Last year, a total of 19 students faced charges of academic infractions. He explained why public records show that an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer was placed on him while local authorities told The Charlotte Observer that no detainers were issued. On the morning of Wednesday, Sept. 6, officials told not to proceed with immigration charges against the seven being held, Saavedra said. “They came by and they took the paper away that said there was an ICE hold on me and that I was a Mexican national. For the women, they actually tore the paper up,” he said. Saavedra and the six others who “came out” as undocumented did so to protest what they say is a tide of anti-immigrant legislation that has come down from Congress in the last few years, including the Secure Communities Act, which allows local law enforcement officials to investigate the immigration status of people arrested for something as small as a traffic violation, and the 287(g) program, which trained local law enforcement officers in immigration enforcement. The latter program, Saavedra says, has blurred the lines for immigrants dealing with the criminal justice system. “You don’t know where immigration enforcement ends and where the criminal law enforcement would start,” he said.

AIB Hears Record Number of Cases

Last year, a total of 19 students faced charges of academic infractions. The AIB tried 15 cases with a total of 19 students last year, 17 of whom were found guilty, according to Ric Sheffield, the associate provost who oversees AIB cases. The AIB tried 15 cases with a total of 19 students last year, 17 of whom were found guilty, according to Ric Sheffield, the associate provost who oversees AIB cases. The AIB’s casework includes provost who oversees AIB cases.

Consequences

The AIB consists of three faculty members, each serving a two-year term, and two students appointed by Student Council’s Academic Affairs Committee. At the end of a hearing, the AIB writes a recommendation to Sheffield about whether there is sufficient evidence and what, if any, punishment the accused party should receive. “It’s much like a court of law,” Sheffield, who has been writing the AIB decisions for the past seven years, said. “The AIB, page 2

SAO Spends $40k on New Website

The Student Activities Office adopted OrgSync, a new web system chosen to replace Community. A three-year contract for the site cost the College $40,000.

MARIKA GARLAND

Using funds raised through the Student Activities Fee, the Student Activities Office spent $40,000 on a three-year contract with OrgSync, a website designed to manage student organizations. Director of Student Activities and Greek Life Christine Mastrangelo said she recommended the system because it offers a more easily navigable alternative to Community, the website previously used at Kenyon. When I went to Kenyon [in July 2010], I was honestly disappointed with the Community system, and its palette was not user-friendly, and so that’s what prompted me to start looking at other options similar to Community,” Mastrangelo said. She heard positive feedback about OrgSync from Denison University and Ohio Wesleyan University at a Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) conference.

Some students at John Carroll University, however, are not fans of OrgSync. In an editorial, the staff of The Carroll News called it “excessive when taking into account the fact that current sites such as Facebook and Twitter already exist as networking tools for many organizations.”

In addition, the Associated Engineering Student Body (AESB) at California State University Long Beach unanimously voted to oppose a resolution to install OrgSync because of its cost, according to The Daily 49er.

For Kenyon, the yearly cost of OrgSync is $12,000, in addition to a one-time fee of $9,000 for Community, according to Mastrangelo. The $4,000 fee the College has already paid includes three years of service, start-up fees, security software and training, which will occur this September, Sept. 17.

“I would say [this situation is] rough,” Business and Finance Committee (BFC) Co-Chair Tyler Furst ’12 said. “Spending the $4,000 on this software is something that came at a time unfortunately when the amount of funds that people are requesting has just shot through the roof.”

Like funds for student organizations, the money to purchase OrgSync services came from the Student Activities Fee, which is allocated by the BFC. Each Kenyon student, except those studying abroad, pays $270 per year toward this fee. Last year, both the BFC and Student Council approved the proposal to enter into a contract with OrgSync. “Part of the Student Council is obviously being in the best interest of the current organizations,” Mastrangelo said.

The Student Activities Fee also covers the Mount Vernon Shuttle, the College’s New York Times subscription, funds for class councils and all funds allocated to student organizations. “A lot of these monies are very much needed,” Mastrangelo said.
punishment should fit the crime.” Sheffield then checks that any students who have been consistent with similar cases from the past and makes the final decision. Sometimes, when he reads a case, he thinks the AIB has been a bit more lenient than I might have been, but I rarely ignore the rec-ommendation,” she said.

Saavedra also said that the Obama administration has placed undocu-mented students in limbo, because, through administrative memos that do not carry the full force of the law, it has directed federal officials to de-prioritize the deportation of un-documented youth who would be eligible for the DREAM Act, but has not provided easier access to higher education or citizenship for undocumented students.

“I guess the purpose was to get immigration enforcement to come after some other aspect of immigration law,” said Saavedra. “We are not a priority for immigration or educa-tion,” Saavedra said. “You’re kind of in a grey zone, so more and more faculty and students are starting to use it, according to Sheffield. ‘With the state of cases of plagiarism, the increased concern [and] the worry we’re seeing with some students, we decided to make it available to our faculty,’ he said. He added that he encour-ages students to use this web-site so they themselves can detect any cases of their own accidental plagiarism.

Sheffield also said that panic plays a role in motivat-ing plagiarism. “The tempta-tion seems to be greater among high-achieving students,” he said. “They have more at stake than students who are lower achievers.”

Potential Solutions

Having Yang Xiao, who is a professor of philosophy and teaches ethics, [as the AIB chair] I think is fabulous be-cause he may be able to help us have some insights into these sorts of ethical dilemmas,” said Sheffield.

As this year’s AIB Chair, Xiao already began working to lessen the number of AIB cases when he asked all professors at the College to mention last year’s statistics on the first day of classes. He said he is also “determined to do a lot of edu-ca-tional programs on campus this year. They include educating students about the seriousness of plagiarism as a violation of the most sacred codes of aca-demic conduct [and] alerting students [to the grave conse-quences of committing plagi-arism].”

Xiao said he plans to con-tinue to work with other pro-fessors as well. “We will also encourage professors to teach in more detail about proper citation rules,” he said. “Our students need to learn how to avoid accidental plagiarism.”

The Academic Affairs Committee is another group on campus working to improve the AIB statistics. “Every-body on the Academic Affairs Committee is really concerned about the 50 percent increase in AIB cases,” Vice President for Academic Affairs Hannah Stewart ’12 said. “One of our biggest goals for the semester is to investigate why these cases happen and whether Academic Affairs can prevent these cases in the future.”

Academic dishonesty is a problem at schools across the country, Sheffield said. “It’s not just Kenyon — it’s happening everywhere — but maybe we can take a leadership role here.”

Saavedra: “The purpose was to get immigration enforcement to come after us.”

Shuttle Hours Reduced

MIKE JEST

Though students often choose Kenyon for Gambier’s quieter charms, many enjoy the opportunity to leave campus and venture into Mount Ver-non. Students without cars utilize the Mount Vernon Shuttle, which for years has departed from Mount Vernon from the Kenyon College Bookstore every hour from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday. On Sunday, Sept. 4, however, the Student Council voted to sus-pend operation of the shuttle on Mondays on a trial basis. This decision means that, be-ginning in October, the shut-tle will run only three days a week.

The change was finan-cially motivated, as increased demand from the Administration and Finance Committee (BFC) have left the commit-tee searching for ways to save money. According to Student Council President Ryan Motevall-Oliner ’12. In re-cent years, the BFC has begun to pay for student services, such as the College’s subscrip-tion to The New York Times and the shuttle system. These amenities now come out of the student activities fee.

In an effort to make more money available for student organizations and activities, the BFC, led by Rob Muell-er ’12 and Tyler Furste ’12, iden-tified the shuttle service as a possible budget cut. They found, that with students flocking to Mount Vernon for dinner or a movie, the shuttle was utilized much more fre-quently on Fridays and Sat-urdays.

Next, they looked at Monday and Wednesday, and found that nearly twice as many students used the shuttle on Wednesdays as compared with Mondays. As a result, they decided that Monday’s schedule had to go. The BFC found that they could save roughly $3,000 per year with this cut, which is small but not made available to the student organizations.

So far, much of the buzz from the student population has been negative. “I really don’t like the change, because it makes it a lot harder to get off campus,” Nick Rogers ’15 said.

Motevalli-Oliner said he defends the decision because it puts money back into the students’ hands. He admits that the change may make it harder for students to reach Mount Vernon, but in the end, he believes that “the student activities fee should go to student activities,” he said.

Additionally, Motevalli-Oliner said that for now the change is only temporary, and that Student Council will reach out to the student body before making any per-manent changes. However, the Student Council wants as much student input as possible, positive or negative, in order to make an informed decision.

Over the course of Octo-ber, the information and stu-dent input that the Council gathers will determine wheth-er this change is here to stay.
Kenyon Librarian Wins Information Technology Award

SARAH LEHR

Meghan Frazer, digital re-source librarian, has worked to tell the untold stories of blacks in Knoy County to a largely white Kenyon population.

For her work with the Committee on Community (COCO) with OhioLINK, she received the first annual Rick Peterson Fellowship. The fellowship is co-sponsored by the National Institute for Library Education (NITLE) and the Council on Library and Informa-tion Resources (CLIR) in honor of late librarian Rick Peterson.

The fellowship honors a new-career librarian who has headed a collaborative effort to remedy a problem in the field of information technology ser- vices and digital libraries. The fellow must specify the problem, describe the efforts to surmount conventional boundaries of problem-solving, which was one of Peterson’s tal- ents, according to the NITLE website.

“The fellowship recognizes collaboration,” Frazer said. “To me, that’s the key component of any successful job or project ... I’m truly honored to receive this particular fellowship because it was in honor of Mr. Peterson, who was such a great collaborator.” As a fellow, Frazer can participate in CLIR’s Digi-tal Library Federation Forum and NITLE’s annual spring symposium.

Frazer’s work on the digital side of both the Ohio Library and Information Network (OhioLINK) and the Community Within project helped her earn this honor. OhioLINK is a consortium, born in 1987, that combines materials from 88 Ohio colleges and universities, allowing students access to over 68 million books and other library materials, according to the OhioLINK website. Associate Professor Provost Ric Sheffield created the Community Within project as a way to collect materials relating to the black experience in Knoy County. Community Within sprang from the 1992-1993 American Studies Senior Seminar taught by Sheffield and Professor of Sociology Howard Sacks.

Frazer said she faced chal-lenges working with the tech-nical side of Community Within. “The DRC [Kenyon’s Digital Resource Commons] is designed for more text-based collections and this [Community Within] is very image-intensive,” she said. “There’s images, there’s video, there’s audio ... the collection itself is something of a next thing to look through.”

Victor for President for Library and Information Services Ronald Griggs said, “If you think, well, Knox County, Ohio ... is there really a black community? If you start with that question, that’s a good way to show how a community can exist, but be ... largely invisible, in the history of a [larger] racist society.”

Frazer started working at Kenyon three years ago, right before receiving her degree in li-brary sciences. “My background was in computer science, so working with collections was sort of a natural fit,” she said. “Work had already begun on a DRC collection ... but with the creation of my position, we had more resources available to start building collections.”

“Meghan came to work for us in 2008,” Griggs said. “We needed someone ... to help us with the direction that libraries are going to.”

“I think the students will see more of the DRC in the next year or so,” Frazer said. “There are some new collections com-ing.” Among these new collec-tions, she said, are past honor- thesis papers, which could prove valuable to students looking for examples.

Griggs also spoke about the future of libraries. “We all know that you can buy anything from Amazon, right? So what will distinguish ... one library from another? What will be the value of a library?” he said. “[We are] moving from librarians selecting books and putting them on the shelves to teaching real materials that really aren’t avail-able any other way and making them available online.”

“The coolest part [of both OhioLINK and Community Within] is that materials which might have never seen the light of day are accessible in living rooms,” she said. “Community Within is a local history col-lection ... and graffiti who moved out of Mount Vernon 30 years ago can log on and see their neighbors and their friends and their family members repre-sented in this collection.”

Kenyon faculty members are currently working on five or six digital library projects, according to Griggs, and Frazer has “been wonderful at initiat-ing” projects of this type. To any interested students, he said, “If these kinds of scholarly activities are of interest to you, we hire a lot of students to work closely with faculty on digitization projects.”

New Party Policy Takes Effect

REBECCA DANN

Every four to five years, Student Affairs and the Party Planning Committee col-laborate to revise Kenyon’s party policy. This committee is composed of three admin-is-trators, one Campus Safety officer, two campus advisors includ-ing community advisors (CAs), Greek students and representatives of the Social Board. After their most recent review, they fixed the party policy to reflect the policy changes that the policy needed sig-nificant changes.

Tacci Smith, the associ-ate dean of students, worked with the committee trying to improve the party policy. She stressed the dynamic within the group between the stu-dents and the faculty. “What I loved about the committee was that we had great discus-sions, especially with the stu-dents, who really challenged me to think differently about alcohol and parties,” she said. “These suggestions and views of the students helped me realize that the structure of what we require for the parties could work in a different way.”

The most significant change to the party policy was the option for organization-based par- ties. Last year, a student could request to host one of three types of parties: open events, small closed events and mem-bers-only events. This year, a system has been established that includes two types of par-ties: campus weekend parties and smaller parties. In addi-tion, to simplify the op-tions, there are now only two forms hosts must complete in order to throw a party. These forms have also been short-ened in comparison to previ-ous years.

One new feature of the policy is the option to host parties outdoors, a new policy for the first time this year. CA Quentin Karpilow ’12 said, “This option for an outdoor party is a great idea — it would be nice to take advan-tage of all the space and weather!”

Another option made available to party hosts is the option for “on-the-spot regis- tration.” As long as a group includes one 21-year-old stu-dent, it can request to host a party on a Thursday, one day before the weekend. Parties like this cannot exceed 100 guests and will be allowed only if there are no other big events already planned for the upcoming weekend. For a host to be eligible for “on-the-spot regis- tration,” their previ-ous parties must have been successful.

The committee did not stop at modifying the types of parties; they also altered the food policy. Parties cannot serve food that is homemade, but only food that is store-bought and displayed in con-tainers.

The monitor system has also changed. Previously as-signed, 10 sober students are at-tended certain parties to ensure that the parties were safe and abiding by the party pol-icy. This system did not oper-ate as smoothly as planned, according to Smith. Assigned monitors often did not show up to their posts or would ne-glect to attend at all. Instead, the party policy has replaced “monitors” with “floaters.” The floaters are assigned by the hosts of the party them-selves, which should increase their dedication to obligations at the party, Smith said.

Over the next couple months, training sessions will be held so students can edu-cate themselves about hosting safe parties. “I encourage peo-ple to attend training; it has been a priority at Kenyon, and it will continue to be held so students can learn how to host,” Smith said. “The goal is to have a great time and enjoy yourself, but you have to be able to know how to do that.”

Karpilow agreed with Smith. “Safety has always been a priority at Kenyon, and with this new system it is em-phasized even more,” he said. “These new specified rules don’t necessarily limit anyone but only ensure that students are being taken care of.”

The new party system has only been in practice for three weeks, but Smith said she expects great results and is already pleased to report that, so far, most parties on campus have proved successful. She said she believes that with this revamped and much-im-proved party policy, Kenyon has a safer party environment that still allows students to have fun and retain freedom.

News Brief

Driving under the influence (DUI) charges at Kenyon have increased by 50 percent in the last year. It is likely, however, that this is more a result of stricter enforcement activity than it is of an increase in Kenyon students drinking and driving, according to Director of Campus Safety Bob Hooper. “Law enforce-ment ... has had to step that level up,” he said. “Mothers Against Drunk Driving put a lot of pressure on them, and the state of Ohio is putting pressure on them. There are more concerted efforts in the enforcement level.”

Another reason students get caught in the act is their ignorance about the party policy. Students are often caught due to their lack of knowledge about the boundaries of Kenyon property, Hooper said. The boundaries of Kenyon property are unclear to most, Hooper said. The enforcement level.”

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OrgSync Offers New Resources for Students

Students observed a moment of silence at noon on the 10th anniversary of 9/11.

Activities: OrgSync Offers New Resources for Students

From page 1 times when there is a major soft-
ware program we do fund that through our IT [information technology] funds," President S. Georgia Nugent said. Mastrangelo, however, said, 

"[OrgSync] is funded by Student Council and the Student Ac-
tivities Fee since it is so directly related to the student organiza-
tions they approve and their management.

Nugent Mastrangelo nor Student Council polled the stu-
dent body to learn of student opinions on switching to Org-
Sync. She said a 2011 student survey revealed a popula-
tional $3,000 of student activities funds each year, however.

Furste was studying abroad last year when the BFC agreed to fund OrgSync, and thus did not play a role in the approval, but he said he defended the de-
cision. "It’s expensive – surpris-
ingly expensive – but I think it’s worth it," he said. "Anyone who’s used Community, the old sys-
tem, knows that it was bad and we needed to get something new.

Mastrangelo said she received feedback from students before signing a contract with Org-
Sync. “I had anecdotal conversa-
tions with the students I knew used Community, and the over-
going theme was that they hated it.”

OrgSync’s implementation has come at the same time as a proposed increase of $30 per 
year in the Student Activities Fee, bringing the fee to $300 per 
student. On Tuesday, Sept. 13, Student Council sent an email to 
the student body asking students to vote on this issue. The email 
noted that an increase in the fee 
was necessary because student 
organizations are not receiving 
the funds they request. Last se-
meister, the BFC allocated only 
37 percent of funds that student 
organizations requested, accord-
ing to the email. The cost of Org-
Sync is now decreasing the avail-
ability of these funds, which, 
according to Student Council were already insufficient.

In addition, Student Council has cut the hours of the Mount 
Olive Shuttle on a trial basis. During the trial period, the shut-
tle will no longer run on Mon-
tays. If this cut remains in place, it will save the BFC $3,000 per 
year, according to Furste. This 
$3,000 in savings is equal to the additional cost of OrgSync per 
year as compared with Commu-

We went with the three-year 
plan because there was a multi-
year discount,” Mastrangelo said. “In addition, properly tran-
slating the system to one in year and determining whether or not it is good fit would be unreal-
sic.”

Mastrangelo said OrgSync is 
worth the additional money 
because of the features it offers 
that Community does not. Org-
Sync allows leaders of student organizations to use and cre-
ate forms, photo galleries, co-
structors, and a feature not available on Community. She said she was pleased with the outcome of the vote, and added that she was excited about the potential for OrgSync to improve the student experience on campus.

The treasury is probably go-
ing to be the biggest feature for 
those that request funding.”

Mastrangelo added. OrgSync in-
cludes a budget request system that will allow students to submit requests for funding. The system, which includes Micro-
soft Office Excel spreadsheets, will allow students to budget requests as student organiza-
tions make them, and these organiza-
tions will be able to see the results of these requests rather than they could with the old sys-
tem.
57 Varieties of Fun:
The Fredericktown Tomato Show

MARA POTTERSMITH

We sheltered Kenyon students might not know it, but the Fredericktown Tomato Show is a big deal. This year, for its 35th anniversary, the show was held in the small Ohio town from Sept. 7 through Sept. 10 and featured events ranging from the little Miss Tomato pageant to a five-mile run beginning at the local high school.

It all culminated in the much-anticipated Tomato Show Parade at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. Interested to see what the Tomato Show’s website describes as the “highlight of festivities,” fellow weird Ohio event enthusiast David Hoyt ’14 and I made the short drive to Fredericktown shortly before it began.

The day was cold, rainy and gray, but as we approached the parade’s designated ending point, we saw people lining the streets regardless of the weather. Many had obviously come from outside the town; the swell far exceeded Fredericktown’s recorded population of approximately 2,400. Visitors twisted their umbrellas in anticipation and all eyes were cast in the same direction, waiting for the first sign of the parade.

As we waited, we took advantage of the free lemonade provided by a local church. My friend filled our entry for a movie ticket raffle at the signing of the friendly man behind the counter. He paused, though, at the final two fill-in-the-blank questions: number of kids’ grade level and church attendance. We obviously were not part of the demographic they expected to see here.

Once we hit the first cars and floats along S. Main St., we came to the same realization: the Tomato Show Parade serves as a second Halloween for the young children of Knox County. Every person below the age of 15 donned a plastic bag, and every float or car that passed penned someone tossing handfuls of candy at the sidelines. Firefighters, police officers, Ohio State University students — they all had candy, and the children cleaned it off the streets before we could blink twice.

An amazing variety of Knox County life passed before our eyes as we walked and took in as much of the parade as time allowed. We saw the little girls who had competed in Little Miss Tomato, all clad in eye-sealing scarlet dresses; a small group of Boy Scouts with downtrodden expressions; numerous horse-drawn carriages; and, boasting the “Best Children’s Entry” title, a multi-colored train ridden by children in helmets.

Once we felt we’d had our fill of the parade, we made our way to the carnival, hoping to find some of the show’s eponymous tomatoes. Instead, we found what looked like a desert-dusted fairground, populated by scattered merchants’ booths and food vendors.

Unable to ignore our curiosity, we spent eight dollars on Chinese food sold out of a booth painted with the words “Have a rice day!” As we watched the vendor dip our General Tso’s Chicken into the fryer, David got up the courage to ask if he could point us toward any actual tomatoes.

“I think they’re here somewhere,” the man said, “but I don’t know where.”

We never did find any tomatoes. If we had so desired, we could have purchased cheese on a stick, blueberry shortcake or the “Indian bread” whose accompanying illustration struck dismay into my heart. The only tomato products we could find are tomato products. We’d normally be a little more enthusiastic, particularly the fudge. Despite the curious absence of tomatoes, the Fredericktown Tomato Show put on a great show of this year’s “heartbeat of America” theme. Genuine excitement surrounded the whole event, so much so that when a group of small boys ran up to my friend and me and asked us for candy, we didn’t think twice before rummaging in our pockets for some sweets to drop into their coveted plastic bags.
First Time Authors, Long Term Talent

KATHERINE BAKER

The Kenyon Review is notorious for bringing in influential authors and poets for their weekly reading series, and this past week's guest speakers were no less noteworthy.

For the first session of afternoon readings sponsored by The Kenyon Review, Goldie Goldbloom and Randi Davenport, winners of the 2010 and 2007 National Conference on the Teaching of Argument (GCLAA) New Writers' Award for Fiction and Non-Fiction, respectively, read excerpts from their books.

Goldbloom, a professor of World Literature and Creative Writing at Northern Western University, read from her first novel, Toad's Museum of Freaks and Wonders. Born and raised on a farm in Australia, Goldbloom spoke in a lilting accent on her inspiration for the book, which was focussed partly on a family event during World War II. Italian prisoners of war were sent to Australia with Allied forces to work on Australian farms. The excerpt Goldbloom read described the hardships and rewards of farm life, interspersed with magnificent rewards of farm life, interspersed with magnificent.

Davenport's own inspiration for her first novel came from her son's status now, Davenport said. “I was listening to his, his battle with cancer, and his faith, or lack thereof, in God. Asia was personable and through the night he invited the crowd to be a part of the performance. He encouraged the audience to laugh, cry and call out whenever they felt the need to. After he finished his set, Asia took a stool on the side of the stage to watch Kenyon students participate in the open mic. The students who followed the Asia Project were nearly as good as Asia himself. Cheever performed again, followed by a series of other students whose poems ranged from childhood memories to a bug seen at the Brown Family Environmental Center.
**Istanpitta Leads Audience on Musical Journey to 1492**

**DAN KIPP**

Kenyon is known for its Gothic architecture, but the Music Department got downright medieval this past Friday, Sept. 9. Istanpitta, a medieval music ensemble performing music from the 10th through 14th centuries, transformed Brandi Rea Hall into an ancient land.

Istanpitta’s program for the night, *Exiled*, featured songs and dances of 1492 Sephardic Spain, when King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella decreed the final expulsion of the non-Christian cultures from Spain. Arranged by Al Cofrin, the ensemble’s founder and director, *Exiled* tells the story of four musicians’ final goodbyes to one another through the language of music.

Istanpitta played everything from ouds to bagpipes and vielles to flutes, utilizing a wide swath of tambourines and hand drums. Cofrin himself played leader on the oud, setting the tone, and not missing a note. Emily Lau tentently broke down, licking solo riffs straight from the top of the head, through the soul, to the song.

Their songs bordered on modern jazz in their improvisational nature. “In a good string quartet, the communication between performers is often intense and tangible,” Istanpitta’s founder and director, Prof. Anna Sun, noted in an email in July 2009, opening, “I really enjoyed the article ‘Walk the Moon Rockets to Summer Success’ [Sept. 8, 2011]. It’s great to learn that a Kenyon band has been making a splash nationally and I know that the song ‘Anna Sun’ is poised to become a campus classic. But the article mentions that the song is ‘about’ a professor of sociology and Asian studies at Kenyon, which is a common misconception that I, Anna Sun, hear all the time.”

The truth is that “Anna Sun” is not about me, but is a great song about college life that borrows my name for its chorus. A member of Walk the Moon, Adam Reifsnyder ’08, wrote me an email in July 2009, opening with the line “You may or may not know me,” asking politely (the way our Kenyon students do) for permission to use my name for a new song they’d just written. I liked the song very much, and told them that it could certainly use my name.

In the acoustic version of the song on YouTube, you can hear a band member explaining that the song is not about Anna Sun (“We use it only because she has a really cool name; the song is not about her”). And in a video clip from a Carson Daly interview, the same explanation is offered by the band (“The song is named after a Kenyon professor, but it is not about her”).

“I do feel very honored that an abhorrently-sounding song about life at Kenyon uses my name, even though it is not about me!”

**Prof. Anna Sun Clarifies Walk the Moon Song Title**

**Kenyon Film Society**

**THIS WEEK IN THE KENYON FILM SOCIETY**

Friday, Sept. 17 — *Color Me Kubrick*

A slightly lesser-known film than 2001, *Color Me Kubrick* follows the true story of Alan Conway, a con man who scammed a number of people in Britain into thinking he was Stanley Kubrick, despite lacking any knowledge of Kubrick’s life or filmography. The film chronicles Conway’s deceit and capture, and takes care to illuminate the unscrupulous workings of Conway’s mind. Color Me Kubrick especially showcases the actor playing Conway, John Malkovich. Malkovich is a film veteran, and while this is certainly not one of Malkovich’s best-known roles, it’s one of his most in-depth and fully formed.

Both screenings start at 7:30 p.m. in the KAC Theater. We’ll see you there!
Sex Trafficking in the Buckeye State

Human trafficking is a serious issue, nationally and globally. Anyone can become a victim, whether rich or poor, black or white, male or female, U.S. citizen or not.

Unfortunately, other people did not always understand. 10TV came to do an interview with Marlene Carson and we were all introduced to the news reporter. For the protection of the girls, we never revealed whether we were a part of the program or volunteers. The news reporter, however, immediately assumed that all of us were former prostitutes, and treated us differently than others. Whenever I would walk by her, she wouldn’t talk to me, but instead would give me a sympathetic smile as if she pitied me for what I had been through.

I also received sympathetic, and slightly judgmental looks from the camera crew. I was so shocked that they acted that way around me, since I had never been treated like a pitiful little girl before. I had heard stories about people treating the girls differently, but never been the subject of such treatment. At a previous fundraiser, for example, a woman declared something like, “Everyone deserves love and a second chance, even prostitutes.” The victims at that fundraiser all burst out crying immediately. No one likes to be labeled and these girls did not choose to be trafficked.

This summer experience gave me a different view of the world. Human trafficking is a serious issue, nationally and globally. Anyone can become a victim, whether rich or poor, black or white, male or female, U.S. citizen or not. The girls and the volunteers at Rahab’s Hideaway made me want to do something about it. This year, I am starting a new club with another Kenyon student called Not For Sale (after the campaign at www.notforsalecampaign.org). The mission of this new group is to raise awareness of human and sex trafficking, and to campaign against this social injustice.
Sartorial Choices: Power in Leggings

Every time I step out in an outfit that bends others’ expectations of how I should perform my gender, I get the opportunity to help craft an alternative picture of how men and women behave.

With the right outfit, you can feel omnipotent. You can be anything and everything you want to be. In flannel and overall shorts, I feel akin to Angela Davis, Jenny Shimizu or Emma Balfour. In boots and a romper, I’m Bette Davis, Juliitte Lewis circa Natural Born Killers or Beyoncé. In a turtleneck, velvet blazer, leggings and cowboy boots, I can simultaneously channel Hillary Clinton and Annie Lennox. These identities are meant to be fun and easily switchable. Stepping into the role of someone else means becoming someone else. Every time I step out in an outfit that bends others’ expectations of how I should perform my gender, I get the opportunity to help craft an alternative picture of how men and women behave.

By performing gender in our own way, by actively and loudly loving ourselves, we try on many sweaters, attitudes, values, ideas and shapes and figures; and creating identities; transforming aesthetic veils and layers of identity is thrilling, sartorial statements should not be the defining note of one’s personality and values.

Clothing should be fun. It shouldn’t be a statement about gender and identity. For most of us, it will probably be a marriage of both looks, as well as many others. Part of college — part of life, actually — is being a chameleon. We try on many sweaters, attitudes, values, ideas and legging to see which fit us best. Cheering to always being able to try whatever we wish.

Cold Cereal

By Holly Anderson

Concerning STAR WARS

Kenyon’s commentary on George Lucas’s most recent director’s cut of the famous franchise.

“Han shot first.”
- Tess Hilliard ’14

“He needs to leave well enough alone.”
- Bowen Walker ’12

“What even is the Star Wars re-release?”
- Dan Sproull ’14

“I hate Star Wars. Star Wars is stupid.”
- Rose Milnes ’15

“It sounds like people loved it when Star Wars was first released. I kind of want that for us.”
- Maggie Rosenthal ’14

“No”
- Marcela Colmenares ’13

“My high school boyfriend called me Ewok. He still does.”
- Emma Saja ’14

“George Lucas wouldn’t change it if he didn’t know what he was doing. But I’m not going to buy it.”
- Padraig Duna ’14

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So how goes being an RA? How are the itty-bitty freshmen?

Fine! Awesome, actually.

I’ve decided to use them as my senior thesis.

…you’re making them into a social experiment?

Yeah! I’m thinking the Stanford prison experiment will make a great ice-breaker.

Nothing says “make new friends” like prison torture!

For a guy in a sweater vest, you’re remarkably evil.
In recent weeks, as a widening deficit drew the United States Postal Service closer to defaulting than ever before, the postmaster of Gambier breathed easily. The Gambier Post Office is one of only a handful of branches that earns a profit despite plummeting mail volume over the last decade. Her Gambier’s steady profit will likely save the branch from the cost-cutting measures that Postmaster General Patrick R. Donohue has been pushing before Congress. Postmaster of Gambier Donna Bosche said: “The Gambier Post Office is self-sustaining,” Bosche said. “A lot of that is thanks to the presence of Kenyon College.”

It is not easy to quantify the role Kenyon plays in supporting the Post Office, however. As a newspaper clipping hanging from the office wall reads, “The affairs of the village and Kenyon College have been so intermingled that it is sometimes difficult to tell where the village ends and the college begins.” In fact, the first Gambier Post Office dates back to 1852, eight years after Kenyon College was founded.

National cost-cutting measures include laying off 120,000 workers — nearly one-fifth of the agency’s workforce. There are also plans to close up to 3,700 post offices and cut Saturday mail delivery.

Many of the post offices slated to close serve rural towns, but Bosche said she is not concerned about the future of Gambier. Switching to five-day service would not affect P.O. Box delivery, she said.

It would, however, impact the rural community of Gambier, since those located within walking distance of the village limits receive a free box. Bosche said carriers deliver to approximately 600 businesses and homes, many of whom receive pre-scriptions and newspapers by mail.

Revenue comes from selling stamps and services, since the Post Office receives no money from the government. One source of revenue is P.O. Box rentals, over 50 percent of which go to Kenyon for the students. “It’s a good side income or, if you will, P.O. Boxes to use — it’s unusual. But we’re grateful they do,” Bosche said.

The merging of college and town mailrooms creates a social hub, the postmaster said. “The Postmaster of Music Benjamin Locke agreed with Bosche’s characterization during his daily stop at the Post Office last Thursday. “You intersect with people not only from the community, but with students, colleagues, alumni,” he said.

The Post Office itself will likely avoid cutbacks. Gambier has not followed the national trends that have diminished revenue and increased prices for this agency agency. Total mail volume in Gambier is down by 1.2 percent since last August (volume has dropped 12 percent nationally over the past five years) and the office’s utility bills have risen.

Gambier offset this difference by cutting expenses, Bosche said. The Post Office trimmed labor costs by switching from manual to automated processing machines in Columbus, as well as by hiring contractors for seasonal work.

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When asked whether she felt secure in her job, Fahlung said, “I hope so, but the news was that ‘I just have to make sure to do my job right,’” she added.

TALLA MINDICH

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The world’s deadliest diseases are commonplace in the future imagined in Frontier, but it may not be far away in the present. Just this year, the first HIV-derived cure was develop- ed. “Interestingly, it was not reported as such. It was reported as a cancer cure using a lentiviral vector that transforms somatic T cells to cure the cancer,” Slonczewski said. “None of the news sto- ries said this was based on the AIDs virus, but I know that’s what a lentiviral vector is. It’s derived from the AIDSVirus.”

The backroom of the Post Office, where students’ packages and letters are received and sorted into P.O. Boxes. Non-student residents living within the village limits receive a free box.

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Women's Rugby Routed by Big Red

The Women's Rugby opens their regular season play this Saturday, Sept. 17 at home against Oberlin College.

NINA ZIMMERMAN

The lights at the Denison University football stadium shone down on the field last Saturday night, Sept. 10 as a pre-season game of rugby between two old rivals raged on. The Kenyon Women's Rugby Club got the opportunity to play under the lights in a matchup against the Denison Women's Rugby Club in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the founding of Denison's club.

"It was awesome," Kenyon club president Molly McCleary '14 said. "They put on music over the speakers and then the lights came on."

Though they lost 8-5, McCleary said the team was more than satisfied with the effort and grit they showed the Big Red.

"[The score is] really not a representation of how we actually played," McCleary said. "At no point did we give up. Even when we were down by a lot ... everyone still played really hard and went all out."

The match was also an opportunity to ease the six Ladies rookies into the sport before the regular season. At the time of the match the rookies had only been playing rugby for roughly four weeks, according to McCleary.

"The rookies had never seen a game before, and we hadn't played full contact in practice really because you don't want to just throw that at the rookies," she said. "We didn't want to play them a ton because they've never played, and that's not safe for them or for the other team. We tried to get them in as much as was good for them to try to get a hang of everything. And they did pretty well."

Defeats are almost always learning experiences, especially when they take place at the beginning of the season, and this game was no exception, McCleary noted.

"Now we're in a really good position to be ready to work on what we need to work on and then be ready for our regular season schedule, which starts on Saturday," McCleary said.

The first official game of the season is scheduled for this Saturday at 11:00 a.m., on the rugby pitch behind the KAC. The Ladies will face the Oberlin College Yeowomen, and the match should be a good one.

"We're really optimistic about the season," McCleary said. "It'll be a fun game to watch and it'll be very well-matched."

Volleyball Breaks Even in Tournament

JANIE SIMONTON

The Kenyon College women’s volleyball team was in search of one thing last weekend: revenge.

The team bounced back and broke even after a loss in this past weekend’s tournament on Sept. 9 and 10, according to Head Coach Katie Charles.

"We went 2-2 in this past weekend’s tournament and beat Marietta College after having lost to them last week," Charles said.

Outside hitter Sierra DeLeon ‘14, who tacked 22 kills under her belt on Saturday alone, said the team lost to Penn State Behrend and St. Vincent, but won the last two games of the tournament.

"I’m really excited to see where this team may still be in the process of figuring things out, she has no experience we’ll get from those," Charles said. "Now we’re in a really good position to be ready to work on what we need to work on and then be ready for our regular season schedule, which starts on Saturday." McCleary said.

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Golf Places Ninth at Denison Invite

ROB WENNEMER

The Lords golf team hit the links this past weekend for the Denison University Fall Invitational, its first match of the 2011-2012 season.

With a two-day total score of 359, the Lords finished in ninth place among their competitors at the tournament, which took place at the Granville Golf Course.

"I think we played well, but we still have a long way to go," Head Coach Chris Ehmer said. "This is definitely a learning experience for all of us."

Learning and development will be key for the Lords this season, since their roster features a first-year-heavy squad and a new coach.

"We've had two tournaments from last year. We are big and strong, but there were some places where we lost but we shouldn't have. I can't even emphasize how much more advantaged we are from last year. We have more people, more height [and] more talent. We just haven't figured out how to play together yet," DeLeon said that while the team may still be in the process of figuring things out, she has no doubt that it can only get better.

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Lords Football Fumbles, Unable to Tackle Terriers

ANNA DUNLAVEY

The Lords emerged from their Saturday game against Hi- ram College discouraged in the wake of their second loss of the season. Despite the loss, the team showed great improvement after last week’s game against the Oberlin College Yeomen.

Last week, they ran up a total of 107 offensive yards to the Yeo-men’s 49 and lost 42-0. Against Hiram, the Lords played a more even game, gaining 442 offensive yards to the Terriers’ 427 only to lose 18-13.

The ‘Tigers’ led for a good portion of the game, thanks to a five-yard touchdown by Dan Shannon ‘13, and a sack by Reed Franklin ‘14, who smothered the quarterback in the fourth quarter. Trouble arose when the Terriers blocked a 29-yard field goal attempt by Max Chooshod ‘12, and shortly afterward scored a 4-yard touchdown. The Lords had another chance to regain a lead, but when the Terriers inter-cepted Shannon’s pass at the 10-yard line with less than 20 seconds left, it became clear that the game was going to go to Hiram.

Still, Head Coach Ted Stan- ky saw a lot of progress from the first game to the second, we played faster and with more passion,” he said. “We went out there with a lot more confidence.”

One major difference he noted was that during the first game, the team went in with some great expectations, but without the drive to carry them out. “When you do not go into a right game and you do not play at the right level, physically, emotion-ally, spiritually, effort-wise, and your opponent does, they’re go-ing to go in and knock you out,” Stanley said.

This week the Lords went in both with high expectations and the playing ability to carry them out. “Both teams played at a pretty high level, so it was a com-petitive game,” Stanley said. “We were playing at a level where we could win.”

Another difference Stanley noticed from this week is the team’s recognition that they were in control. The players were confident throughout the game. There were some mistakes and issues, but the team’s confidence never waned. Up until the last few seconds, according to Stan-ley, the players felt they would be okay. After the game, when they were feeling dis- puncted, Stanley offered some words of wisdom. “I told the team we … con-trolled the game pretty much from start to finish,” he said. “Even when we were behind ear-ly, when we were down 3-0, we still felt like we had a good group on it.”

Stanley praised many play-ers on the team for their accom-plishments and improvements from their first game to their sec-ond, including Shannon. “He threw for over 300 yards as a quarterback, which is a great day,” Stanley said. Shannon also made some critical mistakes, however, which is why Stanley said he could represent the offense as a whole. “We played really well, we improved from last week, we took some steps forward, but we still made some mistakes at criti-cal times,” he said.

He also mentioned how run-ning back Bert Williams ‘13 helped the team. “Jordan Brooks ‘13 got injured in the second half, and Bert took a step for-ward and had a great game,” he said. Derek Barbas ‘13 also had a good game on offense, while Zach Morrow ‘14, Kolin Sul-ivan ‘13, Mike Papagni ‘12 and Will Clemens ‘13 played well on defense.

The Lords’ next game is on Sept. 26 against Carnegie Mellon. Since it is the Lords’ first home game, Stanley is hoping for a big turnout to support the team.

Field Hockey Falls to New Foe DePauw

RICHARD PERA

The Kenyon field hockey team hosted its first home game of the season on Saturday, falling to DePauw University 2-0 on McBride Field. The loss dropped Kenyon to 1-3 and evened the team’s North Coast Athletic Conference record at 1-1.

The Ladies kept up with the Tig-ers’ tough play through half-time, when there was still no score, but DePauw struck twice in the second half to seal the win. “It was very happy with the way we played in the first half,” Head Coach Chrisy Needham said. “We fought hard in the sec-ond half but weren’t able to produce much offense.”

Saturday’s victory was De- Pauw’s first NCAC win in their history, as the school joined the conference in the off-season. The 2011 campaign will mark the first time that Kenyon will face the Tigers consistently.

“Going in, we didn’t know very much about DePauw, but we knew they were a quality pro-gram,” Needham said.

The DePauw field hockey team is used to practicing on a grass surface, which made them particularly skilled at stopping balls on McBride Field’s artifi- cial turf. “Our team has also recog-nized how the Tigers’ individual talent will lead to success in the NCAC.”

“The Ladies are scheduled to play nonconference opponent the University of Rochester Monday on McBride Field.”

Cross Country

KEVIN PAN

Both the Lords and the La-dies have improved in their two most recent cross country meets. On Saturday, Sept. 10, the Lords finished in 12th place at the Ohio Wesleyan Invitational, then had a solid third place finish at the GLCA Championships just a week later. As for the La-dies, the team had a ninth place finish at the Ohio Wesleyan Invi-tational, then a fifth place finish at the GLCA Championships. Head Coach Duane Gomez applauded the team’s perfor-mance.

“The meet was a very com-petitive meet for such an early season meet,” Gomez said. “The course was [a] very good one, and the competition was great. So the meet was excellent overall.”

Gomez highlighted a couple of individuals who performed well in particular. “Jenna Willer ‘14 ran a very strong race,” Gomez said. “She was very aggressive and jumped off the starting line and placed herself among the top runners right away. And Jenna stayed there throughout the race, finish- ing with an excellent early season time; placing 10th in the GLCA Champions.”

On the Lords’ side, Willy Friedlander ‘14 and Pat Mey-er ‘12 ran solid races and both placed among the top 15 in the GLCA Championship.