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Senate Collects Campus Proposals for Housing Allocation

By Cindy Wittman

In response to the administrative demand for housing reform, the Senate has compiled a summary list of proposals for the Kenyon Community.

These proposals were submitted to the Student Council and Senate in response to President Jordan's request for active student participation in the decision concerning reforms in student housing. After the publication of the *Commission on Student Life Report* Kenyon's Board of Trustees determined, among other issues, the need for more equitable access to college housing. This report stated that "group-living, including all-male fraternities, will continue at Kenyon; but fraternities may need to relinquish some of their housing privileges in the interest of fairness."

After campus-wide solicitation, fourteen proposals were collected and summarized by the Senate. These proposals contain many suggestions for changes in the housing system including the following: requiring junior status for fraternity housing, limiting residences to a maximum of 50% group housing, reducing the number of spaces available for fraternity housing, setting criteria for groups to meet to obtain housing, and penalty points for people once in group housing who later enter the open lottery.

Other proposals include a complete open lottery system for sophomores, juniors and seniors, with continued block housing and Bushnell and Manning set aside as single-sex upper-class housing, equal availability of lounge space to all occupants, constructing a new North End dorm and renovating the

Bexley Apartments, and reconsidering group housing on South End every three years.

The proposals submitted were read over in the Senate, and major themes were discussed, as well as the possibility of combining elements of different proposals. The Senate's final recommendation, as well as that of the Student Council, is due before Winter Break, and it is hoped that reforms can be instituted in the housing lottery for next year.

According to Kent Ginther, a student Senate member, a consensus on a recommendation may not come easily. "The Senate is very divided on all of the issues facing us . . . It is my personal belief that because the Senate is representative of the community as a whole, that if we can't come up with a consensus, we shouldn't make a recommendation because it wouldn't be representative of

the community as a whole." He indicated that with any Senate decision, a vast majority is unlikely.

Ginther also questioned the issue of the Senate's involvement, stating that he had been approached by many students questioning why a representative body composed of faculty and staff in addition to students had been consulted. "I don't think Senate should be involved in it [the housing decision]," he said. "I think that because Student Council is representative of the students, that's the body that should be handling it. Solely."

Kim McMullen, Chair of the Senate and professor of English at Kenyon, stated, however, that "the only reason that Senate has any jurisdiction or Student Council has any jurisdiction is because President Jordan has asked us to be involved in the process of evaluating proposals."

McMullen added that, because the Chair of Senate cannot vote, students hold a majority in the Senate and, in the present system, the Senate is involved in student life regardless of its position set forth in the Kenyon Campus Government Constitution. This position states that "it shall have exclusive power to legislate rules and regulations under the jurisdiction of Campus Government for student life and extracurricular affairs."

Lack of Discipline Prompts Smoking Policy Change

By Rob Gluck and Mark Sullivan

Kenyon College's smoking policy came into effect under the most recent student handbook. The policy was prompted by hazards "to the health and the safety both of persons who smoke and of persons who work with smokers." The handbook states, "Kenyon College does not permit smoking in any of its facilities except private college housing and those residence hall rooms where all residents choose to allow it." The policy relies on "moral suasion and a sense of obligation" as its sole means of enforcement.

Almost as soon as it came into being, the handbook's directive found itself unnoticed, then ignored, and finally openly defied. Deficiencies in the policy have caused members of Kenyon's administration to reconsider its effectiveness and begin weighing other alternatives.

The problems revolve mainly around the policy's means of enforcement. "What enforcement is the question," said Assistant Dean of Housing Stewart FitzGibbon. The trouble with the handbook's statement, he

believes, is that "there is no provision for confrontation." He explained that it has not been high on the agenda of security or anyone else to search out and punish smoking policy violators.

The lack of seriousness with which the policy has been treated became evident earlier this year as burns appeared on rugs and furniture in some of the lounges, notably in McBride. Students had been putting out their cigarettes on the carpet, creating a fire hazard as well as damaging the property.

The administration's initial response, said FitzGibbon, was a belief that perhaps the smoking policy was not clear enough. Signs were therefore posted in common areas reaffirming the policy, and noting steep fines for damaging lounge furniture. It wasn't long before several of the notices were burned to ashes in an act which FitzGibbon termed "highly inappropriate." At that point, he said, "we were kind of at an impasse."

The next step has been the decision that changes must be made in the smoking policy. The policy will be evaluated this year by the Drug and Alcohol Program Board, which will deliver their recommendations to the Senate. The Senate will pass legislation which will in turn go before President Jordan and the senior staff for a final say. FitzGibbon says that he hopes to see a new policy in the handbook by next summer.

FitzGibbon maintains that it is not his wish to create yet another restriction on student life. "I am reluctant," he said, "to make security the smoking police." He added that "this is a residence hall issue" and that he would like to see students make more deci-

sions" concerning their own behavior and living.

Among the possibilities proposed for the new policy are suggestions for the creation of smoking common areas and non-smoking common areas. Buildings such as McBride see **SMOKING** page eight

Tutchings Resigns From Aid Office

P. Wesley Tutchings, Kenyon's director of scholarships and aid and director of student employment, has resigned from the College, effective November 30, 1990, after more than twenty-six years of service. The resignation was announced by Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid John W. Anderson.

"Wes Tutchings's resignation was accepted with great regret," said Anderson. "With almost three decades of experience in admissions and financial aid, he was a mainstay of Kenyon's operations in those areas. His diligence, his wit, and most of all his knowledge will be missed. However, Wes believes it is important to devote himself to other matters at this time."

A 1961 graduate of Kenyon, Tutchings came back to the College in 1964 as an assistant director of admissions after teaching for three years in public schools in the northern Ohio communities of Norwalk and Wakeman. From the beginning, his duties at Kenyon encompassed financial aid and stu-

dent employment. As needs in that area grew with an expanding student body, Tutchings applied himself to the task of developing expertise in the complexities of private, state, and federal financial-aid programs and soon gained the title of director of scholarships and student aid. He had held his current position for more than twenty years.

"For generations of Kenyon students, Wes Tutchings' name has been synonymous with financial aid," said President Philip H. Jordan Jr. "With care, concern, and often with an ample dose of humor, he helped both students and their families through the sometimes daunting maze of financial-aid resources and requirements. Despite the restrictions imposed by the College's limited financial-aid budget, Wes labored mightily and quite successfully to meet the demands of an exacting personal tenet: No qualified student should be denied a Kenyon education for financial reasons."



Kenyon student smokes in a non-smoking area.

Photo by Erich Weizel

Gulf Situation Needs Justification

As Christmas approaches in the Holy Land, millions of troops mass a short distance away in preparation for the largest international military conflict the world has seen in recent times. Arms, troops and supplies pour into the desert from dozens of nations supported by a United Nations resolution demanding that an autonomous nation bow to external pressure or face the threat of military retaliation.

This resolution is of paramount importance because it has, in effect, allowed the United States once again to play the role of international police officer. This is a role coveted by many who desire a return of this nation to its position as a vigorous power, thought to have been enjoyed throughout the decades following World War II.

Unfortunately, this nation's citizenry has not been given an opportunity to determine if it supports this goal.

Congress, the most directly representative body of the government, has approved the actions of President Bush up to this point. It has not yet given its stamp of approval for the use of the United States military in armed conflict in Kuwait.

As President Bush faces the declining confidence of the American people, demonstrated in recent public opinion polls, he becomes more and more reluctant to call a special session of Congress to debate the issue.

Current political discussions suggest that Bush, by not taking the issue to Congress, is buying time until he and his administration can formulate an argument that will be accepted by the body politic. His attempts at justification to date have ranged the spectrum from somewhat plausible to exceptionally weak.

Bush claims that Iraq's possession of Kuwait will cause domestic economic deterioration. After four months, instead of imminent depression the economy remains on the brink of the same recession it has faced for more than three years.

The administration's claim that unwarranted international aggression merits intervention is absurd. No one in the administration, publicly or privately, has claimed there would be U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia at the moment if Kuwait did not possess the huge oil reserves the U.S. covets.

Additionally, Bush has claimed that within the coming year Iraq will have the ability to manufacture and deliver nuclear weapons. However, experts within his own administration, along with other intelligence sources including the United Nations, believe the President has wildly exaggerated this danger.

The desire to gain strong influence by installing a steadfast ally in the Arab world is the one realistic explanation, and justification, of American involvement. Most likely the majority of Americans and the world will question the value and validity of U.S. actions in this case.

The most unsettling revelation to date is the estimates of 7,000 to 15,000 American casualties in the first ten days of war. In a stalemate lasting a year, this could produce up to a half million American casualties.

With these projected casualty figures and the huge number of troops in place in Saudi Arabia, the need for a return to military conscription has been raised. According to a Mark Shields column in the Dec. 1 *Washington Post*, the 17-year experiment with a volunteer service has already ended. The day before, Defense Secretary Cheney extended the tenure of all members of the services by not allowing them to retire or conclude their service at the end of their contracted period. The issue has become not whether Americans will be forced to serve, but how many.

While all this comes to pass this Christmas season, America has yet to grasp the full significance or simply does not care about this issue. As Shields notes, in James Webb's authoritative work on Vietnam, *Fields of Fire*, he quotes an American sergeant's disbelief at the lack of domestic interest about Vietnam. "Lieutenant, you'd hardly know there's a war on. It's in the papers . . . but that's it. Airplane drivers still drive their airplanes, businessmen still run their businesses, college kids go to college. It's like nothing really happened, except to other people. It isn't touching anybody but us."

The American people certainly have the right to decide they want to serve as the world's police officer, a role coveted by a myriad of contemporary and historical societies. While this nation's citizenry has expressed concern for the well-being of its troops, the current policy has received little support, and an even smaller amount of interest.

The time has come to put forth to the American people the true reasons for U.S. involvement in the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. If they find the explanation of our political leaders lacking, Bush will have no choice but to bring home the members of the U.S. military.

Written by Members of the Editorial Board

Reader Questions U.S. Gulf Policy

To the Editor:

When I was at home for Thanksgiving break with the "real world" more difficult to avoid than it is when one is in Gambier, I became acutely aware of an important issue, an issue which has the potential to greatly affect all of our lives, that has been conspicuously absent from (at least to my knowledge) Kenyon discourse this semester. That issue is the present position of our country in the Middle East. So I am proposing my viewpoint here, both because I feel compelled to state my opinion and also, hopefully, to initiate a confrontation with and discussion about the situation.

I am strongly opposed to the possibility of the U.S. going to war with Iraq, and although it is partially due to the fact that the lives of close friends of mine are at risk, this is not the full extent of my concern. After exposing myself to a variety of information from the news media, the questions that are perpetually left unanswered in my mind are: Why are we so involved in the Middle East "crisis"? What are we trying to accomplish? And why, if this is a matter of concern for the United Nations, is the U.S. so much more heavily committed than any other nation? As far as I am aware, we have not been officially

see GULF page



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.

Republicans' Sponsorship Revealed

To the Editor:

I would like to call attention to, and protest, the recent (November 15, 1990) and in my opinion absurd letter to the editor by Professors Clifton Crais and Harry Brod. In that letter, the College Republicans were accused of hiding its sponsorship of Professor Thomas Short's lecture "How to be Politically Incorrect At Kenyon College." First of all, Professor Crais and Brod's claim is erroneous. Had either of them attended the lecture where sponsorship was made quite explicit, these scholars would not have mispoken.

Secondly, if Crais and Brod are making reference to the publicity posters, what is the significance of having the sponsors name stated? The content of the lecture is what matters. Let's say the posters read "sponsored by College Republicans." Would that

have helped Crais and Brod determine their attendance? Of course not, because at Kenyon College we promote perspectivity of thought and tolerance of opposing views. We can learn something even from those with whom we disagree. Certainly, sponsorship of a lecture by a conservative organization would not have deterred these forerunners of open-mindedness.

Finally, it amazes me that professors must stoop to such pettiness. Is there not enough serious debate on campus? It is especially regrettable that professors who I consider scholars should expend so much time not in the pursuit of knowledge, but in unfounded and trivial accusations. Indeed, "what happened to scholarship?"

Derrelle M. Janey
College Republicans

Professor Solicits Student Opinion

To the Editor:

The tremendous build up of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia makes us all wonder if President Bush is not intent on starting a shooting war with Iraq.

I myself think such a war would be a serious mistake. Sanctions and diplomacy, even if they take years, seem the much wiser course.

My own position aside, however, I am curious to know how students on this campus feel about the wisdom of war with Iraq. I have three questions:

- Because we have a volunteer army, Americans soldiers now tend to come from poorer families in this country. Almost 40% of those who join say they do so in hopes of

getting help going to college. Last year, one out of four recruits was black.

If this war is worth fighting, are there students at Kenyon who would volunteer to fight? Would they join now? Over Christmas break?

- If this war is *not* worth fighting (and both conservatives and liberals have been expressing their doubts), are there students at Kenyon who would oppose the war effort? What form would their opposition take?

- Finally, of course, what would we be fighting for if we went to war with Iraq?

Sincerely,
Lewis Hyde
Henry R. Luce Professor of Art and Politics

Administration Apathetic on Apartheid Stance

Dear Editor,

It is not a secret that Kenyon maintains financial interests in South Africa. A firm called The Common Fund helps to manage the college's money and chooses to invest some of it in companies that do business with, or are located in, South Africa.

In April of 1987 some Kenyon students arranged for an open forum with the Trustees to discuss divestment and/or other viable expressions of anti-apartheid protest. At the weekend meeting that followed this forum, however, the Trustees decided not to divest, but rather to show the college's opposition to apartheid through more "affirmative and pro-active initiatives."

The Provost's Committee on South Africa, formed to explore the possibilities of the Trustee's decision, proposed an exchange program with South African students. This program would bring primarily those students from the less elite sections of the country, and would involve organizations that actively resist the political, social, and cultural hegemony that exists there.

Professor Crais and Suggs made contacts with potential candidates and these students

sent applications to the Kenyon Admissions Office. They were never responded to and the program essentially dissolved. There are no South African students at Kenyon who came as a result of this program and to our knowledge, the college does not participate in any form of "affirmative" anti-apartheid activities.

Although the state of emergency has been lifted from several areas of South Africa and although the policy of divestment has become increasingly less popular, it is important, we think, to bring to attention Kenyon's lack of involvement. The decisions made by the Trustees and the Provost's Committee were good ones—we just question why they were never followed through. We question also what this says about Kenyon's commitment to any political or controversial issue. We constantly hear about the apathy of Kenyon students, but why do we not make an issue about the apathy of the administration or faculty? We hope these concerns can be addressed and that the college realizes it is not too late to get involved.

Susan Olsen '91
Kelly Schneider '91

Birdy Displays Excellent Acting Yet Ends with Let Down

By Peter T.O. Meddick

This past weekend brought the world stage premiere of John Alexander's adaptation of William Wharton's *Birdy*. I wish I had left before the end of the play.

First and foremost, the performances by Ronald Rittinger (Al) and Daniel Phillips (Birdy) were astounding. The relationship between these two characters was powerfully developed. This is a testament to not only the actors' ability but to the direction given by Alexander.

One of the most intriguing parts of the production as a whole was the use of the raked stage which constituted the confines of

Birdy's cell. It was this excellent use of the limitations presented both by the stark accessories and the boundaries of the stage that helped the audience focus upon the relationship which was recalled through the use of flashbacks. During the flashbacks to Birdy's and Al's childhood, the stage and its props took on the value of the scene in which the action was taking place. For example, the stage became a boardwalk in Atlantic City. The bed turned into a car.

The flashbacks, the acting, and the directing throughout the majority of the play were clear and concise creating a magnificent feel of the strength of the friendship that was being depicted on stage. Right up until the end.

Birdy has been in an Army mental hospital for roughly three months. He was committed after his return from being an M.I.A. in Vietnam. According to his psychiatrist, Dr. Weiss (Benjamin Albers), Birdy did not respond to his parents when they came to identify their son. He has to be fed by hand. He won't even speak to his best friend, Al. So, here we have the lead character, who for the last hour has been squatting on the floor of his cell mimicking a bird, and at the climax of the play, when he finally breaks his silence, the first thing he says is "You're so full of shit, Al."

Now wait a minute.

So the whole thing has been a joke. Birdy has only been acting, pretending that his condition is irreversible. This doesn't float. At first I thought that perhaps Al had entered the same state of being as Birdy; that the conversation being held was one of a shared consciousness. But after listening to Birdy's repetitive anecdotes on positive thinking, I began to wonder, perhaps this whole time Birdy was Al and vice versa: some sort of twist to the plot other than what was being

presented. Feeling betrayed I listened as Birdy confesses that he no longer wants to fly, hence breaking the spell of whether he ever flew or not, not to mention the fact that he just turned his back on his life up to this point. I can understand that he finally realized that his life's goal is unattainable, but I wanted a better explanation of what happened to bring it about.

Previously, Al had been physically assaulted. As he is at the point of the reversal Birdy began to react, but returned to his usual squat stance. Perhaps it was the powerful speech that Al delivers prior to the climax, but we don't see this having any effect. The audience needs to have this presented through the action rather than counting on their collective omniscience to interpret the switch in attitude.

The end was a terrible let down. Unfortunately, because the first hour and a half was so strong and moving that the end didn't fit. It was too easy a solution for such a complex issue and the mature and responsible handling of it by both the actors and the director. *see BIRDY page eight*



"A Day Without Art" was another activity that centered around AIDS awareness last week.



Wittenbrook Copes with Life, AIDS

By Michael Rutter

Larry Wittenbrook '73, a Kenyon alumnus with AIDS, was here last week with the hope of making the community more aware of the virus. I talked to him about his experiences at Kenyon—now and then—and how he is coping with the disease. Wittenbrook first noted that the students at Kenyon have been incredibly receptive, which in his eyes was a great first step in understanding the disease. AIDS has the greatest potential in being contracted during one's college years because it is usually pinpointed as the time of the greatest amount of sexual activity. AIDS is not something to be taken lightly; Wittenbrook repeatedly stressed that it can happen to anyone. He stated that by the year 2000, 30 million people will be infected by the HIV virus and that 100,000 deaths from AIDS have already occurred in the United States alone. According to Wittenbrook it is essential that we accept its existence, rather than trying to shove it under the table with the hope that it will go away on its own.

The greatest dilemma he saw surrounding the advent of the virus was the gross lack of effective leadership in both combating the disease, and educating the public about it. It took Ronald Reagan six years to publicly say something about AIDS. During this time of misinformation, fear about AIDS prevailed and the ramifications of that fear are still prevalent. He said that many still believe that one can contract the virus from casual contact; this is not true since most cases have been directly linked to sexual contact. Fear also ignited an attack on homosexuals. He said that AIDS is not God's punishment on homosexuals any more than sickle-cell anemia is God's punishment against blacks, or that car accidents are God's punishment for those who drive cars.

He saw at his visit a chance to test the waters about being open about AIDS. He feels that he has an educational mission to alert students to the real possibility of the disease interrupting their lives. AIDS most commonly does not manifest itself for five or 10 years after it is contracted, usually during the prime of one's life. He warned that with the continuing ignorance about the disease it could spread even more rapidly.

Although Wittenbrook has AIDS he still feels in control of his own destiny, and it is causing him to rethink elements in his life. He says he now avoids those who he feels are pretty people—those who are completely close minded to AIDS—and rather seeks out those who are willing to learn. He has an uncanny optimism reinforced by an earnest belief in God, who by His grace, he said, was helping him maintain his strength. Wittenbrook said that often those who find out they are infected with AIDS go into complete psychological duress (even to the point of committing suicide), quickening their deaths by producing additional, unnecessary stress. He feels that with an optimistic attitude and by staying away from stressful situations, he will have the ability to curtail some of the effects of the disease. He noted how important it was for him to love himself; his high self-esteem is what he feels is the greatest impetus in combating the disease.

As for his eventual goals in life, he jocularly said that he would like to have his own television show. With a more serious tone, he added, he simply hoped that he could educate students into developing good judgement so they will not have to suffer the consequences. Hopefully with his prevailing optimistic attitude and determination to live, Wittenbrook will educate us all far beyond just dealing with AIDS.

SPAN Sponsors Democratic Socialist Speaker

By Suzanne Lyon

Dr. Alan Fatrakis, assistant professor at Columbus State Community College, spoke at Kenyon Tuesday, Nov. 13, on the subject of democratic socialism. The lecture, sponsored by S.P.A.N. (Students for Progressive Action Now), focused on explaining some of the important fundamental ideas of democratic socialism, as well as showing why it is important to the livelihood of the United States.

It was obvious from Fatrakis's dynamic way of speaking that he is well used to making speeches that are meant to stir a crowd. He called democratic socialism "the finest indigenous tradition in the United States," and went on to speak about Eugene Debs, H. S. Thompson, and Michael Herrington, three leaders of the movement. Fatrakis has written a book about the three men, as well as worked on the campaigns of several recent democratic socialist candidates.

He claims that "the purpose of the revolution was not to have capitalism, it was to gain human rights and civil liberties." These rights do not exist enough in America, he says, because of the injustice in government. He points, as an example, to the leadership of

the city of Columbus. The power of the city, instead of being held by its inhabitants, rich and poor, lies in the hands of six white, male multimillionaires who do not live in Columbus.

Well aware of the reservations about his ideology that his audience might have, he explained, "People too often think of all 'isms' as being bad: socialism, communism, rheumatism, all grouped together." He urged us to see that, "until we have control of our own lives and there is no fear of expression," we cannot consider ourselves to be free. He pointed to the way that while our government is giving small amounts of money under the name of welfare to the poor, the rich somehow end up receiving much more money that is called "needed subsidies."

He also used the example of companies that shut down in the U.S. and move to Mexico so that they may hire their workers for \$.70 a day. Such inconsistencies and injustices threaten the integrity of our country, he says, and democratic socialism is the only answer to the problem. A society should be judged by how it treats its lower class, not its upper class, claims Fatrakis, and by that model, America is in need of revision that only democratic socialism can bring about.



photo by Erich Wetzel

As part of the Fools on the Hill fall performance, Nov. 15, four Fools improvise a talk show featuring has-been actors.

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt to Lecture on "5,000 Books"

By Kimberly Thompson

So you think you've got a lot of reading to catch up on as first semester classes wind down and exams approach? Don't complain once more until you've taken a break from all that reading to come listen to Faculty Lectureship speaker Christopher Lehmann-Haupt, Senior Daily Book Reviewer for The *New York Times* teach you, "How to Read 5,000 Books a Year" on Monday night, December 10, at 7:30 in the Biology Auditorium.

Lehmann-Haupt has written over 2,400 book reviews and articles since his appointment to Senior Reviewer in 1969. He knows something about everything, from the American theater and the computer age to Persian archaeology and Chinese history. His daughter, Kenyon junior Rachel Lehmann-Haupt, describes him as "a slow reader," and says he works at home, dividing his time between reading, writing several reviews a

week, and working on a novel.

In addition, he has lectured widely and written articles on a variety of subjects, including his hobbies, fly-fishing, blue-grass banjo picking, and stamp collecting. His first book, *Me and Dimaggio: A Baseball Fan Goes in Search of His Gods*, was published in 1986. Forthcoming is a novel set in Washington D.C. entitled, *Death Penalty*. Lehmann-Haupt will read from this work in progress during Common Hour on Tuesday, Dec. 11 in Weaver Cottage.

Lehmann-Haupt was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. He was educated at The Ethical Cultural Schools, Putney Schools, and Swarthmore College. In 1959 he graduated with a Master in Fine Arts degree in theater history and dramatic criticism from Yale.

Lehmann-Haupt has been in the business of books all his professional career. He began as an editor at several New York City publishing houses, including Holt, Rinehart & Winston, and The Dial Press. From there,

he went on to become an editor for the Sunday New York Times Book Review, which led to his present position as Senior Daily Reviewer. In the early 1970s he also served as professor of literature at The City University of New York.

Being a professional book reviewer has its advantages. Consider a recent assignment to review Michael Crichton's novel, *Jurassic Park*. Lehmann-Haupt describes the book as "a superior specimen of the myth," featuring a theme park of a madman's genetically engineered dinosaurs. In a complimentary review like this one, Lehmann-Haupt both encourages readers to pick up the book and reports how much he enjoyed scenes like the decoding of pre-historic DNA from fossils, and the run-ins with Tyrannosaurus Rex.

Lehmann-Haupt also specializes in writing about political books. He recently reviewed President Reagan's autobiography, and considered the book, *Presidential Power and the Modern Presidents* by Richard E. Neustadt,

earlier this month. In that piece, Lehmann-Haupt exercises another reviewer's privilege of giving his frank opinion. Earlier editions of the book had served as reference guides for politicians on Presidential decision making. Commenting on the 1986 Iran-Contra Affair, Lehmann-Haupt writes, "one would have to conclude that Mr. Neustadt's advice to Presidents isn't proving successful."

Although his job seems very enjoyable, it isn't always easy to review a book honestly when you know the author's success depends on what you write. In a recent review of a book about Group Theater and America, *Real Life Drama*, by Wendy Smith, for example, Lehmann-Haupt concludes that while the author's "zealous devotion comes through," the book, "remains by and large uninspired and uninspiring." Assessing the quality and value of current books for an entire reading public might be an even bigger challenge than reading 5,000 books a year.

Changing Faces of Kenyon

What do you think of the current situation in Iraq?

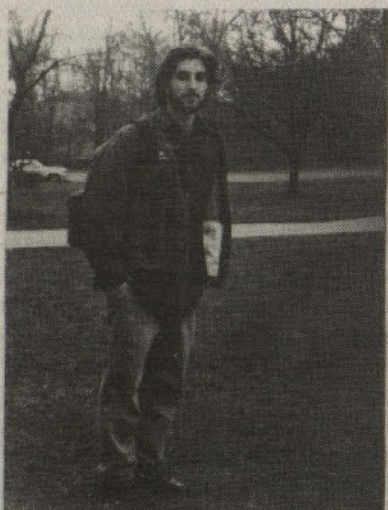


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Alec Gessner '93

The imminence of war scares me more and more. I don't think the interdependence of the world economy should be allowed to be disrupted by one out of control leader.



photo by Liz Kaplan

John Margaretten '93

It's no longer a question of whether or not we will go to war, it's a question of when, and when we do we had better do it right. The last thing this country needs is another Vietnam.



photo by Liz Kaplan

Chris Scharfenkamp '91

I'm surprised that many conservatives are against military action. My impression from school year abroad is that many foreigners see Bush as imperialistic because of the thing in Panama and think that most Americans support him. We are too eager to exercise our military power.

Humanity Will be Beneficiary of Pimento's and Kingfisher's Album

By Kate Brentzel

Good Tymes, a bar in Bowling Green, Ohio, got to experience over Thanksgiving break what Kenyon has now enjoyed for over a year—The Kingfishers. This acoustic band, so familiar with the Common Grounds and coffeehouse circuit here on campus, also played at Toledofest, an arts and music festival, in September. Back at Kenyon, The Kingfishers have been playing music since practically their first days here.

It all began in Lewis dorm, where band members Mike Abowd, Aaron Langton, and Jeremy Lindsay lived on the same hall. The three got together and played their very first night of freshman year. They were playing in Common Grounds a week later. The group quickly had to think of a good name. After rejecting such Shakespearian names as *Wives of Windsor* and *Shylock*, they turned to Donovan, an English musician from the sixties. The band got their name from a Donovan song, "The Three Kingfishers".

The Kingfishers would rather not say that their music is "just folk." When the band was doing a lot of covers in their earlier days, the covers were mostly folk-oriented. As they move into primarily original music, they try to blend as many influences as possible. "Our approach to playing is not to try to stick with one form of music but rather to incorporate as many different styles as we can," said Langton.

One of the biggest changes since freshman year has been that The Kingfishers are no longer content doing just covers. The original music they are writing now is usually a collaborative effort. The band members talked about other changes since the formation of the group. "I think we work together a lot better than we did . . . We're less worried about stepping on each other's 'emotional toes.' If we have a problem, we don't let it fester. We just try and talk it out," said Langton. Lindsay added, "If there's a blow up in practice, we quit for that day and we come back and things are cool the next day."

Practices this year are not as impromptu as they were when The Kingfishers all lived on the same hall. They try to schedule practices

about three times a week on average. Right now, the group is in the process of recording a benefit album in the basement of the post office. One side of the album will feature the Kingfishers, the other will feature Pimentos for Gus. All proceeds will go to Habitat for Humanity.

Both Pimentos for Gus and The Kingfishers are very accustomed to the coffeehouse circuit. "The coffeehouse environment is almost ideal for the kind of music we play," said Lindsay. The group is pleased with the enduring support they have had from coffeehouse audiences. Langton is also really enthusiastic about the reaction from the whole student body. "I have to say that the student body has wildly exceeded my expectations. I thought that when these guys first approached me and said . . . 'let's make the band acoustic', it might be a good novelty for a while, but I think we've gotten a lot of support." Abowd added, "I think people who appreciate the kind of music we play appreciate there being a band like us."

One of the reasons why the band may not perform in the Battle of the Bands coming up in December is because of the type of music The Kingfishers play. "I just think that last year . . . they had a certain type of band in mind. And that's understandable. They want basically a band based around bass and drums, with volume," said Abowd. Since The Kingfishers are an acoustic band, with guitars, percussion, and harmonica, they are not geared toward producing the "classic rock" sound.

In the future The Kingfishers would like to see their band go further, but they aren't making any definite plans. "I think we're pretty much just taking it where it leads us. I think the worst thing you can do is to start . . . making an agenda for yourself, because that starts getting in the way of what you're doing musically at that time," said Lindsay. The Kingfishers hope that the benefit album will be sent to some other college radio stations, and they are always looking for offers to play off campus. But they aren't making too many future plans. As Langton said, "I'd love to see it go further, basically because I'm miserable at everything else."

OCS Speaks of Past Expansion and Looks to the Future

By Becki Miller

"We are not a travel agency," quipped Jane Wemhoener, Director of the Off-Campus Studies (OCS) Office. Wemhoener was quick to point out that the sometimes misunderstood OCS, located in Acland House, is an academic office. Its purpose is to aid students who wish to take advantage of study opportunities outside of Kenyon, both in the U.S. and abroad.

If not a travel agency, the OCS is Kenyon's own Grand Central Station. Wemhoener has seen a 100 % increase in the number of students going off-campus in her seven years with the office. Wemhoener attributed the popularity of off-campus study at Kenyon to students' recognizing the importance of having a global perspective and Kenyon's talent at interweaving off-campus study into its on-campus education. This year, 175 students or 45 percent of the junior class are "off the Hill," and the majority go abroad.

The volume of work involved in helping OCS hopefuls, students away, and returnees keeps the office busy, according to Wemhoener. Carla DenHartog, '91, spoke from her experience abroad at Exeter and as an OCS intern to say, "The office is overworked, but it does incredibly well. Students from other colleges have told me they didn't have near the support we do." While the work load has increased, the office staff has not. OCS has only two full-time employees, Wemhoener and Assistant/Secretary Marilyn Stokes, as well as two student interns and two volunteers.

Kenyon students have studied throughout the U.S. and on all continents except Antarctica (which has no study programs). The United Kingdom draws the greatest number of Kenyon students because many major in English or want to avoid a language barrier. Citing the most popular programs is difficult for Wemhoener because students' interests become more diverse and sophisticated each year. She added that Kenyon applicants are consistently chosen for the most competitive programs. For example, the Kenyon Honduras Program attracts even graduate students, but Kenyon students gain an edge in the competition by their merit.

Including the Kenyon Honduras archaeological dig, Kenyon operates several of its

own off-campus programs. The University of Exeter, Summer in Rome, and Rouen, France operated jointly with St. Lawrence University are some in operation. After a two-year interruption, Kenyon will reinstate its Bogota, Columbia next fall. Although the number of Kenyon programs seems low, the school compensates with options for students to attend other universities' programs. Wemhoener explained that Kenyon's size presents limitations. The small OCS office would be strained by too many programs, and the student body's size would make it difficult to find enough students to fill each program. To conduct many Kenyon programs, students would have to be limited to attend only Kenyon programs so they could be filled, and the OCS office is reluctant to limit students' options. Instead, Wemhoener said the OCS "wants to make sure what students want and need is accessible and appropriate — and that's why we're so picky."

The OCS is "picky" about approving students' applications for off-campus experiences. OCS hopefuls generally visit the office during their first or sophomore year to page through the extensive resources of catalogues and program information. The "OCS Bible," a manual written by the office, is a valuable map through the application process. Students must make an appointment for the first of about two or three interviews with Wemhoener to discuss what program meets their needs and how to go about getting in. Brenda Perkins, '91, said that while it was partially her fault, she wished the OCS would have encouraged her to apply to more than one program since she did not get into her first choice.

Kenyon is unusual in requiring students to apply first to the OCS for permission to go off-campus before applying to individual programs themselves. OCS students complain about the stringent application procedures, but generally conclude as did Amanda Goodsell, '91, "It's kind of a pain, but it's a good idea." The initial application requires letters from the faculty advisor, approval from the chair of the student's major department, a student essay, and a checklist to the dean is necessary explained to Wemhoener, "so we don't send someone with a history of burning down buildings into flammable country."

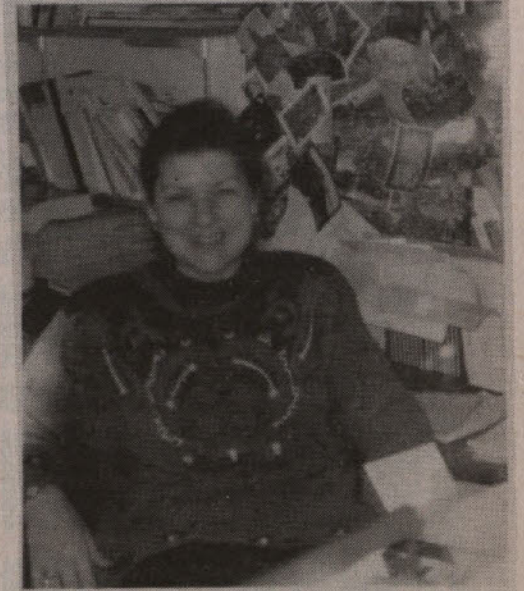
Generally the OCS approves the student. Then comes the specific program application which the OCS sends off for the student with a letter of support. Mailing the applications for the students impresses the programs, said Wemhoener, because they receive a complete application and know the college backs the student's bid for admission.

Once a student gains entrance into a program, the OCS provides orientation sessions, contact to off-campus students, and help to returnees. While Wemhoener does not have as much contact as she would like with students while they are off of the Hill, the OCS does send out a few newsletters and an occasional *Collegian*. A handbook for women studying abroad is in the works. *Off the Hill* is an existing publication of literature and photographs by OCS survivors.

While away, students sometimes experience problems with academics such as courses not turning out to be what they expected. Students must become accustomed to a new sort of instruction, which in Europe is "laissez-faire and comparable to a graduate system," said Wemhoener. Generally the OCS screens programs so that problems occur less in ones with which it is familiar. Wemhoener said that personal problems of

students are what keep her up nights. Most are health crises which end happily, however.

Wemhoener explained that OCS returnees experience a sort of culture shock not only



going, but coming back to campus as well. She compared it to shedding skin, "not that you lose yours completely, but you get your see OCS page eight

Singers Will Perform Eclectic Mix

By Cindy Wittman

The Kenyon Community Choir and the Kenyon College Chamber Singers will be presenting their Winter Concert at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 8 in Rosse Hall.

Both choirs will be performing works that as conductor Benjamin R. Locke stated, "the best word you would use to describe is eclectic." These works are drawn from a wide musical repertoire spanning from Bach to the twentieth century composer Arne Mellnaes. The Community Choir will include traditional spiritual tunes, an excerpt from "Sicut Locutus Est", contained in Bach's *Magnificat*, and a folk song by Beethoven. Conducted by Locke, assistant professor in the Kenyon department of music, the Community Choir is composed almost equally of Kenyon students, faculty and staff members, and local townspeople.

The Chamber Singers, also conducted by Locke, will follow the Community Choir after an intermission. They will be performing a Bach motet, "Lobet den Herrn," or "Praise the Lord All Ye Nations." They will also be performing two compositions on some rather intriguing subjects. One is a piece on scorpions, written by Franz Joseph Hayden, and the other is a song based upon a Haiku poem on frogs and larks written by Norman Dinerstein. The Kenyon College Chamber Singers is a select choir made up entirely of Kenyon students. According to Locke, "This concert is our major effort this semester." The Chamber Singers will be embarking on a tour over spring break.

There will be a reception after the concert in Peirce Lounge. Also, both groups will be performing in the Advent Service on December 16.

KENYISH - The Comic Strip Paying A Long Overdue Tribute To ARA



*Sung to the tune of "Miss You" by the Rolling Stones.

Berghold and Wilder Reach X-Country "Field of Dreams"

By Scott Jarrett

To the majority of Americans Iowa is known for a few good and wholesome staples: amber waves of grain, lots of corn, and baseball fields built by Kevin Costner. For two Kenyon Ladies and their coach, however, that stereotype changed recently and for the rest of their lives, senior Kara Berghold and sophomore Kelley Wilder will undoubtedly link Iowa with cross-country and the NCAA meet held at Grinnell College.

Two days before Thanksgiving Break, Berghold and Wilder, Kenyon's finest, showed Iowa and the nation their paces.

Simply getting to this meet was just one of many firsts this duo has accomplished this year (for one, being the first ever NCAA qualifiers from Kenyon), and even last place would have been respectable.

But last place was the farthest thing from the Ladies' mind, as they toed the line with 136 other competitors, 14 teams and 37 individuals.

"When I got up to that line I just thought about all those mornings I had to drag myself

out of bed at 5:30," said Wilder.

But did she have to drag herself out of bed on the day of the NCAA Championship? Well, a vicious rumor has it that the worrisome Wilder was so afraid that they wouldn't make the meet that she began to pack Berghold and Gomez's suitcases three and a half hours before the meet, even though they were just ten miles away. This rumor, however, is still unconfirmed.

Fortunately, the Ladies did make the meet in time and Wilder and Berghold certainly didn't drag at Grinnell, but rather ran like they had throughout the season, feeling very little pressure by the fact that just by being there they were two of the top 5,000 Division III runners in the nation.

The field flew out in the first mile, as Berghold clocked an amazing 5:18 and Wilder 5:28. Waiting patiently, the twosome moved up dramatically through the crowd of runners.

Berghold ran around 10th place and Wilder in the top 25, as the two picked off many of the runners who had charged out a little too hard in the excitement of the day. Among those were the two Allegheny rivals of Berghold and Wilder. While Berghold had always beaten Allegheny's number one runner, Wilder had never beaten the Gator's number two, Lynda Kohl.

With a half mile to go Berghold had moved up to 6th place, about 100 yards behind the eventual winner Victoria Mitchell of S.U.N.Y. Cortland. Grittily holding the pace, Berghold cruised around the back loop of the course and kicked it in for an amazing 6th place finish and All-American status.

Not only was Berghold Kenyon's first-ever All-American in cross-country, but she bettered the NCAC's previous best finish considerably. (Allegheny's number one runner finished 33rd last year).

Wilder, meanwhile, was caught up in the All-American borderline pack, a group of about ten individuals who finished within 8 seconds of each other.

Coming in the final stretch she kicked hard and was passed by a few but overtook her nemesis Kohl from Allegheny, finished 32nd, just 7 seconds and 7 places from All-American status. Not bad for a sophomore.

While most would argue that time matters very little at the national meet, Berghold and Wilder's times are certainly nothing to scoff at. Berghold again broke her Kenyon record with a blazing time of 17:45 while Wilder clocked 18:30 to establish a personal record of her own.

Though not quite as large a crowd as was at the Kenyon/OWU soccer game, a few Lords and Berghold's father did provide a small Kenyon fan club. Underestimating the power of fahrfugnugen and sort of forgetting about the time change, the Lords arrived a little early.

"We might not have a lot of people, but we were the first ones here," boasted freshman Ryan McNulty as he devoured a Blueberry Pop-Tart (compliments of Gordon Center) at 4:30 in the morning.

The meet was an auspicious beginning to Thanksgiving vacation and fantastic ending to a stellar season. Fortunately, it's not the end at all, though, as both runners will be back next year with even better odds: four of the five runners ahead of Berghold were seniors, and Wilder will be just a junior (Berghold didn't even qualify when she was a sophomore).

In addition, the Ladies, who finished the



photo by Marshall
Junior Kara Berghold, Kenyon's first-ever cross-country All-American, finished 6th in the NCAA Championships at Grinnell College.

season as the best Division III team in Ohio and the third best in the Great Lakes Regional, graduate just one senior from the see CROSS-COUNTRY page eight



photo by Mike Marshall
Sophomore Kelley Wilder narrowly missed becoming an All-American, finishing 32nd at the NCAAs.

Kenyon Swims Against Div. I, II

By Grant Tennille

This past weekend, the Lords and Ladies competed in the Eastern Michigan Invitational, a two-day event which pitted the Kenyon swimmers against tough Division I and II competition from around the region. The outing provided both teams with their first opportunities in the invitational format this season. An invitational, unlike a dual meet, offers swimmers the opportunity to concentrate on individual performance to a greater extent than team strategy, and, consequently, fine individual outings were turned in by members of both teams.

Junior John Landreth of the Lords turned in a personal, in season best with a 1:56.78 in the 200-yard butterfly, a performance that earned him eighth place overall and qualified him for competition in the Division III Championship. Freshman Todd Giardinelli swam an impressive 16:46.98 in the grueling 1650-yard freestyle, coming in twelfth overall. Increased stroke technique practice helped push Senior Eric Chambers to a twelfth place finish in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:01.40. These strong outings pushed the Lords overall score to 163.5 which was only good enough for seventh place in a field dominated by the University of Michigan and other Division I

teams.

The Ladies fared slightly better on the weekend, as their 378 points were enough to capture fifth place overall. Freshman Jessica Berkowitz continued to dazzle. Her 500-yard freestyle time of 5:05.31 earned her second place overall, and made her the top Kenyon finisher in the meet. Sophomore Jennifer Carter also scored high with a third place finish in the 200 IM. Her time of 2:12.06 in that event qualified her for Nationals. Senior Kami Mathews continued to provide strong performances, contributing a fourth place finish in the 100 freestyle, a seventh in the 500 freestyle in addition to providing her power to strong efforts by the 400 freestyle and 400 medley relay teams. Junior Kristie Stacy showed similar versatility by placing ninth in the 200-yard butterfly and contributing to the efforts of two relay teams as well.

While the overall finishes of both teams may seem disappointing to Kenyon fans used to uttering the words "swimming" and "indestructible" in the same breath, strong performances by both the Lords and Ladies, against the toughest competition that they have faced this season, indicate that both teams are continuing to improve with every outing. This Saturday's outing at the Mission Bay Invitational should be no exception.

"Off the Hill" Makes Winter Debut

By Chris Munster

I wasn't sure winter was actually going to arrive to Gambier this year, at least until the snowfall on Tuesday. The winter time for the Collegian Sports pages is a relief; now there are only four teams to cover for the most part (three when we combine our two swimming juggernauts).

Less Kenyon coverage, more space to go "off the hill" in order to fill the pages allotted to us (sorry, Pudding House ads and Flowers by Walker's aren't necessary when I can fill the empty space with my own mindless [?] prattle).

Therefore, using this space to provide a potpourri of things going on outside of the friendly confines of Jordanland (that's Phil, of course) is entirely within the realm of "liberal arts" education (please hold the liberal). So here it goes:

GIANTS-49ERS: WHAT MNF WANTED, IT GOT

The game of the year, call it Super Bowl XXIV 1/2 if you want, was everything you could want it to be. It was a dream for both ABC-TV and viewers alike.

Two great defenses dictated the fact that one mistake would be fatal. Only thing is, that mistake wasn't made by an opposing offensive player, but the opposing coach, at least from the 49ers perspective.

Giants coach BILL PARCELLS deciding to go for his 4th and goal from the nine with over four minutes remaining was the fatal error, the one that sent the Giants home with a two-game losing streak.

Playing conservatively all game, PARCELLS went for a highly improbable play, all the more improbable because the Niners had RONNIE LOTT on its team, patrolling the end zone.

Of course the Giants missed on 4th when the chip-shot field goal would have made the game 7-6, with the Giant defense playing its best game of the year.

The concern should not have been for the defense stopping the Niners, but for his offense getting into the end zone. A 1st and

goal for the Giants earlier in the game proved that the Niner defense was every bit as good as the Giants all night.

So PARCELLS, who should still be NFC Coach of the Year, missed it big time in the big time. Hopefully, that one call will not keep the Giants out of the big game.

However, the Giants will still be the second best team in the NFC. Where's the evidence? Bears 23, Lions 17 at SOLDIER FIELD!!

And for this week: Buffalo over Indianapolis; Houston over Cleveland, because Cleveland is the fourth best team in Ohio behind Cincinnati, Ohio State and Ohio Wesleyan; Giants will rebound against the NFC's hottest team, the Vikings; Pittsburgh over New England; Atlanta over Phoenix, which means the game is in Atlanta; The 49ers big over the Bengals; Green Bay at home over Seattle (what's the difference between playing in Green Bay and Milwaukee?).

Washington edges Chicago at home (sorry Bears fans, this is no upset); Kansas City beats Denver; Rams over Saints; Miami figures out a way to tackle against a bigger, stronger NFC team in Philadelphia, which has used up its weeks of good football until 1991; and Bo beats Barry on Monday night.

PAUL WESTHEAD, MEET MOUSE DAVIS

Really, shouldn't the Denver Nuggets call their system of (playground) basketball the Run and Shoot? After all, they "run" and then they "shoot," with not much in between.

However, let's wait until January and February when East coast teams are playing in Denver on the fourth game of a six-game road trip. It should be interesting.

Last year, our own CHARLES MELLOWES said in December that Portland was the best team in the conference. Yes, that's December. No other "expert" knew they were the best team in the conference until the Lakers were dismissed by the Suns.

So Chuck, who is it this year? I hope he says the Suns. I think he would be correct. see OFF THE HILL page seven

High-scoring Lords Race to 4-1; One month until NCAC

By John Cooney

Every pre-season, the so called "experts" of basketball in the region gather to predict how the teams of the NCAC will finish. These prognosticators tend to overlook the one Cinderella team that shocks everyone with its play. This season the experts made the mistake of placing the Kenyon Lords near the bottom of the division. The Lords, off to an explosive 4-1 start, look more like contenders than pretenders.

Of course, the experts should be excused for their error. They went on last season's performance, and the only similarity between last year's team and this one are the purple and white uniforms.

In the offseason Coach Bill Brown decided to completely overhaul the Kenyon system of basketball. He changed his offense from the slow, methodical pace of last year to an up-tempo, fast-breaking style. The results are clearly paying off. The Lords are averaging 86 points a game, including a season high of 101 versus Bethany.

Coach Brown also decided to change his defense to a 1-3-1 this year. B.J. Kenyon, captain of the Lords, says that the advantage of the 1-3-1 is that "it confuses the other teams coach. It is a very difficult defense to recognize. Sometimes they think it is a 2-3. Plus it allows us to shadow the other team's best player very effectively."

The Lords opened the season against Thiel. Any notion that the Lords running game was just pre-season hype was quickly thrown out the window. The Lords erupted for 93 points in their 19 point victory.

Leading the way for the Lords was Kenyon with 26 points on a variety of fakes, spin moves, and a new weapon in his lethal arsenal, the three point shot. Through five games Kenyon is actually shooting 50% from 3 point land.

Next up for the Lords was Wilmington. The Lords played very erratic basketball, and with 12 minutes left the Lords still trailed. At that point, Matt Alcorn took over. Alcorn, one of the better jump shooters in the NCAC, started to light it up after having been quiet most of the game. When the dust had cleared eight minutes later, Alcorn had scored 19 points and almost singlehandedly put the game out of reach.

The Lords ended up winning 99-90 in another impressive display of their offensive might.

Alcorn was the man down the stretch, but it was Andy Kutz, with 23 points, who led the team most of the way. Kutz is one of the four seniors on the team, along with Alcorn, Kenyon, and Mike Sering.

The transition to a new style of play has not been easy for the Lords but the senior leadership has helped the team to overcome the rough spots they have encountered in the first five games.

However, the Wilmington game demonstrated that the Lords are not only built around their seniors. Devin Oddo, the third part of Kenyon's fierce front line, scored 20 points. His backup, Jeff Pfriem, scored 12 points while adding six rebounds.

Underclassmen Eric Nuremberger, J.M. Berthoud, Bill Comar, and two-sport wonder Kevin Mills all made strong contributions in the backcourt.

The Lords suffered their only setback in their third game against Hiram. The Lords led the game at half, only to lose 88-63. Kenyon, the leading scorer for the Lords with 17, believes the game actually had a positive long-term effect.

"The loss brought us back to earth. It showed us what happens if we come into a game unprepared mentally."

The Kenyon community got their first glimpse of the new look Lords when they

took on Thomas More. The team got off to a slow start, and once again they trailed in the second half.

With the offense struggling, the Lords took the game over with their defense, led by the tenacious Mills. However a three pointer by the crowd's adopted villain, Billy Arthur, sent the game into overtime.

In the overtime the superior talent of Kenyon proved to be too much for the Utopians and the Lords won 76-73. The Lords featured a very balanced attack, with Kenyon and Kutz each scoring 19, Alcorn 14, and Oddo 9.

The key to Kenyon's victory against Thomas More was its domination of the boards. Kenyon, Oddo, and Kutz all reached double figures in rebounds.

Kutz said, "Before the game Coach Brown told us that we would win the game if Devin, B.J., and myself all grabbed ten boards. We need to rebound like that so that we can run our fast break."

Rebounding has not been a problem for the Lords so far this season. Kenyon, Kutz, and Oddo all average more than 8 rebounds per game, while Sering has come off the bench to lead the team in rebounds per minute.

The Lords saved their best for last against a solid Bethany squad. Trailing 53-45 at half, the Lords finally seemed to put everything together in the second half and they won go-

ing away, 101-76.

Bethany was simply overwhelmed in the second half by the devastating inside-outside duo of Kutz and Alcorn. Kutz was unstoppable, scoring 27 points. Alcorn was even hotter, scoring a career-high 34. Bethany sagged on Kutz and Kenyon, leaving the outside shot open. They did not expect that Alcorn would bury eight 3-pointers.

"When the guys inside play well", said Alcorn, "the other teams have to play off the guards, and we get the open shots."

All the Lords seem to agree that despite the 4-1 start, the best is yet to come. Alcorn stated, "We haven't completely adapted to the new offense, so we've only played well in spurts."

Kutz was even more blunt, declaring, "We haven't played well yet except for the second half of the Bethany game. We're pleased to be 4-1 because we haven't played up to our potential. We should go into the conference 9-1 or 8-2 and be ready for a run at the title."

The Lords resume their season Saturday at home against Washington and Jefferson at 2:00.

According to Kenyon, Washington and Jefferson will not be a pushover.

"They've already played two teams in the NCAC very tough," he said, "but we've had ten days to get the wrinkles out, and we've got some momentum going. I think you'll see us step it up a notch Saturday."

Off The Hill

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Don't get carried away by the Trail Blazers' fast start; the Portland starters are playing way too much for this time of year. After all, the Suns were one KJ hamstring pull away from earning the right to get defeated by the Pistons, and the Trail Blazers were one Rod Strickland "HORSE" play away from not even making it to the Western Conference Finals last season.

When the Rocket didn't play, Notre Dame lost to Stanford, and stopped producing in the second half against Penn State.

DETMER lost to Oregon and Hawaii, and beat (fill in the blank, your guess is as good as mine). DETMER also proved he could throw an interception at any given time. Enough of that.

EVEN OHIO ONCE PLAYED HOCKEY

For the fifty people who care about hockey at Kenyon, does the NHL go like this? Rangers, Bruins, Blues, and Flames, with the Flames beating the Rangers in the finals.

The Bruins just don't score enough goals, and lack team speed. Those two things have spelled defeat in the Stanley Cup finals for the Bostonians in the past couple of years.

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Ladies Hoops Off to Rocky Start

By Gordon Center

I realize that many students on this campus have yet to attend a Kenyon Ladies Basketball game, either on the road or at home. Might I suggest that you make it to as many of them as you can, because, the Ladies play only one type of basketball, and that is exciting.

The Ladies have already played five games this season but the *Collegian* hasn't been published in a while so you loyal readers had to wait a while to hear about the results.

The Ladies lost to Rio Grande 86-52 on November 16. The score of this game can lead the casual observer into making the wrong conclusions. The Ladies played outstanding basketball. On offense junior forward Diane Rochat scored 14 points for the Ladies, 12 from the field. Sophomore guard Beth Burrey also scored 14 points for the Ladies, shooting six for seven from the free throw line.

On defense the Ladies had more rebounds on average than the Rio Grande players. Junior forward Nicole Dunn led the team with nine boards and flew through the air to block a shot by a Dominican player.

The Ladies also lost to Notre Dame College 43-75. Beth Burrey and Nicole Dunn scored 12 and 14 points respectively for the Ladies. Burrey scored once from behind the three point line astonishing players and coaches alike. They were assisted by Diane Rochat and junior Sarah Pratt who com-

bined for another 12 of the Ladies' points.

On defense Dunn led the way with four blocked shots as she continually harassed the Notre Dame players. Rochat led the team with rebounds with nine total followed by Burrey.

The Ladies also played Cedarville College last week in a home game. The game started out well for the Ladies but Cedarville had greater success in its shots. The Ladies lost that game 74-40. Leading the Ladies in scoring again was Burrey who scored 17 points. Pratt led the defense in rebounds, pulling down six.

In the Ohio Dominican tournament last week the Ladies played two games. They played Ohio Dominican College and Thomas More College. Both of these teams are known for the basketball they play.

The Ladies lost both games. The Ladies lost to Ohio Dominican College 83-48. Leading the Ladies with points was Rochat who scored 20. Rochat also led the team in rebounds by swinging her elbows and pulling down thirteen for the night.

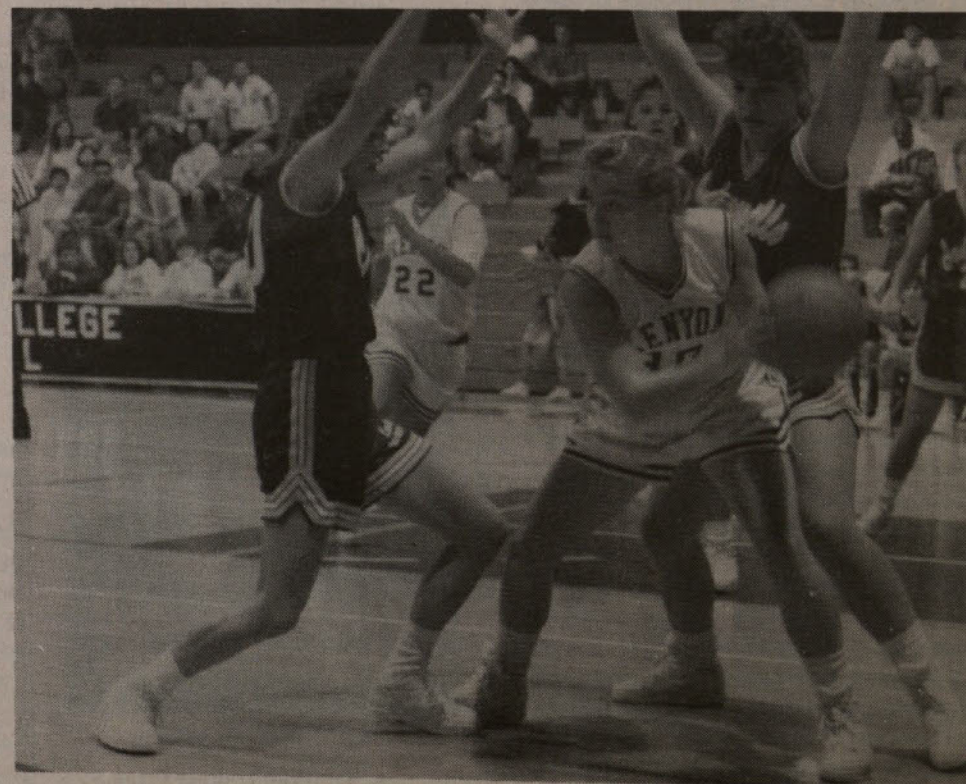
Against Thomas More Dunn sent shot after shot flying through the net for the Ladies. Dunn poured in 20 for the Ladies. Rochat again led the team in swinging elbows and standing her ground by pulling in 11 rebounds.

Although the Ladies have lost their first five games they have played well. A relatively young team, the Ladies look to senior Shelly see BASKETBALL page eight

OH, THAT TY-EISMAN

The best player, the one that can beat you at any moment, the one who can score from four different angles, the best at disrupting a game plan, is RAGHIB ISMAIL.

TY DETMER beat Miami, say the voters. Well, so did ISMAIL. And he put the games away at Tennessee and Pittsburgh.



Junior Diane Rochat looks for a way around two Cedarville defenders. photo by Rob Broeren

Smoking

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and Mather could see mini-lounges converted to "smoking rooms." This, thinks Fitzgibbon, would be "intuitively appealing, but logistically difficult." Halls like Lewis and Watson only have a single lounge, and therefore would not be able to cater to both smokers and non-smokers. Introducing this kind of change, he feels, would raise "a whole new equity issue similar to that in this year's housing debate," an experience Fitzgibbon says he wants to avoid repeating

Gulf

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appointed to the position of international police.

President Bush has proclaimed that we would be fighting against Saddam Hussein for such general ideals as "freedom" and against "aggression." But I am not satisfied with these non-explanation explanations. Is Saddam Hussein truly a serious threat to the freedom of Americans? Does the Iraq-Kuwait conflict relate to us to an extent that justifies the deaths of Americans? Or is the real issue the price and availability of oil? And, if so, are the lives of young Americans a reasonable price to pay for our easy and luxurious way of life? I tend to think not; at least not the lives of my friends.

For those "optimists" who would like to believe that our country is not in any real danger of going to war, I suggest that you listen more closely to or read more carefully the words of our president. It has been suggested that Saddam Hussein is comparable to Adolf Hitler—instead I would suggest that the U.S. involvement in the Iraq-Kuwait conflict is more akin to our involvement in Vietnam.

I am as yet unsure of what approach to take to attempt to change the present situation of our troops in the Middle East and the direction in which our country is apparently headed. But one thing is for certain, change will not occur if we remain complacent or apathetic.

Sincerely,
Holly M. Hatch, '91

Birdy

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To have spent the majority of the production bringing the audience to empathize with Al and Birdy and then to have this complete reversal of Birdy's attitude . . . I was hoping Al would slug Birdy for putting him through the ordeal. Instead they made plans for lunch. I questioned Birdy's mental stability more after he had returned to the land of the speaking.

OCS

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own new one." Perkins said her return was "a big adjustment." After living in Paris for a year, Goodsell found coming back was as difficult as leaving partly because, "Gambier is not that exciting after living in a city, and there is no challenge in day-to-day life as there was, with a foreign language, going to the post office or grocery store."

Steadfast in her optimism and enthusiasm for off-campus study, Wemhoener prefers to call some of these tasks faced by the OCS "challenges, not difficulties." One such challenge was the escalating political tension that forced the OCS to close the Bogota program last fall. Elections seem to have calmed the situation, and changes in the program will make it "stronger and tighter than before" ac-

cording to Wemhoener.

Kenyon students do not necessarily need passports to have satisfying off-campus experiences. Students such as John Good, '91, who went to the National Theater Institute in Waterford, CT, take advantage of opportunities not possible within the confines of Gambier. Working with a group of only 30 people and with professionals actually in the theater, Good said, "The interaction of the people was completely different from that at Kenyon."

The OCS Director emphasized that thinking globally is critical to a liberal arts education. "We're on a tiny hill in Ohio and can get out of touch with the rest of the world. At Kenyon, we can talk about the importance of an international perspective, but we can't just give it to you."

Meeting individual needs while fulfilling recognized standards makes the goals of OCS like that of Kenyon as a whole. No matter where a student's destination, Wemhoener said the OCS office tries to ensure that "if the students do go between the cracks, it wasn't that they fell through, but that they jumped."

Cross Country

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top five finishers at the Regional meet. Come 1991 it looks as though when Wilder gets nervous she will have to pack more suitcases than just Berghold and Gomez's, about five more.

Basketball

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Webb for guidance and leadership. It is suggested that those of you in the student body who can make it to the Ladies next game do so, for it is rumored that Burrey is flirting with the dunk. As Dean Fitz-Gibbons said "It's only a matter of time the way she walks on air."

Off The Hill

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Plus, it's the Rangers' year.

Maybe if the Rangers can even win the Cup, that will stop those horrible "1940!" chants that the Islander fans throw out to the Broadway Blues faithful each and every year.

Next week, I'll talk about the best basketball player you've never seen and why UNLV should face some severe sanctions after all. The two subjects are intricately related.

Perhaps by next week I'll have my plan on how to watch every game being played on New Year's Day (eight of them). It's actually not a bad way to beat the hangover.



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What is sexual harassment?

Sexual harassment is generally considered to be any use of privilege or power to impose sexually on another. It includes coercive behavior, such as suggestions that academic or employment reprisals will follow the refusal of sexual favors. It also includes repeated and unwanted sexual behavior, such as physical contact and verbal comments or suggestions that create a hostile, intimidating, or offensive learning or working environment.

Examples of sexual harassment that have been reported at Kenyon include:

- Uninvited entry into a dormitory room
- Obscene telephone calls
- Sexist jokes and/or offensive language
- Unwanted physical contact
- Withholding of privileges because of one's sex
- Acquaintance rape

What is acquaintance rape?

If you have had sexual intercourse against your will and without your consent, you have been raped. The rape may be accomplished through the use of threats, alcohol or drugs, physical force, or emotional manipulation.

In an acquaintance rape, the assailant can be a friend, a lover, or someone the victim knows only slightly. The key element is the rapist's manipulation of the relationship with the victim. Their acquaintance is used to gain trust, then the perpetrator takes advantage of the victim's vulnerability. Whether the perpetrator simply refuses to take no for an answer or encourages the "date" to become too intoxicated to fight back, this person is committing an act of rape.

Acquaintance rape, or "date rape" as it is sometimes called, is not a legitimate or justifiable expression of normal sexual relations.

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