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New restaurant to open this winter

BY SEAN RYAN
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Kenyon is currently proceeding with renovations on the Village Inn space next to the Student Activities Center on Gaskin Avenue in preparation for a new restaurant to open in the space.

According to Dave McConnell, chief business officer, the College is doing the $500,000 renovation work in order for the restaurant's future operators, Joel and Margaret Gunderson, to be able to rent the space as a shell from the College to house the restaurant. Kenyon bought the building earlier this year for $250,000.

The Gundersons' involvement with the building is limited at this time, according to Joel Gunderson. He said that at this point in the renovation, he is mainly consult- ing with Director of Facilities Planning Tom Lepley, who is overseeing the construction for Kenyon. Gunderson praised the cooperative spirit between him and the College on this project.

The Albert M. Higley Company of Cleveland is performing the renovations from a design by the Arkitects firm of Lorain, OH. The Higley Company has done most of the new construction at Kenyon in the last 40 years, including most recently the construction of the Kenyon Athletic Center and the ongoing renovation of the Prince/Dempsey dining hall.

The extent of the Inn's renovation is mostly utilitarian, according to McConnell, involving updating the mechanical and structural aspects of the building so that the building will meet the legal requirements for building codes and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

According to both McConnell and Gunderson, the College hopes to be done with their renovations by late November or early December. At that point, Gunderson said that he would likely need at least six weeks to complete his portion of the renovation, although he hopes to do some of the work concurrently with the College's work.

Both McConnell and President Georgia Nugent said that they hope the Village Inn will be open by the time students return from winter break. Gunderson said that he is "cautiously optimistic" about that frame, noting that he hopes to open the restaurant as soon as possible but that he real- izes from previous experience with Middle Ground the difficulties of retrofitting an old building with modern equipment.

The layout of the new Village Inn will remain largely the same as the former Village Inn, according to blueprints viewed by The Collegian. The building will have the bar to the left of the front door with a small alcove area to the right that will serve as overflow from the bar area, according to McConnell. A larger dining room will be behind these two windows that span the width of the building.

The existing concrete patio and steps have recently been de- stroyed. The steps will be replaced by a sloping ramp in order to meet ADA requirements and there will be a new landscaped patio constructed, according to McConnell and Gunderson.

Gunderson said the patio was "one of the charms of the Village Inn," and that he considered it to be the best outdoor dining facility in Knox County, drawing particular note to the time of year when the trees lining Middle Path are illuminated.

Both McConnell and Nugent expressed that Kenyon has not given the Gundersons strict guide- lines for what the new restaurant will be. They said that the only strictly-defined requirement that Kenyon has levied on the space is that it will be smoke-free. The Gundersons will be responsible for determining what will be on the restaurant's menu, according to McConnell. 

"Grab and Go" will provide food in Olin

BY BLAKE ELLIS
Staff Reporter

"Grab and Go," an alternative to dining in Ernest and Gay, will soon open in the atrium of Olin to cater to students who need a snack, a caffeine fix or a quick meal.

Although the College has been "running a little behind schedule," said Chief Business Officer Dave McConnell, Grab and Go should be open "in a couple of weeks" and will offer pre-made sandwiches, sodas and snacks.

"The idea is that you can go in and get something to eat and be on your way," said Manager of Business Services Fred Linger. "The very initial vision is that this would replace the sandwiches and wraps that you got in the pub last year. You can grab something and go and not have to go all the way to Ernest or Gay.

McConnell said that the Grab and Go will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. During lunch hours, students will be able to use their meal plans to eat food, "ideally...11:15 to 1:15, the same hours as the dining hall," said Linger. During non-lunch hours, there will be a "Grab and Go" model, which will also allow students to use their Kenyon student accounts.

This third dining option is to alleviate some of the chaos in the other two dining halls, McConnell said. In both Gund and Ernst, "what happens right now is everyone gets hammered at noon, and we want to take the edge off of that," he said. Especially in Gund, "the traffic seems to be high right now," and there are only 300 seats, said Linger.

Linger said that Grab and Go will be able to serve approximately 100 people, adding, "they will run out of food" if everyone tries to take advantage of it. The students need to understand that it is designed for people with the need to hurry. "It's not designed for everyone."

Because not everyone on campus can use this new service as it is, Linger emphasized the need for cooperation among students and the Grab and Go.

"There needs to be some courtesy, some understanding that this really is for students who can't make the dining hall situation work on a particular day," he said. 

Student jobs recast as internships

BY LEAH FINN
Staff Reporter

Kenyon's work study program will be revised this fall as Library and Information Services administrators pilot a student associates program designed to give students the opportunity for more internship-like jobs on campus.

The new program was inspired by a similar one at Rhodes College, a liberal arts school in Memphis, Tennessee, which implemented the Rhodes Student Associates Program (RSAP) three years ago.

The program at Rhodes, initiated in response to a student desire for more career-enhancing jobs, currently employs 20 Student Associates in positions where they gain hands-on experience in academic areas of their choosing. LBrS Vice President Dan Temple and Director of Information Services Megan Fitch have similar goals for Kenyon.

"We're proposing a program that will supplement or complement the college's existing work-study program," said Fitch. "We envision these student associates performing functional tasks at internship-level: more hours per week, more sophisticated, staff level work."

At Rhodes College, student associate positions include training and overseeing student workers, writing for the college administra- tive magazine and coordinating and promoting events for career services. Jobs pay upwards of $10 an hour and require a commitment of roughly 15 hours per week. Kenyon's initiative will use a similar model, which would make student associate positions the highest-paying jobs on campus by far — but also the most time-consuming.

"The work commitment is definitely a trade-off," said Fitch of the increased workload those positions will require. "I don't think this will appeal to everybody."

When asked about the possibility of receiving academic credit, work in student associate positions, Fitch said she and Temple had not discussed it. "If it is a positive thing for the students and for the College, we would consider it," said Fitch.

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Dempsey Demolition

Dempsey Hall was demolished Monday and Tuesday as renovations on Prince Hall proceed. Dempsey will be replaced by a new, larger dining area. When finished, Prince is supposed to accommodate 1,800 students.
The Master Plan revisited

BY WILLOW BELDEN
Editor-in-Chief

New art facilities are still in the early stages of planning, and ideas about relocating academic cottages are just now being discussed; however, the ideas behind these changes were hatched several years ago, when Kenyon adopted the so-called "Master Plan."
The Master Plan, developed by architect Graham Gund '63 with his firm Gund Partnership, formerly known as Graham Gund Architects, and approved by the board of trustees in 2004, is a conceptual outline for the College's physical development over the next quarter century.

It outlines a series of potential physical changes that could occur on campus within the next 25 years, including relocating or demolishing 31 buildings, moving all academic buildings to the south end of campus, constructing additional housing and academic buildings, forming a new academic quad behind the library where the new art buildings will be located, changing the location of several parking lots and creating more retail space in downtown Gambier.

Based on a set of principles issued by the board of trustees, the Master Plan is meant to make Kenyon more of a walking campus, enhance the center of Gambier, move all academic facilities to the academic core of campus and create more green space.

The Master Plan does not include final designs for new buildings; it simply lays a general framework for where buildings would go.

When the plan was revealed to the community in April 2004, however, Gund presented rough floor plans and elevations of buildings that may be constructed. These include four new dormitories, new academic and administrative buildings, an art building, various townhouses that would serve as additional student housing and an addition to the Kenyon Inn.

Elements of the Master Plan

Academic and Administrative Buildings:
- Academic departments located north of Brooklyn Street, such as the Art Department, which is currently in Beasley Hall, will move south into new buildings.
- A new academic quad, consisting of academic buildings, administrative offices and an art complex, will be created behind the library, in the area where Sunset, Wing and Walton Houses currently stand. At least some of these cottages will be relocated.
- Olin will be demolished and replaced by new library facilities.
- Ascension Hall will undergo renovations to accommodate larger offices, more classrooms and elevators.

Residences:
- Caples Residence, Gund Residence, the Acland Apartments, the Beasley Apartments and the New Apartments will be demolished.
- Three-story townhouses will be erected in the center of Gambier for additional student housing.
- Beasley Hall will become a dormitory with three- or four-bedroom suites.
- Manning and Bushnell will be demolished and replaced by new dormitories similar to Hanna and Leonard.
- Two more dorms will be erected south of Old Kenyon.
- An extra story will be added to Lewis and Noroton residences.

Parking:
- South Lot and many of the smaller parking lots on campus will be eliminated. The number of student parking spaces will decrease by 36 to discourage students from driving.
- An underground parking garage will be located under the new academic quad, replacing the various smaller lots behind the library.

Downtown Gambier:
- New facility housing will be created in downtown Gambier.
- An addition will be made to the Kenyon Inn, with more restaurant space downstairs and a banquet hall upstairs.
- Fair Hall will undergo extensive changes, including partial demolition.
- Several businesses, including the Gambier Grill, the Village Market and the fire department, will change location.

Donated carts to help handicapped on campus

BY STEPHANIE REICHES
Staff Reporter

In an effort to improve handicap access to the Kenyon campus this spring, the College is offering two all-weather crib carts for "use by students, faculty, staff and visitors with long-term mobility issues." One four-seater and one six-seater cart, each with fully enclosable sides for inclement weather, are now available through the Office of Campus Safety.

Until this year, there was one golf cart available for campus use, which was purchased in 2001 by the Office of Disability Services and the Health Center.

"The cart was used primarily by visitors during the school year, since we did not have a large number of students with mobility concerns," said Erin Salva, coordinator of disability services.

However, as the diversity of the campus grows with every incoming class, Salva sees the availability of two new carts, able to be driven in unpleasant weather, as a much-needed step in addressing the handicap accommodations on campus.

"Up until 2001, Campus Safety transports had been [a] students-only option for health transport requests, and this required that students call in advance to schedule rides for classes or meetings," Salva said.

The carts also offer the handicapped student or visitor more independence. "The golf carts give students another option for getting around without having to rely on assistance from others," Salva said.

Guidelines for using the carts are available at the Office of Campus Safety along with a color-coded campus map that includes all of the accessible routes of travel and other useful information.

"My office receives requests mostly from visitors and parents who need to use the carts to get around on campus," said Salva. "It is a wonderful asset to have and we are very grateful to the donor for such a generous gift."

Students who are interested in receiving training in driving the new crib carts or would like to arrange to have a cart available during visiting weekends, should contact Salva or the Office of Campus Safety.

Village Record

Sept. 13 – Sept. 19, 2006

Sept. 14, 12:32 a.m.—Large unregistered gathering at Acland Apartments.
Sept. 14, 1:50 p.m.—Reported theft of money from room at Caples Residence.
Sept. 15, 8:34 p.m.—Drugs/paraphernalia outside of Marther Residence.
Sept. 15, 9:42 p.m.—Unregistered gathering/underage possession of alcohol in room at Leonard Hall.
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Sept. 16, 12:30 a.m.—Drugs/paraphernalia in room at Old Kenyon.
Sept. 16, 12:40 a.m.—Underage possession of alcohol at Old Kenyon.
Sept. 16, 12:47 a.m.—Unregistered gathering/underage consumption at Old Kenyon.
Sept. 16, 2:51 a.m.—Alarm at Leonard Hall caused by someone attempting to remove fire extinguisher.
Sept. 16, 3:01 a.m.—Alarm at Old Kenyon caused by someone attempting to remove fire extinguisher.
Sept. 17, 5:26 a.m.—Chemical extinguisher discharged at Ascension Hall.
Sept. 17, 1:43 p.m.—Tampering with fire equipment/extinguisher discharged at Hanna Hall.
Sept. 17, 7:21 p.m.—Medical call regarding ill student. College physician was contacted and student was transported to the health center.
Sept. 17, 8:28 p.m.—Drugs at Leonard Hall.
Sept. 17, 9:33 p.m.—Vandalism/obscenities written in black marker on door at Old Kenyon. Maintenance was notified.
Sept. 18, 11:13 a.m.—Reported theft of item from car parked at Duff Street Apartments. Report filed with sheriff's office.
Sept. 18, 3:48 p.m.—Vandalism/car being driven on lawn area near tennis courts, causing damage.
Sept. 19, 4:36 p.m.—Drug paraphernalia found in room at Old Kenyon.
Sept. 19, 5:12 p.m.—Vandalism to vehicle parked at South Lot. Report filed with sheriff's office.
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News

First Year Council positions uncontested

BY SARAH FRIEDMAN
Staff Reporter

The class of 2010 did not have much choice in First Year Council elections this year, as more than half of the candidates ran uncontested.

Moreover, according to Ryan Lloyd '10, who was elected representative for Gund, few first-years cared about whom or for what they were voting. General disinterest characterized the mostly uncontested elections for building representatives and class representatives to Senate and Student Council, said Lloyd.

In past years, according to Junior Class President Gwen Faulkner '08, there were "definitely at least two candidates" running for each position of hall representative. This year, however, some positions were left empty. Two first-years may represent each residence hall, yet only one each in Lewis, Gund and Norton Halls.

The First Year Council was restructured this year to avoid just such a problem. Faulkner said that, in past years, each hall in each first-year residence has sent a representative to First Year Council. This year, the amount of representation was reduced and each individual's responsibility increased. In a smaller government, Faulkner said, only students who truly want to act as representatives will, and they will live up to the greater amount of responsibility they are given.

Lloyd, the only candidate to represent Gund, said, "I just kind of feel ridiculous... What does it say about [First Year] Council if no one wants to be a part of it?"

The voters share this indifferent attitude, according to Lissy Kahn '10. She said she believes that first-years are less likely to base their vote on the scant campaigning done by candidates than on "personal relationships" and "interactions with the candidates." Contrary to his expectation, Lloyd said he felt that students here care less about student government than students at his high school did.

Members of the Student Council said the limited first-year involvement is not due to the Council's lack of effort: this year, members went to freshmen dorms to answer questions about First Year Council. However, Faulkner said that few people showed up to the meeting.

Work-study: Higher wage jobs available

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The College's pilot program will offer jobs in a variety of academic departments. These initial positions will include duties of the combined reference and help desk, developing an outreach program for students in research and technology skills, and organizing and presenting technical documentation.

The pilot program will offer positions beginning in spring 2007. It must be approved by President Nugent and the senior staff before it can expand to the rest of the College.

"My hope is that there will be consultation with the students," said Finch. "I feel very deeply that this needs to be a program that works for everyone.

Irina Ivan '08 has served as the student representative in the formation of the program thus far. Ivan, an LBIS student employee, worked last year with Temple and Fitch, as well as with some of the administrators of Rhodes College, on the initial framework of the program.

"Ivan is doing work for us much like that which we envision for the student associate positions," said Fitch. Ivan's LBIS job entails helping configure and deploy computers for administrative offices, and training administrators to work with a particular piece of software. Though currently abroad in Australia, Ivan's help provides a needed student perspective on the formation of this new program.

Most students are unaware of the proposed student associate program, but the general response from those who know about it has been positive. Sara Brinda '09 agrees that Kenyon students can benefit from gaining experience on campus that will benefit them after college.

"Camp Kenyon is wonderful - we like it because it's isolated," said Brinda. "But it also leads us to lose sight of the real world and what the practical applications of our education would be."

New's Brief

Kenyon receives permit to build walkway... after the fact

At Tuesday's meeting of the Gambier Planning and Zoning Commission, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds Ed Neal asked the commission to approve a permit for the pathway that was recently constructed between Peirce Hall and the Fairway temporary dining hall.

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Students stroll by the Village Inn construction site.

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to McConnell. Gunderson said that although he has plans for the restaurant, he is not ready to divulge them at this time.

The College embarked on the project because it wanted another place for students and staff to congregate, according to McConnell. President S. Georgia Nugent said that although the Village Inn has never been open during her tenure in Gambier, she said that "it was a lively and enjoyable spot" at one time. The College hopes to resurrect the blend of that atmosphere and people from both the College and the surrounding community, according to Nugent and McConnell. McConnell added that the building sitting empty for the last few years was not working for the College.

McConnell said that despite the College's large investment in another table service restaurant, Kenyon is still committed to maintaining the restaurant in the Kenyon Inn. McConnell said that he sees the Kenyon Inn as being a quieter, more upscale restaurant than the Village Inn.

Both Nugent and McConnell expressed nothing but optimism toward the Village Inn's viability in Gambier, both saying that it will fit between the Kenyon Inn on the high end and the Gambier Deli and Middle Ground on the low end. Gunderson concurred with this statement, saying that he hopes that it will attract patrons from all over Knox County.

McConnell said that the re-opening of the Village Inn is part of the College's larger effort to "create a sustainable retail [environ­ment] in Gambier." Although McConnell said that the College has no definite plans for the village center, he pointed to a committee being formed by Howard Sacks, the president's senior adviser, that is studying this issue. He said that their findings could mean a number of things for Gambier, including a return of the now-shuttered service station on West Brooklyn Street.

The three apartments in the building will remain largely untouched, according to McConnell, with the exception of some work on the utilities. He pointed out that the apartments are currently all rented, two to Kenyon employees and the third to a Gambier resident who is not affiliated with the College. McConnell also said that the College has no plans to use the Village Inn to house students who cannot fit into other Kenyon-owned buildings. The barber shop, in the lower level of the building, which McConnell described as being "in pretty good shape," will also remain largely untouched during the renovation.

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Sociology department moves off the map to Ralston

BY LAURA GARLAND  
Staff Reporter

Last week, the anthropology and sociology department offices split ways for the first time since the early 1970s. Following significant growth in both departments, the sociology headquarters has moved from Palm House to Ralston House, a location not yet included on campus maps.

Ralston is located behind Palm, down the hill toward more 229. Relocation of classes will follow when the transformation of Ralston House is complete.

The decision to relocate came last year after a decade of significant expansion in both departments at Kenyon. Sociology department chair Jan Thomas said, "I think this has been a great opportunity for the department. We now have all but two of the sociology faculty together in Ralston House." Three faculty members will remain in Treleaven House.

The anthropology department will remain in Palm House. Thomas noted, "I think we will all miss having our anthropology colleagues so close by, but this move provides a chance for both departments to grow and develop in new and autonomous directions."

Sociology major Maureen Rees '07 said that the relocation will be an advantage. "I think the new house is a great opportunity for the department since they will have some extra space."

The house itself is beautiful, and I understand they are working on making the garage into a classroom," she said. "I work as an office assistant for the department so I know the move has been somewhat disruptive, what with the beginning of the school year and all, but I think it will be really nice once everything has been completed." Ralston will feature a student lounge and work area for the benefit of the students in the department. Sociology major Sarah Pfister '07 said that "it is quite an improvement for the department. Having our own building certainly strengthens the legitimacy of sociology as an academic discipline."

Both students and staff agreed that a more clear-cut sociology community will be created by the move. Thomas said that with several new faculty members, "it is good for them and for us, the tenured faculty to all be in one place. It makes communication, planning, and mentoring much easier and it's a lot of fun."

The 1972-1973 academic year saw the first courses offered by the combined sociology/anthropology department. By 1975-1976, the College had produced its first sociology/anthropology majors. In 2000, the two fields had become large enough to warrant the division of the former combined major into two separate departments. Obtaining more space for the ever-growing departments has been a growth trend common to both the College's sociology and anthropology departments.

The village bicycles: With A.U., everyone rides

BY TEDDY ESMEIER  
Staff Reporter

Although college publication and policy has billed Kenyon as a "walking campus," many students still choose to bring vehicles to Kenyon. One student organization is working to make Kenyon's claim to be a "walking campus" more accurate.

Activists United (AU), taking their cue from successful community bicycle programs in other cities and some smaller communities across the country, has organized and put into place a campus bike program over the past year.

"The goal is to promote pedestrian traffic and sustainable living on campus by having community bicycles around campus available for people to use at their convenience," said Zach Shapiro '08, Activists United co-president. "After someone is done using the bike, they can simply leave it at their end-location, on hand for the next person to use." The bikes that are part of the program will be identifiable by their yellow color.

Although the group did much of the planning last year, the project lost speed as winter weather posed difficulties to launching the program. However, towards the end of spring semester, AU submitted their proposal and got permission for the community bike program.

The group also had to obtain bikes to use for the project, and the easiest way to get them was through donation, according to Shapiro. The bikes that are to be used came from a few different sources. Unclaimed bikes left on campus at the end of the year, which the College used to auction off to other students, were donated to the program. AU also received donated bikes from the Ohio State University's campus police, who have a similar policy about abandoned bikes.

Although Activists United submitted requests for financial reimbursement for the expenses of this project, their small budget made it necessary for them to pay some of the costs of fixing and painting the bikes out-of-pocket. Tacci Smith, assistant dean of students and director of student activities, commented on the process involved in launching this project. "This program was their idea," said Smith, "and they were the ones who really pulled it off."

When asked for comment about how this project will benefit the campus community, Smith said, "With today's gas prices and the hassle of parking, I think this program will help students who don't have cars or bikes of their own or even those who are just in a hurry."

Dean of Students Tammy Stollman had said that these concerns are primary to promoting the collaborative use of a community resource, she said. "It helps people to get where they are going while still affording the opportunity to say 'hey' to friends and allowing them to save gas while not compromising an already tight parking situation."

According to figures provided by the Office of Campus Safety, there are 600 student bikes registered for the 2006-2007 academic year, which accounts for nearly 40 percent of the student body, even with this year's doubled parking permit fees. 168 bicycles have been registered for this year, which is enough for about 10 percent of Kenyon students.

Approximately eight bikes will be made available for student use by the end of the week, and Shapiro estimates that four to six more will also be ready in weeks to come. "The reason that we decided to start the campus bike program was to support green living at Kenyon by encouraging people to take a bike rather than drive," he said. "I think that as Kenyon students get used to the yellow bike system, there will be more interest in expanding the program and the number of bikes available to use. That's the kind of change we'd like to see happen.

Senate talks party registration, sober events

The Senate discussed party registration and events that provide students a "sober alternative" to parties at their meeting on Sept. 19.

Members said the party registration policy is not well-known to the majority of the student body and discussed creating a task force on this issue. Senate members expressed concern over the large number of unregistered parties on campus lately. The task force would discuss the current process of registering parties and would make changes in order to make it easier for students to register their parties.

Senate also discussed "sober alternative" events and expressed concerned about the lack of dry events on campus, especially on Friday nights. Senate may plan a coffeehouse or "lounge" event during this time slot.

—Stephanie Reichs
Antennae in your pocket:
New ID cards to debut

BY MICHAEL FIVIS
Staff Reporter

One of changes on campus this year is taking place right inside students' pockets. Old student identification cards are being slowly phased out in favor of new cards that will be incorporated into a debit system for use in some campus buildings and possibly local businesses.

Unlike ID cards held by upperclass students, cards issued at orientation to the class of 2010 sport both an internal radio antenna and a black magnetic stripe. With multiple methods of communication now in the design, the cards are ready for a variety of uses that may become part of every Kenyon student's life on campus.

"We're looking to expand card-swiping possibilities," said Chief Business Officer Dave McConnell. "It will certainly be available at the bookstore, the Kenyon Athletic Center and Olin. We also are going to see how many businesses in town want to subscribe, like Middle Ground.

Kenyon's bookstore is one venue that already holds debit accounts for students, but neither the card's magnetic stripe nor the radio antenna is used to pull up account information at the register. Instead, cashiers handle the card and punch in the student's last name. If plans to tie in Gambier shops are set, however, the College will allow local businesses to buy the technology required to read the identification cards' magnetic stripes or antennae and automate student record retrieval.

According to Dan Werner, director of campus safety, the new cards may affect other aspects of day-to-day living at Kenyon.

"There are plans floating around out there that nobody has written down yet," he said of installing card readers to secure dormitory access.

"The College of Wooster has several local shops that have access to card readers for the mag-strips. They even have vending machines, washing machines, and dryers that all [operate] on stored value. Pop the card in, pull it out - get your pop, get your potato chips, do your laundry."

The College of Wooster's student ID card, known to students there as the C.O.W. Card, serves students many times on a daily basis, allowing them access to all on-campus eateries, public printers and residence halls.

Some students, however, favor Kenyon's many unlocked doors and unfettered dining hall access.

"It's one of the reasons I came to Kenyon," said Holden Rasche '10 of the campus's openness. "It's important to me.

When asked about students who might be concerned with breaking that particular environment, Werner said: "We don't want to do away with the welcoming attitude that Kenyon has, we just want to make sure that we have a campus that's as safe as we can make it and still balance safety and freedom."

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**Bad food, bad policy**

With Grub bursting at the seams from extra student traffic and Ernst located inconveniently off the hill, the "Grab and Go" that it is set to arrive in the library in the coming weeks is a welcome prospect indeed. For the first time since Peirce closed its doors, there will be a place in the center of campus to eat between classes on hectic days (see story, page 1).

But there are a few catches. First, the Grab and Go will only be able to serve 100 people each day—less than six percent of the student body. Fred Linger, manager of business services, said this means students will have to refrain from using the Grab and Go too much. If food runs out early, students with tight schedules who count on the Grab and Go will have to go without lunch.

Second, the Grab and Go will be included on the meal plan only during lunch hours; after 11:15 p.m., items will be purchased with cash or charged to students’ accounts. Rather than expanding students’ dining choices, it seems to us that the Grab and Go will promote both unhealthy eating habits and exacerbate socioeconomic inequality. At a school that requires all students to pay for full meal plans, it is hardly reasonable to collect money for dinner: this year’s dining inconveniences are already driving busy students to spend more money at village businesses such as Middle Ground and the Village Market, expenses that should not have been piled on top of Kenyon’s already eye-popping cost.

Facing a time crunch at dinner, wealthier students will buy a $5 salad at Middle Ground or a Grab and Go sandwich. However, students with less disposable income—often students who receive need-based financial aid—will migrate toward the cheap and unhealthful fare that is readily available at the Village Market. Has Kenyon become a place where only the richest students can afford fresh, high-quality food? Kenyon should reconsider the deployment of the Grab and Go and the “Cheetos for all!” mentality that it promotes. Include Grab and Go dinner on the meal plan: consideration for all students demands it.

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**Dining in Ernst creates social divisions on campus**

By Erin Ellingwood

Staff Columnist

Yes, getting to and from Ernst is difficult. It’s a long walk down and up the steepest hill on campus. Yes, Ernst is much more crowded this year than it has ever been. These factors have proved to be more challenging obstacles than anything we’ve previously encountered in our quest for dining hall food. But how is the new dining situation affecting Kenyon’s culture?

“It’s really emphasized the division between north and south,” says Adrienne Boris ’07. “It’s too much of a hike for people who live North and people who live South have never had an incentive to come north.”

So true. Peirce Hall was centrally located, near the main academic buildings and residence halls, while Ernst lies at the foot of a dangerously steep hill at the southernmost end of campus.

Due to the difficult dining situation, we rarely get to go home during the day. If I have any meetings after class or need to go south for rehearsal or work, I just stay down there for the entire day until my schedule is completely finished. It takes me at least 20 minutes to walk to Ernst from my New Apartment, and then it’s 20 minutes back (up the hill, no less). If I were to walk home between classes, rehearsals and lifeguarding at the Kenyon Athletic Center, I would essentially have to turn around and head back south the minute I reached my front door to be on time for anything. I leave my apartment around 9:30 each morning and don’t return until 10:30 at night. For some, the complete opposite is true: People who have always lived north but used to spend a fair amount of time South now avoid going south unless it’s absolutely necessary.

Thanks to this counterproductive situation, many people have to split their days between north and south, and the two sides of campus have little impetus to mingle during their free time. Peirce was a meeting place as it was a dining hall, a study lounge, a computer lab, and a place to rest between classes. It also had the whole dark Harry Potter/ Oxford University architecture thing going for it, making it so inviting and cozy. Ernst is a gym with tables and cooking equipment set up in the manner of a refugee camp; it looks and feels uninhabited. It is more of a place to fulfill the most basic requirements for fire and health department regulations. The harsh glow of fluorescent lights and loud echoes of hundreds of conversations ricocheting off the walls do not make for a very desirable atmosphere.

But what can we do? Many students disagree with the administration and alumini over whether the Peirce renovations are necessary, yet there’s little doubt that they would have happened sooner or later. But couldn’t the planning have started a little sooner so the later wouldn’t be this injurious to campus life? Could they have planned a better temporary dining hall in a better location than the one we ended up with?

Peirce is being expanded—and I’m sure the KAC has been seeing more people thanks to its proximity to Ernst. Grund has never been exactly glamorous, but compared to Ernst it’s elegant dining. Maybe that’s why the mealtimes rush is so much more difficult to accommodate this year than it has been in years past: none of those who want to dine in Grund if they can squeeze 15 people at a round table in Grund.

“I spend more time north this year than I ever have before,” says Margaret Willson ’07. “I used to eat in Peirce every day and now, unless I’m in class, I’m North.” Due to this large influx of new bodies—and the many tables that were removed from the seating area—dining in Grund has become more of a stressful hunt-and-forage expedition than a relaxing dining experience. And don’t even get me started on how my senior dinner is going to be held in the KAC instead of at the long wooden tables I sat at as a freshman during my Opening Convocation dinner.

All I can say is this: I hope, for the sake of the Class of 2008, that the original construction schedule proves to be manageable. The only thing worse than taking Peirce away from one senior class in its last year at Kenyon would be taking it away from two.

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**The Geneva Conventions are too vague**

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Students can act on Uganda conflict

BY BETH TUCKEY
Guest Columnist

At Kenyon, we are all well-educated individuals who have a desire to learn about our world and make a dent in it. However, it is easy to ignore atrocities that do not affect American domestic or foreign policy. Before I went abroad to Uganda during spring semester 2006, I had no knowledge of the war that was occurring there.

While in Uganda, I volunteered with an organization for the rehabilitation of street children in the eastern part of the country. It is in this context that I write about the recent conflict between the northern Ugandan government and rebel groups, specifically the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), which has caused much destruction and displacement.

"We at Kenyon can use our voices to advocate for marginalized people in places like northern Uganda."

Most of the children there had fled from their homes in the north in search of a more peaceful place to live. It was this experience that made me realize what a grave situation threatens the children of Uganda and how widespread the conflict really is. My work with that organization was the closest I came to the war on a personal level, as it was through my classes and the daily newspaper that I was exposed to the current situation in the north.

The war in northern Uganda has been raging for 20 years. Approximately 30,000 abducted children have been forced to serve as soldiers or sex slaves for the rebel Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) in their unsuccessful campaign to overthrow the Government of Uganda. The conflict has displaced 1.7 million native Acholi people and has seen the murder of tens of thousands of innocent civilians.

The northern violence has been largely ignored by both the international community and the Ugandan government. While the people of the north have suffered from instability and lack of development, southerners have reaped the benefits of good governance, economic prosperity, and foreign aid. Current peace talks have brought hope that the battle may end; however, if the greater grievances of northerners against the Ugandan government are not addressed, it is unlikely that any sort of permanent stability can be brought to the region. Post-conflict rehabilitation of the millions of displaced people will also be challenging. It is therefore crucial that the Ugandan government feels pressure from the United Nations and the United States to resolve the conflict and begin rebuilding Acholiland.

Before I left Uganda, I met two recent Notre Dame graduates who were so dismayed by the war that they started an organization called the Uganda Conflict Action Network (www.UgandaCAN.org) to raise awareness and advocate for a resolution to the hostilities. I arranged to intern with Uganda CAN in Washington, D.C. over the summer. I learned what advocacy for ending little-known wars really means and, as frustrating as it can be, I firmly believe that finding peace for northern Uganda is well worth the effort.

There has been a recent surge of opportunities in the United States to help the people of Darfur, Sudan. It is my hope that the northern Uganda crisis, in addition to all other forgotten conflicts, can receive the same attention. We at small colleges like Kenyon can use our voices and our knowledge to advocate for marginalized people in places like northern Uganda.

There will be a screening on campus of a documentary film, "Invisible Children," that was produced by three college students about the war in Uganda. If you are interested in learning more about the conflict, I encourage you to come to Higley Auditorium on Monday, September 25th at 7:30 p.m. to see the film.

The possibilities for making a difference are countless and it is important to recognize how all of our voices are in bringing attention to neglected conflicts. Tell your friends, tell your parents and don't let an ocean separate you from speaking out against American indifference toward this or any war.

The right place: Being conservative at Kenyon

BY BENJAMIN VAN HORBIC
Guest Columnist

Conservatives on college campuses are a curious bunch, even to me, a conservative. "Conservative college student" conjures up images of sheltered kids hiding in their rooms watching Fox News, reading National Review and listening to Toby Keith—or so it seems. This summer I attended a conservative student conference in Washington D.C. and came away with a better understanding of these "outcasts." In the process, I realized how lucky I am to be a conservative at Kenyon College.

These children of the Right at the conference came from all across America with excitement to learn more about conservatism and meet others fighting "the good fight" on campus. We gathered into ballrooms to hear speakers tell us that we were the lifeblood of a movement that started with Barry Goldwater and Ronald Reagan. The movement was once a dream with little electoral power; now it controlled the highest offices in the land.

The students around me were emboldened with the encouragement of confident and decisive speakers. Finally, these conservatives were not alone.

I admired their activism and unwavering faith in the political process. While too many people in this country dismiss politics and public service, these souls immerse themselves in the political process. In some cases they had been wronged by the faculty and administration at their schools and decided to make a difference. By standing for their values, they were subjected to rude remarks, but continued their activism. I was lucky not to have the same obstacles as they did.

Yet something about the jaunty lore I attended was unconvincing. A number of sessions provided students with examples of student activism. These were kitch to me. Some were decent, while others were just lazy. They distributed sample flyers for speakers that were sure to upset and infuriate their opponents. I believe the goal of discourse was to change minds, not close them. What better way than an inflammatory poster to advertise a provocative speaker? No matter if its face is Michael Moore or Ann Coulter, shrill is shrill. In that instance, I was intellectually brought back to Kenyon and its lessons it imparts.

As much as I tried to hide my disdain for this brand of politics, I couldn't. The need for seeing others' points of view was not trumped by my newfound friends and their enthusiasm for common ideas. I challenged, respectfully, the point and use of tasteless discourse. This was met with resistance, but it occurred to me that these students and others around the country, no matter their political ideology, knew nothing else. They were illiberally educated, they make assertions from a limited perspective and draw upon their own rigid, unquestioned beliefs. These students are voters who are easily swayed by the politics of intimidation and rage.

Sadly, they did not receive the type of education in thinking and discourse that we do. They do not have the benefit of sitting in IPSH and Quest discussing the most fundamental political questions. This process helps Kenyon students understand that serious and thoughtful people disagree. Even if we disagree we should not resort to vicious attacks, becoming subject to ridicule by the Kenyon community.

It is in this best interest, then, to be reasonable. Often times the person with whom we disagree the most happens to be our friend and neighbor. Moreover, we understand the most intense struggles of ideologies occur within our own heads. We exercise civility because we, too, continue the internal dialogue and empathize with those in the mist of their own meaningful dialogue. Sadly, many outside of Kenyon have stopped wrestling with conflicting ideas.

"Being a conservative is a difficult task on most college campuses, but my time at Kenyon has been remarkable. Many of my classmates disagree with me on a myriad of issues like the war in Iraq and the role of government. But meaningful debate is everywhere. I count myself lucky to live in a community of friendly, serious and open-minded thinkers so readily to engage in enlightened discourse. It is wonderful to be back home in the company of the liberally educated, conservative and liberal alike."

SPEAKOUT!

Do you think construction on Peirce is affecting dining and social life on campus?

"With the big hill issue, people are less likely to go to Ernst because of the inconvenience of it. There's an overall lower turnout for meals."

--Andy Fucito '07

"Ernst is just the same as Peirce to me."

--Keith Caniano '08

"I spend a lot more money on food, that's for sure. I've also been eating a lot less healthy."

--Sasha Milam '09

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The Swan by Elizabeth Egloff
Sept. 28 and 30
8:00 p.m.
Hill Theatre

The Underpants by Carl Sternheim, adapted by Steve Martin
Sept. 29 and Oct. 1
8:00 p.m.
Hill Theatre

Our Town by Thornton Wilder
Oct. 19, 20 and 21
8:00 p.m.
Bolton Theatre

Kid Simple: A Radio Play in the Flesh by Jordan Harrison
Nov. 10 and 11
8:00 p.m.
Hill Theatre

Fall Dance Concert
Dec. 7, 8, and 9
8:00 p.m.
Hill Theatre

KFS PREVIEWS

BY JASON SMITH
Staff Writer
Tristram Shandy: A Cook and Bull Story
(Friday, Sept. 22; 7:30 p.m.)

This is a film about the making of a film. This has been done before, but Tristram Shandy: A Cook and Bull Story does it quite differently. For one, the film being made within the film is an adaptation of Laurence Sterne's novel, The Life and Opinions of Tristram Shandy, Gentleman, which is considered completely unfilmable. The book supports this conclusion. The book, supposedly Tristram Shandy's narration of his life, starts right before his birth. In the following 700-plus pages, Tristram gets so sidetracked that the book ends immediately after he's been born.

Michael Winterbottom's film "adaptation" finds a pair of actors (Steve Coogan and Rob Brydon, playing "Steve Coogan" and "Rob Brydon") struggling with the material and with their own rivalry. Coogan also portrays Tristram Shandy and his father, while Brydon also plays his uncle. Confused yet? That's only the beginning. The film continues with the behind-the-scenes footage as the filmmakers try to figure out how to turn such a rambunctious, intentionally aimless book into a coherent film, mixed with plenty of scenes featuring Tristram himself.

Comparisons to Adaptation are inevitable, and to a certain degree, accurate. Winterbottom's film (written by Frank Cottrell Boyce) lacks some of the subtext romanticism of Charlie Kaufman's work but makes up for it with his sheer ridiculousness, which is beyond anything Kaufman has done. The cast gamefully goes along with the ridiculousness. Coogan is especially well-cast and brings an understated British sense of humor to his roles. Tristram Shandy: A Cook and Bull Story is a crazy and bewildering ride, but it is a truly unique film and a lot of fun to watch.

The Player (Saturday, Sept. 23; 7:30 p.m.)

A darkly sardonic satire of Hollywood and the movie business masquerading as a simple murder thriller, The Player is one of the better films of director Robert Altman. Altman is considered an auteur within the auteur theory - a film director whose body of work is his directorial style, though his stylistic flourishes always serve a purpose with his story. Robbins is a talented actor, and he proves it here by making his character just likable enough to hold our interest while still making his more despicable actions believable and not out of character. Gallagher is appropriately smarmy as the upstart executive, and even Goldberg is convincing as the detective who is sure that Griffin is a murderer. Douen of Hollywood stars make cameos, enjoying poking fun at their同仁ial image. But the film is a bit of a celebrity vanity project. There are many satires of the film industry, but The Player is one of the few that can actually be enjoyed by people outside of the industry.

Tosti (Wednesday, Sept. 27; 10:15 p.m.)

The winner of last year's best foreign film Oscar, Tosti is a South African film about a young convict (Presley Chweneyagae) who leads a vicious gang in a poverty-stricken town outside of Johannesburg. One day, he shoots a wealthy woman outside of her home in an upscale suburb and flees in her car. He drives for a while before realizing that there is a bigger thing going on. The film follows him as he tries to take care of the child while slowly coming to grips with the things he has done.

Tosti is notable for refusing to sentimentalize its main character and his actions. Chweneyagae's character does change somewhat over the course of the film, but the film makes these transitions a realistic part of his character. He knows he has to take care of the child, but he still does things like forcing a neighborhood friend (Terry Pheto, who is also very good) to breast feed the child at gunpoint. Tosti is a disturbing, but ultimately hope- ful, film that succeeds because of its strong characters and the realism of the script, which makes it much more touching than the average Hollywood melodrama.
Playhouse is 'Playing Our Song'

BY JOHN SOMERVILLE
Staff Writer

'They're Playing Our Song' is a very funny and nostalgic musical, if you can get nostalgic about disco," said Dan Turner, who is directing the show in Mount Vernon.

The musical, written by Neil Simon, tells the story of Vernon Gersh, a neurotic New York composer, who hires aspiring lyricist Sonja Walburg, a Swedish immigrant, to collaborate with him to write a hit musical about a love story between a Black man and a White woman. Vernon is frustrated by Sonja's inability to cut ties with Leon, her boyfriend of five years. Eventually, Sonja and Vernon learn to collaborate, using children to help them meld their music together.

"The play has some wonderful love ballads and some very 70s, disco-like musical numbers," Turner said. "I saw the Broadway cast of 'They're Playing Our Song' in 1980 or '81 while they were on tour in Chicago, and I loved the show. The music is tremendous and the dialogue is hysterical.

"Turner said he believes he can recreate the magic he saw back then, adding that much of the play's charm lies in the music, which is a mix of love ballads and 1970s disco music."

'They're Playing Our Song' is a semi-biographical piece, based on the true story of Sesame Street songwriter and character designer, which is an affectionate portrait of the enduring power of love and the ability to overcome differences.

"I've always been interested in the theme of love across different cultures and backgrounds," Turner said. "I think it's a universal theme that resonates with audiences of all ages."

"This play has provided me with so much fun and creative opportunities," Turner said. "I'm excited to bring it to the stage and see how it's received by our audience."
A peek at Gambier’s Siberian Tiger Conservation Association

BY STUART SCHDIGALL
Guest Writer

"If money were no object, what would you like to have?" Diana McCourt, a Gambier resident and head of the Siberian Tiger Conservation Association (STCA), asked her husband 12 years ago.

"A tiger," he responded.

Diana McCourt has been training four Siberian tigers and two African lions in her backyard training facility in Gambier ever since. While browsing the pet section of the Columbus Dispatch to replace a niece’s lost kitten, she saw the advertisement for a black Bengal tiger, met a USDA licensed breeder and began working with his cats, eventually obtaining a license of her own.

Now open to the public, the STCA is an educational and training facility that caters both to college students majoring in biology, pre-vet and zoology and to ambition individuals over the age of 16 who want hands-on experience with tigers. McCourt currently works with students from the Ohio State University, the University of Michigan and schools in Texas and Akron. She also provides internships to international students from the UK and New Zealand.

One might not expect the fields of Gambier, Ohio to be the best place for a conservation for Siberian tigers, but McCourt moved from Columbus, choosing Gambier because of the area’s "loose" zoning laws and its proximity to Cleveland and Columbus. McCourt said that she has enjoyed both her personal and professional assimilation into the Gambier community.

"We like it here; it’s peaceful," said McCourt. "As far as the cats are concerned, it’s the least stressful environment I can create for them."

McCourt organizes a three-week training program that includes safety training, medical check-ups with larger cats and a final exam and dissertation, totaling 95 contact hours with the cats. Upon completion of this $3000 program, students receive a training certificate from the STCA, aid in job placement and the option of working with the big cats for no additional fee.

The training session also creates a strong and lasting sense of community among its students, according to McCourt. When one Siberian tiger, "Sher Khan," fell seriously ill this past June, previous trainees flew to Gambier to help him when he died.

The STCA is not a breeding facility and does not promote private ownership of Siberian tigers. McCourt emphasized that the cats are "trained and tamed, not domesticated."

The quality of the tiger’s training and taming was put under serious scrutiny in recent years. According to a Collegian article from May 2002, the STCA was closed to the public for animal negligence. The case claimed that the STCA "failed to handle lions and tigers during public exhibition so as to ensure the safety of the public."

The controversy surrounding the STCA went public when 10-year-old Ethan Newman and Kenyon student Jessica Lee ’03 were attacked during one of these "close encounters."

When questioned about the dangers involved in working with big cats, McCourt responded that she

with Arnold Schwarzenegger and Sylvester Stallone, McCourt, by walking them in public, condition them to become familiar with crowded environments. McCourt strolled with her cub tigers along Middle Path for only five years and used to stop at the Mount Vernon Friendly to get vanilla bean ice cream for Joseph, her full-grown African lion.

McCourt says her cats allow the cats to live for 25 years, compared to 10 or 15 years in the wild.

"We still have all our digits," said McCourt. "I mean you have to understand, working with lions and tigers you always have the possibility of being bitten or scratched, and if you have an issue with that you probably shouldn’t be working with them."

One of Gambier resident Diana McCourt’s Siberian tigers. Tristan Potter

Small village, big cats

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Sex & the Country

Comparative Sex 101: A transfer student’s view

BY SARAH MASEL
Guest Columnist

I watched all 460 of you first-years during Dean of Students Tammy Gecia’s speech at the opening convocation. Some of you were listening intently, while others were nodding off. The majority of you, like me, were surveying the scene: checking out your fellow classmates, undressing your neighbor with your eyes and possibly even picking out the faculty member with whom you would most like to have sex. In one of my many Ally McBeal moments, I imagined myself standing proudly at the podium, wearing a sexier version of Kenyon College’s traditional cap and gown attire, sensuously asking the audience: Parlez-vous sex, Kenyon style?

I’ve been fortunate and unfortunate enough to have some experience in this thing we refer to as ‘the college hook-up scene.’ Yet as a transfer student from a university that consists of 5,000 undergrads, I had no idea what Kenyon’s own specific sexual culture may be like. After nearly a month here, I have discovered some startling and startling disparities between my former school and Kenyon when it comes to sex.

As it turns out, hooking up is surrounded by superficial judgment at both schools. Unfortunately, boys will forever be categorized sexually by their highly standardized fraternities. Similarly, the girls who pitch for boyfriends for the first term will be assessed based upon whose bed they wake up in the next morning. Basically, if you pledge a preppy frat, you will eventually hook up with a cute freshman, make out with all of her friends the next night, and be deemed a cocky, polo-popping jock by the entire female student body. Last Sunday night, I watched these girls innocently kissed over the weekend, yet, let’s just say, they’ll be considered "lackse-tituses" by your brothers in no time.

I was, however, able to uncover what is so unique about Kenyon’s sex scene: a complete lack of immaturity. Almost everyone I talked about this subject emphasized the advantages and disadvantages of attending a small school when it comes to hooking up. Slippily make out with your upperclassmate on the dance floor of a heavily populated semi-formal, and you will see him/herself again. One-night stands simply do not exist here. And, as luck would have it, you will undoubtedly make awkward eye contact with, or, if you’re bold, give a little half-wave to your interest on Middle Path that Monday, as well as receive dirty looks from all the disgusted people who witnessed your love story to journey’s "Don’t Stop Believing."

Embarassing? Not really.

But this doesn’t mean you should symbolically straiten yourself and refuse to partake in Kenyon’s sex scene for the rest of your academic career. In fact, almost all the students with whom I discussed this very subject began feeling the same way: frustrated, annoyed and, at times, powerless.

These sentiments have sometimes evolved into a fondness for Kenyon’s hook-up scene. Thats the scene that makes college students itch. Maybe it’s all of theSecond wildlife surrounding us, or possibly being stuck in the middle of nowhere makes people really lonely. Whatever the reason, it is important to embrace Kenyon’s hook-up scene because Toro, we’re not in high school anymore, and there’s no turning back now. Bonne chance as Kenyon and may the hooking up begin.
Win streak propels Ladies soccer over No. 18 Cards

BY HILARY GOWINS
Staff Reporter

The Ladies’ soccer team is on a roll right now coming off of two impressive victories over Hope College and Otterbein College. Kenyon played host to these two opponents last weekend in the Kenyon College Invitational. The Ladies’ win over Otterbein was a landmark victory, proving that Kenyon can compete with the top teams in the country.

Last Friday’s match with the Cardinals of Otterbein was an exciting one, going into two overtimes and coming out with Kenyon on top, 1-0.

“We have taken giant leaps as a team since the first day of the season,” said junior co-captain Jean Arnold. “We have realized our potential and talent for such a young team and learned to play for one another, no matter what the scoreboard shows.”

The Ladies have certainly succeeded in all of these areas, striking it out through two overtimes until first-year Rachel Gohsen was able to find the back of the net. Gohsen headed in her first collegiate goal off of a corner kick from junior Amanda Drummond with 6:36 left in the game.

Junior co-captain and goalkeeper Rosemary Davis took care of the Ladies on the defensive end, tallying six saves for her second shutout this season. Kenyon wrapped up the KC Invitational in style against Hope College with a 3-0 win and improved their season record to 4-2-1. Still propelled by the excitement of knocking off the 18th ranked team in the country, Kenyon showed no fatigue and combined an impressive offensive attack with relentless defense.

Twenty-six minutes into the match, sophomore Amy Kessler set up junior Emma Bradley for the first goal of the day. Kessler found herself in the thick of things again offensively, when five minutes into the second half she tapped in another goal off of a deflected shot by Arnold, putting the Ladies up 2-0.

The Ladies’ final goal of the day came off of a breakaway by Drummond, who used her quickness to break through the seams of the Hope defense. Kenyon’s two huge wins not only improved their record, but also put them in the championships of the 2006 Kenyon College Invitational.

The Ladies hope to add another victory to their three-game winning streak as they head to Western Reserve University in Cleveland this Saturday.

Runners snap fifth at Cedarville race

BY SARA KAPLOW
Senior Sports Editor

Once again, both the Ladies and the Lords cross country teams finished in top two with both teams taking fifth place at the Cedarville University Cross Country Invitational. Cedarville ultimately won both races, with a tiebreaker necessary on the men’s side to break up a first-place tie with University of Cumberland.

In the women’s 5,000-meter race, sophomore Jessica Francois again clocked in first, with a time of 19:46.63, to capture 14th place. The next Ladies finished in a clump, with juniors Emily Bierman and Emma Reidy coming in 15th and 16th, followed by sophomore Mary Bloom in 37th. Hot on their heels was senior Jessica Little in 39th place with a time of 20:59:77.

Junior Elizabeth Winchell and junior Maggie Kemptner also contributed to the point total that earned the Ladies fifth place out of fifteen, with times of 21:23.91 and 21:53:32, earning them 48th and 63rd places respectively.

Clocking in first for the men was sophomore Jim Bottos, who came in 12th with a time of 26:50.98. Next for the Lords was first-year Matt Riley, who stopped the clock at 27:34:48, good for 30th place. He was followed by his classmate Robert Carpenter in 38th and senior Ryan Weinstock in 41st.

Also adding to the point total were sophomores Caleb Keyserling and Chris House in 48th and 50th places and senior Matt Lobdell in 63rd. The 8,000-meter race boasted 129 runners total, with 13 different schools represented.

Both teams defeated conference foes Wittenberg University, both of whose teams placed ninth, as well as local rivals Mount Vernon Nazarene University, which took 12th place in the women’s event and 11th in the men’s.

“This weekend the Ladies and Lords travel to the College of Wooster for their annual invitationals before having a well-earned week off.”

Case Spartans disarm Lords, 43-13

BY MATTHEW MOORE
Staff Reporter

Last weekend the Kenyon Lords football team arrived at Case Field, home of Case Western Reserve University’s Spartans, with the sun setting. The Lords started the game fresh and sacked the Spartans’ QB on the first play of the game. By the end of the first quarter, however, Kenyon trailed Case Western 13-0 in a game that remained strategically demanding throughout its course. The Lords, who faced the same difficulties playing the Spartans as they did in the 2005 season. The Spartans began the second quarter with a well-executed kickoff, positioning the Lords’ offense on their own 1-yard line. This resulted in a harrowing safety against Kenyon, delivering the football into the hands of the Case Western offense, who missed an attempted field goal on their subsequent drive. Although Kenyon’s first-year quarterback Mike Herrmann went a solid 8-for-11 passing in the first half, he proved an intense challenge for the Lords to bring numbers to the board. Fought with penalties against them, the Lords could not manage to carry the football near the Spartans’ red zone, rushing for a game total of only 122 yards. The Lords had to punt on all three possessions of the second quarter, leaving them trailing 22-0 at the end of an exhausting first half.

The feverish mood of the second and third quarters mostly passed for the Lords by the fourth quarter. Head coach Ted Stanley said, “We just settled down and played football.” Kenyon regrouped their offense, scoring twice despite possessing the ball for only 3:42. The standout play of the night was sophomore Jamey Arbalese’s 81-yard touchdown run, reenacting the spirits of the fans.

Junior Rafael Sanchez, quarterback for the second half, rushed in a one-yard TD as well, with two minutes left, to put Kenyon down 43-13 at the final.”

The Lords’ attempt to outmaneuver this defensively cohesive team proved not only physically frustrating, but psychologically as well. For the first three quarters, every Kenyon player and fan held desperately onto yardage gains of both teams; even the slightest errors in this game yielded huge movement down the field for the Spartans. The Lords’ offensive patterns did not yield the results needed. According to Stanley, the penalties stacked up against the Lords—a total of eight lost the team 64 yards—because “we played out of control.” Sanchez, who relieved Hermann as quarterback, had a difficult night, throwing one 43-yard but failing to connect on his other four passing attempts and finished with negative rushing yards. The Lords’ defense gave the Spartans a run for their money in the fourth quarter, despite two more Spartan touchdowns, as senior linebacker William Lippert brought in an overall eight tackles and broke up a Spartan play.

By the time the game ended, the Lords had driven within 20 yards of the end zone only once. Case Western displayed not only a powerfully moving offense that made good on five out of six red zone TD attempts, but a defense capable of rendering nine of Kenyon’s 13-third-down attempts futile.

The Lords have a bye this coming weekend and then head out to Ohio Wesleyan University on Sept. 30, finally arriving back in Gambier for homecoming on Oct. 7 to play Hiram College.

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Volleyball defeated by NCAC rivals, play two on Sat.

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Another tough series for the Kenyon Ladies volleyball team brought their overall record to 2-10. The team traveled to Indiana to take on Earlham College and fell 3-0 before returning home to face both Allegheny College and Marietta College, going down in both matches 3-0, though keeping it close against both teams.

The Ladies started off slow against Earlham, going down 30-12 before coming back to play two closer games which finished 30-22 and 30-23. Senior Lauren Reiter posted a team-high nine kills with classmate Patricia Collins putting up 20 digs on the defensive side.

Returning home to face Allegheny, the team stuck first with a kill by Collins. The Ladies went 4-0 to start that first game before the Gators got it together and began to score. The game was close, with the score drawing to a tie eight different times. A series of long volleys proved that the team were fairly evenly matched, but troubled communication on the part of the Ladies led to the 30-28 final score.

The second game started off close again, with Allegheny leading 4-3 before an injury brought down senior setter Sarah Brieschke. Brieschke left the game after landing badly on her right ankle and was replaced by senior Taylor Wright before returning to find the score 8-7.

The Ladies kept it close for the next ten points, tying it up at 17 all on a sharp hit by Collins. The Gators dominated the rest of the game, finally defeating Kenyon 30-24 to go into the break.

Game three was another closely fought battle, despite a short serve by senior Sarah Richardson to start it off. She made up for it, however, accumulating a total of nine kills and 22 defensive digs. The Ladies were never far from the Gators, keeping it within four points and eventually taking the lead 22-21. Following a couple of close points by Allegheny, the Ladies managed to tie it at 25 all on a serve by Collins. Unfortunately for Kenyon, they only managed one more point before Allegheny took the match, 30-26.

Despite the loss, the Ladies put up some big offensive numbers. In addition to Richardson, who had an impressive night, Collins racked up 16 kills and 13 digs, and Reiter had 11 kills.

For the second time in three days, the Ladies took to the court at the KAC to face Marietta on Tuesday. Marietta, who boasted a 10-1 record coming into the match, proved a tough opponent for the Ladies, though the team stuck close for most of the games. However, the Marietta defense was strong, and a lack of communication on the Ladies part led to the eventual 30-0 loss.

The first game started off tight, as the teams were tied seven times and the Ladies went on a 4-0 run to bring it to 16 all. Kenyon stayed close and managed to capture the lead twice at 23-22 and 25-24 before the Pioneers tied it up and outscored the Ladies 5-1 to take the game 30-26.

The second game was not as close, as the blocking skills of Marietta’s front line shut down a number of attempted slams by Collins and Richardson. First-year Clair Green had a series of good serves, including an ace and ended with six kills. Head Coach Adrienne Delph was not pleased as the Ladies went into halftime down two games to nothing.

During the intermission, the fans, mostly parents of players and athletic department faculty, witnessed new Dean of Students Tammy Social participating in a serving contest, during which crowd members were invited to step onto the court and take shots at inflatable dummies attired in Kenyon volleyball shirts. Despite failing to hit the target, Social entertained the crowd with her serving skills.

The Ladies took to the court with revived energy, with a 2-1 st over Marietta before getting tied up at 11 and 17. Kenyon’s energy seemed to fall off at this point, as they only scored four more points in the match to the Pioneers’ 13.

Despite the 2-1 record, the Ladies have come close in a number of their recent matches. They have a chance to get back on track on Saturday with a home doubleheader against Hiram College and Capital University. The first match is at 1 p.m. with the second beginning at 5 p.m. at the KAC.

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