Nugent holds meeting for Parents Weekend

BY JO KLOC
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, parents and administrators gathered in Highley Auditorium for the annual Family Weekend Town Meeting with President S. Georgia Nugent. Throughout the meeting, the president and members of her senior staff fielded questions from parents concerning both academic and student life issues, often supplementing their responses with statistics gathered in a recent survey of Kenyon College first years.

The meeting began with President Nugent announcing that Kenyon had received two substantial grants this year. One of these, from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), is for the establishment of the Center for the Study of American Democracy at Kenyon. The center will hold conferences and invite prominent figures in areas such as business, journalism and leadership to speak at Kenyon. In addition, it will provide research opportunities for both students and faculty. The $700,000 grant generated particular excitement because it was the second largest grant awarded by the NEH to an academic institution. The only school to receive a larger sum was Harvard.

The second grant, one for $600,000 from the Melon Foundation, was awarded to fund a program called Teachers Teaching Teachers. Conceived by Kenyon faculty members, the program facilitates the exploration of interdisciplinary fields and enhancing and enriching the pedagogy of Kenyon educators. The president praised the faculty members whose efforts secured this grant for their desire to improve themselves as educators.

Nugent then shared with parents some of the information gathered by the survey of Kenyon first years. Notably, 99.4 percent of Kenyon first years at the end of their first year strongly agreed that the faculty was helpful to them, and 99 percent felt that the courses inspired them academically, a statistic well received by the audience of parents. Furthermore, 96 percent of first years said they were satisfied with their experience and the quality of instruction they received at Kenyon, compared with around 80 percent at peer institutions. The president went on to cite that, while 92 percent of Kenyon first years said they were satisfied with their classes, only 52 percent felt the same way about their housing.

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Dorms may require swipe cards for entry

BY HANNAH CURRAN
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"Honestly, it's just a timing issue," said Dean of Students Tammy Hornick. "There are only three meetings a year. The February meeting is more about professional development and strategic planning, so this wouldn't be appropriate. The April meeting would just be too late. We need to evaluate it this year—we're being pressured extraordinarily by parents."

"The Parent's Committee this weekend was feeling pressured after Virginia 'Tich' and the bomb scares," said Chair of Housing and Grounds Committee Jack Hornick. "I know the next meeting isn't until April, but I think it was rather rushed. It was a lot of information in that amount of time."

"This is something that will change the feeling of unity," said Hornick. "Just too much change in general. I have a feeling the idea will not be popular."

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This Saturday, the Brown Family Environmental Center opened four more miles of trails to the Kenyon community. The unveiling of the Northern Trail System, which occurred at 2:30 p.m., included a ribbon-cutting ceremony and a guided tour of the new trail led by Assistant Professor of Biology Andrew Kerkhoff.

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—Nick Mohar Schantz
Meeting: Nugent reports that campus is content

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When a parent expressed concern that the increased amount of students might negatively impact her child, who is currently a first-year student, the president assured her and everyone in the room that the increase would be slight, around 30 students, and it would not affect the faculty to student ratio. She also mentioned the importance of adapting Kenyon to the changing nature of knowledge. Particularly, she said that Kenyon must continue to expand its courses offered beyond the traditional Western curriculum. She also mentioned the importance of diversity at Kenyon, prompting Dean of Admissions Jennifer Delahanty to comment that diversity at Kenyon is a high priority of the admissions office, and “a main thing to work on.”

In addition, Nugent spoke on the importance of promoting civility and respect among Kenyon students. When a parent asked Dean of Students Tammy Gocial to comment on issues regarding student life, Gocial explained that in addition to problems such as alcohol, more progress needs to be made in the community regarding respect for gay and lesbian students, as well as religious issues. She also expressed a desire to make more students aware of student government in order to foster better communication between students and faculty. Gocial added that the survey of first years indicated that a low number of students had what she referred to as “social self-confidence,” and that this was probably a large factor contributing to student drinking.

Regarding these student life issues, Nugent pointed out that the policy changes used to address them are causing some discomfort among the students. She stated that she sees much of this discomfort as a good thing, because it indicates that the proper changes are being made.

When the meeting ended just before noon, many of the parents gathered outside of Higley. One parent, who had come to hear the president on previous Family Weekends, referred to this meeting as “the best town meeting.” Another parent said that she was concerned about a practice of the College that was briefly mentioned during the meeting: the College chooses a select few students and encourages them to prepare to apply for grants such as the Fulbright. Despite this, the parent found Nugent to be “honest and forthright about the challenges [facing the College].”

Village appoints new administrator, councilperson

BY SAM GOODINS Staff Writer

The Village of Gambier recently welcomed two new government officials to fill positions vacated by resignations in August.

At their September meeting, the Village Council appointed Susan Suksy to fill the seat vacated by former Village Board Member Jamie Gump’s seat on the Council, after he resigned to take a job in Chicago.

In early October, the Village hired Suzanne Hopkins as village administrator, after Rob McDonald resigned from the position to accept a job as Grounds Supervisor for Kenyon College.

In accordance with its regulations for filling an empty seat on council between elections, the Village Council invited prospective candidates to come speak about why they wanted to be on Council. Two candidates came, and the Council decided to appoint Suksy to the empty seat. In addition to her interest in Village affairs, Suksy runs a financial advising firm, so her knowledge about figures and budgets will be an asset to Village Council, said Mayor and Professor of Political Sciences Kirk Emmert.

Suksy was appointed at the Council meeting on Sept. 10, and her appointment runs until the end of this December. Her seat is scheduled to go up for election on Nov. 6, along with the other seats on Council. Emmert said that Suksy has not filled in, in time to fill her candidacy on the ballot, and as far as Emmert knows, no one else has filled in for her seat. So unless Suksy files to be a write-in candidate, the Council will again have to appoint someone to fill the seat in January.

After McDonald’s resignation on Aug. 14, the Village hired Doug Plunkett, an outside consultant, to run the search for a new village administrator. There were 18 candidates who applied for the position, four of whom were chosen by Village Council to be interviewed. Emmert said that although there were some other very good candidates, Hopkins “was just the obvious choice.” Hopkins has worked for the Village since 1990, spending eight years as a maintenance worker before becoming the crew leader, or the supervisor, of the maintenance department. She also served as one of the two interim Village administrators after McDonald left.

According to Emmert, the village administrator is “the chief hands-on officer or administrator of the Village,” who directs work crews, prepares paperwork for Council meetings, works on budgets and much more. In addition, “the Village administrator and the mayor together plan the projects and business for the year and present things to Council for their approval or disapproval.”

Hopkins adds that the Village administrator serves as a liaison between the council, the mayor and the community. “If residents have a complaint, they come to me, and I inform the mayor or take it to Council,” she said.

Hopkins said that she applied for the position of Village administrator to offer a new perspective, particularly as a resident of Gambier. “We’d had two gentlemen from other communities, and they did a nice job in Gambier, but they didn’t want to stay,” she said. “I’ve been here a long time and I did want to stay, and I thought I could contribute something different as the first female administrator than I did as crew leader.”

Emmert is “very happy to have [Hopkins] in the position; she has lots of knowledge of the Village, lots of practical experience.”

Emmert describes Hopkins as efficient, accessible and courteous. “She has already shown herself to be a very good administrator.” Emmert also points out that Hopkins is probably the first woman to hold this position in Gambier and one of the few female village administrators in the area.

Even as Hopkins and Suksy are welcomed, the departures of McDonald and Gump are still felt among the Village staff and the Village Council.

As a former member of Village Council, Emmert said, Gump “was always very approachable, very open, and one of the huge accomplishments of the Village was that we developed some very good systems, waste water systems, mechanical equipment,” he said. “We developed some very good techniques under his direction that we’re using now.”

In explaining his decision to resign from the Village and accept the position at Kenyon College, McDonald said that he “always had a great respect for Kenyon College ... I also look at the people working at Kenyon, many of whom are true professionals, and I would be foolish not to associate myself with that environment,” he said. “Finally, I like helping to make Kenyon an enjoyable situation for as many people as possible.”

In his current position as grounds supervisor, McDonald and his staff manage 300 acres of Kenyon’s approximately 1,110-acre campus. His department takes care of the athletic fields, the sidewalks, snow removal and tree care, as well as the general fertilizing, pruning and mowing of the grounds.

On Wednesday, Oct. 17, the Environmental Campus Organization (ECO) began their third-year CFL-Light-Bulb-Exchange drive, to lower the amount of energy used on campus by having students and professors exchange their standard incandescent bulbs for compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs. From Wednesday Oct. 17 to Friday Oct. 19, ECO members were stationed on Middle Path from 11:00-1:00 p.m. and 4:00-5:00 p.m. handing out CFL bulbs in exchange for the incandescent bulbs that are found in most of the overhead lights in the residence halls and in labs. This is the organization’s second attempt at the exchange. Last spring during Sustainability Week, they gave away approximately 1,000 CFL bulbs.

According to the fliers which ECO placed in Gund dining hall, “over its lifetime, a CFL bulb will use about 75 percent less energy than standard incandescent bulbs, last longer, save $30 or more in electricity costs and save 2,000 times its own weight in greenhouse gases.”

Although the CFL bulbs are three to four times more expensive, Riley Witte ’09 of ECO said “the initial cost is inconsequential in the larger scheme of things. Switching to CFL bulbs will not only cut down Kenyon’s energy bill by millions, but more importantly will help significantly reduce the amount of carbon dioxide released in the atmosphere due to the burning of fossil fuels to create electricity.”

Witte is not alone in the quest to decrease global warming. Chief Business Officer Dave McConnell was the one who purchased the CFL bulbs that ECO was handing out, Julia DeNiro ’10, member of ECO, said that “the administration has been very helpful in the CFL Light Bulb Exchange drive, and it is the goal of the administration to have the entire campus using CFL bulbs.”

By the end of day one, ECO had handed out approximately 60 CFL bulbs to students on Middle Path, and had done a survey of the number of incandescent bulbs in academic buildings, common spaces, dorms and restrooms. At the end of the three-day drive, the organization planned to swap the incandescent bulbs used in these places with the leftover CFL bulbs.

What happens to the “lame incandescent bulbs”? Well, ECO has decided to donate them to the art department for use in several art projects and displays.

“Don’t want to throw them away, because that just adds to the waste problem, but they should be put to good, but harmless use,” said DeNiro. “Thus the art department.”

An ECO member gives Max Kelly ’10 a CFL lightbulb on Middle Path.

BY MARENKA THOMPSON-ODUM Staff Writer

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**PAC meets to discuss Kenyon**

**BY LESLIE PARSONS**  
*News Editor*

Last Friday, the Parents Advisory Council (PAC) met to discuss important campus issues such as the CDC, admissions and academics.

The meeting began with a meeting with President S. Georgia Nugent. There, the group reviewed the Kenyon Parent Fund, part of the capital campaign that seek to collect $25,000,000 for initiatives such as building the Visual Arts Facility and new student residences.

The PAC is composed of a little less than 70 parents, many of whom are parents of alumni or even alumni themselves. The council, chaired by Katie and Charlie Clagg, was put into committees that focus exclusively on single aspects of Kenyon. According to Director of Alumni and Parent Programs Lisa Schort, the function of the different committees allows the administration to "hear from students and parents in order to reflect a broader array of ideas."  

The Budget and Finance Committee reported on their approvals. ECO plans to continue hosting forums to get students involved, such as having a forum to discuss the new policy, a forum on the college network with Vice President of E&L Myers on Nov. 1, and an Athletic Academic Forum on Nov. 8 to discuss the issues of athlete missing classes due to practices and games.

The Housing and Grounds Committee plans to put more bike racks at the Acland Apartments and between Mather and Gund Halls, place common dispensers in residential buildings so that commons are more accessible to students, check in on themed housing to ensure that they are not partying out on parties that go along with themed housing, take a closer look at the housing lottery, look into the possibility of more off campus housing in order to relieve on-campus housing pressure and change the application for themed housing. Student Leadership plans to have Bobby Kennedy Jr. speak on Nov. 28. BFC plans to hold hearings for club proposals for second semester on Dec. 1.

The Junior class plans to hold a class dinner at the end of the semester and host a pancake breakfast and a booth.

The Senate plans to review Greek organizations’ end of year reports and develop better communication between senate and student body on recent issues.

The sophomore class plans to do more fundraising, as well as hold a date auction and a dinner dance next semester.

Greek Council plans to work on official rules passed by Safe Driving, incorporating the PEEPS into the Greek community and to help with the common dispensing plans. The Greek constitution ratified by the Senate and Greek Council requires 50 percent of each organization to be on the party monitor pool.

The Academic Affairs committee plans to work on the future of the Kenyon network, to create a "Bill of Rights" for students and to develop more library orientation programs.

The senior class plans to work on various social events, class gifts and fundraising and to find both a graduation speaker and a baccalaureate speaker.

The clubs that are in active or fail to meet their goals will be put on probation, which means that anytime they want to spend money it has to be first signed off. In severe cases of overspending, there is a local probation where the organization receives no money for the semester.

Dean of Students Tammy Miceli and the council spoke about trying to increase communication between the administration and the students. The two parties discussed various ways to make the student body aware of the issues being handled by the administration and Student Council.

---Marenka Thompson-Odlum

---Hannah Catan

**Greek Council**

**Oct. 22, 2007**

- Greek Council discussed the likelihood that after the completion of Peirce, no more registered alcoholic parties would be permitted in residence halls.
- The council stated that every organization should have received an e-mail detailing how many party monitors they have and how many more they need.
- Meetings with the mayor, executive members, Presidents of Greek organizations and residents of Gambier will be scheduled in order to talk about being good neighbors.
- If an organization would like to participate in the Fall Carnival, they should contact Neil Johnston '08.
- Condom dispensers are to be put in dorm bathrooms, thanks to both the AIDS Coalition and Housing and Grounds Committee. If an organization would like to be involved, they should contact Megan Shimpley '08.

---Hannah Catan

**Village Record**

**Oct. 17 – Oct. 23, 2007**

- **Oct. 17, 2:54 p.m.** — Drugs and paraphernalia at off-campus student house. Underage possession of alcohol.
- **Oct. 18, 10:56 a.m.** — Drugs and paraphernalia/underage possession of alcohol in room at Hanna Hall.
- **Oct. 18, 4:05 p.m.** — Vandalism hole punched in wall at Hanna Hall.
- **Oct. 18, 5:25 p.m.** — Theft of items from car at the Remote Lot.
- **Oct. 18, 10:15 p.m.** — Medical call regarding injured student at the Art Barn. Nurse Practitioner was notified and student was transported by a friend to the hospital.
- **Oct. 19, 12:55 p.m.** — Suspicious person outside Health Center. Officers unable to locate person.
- **Oct. 19, 4:26 p.m.** — Suspicious person outside the KAC. Sheriff’s Office was notified.
- **Oct. 21, 1:02 a.m.** — Underage possession of alcohol at Norton Hall.
- **Oct. 21, 1:53 p.m.** — Suspicious vehicle outside Fair Hall. License plate number logged.
- **Oct. 21, 12:32 p.m.** — Suspicious person at Eahir Dining Hall. Person was identified.
- **Oct. 22, 8:42 a.m.** — Fire alarm at KAC. No smoke or fire was found and the alarm was reset.
- **Oct. 22, 5:15 p.m.** — Vandalism to vehicle parked on South Lane.
- **Oct. 23, 12:20 p.m.** — Drug paraphernalia found in room at Mather Residence.
- **Oct. 24, 2:13 a.m.** — Intoxicated disorderly non-student at the Village Inn. Knox County Sheriff’s Office was notified.
- **Oct. 24, 5:54 a.m.** — Smoke detector activated at Dave’s House, possibly due. Maintenance will check detector.

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Next Monday, Oct. 29, the Student Activities Office will be hosting an open house. The Student Activities Office, which recently moved into new offices across the street from Gund Commons and next to the Gambier Grill, “helps students brainstorm, organize, publicize, and administer social, cultural and recreational events,” according to Director of Student Activities Brent Turner. The SAO works closely with College offices and student organizations, including Community Service, Greek Life, Leadership Development, Social Board and Student Organizations, in order to encourage student involvement on campus, and they also provide students with funding for campus activities and events. In addition, the Student Activities Office runs its own programs and events, including the Gund Gameroom, the Horn Gallery and Philander’s Phebruary Phling.

This past summer, the Student Activities Office moved from the Student Affairs Center to the Denham Sutcliffe Bookseller. With the addition of the new space, the Student Activities Office has been able to add additional positions. The new Assistant Director Kathleen Kieper works closely with the Social Board.

“The office is furnished by an environmentally-friendly company, an issue we feel strongly about, and we pride ourselves in using ‘green’ initiatives,” said Turner. “We really enjoy our new building, and the student spaces are fun and usable.”

There are over 160 student organizations on campus, and Turner said that the Student Activities Office would love to have more. “Hopefully every student can find a group that is right for them … [every student should] feel free to contact any of the staff members with any questions, so together we can provide wonderful events on campus,” he said.

By hosting an open house, Turner and the rest of the Student Activities Office staff hopes that the students, faculty and staff will come by to meet the new staff and see the new space. “We’ll have computers, games, resources for student leaders, etc., in addition to freshly popped popcorn, light refreshments, free giveaways and a mural-painting contest,” Turner said.

The Open House will be held on Monday, Oct. 29 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the new Student Activities Office, which is located across from Gund Commons and next to the Gambier Grill.

—Lindsay Means, News Assistant
Families spend weekend at Kenyon

From music to drama, cross country to campus tours, Family Weekend has something for everyone as parents, siblings and other relatives descended upon campus to visit students.

This past weekend, families flocked to campus for what the College website calls “Kenyon’s Family Weekend.” The weekend usually attracts 1,000 family members each year.

Most Friday classes were open to family members to allow them to experience a day in the life of a Kenyon student.

President S. Georgia Nugent and the Kenyon Parents’ Fund held the opening session of the Parents’ Advisory Council (PAC) in Gund Commons lounge on Friday morning. The PAC held committee meetings afternoons which were open to all parents, followed by its closing session from 2:15-3:15 p.m. in Brandi Recital hall.

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Students benefit as consumers

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Card Locks are anti-Kenyon

This Friday, the meta-
morphosis Kenyon has been undergoing for the past few years may take another step in the wrong direc-
tion. At their annual fall meeting, the Board of Trustees will vote whether to allocate $200,000 to investi-
gate the installation of swipe-card locks on the outside doors of all College dormitories.

We at the Collegian believe that installing these locks is against the philosophy and traditions of Kenyon College. Kenyon is, and has always been an open and safe community. As students, we value the ability to never lock our doors and still feel safe. We have existed for more than 180 years without electronically locking the doors to our residence halls, and it seems foolish to start now.

There has been no rash of vandalism, theft or violent at-
tack perpetrated by non-students that would lead us to fear for our safety. The recent vandalism cannot be proven to be the work of non-students. We have always been vigilant in reporting people who are out of place on campus and this has been enough to keep us safe for a long time. Without some sort of precipitating circumstance, there is no reason to break with tradition and spend an unne-
cessary $200,000 investigating the proposal and untold amounts more actually implementing it.

Dean of Students Tammy Gotschall said that many parents were pressuring the College to add these locks. At the last weeks Parent’s Advisory Council meeting, however, the student affairs committee, composed of parents, said that they were pleased with safety on campus.

Gotschall said that this proposal is a done deal, that it is going to happen. We at the Collegian be-
lieve students should not be satis-
fied with their finality. The vote will happen this Friday at 2:00 p.m. We urge all students who are against this proposal to make their voices heard. Call, e-mail or visit Gotschall and other administrators and tell them that this policy is not what is right for Kenyon. Go to the trust-
ees meeting and tell them that this is not what is right for Kenyon.

By Jeremy Lawson

Gaut Columnist

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Editors,

In response to the article “Peeps O’Kenyon grapple with their Greek status” printed last week, I would like to correct an inaccuracy. Should the Peeps seek to retain their membership to the Greek Council, they will not be under any obligation, as the Archon Society, they never declared themselves to be officially non-Greek. They retain full membership rights and privileges. Also, the lounge pictured above the text of the article is the Independent Lounge, not the K-pop lounge.

Best,
Brendan Mysiwiecz, Greek Council president

By Choosing to be a volun-
tary participant in a market, you have either been a buyer or a seller, and by setting a price that people who were willing to pay, you have undercut somebody else who would have liked to charge a higher price for his labor time, good or service. The reason no one can get a “fair” wage at his job or a “fair” price for her pre-
cious time is that there is usually someone else who feels the negoti-
ated price is more than fair. So let the businesspeople make money! If they are good at their job, they have every right to do so. By providing a service that is in demand they are making your life all the more livable. If they make a lot of money, guess what—new competition will arise, competi-
tion that hopes to get a share of the pie by undercutting their prices (which means you pay less). By providing their services, these businesses—whether in the global market or our Village of Gambier—are able to attract us to the school by maintaining central services that we all need in order to function. This Kenyon Collegian prays as many letters as possible each week to subject to space, interest and appropriateness. Members of the editorial board reserve the right to reject any submission. The views expressed in the paper do not necessarily reflect the views of Kenyon College.
Kenyon is more disfunctional family than Nazi regime

Last week, Colin McGuire ’08 commented on the tensions felt by many Kenyon students and administration about the College’s expansion. McGuire suggested that the College’s expansion is analogous to the Nazi’s consolidation of power in Germany. He made the analogy less persuasive because he failed to realize that the quietest of angst-ridden teenagers quarrelling with Mom and Dad could not lead to totalitarianism, i.e., fail to realize that assumptions were made.

The areas of “campus consolidation” that McGuire commented on had only to do with the alcohol policy and Graham Gund’s plan for the College’s expansion. On the latter of these two issues, I find that the “Master Plan” is, except for a few minor surprises I’ve found in studying it, both acceptable and appealing. I’d rather have my College redesign by a professional that understands what works and what doesn’t as far as building layout out goes than a student that only knows the will of other students. I mean, I would certainly like my dorm room to be Market-Middle-Ground-Sunset adjacent, but that just isn’t fair to the unspoken-for masses. While this may seem a surprise to those who hear the words Master Plan and shudder, there is room for your opinion. Send an e-mail to masterplan@kenyon.edu. I’m being completely serious.

The problem here is personal disrespect toward students without the consideration that we are not the only people around campus. With the doors of each dorm room left unlocked at all times and often propped open, even a stray cat could come in and cause damage. Granted, we would have to have a Broadway-sized cat problem in order to amass enough feline power to throw a couch out of a window, but I think I’m making my point clear.

While I have no grand answers to solve all of the discontents of the Kenyon population, I would like to suggest that students simply put their best foot forward. Be responsible for the decisions you make in all aspects of your life. And, if you find yourself displeased, or even pleased, with Kenyon, make your voice heard in a responsible fashion.

Opinions
William Wegman has worked primarily in the mediums of painting, drawing and video, and the 40-year retrospective currently on display at the Wexner Center for the Arts in Columbus includes an extensive collection of works in each medium. Aptly titled Funky/Strange, the exhibit is necessarily vast in scope, if a little scattered.

As a kid in the early 1990s, I was one of William Wegman’s biggest fans. Wegman’s videos, which my sisters and I watched via Sesame Street on PBS, portrayed extraordinarily mild-mannered, slow-moving Weimaraners dressed in human clothes. Wegman’s work has also appeared on Saturday Night Live, and many sober-minded art critics have wondered if it is possible to take seriously an artist who is best known for photographing and videotaping his pets dressed up in wigs and men’s suits.

Others consider the accessibility of Wegman’s work to be one of his greatest achievements. I can’t imagine that Wegman himself hopes to be seen simply as a “serious” artist. His art is silly but evocative, amusing but melancholy, playful but majestic. His technical ability, creative wit and intense breadth of work are unquestionably respectable, even more so when the Weimaraner portraits are considered together with Wegman’s non-dog works.

The older photography in the exhibit depicts human subjects who gaze into the camera less randomly than the animal models from Wegman’s more recent work. The compositions are geometrically pleasing, and in some works Wegman discreetly slices the photo paper in strokes that suggest a sort of mysterious tension. Other works use text to imply narrative; one such photograph of a cloth-covered hand reads, “Before learning to write with his sweater he learned to write with his hand.” A simple drawing of a thermometer is labeled “normal.” The readout indicates a temperature of 98.6 degrees, but the thermometer is curly, almost worm-like and thus perhaps quite abnormal.

One particularly interesting video on display is a recording of the informational title page of an old book, narrated by Wegman, who reads directly from the text but adds words occasionally, turning the dry title page into an entertaining, somewhat nonsensical dialogue.

Wegman’s paintings from the late 1980s are less realistic and considerably darker than the rest of his work. In Fall, a ship flutters precariously at the edge of a churning waterfall. Hallmark, painted vigorously in fluorescent Easter-egg-dye hues, depicts an egg hunt that seems to have lost its fun and gained a distinct sense of urgency. By contrast, the newest works in the exhibit are a calmer group of paintings. Wegman created these recent pieces in response to a request from his canvas and continuing the scene with his own paint, adding more postcards as he worked. The resulting canvases are engaging and eerie, with the small, barely- raised rectangles serving as static focal points in an environment that, appropriately, doesn’t make sense of urgency. By contrast, the fast-paced dialogue of the Nick-at-Nite watchers in the audience may recognize the “going to the back room to get your kidneys cut out.” I’m sure organs. “Going to America,” then, is super-secret code for Richard is a lumpy young man who lives his life in Clonus, a little place that looks not unlike a community college. The greatest ambition of Richard and all his dull young friends is to go to America, a wonderful place where nothing had ever happened.

Of course, nothing is as it seems. Richard and every one of his stupid friends are actually clones of the more affluent members of society, and they live their lives in ignorance of this until their older counterparts in the real world needs organs. "Going to America," then, is super-secret code for "going to the back room to get your kidneys cut out." I’m sure it’s all very symbolic or something.

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Wegman’s eclectic art on display through December

BY MARION ANTHONISEN

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Philander vs. Brutus: 
A comparison between life at Kenyon and OSU

BY LAURA GOEHRKE
Staff Writer

Over October break, I decided to visit a friend at the Ohio State University on Friday night. It was my first time staying off campus for a night this school year, so I experienced a mild case of culture shock as I explored the unfamiliar territory. I used the skills learned in my anthropology class and began observing both the differences and similarities between life in Gambier and life at OSU. I compiled a list of different aspects of Kenyon and found their equivalents at Ohio State:

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<td>Middle Path: a scenic gravel walking path surrounded by trees.</td>
<td>High Street: a main road surrounded by countless stores and restaurants.</td>
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<td>Dorms or Houses: unusual of to live off-campus.</td>
<td>Houses and Apartments: unusual to live on campus after first year.</td>
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<td>Length of Classes</td>
<td>50 minutes, 1 hour 20 minutes or 3 hours.</td>
<td>48 minutes, 1 hour 18 minutes or 1 hour 48 minutes.</td>
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<td>Performance Center</td>
<td>Horn Gallery: open to all and free of charge.</td>
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<td>Office of Campus Safety: they'll write you up.</td>
<td>Columbus Police: they'll arrest you.</td>
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<td>Nights to Go Out (most popular to least)</td>
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<td>Best Party of the Year</td>
<td>Summer Soundoff: day-long party where drinking and festivities start as early as 9:00 a.m. Main attraction is the music.</td>
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<td>Weekend Dress</td>
<td>No pressure to dress up, and a spectrum from casual to dressy is worn.</td>
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<td>Common Items to Order on Weekend Nights</td>
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The common thread that ties the two campuses together? Soulja Boy.

International Acland hosts Venezuelan-chocolate tasting

BY SARAH FRIEDMAN
Features Editor

Jorge Redmond Schlager, P ’08, ’10 has been el presidente of Chocolates El Rey, a Venezuela-based international chocolate company, since he left banking in Switzerland to join his family’s real estate business in Venezuela and stumbled upon an opportunity in the chocolate business. His latest voyage brought him to Kenyon’s International Acland, where he hosted a chocolate-tasting workshop last Thursday evening.

The first 20 students to respond to the International Acland’s all-stu invitation received spots at the workshop.

Chocolate tasting
For almost 30 minutes, we cleaned our palates with the bottled water provided in anticipation of the chocolate tasting to come. When Schlager arrived, he presented an overview of the history of cacao, the bean from which chocolate is made. The scientific name Theobroma cacao translates to “food of the gods”—Venezuela can be proud of that name because, according to Schlager, cacao was first discovered in Venezuela’s Lake of Maracaibo Basin.

Then came time for the tasting. Each participant received a small box holding five square chocolates; all but one contained 70 percent cacao, but each exhibited very different tastes. Schlager warned us to observe the acidity, bitterness, ripeness, aroma, viscosity, “mouth-feel,” presence of fungus—luckily for us, not at all in this selection—and taste of spice, fruit or nuts in each chocolate.

The first chocolate was called Macuro. At first, it tasted like chocolate (big surprise!). Only after sampling the four other squares could we accurately judge the first chocolate. Although bitter and a little nutty to my palate, to chocolate connoisseurs, “it tastes the way a wet forest smells,” which is typical of cacao from the Río Caribe region, said Schlager.

Apamate, the next sample, tasted sweeter and slightly spicier, perhaps because it was 60 percent cacao and 40 percent butter, sugar and vanilla. According to Schlager, it is used for “covering bon-bons.” Schlager saved his favorite of the five for last. San Joaquin was the fruitiest of the selections and, as one participant pointed out, also the creamiest. It can be used to cook “all kinds of wonderful things,” Schlager said.

Background
Schlager fell into the chocolate business “very much by accident,” he said. When he returned to Venezuela, he discovered that his family business’s lawyer’s brother-in-law owned El Rey and entered into partnership with him.

After a year, according to Schlager’s son Jorge Redmond ’10, the two owners were not getting along. Schlager told his partner, “You can either buy me [out] or I’ll buy you out,” said Redmond.

Though El Rey is currently a small operation, it is “becoming more and more an international company,” said Schlager.

According to Schlager, El Rey chocolate is especially popular in Japan. “They’re quality freaks there,” he said. Countries with less refined tastes also enjoy El Rey’s chocolate—the company recently set up an office in the United States to import and distribute the company’s chocolates. In Europe, the company uses an outside distributor.
Gambier to Oberlin to Manhattan and back

On his business’s four-year anniversary, an interview with MiddleGround owner Joel Gunderson

BY COLE DACHENHAUS

Joel Gunderson and his wife Margaret Lewis own MiddleGround, Gambier’s local coffee house and café. The following is an interview with Gunderson about how Middle Ground came to be. Lewis was unavailable for an interview due to her pregnancy—she gave birth to a daughter eight days ago.

Did you graduate from Kenyon?
JG: I’m a faculty brat. My father [Professor of Art Barry Gunderson] has been a professor here since 1974. I went to Oberlin College, but my family ties are in Gambier.

Are you married?
JG: Yes. Margaret Lewis is my wife. She went to Oberlin as well. We have two children—two boys—and number three is on the way!

So how did MiddleGround come about?
JG: We graduated from Oberlin, then went to Cleveland for five years. After that, we went to New York City where [my wife] went to Columbia for midwifery school for five years. We were on a trip visiting my folks and Margaret had an epiphany and decided that we should move to Gambier. I was like “Heavens no!” My father said that the college was searching for people to start a coffee house. We had a dear friend at Oberlin that had a MiddleGround-like coffee shop there and we talked about how to go about opening one here.

Do you like Gambier more now than when you were growing up? Especially after having lived in Manhattan for a while?
JG: I certainly miss Manhattan, but I love it here. Gambier is special in its own way as well. I have to say, as a child growing up here, I would’ve never imagined that I would end up here as an adult. I couldn’t wait to get out of Knox County when I was in high school but now for my familial and business matters, it’s a terrific place.

How long has the MiddleGround building been here?
JG: The building has been here a long time, but this October marks MiddleGround’s four-year anniversary.

Do you find a college town like Gambier to be good for business?
JG: We love Gambier. It’s a great place to have a family. To be honest, it feels as if there is more going on here in Gambier than where we were living in Manhattan. Doing business in Gambier is sort of like doing business in a fish bowl. It’s wonderful in the sense that you have a relatively captive audience but at the same time the customers are so regular that you always have to always keep things fresh and new.

What’s about the employees?
JG: We have tons of student employees—23 this year. It’s fun for us to work alongside the students. Of our total workforce this year, we have five full-time employees that are not affiliated with the College.

I have heard that you also opened The Village Inn. How did that come about?
JG: The Village Inn just opened this March of 2007 so it’s still in its infancy. We were first approached about opening the Village Inn by the couple that owned the building. They don’t live around here, but the wife was from Gambier. We told them we’d think about … buying it because we were worrying about what kind of restaurant it’d be, how to do business, MiddleGround and so on. In the midst of our negotiations with the couple, they just went and sold it to the College. So then we resumed those negotiations with the College instead of them, but we still had to start from square one. It was a roller coaster. Given the number of capital improvements that needed to happen to that building, it was a good thing that the College bought it.

Now we have the challenge of running two places.

Is anything else going to happen in the near future?
JG: Yeah, that was a lot in four years and having no restaurant business experience beforehand, we are pretty tapped out with starting new things. We are ready to just enjoy our family and the two places we have now.

Gambier Grillin’

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Ladies defeat Spartans, prepare for glory

BY HILARY GOWINS

The Kenyon Ladies soccer team has been able to rely on their players from the class of 2008: Jean Arnold, Rosie Davis, Elly Deutch, Amanda Drummond, Kendra Pannitti and Brooke Rockwern. The Ladies paid tribute to their seniors last Saturday, hosting celebratory Senior Day events during the halftime of their matchup against Case Western Reserve University.

“The leadership and drive of the senior class is incredible,” said Ladies’ head coach Kelly Bryan. “They made a decision as a [first year] class to make soccer a true commitment. Since then, they have put the work and dedication into the program and it is evident. They have done a great job of communicating that desire to the younger classes and will be leaving a great legacy for our future teams. They have definitely set the tone for the program.”

Perhaps even more welcome than Coach Bryan’s kind words was the 1-0 win that the Ladies had put together when time expired. Throughout the entirety of the game, the Ladies were able to stay in control of the ball. Despite this, the Ladies went into halftime without having scored a goal.

The Ladies came out strong in the second half. After about 12 minutes, things really started to heat up when first year Katie Fee kicked a crossing pass to sophomore Rachel Williams. Williams placed the ball so that it soared over the head of Case Western’s goalkeeper, finding the back of the net and giving the Ladies the lead. From there on out, the veteran defense kept the Spartans at bay as the Ladies improved their record to 8-5-2 on the season.

The Ladies look to finish their regular season strongly as they enter into a crucial matchup against conference rival Wittenberg University this Tuesday.

“I am very optimistic and excited for our game against Wittenberg,” Bryan said. “We have a great rivalry with them and it should be a great game.”

The Ladies’ final game could determine whether or not they advance to tournament play. If Kenyon can win, they will most likely advance to the tournament—however, their fate is uncertain if they lose.

Serfin’ to a championship

BY ISAAC MILLER

Two weekends ago, Kenyon’s ultimate team, Serf, went undefeated, taking first place in the Northcoast Tournament and repeating their successes from their two previous tournaments.

The competition was hosted by Case Western Reserve University and held outside of Cleveland. The tournament featured 16 Great Lakes area teams, including one from Toronto. Serf played some of their best ultimate of the year. Their wins included a 15-1 beating of the Oberlin B team, a 15-3 defeat of Denison University and a 15-1 bowling over of Bowling Green State University in the finals.

“Winning this tournament was big for us,” said Serf’s captain Mario Nuno-Whelan ’08. “There were 16 competitive teams, and some of them, like Ohio Northern [whom Kenyon defeated 15-6 in the semi-finals], are teams we haven’t beat since I’ve been playing ultimate here, so this was a significant win for Serf.”

Stand-outs from the team included Russell Wallack ’11 and Paul Rutherford ’10, who Nuno-Whelan commended as consistently notable this season despite their rookie status, as well as Tom Brown ’10 and Peter Johnson ’10. Still, the weekend was not just a showcase for the play of a few, but for the team as a whole.

Nuno-Whelan praised their efforts. “We have some solid players on our team this year, and no doubt without them it would have been hard to do as well as we did, but ask anyone on the team and they will all say it was completely a group effort at Northcoast,” he said. Our defense was just untouchable and that only comes with everyone going all out for every point. It was some beautiful ultimate.”

Serf’s last competition of the season will be this weekend at the Denison Invitational II. Back to the Rabbit Hole tournament hosted by Denison University in Granville. It will be one of the biggest tournaments Kenyon has played in this year. 25 teams from seven different states will compete, including Bowling Green, Case Western Reserve, the University of Kentucky, Western Michigan University, Xavier University and the University of Toledo. Serf went to the quarter-finals of the tournament last year.

“Our only goal for this weekend is that we play as hard or harder than we did in Cleveland,” said Nuno-Whelan. “We’ll be taking a solid team, the fields are some of the best we play on, and there are going to be a number of quality ultimate clubs coming, so it should be a great weekend. We’ll just have to do what Serf do and keep on tilling,” he added.
**Lords stand tall over Little Giants**

BY ROBERT DIGNAZIO  
Staff Reporter

The Lords soccer team beat the Wabash College Little Giants 3-0 in their final regular season match at Mavec Field on Saturday. Kenyon entered the match at the top of the North Coast Athletic Conference standings. The Little Giants, however, were still looking for their first conference point. The Lords were able to eliminate any possibility of an upset.

Felix Hoffman ‘11 had yet another strong showing for the Lords, tallying two goals and one assist. Hoffman helped put the Lords on the board in the thirtieth minute of the first half with a strong cross from the left flank to Ryan O’Connor ‘11, who headed home his third goal of the season. The Wabash defense, however, played tough and stayed within one goal at halftime.

Hoffman showcased his knack for scoring in the second half. Five minutes into the half, he fired a penalty shot past the Wabash keeper to give the Lords a two-goal cushion. Just two minutes later, Hoffman completed an unassisted goal to secure the Lords’ win. The goal gave the first year his sixth of the season, tying him for seventh on the Kenyon single-season scoring list with Tony Mohammed ‘97, who scored 16 goals in 1996. Jamie White ‘10 needed only two saves to combine with captain Elliot Forhan ‘08 for the shutout. Kenyon outshot the last-place Little Giants 25-7.

Although Kenyon boasts a 5-1-1 conference record, the Lords cannot relax. They share first place with the Wittenberg University Tigers, whom they tied on Oct. 10. Wittenberg has not won a conference title since 1993 (when the Tigers shared it with the Lords), while the Lords have not hoisted an NCAC trophy since 1997. Ohio Wesleyan University and Allegheny College are both just one point back from the Lords and Tigers. In addition, Hiram College could still sneak into the four-team conference tournament. Kenyon will try to secure first place and home field advantage this week. The Lords play at Oberlin College on Wednesday, Oct. 24. If they win, they could secure a regular season conference championship on Saturday, Oct. 27, at Allegheny. The Gators, however, will be chomping at the bit to knock off Kenyon and to secure a postseason bid.

If the Lords can secure one of the top two spots in the NCAC standings, they will host the conference semifinals at Mavec Field on Oct. 31. A third or fourth finish would result in having to play in an away game.

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**Eagles snatch victory from Field Hockey**

BY MEGHAN MCCLINCY  
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Lady Eagles’ field hockey could not keep up its momentum from last week’s win against Ohio Wesleyan University, suffering two overtime losses in the past week.

The Lady Eagles first battled against the Eastern University Eagles. Early in the first half, Caroline Graham ‘08 put Kenyon on the board with her second goal of the 2008 campaign. The Eagles were able to hold on to their 1-0 lead until the second half. Eastern kept firing away in the second half, finally breaking through with a goal on 67 plays, 12 minutes of each other. The Eagles fought back. Lauren Keeling ‘08 came up with a clutch goal, which tied up the game with less than eight minutes of play remaining.

Despite the Ladies’ comeback, Eastern struck first in overtime. Following a Kenyon foul, Eastern set up a play which opened a passing lane directly to an open player, who had an easy shot between the pipes.

“We were really disappointed after the game,” said goalie Karen “The Wall” Thompson ‘09. “We played hard, but unfortunately Eastern was the first team to capitalize in overtime.”

Disappointed after that overtime loss, the Ladies traveled to Slippery Rock University, a neutral setting, to challenge the Juniata College Eagles. Juniata was looking for revenge against the Ladies. Last season, the underdog Ladies surprised the Eagles with a victory in first round of the NCAA tournament, ending an 11-game losing streak.

Sunday’s match up remained scoreless until the last second of the first half, when Ladies’ forward Maggie Gilligan ‘10 netted one off of an assist from Keeling. The Ladies thought that they could pull off another upset against the Eagles, who are ranked 13th in the nation. The Eagles, however, were able to rally with less than ten minutes left to play, scoring a goal which took the game into overtime.

The Eagles were able to walk off the field as the victors with an early overtime goal. Juniata out-shot Kenyon 26-7.

“It was a rough week, but we should keep our heads up,” said defender Paige Roberts ‘09. “If we’re giving it our best then eventually the cards will fall in place for us. We have to look forward to move on and prepare for the upcoming conference games.”

This past week’s non-conference match up puts the Ladies at an 8-10 record.

The Ladies, contending for a playoff spot, close out the regular season this weekend against conference opponents away against Earlham College and Wittenberg University.

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**Football brings noise, forgets funk at home**

BY LINDSAY MEANS  
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Last Saturday at Earlham College, a late turnover led to Earlham’s 42-35 victory over the Kenyon College Lords football team, despite the attempts of the Lords’ offense.

“Offensively, we dominated the game,” said Head Coach Ted Stanley. In addition to passing for three touchdowns and a season-high 271 passing yards, QB Rafael Sanchez ‘08 ran for 76 yards and an additional touchdown, while WR Carlin Shoemaker ‘08 ended the game with 12 receptions for 71 yards.

The Lords had an explosive first quarter, with Sanchez passes connecting with his brother, Mikey Sanchez ‘10, and Shoemaker. Sanchez also had a 1-yard touchdown run.

“We played very well,” said Stanley. “But at critical times, we couldn’t make plays — and we didn’t respond to Earlham’s offense with our defense.”

Kyle Toot ‘10 added to the scoreboard with a touchdown run, but a failed extra point attempt left the Lords trailing the Quakers at the end of the second quarter.

In the second half of the game, Shoemaker received a fourth-quarter pass, scoring the goal at 35-35, but a turnover in the last minute of the game led to a 95-yard scoring drive for Earlham.

“Five out of seven down, we were doing exactly what we were supposed to do,” said Stanley. “And we dominated them in almost every statistic, except the score. But we make one cover- age mistake, or don’t pressure enough, or we have a penalty or two, and that is a difference in this where we’re so evenly matched, that will decide the outcome.”

The Lords finished with 487 total yards offense on 90 plays; while Earlham’s total was 416 yards on 67 plays.

“Last week was last week and next week is next week,” said Stanley. Next week, the Lords will play rival Denison University. Stanley is convinced that the team will be ready.

“It’s a huge game,” he said. “It’s the seniors’ last home game, it’s Purple Pride day … I would love for the whole Kenyon campus to come out. There isn’t a good Kenyon person around who doesn’t understand the Kenyon-Denison rivalry, and nobody wants to say they lost to Denison.”

A win this weekend would ameliorate the sting of some of this season’s losses, according to Stanley. “Our season isn’t going quite as well as we’d hoped, but a victory over Denison would really help that,” he said.

The game against Denison will kick off at 1:00 p.m. this Saturday, Oct. 27, at McBride Field.

“We can’t dwell on what happened last week or the week before that,” said Stanley, “But we can focus on beating Denison. And we’ll need the whole school to come down, dress in purple, and major with a concentration in West Africa and a minor in history. After traveling to Tanzania last summer, she became enthralled with Africa, especially the feelings that her visit drew out from her. “I just liked the feel of it. I got from being there, how nice and sincere people were— not everyone was rushing around,” Thompson said. Because of this interest, it comes as no surprise that she is very excited about her upcoming year abroad in Senegal this spring.

In addition to her love of Africa and field hockey, she enjoys playing tennis and watching baseball. NCAC first team, because of her abilities in the goal, “the Wall” among her non-field hockey friends. In 2006, she was named to Kenyon’s field hockey All-Region NFHCA and All-NCAC first team. Because of her skills in the game, “the Wall” among her non-field hockey friends. In 2006, she was named to Kenyon’s field hockey All-Region NFHCA and All-NCAC first team. Because of her abilities in the goal, “the Wall” among her non-field hockey friends.

Kane Weber  
Player of the Week  
Community Week, a volunteer at the Wiggan Street Elementary School and a member of the Archon Society. Although she is not sure of what she will do after Kenyon, it is certain that she will continue to be “the Wall” on the field and continue to devote her time to academics.