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Student Council Seeks More Involvement with Faculty

By Joyce Tecson

All men and women in the Kenyon College community are subject to the guidelines of the campus government. The various branches of that government include Senate, Student Council, and Faculty Governance, all of which are meant to be self-governing bodies. This year's Student Council is looking to assert itself as a self-governing body by reviewing the Kenyon Constitution and possibly amending it.

According to Regina Phillips, Student Council Treasurer, one of the major concerns of Student Council is that "students don't have enough of a voice on campus." Phillips explained Student Council's view that "We are currently under the system of

campus government, but only students are governed by it." According to Phillips, "There is another half of campus, faculty, which is not responsible to it."

Under the guidelines set forth in the Kenyon student handbook, the functions of the Student Council are to "formulate and express officially the student views concerning affairs of the college; to recognize legitimate student activities, enterprises, organizations and social events and to supervise their operations; and to administer elections, appointments, and removals by impeachment for all student offices in the campus government." Student Council is not consulted on decisions concerning curriculum or course study—something the Council would like to see changed.

In order to make changes, Dieter Sumerauer, President of Student Council, believes the Council needs to explore ways to "give students the power and self-determination they deserve." Sumerauer explained that currently Council is "investigating other college constitutions." According to Mark Vacha, Secretary of Student Council, the next step of Council will be to "write a statement to clarify Student Council's perception of student/campus government and to inform the community." Sumerauer explained that the statement, which will be made public November 1, will give the community an idea of "where our (Council's) power lies in the student body."

Senate member Kent Ginther explained the differing roles of Faculty Governance, Senate

and Student Council. According to Mr. Ginther, "Student Council can propose a recommendation to Senate concerning student life and activities, Senate can then write a proposal to be sent to the President of the college and the Board of Trustees for final approval." Ginther, who also sits on the Academic Policy Committee, explained that, unlike the Senate and Student Council, Faculty Governance has the ability to "enact policy for its committees and then go to the President to make sure there is funding." Ginther cites new course approvals as an example.

According to Sumerauer, some of the ideas being discussed by Council are the possibility of a student or recent alumnus on the Board of Trustees and a faculty review system with more student involvement. The Council is also contemplating a student representative at faculty meetings. Phillips expressed Council's belief that this would "give faculty and students equal rights in campus decisions." She was quick to reassure that "Student Council is not looking to ostracize the faculty or ourselves, but we're looking to formulate a new system of campus governance which will truly represent and unite students in the community."

After November 1, Council will direct its efforts, with the help of faculty, to research aimed at a new form of student government.

KCTV Begins An Advanced Year of Broadcasting

By Holly Brent

Imagine watching a Kenyon soccer game from the comfort of your dorm room! This is the dream of Paul Valenti '93, station manager of KCTV. This year he hopes to expand and improve KCTV by hooking it up to cable. Eventually, his goal is to put KCTV on its own 24-hour cable station, so that Kenyon students and faculty members will be able to enjoy watching Kenyon programs any time of day or night.

KCTV had its beginnings in 1986, when Brendan P. Keefe '90 was a prospective student at Kenyon and talked to the deans about the possibilities of starting a television station at Kenyon. The problems of setting up a Kenyon television station were greater than Keefe had imagined. For three years he submitted a series of proposals, and during those three years KCTV didn't produce anything but an admissions video and some independent projects. The last proposal Keefe drew up was one in excess of \$20,000. It entailed hardwiring KCTV to the head end of Star Cable, which is three miles away from Kenyon. Before Keefe submitted this, he had met with Doug Givens, the Dean of Development, who raised over \$18,000 for KCTV. The senior staff at the college voted the proposal down, and Keefe received none of the money he needed.

The proposal was voted down on the grounds that the administration was worried that no one would take KCTV over once Keefe had graduated, they weren't sure whether or not Keefe was proposing to use the correct technology, and they were concerned with the lack of facilities for KCTV to

use. Last year, however, Keefe got \$4,000 from the Student Activities fund for 1989-1990, but when the proposal was rejected, they took it all away. Eventually, Keefe received \$1600 from Student Council, and he used this money to purchase a camcorder and a Lavalier microphone. He paid for the studio that KCTV uses with his own money.

Last semester, Keefe called together a meeting for anyone who was interested in working for the show and approximately 50 people showed up. Due to limited technological capabilities, KCTV could only hire about 15 people in the beginning. By the end of the semester only a few people remained.

This year Valenti has made some changes that have helped to improve KCTV. Now producers and reporters work together on a story, and producers are responsible for editing their own stories. After the producers are finished, stories are turned into an editor to edit. Valenti says that the position of producer didn't even exist last year because the cameraman and the editor were two different people. Valenti recalls that as an editor it was rough getting raw footage of videotape, and putting a story together the way it should go without really knowing what the producer was looking for.

This year several new positions were implemented to fill out the staff. There is an advertising and publicity person, a business manager, and a sports anchor. There are seven producers, seven reporters, and two anchors. Valenti says the station is more efficient than last year, mostly because the new internal structure of the show allows the group to be more closely knit. This year the

group meets twice a week, and on Tuesday evening the staff watches the show together. The show is on television every Wednesday at the Shoppes during lunch.

KCTV is in the midst of trying to receive more funds in order to eventually move to cable. They are applying for supplementary budget money in order to get an auto/repeat function VCR, which will allow

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News Briefs

Greek Party Triggers Controversy At Brown

By Nanette Miller

Racism has plagued college campuses in the past several years. The sensitivity is so extensive that the evidence of racism seems to be found everywhere. Reports of racism have resurfaced again in the Greek community.

On October 15, the *New York Times* reported a raging debate triggered by Greek sponsored theme parties on the campus of Brown University. A complaint about a "South of the Border" Mexican siesta caused the "mostly white" fraternities and sororities to put an end to minority and ethnic theme parties.

Still, the topic lingers among members of the Brown community who feel as if the "politically correct" students on campus have gone overboard. Many students feel that the hypersensitive and "politically correct" campus is looking for discrimination where discrimination does not exist.

The rest of the complaint should have been filed as "culture and identity are reduced to a commodity." Racism, to them, is a dangerous topic that one cannot be overly sensitive about. The Greeks have not backed down and like to refer to the change as one small step towards improved relations.

Dartmouth Review Attacks Jews

Two weeks ago Time magazine reported that the *Dartmouth Review*, an independent student weekly, printed Hitler's words that "by warding off the Jews, I am fighting for the Lord's work." The context of the sentence was not mentioned. However, the publication of the quote, which occurred on

the eve of Yom Kippur, was condemned as one of the many offenses the *Review* has printed during its 10-year history. It has also printed derogatory remarks about women, blacks, Native Americans and homosexuals. Due to the most recent controversy students

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Council Changes Miss Their Mark

The Student Council is currently proposing to change the Campus Government Constitution. This will revamp the hierarchy of student government bodies and their relation to the administration. Part of the purpose of changing the constitution is to clarify the wording of the document and to express a clear sense of the values and aims of government organizations. This seems to us to be an admirable mission. However, it seems that some of the energies put forth by the Student Council are merely to expand their own power base. These energies could be channeled into some more productive activities. Emphasis should be put on changing the activity of student government from within, reevaluating its organization and its role in student life. The constitution should be changed, but it should be changed in order to make sure that elections, committee selections and committee activities become more efficient and are more publicized to the student body at large.

In general, it seems that communication between the student body and its governmental representatives is lacking. Starting with elections it should be made clear to the voters the exact duties and responsibilities of the individual members they are voting for. There should be definitive criteria outlining the experience and qualifications needed for each position as well as published letters of intent. Currently, only the letters of intent for President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary of the Student Council are published. It would seem helpful if short letters of intent or statements of purpose were posted at polling areas for all council candidates.

At present, both Senate and Student Council meetings are not fully open to the student population. If these bodies are truly a voice of the student body, shouldn't students be allowed to freely attend and comment? Students must address any requests to speak at council meetings to the council president for permission. Last year the Senate voted on whether or not to let a member of the student press sit in on a meeting to cover a story. Here it seems there was an attempt to squelch student access to information being addressed in government meetings.

Information and correspondence from campus government bodies is often inadequate. Individual council committees have no publications and Student Council and Senate minutes aren't practical in that they most often create a profusion of multicolored papers scattered on the floors of the dining halls. Perhaps one weekly publication, similar to a *Newscope* format, could provide information on the activities of Senate, Student Council and the individual subcommittees within student government. Some information might be disseminated through the separate class committees which now seem virtually non-functional.

Elections of Student Council members through a dorm building format is often both inappropriate and inefficient. Many students do not know who their dorm reps are or why their dorm reps necessarily share their common goals and opinions just because they live down the hall. Some representatives are elected by grouping wholly disjuncted groups into one electoral district such as the RAs, Farr Hall, Peirce Hall, the Delt Lodge, Crozier Center and the Wilson Apartments. Electing representatives by dorm also allows some gender and class year inequalities. If selections by dorm were replaced by selections by class year it seems that some misrepresentation could be alleviated. If two male and two female representatives from each class were elected (based on the model of the four Freshman student council members) a gender and class year balance would be achieved, ensuring somewhat common goals among electoral bodies and their representatives.

Selection of Student Council Committees is directed from within the Council itself and is a virtually unknown process to the student body and those being chosen for committees. In the past the results of these selections have often seemed arbitrary and politically biased rather than based on the merit of a candidate's background and letter of intent. Ideally, we should have enough faith in our student leaders to trust that they will choose the right candidates according to their ability. It is questionable as to whether this has actually been the case. It seems that some committees are dominated by members who represent one interest rather than being composed of people involved in a diverse range of activities.

In the past few years the allocation of Student Activities Funds to organizations has been a topic of much debate. Student Council has full reign over distributing funds and budgeting (over \$187,000 generated from student activities fees) for all student organizations. As membership in Student Council changes, so do funding priorities. In order for budgeting to be done in a more equitable manner, Student Council as a whole must devote more time to the financing process. One meeting at the end of the year is not enough time to understand the needs and specific situations of the individual groups. Also there should be clear and published guidelines for determining the allocation of funds to the various organizations. Some groups clearly do not appeal to the whole student body and only to certain segments of the community.

Student Government should be a body that is more responsive to and communicative with the students at Kenyon. Due to the proliferating number of committees and subcommittees, many with poorly defined agendas and missions, government processes have convoluted. It is questionable as to whether the existing committees communicate effectively amongst themselves or with student government as a whole. It seems that for every new campus issue a new committee is formed to study and deal with the problem. In many instances it would seem simpler to delegate these issues to an already existing student government committee.

Student Council's self-study could be a positive move to improve campus government on all levels. However, each branch of student government must participate in order for campus government as a whole to benefit. If the changing of the constitution results in a simple growth of Student Council power over other governing bodies it will fail to serve the interests of Kenyon College as a whole.

Written by Members of the Editorial Board



THE READERS WRITE

The *Kenyon Collegian* encourages letters to the Editor. All submissions must be signed and typed, double-spaced and are due Tuesdays at noon in the Gund Commons mailbox. The Editors reserve the right to edit all material while maintaining the original intent of the submission. Letters and columns do not necessarily reflect the views of the staff.

KEC Requests Help with Recycling

To the Editor:

"We can't increase recycling on campus until there is more help down at the recycling garage," is what I heard from the Kenyon Environmental Committee (KEC) coordinator when I approached him two years ago. Driven by the need to increase recycling I set out to encourage help at the Brooklyn Street garage on Saturday mornings to sort through the huge pile of recyclables.

"Recycling at the garage is going to have to be done through student volunteers," is what I heard from Dean Edwards last year as we talked about expanding the recycling program. This time I cringed, crossed my fingers, and hoped that I could come up with some way to get students to help recycle. And all I could think of was the huge pile of recyclables down at the garage waiting to be sorted and taken into Mount Vernon.

"HELP!" is what I hear myself saying every time I open the door to the garage, faced with an enormous pile of cans and bottles and cardboard. The increase in campus participation in utilizing the recycling bins is encouraging and exciting; but the need for people to sort these bags at the garage is greater than ever before. Never have I seen the garage as taken over by recyclables as it has been this year. And we need your help to regain control and facilitate the second step in the processing of recyclables.

Many important additions have been made to the recycling program this year. The Board of Trustees set aside a fund to allow for the purchase of new and more recycling bins for the campus. The fund also enabled Kenyon to hire a woman to work three nights a week to help remove recyclables from the dorms. Although the recycling program is far from being anything but student-run, maintenance (thankfully) is much more involved this year. Maintenance continues to provide us with a truck; cleaning personnel bring recyclables to central locations for removal; and rovers help to take cardboard from the dining halls and bookstore to the recycling garage. When they

have time, rovers will even take recyclables into Mount Vernon. This eases the problem that we had in the past of having processed recyclables build up in the garage waiting to be removed.

More bins in the dorms and the extra help by maintenance reduces recycling as an eyesore in the dorms, but down at the garage on Brooklyn Street the cans, bottles, newspaper, office paper and cardboard present themselves as an overwhelming problem. A massive pile of bags of recyclables anxiously wait to be opened; the cans and bottles inside them long to be smashed or separated by color and taken to Mount Vernon (isn't everyone's dream to go to Mount Vernon?). A worried coordinator hopes that this Saturday will be the one where there is a record turnout and the pile finally gets under control.

So how does one get people to volunteer to help recycle? Hopefully, organizations will sign up to bring their members down. Hopefully, people will feel personally responsible for their own garbage and come down. Just as we are learning that there is no magic "away" for our garbage when we throw-it-away, there is also no "away" for our recyclables. They have to go somewhere. Something has to be done with them. Our nation's garbage crisis includes a recycling crisis—from removal, to processing, to markets. On all levels, individuals must do their part to make recycling work. Wouldn't it be great if each student came down once to help recycle? Wouldn't it be great if a student in each dorm volunteered to take care of the recycling bins and recycling signs? An attitude of personal responsibility for one's own garbage would make the Kenyon recycling program a success. Take the first step—I urge you to come down to the recycling garage on any Saturday from 10-12 to be a part of a solution to the garbage crisis.

Really—if you're not recycling, you're throwing it all away.

Sincerely,
Meryl Brott

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Collegian Notes

Due to the overwhelming volume of submissions received this week, some letters to the editor will be run in the Nov. 2 *Collegian*.

Letters to the Editor

Short Dismisses Crais' Response

To the Editor:

I should like to thank Professor Clifton Crais for his letter (in your last issue) directing attention to my article in the *Kenyon Observer*. I understand that he spent a valuable class period doing the same.

It is unnecessary to respond to his criticisms. For anyone who reads my article can see for himself that those criticisms are

worse than unjust: they are not even germane.

They are of a piece with his gross distortion of Mr. Sliman's cartoon. That cartoon was obviously intended to parody curricular racism, but Crais pretends it is the cartoon that is racist. What can one say?

Sincerely,
Thomas Short

Sliman Explains *Observer* Cartoon

To the Editor:

I am writing to respond to attacks made on my character by Professor Crais in his "Letter to the Editor" of October 18, 1990. In his unfortunate tirade he implied, based on my cartoon ("Race-Conscious Map of America") and Professor Short's article ("Kenyon's Need for Diversity"), both for the *Observer*, that we were racist. He grossly misrepresents the content of the article, and misses altogether the obvious message of the cartoon. Worse still, he stoops to name-calling (N.B. "mediocre ideologues" and "uninformed white men").

This should concern the Kenyon community. That a professor of this college could come to such unwarranted conclusions, and then use the school newspaper to wrecklessly and unscrupulously malign a first year student and a colleague, is reprehensible. I suspect, however, that he may have done more damage to his own reputation and credibility than to ours, since anyone who read the article and looked at the cartoon, whether agreeing or disagreeing, could see that neither was racist. By his flippant use of the term "racist," Professor Crais, sadly, reduced to cliché what was once a powerful condemnation.

Professor Crais criticizes my cartoon, but what does he know about cartooning? Apparently very little, if he thinks that it is possible to draw *anyone* without portraying "phenotypical" characteristics. And what does he mean by the "conflation of male gender"? Is he suggesting that, because I drew two males, and not, say, a male and a female, somehow that makes me sexist as well? If so, then he really was groping for something to complain about. It would have confused the point I was trying to make had I brought gender into the cartoon. But then again, what does Professor Crais care about the point I was trying to make, since he apparently made no effort to understand it in the first place?

The cartoon was a serious attempt to grap-

Council Seeks Input About Housing

To the Members of the Kenyon Community:

By now we are all aware of the trustees' response to the Report of the Commission on Student Life and the board's charge to the administration to develop a housing allocation policy to carry out the principle of fair and equitable access to College housing. As

ple with the question of culture. In order to do that, I naturally had to depict stereotypes. In no way was I endorsing those stereotypes; quite to the contrary, I was lampooning them. The "Race-Conscious Map of America" was a satirical representation of the whole "race-conscious" movement in the United States, which I believe is manipulated by politicians and, to a certain extent, even colleges, either for votes or for the appearance of distinction in "social awareness." Take Ted Kennedy's 1990 "Civil Rights" Bill for example, which would use *geographical statistics* to prove racism in the workplace.

Notice also the encircled "Gray Areas" off to the side of the map. This is clearly my editorial comment regarding so-called "race-consciousness" in America. It is designed to bring attention to important, as-yet unanswered questions. For instance, what *does* determine our culture? Our shoes (a reference to the Nike controversy)? The style of our hair, the books we read, the clothes we wear—or even the color of our skin? Is it historical ties to a continent thousands of miles away from our own? And what about the possibility of co-existence? Need it be so unpleasant, as separatists, both black and white, profess? Are we really that different? And why are we not allowed to ask the difficult questions about Affirmative Action and the existence of reverse discrimination?

Perhaps the most ridiculous thing about Professor Crais' letter is his insinuation that, somehow, Professor Short was being "unscholarly" in writing for an "avowedly conservative" publication, that his time would have been better spent "in the pursuit of knowledge" than in contributing his thoughts about a sensitive issue. It is as though to imply that the phrase "conservative intellectual" is an oxymoron. Coming from a liberal, this view is, at best, self-aggrandizing.

Yes—what *did* happen to scholarship?

Sincerely,
Robert B. Sliman '94

Student Council President and Chair of Senate, we invite the Kenyon community to participate with the decision-making process in the following way:

—Either as individuals or as groups, you may devise a plan to reform the current housing allocation system, based upon some clear-
see STUDENT COUNCIL page eight

KAL Questions Validity of Editorial

To the Editors:

How ironic that even as the *Kenyon Review* bravely rejects funds from the NEA rather than knuckle under to censorship, Kenyon College mails their scare-tactic literature for fear that failure to support the hysteria of the Drug War will result in a loss of federal funds. Insult compounds injury to freedom when a *Collegian* editorial furthers the Reaganesque falsity equating the consumption of illicit drugs with support of those who "deal in the planned exploitation of those already suffering under oppressive systems." Even worse, the editorial board of the *Collegian* refers to the "whine" and the "selfish" reasoning of those who advocate an end to drug prohibition.

We, the president and faculty advisor of the newly formed Kenyon Antiprohibition League assert that the violence and oppression which correlates with the illicit drug trade should not be blamed on drug users, who themselves suffer violence and oppression by advocates of scientifically in-

defensible government policies. We suggest, instead, that those who abhor the violence and oppression associated with the illicit drug trade should begin to question the wisdom and motives of those who employ a harshly punitive legalistic solution in their self-righteous attempts to suppress a near-universal human behavior. In addition, we reject the non-too-subtle hint that all those who advocate an end to drug prohibition are covert consumers of illicit drugs whose arguments are basically selfish. Antiprohibitionists do not "whine", but instead fearlessly demand that those who claim to oppose oppression and violence recognize the rights of autonomous (and purportedly, free) individuals to make their own decisions about which, if any, behaviorally active drug(s) they choose to consume.

Sincerely,
Gilbert Blomgren
KAL President

Arthur P. Leccese
KAL Faculty Advisor

Crais Rebuttle Crosses Boundary

To the Editor:

The letter by Professor Clifton Crais published in last week's *Collegian* displays a disturbing lack of generosity. Why can't we as colleagues debate each other without stooping to personal attacks? I am happy to read Professor Crais's rebuttal to the article in question because I respect his learning and, more basically, I respect him as a colleague. This is so whether I agree with him or not. But I urge Professor Crais to reconsider the need to malign personally another of my colleagues, Professor Short, for "demeaning presumptuousness," for harboring a "dismal understanding of history," for plain "ignorance," to slam him for pretending to be a scholar and, finally, to prescribe that Short "do some basic readings." To use such language is boldly to cross a boundary that we all have an interest in maintaining.

The important issue of collegiate "diversity" is obviously quite complex. It should go without saying that there are many reasonable arguments pertaining to the issue, and we should encourage members of our community to make them publicly. But when we vilify opponents or attach provocative labels such as "racist" to ideas that differ from our own, it seems to me that we are simply trying to cut off that debate.

With all due respect for my colleague's passionate interest in this topic, Professor Crais seems awfully close to considering what he calls the "avowedly conservative" character of the *Kenyon Observer* to be a point of view that threatens this campus and should be silenced. And, in any case, the argument is no stronger for its dearth of charity.

John J. Macionis
Associate Professor of Sociology

Crais Lessens Impact of "Racism"

To the Editor:

I was most interested, last Thursday, to learn that it is now the *Collegian's* policy to print *The Kenyon Observer's* letters. Professor Crais's letter to the editor in the Oct. 19 issue was addressed to the wrong publication. The *Observer* has its own letter column. If the professor has a quarrel with them, that is the proper place for him to address his complaints. It was unprofessional for the *Collegian* to print his letter, and an act of

scholarly cowardice for him to have sent it there in the first place.

Professor Crais's letter was surprising for other reasons as well. After seeing it, I reread the article and cartoon referred to by him, expecting to find something there that I had missed the first time through. I was disappointed, however. Neither the cartoon nor the article, even after careful reconsideration with Professor Crais's complaints in mind, seemed to me racist. Perhaps the professor's see RACISM

Reader Doubts *Observer's* Fairness

To the Editors:

Several weeks ago, our first-year students were given a "caveat" by the *Kenyon Observer*, warning them against the liberals, radicals and diversely-thinking types who lay in wait for them in classrooms across campus, demanding to be publicly "embraced." (Or was it "politically"? I don't recall.) Since there wasn't much in the way of rebuttal, and I saw little, if any, hugging on Middle Path, I figured the issue was settled. But another volume of the *KO* found its way under a few

select doors, sounding the alarm again, and I'm thinking that those first-year students must be wondering what it's all about. So, with your permission, this is for the women and men of the class of '94.

What the *Kenyon Observer* isn't about is Kenyon College. If you can read the small print below the long list of staff, you'll learn that the *Kenyon Observer* is "a student-run monthly journal of news and opinion on the campus of Kenyon College, and that "all views expressed are those of the authors and see WEMHOENER page eight

Lawton's Optimism Meets with Skepticism from Audience

By Michael Rutter

For one of a series of lectures on post cold war Soviet politics sponsored by the Consolidated National Gas Foundation, Professor Anna Lawton of Georgetown University came to Kenyon last Thursday to speak on culture and its changing role in Perestroika society. She was born in Rome, educated both in Naples and Leningrad, and later received her doctorate in the United States.

Lawton began the lecture by pointing out the impetus behind recent changes—namely Gorbachev. She viewed him as instigating the “green light” for cultural reform within Communist society. Lawton divided the new trends in culture into literature, art, and pop culture. The impact of such freedom is most clearly seen both within the press which now allows direct criticism and in the arrival of previously banned books such as *Brave New World*. From that point, she discussed art, focusing on the avant garde paintings of the 1970s (now being displayed at the Columbus Museum of Art). She said a short time ago, an exhibition of underground artists was literally bulldozed over by the government. Now the government is actually hoping to

capitalize on the sale of art to other countries.

Completely overshadowing the intellectual awakening is “pop culture.” Lawton indicated that 90 percent of the Soviet people have a television set on which they can now watch shows like “600 Seconds” or scantily dressed women performing aerobics. In the past, films were the most dominant medium, yet even with their loss of appeal to television, new trends are apparent. One film she said has Lenin awakening in present day New York and proclaiming, “I knew it would be like this!” The freedom in relation to the Soviet youth has manifested itself aptly within rock and roll music. Lawton said an estimated 250,000 rock bands are currently registered; some Soviets see this as an evil plot of the CIA.

Lawton's lecture ended on an optimistic note, with her saying that with such new freedoms Soviet culture could only benefit. However, much of the audience, myself included, were somewhat more skeptical of the recent changes. The increase of commercialization, which is linked to America's own disastrous state of affairs, would seemingly have a negative impact. Some of the audience noted that many of the artists are now oppressed under the new restraint of public demand. Since the government no longer heavily subsidizes art, it is forcing them to commercialize in order to survive.

She even noted that as of yet, no masterpieces have yet to arise out of the new freedom. She further admitted that the freedom has inadvertently promoted gangs and increased violence. Despite the changes,

within Soviet society there is a pervading pessimism. One bold film entitled “It” depicts a 21st century Soviet Union getting out of hand under the new freedom, and forcing the once benevolent leader to envelop the country again in oppression under the weight of a ruined ecology, violence, and overall chaos.

As Lawton noted, the freedom is definitely a “Pandora's box.” Although the future of the Soviet Union is nebulous, what eventually happens will change not only the way we look upon the Soviets, but upon how we view our own democracy and freedom as well.

The next lecture will be presented by Professor Blank on November 8th at 8:00 p.m. in Bio. Auditorium, on the issue of whether the USSR will survive the 1990s.

Asaro Supports Theory

By Robert Wellman

On October 15, renowned nuclear chemist Frank Asaro discussed his theory concerning the causes of the Cretaceous extinction with members of the Kenyon community.

Dr. Asaro, father of Catherine Asaro, Assistant professor of physics at Kenyon, earned his Masters and PhD from California at Berkeley and presently works at the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory. Together with Walter and Louie Alvarez, Dr. Asaro formed a hypothesis on mass extinction.

Their theory suggests that one or more asteroids hit the earth 65 million years ago. The resulting firestorms, dust clouds, and tidal waves caused massive changes in the weather and eventually destroyed 75 percent of all life on earth.

Dr. Asaro's colleagues, the Alvarez's, discovered a layer of iridium-rich clay at the K-T boundary, a boundary between the Cretaceous and Tertiary periods (approximately the time the dinosaurs are presumed to have become extinct). The amount of iridium suggested an extraterrestrial origin. The clay which they believe to have been deposited within a few years (a flash of geologic time), would therefore suggest cataclysmic events.

The asteroid, believed to have hit the earth, would have had 1000 times the destructive force of all the nuclear weapons ever manufactured. This, in turn, according to Asaro, would have created a cloud of dust that would keep the sun's light from entering the earth's atmosphere for three months. Later, greenhouse-like effects would have taken place due to the amount of CO₂ released into the air from vaporized rock.

Dr. Asaro also alluded to a theory that such impacts and extinctions occurred regularly (every 25-32 months). These periodic asteroid-strikes would be caused by a tenth planet that would “shake up” the cometary cloud in the outer solar system.

Dr. Asaro was well received by his audience. His lecture and slide presentation contained data that supported his theory well, making his claims intelligible even to the lay person.

Matriculation Ceremony Celebrates Kenyon's Heritage

By John Clark

On Tuesday, October 30, Kenyon College will hold the Founder's Day convocation and the Rite of Matriculation ceremony for the Class of 1994 and recent transfer students. For those unaware of the process of Rite of Matriculation, it includes reciting an oath of allegiance to Kenyon College followed by signing the Matriculation Book, which dates back to the 1830s. All new students are encouraged to take part in the convocation and returning students are welcome to attend as well.

A faculty and staff Academic Procession will form on Middle Path south of Rosse Hall at 11:00 a.m. (In case of inclement weather, the procession will form in the basement of Rosse Hall.) The Convocation will begin in Rosse Hall at 11:10 a.m. with the Invocation given by Chaplain Andrew Foster. Chaplain

Foster will also read the “Founders' Memorial” which recognizes those of the Kenyon community who have died during the past. The Chamber Singers will sing the Anthem followed by the “Kokosing Farewell.” Assistant Professor of English, Lori Lefkowitz will be the reader for the “Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.” The ceremony also recognizes the seniors who have earned membership to the honor society Phi Beta Kappa. The featured speaker for the convocation is President Philip H. Jordan Jr. giving a speech entitled “Founders and Followers.” The ceremony should be brief so students will be able to eat lunch before regularly scheduled class at 1:10 p.m.

In the afternoon new students should sign the Matriculation Book in the Norton Room of Ransom Hall and are welcome to attend a reception given by President and Mrs. Jordan in Cromwell Cottage. Members of the

Class of 1994 are requested to sign the book with their hall at a specific time scheduled by their Resident Advisor. For those freshmen unable to go at their scheduled time and any new transfer students are welcome to sign it any time in between 1:00 and 3:30 p.m. At the signing, either Dean Keister or Dean Switzer will point out the signatures of a few famous alumni such as Paul Newman or Jonathan Winters.

The Founders' Day Convocation remains as a strong tradition that binds students with the past history of Kenyon College and provides a tribute to those who have made it possible.

Crimes Ends Run with Rousing Applause

By Nanette Miller

KCDC opened its season on Oct. 12 with the debut of *Crimes of the Heart*. The play, written by Beth Henley, is about the reunion of three sisters—Lenny (Anne Roberti), Meg (Mary McGary), and Babe (Elizabeth Schacter)—in their hometown of Hazeltown, Mississippi. They gather as a result of Babe's attempt to murder her husband, a prominent lawyer in the community. As the sisters piece together their past, jealousy and curiosity creep out, revealing to the audience the peculiarities of each personality.

It was a funny show. Between Babe's lemonade therapy, Lenny's shrunken ovary, Meg's liberated attitude, and Chick's (Sarah Phemister) quick criticisms, there was always a chuckle in the making. The direction, by Anna Davis, was very effective. The actions led the audience to understand how the relationships of the characters developed.

Lenny was outstanding. She, out of all the sisters, had an exquisite delicacy about her which was a manifestation of her voice and her actions. It was easy to understand her decisions as a character. Meg, although far from delicate and virginal, used her voice and body carriage to create a presence which reaffirmed the lines that Henley wrote. Babe was the most difficult to portray. Her problems were difficult to play because they were emotional. Her random lines suggest that there was more going on “behind the scenes” which, for an actress, is more difficult than dealing with external obstacles. That, however, seemed to be handled well by Schacter, who made her debut on Kenyon's stage.

There were questions by many about the appropriateness of the casting and the see KCDC page eight

Changing Faces of Kenyon

What do you think of *The Collegian*?

It's good. They should bring back the front page news briefs. Print more cartoons. Relate things at Kenyon to larger issues.

Caroline Lesesne '91



photo by STRUMER

I enjoy reading it. It's informative; it's where I get most of my campus news.

Alison Slevin '93



photo by STRUMER

It reflects current campus issues. It's not very daring; I'd like to see something a little more shocking.

Mark Kallis '94



photo by STRUMER

Nineteenth Annual Gambier Folk Festival to Begin Friday

By Adam Blankenship

Twenty years ago folk festivals were common manifestations of the radical political and social movements which defined the late '60s and early '70s. Folk artists like Bob Dylan, Arlo Guthrie, and Peter, Paul and Mary reflected the ideological currents of the times, particularly appealing to students. Every college campus had a folk festival.

Today Kenyon remains as one of the few colleges in the country to celebrate annually the true meaning of the folk arts. In its nineteenth year, the Gambier Folk Festival is recognized as one of the finest in the country. Though times have changed and students have cultivated new musical tastes, the essence of folk art is still celebrated every fall in Gambier.

Since 1971 the Gambier Folk Festival has striven to maintain a high standard of excellence and authenticity which has distinguished it from others and explained its lasting appeal. "We define folk art as that which is orally transmitted from one generation to another," says Howard Sacks, associate professor of sociology and director of this year's festival. "It is essentially a community art which thrives in many different contexts: the church, family and work place are just a few."

Every year the festival promotes artists who have learned from within their community, from family members or mentors. The purpose of the event is drawn from the emphasis on root traditions. Primarily, it is

intended to give the community access to the folk arts, relate Kenyon to the outside world and allow a glimpse of the cultural diversity America has to offer.

To this end the festival brings artists from around the country as well as those within Knox county. "People learn to appreciate their own roots through the appreciation of others," explains Sacks. "Over the course of the festival, we try to present opposites—a bluegrass band performing before an Irish-American group—in hopes that people will come to see one perform, and leave with an appreciation for both."

Professor Sacks selects the participants largely through word-of-mouth and by keeping his eyes open at other festivals he attends throughout the year. The Gambier Folk Festival never invites the same performers back twice, in an attempt to bring something new, yet equally as interesting each year.

This year's festival, beginning tomorrow and ending on Sunday, encompasses a wide variety of cultures represented in musical events, workshop demonstrations, and a crafts fair. Tomorrow evening, Moon Mullins and Traditional Grass, a bluegrass band from the Ohio Valley, will be paired with the Cruxian scratch band, Blinky and the Roadmasters, in Rosse Hall. Following the concert, Blinky and crew will perform again at a dance party in Lower Dempsey.

On Saturday from 1:00-4:00 p.m. both the art of woodworking and the unique relationship between master and apprentice will be discussed in Peirce Lounge. Cliff Hardesty

and his apprentice Mike Derr will demonstrate the intricacies of making fiddles. Don McConnell of Mount Vernon and Rick Goehring of Gambier will explain a technique for making wooden hand tools. At the same time in Lower Dempsey Hall, the musicians from the previous night's concert will take time to discuss the cultural origins of their music and describe the fine points of their art.

Saturday night in Rosse Hall will feature Irish- and African-American bands. At 8:00 p.m. the Masters of Irish Traditional Music will sing and dance tunes from a country rich in musical heritage. Robert Jr. Lockwood will follow with blues in the Mississippi delta tradition. At seventy-five, Lockwood is a renowned blues artist who developed his style under the tutelage of a blues master, Robert Johnson.

The last day of the festival offers a crafts fair in Gund Commons from 12:00-4:00 p.m. The display will feature folk arts found throughout mid-Ohio, which include quilting, iron working, doll-making, beekeeping, baking, and needlework.

The folk festival is expected to attract more than 6,000 people from outside the community for the three-day event. In recent years the event has been nationally recognized and draws people from the east and west coasts. In the June 1988 issue of *Americana* magazine, the Gambier Folk Festival was rated as one of the 15 best in the country.

Professor Sacks attributes part of the reason for its continuing success to the sup-

port it receives from the Gambier community. The event costs an estimated \$15,000 a year to stage. Besides a grant from the Ohio Arts Council, other groups on campus lend support. The Folklore Society is the official sponsor of the event, but it ultimately depends upon the community. "The support we receive exemplifies the meaning of the folk art. All the participants are housed with families of faculty and friends," adds Sacks. "Community participation enhances the festival, as it provides a lot of direct interaction."

Among those working on the event will be 35-40 students and members of the faculty. In addition folk art enthusiasts and professional folk art historians from around the country will be found behind the scenes as well as in the audience. Representatives of the Smithsonian Institute are expected to attend, along with others who work on festivals around the country. "After working on other festivals, it seems like the same people work on all of them," says senior Stephanie Klein, a co-president of the Folklore Society helping to organize the event. "It always turns out to be a kind of reunion."

For Professor Sacks, however, there is a sure method for measuring the level of success achieved by the Gambier Folk Festival. "Inevitably, a local farmer will come up to me afterwards and say, 'I came to see the Bluegrass band, but was really blown away by the Yiddish hymns.' That's when I know it was a success."



HALSTED 'N' FRIEDMAN

No "Run of the Mill" Week for Lords Soccer; Now 16-0

By Dan Lerner

The Kenyon Men's Soccer Team emerged from yet another week of action undefeated. In beating Denison University and Illinois Benedictine last week by 1-0 and 3-1 margins, the Lords ran their record to 16-0, 6-0 in the NCAC.

Last Wednesday, the Lords continued their streak of one-goal victories with their third in a row down in Granville.

Despite the fact that the Lords weren't their usual dominant selves, they emerged with the all-important road victory.

"In the first half we were awful," said head coach Mike Pilger. "There was no reason for that to be a 1-0 game."

Although the only goal came off of a free kick from sophomore Mike Donovan to junior Kevin Mills, the Lords managed to control the ball for more time than the score would indicate.

"The score could have easily been three or four to nothing," said senior defenseman Joe Youngblood. "There were four or five big saves by the other goalie [Denison's Chris Dealy]."

Brian Skalinder provided two good examples of how to not let a goalie get settled into his own nets, as he put two shots off the goal posts.

While on defense, freshman goalie Marshall Chapin was never really tested.

"They really didn't have any good shots," added Donovan.

The Big Red definitely took the Lords by surprise.

"They were a different team than we expected," said Youngblood. "They were a lot more physical than we thought they were go-



photo by WETZEL

A Kenyon Blessing: Junior Kevin Mills powers his way past an Illinois Benedictine defender in Kenyon's 3-1 win Saturday. Mills chipped in with two goals

ing to be. But we played pretty good soccer. Once again we did what we had to do to win the game and that is important at this point of the season."

The second game on the Lords schedule last week was played Saturday against Illinois Benedictine. This match might be long remembered here at Kenyon.

Unfortunately, the memories will not be of good soccer, but of dirty soccer in both a physical and verbal sense.

"They were the dirtiest team I've ever played against," said Donovan. "Every time the ref turned his back they were hacking

Mills and me."

Nevertheless, or perhaps due to this style of play, Benedictine scored on a beautiful pass through what seemed to be a lapse in the Lords' defense. The goal came on the Benedictine counterattack.

"The offense never stopped to think that if they didn't get back on defense, they (Ben.'s offense) could score . . . It was too easy for them to score," said Pilger.

But soon after this opening tally, senior Mike Putnam blasted a header into the lower right corner off of a beautiful corner kick by John Kennedy.

Putnam's first goal of the year could not have come at a better time for Kenyon. It helped swing the momentum back to the Lords' side.

It was also big for Putnam as an individual. He has played very well since coming back from a knee injury, and as the Lords get down to the wire, senior leadership and experience is always an intangible that might make the slightest bit of difference for Ken-

yon.

The Purple and White's second goal was scored before the half, as Mills scored off of a feed from fullback George Conner.

Mills' second goal of the game and third of the week came in the second half following a penalty kick, an unstoppable preposition when Mills is flawless.

Mills stepped up his game a notch following an incident midway through the first half that more than motivated the already intense striker.

One of the Benedictine players made racial comments to him, and Mills was warned not to retaliate in any damaging way to him or the team.

Mills' response was to merely go out and collect his two goals that provided the difference in the game for Kenyon.

Had Mills provoked a red card (disqualification) from the official, he would have been ejected from that game and the next contest. That contest was last night's game versus Ohio Wesleyan.

"You've got to stick up for yourself on the field," said Pilger, although due to the schedule and the costly ramifications of a red card, he considered this a unique situation.

"You tell your guys not to look ahead to the next game, but sometimes as a coach you have to."

Mills' goals have come at a time when the threat the rest of the NCAC focuses on, Donovan, is being hampered by an injured ankle.

However, teams can get completely out of focus when trying to stop the Lords.

In addition to Donovan (15 goals, 10 assists), and Mills (12, 3), freshman Charles Kanzinger is now 14th in the NCAC in scoring (8, 3).

Sophomore Mac Shannon has come to life with a goal and three assists since being moved to midfield.

And with Chapin now leading the NCAC with a 0.63 goals against average, Kenyon is now well-rounded as it hits the stretch in the NCAC race.

Scott Leder contributed to this story.

Ladies Host "Hockey Heaven"

By Gordon Center

Fans of Kenyon Field Hockey had quite a treat last week. The Kenyon Ladies Field Hockey team played four matches and hosted the Midwest Regional Field Hockey Invitational.

The Ladies began the week by playing NCAC rival Oberlin at home. Oberlin is the number two team in the conference and last Wednesday they just barely beat the Ladies.

The Ladies dominated the match, consistently controlling the tempo of play. Hampered by Kenyon's controlled passing, the Yeomen of Oberlin found themselves losing in the final minutes of the second half 1-0, due to a goal scored by Senior tri-captain Margot Morrison. However a twist of fate took away what seemed to be a sure win for the Ladies.

A breakaway by Oberlin was halted by Kenyon's tenacious defense which gave Oberlin a short corner in the closing minutes. During the short corner the officials decided that a Kenyon player had committed a deliberate infraction of the rules to prevent a goal and awarded a penalty stroke. Oberlin scored on the penalty stroke and sent the game into overtime. During the overtime period Oberlin was able to score again and defeated the Ladies 2-1.

Excitement was in the air on Friday and Saturday as Kenyon hosted the R.F.H.I. Those who were on campus for those two days enjoyed a slice of hockey heaven.

The Ladies started off the tournament with a disappointing loss to Calvin College. Scor-

ing for the Ladies were sophomore Kelly Lynn and freshman Jen Bigelow. However, even with those two goals the Ladies were defeated 4-2. Calvin College was extremely lucky to defeat Kenyon as Kenyon outplayed them.

The Ladies, recovering from their losses, began what can only be described as a goal-scoring marathon. The Ladies started this marathon by defeating Adrian College 4-0. Scoring for the Ladies were three sophomores and a freshman. Katie Beller, Shannon Straub, Melissa Wood and Jen Bigelow all scored for the Ladies.

The Ladies played an outstanding match with the entire Junior Varsity squad playing, who even though they do not get enough press soundly trounced Adrian College.

The Ladies last match of the tournament was against Kalamazoo College. Kalamazoo suffered the same fate as Adrian College, a blowout by field hockey standards. The Kenyon scoring machine was turned up all the way, as once again it was a day for sophomore standouts. Scoring two goals each for the Ladies were Stacy Smiar and Melissa Wood. Erin Heintzelman scored the last goal for Kenyon as they defeated Kalamazoo 5-1.

As I sat in the stands watching the matches being played on a lush green pitch nestled among the rolling valleys of Knox County, I thought to myself as I wiped a tear from my eye, that if I could save time in a bottle I would save every moment spent watching the Ladies play. If you would like to be moved in such a way come to the Ladies home match against Wittenberg this Saturday at 1 p.m.

Finally, Home Is Sweet for Kenyon

By Chris Munster

As the final precious seconds ticked away in Kenyon's 2-1 win over Wooster last week, the fans were revelling into the approaching night over their soccer team.

Make that many fans revelling, and shouting "We're number one!"

That the final score was Kenyon 2-1 was not surprising, although it was pleasant to either the intense or casual supporter of this school's soccer team.

What was surprising (make that downright shocking) was that there were casual fans revelling in the first place.

My point is this: For the first time in my Kenyon memory, the fans actually made a difference! Imagine that for a second. Now imagine that for 90 minutes on a cold, winter-like Wednesday in early October, the fans made a difference.

The players seemed to feed off this newly-created attention, as they beat one hell of a team in Wooster, a team that almost tied the game in the final seconds.

And when is the last time you've seen a traffic jam in Gambier? Well make that last Wednesday, when the Kenyon "faithful" all tried leaving the scene of the victory together. I have to admit it wasn't like trying to leave Shea Stadium or anything, but the scene came closest to something that many of us

miss about not being at a larger institution: a raucous mass of undergraduates pulling for a nationally ranked team.

In our case, though, nationally ranked teams are thrust into the national spotlight once every Division III Swimming Championships or so. (My apologies to both Tennis and Golf, but it just doesn't have the same impact.)

But does it really have to take a team of the Purple and White persuasion to become nationally significant to garner such local (read: student) attention?

Fortunately for the team in question, the support has come not a moment too soon. They told us so last week with a letter to the community. However, if more teams could receive such support, perhaps a larger difference could be made by the community, most specifically the students.

So for the moment, let's keep in mind what some of our peers are trying to accomplish on the soccer field: the fulfillment of their athletic dreams.

In fact, the possibility of watching the Kenyon Soccer team in the postseason here in Gambier is not so remote a chance, pending the completion of one of the finest years any team has had, and pending proper facilities.

But if that does happen, hopefully Kenyon can turn out to make it a true home field advantage.

Only a Matter of Time For Ladies Soccer; Beats Bethany

By Scott Jarrett

"Time is, time was, but time shall be no more," writes James Joyce, probably thinking not so much of hell's fires, but soccer. Indeed, it was only a matter of time in Kenyon's match against Bethany last Saturday. The Ladies played with the opponent for the majority of the game, 88 minutes, before scoring at almost the last possible opportunity.

After dominating offensively with 14 shots on goal to Bethany's 3, not to mention outstanding defensive work, the Ladies broke through to score with 1:08 left in the game.

Freshman Marie Ryan, who played tremendous defense at sweeper, booted the ball downfield to freshman forward Maura Connolly who had sped away from the mid-field Bethany defenders. Connolly burnt the disoriented goalkeeper and dribbled it for the score.

The goal was Connolly's fifth score of the season, placing her at the top of the team leaders.

Perhaps an assist should also be credited to Lord's forward Greg Kanzinger who was seen giving Connolly scoring tips at halftime.

"Fake, catch the goalie flatfooted, and goal!" instructed the enthusiastic Kanzinger, one of several Lords players present at the



Keating Photo

Southern Comfort: North Carolina native Erica Wolfe protects Kenyon goal by clearing the ball in a 1-0 shutout of Bethany. Junior goalkeeper Sarah Pratt looks on.

game.

In a way, that was just how it happened, though Connolly wouldn't totally admit that she had Kanzinger's plan in mind.

"I ran through the middle and the ball was there, thanks to Marie, so I dribbled it in,"

remarked Connolly.

Because of the aggressive Kenyon offense and sound defense from Ryan, goaltender Sarah Pratt wasn't pressured a great deal in the game. Pratt had just two saves, but certainly wasn't disappointed with the lack of

action at her end of the field.

"I was so happy Maura scored. I did not want to go into overtime. Maura is my hero," exclaimed the jubilant Pratt.

The game was a nice rebound for the Ladies after a disappointing 7-1 loss to Denison last Wednesday. The win brings Kenyon one step closer to even, with a 7-8-1 overall record.

It was a great team effort with contributions from Jackie Terwedow, Jen Raynen, Erica Wolfe, a bloody-lipped Leslie Seiders, and birthday-girl Karin Chamberlain (21), among others.

In addition the Ladies were bolstered by the return of junior Emily Morgan and senior co-captain April Robison. Morgan has missed most of the season because of an injury and Robison has missed the last two games because of sickness.

Coach Paul Wardlaw appeared pleased with the team effort.

"Everybody played really well. They played to win and went for all the loose balls. It was a fun game to watch," commented Wardlaw.

The Ladies challenge Wittenberg at 1:00 at Mavec Field this Saturday in the final match of the season. Wittenberg comes into the match with a 7-8 overall record, 1-5 in the NCAC.

Harriers Eye NCAC Championships

By John Cooney

The Lords and Ladies finished up their regular season Friday at the Queen City Invitational in Cincinnati. The race represented the last chance for the team to work out the kinks before the climactic race of the season, the NCAC Championships on Saturday at Kenyon.

The race on Friday was a typical one for Kenyon. As usual, Kenyon was one of the smallest schools in a race full of Division I schools. Louisville, Morehead St., Dayton, Cincinnati, and Xavier all participated in Friday's meet.

However, the Lords and Ladies refused to be intimidated by the Division I schools. The Ladies finished third out of eight teams, only two points behind second place Morehead State. The men finished fifth overall, ahead of Dayton, Xavier, and Wilmington.

Once again, Kara Berghold led the Ladies, placing second with a time of 18:03 over the 3.1 mile course. Kelly Wilder, the other half of Kenyon's Dynamic Duo, came in sixth with a time of 18:34.

The race bodes well for the team's two stars, since four of the other top six runners

were from Louisville, a much stronger squad than any in the NCAC.

In cross country the results of the top five finishers on the team are added up, and the team with the lowest total wins the race. At Cincinnati, Tracey Fatzinger (20th), Jody Zolman (25th), and Anne McKay Farrell (41st) joined Berghold and Wilder in giving the team a point total of 88.

Although not contributing to the team's scoring, Ailene Kelley (21:32), Karin Adams (21:36), Jill Korosec (22:03), Katie Ingrassia (23:44), and Vanessa Robinson (24:26) were not far behind the top runners. These second five runners seem ready to turn in a top performance in the event that one of the top five runners falters.

The men turned in their normal balanced performance over a grueling five-mile course. The top five finishers for the Lords were Scott Sherman (23rd overall with a time of 27:10), Mark Vacha (27th), Scott Jarrett (28th), Ian Smith (30th), and Mike Blake (39th). The five runners all finished within fifty seconds of each other.

Eli Thomas (28:39), Ryan McNulty (28:44), and Matt Olson (29:06) also finished

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Volleyball Romps at Wittenberg

By Grant Tennille

The Ladies' volleyball team rebounded last week to break a three-match losing streak with impressive wins over conference opponents Wittenberg and Oberlin.

The wins upped Kenyon's conference record to 4-2, and placed them in a tie for third place with Ohio Wesleyan.

With tournament time swiftly approaching, the Ladies badly needed the victories, and their play in both matches of the triangular was indicative of the necessity.

The opening match, against a reputable Wittenberg squad, was a close one which found the ladies victorious in two hard fought games, 15-13, 15-11. Offensive firepower was provided by senior Judy

Hruska, who contributed an impressive 14 kills, and senior Kelly Raymond who registered 18 assists in the match.

Hruska's performance brought her total kills to 326 for the season, locking her in a three way tie for second place in the conference, while Raymond is ranked fourth among the setting leaders in the NCAC with 352.

The second match of the evening pitted Kenyon against a vastly improved Oberlin squad. The Yeowomen were, however, no match for the Ladies, who triumphed in two straight games, 15-13, 15-12. Fine defensive performances were turned in by senior Jane Gerace, who is currently among the conference leaders in digs with 341, and promising freshman Sarah Lawrence, whose total

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Lords Lose to Gators, Now 4-3

By Chris Munster

Put these numbers into your VAX and see if Kenyon beat Allegheny last Saturday at McBride Field.

First downs: Kenyon 23, Allegheny 22; Net rushing yards: Allegheny 153, 100 below its average; Total Plays: Kenyon 70, Allegheny 64; Penalties Kenyon 7 for 49 yards, Allegheny 11 for 99; Third-down Conversions: Kenyon 9 of 14, Allegheny 5 of 12. Time of Possession: Kenyon 31:25, Allegheny 28:35.

It just goes to show you that all these numbers sometimes are good for the media guide and for *Collegian* reporters only, for the Gators came in and took one from the Purple and Whites 24-18.

Allegheny ran its record to 6-0-1 (6-0 in the NCAC) and continues in its quest for the conference championship, while Kenyon, 4-3 overall and 2-2 in the NCAC, is now playing to better its record of last season, which was 5-4-1.

Kenyon trailed 17-10 with 2:55 left and started at its own 20 after a missed 34-yard field goal attempt by Steve Boucher, who had earlier missed from 42 and hit from 27.

Two plays later strong safety Dale Shaw picked off a Chris Crighton pass and went 27 yards with it into Kenyon's end zone for a decisive 24-10 lead with only 2:12 remaining.

It was an unfortunate ending for Creighton, who connected for 32 of 48 for 332 yards and two touchdowns. He was picked off three times on the day, including Shaw's return for the touchdown.

However, Kenyon didn't throw in the towel on this one, as the offense came back to score with 49 seconds left when Creighton found wide receiver Gavin Pearlman on a four-yard reception. It was Pearlman's third touchdown catch on the year.

A two-point conversion pass to Ted Taggart made the score 24-18.

Raphy Decipeda's recovery of the onside kick was nullified by a Kenyon penalty, giving Allegheny the ball and the ritual of quarterback Jeff Filkovski kneeling to run

the clock out.

Kenyon was seeking to complete a comeback bid that began with the Lords down 17-3 entering the fourth quarter of play.

Kenyon scored just two plays into the final period when Creighton completed his 16th touchdown pass of the season to Taggart on fade pass from the one-yard line. That fade pattern is an all too familiar story that Kenyon repeated to get back into the game at 17-10.

The drive, which began towards the end of the third quarter, took up 75 yards on nine plays.

Creighton was 5 of 6 on the drive, with two completions to junior tight end Sean McCabe (five catches, 65 yards), one to freshman Brian Barry and two to Taggart (9,99), the last two of the drive.

Allegheny had built its 17-3 by scoring 11 unanswered third quarter points to stretch its 6-3 halftime advantage.

A fumble by Ted Brockman on Kenyon's first play from scrimmage in the second half led to Allegheny's first score of the quarter.

Starting out on the Lords 22, Allegheny could get no closer than the Kenyon 9-yard line, and had to settle for Boucher's 27-yard attempt.

This was a testament to the Kenyon defense, holding the number-one-ranked offense in the NCAC to a field goal following the excellent field position.

In fact, holding the Gator rushing attack to 153 yards on the day serves as one big accomplishment.

The defense was led by junior defensive tackle Darren Harris, who had 11 tackles on the day. Harris once again brought his intense attitude to the game, disrupting the Gators from over the center.

Middle linebacker Mike Menges was equal to the numbers of Harris, as he also registered 11 hits on the day. He now has 136 tackles on the year, 68 which are solo.

In fact, the entire linebacking corps had big days for the Purple and Whites, as John St. Julian had 10 stops and freshman Joe Gucanec continued his steady play with eight

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KCTV

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KCTV to be shown more often, and also for a combination VCR monitor that could be set up anywhere. In order to move to cable, less than \$25,000 would be necessary. Valenti says that most of the cost going into putting KCTV on cable is from capital expenditures, and he claims that once KCTV has the equipment, it will cost very little to run it. KCTV officials talked to Doug Givens on October 11, and asked about submitting another proposal to senior staff, since all the problems from last year have been solved. Next semester KCTV plans to make another proposal, and then they hope to be seen on channel 23 on Star Cable. Valenti says that this improvement "would enhance the life of every student at Kenyon and every member of the Gambier community."

Dartmouth

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and faculty formed a massive protest on the campus green. The Review's Editor-in-Chief stated that an unidentified person had sneaked the quote into print. However, the Review's president and two other staff members quit. Some Congressional members even called for the Review's financial contributors to curtail their support of the weekly paper.

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do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the staff of the *Observer* or of Kenyon College." If you check out those authors, you'll also find that many are not from Kenyon at all, so I'm not sure that this is "news" or "opinion" for anyone but some of those staff people. In fact, because the *Observer* gets significant funding and support from non-Kenyon people, some have argued that it shouldn't use Kenyon's name at all.

But what's in a name? The content is still there, isn't it? So I'd like you to know that some of us are *openly* for "cultural diversity" and "cultural relativism." Yes. I do it all the time. In fact, when you're in the business of international education, it's the most natural thing in the world. Along with many of our faculty, and a growing number of Kenyon juniors who study abroad, I believe that the world's cultures are very *much* worth studying, that they are, in fact, crucial to my understanding of what the world is, how it's gotten along these past few millennia, and what we might expect or hope for its future. While I can't help but compare these cultures to my own, I don't study them only to measure them *against* my own. This is important, because it means that learning for me, and similarly-minded diversity types, doesn't mean presuming to have the right answers, but, rather, seeking to ask the right questions. (The last issue of the *Kenyon Observer* called this approach to education "anti-intellectual" and "inspired by anti-democratic political movement." Well, if you "antis" have been rallying, no one's told me. I'm in the book.)

Some of us, also, are *openly* feminist (though *none* of us will give you the same definition of that word, and *none* of us has a sense of humor, so it's better not to ask). And we think women *do* have a culture *quite* distinct from men, one that's worth studying. But as the *Kenyon Observer's* "Gender Agenda" confirmed, whenever women try to study women, men start calling them "hateful." Well, studying women doesn't mean hating men; it means *not studying men*—and not studying men *is* different, and *is* diverse, but

is not, therefore, wrong. It is *not* a "mean-spirited, down-right ugly politics of 'difference.'" "

But that last charge has made me wonder about the *Observer's* politics of sameness, and its attention to what is fair-minded and human in politics. It devotes much time and space, for example, to the legal and human rights of an unborn fetus, but would seem to deny both to the typically disenfranchised among us—those "women, homosexuals, and the handicapped" who presume their own cultures ("ludicrous") and our lesbian and gay women and men who seek "acceptance and even celebration" ("repugnant"). Now, this is far less logical than those logical liberal lapses the *Observer* regularly professes to amend. And this is dangerous, for in the name of the familiar and traditional, it hurts and denies people—always "other," "different" people. That is "down-right ugly."

Thanks for the space,
Jane Wemhoener
Director, Off-Campus Studies

Student Council

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ly articulated principles of fairness.

—To help you in your consideration, Dean Bradley's office has prepared examples of possible housing allocation systems to spark discussion and to offer a guide to how your proposal should be presented. Do not, however, limit yourself to these models: be creative.

—You might want to consider such concerns as: group housing; seniority; gender; distribution of doubles, singles and triples; the character of individual resident halls; the use of facilities such as lounges, kitchens, computers and study areas.

—You must submit your proposal in writing, by November 5 to either Dieter Sumerauer, Student Activities Office in Gund, or Kim McMullen, Sunset Cottage. Student Council and Senate will review these proposals and make their recommendations to the President.

Sincerely,
Dieter Sumerauer
Kim McMullen

Racism

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obvious predispositions caused him to misinterpret both. Or perhaps he is simply the type of liberal academic described by Professor Short in his article. At any rate, his pedantic and overbearing letter seemed unwarranted. Faculty members certainly do not always agree with each other, and, as one would expect, they often express their opposing points of view in print; however, they do not usually choose to malign their colleagues in the school newspaper. Equally surprising was Professor Crais's inclusion of Bob Sliman, the *Observer's* cartoonist, in his denunciation. Such a vicious attack by a professor on a mere student does not seem entirely professional.

One final point. There can be no doubt that racism is a very serious charge indeed. The light-handed manner in which Professor Crais throws the term about can only lessen its impact and make it less meaningful when real instances of racism appear. Professor Crais only hurts his cause by being so quick to cry, "Racism!" One hopes that in the future he and the *Collegian* will show better judgement.

Sincerely,
Peter Meilaender, '93

KCDC

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believability of their sisterhood but the show worked and there was no time when the portrayal of the characters was inconsistent.

Taking on a play which requires an accent is a challenge. Not only does it have to sound Southern but, to establish an allusion, each character has to have the same pronunciation. Although six weeks is too short to absorb an accent, to this show it was vital and the consistency was not really achieved. Nevertheless, the actions and the work itself carried the show to a successful ending which was evident by the standing ovation on Saturday night.

Cross Country

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the season in fine fashion for Kenyon and indicated that the Lords have the same quality depth as the Ladies.

Now the team faces the race they have spent all season training for. The top four teams in the race on Saturday will earn a trip to the regionals.

The last few races indicate that Kenyon is peaking at just the right time. Injured team captain Gordon Center remarked, "The race at Cincinnati was the best race of the season for both teams. If we can run like that on Saturday we will have a great chance to make the regionals."

Another advantage for the Ladies will be that they are running right here at Kenyon on their home course. The NCAC Super Run XII starts at 11:00 for the women and 11:45 for the men. As at all other home meets, there will be kegs.

Volleyball

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digs for the season tally 155.

The two victories brought the Ladies' record to 15-17 but most importantly, provided a much needed boost in confidence as the NCAC tournament draws nearer. At this point, Kenyon faces a fourth seed in that tournament, but with important matches against conference rivals Denison, currently the top seed, and Earlham still to come, the Ladies have the opportunity to improve their ranking.

The strong individual performances and cohesive team effort displayed recently indicate that the Ladies are beginning to conquer the demons which have plagued them throughout the season. If the play of the past week is an indication of the improving fortunes of the Ladies, then they should have no trouble in securing a winning record, and making a run at the conference championship.

Football

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solos and two assists.

However, while the Gator running attack was stalled for most of the day, senior quarterback Jeff Filkovski (who incidentally will not get the sportsmanship award in the NCAC), threw for 244 yards on his 19 of 26 passing. He was intercepted once.

But it was the second Creighton interception that led to Allegheny's second score of the quarter, as Jerry O'Brien scored on a one-yard run with 3:50 left in the period.

It was a drive that covered 55 yards in seven plays. O'Brien carried for 41 of those yards on five carries.

That score was O'Brien's second of the day. He opened the game's scoring with a 21-yard run on Allegheny's first possession.

The Gators could have added to their lead on their next possession, but Boucher's

42-yard attempt was short and far right.

Kenyon had two good chances at scores itself early on.

Kenyon, down 6-0, had the ball on Allegheny's 25 when Creighton sailed a ball over McCabe's head and had it picked off by free safety Dave LaCarte, a stalwart on the Gator defense.

Later, in the second quarter, Kenyon had a 4th and 1 from the Gator 30 when Creighton, sprinting right, was caught in the backfield for a loss.

With 1:02 left before halftime, Kenyon capped off a 13-play, 74-yard drive when McCabe hit on a 27-yard field goal, his fourth field goal in five attempts on the year.

Kenyon held the ball for over 19 minutes in the first half, only to see it come away with three points.

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