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E. L. Doctorow Discusses Suit Against the Government



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By Becki Miller

E. L. Doctorow '52 is one of the plaintiffs in a federal lawsuit charging President Bush and other top officials of the U.S. government with First Amendment violations. The group objects to the restraints that were placed upon press coverage of the Persian Gulf War and surrounding events. The suit was conceived by a public interest law group called the Center for Constitutional Rights on behalf of publications including *The Nation*, *Harper's*, and *Village Voice*. Other individual writers who are plaintiffs include Pulitzer Prize winner Sydney Schanberg, subject of *The Killing Fields*, and William Styron.

The following excerpts are from an interview that Doctorow granted to *The Collegian*.

Q: What do the plaintiffs' claim in the suit?

Doctorow: The claim in the suit is that it was unconstitutional for the government to organize some news-gathering organizations in a pool and select them and to exclude others, first of all, and that it was in violation of the First Amendment rights. Second of all, to inflict such conditions of censorship on the entire event that the reporters who were there were in effect an arm of the public relations branch of the military. The claim in the suit was that this is onerous and a very bad precedent. In World War II or Korea or Vietnam, no such arrangements were instituted and there were ordinary ground rules and no prior censorship as there was in this Iraqi engagement. Despite that, in the duration of all of those wars together over many, many years, there were no real major infractions of security . . .

The suit claims that there is another motive besides the understandable one of military security and that was control of the American population at home. The administration, recalling the difficulties in its pursuit of the Vietnam War with enormous dissenting populations in this country, decided to simply clamp down on information and make the American people very remote from any sense of the war so that they would not object to it. It is, after all, odd that one of the areas censored and forbidden to American reporters would be Andrews Air Force Base in Delaware where the bodies of GIs were being returned. Why reporters or television

cameras were not allowed there clearly had nothing to do with military security.

Q: Now that the war is ostensibly over, isn't this a moot case?

Doctorow: The Defense Department lawyers argued that the suit is now moot because the war was over. The plaintiffs' lawyers argued that it is not moot because the rules and regulations are still in place in the event of another war or military action. Therefore, the suit should be argued on its merits. The judge (Justice Leonard Sand in the Federal Southern District of New York) is supposed to, sometime this month, issue his decision on this argument on whether this case should go forward or simply be struck as being moot.

Q: What is your personal standing to sue? Are you acting as a citizen of the United States or another capacity?

Doctorow: As a writer who was deprived of the chance to either go to Iraq and report from there or to use the reportage of reports from magazines I would be associated with in order to write commentary. . . .

Q: In terms of relief or reparations, what are the plaintiffs asking for in the suit?

Doctorow: They are asking for a dismissal of those rules as being unconstitutional and discriminatory and a restoration of the same rules for the press that have been traditional up to Panama.

Q: Are these rules that you speak of acts of the executive branch or of Congress?

Doctorow: They would have been acts of the executive branch, I should imagine. I'm

not absolutely positive on that.

Q: Your name was among those listed in an advertisement in The New York Times opposing the Persian Gulf War. Since you did come out publicly during the war, how much of your personal interest in this suit stems from your objection to the war and how much from alleged constitutional violations themselves?

Doctorow: I think that this is an entirely separate issue. Of course, I should think part of the defense of the government should be that this is a political maneuver rather than a legal action. However, it's not. This is entirely separate.

I'm not aware of the position on the war of the others. I have not talked to Bill Styron about it, or the other plaintiffs, the publishers and editors of the magazines. I don't know what their positions are. I should think that it's a clear First Amendment issue regardless of what you think of the war. I have written on the other matter, my opinion on the war, quite clearly and separately from this. . . . I think that the American press has been badly humiliated and debased by this action and, therefore, all free speech has.

I think it is wrong for the government to ask the American people to pay for war with their taxes and, in some cases—few, fortunately—with the lives of their children, and yet, rather contemptuously decide that they are not to be trusted with clear and uncensored reportage. They are supposed to pay for the war, but not be allowed to know

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Week Stresses Disability Awareness

By Kelley Ragland

The Students for Disability Awareness and the Handicapped Accessibility Committee are sponsoring next week Disability Awareness Week in order to educate members of the College and the community about living with a disability, and especially on Kenyon's campus.

The committee begun this year as a creation of President Jordan in order to further study the Americans with Disabilities Act and the implications of it here. The act attempts to raise current standards of accessibility, punishing institutions by withholding funds.

Kenyon has also been hurt in other, less direct ways. According to committee member Teresa Cunningham, Kenyon has lost its hosting job of at least one summer program due to its inaccessibility.

"People are starting to look more and more at qualifications like that in choosing a suitable place," she said.

Cunningham explained the objectives of the awareness week by referring to their commission from the president.

"Besides increasing awareness on campus, we're trying to gather information so that we can do our job," she said. The group plans to use the information they gain to suggest ways of improving Kenyon's attention to accessibility. Among other projects, they are planning to put together a manual for disabled students, disabled both temporarily and permanently.

The group asked campus organizations and dorms for volunteers to perform the various jobs they need and to create the widest possible audience. They need people to experience disability first-hand by wearing blindfolds, using crutches or wheelchairs. They also need students to use official checklists to assess buildings on campus, although many of the historic dorms cannot be changed at all because they are protected by law.

Panel discussions, information booths, movies like "Children of a Lesser God" and "My Left Foot," and a book display in the bookstore are other scheduled events next week.

President Meets With Fraternities, Further Explains Housing Alterations

By Rob Broeren

The February 23 meeting between President Philip Jordan and representatives of the alumni of the fraternities living in Old Kenyon spawned many rumors. Many students believed that these fraternities, through decades old contracts, managed to avoid or modify the new housing regulations in such a way as to keep their entire division, house sophomores, and retain control of their lounges. Last Friday, in an interview with the *Collegian*, Jordan denied these rumors and released a memorandum summarizing the points discussed.

To begin with Jordan made clear that the reason for the meeting was merely to clarify the implementation of the new policy. He stressed that the meeting did not deal with any of the legal claims of the fraternities.

"There has been no change in the [housing] policy. It will go forward as stated," he said.

The meeting covered five points. Two dealt with fraternity use of their traditional lounges. The first guaranteed fraternities the right to use the lounges in their divisions for meetings, parties and other functions as allotted through dorm government. The second allowed the retention of fraternity symbols and memorabilia in the lounges. The next specified that the allotment of rooms in the fraternity divisions should be made to maximize the cohesiveness of the fraternity. The fourth point stated the possibility of an earlier review of the new housing policy as the College's housing stock changes. The final mandated the creation of an alumni fraternity advisory board to communicate the feelings of the College's fraternity alumni on a regular

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Notes from the Intolerance Front

Kenyon is a small community. We live our lives in and out of each other's hair. There are few secrets. When incidents occur, the majority of the campus knows about it before too long. This past weekend at a party, a very ugly event happened. The particulars are unimportant. Suffice to say, a gay student was verbally harassed by another student at a private party in front of many other students. In this issue is a letter to *the Collegian* from another gay student. In it he recounts an attack upon a gay man that he witnessed, and harassment and intimidation he has received for being gay. Actions like this cannot be condoned or tolerated.

Because of Kenyon's small size, it is necessary that we practice tolerance towards one another. We come into contact with one another nearly every day, and tolerating each other's differences makes everyone's day and life a little easier. We also pride ourselves on being able to rationally debate our differences. This is true whether the problem is political, of a more social nature, or deals with a person's lifestyle. A recourse to violence instead of discussion in one of these types of situations is not acceptable. Physically assaulting someone because you do not agree with the way they live their life is certainly not showing tolerance or practicing civilized behavior.

However, violence is not always physical and tolerance does not merely forbid physical attacks against those with whom we disagree. Verbal and other non-verbal attacks also fall into the category of proscribed behavior. In many cases it is more cruel to belittle someone verbally, shattering their self-esteem, than it is to beat them physically.

It should be noted that we are not advocating any type of thought police, nor are we attempting to curtail legitimate discussion of controversial issues. When the discussion of these issues crosses the line into personal attacks, then it has crossed the line into unconscionable behavior.

Finally, living in a civilized society requires that we treat each other in a manner that we ourselves want to be treated. Nothing less is expected of any of us. There are those at Kenyon who do not tolerate fraternities because they believe fraternities to be intolerant. This lack of understanding has helped create the antagonistic atmosphere on Campus today. You do not have to accept or approve of lifestyle choices that are not your own, but you have no choice. Once you start accepting intolerance, you put yourself at risk.

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.

Student Realizes that Kenyon is Not Sanctuary from Prejudices

I dedicate this letter to those of you on this campus and others elsewhere who think that it is my place to be tormented by you: a second class citizen, subhuman because I am a gay man in a largely heterosexual world.

Dear Campus,

I came back last Sunday (March 24) from a very trying weekend at home. On Friday night I witnessed a gay man being beaten nearly to death by a group of six men with pieces of cut, hollow inner-tube. I was walking along the street with my niece, when we stumbled across the mob of men. A crowd had gathered.

I was stunned. I stood there holding my niece's hand and tried to think of how to shelter her young eyes from the ordeal. The gay man lay bleeding and crying, but most people, including myself, chose to stand back and wait for the police to arrive. I could hear sirens.

One of the boys, he couldn't have been more than 17, came over to me as I stood there tightly clutching my niece's little hand and said, "Man, you better get your kid out o' here, we're beatin' the --- out of this fag." He was eyeing me up and down before he said it so I thought for sure that I would soon join the man on the ground.

When he said that I at once realized he thought I was heterosexual, and that my niece was my daughter, no less! I thought, "Thank God I have her with me" and took the opportunity to leave. My now crying niece and I raced home where I put her to bed. What could I have said to her and, more importantly, what could I have done? I felt helpless.

Saturday I found myself feeling curiously little about the night before. Besides the initial shock, it seemed to have very little effect on me. I suppose I had unconsciously grown used to violence against gays and lesbians.

Then, Saturday night, while walking home from a dance club with a friend, I had another shock. Five men in a large maroon car started yelling "----- faggots" and "God --- homos" out their windows at us. And if that weren't enough, they started throwing glass beer bottles from the car. One hit my friend in the leg; he wasn't hurt.

Situations like this aren't that rare in a city where the population is at least 15% gay/lesbian. Two men walking down the street together at night come to expect such things. But when the car turned around and came at us, I got unnerved; not scared mind you, only unnerved.

My friend and I ran until we couldn't run any more. In our desperation we ran up a fire escape to the roof of a nearby building. They followed. We got away from them but had to hide. We watched for TWENTY MINUTES as they searched for us. Still, I wasn't scared, just unnerved.

With all of this behind me I came back to Kenyon, the sanctuary. It's not always perfect here, but at least I'm free from harassment. Right?

Monday I hadn't thought much about my horrific weekend. I told my story to a few friends upon returning and it began to sound rather like an . . . adventure or something. After all, I was somewhat desensitized to it.

But then, on Monday afternoon, walking back to my room from class, someone yelled "faggot" at me from a window and started laughing, a cold, malicious laugh, designed to hurt. He was looking at me. Just a face in a dark room. I started to shake.

I went into my room for two hours and couldn't bring myself to go out. I shook and cried and wouldn't even chance stepping out to get a Coke from the machine down the hall. My whole weekend had suddenly come back to slap me in the face. I was finally more than unnerved. I was SCARED.

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Reader Calls Housing Vote a 'Sham'

Brothers and Sisters:

The student vote on housing was a sham. I watched it happen. The people running the voting, who (surprise, surprise) disproportionately represented the fraternities, sat passively at the voting table until a member of a frat walked by. When this happened the frat member was asked to vote. Women and independents passed by without any such vocal encouragement. I'm not saying this is necessarily wrong. I just think it's cheesy to conduct the voting in such a contrived man-

ner and then claim the results as an objective statistic.

I applaud the individuals who conducted the vote. I'm not harshing on the democratic process. But this process is easy to manipulate. And I saw it happen. So don't claim your results as any kind of accuracy. It's time for the frats and social groups to give up their privileged housing once and for all. If the rest of the Kenyon community agrees with me, we may never know. The "Vocal Majority" didn't ask them.

Mike Hallenback '92

School Plans for Middle Path Day

To the Editor and the entire community:

The return of spring marks once again one of Kenyon's most cherished traditions—Middle Path Day. Middle Path Day arose a few decades ago largely as an expression of growing concern about the environment. This year, in the wake of resurgent concern about the health of our environment Middle Path Day once again seems not only timely but also vital—for it is a response that the campus community can make. It is a step that translates nice sentiment about good ecology into productive action. It is a step that makes the slogan "Make Earth Day every day" something much more than a slogan, something that is not a cliché.

This year, the main focus of the day is campus clean up. Such clean up efforts will

particularly be made along Route 229, Wiggin Street, and Route 308. Other activities include plantings at Old Kenyon, Bexley, and the New Apartments, as well as, of course, raking Middle Path.

Middle Path Day's work activities start at 11:00 a.m. and go to 12:30 p.m. this Saturday 6 April. At 12:30 a picnic will be held behind Peirce featuring volleyball and other games. Both the work activities and the picnic should provide a nice chance to get to know other members of both the Kenyon and Gambier communities. An information table will be set up on the path in the middle of town providing information during Middle Path Day itself. We hope that many of you will find the day worthwhile.

Respectfully Yours,
The Buildings and Grounds Committee

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Robert MacNeil Speaks on Press Freedom and Gulf War

by Amy Kover

On Monday night, Kenyon was lucky enough to receive a lecture from the acclaimed television journalist, Robert MacNeil. MacNeil is the co-host of *The MacNeil/Lehrer News Hour*, a news program noted for excellent journalism and objectivity.

After receiving an introduction from President Philip Jordan, Mr. MacNeil addressed an issue that has been under discussion by most Americans: military censorship of the press. The reporter cited public opinion statistics regarding the Persian Gulf War. Most importantly, he read that 58 percent of the American public thought wartime censorship was a necessary action. MacNeil found this high percentage extremely shocking because Americans usually hold freedom of the press as our most valuable right. He added that the media was gravely concerned about this new attitude.

MacNeil then told the story of the American press history with military censorship. During the earlier wars, all information was censored by the military. The reporters would write the articles and submit them to the military officials, who would take out what they considered to be inappropriate.

All of this changed, however, in the Vietnam War. The government never officially declared war, so the previous regulations were invalid. The media's newfound freedom brought forth a multitude of changes in the way Americans view their government and war. Daily press briefings, known as the Five O'Clock, conveyed stories different from those of the government. Because of the government's dishonest appearance, people grew wary of war. Despite common wisdom, MacNeil claims this was no reflection of T. V.'s involvement.

As a result of the public's new skeptical attitude, Administration learned two pivotal lessons about their conduct in war: use as

much force as possible to get the job done and control the press. In terms of the press, this meant that a new code of conduct was established. In wars such as Grenada and Panama, America patterned their policy after Margaret Thatcher's Falkland Island policy. A pool of journalists was called in once the wars were already over. Any possible embarrassing foul ups were made in the privacy of the military's own intelligence.

This brief history brought the audience up to the present war. MacNeil described the policy regarding the Persian Gulf and the MacNeil/Lehrer's own experience with this policy. He explained how the press was limited to certain areas in Iraq and were always accompanied by a military minder. The MacNeil/Lehrer News Hour had wanted to focus on blacks in Iraq because they saw it as a prominent issue. However, the government didn't want this angle to be taken. This brought MacNeil to his conclusion that the Pentagon used the press as a tool to spread disinformation from Baghdad.

MacNeil went on to explain that the government was so sensitive to public approval that it could be referred to as: "Public opinion, the other major battleground in the war."

Despite the initial inhibition of using force, the government has been overwhelmingly successful in this war too. As a result of their efforts, Americans have seen an upswing in patriot efficiency. Another result of media control is new post-war reports of surprisingly brutal collateral damage.

Why were the American people so receptive to military censorship? MacNeil pointed out several answers to this question. First of all, the new opinion formulated on the Vietnam war is that the media lost it for us as well as the military.

Second of all, the journalist claims that reporters have always tried to discover military secrets. When the public didn't see this aspect of the press conference, they didn't have such a negative view of reporter.

Thirdly, people were extremely threatened by war. They didn't want problems such as, military blunders or a draft. They also want to believe that the "U.S. acts idealistically and in its self-interest at the same time"; the press would bring the bad news, ruining this concept.

Finally, MacNeil concluded that American faith and trust has once again reached the

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Spence's Tales of Chinese in Paris

On Monday March 25, Jonathan Spence, George Burton Adams Professor of History at Yale University, inaugurated Kenyon College's James P. Storer Asian Lectureship series. Spence specializes in Early Modern Chinese history and has written several books on the subject. His most recent book, *The Search for Modern China*, tells the story of four centuries of Chinese history, from the final days of the Ming dynasty through the recent pro-democracy demonstrations in Tiananmen Square. It was chosen by the *New York Times* as one of the best books of 1990.

Spence's lecture, entitled "Cultural Leaps: The First Chinese in France, 1680-1725", chronicled the first four Chinese people to have visited France. According to Spence, the complex intercultural experience that these Chinese shared made enormous leaps for the history of the world.

The first Chinese, Michael Shem, arrived in Europe in 1683 with a Christian missionary. Sources show Shem gave chopstick demonstrations to Louis IX, commonly referred to as the Sun King. He recited the Lord's Prayer in Chinese and demonstrated calligraphy to the Royal Court. As his fame grew, Shem was invited to England to meet King James II. While he was there, he had his picture done by the famous artist, Gottfried Mellows. The painting still hangs in Windsor

Castle.

Spence admitted that the second visitor from China should only be considered half of a person because, ultimately, the visitor was proven to be a fraud. An anonymous woman, arriving in Paris in 1695, claimed that her boat had been captured by pirates and eventually she had turned up on the coast of France. The woman became a popular society figure until a western Jesuit proved she was nothing more than a hoax. Spence pointed out that the French people's ready acceptance of the woman articulated an interesting aspect of the time. At one time, "saying something meant it was so."

The third Chinese visitor, Kaidio Huang, went to train for the priesthood in Rome. Once he realized he did not have the calling, Huang moved to Paris and worked as a translator in the King's library. After marrying a French woman, Huang decided to stay permanently. Much of the information historians have about Huang comes from three main artifacts, his journal, an inventory of his possessions and a periodical interview by Montesque, the famous French author of the "Spirit of the Laws." Through this tale, Spence showed a fascination with the minute details of history, as he entertained his audience with Huang's fondness for lace ruffles

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Spelman Relates Slaves to Women

By Suzanne Lyon

Last Thursday night, feminist speaker Elizabeth Spelman addressed members of the Kenyon community on the issue of suffering and how it relates to the experience of women. She focused particularly on the idea of equating the plight of women to the experience of slaves in history. The idea was introduced by reading feminist works that have ascribed to this comparison, most notably the works of Yellin. Interesting enough, these writers are not simply making a limited comparison, they are viewing both worlds in their entirety. An interesting question arises from this parallel: can a group legitimately appropriate the experience of an entirely different community.

Spelman then addressed the ideas expressed in Greek philosophy, particularly by Plato and Aristotle, on the phenomenon of experience. Some people cannot achieve the experience of beauty in a large sense and only find it a single thing. Spelman equated this idea to that of saying that sharing an ex-

perience erodes distinctions between groups.

The feminist then went on to explore some of the problems involved with the equation of white women to black women. Many white women had trouble comparing themselves to black women. At the same time, many black women did not see the similarity and were almost offended by the comparison because they saw their suffering as much deeper than that of white women. Furthermore, one group's compassion to another implies an equality of positions, while their pity implies a denial that the group could ever empathize with "that kind of people."

Spelman's lecture provoked much thought about appropriating another group's experience to be one's own. Her opinions about suffering and the plight of women, however, were concealed by heavy quotations from secondary sources. The insights that she expressed during the question and answer period were her own and extremely interesting, but came unfortunately too late.

An Open Letter To The Community:

Alumni spokesmen for the Kenyon fraternity chapters of the Alpha Delta Phi (Robert S. Price '58) and Delta Kappa Epsilon (Robert S. Bridges, Jr. '86) met with three members of the Board of Trustees (Raymond D. Ashman '49, Thomas R. Sant '65 and David D. Taft '60), the president, and the dean of students on February 23, 1991, to discuss Kenyon's revised housing policy announced in January, as it may affect fraternities at the College. The purpose of the meeting was to strive for mutual understanding by clarifying the claims and concerns of the alumni spokesmen regarding housing for the undergraduate members of their fraternities and to consider the response of the College to these claims and concerns, including ways the College might implement the new policy so as to sustain fraternity life at Kenyon. It was not the purpose of meeting to argue or determine the merits of claims by the alumni fraternity spokesmen based on housing occupancy agreements made early in this century between the College and alumni groups of the ADP and DKE fraternities, nor was it the purpose to determine whether the recently announced housing policy is in accord with those agreements. It was the position of the College throughout the discussions that the College wishes to support a vital fraternity system under the revised policy for student housing and that every effort will be made, consistent with the desire of the current student body, for equal access in housing (which desire is expressed in the new policy) to accommodate the historical traditions and organizational needs of the two fraternities and all other fraternities, the sorority, and living associations.

It was agreed at the meeting of February 23, that communication from the College with alumni and alumnae should be improved regarding housing policy and the future of fraternities. The forthcoming issue of the *Kenyon College Bulletin*, containing an article on housing and an interview with Dean of Students Craig Bradley, should go far toward removing fears that the College seeks the ultimate demise of fraternities. The new policy is intended to affirm the future of fraternities within more equitable rules for housing access. As housing stock on campus is enlarged and improved, probably through addition of more apartments, patterns of student occupancy in traditional residence halls may change; and the new rules for access will be subject to review.

As a result of the discussions, in response to the concerns of the ADP and DKE fraternity spokesmen, and in order to perpetuate a vital fraternity system in the context of fairer student housing access at Kenyon, the College declares the intention to:

- (1) support continuing use of the lounges located in fraternity divisions by those fraternities for fraternity events such as meetings, initiations, parties and the like; but other residents of the divisions and students from across campus will have fair access to the lounges as well;
- (2) maintain fraternity symbols, artifacts, and memorabilia in the lounges;
- (3) allot rooms in fraternity divisions in ways favorable to fraternity cohesiveness and, where physically possible, allot nonfraternity space (open to assignment to individuals—including fraternity members—by lottery) to both men and women so as to optimize individual access;
- (4) consider an earlier review of the new housing policy than at the end of five years, as previously announced. The likely provision of new and enhanced housing for students and the insights gained from experience with the new housing rules will probably make desirable an evaluation within the next several years.
- (5) create an alumni fraternity advisory board to communicate with the College regularly on fraternity issues.

All parties declared fundamental interest in the welfare of the College.

Philip H. Jordan Jr.
March 21, 1991

Kenyon Traditional Rites Welcome Coming of Spring

Despite the fact that it was in the 30s and snowing last weekend, Spring has arrived at Kenyon. With it comes the music, the sun (in Gambier even . . .) and the festivals, not to mention the general spring attitudes that should soon replace the I'm-stuck-in-Gambier-in-February blues. Buds appear in the trees and flowers blossom, unless they're snowed upon on Easter Sunday. Even the trees in South Quad are sporting garlands of toilet paper . . . in short Spring Fever has struck Kenyon College.

To open the season, the first Thursday we were back happened to be warm. As tradition had it everyone gathered together in South Quad to rid themselves of any extra furniture, clothing, books, paper and anything else that might or might not burn that was hanging around the room. The infamous Spring Riot, the only party on campus

thrown by security, arrived. Late into the night students heaped their worldly possessions on the fire and sent rolls of toilet paper careening wildly into the air. Bongos supplied by the nearest Peep coupled with the exotic rituals of the Otisians (which required something looking like the ritual sacrifice of a pair of socks) created a mounting frenzy. Spring had officially begun.

The first sure signs though were the lounging students who could be found first sunbathing on Peirce lawn and later on spread to all areas of the campus. Donning sunglasses and breaking out blankets some people sought to preserve Spring Break tans, some to catch a nap before class, some to escape the library for the first time in months, and some merely to relax. In close proximity to the sunbathers were patches of a more serious phenomenon. Like rings of

mushroom caps, classes taking advantage of a few days of warm weather fled Ascension to reconvene on the front lawn. Sharing the lawn as well, later in the afternoon, were the ultimate frisbee teams anxious for their chance to return to the outdoors after the winter in Wertheimer.

In a more conscientious vein, the school is preparing for Middle Path Day, to take place next weekend. There all the community will have the chance to take part in the revitalization of the campus, planting shrubs, trees, and flowers as well as taking special care of Middle Path and its environs.

And then of course there are the tours, or the "toys" one might say, providing special fun for the student body, without even taking a penny from the entertainment budget. Of course they are present all winter, coming and going in drab little groups, but not until

the warm weather arrives do we begin to hear the exclamations, "Oh, it's so beautiful here, you've just got to get accepted!"

More importantly to those of us who have made the decision to come here, everyone on campus begins to lose the winter blues that the Philander Phling was instituted to protect against. And, taking advantage of that increase in spirit, the school prepares for the final festival of the year; Summer Send-Off, this year featuring the Bo Deans. A lesser light, but perhaps one no less newsworthy is the celebration this year of the twentieth anniversary of WKCO, in honor of which the radio station will be presenting Uncle Tupelo, one of its more requested bands.

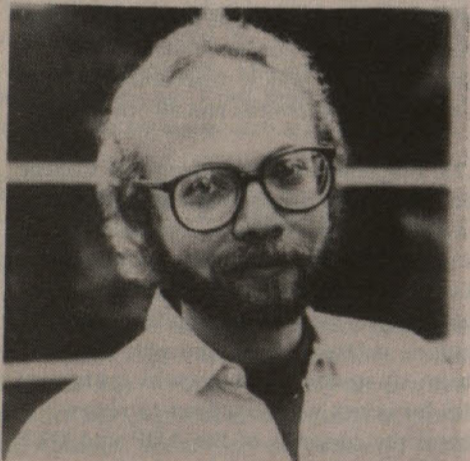
The riot comes and goes, we're shocked at how fast our furniture goes up in smoke, and even more shocked at how much security lets us burn. Springtime passes again and spirit returns to Kenyon.

David St. John Reads Marlis Presents Poetry

On Sunday, April 7 Kenyon College will host the third and final Ohio Poetry Circuit reader this year. Poet David St. John will read from his work in Peirce Lounge at 8:00 p.m.

St. John is the author of three collections of poetry, *Hush* (1976), *The Shore* (1980), and *No Heaven* (1985). *Hush* was awarded the Great Lakes College Association Prize as the best first book of a particular author. In 1984, The American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters, awarded St. John the Prix de Rome Fellowship in Literature. Currently, he is Professor of English at the University of Southern California and Poetry Editor of *The Antioch Review*.

The reading is free and open to the public.



Poet Stefanie Marlis will read from her works at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, in Kenyon College's Peirce Lounge. A reception in honor of the poet will follow.

Marlis, winner of the 1990-91 Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) Poetry Prize, is the author of *Slow Joy* and *Red Tools*.

The reading is cosponsored by Kenyon's Department of English and the GLCA.

Singers to Play Rosse

Kenyon College seniors Meredith O. Bruch of Hartford, Connecticut, and Hugh C. Resnick of Wilmette, Illinois, will present a joint singing recital at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, in Kenyon's Rosse Hall.

Bruch, a mezzo-soprano, will perform Ned Rorem's songs from poems by Walt Whitman as well as selections by Brahms, Faure, Gluck, Moross, and Wolf.

Resnick, a tenor, will sing "Not a Day Goes By" from Stephen Sondheim's *Merrily We Roll Along* as well as songs by Brahms, Donizetti, Duparc, Handel, and Schubert.

The seniors will join voices for "Anything You Can Do" from Irving Berlin's *Annie Get Your Gun*.

The concert, sponsored by the College's Department of Music, is free and open to the public.

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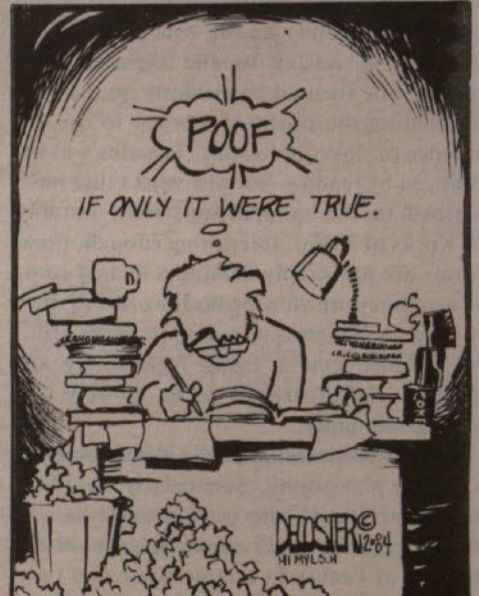
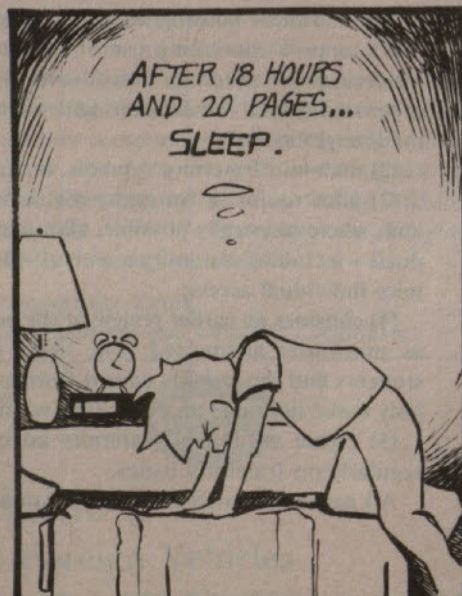
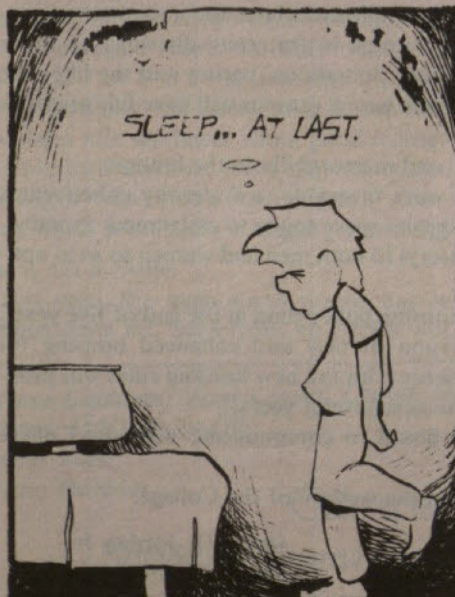
Music Students' Works Performed

Kenyon College's Department of Music will present a recital of student compositions at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, in Peirce Hall's Bemis Music Room.

The program, directed by Associate Professor of Music Micah D. Rubenstein, will include ten original pieces composed and performed by Kenyon students.

Seniors whose compositions will be performed include Theodore E. Bueherer of Curtice, Ohio; Kenneth M. Burgomaster of

Indianapolis, Indiana; Margaret C. Cooney of Kent, Ohio; and Elizabeth Kintz of Rochester, New York. Juniors include Amy L. Barker of Saegertown, Pennsylvania; Linda C. Dahl of Summit, New Jersey; Justin S. Roberts of Des Moines, Iowa; and Laura E. Strong of Birmingham, Michigan. The compositions of sophomores Gabriel A. Alegria, of Lima Peru (formerly of Mount Vernon, Ohio), and Daniel J. Baker of Dunwoody, Georgia, will also be performed.



Mansfield Speaks on Virtue

By Becki Miller

If you've read Machiavelli, chances are you've also encountered Harvey Mansfield.

Now the Kenyon community will have the chance to meet the man whom Associate Professor of Political Science Pamela Jensen described as "one of the foremost scholars of Machiavelli now writing."

Yet it is not Niccolo Machiavelli, but another political philosopher that brings Mansfield to Gambier. As a part of the Bradley Foundation Lecture Series in Political Philosophy, Mansfield will speak about "The Old Rights and the New Responsibility and Self-Expression" Monday, April 8 at 8 p.m. in the Biology Auditorium. However, the Frank G. Thomson Professor of Government at Harvard University will also address "Machiavelli's Virtue: The Old Rights and the New, Responsibility and Self-Expression" in an informal afternoon presentation in Peirce Lounge at 4:15 p.m. on Monday.

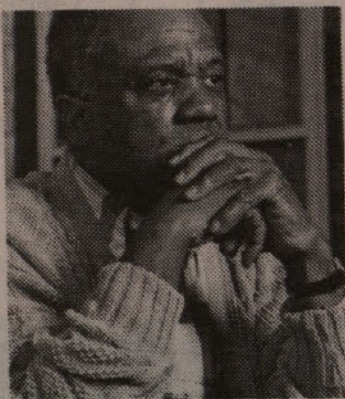
Mansfield has written extensively on topics of political philosophy and American politics. Some of his works include the influential *Taming of the Prince: The Am-*

bivalence of Modern Executive Power and a new translation with introduction of *Machiavelli's The Prince*, which is used in Kenyon's Political Science 32 course.

Mansfield was a National Humanities Center Fellow in 1982 and member of the Council of the American Political Science Association from 1980-82. He also earned the National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship in 1974-75 and the Guggenheim Fellowship in 1970-71.

A member of the Harvard Department of Government since 1962, Mansfield served as its chair from 1973-77. Mansfield also completed his undergraduate and doctorate degrees at Harvard. In between his stays at the Cambridge, Ma., institution, Mansfield was a professor at the University of California at Berkeley.

The "incisive and provocative thinker on the American political and intellectual scene", according to Jensen, will be the final speaker for this year in the Bradley Foundation Lecture Series that considered the works of Locke. Next year's series will focus on feminism and political philosophy.



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- The Real Ramona
- DiVinyls
- The Name above the Title
- Sunless Saturday
- Soul Cages
- Everybody's Angel
- Choke

Changing Faces of Kenyon

What do you want to see happen at Kenyon this spring?

All my work get done. Aside from that I just want it to be warm. And I want them to keep the chairs in South Quad.

Eric Alexander '92



photo by Rob Broeren

The Seniors should relax more and spend more time with each other before they graduate.

Anne Dawes '91



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Lots of sunny days with blue skies so we can sit outside and enjoy the weather.

Anne Grevstad '91



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Lords Get Cold Shoulder, Yet Salvage Two-Game Sweep

By John Cooney

Baseball is a team sport built around individual battles. When the batter steps up to the plate, his only opponent is the pitcher sixty feet away. The team that can dominate the one and one encounters is usually victorious.

This past week Kenyon swept a doubleheader against Earlham because they won the battle between pitcher and batter. Actually, they did more than win the battle. It would be closer to the truth to say Kenyon pitchers decimated the Earlham hitters.

Golf Takes 2nd in Wooster Open

By Scott Leder

This past Saturday the Kenyon Lords Golf Team opened its spring campaign with an impressive second-place finish in an eleven team tournament held at the College of Wooster's golf course. Yes, that is correct, Wooster has its own golf course! Not a bad thing for the Kenyon administration to think about.

Anyway, the Lords placed second with a total score of 324 pts., about 10 strokes behind Ohio Wesleyan University, Kenyon's highest finish in two years. It was a cold and windy day, which can make a day on the golf course very tricky and difficult.

As freshman David Griffin stated "it was freezing and windy, which makes club selection very difficult."

All five Lords would turn in good rounds as senior Andrew Art shot a 77, with an impressive 35 on the back nine, in route to a second-place finish individually. Other

The Lords played two against Earlham on Friday. In the first game, Jason Bertsch pitched. Bertsch entered the game as the Lords' most consistent pitcher, and against Earlham he was nearly unhittable.

Bertsch set Earlham down in the first inning, but the Lords were having their own offensive difficulties. They took a 1-0 lead when the multidimensional Bertsch drove home sophomore centerfielder Shawn Carty, but after that they were stymied. Without any support, Bertsch was in danger of losing another heartbreaker. Already this year he has lost several close games, including a 1-0

squeaker.

However, in this game Bertsch was not to be denied. The Earlham hitters went down quickly and often, and Bertsch went the whole way in a 1-0 masterpiece. Earlham could only muster three hits off Bertsch. In addition, Bertsch punctuated the shutout with ten strikeouts.

Josh Webber took the hill in the second game, and he proved to be just as dominating. Webber received more support, as the Lords scored five runs, but he did not need it. Earlham only scored one run, and once again they managed only three hits. Webber also pitched a complete game for the Lords, and he fanned eight batters.

Although pitching was the story of the day for the Lords, there were also hitting heroes in the doubleheader. Carty, who scored the lone run in the first game, went 2-6 for the day with a double and a R.B.I. Bertsch had the game winning R.B.I. in the first game and was 3-6 overall.

In the second game, Webber supported his own cause by going 1-3 with one R.B.I., while freshman leftfielder Simon McGuire went 1-3 and drove in two runs.

Unfortunately for the Lords, a scheduled doubleheader the next day with Earlham was postponed because of bad weather. Nevertheless, the weekend was a great success for the Lords. The team ended their losing skid and enter this week on a winning streak.

The Lords now seem to have at least two strong pitchers, Webber and Bertsch, who can take the ball and give the Lords a strong performance.

Also, the team's hitting, which has been dormant most of the season, seems to be coming alive. Bertsch, Carty, Weber, McGuire, and Jason Schermer all hit the ball well for the Lords over the weekend.

When the Lords opened the season 0-12, it was not a huge surprise because the Lords are a young team in need of game experience. Yet the start was disappointing, because the Lords were not doing the things they were capable of. The Lords' two wins do not necessarily signify the start of a long winning streak, but it does indicate that the team is improving and should be competitive over the course of their NCAC schedule. The Lords next challenge occurs this weekend when they play Wittenberg.

NCAC Baseball (as of April 2)

TEAM	W	L	PCT	GB	Overall: W	L	T	PCT
Denison	2	0	1.000	—	8	4		.667
Ohio Wesleyan	5	1	.883	1	9	4	1	.679
Wittenberg	2	2	.500	2	8	3		.727
Allegheny	2	2	.500	2	3	8		.273
Wooster	3	3	.500	2½	10	4		.714
Case Reserve	3	3	.500	2½	4	10		.286
KENYON	2	4	.333	3	2	12		.143
Oberlin	1	3	.250	3	1	9		.100
Earlham	0	4	.000	4	2	10		.167

Lacrosse Slow Out of NCAC Gate

By Phil Wilson

In a disappointing week for the men's lacrosse team, Kenyon's stickmen lost their first two NCAC games of the season.

A 15-3 loss to Ohio Wesleyan on March 27 was followed by an 8-6 defeat at the hands of the Oberlin Yeomen. The Lords' record now stands at 1-4 overall, 0-2 in the conference.

With eight games remaining, Kenyon's stickmen need to put the past behind them and look to the challenges ahead.

Last Wednesday's contest at Ohio Wesleyan was a better game than the score would seem to indicate. Ranked sixth nationally, the Bishops have dominated the NCAC in the past years and are perennially in the Division III tournament. Their skill was made readily apparent in the first quarter. Although sophomore middle Gordie Walker opened the scoring at 2:53 into the period, Kenyon's offense would be silenced until the second quarter.

The Lords, unaccustomed to OWU's style of play, seemed unable to adjust in the early going, as the Bishop's rattled off 10 unanswered goals in the last 12 minutes of the quarter.

Despite ominous clouds and an equally ominous scoreboard, the Lords showed remarkable composure as the second period began.

Defensive adjustments having been made, OWU's potent offense stalled. The Lords held them to just five goals in the last forty-five minutes of play.

Sophomore attackman Almus Thorp scored for Kenyon in the second period on an assist from Aaron Kilbourne, as did junior Pat Muller in the third to round out the scoring for the Lords.

Saturday's game against Oberlin was an opportunity for the Lords to gain in the con

ference standings and to gain in confidence as well.

Yet the Lords came out flat and trailed at halftime 4-2. First half goals by Walker and Senior attackman John Carpenter kept the Lords close. A dearth of offensive production in the third quarter by both teams set the stage for the most exciting fourth quarter of the season.

Trailing 5-2 at the start of the final stanza, the Lords stormed back with goals by Muller, junior Eric Brockett (Walker assisting), Carpenter (defenseman Don Thomas assisting), and Kilbourne.

Yet this offensive flurry would prove to be too little, too late. The Yeomen were able to beat the Lords' defense three times in the period, bringing the game to a heart-rending 8-6 final.

The victory marked Oberlin's first over Kenyon in seven years of NCAC competition. Although Kenyon scooped 57 ground balls to Oberlin's 47 and won 13 of 18 face-offs, the Lords offense was unable to find the spark which ignited them in the fourth quarter soon enough.

Head Coach Bill Heiser has told his team not to dwell on the past. The time now is to look ahead. But the past holds valuable lessons.

Ohio Wesleyan taught the Lords how to keep their heads up. Oberlin taught them that every quarter should be played like the fourth quarter. Hopefully, the Lords will keep these lessons in mind during the coming weeks.

Kenyon's next opponent will be St. Bonaventure, this Saturday at 1:30 at McBride Field.

The goalie's mother is driving 600 miles to see the game—surely you can make the walk down the Hill to see some hard core rock 'n roll lacrosse mania, Purple style.



Senior attackman John Carpenter makes a high-flying attack towards the goal in Saturday's loss to Oberlin. Kenyon dropped to 1-4 on the season. photo by Rob Broeren

NCAC Lacrosse (as of April 2)

	MEN			-----OVERALL-----						
Team	W	L	PCT	GF	GA	W	L	PCT	GF	GA.
Denison	1	0	1.000	16	11	3	3	.500	76	64
Ohio Wesleyan	1	0	1.000	15	3	3	3	.500	66	72
Oberlin	1	1	.500	19	22	2	1	.667	33	33
Wooster	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	1.000	92	49
Wittenberg	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0
KENYON	0	2	.000	9	23	1	4	.200	39	54

Ladies' Season Brightens Quickly; Record Even at 2-2

Collegian Sports Staff

The Kenyon Ladies lacrosse team has put the season-opening defeat at the hands of Roanoke into its distant memory by returning to Ohio and taking two of its first three games here.

The Ladies evened their record this past week at 2-2 in thrilling fashion after dropping its first game to Roanoke over spring break down in Virginia.

The Ladies have come a long way from that opening game by winning two of their last three games; they currently have a two game winning streak heading into the heart of the conference schedule.

Kenyon dropped its first game here to Frostburg State 12-4 before defeating NCAC rivals Wooster and Earlham 12-4 and 13-4.

In terms of performance, it was a blending of "something old, something new" for Kenyon.

Sophomore halfback Melissa Wood, who has already lettered twice in field hockey and once in lacrosse, scored six goals in the games against Frostburg and Wooster. This included her five-goal effort against the Lady Scots of Wooster.

Senior team captain Alberta Neilson had an impressive outing against the Scots by scoring two goals and handing out two assists as well.

Kenyon also features one of the top freshmen in the NCAC with the second

semester addition of Cary Loomis. She currently ranks third in the conference in scoring with 10 goals, which places her second in goals in the NCAC.

Christina Monacelli of Denison is first in the NCAC with 14 goals and 4 assists.

Junior Patty Latta has returned to the nets for Kenyon after taking last season off and is now third in the NCAC in save percentage with a .644 mark.

The Ladies must continue to take advantage of the schedule, as they play their next two games at Waite Field. Ohio Wesleyan visits the Ladies today at 3:30 p.m., and the Oberlin Yeomen come to town on Saturday. Game time is 1:00 p.m.

As the Ladies enter the bulk of the conference schedule, they must hope to capitalize on the predominance of home games early on this season.

Ohio Wesleyan is currently 1-1 pending the outcome of Tuesday's game against the Lady Tigers of Wittenberg. They defeated Slippery Rock on March 27th 9-4, and lost to the six-time defending NCAC champion Denison Big Red 8-7 on the 30th.

Oberlin is 2-1 overall, and faced the Big Red on Tuesday at home.

The Ladies await both challenges, and await a large mass of fan support down at Waite Field. This could be the year in which Kenyon makes a run at the top spot in the NCAC.



Sophomore Stacia MacLane looks to play some tough defense for the Ladies. MacLane is one of many underclassmen playing for the Ladies this year. photo by Rob Broeren

NCAC Women's Lacross (As of April 2)

Team	WOMEN					OVERALL				
	W	L	PCT	GF	GA	W	L	PCT	GF	GA
Denison	2	0	1.000	25	14	2	1	.667	32	27
KENYON	2	0	1.000	25	8	2	2	.500	32	36
Oberlin	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Wittenberg	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	.000	6	21
Ohio Wesleyan	0	1	.000	7	8	1	1	.500	16	12
Wooster	0	1	.000	4	12	0	1	.000	4	12
Earlham	0	2	.000	11	30	0	3	.000	16	46

Tennis Squads Swing to Victories

Collegian Sports Staff

The Kenyon Men's tennis team had a light week, playing just one match against Robert Morris University. The Lords won 8-0 for its seventh straight victory. Leading the way was the Lords' number one singles player, senior David Register, who won in straight sets, 6-3, 6-0, to raise his own record to 6-3 on the season.

Junior Bill Jonas required three sets to win his match, 7-6, 6-7, 6-2, and raise his record to 7-3. Boasting a team-best 9-1 mark is freshman Scott Sherman, who won 6-1, 6-0. Junior Greg Ganter also won easily, 6-0, 6-1, while fellow classmate Devin Stauffer moved to 7-3 on the season with an identical 6-0, 6-3 victory.

On the women's side, the Ladies shut out OWU on Tuesday of last week. Two Kenyon singles players, sophomores Sara Fousekis and Brennen Harbin remain undefeated with identical 6-0 marks. Fousekis bettered her Battling Bishop opponent, 6-0, 6-3, while Harbin won 6-0, 6-1. The doubles team of sophomores Lisa Weisman and Brit Harbin is also undefeated on the season after a 6-2, 6-2 win.

Other Kenyon singles wins were recorded by Brit Harbin, junior Kathryn Lane, and junior Stacy Bear. Lane and Fousekis won their doubles contest, 6-1, 6-2, while Bear and sophomore Brennin Harbin combined for a 6-3, 6-2 win.

The Ladies had a match against Bowling Green on Tuesday.

Track Places 3rd in Earlham Inv.

By Gordon Center

This past Saturday the only people awake at 6:30 in the morning on Kenyon's campus were doing the walk of shame or they were members of the Kenyon Track and Field team.

The Lords and Ladies were wide awake this morning as they boarded the bus that would take them to Earlham College for the first outdoor meet of the year.

It was a perfect day to race at Earlham and the Lords and Ladies took full advantage of it. Seniors set the pace for the Lords Saturday.

Senior Ken Cole proved that the season spent running cross country had only strengthened his running and jumping ability.

Cole took first place in the triple jump with a distance of 43'1/2". Cole excelled in additional jumping events, as he placed second in the high jump at 6'0" and also took third place in the long jump with a distance of 18'11 1/2".

Senior John Hanicak also took to the air at Earlham. Hanicak took first place in the long jump with a distance of 20'3 1/2". Hanicak was not satisfied with placing in just one event, so he also took third place in the high jump with a height of 5'8".

On the track the seniors continued their domination. Senior James Fleming crushed the opposition in the 400 meter run. Fleming won the race with a time of 51.8. Senior Matt Olson set the pace for the distance runners by qualifying for the 10K at Conference championships. Upon hearing the good news Olson said, "This gives me a reason to run even faster."

One of the most impressive races of the day was run by sophomore Eli Thomas.

Thomas took second place in the 800 meter run with a sports car-like time of 1:57.00. The sky seems to be the limit for the likes of Thomas. The Lords' performance enabled them to capture third place out of five teams.

The Ladies were not about to allow the men's team to upstage them at Earlham. Sophomore Kelly Wilder led the way for the Ladies with a double victory. Wilder won the 1500 meter run with a time of 5:03.8 and captured the 800 meter run in 2:29.0.

Senior Captain Karen Adams could not be stopped on Saturday. Adams won the 400 meter run with a time of 1:03.9, leaving the competition in her wake. Adams then proceeded to take two third places, one in the 200 meter run with a time of 28.7 and another in the long jump with a distance of 14'9 3/4".

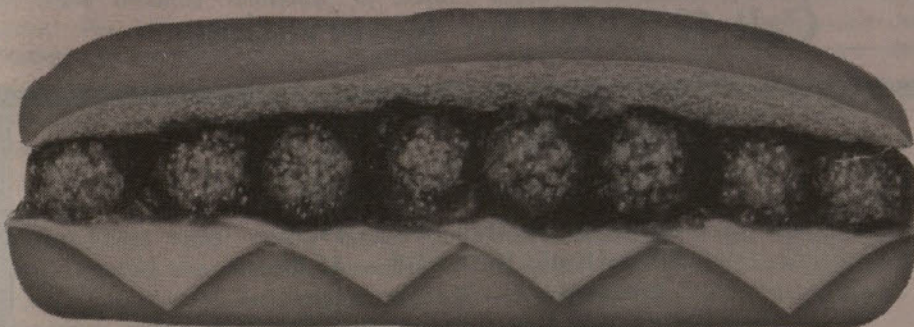
Two other Ladies had outstanding days. Sophomore Vani Meesala took first place in the triple jump with a distance of 32' 8 1/4". Freshman Colleen Severance finished second in the 400 meter run with a time of 71.00 and third in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.1.

These numerous victories allowed the Ladies to place third out of five teams. Coach Gomez stated that he felt that the Ladies success was partially based on a new technique, the use of music as a way of relaxing before meets.

The Lords and Ladies experienced terrific fan support from Kenyon students who had road tripped and from many of sophomore Mike Marshall's friends who were outstanding in their field.

The Ladies travel to Denison this Friday, while the Lords race on Saturday. Coach Gomez asks those fans who road tripped to Earlham to bring a few friends along to the Denison meet.

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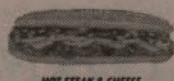


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SUBWAY

Doctorow

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what's going on. . . .

Q: What is your opinion of the quality of the news coverage of the war despite the restrictions?

Doctorow: I think it was limited and sanitized. That's the word most people used. It was really surreal to hear how many weapons, bombs, sorties were flown, tanks knocked out, guns knocked out, and missiles knocked out and never any reference to the fact that human beings were being killed. So, I think the coverage was, by the fact, severely limited in reach and inadequate.

I think that it is a shame, too, that the major news organizations that are not parties to this suit chose to go along with these very, very restrictive rules simply because some of their people were chosen to participate in the reportorial pools and to lend themselves to these very severe and unprecedented standards of censorship to the cost of their own integrity, I think. It's a rather sad comment on our major newspapers and television networks.

Doctorow has written an open letter to President Bush published in the January issue of *The Nation*. Another work, his reflections on the war, will appear on the May issue of *Mirabella*.

Housing

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basis to the administration.

While the meeting did not deal with the various legal claims of the fraternities, Jordan said that no legal action has been taken against the school at this time. He did state that if legal action occurs, the administration will make an immediate announcement.

Dean of Students Craig Bradley also stated that "no deals have been made with any fraternity." He also said that all fraternities and living societies have turned in their group housing forms following the new regulations to house their members for the 1991-92 academic year.

Sanctuary

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I had been called "faggot" here before, and I've had it written across my door in bold letters, but it never really phased me. I never truly believed those people wanted to hurt me. Can you believe that?

Right then, that afternoon, I realized that they did. Physical violence and verbal abuse against homosexuals both stem from the same misconceptions about us. It's all equally as hurtful and threatening.

I finally realized that there's a reason gay men and lesbians don't feel they can "come out" on this campus. I've been out too long to give it much serious thought, I guess. Maybe I was naïve.

The past weekend now seemed like a drop in the bucket. The hurt I felt then seemed incomparable to the hurt I felt from that one little word "faggot" that came from the window. That word stung me, not only because it was wrong and aimed to hurt me, but because I heard it *here*.

Here in my sanctuary—where I sincerely believed we try to better our understanding of other people so we might do some good in the world when we leave—I thought we were above this sort of thing. That delusion was quickly shattered to pieces, however. You see, in the *real* world I KNOW I have to be really careful about expressing who I am, and now this, my sanctuary, has become the real world.

Randy L. Rock
Class of '93

Spence

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and swords.

The last of the Chinese visitors, John Hu, worked for a Jesuit priest and had an extraordinary desire to see the Pope. He found his chance when many western scholars required Chinese assistance for their research of China. Unfortunately, Hu's journey to Europe was fraught with suffering. By the end of the trip many complained about his eccentric behavior. His habit of preaching on the French streets in Chinese ultimately led to his installment in an insane asylum for 32 months. Once the asylum released Hu, he returned to China. Spence explained that there is not strong evidence to prove Hu's insanity and that Westerners might have simply found his foreign behavior insane.

Spence concluded his lecture by claiming that these three and a half vignettes offer insight into the history of humans. The tales show the initial issue of race and who defines race. They make people aware of the "amazing levels of cultural perceptions and differences." The vignettes, also, reveal fate and chance in human life. Of most importance, however, the stories serve as a "testament to the variety of Chinese and human spirit."

MacNeil

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hearts of the people. However, he warned that we are no longer as naïve as we were before Vietnam. We have seen the government lie to us. Because of this gory past, Americans should think very carefully about what they don't want to know.

After a brief Question and Answer session, Mr. MacNeil ended his lecture. However, hopefully he brought a new insight into his audiences views of the Persian Gulf War.

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