October 21, 1999

BFEC announces plans for construction

BY SETH GOLDEN AND
GRANT SCHULERT
Collegian Staff

Construction will hopefully begin this spring on a new 3500 square foot facility at the Brown Family Environmental Center (BFEC), formerly the Kenyon Center for Environmental Study.

These plans were made public Saturday at a dinner celebrating the center's fifth anniversary.

Currently, the only structure at the BFEC is an old farmhouse, with approximately 1000 square feet, used for indoor activities and offices. The new building, designed by NBBJ Architecture Design Planning of Columbus, Ohio,

will likely be completed six months after ground is broken, according to Jordan Professor of Environmental Science Raymond Heithaus.

According to Heithaus, the decision to make a new building "came out of realizing we have needs not being met in the house. We couldn't get 16 Kenyon stu-

dents in there to do animal behavior."

The building will incorporate the finer aspects of barns in the immediate area. As an academic center, the new building will have space for both environmental education information and public environmental programs, as well as a student research lab.

"There are no base facilities [for research] on the center itself," said Will Fletcher '00, a biology student who carried out a Summer Science Project at the BFEC. The new building will have "a full lab facility, geared up for conducting lab work on the center itself, getting samples from the river and see BFEC, page two"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Dan McCarthy

Members of the Kenyon community participated in hayrides and other festivities Saturday in celebration of the Brown Family Environmental Center's fifth anniversary.

Traffic situation monitored by NBBJ

BY DANIEL CONNOLLY
Senior Staff Reporter

It was a lucrative two days work for the 15 or so temporary workers whose jobs brought them to Gambier Monday and Tuesday. One worker told the *Collegian* he was making \$14 per hour to stand on a street corner counting passing cars and available parking spaces, aided by a clipboard equipped with multiple mechanical counters.

This was all part of an effort to find a solution to Kenyon College's chronic parking shortage.

The temps were employed by Parsons Transportation Group, a subcontractor for NBBJ Architecture Design Planning, a firm which has worked extensively with Kenyon in previous years.

Kenyon hired NBBJ several months ago to come up with proposed solutions to its parking shortage. The root of the parking problem is simple: more students are bringing cars to campus than in previous years, and the number of parking spaces remains limited. A likely solution will involve the creation of new parking spaces, said Director of Security and Safety Dan Werner.

"We have to build a new parking lot. I'm sure of that," Werner said, explaining that plans to limit the number of cars on campus (for example, not allowing freshmen to have cars) are not feasible and might be unfair. "I think that regardless of their class year, students who come to Kenyon de-

serve to have a car here if they want one," he said.

The consultants will present suggestions about how to maximize parking space with minimal damage to aesthetics based on the traffic pattern data collected at Kenyon this week and during other times of the year, including college breaks, Werner said.

Kenyon's security office conducted its own parking survey Monday night and early Tuesday morning, sending an officer out to count empty parking spaces at 9 p.m. and again at 2 a.m., Werner said.

"[On Sept. 23] the parking consultants came in to talk to Senate," said Brent Shank '01, vice president of academic affairs. Shank said that the senators proposed a number of solutions, including repainting the lines in the Acland parking lot, cutting down trees to expand the South lot, and making other such rearrangements. "Our feeling was that the consultants weren't really interested in what we had to say," Shank said. "At the end they said, 'thanks for your time, we'll see you in six months.'"

"We kind of feel it's a dead issue until they get back to us in March," Shank said.

Werner said that he was not sure when the consulting firm would hand in its recommendations.

Ultimately, the senior staff and the president will decide which of the consulting firm's recommendations see PARKING, page three

Council considers voting changes

LUKE WITMAN
Staff Reporter

For the second time in this academic year, the Kenyon College Student Council considered a proposal to amend the voting privileges of its members, and for the second time, council members voiced skepticism regarding the merits of such a proposal.

Earlier this year, Council President Mike Lewis '00 proposed a change in the voting status for the position of president,

'The previous people [in our positions] were given the right and then they didn't want it anymore. We want it.'

—Torrey Androski '02

asking that this position have voting rights on all issues, rather than only in the case of a tie as stated in the Student Government Constitution. Council overwhelmingly shut down this proposal.

On Sunday, council members

Torrey Androski '02 and Jeremy Suhr '02 laid out a new plan asking that the positions of student lectureship and social board chair also be granted full voting rights. The current constitution fails to list these positions as members of council at all, making their representation unofficial. The proposal would change the constitution to include these chairs as voting members of council.

Before 1992, these positions were legitimate voting members of see VOTING, page two

THE VILLAGE WEATHER REPORT

FRIDAY: Showers possible. High in the mid 50s.

SUNDAY: Chance of rain or snow. High in the low 40s.

SATURDAY: Chance of rain or snow. High in the low 40s.

MONDAY: Partly cloudy. High in the low 50s.

Blues City Bisto expands local dining options

Columbus restaurant owner's new venture serves Mount Vernon area

BY DAVID DONADIO
Staff Reporter

At 11 a.m. yesterday, Mt. Vernon welcomed its newest restaurant, the Blues City Bisto. The Bisto offers a range of Italian, French and American cuisine in a casual New York cafe atmosphere. It serves pasta, steaks, salads and sandwiches and has plans to feature blues and jazz acts on Friday and Saturday nights in the near future.

Blues City is owned in part by Joe Turley, owner of Turley's

Restaurant and the Victorian Plantation, two top-10 restaurants in Columbus. It is staffed by a total of 25 part-time servers, about 12 kitchen personnel and four managers. It has a full liquor license and service bar, and a seating capacity of 100.

The Bisto will be open Tuesdays through Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located at 222 South Main Street in Mt. Vernon.



Blues City Bisto, located at 222 South Main Street in Mt. Vernon, opened for business yesterday.

Eddy Edder

THE VILLAGE RECORD

October 13 - 27

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| Oct. 6, 10:41 p.m.—Underage possession of alcohol at Gund Hall. | to and theft from display case at Peirce Hall. |
| Oct. 8, 10:22 a.m.—False fire alarm at Taft Cottages. Alarm activated by steam from the shower. | Oct. 16, 5 p.m.—Medical call regarding a cross country meet participant. The athlete was transported to the hospital. |
| Oct. 8, 12:10 p.m.—Theft of item from room at Lewis Hall. | Oct. 16, 6:42 p.m.—Fire alarm at Mather Residence. Alarm was reset. |
| Oct. 8, 1:51 p.m.—Medical call regarding an injured non-student at the Kenyon College Bookstore. | Oct. 16, 10:06 p.m.—Underage possession of alcohol and unauthorized gathering at Norton Hall. |
| Oct. 10, 9:35 p.m.—Report of suspicious non-students in Bexley Place area. | Oct. 17, 12:30 a.m.—Intoxicated underage student at Bushnell Hall. The student was transported back to her room. |
| Oct. 11, 10:05 a.m.—Theft of item from Peirce Hall Dining Room. | Oct. 17, 1:23 a.m.—Student vandalizing light posts on south campus. |
| Oct. 12, 5:55 a.m.—Vandalism at Old Kenyon. | Oct. 17, 3 a.m.—Underage possession of alcohol at Mather Residence. |
| Oct. 13, 1:53 a.m.—False alarm at Hanna Hall. Basement pull station pulled. Alarm was reset. | Oct. 17, 8:25 a.m.—Medical call regarding an ill student. The college physician was contacted and treated the student. |
| Oct. 13, 3:32 p.m.—Fire alarm at Olin Library. Maintenance was notified and cleaned the dirty smoke detector. | Oct. 17, 6:45 p.m.—Medical call regarding an injured student. The student was transported to the Health and Counseling Center. |
| Oct. 15, 1:25 a.m.—Fire alarm at Mather Residence. Pull stations pulled on first and second floors. Pull stations were reset. | Oct. 19, 7:00 p.m.—Medical call at Mather Residence regarding an ill student. The college physician was contacted. |
| Oct. 16, 1:20 a.m.—Underage possession of alcohol outside Mather Residence. | Oct. 20, 6:40 a.m.—Fire extinguisher discharged at Farr Hall. The extinguisher was replaced. |
| Oct. 16, 1:45 p.m.—Vandalism | |

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BFEC: new structure eco-friendly

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area to take back for study," he said.

"Our main goal in designing this building was to create a functional and environmentally sound structure," said Co-Director of the BFEC Inese Sharp. "The building will employ practices that have a minimal impact on the environment."

These practices will include geothermal heating, a cheap, environmentally sound type of ground-source heat, which utilizes the earth's more or less constant temperature. Additionally, a small portion of the center will be powered by photovoltaic cells, which generate solar-powered electricity. When this technology is more efficient, Heithaus said, it could eventually power the whole center. Moreover, the new structure will use materials which keep internal air pollution to a minimum, and unique insulation techniques. Recycled materials will be used as much as possible.

Kenyon College announced in

May a \$1 million gift from Cleveland's Minigowin Foundation to support the center. "While the environmental center has inspired an astonishing level of creativity and commitment in its activities and programs," Oden said then, "it has until now lacked an endowment that would secure its future."

The gift, for which the center's name was changed to BFEC, provided funds to support current operations and Sharp's full-time position as co-director.

Kenyon is attempting to raise an additional \$1 million to put towards the cost of the new academic center, estimated at \$500,000, and to create an endowment for the BFEC, which will serve as a permanent source of funding for the center's public education programs.

In an average year, through the center's field-trip program, over 1000 elementary-school children from 45 Knox County classrooms visit the BFEC. The old farmhouse, with a capacity for

only 15 to 20 people, has failed to adequately meet the needs of the burgeoning numbers of BFEC visitors who take part in its programs. The center's student manager will still be housed in the old building, however.

"The need for a new building speaks well of the success of the BFEC. We started as a small organization with a desire to make good use of the land available to us. Since then, we've grown into a source of education and recreation for all of Knox County," said Sharp.

Grounds for the BFEC stretch across more than 325 acres of land owned by the college. The BFEC, committed to environmental education, preservation and research, offers a wide variety of programs, including some geared towards children. Features of the BFEC include the one-half acre butterfly garden, a medicinal garden, four ponds, a woodland wildflower garden, and a bluebird trail.

Voting: which members of Council vote?

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student council, but a drastic downsizing in council membership that year led to the removal of the chairs of these two boards. That change was allegedly consensual, as student lectureships and social board had wished to develop an identity for themselves independent of student council. This was true as recently as last year.

"The previous people [in our positions] were given the right and then they didn't want it anymore," said Androski. "We want it."

Restoring the voting rights of these chairs may however be more complex than a simple affirmative

vote.

Lewis brought up an issue that could delay the change until next school year; such a change cannot be made to elected positions except between terms, because the student body did not elect Androski and Suhr as voting members of council. Other council members questioned whether the average Kenyon student is even aware of which members of council vote and which do not.

The proposal has been tabled until a later date, so that it can be more precisely detailed. A formal vote will probably take place in a few weeks.

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YESTERDAY'S NEWS

The Collegian looks back

The Kenyon Collegian

Justice Clark To Be First PACC Guest Gambler Observes Moratorium

Justice Clark, a member of the Supreme Court of the United States, will be the first guest of the PACC (Public Affairs and Civic Council) at its annual dinner and awards ceremony on Tuesday, October 19, 1989. The dinner will be held at the Village Inn in Gambier, Ohio, and will feature a variety of entertainment and a silent auction. The PACC is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1987 to promote civic and cultural activities in the Gambier area. It has since become one of the most active and successful organizations in the community. The annual dinner is one of its most important events, and it is always a great success. This year's dinner will be no exception, and it is expected to be a very special one. Justice Clark is a well-known and respected figure in the legal community, and his presence at the dinner will be a great honor for the PACC and the Gambier community. The dinner will also feature a presentation of the PACC's annual award for civic and cultural achievement. This award is given to the person or organization that has made the most significant contribution to the community in the past year. The award is a great honor, and it is always a pleasure to present it to the winner. The dinner will be held at the Village Inn, which is a beautiful and historic building in Gambier. It is a great venue for the dinner, and it is always a pleasure to hold the event there. The dinner will be a great evening of entertainment and celebration, and it is sure to be a great success. The PACC is proud to be able to host such a distinguished guest, and it is sure that the dinner will be a great evening for everyone who attends.

Dean Visits Council; Phone, Path Discussed Trustees Vote On Finance, Constitution

Dean of Students, David L. Clark, visited the Kenyon College Board of Trustees on Tuesday, October 19, 1989. During his visit, he discussed the college's current status and future plans with the trustees. He also discussed the college's phone system and the path leading to the new dormitory. The trustees voted on the college's finance and constitution during the meeting. The meeting was held in the Board Room of the college, and it was attended by all members of the board. The meeting was a very productive one, and it was a great opportunity for the dean to discuss the college's current status and future plans with the trustees. The trustees are the governing body of the college, and it is always a pleasure to meet with them. The meeting was a great success, and it is sure that the college's future is bright.

Drug Conf. Panel Named By Robert R. Smith

A panel of experts on drug use and abuse was named by Robert R. Smith, a member of the Kenyon College Board of Trustees. The panel will be responsible for studying the college's current policies on drug use and abuse and making recommendations for future action. The panel will be made up of experts in the field of drug use and abuse, and it will be a great resource for the college. The panel's findings and recommendations will be presented to the trustees, and it is sure that the college will take their advice. The panel's work is very important, and it is sure that the college will benefit from their expertise. The panel will be a great asset to the college, and it is sure that their work will be a great success.

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The Collegian as it appeared October 16, 1969.

10 Years Ago, October 19, 1989: Gambier received its first ATM following the First Knox National Bank's bid to rent out the open space by Farr Hall. The new banking technology offered Kenyon College students a quick, 24-hour alternative to the People's Bank of Gambier. With the installation of the ATM, First Knox became the first local competitor of the People's Bank, which had previously monopolized banking in the village.

20 Years Ago, October 18, 1979: The Ohio Liquor Control Commission cited the Village Inn for violating state liquor regulations after an underage Kenyon student was rushed to the hospital for alcohol poisoning. Kenyon College Safety and Security alerted the state department, who found the Village Inn in violation of serving a minor, and allowing a person under 21 to handle alcohol. The waitress who served the student at the Village Inn claimed that the restaurant had no policy on carding those who wished to drink alcohol.

30 Years Ago, October 16, 1969: Kenyon College students and the Gambier community observed a Day of Peace in response to the ongoing Vietnam War. About 70 students participated in the events of the day, which included prayer, debate and reflection. The purpose of the peace day was "to emphasize peace and brotherhood, rather than actual war protest."

40 Years Ago, October 30, 1959: Residents of Bexley apartments cried foul at the fact that they were not eligible to vote in Knox County. The residents, who were each married and over 21, argued that they were being denied their Constitutional rights. According to the Ohio State Secretary, out-of-state students who wished to vote were legally required first to assert intentions to remain in the county after graduation.

— Lorie Hancock



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Senate debates 'consent', 'zero tolerance'

BY ASHLEY GRABLE
News Editor

Much of Tuesday's meeting for the Kenyon College Senate focused on review of the sexual harassment/assault subcommittee formed at the Oct. 5 Senate meeting. In addition, Kenyon's sexual harassment/assault policies were further assessed, and proposals were analyzed for future changes. An e-mail address has been created—policyinput@kenyon.edu—for any member of the community wishing to make suggestions in the ongoing Senate debate about sexual harassment/assault policies at Kenyon. In addition to these policies, Senate discussed a proposal to eliminate the Media Board from student government and serve its functions through the Senate.

In reviewing the development of the sexual harassment/assault subcommittee, Senate voted to revise the nature of participation in the committee by student groups. Initially, one of five campus groups—SAFE: Movement for a Sexual Assault-Free Environment at Kenyon College, Crozier Center, the Sexual Harassment Task Force, VOICES and Greek Council—was permitted to attend each of the subcommittee's weekly meetings. During its turn in attendance rotation, each student group was given the right to voice concerns and raise issues, though none of these groups was permitted to vote in Senate resolutions.

According to Aaron Hamilton '01, Senate voted Tuesday to permit all five of these groups to attend each meeting of the subcommittee in order to avoid repetitive discussions at the meetings. Only one of the five groups will be given a voice, however, at each meeting.

During its first bi-weekly update to the Senate, the sexual harassment/assault subcommittee raised issues that were discussed

in its first meeting since its Oct. 5 creation. Among the controversial topics discussed by members of the Senate was the definition of "consent" to sexual activity as it should be understood and defined by the college.

SAFE, offering recommendations to the subcommittee in its first turn as a student group with voice, proposed that "consent" is valid only if all parties involved verbally agree to an activity and if no party involved has consumed any alcohol. According to Hamilton, Senate found that this definition of "consent", if passed into college policy, would limit the Judicial Board's ability to effectively deal with filed cases of sexual harassment or assault on an individual basis. Senate plans to further debate an acceptable definition of the term in future meetings.

Members of the Senate were able to agree, however, that SAFE's proposed "zero tolerance" policy for offenders of the sexual harassment/assault policy is unacceptable. Hamilton said Senate believes that requiring the permanent removal from campus of every person found guilty of sexual harassment or assault again limits the power of the Judicial Board to monitor each case on an individual basis.

Hamilton also said that Senate agreed college policies addressing sexual harassment and sexual assault should be found in the same section of the student handbook. Policies pertaining to these issues are not printed together in the handbook for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Another question discussed by the Senate was whether the existence of the Sexual Harassment Hearing Board is necessary. Students filing formal charges against an offender are currently able to choose between bringing their case before this board or the Judicial

Board.

In discussing these issues, said Vice President of Academic Affairs Brent Shank '01, Senate is "trying to find real practical solutions to all the problems that sexual harassment and assault encompass. Most of the problems that we have previously discussed have only dealt with the issues as they relate to the legal system."

In taking a practical approach to some of the potential problems, said Shank, Associate Professor of Political Science and Co-chair of the Senate Alex McKeown proposed that college policy require all sexual activity take place in the room of the female. This, he suggested, would offer women a support structure of accessible friends and an empowering environment. In addition it would force men interested in first-year women to walk to a first-year dorm, possibly creating the disincentive of a long walk and reducing risks of sexual harassment/assault of first-year women.

Outside of the sexual harassment/assault debate, Senate discussed the possibilities of eliminating the Media Board and serving its function through another branch of student government. According to Hamilton, the roles of the Media Board as defined in the student handbook may be served by either the Judicial Board, the Senate or a standing subcommittee formed by the Senate. The Media Board, which is currently inactive due to insufficient participation in membership, is likely to be eliminated because, said Hamilton, "students and faculty both show no interest in participating in the board."

According to Shank, "the Media Board hasn't been able to fill its positions of four faculty members and four student members for the past few years." A final decision about the fate of the Media Board may be reached at the Senate's next meeting, Nov. 2.

Parking: linked to Chase Ave. project?

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tions to adopt, said Dean of Students Donald Omahan. But any drastic measures that the consultants recommended would go through several levels of discussion in order to give students and others a chance to weigh in, Omahan said.

One of the trickiest parts of the process will be balancing the creation of new parking with the preservation of existing "green space". In the fall of 1998, the administration presented a proposal which would have created two office buildings and a parking lot on the north campus between Ward

Street and Chase Avenue, just south of the Snowden multicultural center.

Opposition to the plan was led by Associate Professor of Philosophy Juan DePasquale and P.F. Kluge, a writer-in-residence with the English department. Their primary concerns were over aesthetic and quality of life issues, such as increased traffic and run-off of water from the asphalt.

Early in the summer of 1999, Kluge and DePasquale wrote a letter to NBBJ informing the consulting firm of the controversy surrounding the Chase Avenue project and suggesting that they take such

concerns into consideration in their future recommendations to Kenyon.

"Since this firm was hired right after the college made a decision to put the Chase Avenue project on hold, it's reasonable to presume that there's a connection between the firm's current investigation of the traffic issue in the village and the old proposal for the Chase Avenue project," said DePasquale.

Administrators were unable to reach by press time to comment about the connection between the Chase Avenue project and the hiring of NBBJ.

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Elizabeth Dole bows out of presidential race

BY DAN BALZ
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON—Elizabeth Dole abandoned the presidential race yesterday, saying her hopes of becoming the first female president had been overwhelmed by a disparity in financial resources against Texas Gov. George W. Bush that made it "nearly impossible to sustain an effective campaign."

Dole became the fifth Republican to drop out, and her departure came at a time when she was running second in national polls to Bush for the GOP nomination. But her apparent success at energizing new voters and attracting more women to the Republican Party never translated into success in raising the money needed for the compressed caucus and primary schedule.

Dole said she had reluctantly come to the conclusion over the weekend that "it would be futile to continue," shared that feeling with her husband Robert J. Dole, the GOP's 1996 presidential nominee, "and he reluctantly agreed."

With her husband at her side during a morning news conference here, Dole reminded her

audience of the issues she had championed on the campaign trail, from gun control—on which she took an early and controversially liberal stand—to defense, foreign policy and education, on which she was a more traditional Republican. "In the real America, it's more important to raise issues than campaign funds," she said.

The rapid winnowing of the GOP field brought new demands yesterday for a revision of the primary process to create a more level playing field, diminish the importance of money and restore a stronger voice to voters in picking nominees.

"It's one more piece of evidence that we need to spread these primaries out," said Steve Duprey, New Hampshire Republican chairman. "It's unfortunate that the winnowing out that's occurred has been because of money instead of message."

Dole's departure may accrue to Bush's benefit, according to a variety of GOP strategists, because most polls show he is the overwhelming second choice of Dole supporters. "Her supporters and Governor Bush's supporters share a lot in common," said Linda DiVall, Dole's

pollster. "Bush is probably the first beneficiary."

But Dole's absence clears the way for Arizona Sen. John McCain and magazine publisher Steve Forbes to compete to become Bush's principal rival.

McCain advisers said their candidate, who has been gaining ground on Bush in New Hampshire, is best positioned to emerge as the alternative to Bush because of his House and Senate experience, his support among independent voters and his potential electability in a general election. "I think we're headed toward creating a two-man race, and I think this just speeds it up," said Rick Davis, McCain's campaign manager.

McCain advisers also believe their candidate could benefit from a potentially nasty advertising war between Bush and Forbes in coming weeks that would damage the front-runner without helping Forbes, whose negative ads in 1996 against Bob Dole have left many Republicans bitter.

Advisers to Forbes, however, argued that their candidate is now best positioned to battle Bush for the nomination because Forbes has the financial re-

sources to run against Bush in such big states as New York and California and because he has put together a national political organization. "We're the only other campaign than Bush that has the resources and the field organization to go the distance," said Bill Dal Col, Forbes' campaign manager.

With McCain skipping the Iowa caucuses, Forbes advisers foresee a one-on-one battle with Bush there that they say will set up their candidate for the contests that follow. But Forbes also will have to deal with Gary Bauer, who is popular with social and Christian conservative voters in Iowa, in a contest for the allegiance of conservative activists.

Dole's departure came as a new Washington Post poll showed Bush the overwhelming favorite of Republican voters to be the party's nominee next year. Bush was the choice of 63 percent of GOP voters, followed by Dole at 12 percent. Forbes was third with seven percent, followed by Patrick J. Buchanan at six percent, McCain at four percent, Bauer at two percent, and Utah Sen. Orrin G. Hatch and former ambassador Alan Keyes at one percent each.

Dole's rivals, conscious of the star power she brought to the GOP contest as the race's only female candidate, praised her candidacy Wednesday and bid for her supporters.

Bush called her "a trailblazer" and said they agreed on many key issues. McCain said Dole had "made history" and had a "unique ability to attract women" to the party. As a leading advocate of campaign finance reform, McCain said, he lamented that "the overwhelming money chase" played too

large a role in the nomination process.

Dole declined to endorse any of her rivals during the news conference, although a senior adviser in her campaign predicted she eventually would do so.

Asked about her interest in the vice presidency, which even many of her supporters believed was her real goal in running this year, Dole, 63, left the door wide open. "I've been running for president and running to win, so I've really not considered the vice presidency," she said. "So I have no comment on that. We'll leave it right there."

Barely a week ago, Dole advisers were attempting to knock down rumors of an imminent departure from the race. But the candidate said she had reassessed her position during a long plane flight back from Seattle over the weekend. After analyzing the third quarter financial reports—Dole raised just \$1.7 million in the third quarter compared with \$20 million for Bush—she decided she should get out.

Dole advisers said she would have had the money to contest Iowa and New Hampshire, but not the big states that would follow after that. "She wanted to wage a campaign across the country, not a narrow campaign focused on selected states," DiVall said.

Previous dropouts include former vice president Dan Quayle; former Tennessee governor and 1996 presidential candidate Lamar Alexander; Ohio Rep. John R. Kasich, chairman of the House Budget Committee; and New Hampshire Sen. Robert C. Smith, who quit the race and the party in the summer. Buchanan has said he will decide next week whether to seek the Reform Party nomination.

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- Thursday** • LECTURE: "PLATINUM DIIMINE COMPLEXES IN THE NEW MILLENIUM," presented by Dr. Richard Eisenberg. Sponsored by the Chemistry department. Phillip Mather 207, 4 p.m.
- Saturday** • LECTURE: "JEWISH TALES OF THE SUPERNATURAL," sponsored by Hillel. Peirce Lounge, 7 p.m.
- Monday** • READING: "SHARE OUR STRENGTH: WRITERS HARVEST," the 4th annual Writers Harvest public reading, sponsored by *Kenyon Review* Student Associates. Gund Commons, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday** • ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY CONVOCATION, presented by Sir Lloyd Tyrell-Kenyon. Rosse Hall, Common Hour.
- POETRY READING: "COMMON GROUND - SEARCH FOR THE WORD," sponsored by Harcourt Parish. Church of the Holy Spirit, 8 p.m.

films, performances, music and entertainment.

- Thursday** • DRAMA: "CLOUD 9," (runs Thurs. through Sat.), sponsored by Kenyon College Dramatic Club. All performances: Bolton Theater, 8 p.m.
- Friday** • CONCERT: THE KOKOSINGERS, Rosse Hall, 7 p.m.
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- COFFEEHOUSE, sponsored by Planning Board, Crozier Center, 9 p.m.
- COMEDY: LATE NITE LAUGHS, amateur comedy night, sponsored by Late Nite Programming. Philander's Pub, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
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- FILM: "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD," sponsored by KFS. Higley Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- JEREMY CASELLA, sponsored by Student Affairs. The KC, 10:30 p.m.
- Wednesday** • HALLOWEEN PARTY, sponsored by faculty and administration of Kenyon College. Gund Lounge, noon.

THE LIVE WIRE

ohio rocks. we have proof.

- Thursday** • MADRUGADA, Dick's Den, 2417 N. High St., Columbus
- SHUCKIN' BUBBA DELUXE, Ludlows, 485 S. Front St., Columbus
- MIMI ROUSSEAU BAND, Hawk's Tavern at the Mill, 431 S. Columbus St., Lancaster
- Friday** • ANDY WOODSON BAND, Dick's Den, 2417 N. High St., Columbus
- PARADISE ISLAND BAND, Hawk's Tavern at the Mill, 431 S. Columbus St., Lancaster
- CONSPIRACY, Ludlows, 485 S. Front St., Columbus
- RADIO HOUNDS, Short North Tavern, 674 N. High St., Columbus
- Saturday** • BLUES DRIVER, Break-A-Way Lounge, 5157 Sinclair Rd., Columbus
- COLLIN RAYE, Capitol Music Hall, Wheeling, West Virginia
- JOHN SCHWAB BAND, Flannagan's, Mt. Vernon
- BROTHERS GRIMM, Shorty's Sports Bar & Grill, 1884 Tammarack Circle, Columbus
- SOUL KITCHEN, Signatures, 94 Mill St., Columbus
- Sunday** • NEW REMNANTS, Dick's Den, 2417 N. High St., Columbus
- Tuesday** • ROCKIN' HORSE, La Cantina, 4195 Lincoln Park Ct., Columbus
- Wednesday** • WIDESPREAD PANIC, Taft Theatre, Cincinnati

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Menu for Friday

Pumpkin Soup
Herbed Vermont Cheddar Quiche
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\$5.00, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 201 W. Brooklyn

AROUND OHIO...

exhibitions, festivals, fairs and events.

- Thursday** • CIRCLEVILLE PUMPKIN SHOW, (through Oct. 23) Free admission with displays, food, parades, and contests. Circleville, Oh.
- Friday** • BUCKEYE CENTRAL SCENIC RAILROAD: HAUNTED HALLOWEEN TRAINS, (through Oct. 24) 5501 National Rd., Southeast Hebron, Oh.
- Saturday** • UNIVERSAL LIGHT EXPO, (through Oct. 24) At the Veteran's Memorial, 300 W. Broad St., Columbus
- "THIS IS YOUR LAND": PHOTOGRAPHS BY MARILYN BRIDGES, (through Jan. 2) Photographs of American landscapes, both famous and not. Columbus Museum of Art, 480 E. Broad St., Columbus
- Sunday** • FULL MOON OF FALLING LEAVES HIKE, Free admission for a 4 mile, evening walk which starts at 6:30 p.m. Battelle-Darby Creek, 1775 Darby Creek Dr., Columbus

AURAL FIXATION

new and notable in record stores tuesday.

- ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK *Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me Volume 2*
- ANOTHER LEVEL *Another Level*
- APHRODITE *Aphrodite*
- BLAST *A Sophisticated Face*
- BUSH *The Science of Things*
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- DREAM THEATRE *Metropolis Part 2: Scenes from a Memory*
- GIDEON FREUDMANN *Hologram Crackers*
- LEO GANDELMAN *Leo Gandelman*
- ALEX GOPHER *You, My Baby & I*
- HOLLYWOOD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA *A Musical Tribute to James Bond 007*
- INCUBUS *Make Yourself*
- JOHN LINNELL *State Songs*
- LUNA *The Days of Our Nights*
- MARC NELSON *Chocolate Mood*
- STONE TEMPLE PILOTS *No. 4*
- THIN LIZARD DOWN *Go!*
- ROB ZOMBIE *American Made Music to Strip By*

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- BATS (Lou Diamond Phillips) A small Texas town is preyed on by a swarm of killer bats.
- THE BEST MAN A man writes a steamy new novel about his affair with a woman who just happened to be his best friend's wife-to-be. Rated R.
- BODY SHOTS After an evening of drinking and sex, a group of friends discover their actions will have legal and moral consequences. Rated R.
- BRINGING OUT THE DEAD (Nicolas Cage) An EMS medic becomes bothered by his experiences working the graveyard shift. Rated R.
- CRAZY IN ALABAMA (Melanie Griffith) A woman finds instant fame in Hollywood after leaving her unhappy marriage. Rated PG-13.
- HOLY SMOKE (Kate Winslet) The family of a young woman fear she has joined a cult when she leaves for India. Rated R.

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Focusing our energy

At this point in our lives,
 shouldn't we be focusing on
 more important things than markers?

Yes. This is about the markers.

But it's also about picking your battles, about standing up for whatever needs to be stood up for and about the warped nature of the Kenyon student body in general. And we don't apologize if we offend you.

Dry-erase markers were stolen from the doors of Lower Lewis Hall. Now, we're very sorry about this. We are sorry you suffered at the hands of a foolish prank. We're also very sorry we received around 20 all-student e-mails.

But far beyond that, we're very sorry that it was markers that finally got the student body up in arms and acting passionately about things. Homosexual students are the targets of disrespectful and homophobic actions, accusations of sexual harassment and assault have been made right here on our campus and, of course, people are starving and dying all over the world. Comparatively, just how important are your markers?

You may claim it is the basic principle of stealing that has you so outraged. Fine. You are right. Stealing is bad. But before we get on a pedestal and defend each other's right to bear markers, shouldn't we defend each other's rights to feel safe and non-threatened while walking down our own Middle Path? If the marker battle is the battle you are waging, you picked the wrong battle.

Yes, we at Kenyon know what matters to us. Give us our markers, or give us death, and forget liberty if it gets in the way. Although we are concerned about a few other things. Beer, for one, and we know that we will raise a fuss about being in class as early as 8 a.m. We are active and outspoken when we choose to be so. Unfortunately, we only seem to care about that which directly affects us as individuals.

This attitude is only setting us up for inevitable disaster. If we don't address the important issues now, you might be the next one afraid to walk across campus alone, afraid to make any mention of yourself or afraid to even leave your room. And if you don't leave your room, you sure won't need a marker for a message board.

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And the flag was still there

NORA JENKINS
 Staff Columnist

Every day, on their way to work or school, a third of South Carolina citizens are confronted with the fact that, even in the eyes of the government, they are not equal. In a state where over 35 percent of the residents are of African descent, the legislature has, for the past 37 years, voted again and again to allow the Confederate flag to fly over its statehouse.

From time to time, somebody speaks up. There are letters to the editor, educational campaigns and even the occasional protest outside the Capitol building. Each time the issue is brought to the attention of the legislature, it votes for the flag to remain; regardless of the fact that it is offensive to so many of the state's citizens.

The legislature contends that the flag serves to honor the memory of South Carolinians who died in the Civil War, and to 'preserve Southern heritage.' This may be true to some; however, the fact remains that this flag was created to serve as a symbol of the South at a time in which it was fighting a war to preserve slavery.

Last Saturday, the nation's oldest civil rights group decided it was finally time to do something about this blatant endorsement of racism. Starting January 1, 2000, all 500,000 members of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) will begin a tourism boycott of South Carolina. In a state whose economy depends heavily on the estimated \$280 million that black tourists spend there each year, the NAACP boycott will certainly not go unnoticed.

'Just as the government of South Carolina reveals its racist beliefs through its refusal to remove the Confederate flag, so does Kenyon's refusal to allow the rainbow flag to be flown reveals that perhaps it is not as accepting as its non-discrimination policies might lead one to believe.'

Even after 42 organizations canceled conventions there, a spokesperson for Governor Hodges has indicated it seems very unlikely the legislators will vote to remove the flag. It is, after all, a matter of Southern pride. So, in the name of 'preserving culture,' this symbol of racism will remain unchanged, if not unchallenged.

The problem, of course, is not the flag itself. The real issue at stake, and the reason that the NAACP has gone to such great lengths to try and change this situation, is the fact that in South Carolina, racism is still rampant. Despite national laws now requiring integrated schools and 'equal' opportunities for employment, anti-black sentiment is still apparent throughout the state, even to the most naive tourist. In the NAACP's resolution, the Confederate flag is called "an unspoken symbol of resistance to the battle for civil rights and equality." By continuing to fly the flag, the state hinders the advancement of blacks by showing its support for what, if nothing else, is a symbolic indication that even the government of South Carolina does not believe that blacks deserve equal rights.

In the same manner, the administration of Kenyon has, for the past three years, hindered the ac-

ceptance of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered students and staff by refusing to allow Allied Sexual Orientations to fly the rainbow flag on the Ransom flagpole for a day during Gay History Month. Even though the administration has been supportive in other ways, its refusal to show support in a visible manner makes a symbolic statement. Just as the government of South Carolina reveals its racist beliefs through its refusal to remove the Confederate flag, so does Kenyon's refusal to allow the rainbow flag to be flown reveal that perhaps it is not as accepting as its non-discrimination policies might lead one to believe.

Removing the Confederate flag from the statehouse is not by any means a solution to South Carolina's problem with racism; similarly, flying the rainbow flag for a day will probably not be a magical remedy for the homophobia which still exists here at Kenyon. However, if the administration shows its support for equal rights, it's possible that the general population will follow. This is the reason why, to answer the question that so many have asked, it matters whether a flag is flown or not. Sometimes it really is the thought that counts.

Express yourself

Send letters to the Editor to COLLEGIAN@kenyon.edu

Millennium outcome is up to individuals

SAMANTHA SIMPSON
Staff Columnist

Thoughts of the approaching millennium sure bring something out of people. That something happens to be a mind-boggling mystery. According to www.everything2000.com, a Hong Kong woman of questionable intelligence bought pills to cure the Y2K bug. A former psychology student from London is attempting to literally run around the world in time for New Year's Day, 2000. Tommy Lee and Pamela Anderson are getting married again, this time in the nude. And they would very much appreciate it if their guests were naked, too.

Verily I say unto you—there is more.

If my 21st birthday coincided with the first day of the millennium, I could purchase Millennium Ale. It costs a bit much, but it is Millennium ale. If I need to be enlightened, I can easily purchase one of thousands of books on the millennium; they range in subject matter from how much water to keep in jugs when the Y2K bug wreaks havoc to what the proper spelling of millennium is. (We can all see that it requires more than one "n.") I can also buy a millennium T-shirt, a millennium mug and any number of things to commemorate the greatly anticipated turn-of-the-century celebration.

I have not yet begun to untangle the mess of prophecies and legends surrounding the millennium. The symbolism in the book of Revelations seems to point toward events of the modern age, which leads many Christians to believe that our end is near. Perhaps the Arabs will initiate a third World War, using Russia as a weak pawn to destroy the United States

'I do not know where I will be on December 31, 1999 at 11:59:99 p.m. I have a variety of options. I could hide beneath my desk and wait for the end, or I could enter the millennium with the renewed spirit that I will continue to grow as a human being and keep all of my New Year's Resolutions.'

and the Holy Land. (At least, that's what Tom Manz of www.beforehand.com says.)

Do you want a Y2K disaster? We've got your Y2K disaster, ready to make every computer in the world crash and thereby make your life a living hell! I have the feeling that perhaps I should hide beneath a table while the entire world is pelted with fire-rain and demon-vipers come to torture those of us who did not believe that the spaceship was coming.

This is, indeed, quite an interesting time to be a jaded youth. On one hand, I find the shameless merchandising disgusting. Tell me, what will be the purpose of a clock that counts down the days, minutes, and seconds until the year 2000 when it is January 2, 2000? I apologize if I have offended anyone who made that rather imprudent purchase, but it was awfully silly to procure that sort of clock when a regular one counts the minutes and seconds in much the same manner.

Further, I do not understand Millennium the Bear, yet another member of the Beanie Baby Family. It's pink. What in the name of Nostradamus does a pink bear filled with beans have to do with the year 2000? Contrary to popular belief, the year 2000 is still a year with approximately 366 days. 'Twas a novel idea when someone decided to sell it.

On the other hand, it is fasci-

nating to watch how people view the coming year as either a time to start life anew or a time to watch the destruction of civilization as we know it. There are lists of women who are now carrying "millennium babies" along with lists of couples who plan to tie the knot when the new year begins. The year 2000 may be the beginning of another era of human accomplishment. We all have the opportunity to dream of a time when we will find cures to the diseases that ravish our land, to end war and poverty, to further uncover the mysteries of our universe. This is a time for hope, reflection and all

those other cheesy things that make us melt when we see them depicted on television.

Conversely, it is also a time for fear. What will the human creature become over the course of the next 1000 years? All things come to an end and humans are no different. The death and destruction that the more pessimistic members of society envision may not be complete ridiculousness. We hold in our hands the potential to create or to destroy. In the past we have chosen the latter option in order to further progress. Will there be more oppression? Will we re-

duce ourselves to primitive creatures, scrabbling for food and water if our computers fail us? What sort of age are we embarking upon?

Whatever the answers to these questions may be, it sure is an exciting time, but not a time to lose our heads. I do not know where I will be on December 31, 1999 at 11:59:99 p.m. I have a variety of options. I could hide beneath my desk and wait for the end, or I could enter the millennium with the renewed spirit that I will continue to grow as a human being and keep all of my New Year's Resolutions (However, I seriously doubt that the new millennium will inspire me to forgo french fries and do fifty crunches a day). I could even show up at Tommy and Pam's wedding wearing nothing but my birthday suit. Who knows? This is, after all, a time for new experiences.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Room remains a safe zone

One of the unique aspects of dorm life is the dorm door. We have an opportunity to express ourselves to the outside world through symbols, quotations, pictures and other items we choose to display.

My roommate and I were shocked to discover that items have been removed from our door. I am bisexual. I have chosen to put on my door a few symbols of this aspect of my life, in order to represent myself. When I first moved into my dorm, my Safe Zone sign was removed. It didn't fall off, for all the pushpins I used were still on the

door. Just this past weekend, my roommate and I discovered that not only was another gay pride symbol, a pink triangle, taken off our door (again, pushpin still attached) but a picture of us taken before Phling last year was also removed.

As offended as I am about the Safe Zone sign and triangle, I am astounded that a harmless picture of my roommate and myself also became a target. I love that picture. My friendship with my roommate is separate and unrelated to my bisexuality, and I resent our friendship being dragged into this.

Finally, I have a request. If anyone has any questions, comments, or concerns about my sexuality, while it is none of anyone else's business, I'll be glad to talk to you. As the Safe Zone sign says, homophobic and heterosexist comments will not be tolerated, but will be discussed in an educational and informative manner.

But do not take symbols of my life that I feel are so important as to represent myself to the rest of the campus. And do not take my personal property which has sentimental value to me, and none whatsoever to you.

—Erika Plank '01



Learn about the supernatural

Schwartz presents an evening of 'Jewish Supernatural Tales'

BY SARAH HOLMES
Staff Writer

Howard Schwartz, renowned author and professor of English at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, will present "An Evening of Jewish Tales of the Supernatural" Saturday at 7 p.m. in Peirce Lounge.

According to Hillel board member Jessica Edwards '00, Schwartz will be telling spooky stories based on Jewish folklore. Schwartz's presentation was scheduled for this specific weekend to coincide with Halloween and with Family Weekend. According to Edwards, Schwartz is a preeminent folklorist whom many people have probably heard about.

Primarily an author and editor of works of Jewish folklore, Schwartz has cited such sources as the Bible, the Talmud and various hasidic texts as sources of inspiration.

His works serve as a means to "fuse my imagination with that of traditional Jewish lore." However, Schwartz's work has an appeal outside of Jewish culture, as he has also been inspired by such authors as Franz Kafka, Jorge Borges and even by Zen parables. His books recount tales from almost every corner of the globe, making them accessible and appealing to all.

Schwartz's work includes poetry and several books of fiction, including *The Four Who Entered Paradise*, *A Blessing Over Ashes* and *Adam's Soul: The Collected Tales of Howard Schwartz*. *Adam's Soul* has been described as a "remarkable burst of creativity" and contains three collections of Schwartz's previously published works. The last collection of stories, *Rooms of the Soul*, are explained by Schwartz as "tales of the present, disguised in the past."

The tales are timeless and

without geographic or cultural boundaries. Schwartz is also editor of *Lilith's Cave*, *Elijah's Violin* and *Miriam's Tambourine*, all anthologies of Jewish folklore. *Miriam's Tambourine* is a collection of fifty tales which reflect Jewish culture and history. The book contains Jewish versions of classic fairy tales like "Snow White," "Rapunzel" and "Sinbad the Sailor."

He has received several awards for his work, including the Aesop Award of the American Folklore Society, the Sydney Taylor Book Award, the National Jewish Book Award and the Anne Izard Storytellers' Choice Award.

This event is sponsored by Hillel and the Campus Board of Ministries. It is free and open to the public. Families are encouraged to attend.

Edwards encourages everyone to attend the presentation. "I've heard that he's a wonderful speaker," she said.

PEOPLE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

'Weaving' change at Kenyon

BY SARAH MAY
Staff Writer

If you are looking to get something done, Meredith Weaver '01 can offer you any advice you might need. The only problem is, you'll probably have a hard time tracking her down.

As a Head Resident Advisor (HRA) in Mather, a choreographer and dancer for both the Fall Dance Concert and the Dancer's Co-op and a leader within Kenyon's Christian community, Weaver has a full schedule every day of the week.

As an HRA, Weaver not only lives among first years and answers many questions they might have, but she also serves as a liaison between the area coordinator and the rest of the Resident Advisors in the building. But, despite the extra work, Weaver says she loves the job.

"I became an RA because it seemed like a nice way to help out and get to know the freshmen," she said. "and that's the best part. I like walking down the hall and starting conversations. It's the day to day things, not really anything planned, that makes the job so enjoyable."

While being an HRA is new to Weaver this year, dancing is not.

"Dancing has been a part of my life since I was really young," said Weaver. "Since high school it's been the most significant form through which I express myself."

Working with the Fall Dance Concert and the Dancer's



Eddy Eckart

Meredith Weaver

Co-op since her freshman year, Weaver claims that it is her passion for dance that makes all the work worth it.

And her peers have noticed. "[She] is a very dynamic choreographer," said Jillian Howell '00 of Weaver, "who does something to be determined, decidedly creative and aware of her goals for the piece, but open to input from the dancers," according to Howell. "I am impressed by her stream of ideas and her patience and quiet authority."

Weaver has also taken on a leadership role within the Christian community, as one of a few coordinators of the campus Christian groups.

As she describes it, Weaver helps plan the fellowship group

known as Big Group and coordinates the interaction and leadership of the other Christian groups at Kenyon.

Weaver took on a leadership position in the Christian community because, she said, "I love God so much, and I saw so much potential here for people to grow in their faith and I wanted to do whatever I could to help that happen."

In the midst of so many activities, Weaver has been careful to spend time with her friends.

"It's always been obvious what is important to her," said Erica Rall '01, Weaver's roommate of two years, "and I could always tell her friends were very, very important."

Family Weekend Activities

Information compiled by Courtney McKee

• Friday, Oct. 22

11 a.m.

Classes will be open for parents to attend Faculty Lecture in Peirce Lounge: "Exquisite Corpses: Embodying Politics, Power, and the Sacred" with Professor of Religion Royal Rhodes.

7 p.m.

Kokosingers Concert in Rosse Hall.

8 p.m.

KCDC production in Bolton Theater: "Cloud Nine" by Caryl Churchill.

• Saturday, Oct. 23

8:30 a.m.

Brown Family Environmental Center tour with Jordan Professor of Environmental Science and Biology Ray Heithaus.

9:30 a.m.

Historical tour of campus with Director of Public Affairs Tom Stamp. Meet at the Church of the Holy Spirit.

1 p.m.

Ball Room Dance Demonstration by the Kenyon College Ballroom Dance Club in Gund Commons Lounge.

2 p.m.

Family Movie in Olin Aud.: The Sandlot.

8 p.m.

KCDC production in Bolton Theater: "Cloud Nine" by Caryl Churchill.

9 p.m.

Cabaret Concert in Rosse Hall. Featuring the Kokosingers, Owl Creeks, Stairwells, The Company, Cornerstones, Chasers and double dutch jump roping. Doors will open at 8 p.m.

Random Moments

What is the most disgusting food that you have been served in the dining hall?

Photos by Sarah May.



Bryn Harris '02
"Kentucky Fried Tofu."



Brian Leonard '01
"Clam strips."



Jess Kuster '03
"Mexican Ravioli."



Jacob Howley '02
"Chocolate Cheesecake flavored frozen yogurt."

Celebration of Halloween

Several Halloween activities offered at and around Kenyon

BY LAUREN BALAJEJDER
Staff Writer

Kenyon and local towns have many activities going on during the Halloween season, and here is a list of just a couple of them.

On Saturday at 7 p.m., Professor Howard Schwartz will be telling "Eerie Stories from Jewish folklore." This event will take place in Peirce Lounge, and is sponsored by Hillel and The Campus Board of Ministries.

All are welcome to come and hear Professor Schwartz speak, and according to Hillel board member Jessica Edwards '00, the presentation promises to be spooky.

Each year the faculty and staff at Kenyon dress up in Halloween costumes and have a luncheon in Gund Commons. This year the luncheon will be Wednesday at noon. This event, which is sponsored by ASK, the Administrative and Staff at Kenyon committee, hopes to attract somewhere close to 100 staff members.

All students are encouraged to come to the luncheon and see some of their professors dressed up for Halloween. All costumes will be judged by students, and prizes will be given to individuals and groups for categories such as "Most Original," "Best Department," "Most Humorous," and more. Prizes will be candy, Halloween decorations, and gift certificates.

"I like going to [the Halloween luncheon] because people feel free to wear funny costumes and do funny skits. It's fun to participate in something where people feel free to be silly. What I like is a chance to show off my sillier side," said Professor of Physics Paula Turner.

The Wiggin Street School will be having a Halloween parade Friday around 2:15 p.m. The students of Wiggin Street School will be marching from their school, up Middle Path, through the town of Gambier and then circling back again. In case of rain, the parade will be in the elementary school gymnasium.

According to Secretary of the Greek Council Spencer Cooke '01, the Greek Council is planning to hold their second annual haunted house on Sunday, Oct. 31 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. (unless Gambier chooses to change their official trick-or-treat date to Saturday). The haunted house will be in the Beta Temple across from the Gambier water tower, and according to Cooke it should be "a good scare for people of any age." There will be 20-30 Greek volunteers working the haunted house and distributing candy.

Also on Oct. 29, the Brown Family Environmental Center will be hosting a late night bonfire. Associate Professor of English and the Integrated Program in Humane Studies Timothy Shutt will be telling historical myths and ghost



One of the many decorated doors in Gambier.

Chrissie Cowan

stories about Kenyon. This will take place between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m., and is sponsored by the Social Board. The Archons will be hosting a party for children in the community on Oct. 31 from 7-8:30 p.m. This event will take place at the Community Center located behind McBride field.

The children will come dressed up in Halloween costumes, and there will be stands for them to get their faces painted, bob for apples and participate in many more fun games. Those interested in helping out with this community party should contact Archon presidents Ashley Lawrence x6407 or Kate Wessellmann x6419.

Lawrence and Wessellmann would like as many students as possible to come celebrate the night of Halloween with the Archons, and make Halloween memorable for the children in the community.

About 15 minutes away from Kenyon, there is a renovated hospital that is now being used solely for the purpose of a haunted house called the House of Nightmares. This house is open from now until Oct. 31, Thursdays to Saturdays 7 p.m. to midnight, and Sundays 7 to 11 p.m. The cost of this haunted house is \$7.

Another haunted house, which is a little bit farther away from the House of Nightmares is Utica's Haunted House. This haunted house costs only \$5, and runs every Friday and Saturday nights in October, from 8 to 11 p.m. The proceeds from this haunted house benefit the Utica Emergency Squads, the Utica Fire Department, the Newton Fire Department, and the Homer Fire Department.

The haunted house is off of State Route 13 and Ginger Hill Road, which is north of Newark and South of Utica. For more information, call 366-2522.

Friese will lecture on natural ecosystems

BY JILLIAN HOWELL
Staff Writer

Dr. Carl Friese will lecture on "Disturbance in natural ecosystems: Scaling from fungal diversity to ecosystem functioning" next Thursday, Oct. 28, at 4:15 p.m. in Higley Auditorium. Friese, professor of biology at the University of Dayton, is the fourth of seven speakers scheduled for the semester by the Biology Seminar Series.

According to Assistant Professor of Biology Siobhan

Fennessy, Friese will talk about "the role of mycorrhizal associations in plants and in helping structure ecosystem processes by looking at associations and community dynamics, especially in disturbed ecosystems such as strip mines."

The author of numerous publications, Friese's research interests incorporate areas of both biology and ecology, focusing on how fungal endophytes affect plant establishment and growth. This research can be applied in the field of restoration ecology, rehabilitating habitats disturbed by human develop-

The Social Scene

What are you doing this weekend?

Ah, Kenyon...nice people, rustic Gambier, our little "close-knit community," and the promiscuous collegiate binge-drinking capital of Ohio? Yep, makes you want to take a closer look at what really happens on our little Hill. First, a quick test:

- Have you ever pre-partied so hard you never made it to the actual party?
- Have you ever been dancing and come to the realization that a stranger is using your leg for an erotic massage?
- Have you ever been walking back from one of those great KFS movies and stumbled upon a migration of Kenyon's nocturnal nomads heading for the party of the night?
- Is your roommate a cool person all week but suddenly transforms into a "Sexile" candidate when Friday night rolls around? Or vice versa?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you have been a part of this little thing we have dubbed "Kenyon Night Culture." What is it in this place that creates such a contrast from a Monday afternoon to a Saturday night? Is it just the alcohol, the drugs, the groovy music ... or is there something deeper? We're not here to answer those questions—that's up to you. Our job is to provide our observations, the Kenyon party scene as we see it: the good, the bad, and the naughty ... So let's get it on.

The Kenyon fall social scene is well under-way—what was our choice pick for this post weekend? Mad props to the AD/Philia "Hillbilly" party that went down this past Saturday night. It was definitely the place to be—and everyone was there, including stragglers that came in late after trying out the Psi U party that didn't quite compare. After a disappointing '98-'99 party season of probation, the AD's are coming back strong. Great music, great crowd, and some smooth, quick keg action. Let's see who can overthrow their present reign of the Kenyon party kingdom. There's a challenge for you.

And now for some insight. We'd like to address an issue that affects almost all Kenyon party-goers, both as perpetrators and victims. We call it the "Kenyon Sketch," a kind of social disease that often plagues our campus at parties and other nightly gatherings. Strangers by day become intimate companions that eventually will be known as "what's his/her face?" when daylight arrives again. Most of you probably have an idea of what we're talking about. It can affect the best of us, when we are transformed from happy, often buzzed students to drunken predators of the night.

This is not about those people who get drunk at parties. Most of us have our moments ... often. We're talking about Kenyon's favorite coined phrase: "that kid is sketchy." It takes on a whole new meaning at night—because when the late hours arrive and the numbers on the dance floor dwindle, the Sketch rears its ugly head as shady characters scan the crowd for prospects. The scary thing is that most of us have found ourselves on both ends of the spectrum. We've met the Sketch and been the Sketch. The most important thing is to recognize its existence. It lives.

Of course this is not the only phenomenon Kenyon night culture provides. There are so many others to explore—and we intend to do so. Including examples observed and experienced over the weekends (and Wednesday nights, of course). From now on we're getting specific. We'll cover the Kenyon social scene in all its glory from non-alcoholic events to your usual drunken orgy-type deal. Maybe at the end of the road we'll be able to make some sense out of it all. And maybe not. We're all on this Hill together—hang on for the ride.

So, what are YOU doing this weekend?

—The Collegian's Anonymous Party-goers

ment.

In describing hopes for future research Friese writes, "integrating the various levels and components of species interactions will bring us much closer to understanding the true functioning of ecosystems and the proper application of this knowledge towards human impact on the environment."

The lectures in this series are intended to complement courses in the biology department and to provide a forum for interaction among Kenyon students, faculty, and scientists from other institutions. This lec-

ture will be preceded by coffee and cookies in Higley's lobby at 4:00 p.m.

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Comedy and gender politics collide on *Cloud 9*

Ben Keene goes behind the scenes to gain an insiders view of KCDC's upcoming production

BY BEN KEENE
Music Critic

So they assign a music reviewer to go and do a theater critic's job. Typical. Apparently the first thing you will need to know is that tonight, tomorrow and Saturday the Kenyon College Dramatic Club will perform Caryl Churchill's comedy simply titled *Cloud 9*. The show starts promptly at 8 p.m. in Bolton Theater, so if you haven't bought a ticket beforehand you may want to arrive early to avoid sitting in the wings.

At the behest of my understanding editor, I took my assignment, contacted the appropriate people and now have for you, the reader, a tale only attainable with some behind-the-scenes-reporting.

Well, as I learned from director Maureen Ryan, visting assistant professor of drama, *Cloud 9* was written in England in 1979 and while "not a farce, contains farcical elements." Yet after talking to the actors I'm informed that it juxtaposes political oppression with sexual oppression in some sort of absurd fashion.

"It's a play about self-discovery," declared actor Dave DeLucia '03, at which point fellow actor Mary Tuomanen '03 exclaimed "It's a sex play!" Oh, now I get it.

Originally performed in London, the production met its first North American audience in 1982 and Ryan claims to be integrating the ideas behind two shows into something of a "best of" for Kenyon this weekend.

The piece actually started as an improvisation among actors

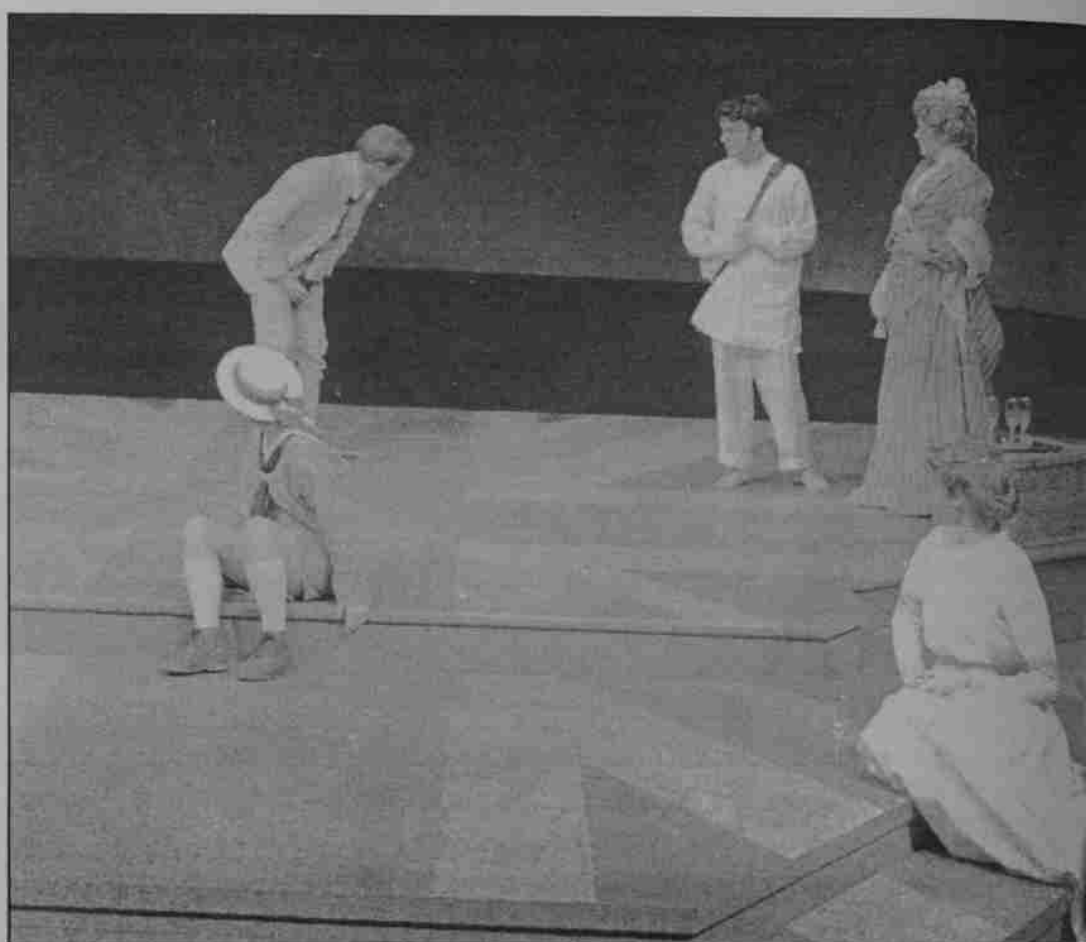
IF YOU GO

What: *Cloud 9*
When: Tonight,
Tomorrow and
Saturday, 8 p.m.
Where: Bolton
Theater

with Churchill attempting to contrast a moment in history with the modern period. However, as the action unfolded, the "actors really felt the ghosts of the past," said Ryan, explaining the shape the play currently assumes.

"It's one of the hardest plays I've ever worked on," she told me frankly, responding to my question concerning the potential challenges faced in the early stages of rehearsal. Analyzing the breakdown of a modern moral structure in the face of a Victorian moral code, Ryan believes the play demands us to "look at the past and the present if we are to have any future at all." Both a socialist and a feminist, Churchill apparently had a great interest in the redefinition of women's role in society and consequently the play deals closely with issues of power.

Before I spoke with the director, I cornered a reluctant Reed Lauber '01, the production stage manager, (or PSM for those drama majors among you) hoping to get an insider's perspective. He pointedly told me "I am more happy with [*Cloud 9*] than any other play I've worked on," and that to me sounded like a recommendation so



Alison Michel

Mary Tuomanen '03, Brendan Griffin '02, James Kinney '01, Danni Hurley '02 and Dave DeLucia '03 rehearse Caryl Churchill's *Cloud 9*.

I scribbled it down in my notes.

Much like Peter Travers from Rolling Stone, Reed described *Cloud 9* as "intense" and "pretty provocative," revealing that several ambitious actors play an opposite sex, or in one case, another race. Actually three gender changes take place over the course of the dramatic action, so I should probably include something of a caveat emptor because audiences will be exposed to an entirely different (in a good way, I'm assured) type of production.

The piece almost has the feeling of two one act plays as the first part is set in 1899, while the second act occurs in 1999. Although for some reason unbeknownst to this reporter, only 25 years have passed for the characters involved. Everyone plays two characters and

a good deal of chaos and confusion ensues in no time. Men wear corsets, grandmothers give diatribes on masturbation and the British empire is equated to "one big family." The makings of a comedy indeed.

Yet Brian Poulin '03, who composed the opening patriotic melody for the production and also plays violin and djembe in the songs each act features, maintains that KCDC offers a "more digni-

fied version; a more serious work" than the previous production he had seen at a community college.

For those of you skimming this article for a point, here's my summary and the final sales pitch: fake British accents, Tinky Winky Teletubbie, the supernatural, imperialism, a rendition of "God Save The Queen" and more sex than your favorite cable access channel. Something for everyone? I think so. And I'll see you there.

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KENYON FILM SOCIETY PREVIEW

BY JAMES SHERIDAN
Film Critic

Casablanca
Friday 8 p.m.
Higley Auditorium

Critics and audiences agree that Michael Curtiz's 1943 film *Casablanca* is one of the best American films ever made.

Humphrey Bogart stars as Rick, a jaded nightclub owner in Morocco who is reunited with his former lover, Ilsa (Ingrid Bergman). Ilsa is now married to a leader of the French Resistance and she and her husband need Rick's help in evading the Nazis. It is the emotional story of lost love, second chances, loyalty and pain.

Bogart and Bergman are superb in iconic performances. It is a film that has stood the test of time. Also starring Sydney Greenstreet, Peter Lorre and Claude Rains, *Casablanca* earned Academy Awards for Best Picture, Best Director and Best Screenplay.

To Kill A Mockingbird
Saturday 8 p.m.
Higley Auditorium

"You never really understand a person until... you climb inside of his skin and walk around in it." One of the most beloved films of all-time, *To Kill A Mockingbird* is director Robert Mulligan's stunning translation of Harper Lee's amazing novel.

Jem and Scout are brother and sister growing up in a small southern town with their father, lawyer Atticus Finch (Gregory Peck). They roam around their neighborhood, tormenting ghostly neighbor Boo Radley (Robert Duvall) and getting into trouble with their friend Dill. The children come of age one hot summer when a racial incident leads to Atticus' defense of a black man, accused of raping a white woman. Their lives are irrevocably changed by the experience of the trial and its aftermath.

An ode to childhood, the soft days of summer, *To Kill A Mockingbird* won three Academy Awards: Best Actor, Best Art Direction and Best Screenplay. It is an American classic.

Poets search for word

BY KATE ALLEN
Staff Writer

One of the best kept secrets at Kenyon College is the poetry reading series sponsored by Harcourt Parish. The series, titled "Common Ground: The Search for the Word," is held in the basement of the church and provides an opportunity for students and members of the community to take advantage of the abundance of literary talent Kenyon and Gambier have to offer.

The series was inspired by Chris Brookhouse, a member of the Parish and Kenyon community, and his book of poetry, *The Light Between the Fields*. Brookhouse, who writes much of his poetry about Knox County, was the featured reader at the Parish two weeks ago.

Scheduled to speak Tuesday at 8 p.m. is McCarther Fellow and Luce Professor of Art and Politics Lewis Hyde. Hyde is a respected and recognizable name in the lit-

IF YOU GO

What: Common
Ground: The Search
for the Word
When: Tuesday, 8 p.m.
Where: Basement of
The Church of the
Holy Spirit

erary world and as a member of the faculty at Kenyon. He will read from *The Gift*, his most recent publication of essays.

The setting for these readings is cozy and informal and they generally last for about an hour. There is always dialogue and copies of the featured publication to follow.

Sally Rogan, member of the Parish and one of the many organizers of "Common Ground" said of the series, "It is a gift—a gift to the community and a gift to each other."

Kokes feed Kenyon with 'voices of love'

BY REBECCA GRIMES
Staff Writer

The Kokosingers, Kenyon's only all male a capella group, will perform their first concert of the year tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Rosse Hall. This marks the group's 35th year at Kenyon.

"The Fall Concert is our hello," said musical director Charlie Walsh '00. "People have settled into the year, but it's early enough to still say hey. It's our initial embrace to all."

This year, the Kokes welcomed two newcomers to their chorus, first year students Jonathan Palmer and Karl Reichstetter.

Said Walsh, "The freshmen continue a tradition of dynamic, same class Koke duos. Myself and [Erik] Mazur, [Juniors] Tim Hallett and Ben Cotto, Karl and JP. Then there are all the damn sophomores."

Said Brant Russell '02, "If you see one concert at all this decade, come see this one."

'The world is expanding to great numbers. There are now six million people in the world. If the Kokes could feed them all with our voices of love, then we would.'

—Charlie Walsh '00

IF YOU GO

What: Kokes concert

When: Tomorrow

7 p.m.

Where: Rosse Hall

Auditorium

Last year, the Kokes' fall concert, which also coincided with Family Weekend, drew the largest crowd ever in Rosse Hall. They hope to attract an even larger audience this year.

Walsh promises the concert will be "generally upbeat and sweet," while Russell calls it "poetry in motion."

The Kokes will perform a great variety of musical selections, including pieces by the Monkeys, the Beatles, Martin Sexton and Randy Newman.

The Kokes are hard at work to improve the world through their music. Said Walsh, "The world is expanding to great numbers. There are now six



Alison Michel

Charlie Walsh '00 dances backed by Jonathan Palmer '03, Mike Sriprasert '03, Erik Mazur '00, Matt Neimat '02, Tim Hallett '01, Ben Gerke '02, Ben Cotton '01, sophomores Brant Russell and Tim Hsu, Karl Reichstetter '03 and Darren Bartlett '02.

million people in the world. If the Kokes could feed them all with our voices of love, then we would. It's a symbolic showing of our readiness to face the challenges ahead through song."

Although the concert-going public is as far as the Kokes can reach at present, a new album is in the works that will allow them to spread their voices beyond the Kenyon world. They hope to have the new album finished and on sale by the end of this year.

Reading benefits community

BY ANN RASMUSSEN
Staff Writer

The Writer's Harvest, a program of Share Our Strength, a national non-profit organization, is coming to Kenyon Monday in Gund Commons at 7 p.m.

The national advisor is Alice McDermott, a National Book Award winner. Her books include *Charming Billy*, *At Weddings and Wakes* and *That Night*.

David Smydra '01, a student intern with the Kenyon Review, is coordinating the event at Kenyon this year.

The event is sponsored by the Kenyon Review Student Associates, with little assistance from faculty members. "It's a simple idea, but the students and professors carry it off in an admirable way," said Smydra.

Said Smydra, "[The Harvest is] very large and visible and easy to get into. There are 22 [associates], and we all pitch in."

Writer's Harvest is the largest reading incorporating students and faculty that takes place on Kenyon's campus every year. Smydra said he has searched for, "the best writers in Gambia." This makes the event a

IF YOU GO

What: Writer's Harvest

When: Monday, 7 p.m.

Where: Gund Commons

draw for anyone wishing to sample our community's literary talent.

The reading is scheduled to last for two and a half hours, but generally runs for around three. It is composed of five to seven minute readings by professors mixed with student presentations limited to three minutes. Students are given a shorter time allowance in part as they are more apt to read poems than prose.

The professors come from a variety of departments. In the past, the departments of English, history and art have been represented. Professor of Religion Royal Rhodes, who will read this year, said "It's a good cause and links the world of disembodied aesthetics and reading to one of the chief ethical and justice concerns of our world. I would love to read some works by Kenyon authors

so that the audience can once again locate the pieces within this community and its own literary tradition."

Past notable performances at the event have also included the Kokosingers and the Chasers. Similar performance groups will serve as intermissions from the reading.

This will be the sixth annual Writer's Harvest that has taken place at Kenyon and the event grows each year. The event has expanded from raising only \$200 a few years ago, to \$700 last year. The fundraising goal this year is \$1000.

The Kenyon College chapter of Writer's Harvest has a special arrangement allowing all money raised by the event to stay in Knox County. The money is divided equally between Interchurch and the Salvation Army. Many Mount Vernon businesses also sponsor the event with donations and by placing signs in their windows.

There is no admission charge, but a one or two dollar donation is suggested. Attendees are also encouraged to bring gently used clothes for a collection box run by Warm Wear, Warm Hearts, an Interchurch program.

A & E BRIEFS

Laughter Friday in Pub

Whether you are looking to laugh or make people laugh, the stand-up comedy contest tomorrow night should satisfy you. Sponsored by Late Nite programming, the event will begin at 10 p.m. in Philander's Pub.

Students are encouraged to come watch (and laugh) at the comedy or participate with their own comedy routines (to do this, students should e-mail Julie Foxworthy at FOXWORTHYJ).

Comedians will include part-time College Counselor Ruth Woehr, Liam Singer '03, Dean Simakis '02, Mike Abselson '01 and seniors Nebojsa Kesic, Eric Hakeman, Dan Nickerson and Ken Schultz.

Each stand-up routine should last from three to ten minutes. A panel, including John Darmstadt, will judge on the basis of creativity and audience reaction. While the rules are fairly lax, students are asked to keep their comedy within a PG-13 range as parents may be attending.

Computing and Network Systems Designer and Manager Eric Holdener and Assistant Professor of Mathematics Judy Holdener will emcee the event.

The first place comedian will win a DVD player. Second prize is a cordless phone, third prize is a pizza dinner and no one who participates will go home empty handed.

Cabaret showcases talent

In honor of family weekend, Kenyon performance groups will showcase their talents in the annual Cabaret Saturday at 9 p.m. in Rosse Hall.

As always, the Cabaret will give family members a brief taste of the musical talent at Kenyon. Performances include the Kokosingers, Chasers, Owl Creeks, Company, Cornerstones and Stairwells.

In addition to this standard fare, however, is the double-dutch jump roping performance by sophomores Dawn and Lauren Stancik, who will be joined by brother Aaron.

Gil Reyes '01 will serve as master of ceremonies.

Casella performs in KC

Jeremy Casella, a Christian folk/rock musician, will perform Saturday at 10:30 p.m. in the KC Theatre.

Hailing from Nashville, Tenn., Casella is described by reviewers as "a grass-roots guy-with-a-guitar and a heart full of songs about getting to know God in the real world."

Casella will begin his stay at Kenyon Friday night by performing and speaking to the Christian Big Group meeting.

His performance in the KC Saturday will be a more typical concert with more songs. Casella gives a solo performance, with only an acoustic guitar for backup.

This event is sponsored by the Christians at Kenyon, though everyone, regardless of religious beliefs, is encouraged to come to this event. According to Nate Erickson '00, Casella's perspective on the world will be interesting to anyone and everyone.

Festival explores East Asian culture, politics

BY MIKE CIUNI
Staff Writer

The Asian Students International Awareness (ASIA) hosted their annual Asian film showings this week, beginning Tuesday. The final three films, *The Shot Heard Round the World*, *Bui Doi: Life Like Dust* and *Maceo: Demon Drummer from L.A.*, will show tonight in the Philomathesian classroom in Ascension starting at 7 p.m.

According to co-president Trisha Murakami '02, ASIA is a good, organized program for the small Asian-American popula-

IF YOU GO

What: ASIA film festival

When: Tonight, 7 p.m.

Where: Philomathesian Classroom

tion on this campus to get to know one another and spread an overall message of awareness to the rest of the college. This includes such activities as cooking workshops and the film showings, as well as co-sponsorship

of the Tibetan speaker, Palden Gyatso.

The focus in this year's films comes from topics related to East Asia, whereas last year's films focused on South Asia.

Murakami selected the films with sophomores Susana Ok and Kim Vora.

"The subject matter covers areas that are not getting enough attention as they should," said Murakami. This often happens because the subjects are outside the parameters of the traditional curriculum.

The first films, which played Tuesday and Wednesday, covered

subjects such as the Tiananmen Square protests in the spring of 1989, the cultural history of Filipino immigrants and women and the war heroism of Japanese-Americans in the Second World War.

Kicking off tonight's showings, *The Shot Heard Round the World* will play at 7 p.m. This documentary focuses on the fatal shooting of a young Japanese exchange student in Louisiana in a case of mistaken identity.

Bui Doi: Life Like Dust, a documentary chronicling the hardscrabble existence of Vietnamese youth within the gang culture of Southern California, will

play at 8:30 p.m.

The last installment, at 9:10 p.m., is *Maceo: Demon Drummer from L.A.*, an inspiring documentary following the life of a young Chicano musician and his fascination with Japanese Taiko drumming.

Murakami hopes that ASIA's participation in campus-wide events will help the group "gain a bigger presence on campus," she said.

The History Department, International Studies, Asian Studies, The Crozier Center for Women and Student Affairs co-sponsored the event.

FILM REVIEW

Three Kings examines humanity and materialism

BY DEVON DEMAYO
Film Critic

Who wants to see Ice Cube and Marky Mark steal gold from Saddam Hussein? Not worth the \$7, right? Wrong. *Three Kings* is an amazingly powerful movie about humanity and materialism. It delves into the territory of the little talked about, but highly suspect, Gulf War.

The story centers around four soldiers trying to steal gold from Saddam, but this simplistic plot is undercut by a more meaningful story of compassion for others. The men's materialistic dreams are interrupted when they see the devastation that continues even after the war is thought to be won. They start to question their own role in Iraq.

What good did Americans do in Iraq? In the beginning we see the American troops celebrating their victory. We also see our heroes magnify America's obsession with material wealth by choosing to steal the gold. Slowly, the

QUICK INFO

Director: David O.

Russell

Screenplay: John Ridley

and David O. Russell

Actors: George Clooney,

Ice Cube, Mark

Wahlberg

MPAA Rating: R

Runtime: 115 minutes

American soldiers start to realize this war had little victory at all. America got its oil, but did it help anyone? The answer is left unclear.

Just as powerful as the commentary on American greed is the assertion that each life has value. Never before has a war movie given bullets such weight. Amazing camera work, thanks to cinematographer Newton Thomas Sigel, is used to slow down



George Clooney and Mark Wahlberg in *Three Kings*.

each bullet as it approaches its victim. For the first time in a film of this genre, every individual that is struck down—good or

bad—is given worth. The audience is struck by the power a bullet has, and the damage it can do. This movie portrays guns as unappealing trouble makers instead of life savers, which is a refreshing change.

Yet, this movie is a comedy all the way to the core. Screenwriter and director David O. Russell keeps us on our toes wondering whether the next scene will be devastating, hysterical or both. Despite the dark underbelly of the story, it is told with wit and humor. Our heroes are flawed, most of the characters are imperfect—if not incompetent—and many of the situations are ridiculous or embarrassing. The movie does a wonderful job of being realistic and hard-hitting, but most importantly, it doesn't take itself too seriously.

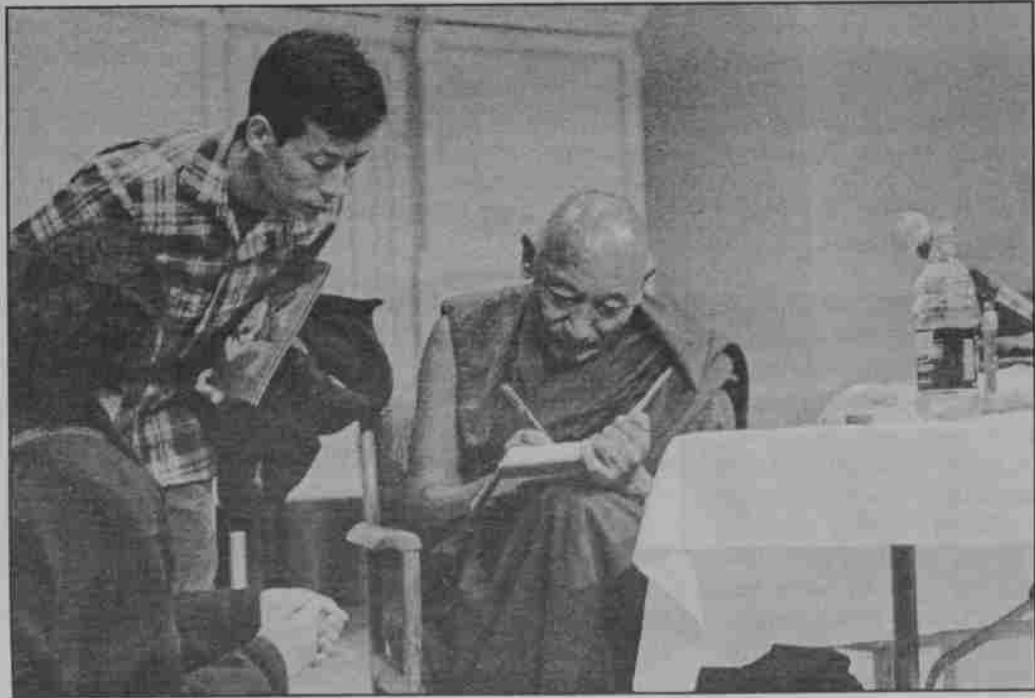
To enhance this amazing screenplay, the performances are convincing yet understated. George Clooney, Wahlberg and Ice Cube play the three leads. They balance each other's performances with grace. The contrast between

Clooney's controlled leader, Wahlberg's vulnerable young family man and Ice Cube's sensitive humanitarian leaves us adoring all three instead of choosing a favorite.

Also, Nora Dunn turns out a strong performance as an always-a-nominee-never-a-winner television news reporter Adrian Cruz. Cruz is a woman who has climbed the ranks on mere talent and dedication; never using her sexuality. Furthermore, she is devoted to getting her story. She never reveals a weak side, but instead shows she can be just as tough—if not tougher—than any man. Dunn's performance is humorous while being forceful. She has a commanding presence and never lets her guard down.

Overall, *Three Kings* is a seamless convention-breaker. It is a war movie that has no senseless violence, a comedy about inhumane conduct and a character drama with action sequences. Most importantly, it is a refreshing surprise that guarantees to entertain while it educates.

MAD ABOUT MONKS



Alison Michel

Palden Gyatso, a Tibetan Buddhist monk, signs his book *An Autobiography of a Tibetan Monk*. Gyatso spoke at Kenyon Tuesday about his experiences as a political prisoner in China.

Volleyball suffers several tough losses

Ladies hold 2-3 mark in conference

BY CATE NORIAN
Staff Writer

The Ladies have had a busy two weeks playing seven games, four of them being at Colorado College. Most recently the team took on conference rivals College of Wooster and Wittenberg University, along with last night's match at Denison, the results of which were not available at press time. Their overall record of 6-19 does not accurately reflect the team's close rallies and solid 2-3 standing in the NCAC.

The Ladies ended strong against Wooster despite the 3-0 loss. The game scores being 9-15, 6-15, and 14-16 show that the team pulled together in the end. The team's ability to finish strong is seen as they were able to fight back against Wooster with a previous 0-3 defeat to Wittenberg, where they lost 0-15, 4-15 and 8-15. As outside hitter Rhoda Raji '02 says "overall we are disappointed with our performance but we are still optimistic for Denison and for this upcoming weekend."

The game against Case Western Reserve University October 12th was just as frustrating with three close losses, going 11-15, 9-15 and 14-16. Coupled with the tough loss was

'Overall we are disappointed with our performance but we are still optimistic for Denison and for this upcoming weekend.'

—Rhoda Raji '02

senior Maggie Beeler's sprained ankle. Her loss was definitely felt against both Wooster and Wittenberg. Hopefully Beeler will be back for the Carnegie Mellon game coming up.

Over October break the team was able to get off campus and take in the sights Colorado had to offer, as they participated in a tournament at Colorado Pike's Peak Challenge. Three teams other than Kenyon played, College of the Southwest, Colorado College and Howard Payne University. Unfortunately, the Ladies could not pull out wins at the tournament. They lost in five close games to College of the Southwest and in three to Colorado College.

Kenyon played Howard Payne University twice, losing in three games the first match-up and in four games the second match-up.

The Ladies look toward Carnegie Mellon Saturday.

Men's rugby falls to OSU, 24-7; looks toward Wooster

Injuries gives rookies and substitutions a chance to play

BY AMANDA LUECK
Staff Writer

The Kenyon men's rugby team played a draining game against Ohio State University Saturday, losing 24-7 after an exciting and challenging second half. OSU dominated the first half, scoring two tries, though the scrum held together well and attempted to keep them in one place.

At the beginning of the second half, the Kenyon men took the ball back and drove down the field toward their in-goal. Only feet from the try-line, the scrum finally moved the ball near enough for Jack Fisher '00 to score as the scrum drove him in. Jevon

Thoresen '00, scrum-half and president of the club, said, "I felt like we had a lot of momentum when Jack scored to open the second half, but we failed to capitalize."

Even after Ludovic Ghesquiere '02 made a successful kick following the try, bringing the score to 12-7, the team seemed tired. The loss of back captain Zach Cooper '00 to a leg fracture was an emotional loss for the team at such a crucial moment, particularly for the backs who had been running hard the entire time. Other injuries forced subs and rookies to play; despite good play, the lack of experience detracted from their play.

The men managed to hold OSU until the last five minutes of the game, when OSU took the ball back from Kenyon and broke apart to score two more tries. One of the kicks after the tries was successful, and the game ended with the score of 24-7.

Despite the loss, the men felt as though the team played fairly cohesively for the first time this semester. With a 1-3 overall season record, the team is looking to condition more so as to last the long halves of exhausting play. Thoresen was "happy with the backs' play; this was the first game where they were effective." He hopes to carry that play over to the upcoming home game against Wooster Saturday.

Equestrian team rides to impressive finish at Western Michigan show

Apple takes first, team finishes third out of 10 overall

BY BRENT SHANK
On-line Editor

It is unusual for a student-organized, student-run athletic club that is just a year old to be competitive with other teams around the region. The Kenyon equestrian team has done just that.

After officially regaining status as a student organization about one year ago, the equestrian team is turning in impressive results. October 9, the team placed third out of 10 teams at

the competition at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. In equestrian competitions, riders compete at different levels based on their experience.

Jason Apple '02 took first place for Kenyon and Emily Scott '01, Amy Czech '02 and Sarah Pearce-Batten '01 all accumulated second place finishes. Pearce-Batten also took sixth in the jumping competition. Sophomores Claire Bohnengel and Gina Sorrentino both rode to a third place finish. Nora Jenkins '03

took fourth place for Kenyon and fifth place honors went to Joel Diaz '03 and Anne Tyrell '00.

The format of an intercollegiate horse show is unique in that riders go in to the show without a horse. Each rider draws the name of a horse out of a hat. Except in rare cases, the rider has never ridden the horse before.

If the team continues to be successful at smaller competitions, it may gain enough points to reach regional shows which are the first round of playoffs in equestrian season.



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Division III can't compete, financially

Salary and benefits dispute leaves men's tennis team without a coach

BY ALEX ROSS
Staff Columnist

David Schilling, the highly successful men's tennis coach, has parted ways with Kenyon and left for an assistant coaching job at Ohio State. His story speaks volumes about the realities of coaching a Division III program.

Schilling has spent his entire life around small college tennis, and he was sure he wanted to stay here. He grew up in Wooster where his father was the head tennis coach. Schilling went to school at Denison where he was nationally ranked as a player from 1987-1989 and won several NCAC titles. He continued his winning ways as an assistant coach at Denison before coming to Kenyon six years ago. In his first three years at Kenyon, the team compiled a 54-20 record and Schilling was named the NCAC Coach of the Year in 1995. In all six years he has coached at Kenyon, the men's tennis team has been ranked in the NCAA Division III Top 25.

Despite this impressive record, Kenyon was unable, or unwilling, to offer Schilling a full-time position. Kenyon did provide him with some full-time benefits and health coverage, but his salary remained at a part-time level. Word is that Kenyon promised to make him full-time within three years of his initial appointment, but after six years, Schilling was still working as a part-time coach.

During the first week of this month, Schilling informed the captains of the tennis team that he had been offered a full-time

assistant coaching position at Ohio State, where he received his Masters in Sports Management in 1994. He cited his low salary and frustrations over having his office moved frequently as reasons why he might consider the offer. Due to his desire to stay in Division III, Schilling informed Kenyon of the Ohio State position. Not wanting to lose a successful coach, Kenyon offered Schilling a raise and additional benefits, but they simply were not able to match the offer that a Division I program could provide.

Says captain Jad Dix '00, "The players were obviously shocked, and he was very disappointed to leave behind an excellent freshman class. The team understood his position, as we are well aware of the conditions he had to face."

Interim Athletic Director Jennie Bruening is meeting with the team and coordinating the search for a new coach. Until a new coach can be found, the head coach of the women's team, Scott Thielke, will take over coaching responsibilities. However, since he is currently coaching the women's soccer team, his interaction with the tennis team has been limited.

Schilling's story is one where no one is really to blame. With a limited budget, like other Division III programs, Kenyon was simply unable to provide someone who coaches only one sport the kind of package that a Division I school can. The need for Schilling to make a living, and Kenyon's need to balance the books, forced a situation that is a shame for everyone involved.

Field hockey stands at 3-12

Ladies grab victory from Oberlin, fall to Wooster, DePauw

BY JEROEN KNIEP
Staff Writer

The Kenyon field hockey team traveled to Oberlin College Thursday, having not won a game since October 11, when the team beat Hanover College 3-0. But the Ladies never gave up their desire to win and were determined to come home victorious. Kenyon played very consistently during the entire match and saw their hard work pay off with a goal in the eighth minute by Caitlin Chun-Kennedy '02, the only score in a 1-0 victory.

Emily Cole '02 said "We needed this win, and we knew that we could do it. So we found it inside and made it happen for ourselves." The game was aided by some great Kenyon defense and an excellent job in goal by captain

"The game was difficult, they are a very good team. We gave all we had against them."

—captain Erika Prael '00

Ericka Prael '00 who came through with several excellent saves.

Saturday, Kenyon took a road trip to Wooster, where they played the No. 2 team in the conference. The Ladies defense stood tall against the Wooster offense, allowing them only two goals. However, Kenyon was not able to score and had to keep themselves satisfied with a close result, 2-0. A lot of credit had to be giving to Prael, who recorded a total of 15 spectacular saves.

Kenyon's second game last weekend was their fifth straight

away game, this time at DePauw University. It was a tough game for the Ladies, since DePauw is ranked No. 8 in the nation. Therefore, the 5-0 loss was all they could muster. Prael commented by saying that, "The game was difficult, they are a very good team. We gave all we had against them."

Cole added, "We played a strong first half holding them to one goal, but our number of reserves is small, so we were tired, especially after playing a game the day before."

The Ladies' next game will be at home against Earlham College Saturday at 1 p.m.

Lords: unexpected success

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best times of the season. Rob Passmore '02 clocked in at 29:23. Captain James Sheridan '00 had a breakthrough, gutsy performance, finishing in 29:52. Mike Abelson '01, Michael Davis '00 and Charlie Walsh '00 all turned in quick times that demonstrated not only speed but agility.

Although the men lost to perennial conference rival Denison University by 10 points, Head Coach Duane Gomez felt that the meet was successful. "This was the men's highest finish at the All-Ohio meet, and we had the two highest places as well with Remaly and Evers who both ran outstanding races," he said. "Most guys had pretty solid races, and the open race squad ran especially strong with many of them earning their fastest times all season. This was a tough course, usually not a course of fast times. This race was about survival. We survived pretty well."

Gomez's sentiments resonated in comments from various team members who unanimously lauded Remaly and Evers for their amazing outings. Sheridan also praised Kalnow and Eversmeyer, calling each performance "stunning. Both showed courage and great heart. Eversmeyer particularly impressed me as he ran through various foot and leg injuries and a lot of pain."

Snyder agrees that in many ways the meet was successful but also hinted that the team's triumph

was bittersweet. "I think that this meet and the loss to Denison served as a reality check for the team. Losing makes us realize that not a single runner can afford to have an off meet or it's going to come back and hurt us. Based on our early season success, every team is out to beat us," he said.

The Lords got their chance for a rematch against Denison Saturday, a contest that proclaimed the Lords victorious. Kenyon earned second place in the Polar Bear Invitational in Ada, Ohio while Denison finished a mere fourth. Hildebrand led the pack, finishing eighth in 26:03. Remaly darted in to finish next, covering the course in 26:09 to earn 11th place. Evers crossed the glorious finish line shortly thereafter in 26:24 to earn 13th place, while Snyder finished in 26:57. Cabrerra and Kalnow once again competed well, charting times of 27:19 and 27:47 respectively.

Sheridan ran an impressive 28:33 with yet another flashy kick in the last 600 meters of the race, while Davis, Abelson and Walsh scored monstrous personal record times. Walsh particularly amazed onlookers and fans, clocking in at his fastest time ever in this last meet of his collegiate career.

Attributing his quick time to "working it in those middle miles," Sheridan described the final stretch as "brutal. I just kind of realized out there on the course that this was one of my last cross country

races and I wanted to make it memorable.

Sheridan continued, expressing his enthusiasm for the team's capabilities. "These performances were unbelievable! I believe that we set a school record for the most Lords under 30 minutes; of all our accomplishments this year, this sticks out as the most significant. Our race times have been falling at alarming rates."

"Overall, we have to be pleased that we beat Denison and Wabash, as they will be our principle opponents at Conferences in two weeks. We have to look ahead, not behind, and ensure that we are ready to beat them when it matters," said Evers.

Gomez also expressed satisfaction about the Lords' performance. "After running two excellent and hard meets in a row, I wasn't really expecting too much from them. But the men went out and upset the top two ranked NCAC teams. The top trio continues to be consistent, our 4-7 runners ran well, and our 8-10 runners continue to improve and impress."

Davis eloquently summed up the team's desires, saying, "All season long we've been running down a dream and I think we're getting closer to that dream every day. To some extent we're running on faith now. The long run of the cross country season has almost reached its zenith and we have to focus. We were born to run and now this is it, this is the run for the roses."

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Soccer drops pair of road games last night

Wilmington proves too much for Lords in 5-1 road loss

BY JEREMY SUHR
Senior Staff Writer

After stopping a season high losing streak, the Lords have lost two in a row. Most recently, they fell to Wilmington last night 5-1. said Tyler Perfect '03, "We played pretty well, but they deserved to beat us."

After having dropped five straight contests—a streak which began September 22nd with a 4-0 loss to Heidelberg—Kenyon scraped out a 2-1 win over Hiram College Thursday, providing a much needed boost of morale after crashing to a 4-0 defeat at Earlham over October break. Unfortunately, the Lords failed to ride their momentum, falling 1-0 at Allegheny Saturday in their very next outing.

The Lords still have not managed to string together two victories since they opened the season with three consecutive wins. Nonetheless, as midfielder Danny Mackinnon '02 said, "The game against Allegheny was one of the best we played all season despite the outcome. We completely dominated them and they just came up lucky with a goal [and] in the end, that's just the nature of the game."



A Lord fights for the ball against Hiram.

Ben Helfar

Kenyon's victory against Hiram came in a game that Mackinnon described as "very hectic and almost like a ping-pong match." In the first half, both teams traded a barrage of shots and forced a number of good saves, although Kenyon came closest to breaking the deadlock. Midway through the half, Greg Stephenson '99 launched a shot that the Hiram 'keeper could only partially deflect and which dribbled tantalizingly across the face of the goal and out of bounds. However, with just five minutes remaining before half time, Stephenson succeeded in putting Kenyon ahead 1-0. Perfect penetrated the Hiram defense with a burst of speed down their left flank and fired a low ball past the 'keeper that Stephenson tapped into goal after muscling

past two Hiram defenders.

The second half saw much of the same physical, back-and-forth play, but Kenyon once again made more of their opportunities. Fifteen minutes after the break, the Lords earned a free kick near midfield, and Leon Blanche '99 found Mackinnon with a smart pass deep in Hiram defense. Mackinnon neatly controlled the long pass, eluded a defender with a bit of nifty dribbling and blasted the ball perfectly past the 'keeper and into the upper left corner of the net. Hiram stole a goal back with just a minute left in the contest, capitalizing on a free kick awarded just outside the box by smacking a shot off the Kenyon wall that trickled into goal.

Kenyon's next match is Saturday against Wittenberg at 2:00 p.m.

Ladies fall to Denison, 2-1, stand at 6-8

BY KEITH PETERSON
Senior Staff Writer

Before losing to No. 6 ranked and undefeated Denison University last night 2-1, the Kenyon College Ladies soccer team completed a 1-1 weekend of play. Kenyon outclassed the team from Thomas More College 4-2 Monday after Saturday's loss to Allegheny College 2-1.

Jessie Fertig '02 said, "We came out really strong in the first half against Thomas More and had a 3-0 lead at half time. We were passing extremely well and winning most of the 50/50 balls. We didn't come out as strong in the second half and allowed them to get two quick goals. The team really pulled together to retaliate and scored one final goal to put us ahead 4-2."

The Ladies' offensive outburst was led by Krista Cushing '03 who scored the first goal of the afternoon off a perfect pass from Kari Vandenburg '03. Vandenburg also scored on a dazzling direct kick in the first period. Sophomores Holly Asimou and Cate Norian combined to score before halftime off a nice feed from Asimou that Norian knocked past the goalkeeper. Cushing tallied her second goal of the game after getting the ball from a quality pass by Fertig in the second period.

Kenyon continued its battle up the NCAC standings with scheduled matches against the College of Wooster and Allegheny College. The game against Wooster was canceled due to lightning; however, weather did not prevent the Ladies from giving Allegheny more than they could handle.

Co-captain Louise Eddleston '01 said, "We started out slow against Allegheny, but played them strong in the second half. That's when Asimou scored for us." Fertig added that, "Asimou had a great goal that made us really pick up our play."

The Ladies broke out of their scoring slump at just the right time as they face the meat of their conference schedule. Kenyon hosts 5-9-1 Wittenberg University Saturday, 2-14 Hiram College Monday and 6-9 Oberlin College Wednesday.

Coach Scott Thielke said, "Our defense has only given up 18 goals in 15 games. Last year we already given up 37 goals at this point in the season. We have a very strong defense with first-year Maureen Collins in the goal most games."

With a right combination of offense, defense and home-field advantage, the Ladies seem set to put together a nice winning streak and continue to move up the conference rankings. The Ladies now stand at 6-8-1.

Ladies: looking to championships

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wake with yet another 1-2 performance. A thrilled Gomez called the effort simply a "stunner. This hasn't happened in the Division III women's meet since 1991, when two other Kenyon runners, Kara Berghold and Kelley Wilder, placed 1-2."

In the 1999 race, it was Shults who earned the title of top-Division III runner in Ohio, traversing the rolling course in a time of 19:10. She placed 17th overall in a field of no less than 267 runners, and for her effort was named the North Coast Athletic Conference Runner of the Week—her second such award this year. Describing her domination, Gomez said, "She basically took off at the mile mark and left everyone

"I'm quite pleased with the women's strong showing. It was a very solid team effort."

—Coach Duane Gomez

else behind."

Lynn's similarly commendable effort placed her in 37th overall with a time of 19:40. Gomez noted that it was Lynn's highest career finish in a college meet—that is, until she captured first place one week later at the Ohio Northern invite.

Consistent performer Sharp was third for the Ladies, finishing in 97th place with a time of 20:41. Neitz was 114th and only 10 seconds behind Sharp, while Melissa Hurley '01 was 130th and only 10

seconds behind Neitz. Megan Biddle '03 finished in 190th (21:52) while Kapo was 209th (22:03). Gomez stated, "I'm quite pleased with the women's strong showing. It was a very solid team effort."

The Ladies now look forward to a weekend of rest, with the season's most exhausting stretch behind them. Then it's time for the NCAC Championships, the single most important and anticipated meet of the season, to be held in two weeks at Ohio Wesleyan.



Jessie Fertig '02 passes the ball earlier this season.

Sasha Lourie

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Football whomps Oberlin for first win of season

Offense, defense find their groove as Lords roll away with 461 total yards

BY TRAVIS ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Kenyon's football team thrashed visiting Oberlin College, 49-7, Saturday afternoon to notch its first victory of the season in punishing style.

The Lord's offense, showing inconsistent flashes of brilliance all year, finally performed as a cohesive unit, posting a robust 461 total yards on the day.

Almost half of the offensive production came courtesy of running back Anthony Togliatti '00. He bulldozed his way to 215 yards on the ground. Rushing with the fearless intensity of an NFL fullback, the pride of Independence, Ohio, tore through the helpless Oberlin defenders, scoring four touchdowns and averaging almost seven yards a carry.

Quarterback Tony Miga '02 supplemented the rushing onslaught with a solid effort under center, launching a perfect 46-yard

scoring bomb to running back Will Winnicki '00 in the first quarter to put the Lords up 7-0 and in the driver's seat early. Miga, playing confidently after his encouraging first drive, avoided the costly interceptions that had plagued him in earlier contests.

"Tony Miga played extremely well against Oberlin, and he is the best quarterback I've ever had," said receiver Joe Beilen '03, who attributed Miga's past struggles to a collective offensive breakdown.

The Lord's defensive performance was equally unmatchable. They held Oberlin to a paltry 23 yards rushing, forcing quarterback Chris Moffat to throw 62 passes, many of them out of manic desperation to avert Kenyon's relentless pressure from the defensive line and secondary.

In all, Moffat was sacked five times, twice each by sophomores Ben Mellino and Matt Lane. The other came at the hands of steady lineman Lonnie Manns '00.



Will Winnicki '00 races up field against Oberlin.

Sasha Louie

Oberlin's visibly overwhelmed, beleaguered signal caller also threw two interceptions. Defensive back Aaron Hamilton '01 picked off the first in the opening quarter and deftly scampered for a 14-yard return, avoiding several would-be tacklers. Linebacker Nate Erickson

'00 claimed the second take-away in the next quarter and delighted the exuberant Kenyon faithful with an elusive return of his own, advancing 18 yards into Oberlin territory after making the interception at the Lord's 46-yard line.

Oberlin's only score came on a garbage-time touchdown late in the

fourth quarter against Kenyon's second and third string defenses.

The rejuvenated Lords will try to duplicate this impressive effort and win their second consecutive divisional game next weekend when they battle Grove City College at home. Kickoff is scheduled for 1:30 Saturday afternoon.

Lords cross country produces stellar efforts

Evener, Hildebrand, Remaly lead pack

BY MELISSA HURLEY
Senior Staff Writer

The Lords have raced mightily in two meets whose results send a warning their fellow North Coast Athletic Conference competitors: Kenyon plans to destroy them at the NCAC Championships Halloween weekend.

The first meet, the All-Ohio Intercollegiate Cross Country Championships October 8, yielded a third place finish for the team as they bravely strode over 8,000 meters of steep but grassy hills. Greg Remaly '03 was the first Lord to burst across the finish line into third place in 26:59.3. Captain Vince Evener '01 followed in

heated pursuit, finishing fourth in 27:01. Ben Hildebrand '03 was next, earning fourteenth place with a time of 27:25. Cary Snyder '02 and Matt Cabrera '03 rounded out the top five scoring positions, finishing 41st in 27:54 and 47th in 27:58, respectively. 1st year Drew Kalnow's time of 28:11 demonstrated his massive improvement and great effort, while Alex Eversmeyer '03 demonstrated true grit and determination, finishing in a respectable 28:58.

Other Lords in the open race ran like they had just stolen markers from Lewis and were being chased by a violent mob of angry girls. They posted some of their

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Ladies cross country hits cruise control

Lynn, Shults pave way; Lynn sets Ohio Northern course record

BY VINCE EVENER
Staff Writer

Racing on three consecutive weekends would be a physically and mentally draining task for most any cross country team. But the Kenyon Ladies aren't just any cross country team. This October, the Ladies have tore with a vengeance through an arduous stretch of back-to-back-to-back races, delivering a strong runner-up finish at the Ohio Northern Invitational on Saturday and a third-place performance at the prestigious All-Ohio championships two weeks ago. These successes followed a commendable effort at the super-fast Bobcat Invite on the first weekend of the month.

At Ohio Northern, senior co-captains Gelsey Lynn and Laura Shults conquered windy conditions and poor footing, as well as a field of 143 runners, en route to an impressive 1-2 finish—their second such finish in as many weeks. Lynn, in fact, shattered the course record with a blazing time of 18:40. Literally only a step behind, Shults crossed the line in 18:41. The remainder of the field didn't see much of either Lady after the starter's gun fired, with third-place finisher Adrienne Shue of Denison University trailing the Kenyon tandem by a full 30 seconds.

"This hasn't happened in the Division III women's meet since 1991, when two other Kenyon runners placed 1-2."

—head coach Duane Gomez, on Lynn and Shults' performance

Third place for the Ladies once again went to Molly Sharp '01, whose time of 20:03 was good enough for 12th place overall. Fourth for the Ladies and 32nd overall was Erica Neitz '01 in 20:39. Just one second behind, Katherine Kapo '02 earned her first top-five finish for the Ladies this season, finishing 34th overall. Head coach Duane Gomez noted that Kapo "ran a very fine race."

Ten teams competed at the invitational, in which Denison University finished first. The Ladies held off third-place Heidelberg College by two points to secure their second place finish. Gomez was pleased with his team's performance, stating, "It was one of those meets where the team basically just had to hang in there after running two very impressive races in the two weeks prior."

One of those impressive races to which Gomez referred was the Ladies' performance at the All-Ohio Championships, held October 8 at Ohio Wesleyan University. The All-Ohio meet is an enormous and

fiercely competitive race involving a full 40 teams from every NCAA division battling it out for the title of best in the state. And with their third-place effort in the Division III category, the Ladies extended their streak of consecutive top-five finishes at the Championships to an astounding 17 years.

Overall, the Ladies captured 13th place against a talented field, replete with scholarship athletes. More importantly, they sent arch-rival Denison University home in defeat, as the Big Red finished in 14th place, 33 points behind the Ladies. Ashland University was the top Division III finisher in 11th place, while Division I Kent State took home overall title.

Every Division III team in the state sent their very best to the competition. Yet as anyone who has followed the ladies in 1999 knows, their best just isn't good enough against the formidable Kenyon duo of Shults and Lynn. The two senior ladies left the field lying in their

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