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Athletes stand up for LGBTQ equality

FOODCART, AT LONG LAST

Rick Kapil, owner of Bayleaf Indian Bistro in Mount Vernon, and Jyoti Gupta, greeted customers Wednesday as the food cart came to Middle Path. It will be open Monday through Friday during lunch, Kapil said.

SARAH LEHR NEWS EDITOR

Avery Anderson ’15 and Emilia Louy ’15 want Kenyon athletes to know: it’s OK to be gay. Anderson, a member of the women’s basketball team and Emilia, a former Kenyon softball player, plan to release a video Public Service Announcement featuring Kenyon athletes, administrators and coaches. “We wrote a script that basically says, no matter who you are, no matter your sexual orientation, if you can kick a soccer ball, if you can make a save … you can play on our team,” Louy said. Anderson and Louy, who worked closely with the Office of Public Affairs to create the video, said they were delighted by the amount of enthusiasm for the project.

“We feel that sexuality is kind of something that’s swept under the rug when it comes to athletics, kind of like a don’t ask, don’t tell [atmosphere] and the video’s mission was kind of to open [that] communication,” Anderson said. To further lift the taboo on gay athletes, Emilia and Avery are working to establish a new campus organization for gay athletes and fans and their straight allies. The group, called Athletes for Equality, emerged out of a Unity House-sponsored discussion last semester on “Sports and Sexuality.”

Women’s Basketball Coach Suzanne Helfant, who will advise Athletes for Equality and who is gay, has noticed a shift in attitudes at Kenyon surrounding gay athletes. “At Kenyon, I’ve seen a dramatic change but I think it’s parallel to a societal change … I do think it’s not really as taboo as it used to be,” she said. Helfant certainly wasn’t used to it,” she said.

Gregory von Freymann, a veteran of the Gulf War, as well as the Vietnam War, and former rugby advisor. “He had mentioned one time that he felt like Kenyon really didn’t do much with its veterans,” von Freymann said. “And, you know, I’ve been here for almost 18 years, and Veterans Day kind of comes and goes here. It really isn’t something that’s really talked about or celebrated.”

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STAFF WRITER

When Ryan Stewart ’08 was serving as an armor officer in northern Iraq, he never imagined that five years after enlisting in the U.S. Army in April of his senior year, he would return to the Hill to take the position of director of campus safety.

Considering his new title, it’s only fitting that he is now working to give the College the benefit of his and fellow veterans’ experiences in the armed forces.

Stewart started contacting veterans in the Kenyon community at the beginning of the semester, hoping to form connections between veterans from a variety of eras in recent military history. He has since received over a dozen responses, and the Kenyon Veterans Association plans to introduce itself to campus with an upcoming panel for a Veterans Day event sponsored by the Center for the Study of American Democracy. “I had kind of been toying with the idea for a while,” Stewart said. “You know, just trying to band together to share our experiences, because it certainly is unique. When I got back to Kenyon, with the resources of my position, I was able to find other Kenyon vets, and that’s in the broader alumni community.”

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Amanda Louy ’15, Womens Basketball Coach Suzanne Helfant and Emily Louy ’15 started Athletes for Equality.

“The grant will help pay for students’ summer expenses,” SAM COTY SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

Andrew Pochter ’15 has been memorialized by both family and friends since his untimely death over the summer. Through the Andrew Driscoll Pochter Memorial International Studies Fund, his family and friends hope to honor his life and achievements on campus for years to come.

The fund was established in large part by Pochter’s parents, according to a press release issued by Kenyon’s Office of Public Affairs last Friday. It will provide an opportunity for one or more students — regardless of financial need — to participate in a summer internship in the Islamicate world, conduct advanced study related to international affairs or the Middle East, or develop proficiency in an Islamic language.

“I think in many ways the interests and needs that we have on campus — support for internships, especially internships abroad — is something that’s a well-identified need on campus and happens to overlap with an interest of the [Pochter] family,” President Sean Decatur said.

The Pochter fund is not the first College-administered internship grant, but it is the first to award funds regardless of financial need. According to Vice President of College Relations Sarah Kahrl, the existing internship fund administered by the College is the Calvin and Leniece Wighty Endowed Fellowship, which supports students who receive need-based financial aid and need assistance to participate in internships or externships. The fellowship was endowed by Larre Bush Schroeder ’97, the current president of the Alumni Council, and her husband Jeffrey.

Considering the highly competitive job market Kenyon students will enter upon graduation, some have raised the question of whether or not the College has a...
President Sean Decatur on flag vandalism:

“I think that the fact that this happened [in conjunction] with Hispanic Heritage Month was particularly hard for the community. At a time when the community is celebrating diversity, to have something cloud that takes away from the event. That said, I was impressed [by] the way that students … moved ahead with their plans. I think it says a lot … when the thoughtlessness of one or a few don’t really impact the desire of the community as a whole.”

Adelante maintains program efforts despite flag thefts

Although many flags remain, Peirce atrium was stripped of eight national banners over the weekend.

Health Center moves to Scott Ln.

HORNSBY GENDREAU | OPINIONS EDITOR

He’s back. Graham Gund ’63 has returned to Gambhir bigger, better and in the form of a new two-story Health Center that is challenging the post office for dominance of the Scott Lane skyline.

The 8,500 square-foot facility, which is expected to be completed in the spring, serves a dual purpose for both health and counseling services — it will boast four examination rooms and three consultation rooms on the first floor and five individual counseling offices on the second.

“The Center is meant to fit the needs of the students,” Miller said. “It will have a dual purpose for both health and counseling services.”

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Queer Men’s Society fights for members, campus presence

Heny Sewell

Graysen Ponti

Kenyon online: 189-year-old College focuses on digital meeting, hallway,” Fitzwater said of balancing print and digital. 

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**Equipment upgrades refresh KAC**

The Kenyon Athletic Center purchased a new line of elliptical machines. and flooring possible. "We submit to the Board of Trustees and to [Chief Business Officer] Mark Kohlman our list of things that we feel are slowly degrading and that we need to re-placem," Newell said. The repair and replace program works off of a yearly budget of $2 mil- lion for new equipment and around $3 million for building improvements. "We set some money aside every year in preparation for longer-term projects, like the replacement of the KAC's roof," Kohlman said.

The fitness center's renovation costs roughly $140,000 total — $20,000 for new flooring beams, $60,000 for the protective rubber pad and $40,000 for the ellipticals. The cost of the repairs raises ques-tions about the longevity of the KAC, given that it opened only seven years ago in 2006. Newell said replace-ment and repair are inevitable and more cost-effective in the long run. [The ellipticals] were breaking down frequently and the cost to repair them [meant] ... it was actually cheaper to get new ones," he said. It would cost roughly $3,500 to repair one of the old ellipticals compared to $5,000 to buy new, according to Newell.

New stationary bikes are next on the docket, but the selection process will be different. Rather than choose the bikes based on online research and input from differ-ent people, "we're going to be doing some sales pitches, there will be test bikes in the KAC for student review," Newell said. "We want to be able to update so that in a student's four years here, they're seeing new equipment [in the fitness center] and they aren't using the same stuff all four years," Newell said.

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**College to ring in Decatur with gala**

Faculty, trustees, students and about 100 delegates will for-mally process into the track prior to the ceremony. The Committee hopes student groups will carry colorful banners.

"My goal is to have students as involved as possible," Finke said. "Sometimes we tend to think about external audiences for this — the delegates, the vis-itors, the trustees ... but I think the students need to own this event as well." Accompanying the ceremony, in a traditional Kenyon event known as the Illumination, peo-ple will gather to watch the en-tire north face of Old Kenyon be lit from within. Since open flames were banned every window of Old Kenyon present a safety hazard, the College used special stage lights for the inauguration of S. Georgia Nugent in 2003.

"We haven't really decided how we're going to do it, but we know when we're going to do it," Finke said of Decatur's Illumi-nation ceremony.

"The real fun, however, will take place Saturday evening at a gala dinner in Peirce. Deca-tur, a Cleveland native, requested 'Cleveland-based' over hand Revolution Pie. He also asked that the event be somewhat in-formal. The gala isn't being imagined, as Georgia's was, as a ball," Finke said. "It's more of chance for people to let their hair down af-ter a long and tiring week."

"In the week leading up to the ceremony at the KAC, the illu-mination and the gala, Kenyon will host various symposia and events in the field of sci-ence research in the liberal arts called 'The Bonds We Form.' "We're really trying to reflect Decatur's interests along with everything Kenyon has to offer," Finke said. Going forward, the Inaugu-ratory committee plans to contin-ue to work closely with Main-tenance, AV, the KAC staff, Student Affairs and Executive Assistant to the President and vice presidents. The College de-clined to disclose the budget for the Inauguration.

"Our task for the next couple weeks is to work on the plans that we have within our budget," Woehr said. "It's like planning a huge wedding."
Cat-astrophe strikes: local feline population goes a-stray

LAUREN TOOLE | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Through the fluorescent-white hallway of Farr Hall and down the stairs into the depths of the basement are the parking lot doors, slightly askew. As they open, multiple pairs of eyes flash up and then away: felines — joined by the occasional raccoon — scatter. There is a name for this place. Colloquially, the students call it the cat lair.

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As a philanthropist, Kenyon alum Thomas Hoffman ’62 has fought to help save the 12 endangered species of cranes — including Ohio’s own Sandhill variety.

To do so, Hoffman has traveled all over the world, from Siberia to Cuba, but his fascinating journey eventually led him back to where it all began.

Thomas Hoffman ’62 has lived an enviable life in some of the world’s most cultured cities — making a career as an expert in international trade-mark law in Paris, Chicago and Seattle. But when it came time to give back, he chose to donate his money and time not to the Orchestre de Paris or the Lyric Opera of Chicago, but to the humble crane.

“There are 15 species of cranes in the world, of which 12 are endangered,” Hoffman said. One species of the bird, the Sandhill Crane, exists in Ohio.

“The second species of crane in the United States,” he continued, “is the Whooping Crane. It stands five to six feet tall, and has black tips on its wings and is very endangered; there are only about 500 in the world.”

A chemistry major and swimmer at Kenyon, Hoffman became involved in the International Crane Foundation after he met the retired president and founder, George Archibald, through a friend. Archibald insisted Hoffman visit “Crane City” in Wisconsin, the only place in the world to have breeding pairs of every different species of crane. “[Archibald] charmed you,” Hoffman said. “And then the birds charmed you.”

Hoffman’s involvement began with fundraising for the Foundation, eventually becoming a board member. Later, he had the opportunity to work on some of the Foundation’s trips.

Hoffman’s first international project took him to Siberia with to help with a new nature preserve. “On our first trip, Archibald insisted we visit ‘Crane City’ in Wisconsin, the only place in the world to have breeding pairs of every different species of crane,” Hoffman said. “Archibald charmed you. Archibald, Hoffman and his co-workers would host ‘crane festivals,’ featuring art, music, theater and, of course, rum and cigars.

Though Hoffman seeks to halt the destruction of cranes, his main concern is the conservation of wetlands. “We see so many of them destroyed, and they are such an important part of our environment,” Hoffman said. “I think my real focus is trying to slow that process down and [making] sure that the wetlands are not destroyed, and using the Sandhill crane as a charismatic symbol for that.”

After travelling all over the world for both cranes and his personal work, Hoffman decided to settle down with his wife to Gambier. “Ten or 15 years ago, the Kenyon community looked at forming a retirement community right here in Gambier,” he said. “Even though we were a long way from retirement, we thought this would be a great place to retire. Well, that fell through … [so] we approached Graham [Gund] about [designing] our house.”

For Hoffman, a Kenyon education allowed him to pursue a variety of experiences, from his legal work to his philanthropy. “You never know when the next exciting opportunity is going to come through,” Hoffman said. “Kenyon prepared me to be able to pursue those opportunities. And they’ve been wonderful.”

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Overall, Hoffman and his wife have been pleased with their choice to return to Gambier. “[Gambier] is just a wonderful place to retire,” he said. “There are a lot of activities. I’m still involved with the swim team. The music programs are just wonderful, and the lectures. It’s just a vibrant community to be a part of, being around young people.”

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Pupil to professor: Klesner’s rural road to higher education

From flipping burgers to working in a factory, Klesner did all he needed to further his education. He then pursued and completed his undergraduate degree in three years.

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STAFF WRITER**

Interim Provost Joe Klesner had to get out of his hometown. 

“I enjoyed reading, thinking about life and the rest of the world from pretty early on, and you couldn’t live the life of a mind where I grew up,” he said.

Raised in a small farming town in southeast Iowa where, Klesner said, about half of his high-school class went to college, Klesner is the son of a farm implement mechanic and a grocery store employee. Klesner was a produce manager at a rural grocery store for three years in high school.

“I’m a first-generational college student,” Klesner said. In order to pay his way through Central College in Pella, Iowa, he flipped burgers, worked at a factory and did other odd jobs.

“The only thing I haven’t done is wait tables,” he said with a laugh.

The cost of college made early graduation especially appealing to Klesner. He graduated from Central in 1980 after only three years with degrees in economics and political science. 

“It was one of those things where some people thrive on being busy,” he said.

But despite his academic success, Klesner said he regrets double-majoring and graduating early from Central.

“I guess it formed me, but I wouldn’t regard it as the most important life experience either,” he said.

“At the time, I thought I had good reasons to do what I did,” he said. “There are times when I think it would have been much wiser to not do that.”

His main regret is not studying abroad as an undergraduate.

“It cost a little less to do it,” he added. 

Before graduation, Klesner first considered continuing his education in law school. 

“(Law school is) just a track that a first-generation college student is likely to take. ... I thought I might go to law school, but the closer I got to graduation the more I liked the idea of an academic career and becoming a professor.”

**Interim Provost Joe Klesner**

Ultimately, he decided to pursue a master’s and doctorate degree in political science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

“I was interested in politics of developing countries and decided to do Latin America as my region of focus,” he said.

Klesner has dedicated much of his academic life to this region and has published articles on Mexican electoral politics and liberalization.

“Mexico at the time was a place that was not getting as much attention as some other countries,” he said. “I had a graduate school professor who strongly counseled me to do my work on Mexico, so I followed that advice.”

After graduation, Klesner accepted a position at Kenyon in 1985. “This was my first job,” he said. Klesner has remained here ever since.

Coming from such a small town, Klesner said the liberal arts was a foreign concept.

“In the community I grew up in, higher education was for very utilitarian purposes,” he said. “I learned what liberal education was, but I didn’t know what I was supposed to expect until toward the end.

“In small towns, people get set in their social patterns, in their way of doing things and in their way of seeing the world,” he said. “I didn’t want to fall into those patterns.”

At Kenyon, Klesner has designed and taught many international studies and political science classes. He also directed Kenyon’s International Studies Department for much of the ’90s.

Though only a few of Klesner’s close high-school friends attended college, there was little tension within the group. Still, “It’s harder to maintain long-term relationships, I think, when your life paths diverge a lot,” he said.

Though Klesner was not able to keep in touch with some high school classmates, on campus, he built relationships with his students from the start. His best teaching experience happened during an international studies senior seminar in the fall of 2006 after he returned from a year teaching in Ireland on a Fulbright Scholarship at University College Dublin.

“I had taught the students in the course before I went off on my sabbatical,” he said. “They all went off on their junior year abroad, and we all came back in the fall of that year. We just had a wonderful time because we had all just had these experiences living and working and studying in other countries.”

That seminar, where most had experienced the “life of a mind” abroad, contrasted starkly to life in his hometown.

“The one class I thought was absolutely the best class I ever had was that group,” Klesner said.

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This marks Interim Provost Joe Klesner’s 29th year at Kenyon.
THE LOST LANDMARKS OF KENYON

We all know the Kenyon Athletic Center, the Miller Observatory and the Bolton Dance Studio. But what came before? Take a look at the Hill’s past architectural structures, which now only survive in The Greenslade Special Collections and Archives. Compiled by Cora Markowitz, Graham Reid and Liam Reilly.

**MILNOR HALL** (1834-1906)

MILNOR HALL, erected in 1834, was home for 39 years to a grammar school founded by Philander Chase. Though not technically part of Kenyon College, it descended from a series of preparatory schools that were a department of the College, and thus associated with Kenyon. During the Civil War, interest in the school decreased, leading to its closure in 1861. The building then served briefly as a hotel in the mid-1870s, until becoming the Kenyon Military Academy — a school unaffiliated with the College but located on the Hill less than half a mile away. For the annual price of $120, around 80 boys were given a thorough education in drilling and military exercises, as well as a classical preparatory education. For a time, the boys of Milnor were known for their football abilities, even standing unchallenged in the state of Ohio.

In 1880, thanks to a donation from Columbus Delano, a relative of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the academy built Delano Hall right beside Milnor Hall, doubling the size of the school. In the same fire that destroyed Milnor Hall in 1906, Delano Hall also succumbed. The cause of the fire remains a mystery to this day.

**DELANO HALL** (1880-1906)

Hubbard Hall, built in the early 1880s, was Kenyon’s first library. The hall was destroyed in a fire on New Year’s Day in 1910, but the attached Stephens Stick Building, which housed most of the library’s books, survived. After its 1910 destruction, the hall was replaced with the Alumni Library. With the 1982 construction of Chalmers Library, the old Alumni Library became Ransom Hall, now the home of The Office of Admissions.

**HUBBARD HALL** (1885-1910)

Hubbard Hall stood near the current site of Ransom Hall, north of Peirce, on the west side of Middle Path.

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**ERSNT CENTER**

The Alwin C. Ernst Center, completed on Oct. 3, 1991, was the Athletic Recreation Convocation Complex (ARC) for 25 years. Prior to the ARC, Kenyon’s only swimming pool, the Shaffer Swimming Pool — which is now the Bolton Dance Studio — was slowly falling apart. The College felt the need for a new, safer athletic center, and thus the ARC was born. With new facilities and a new swimming pool, students could work out or practice without the dangerous combination of a low ceiling and high diving board like in the Shaffer Swimming Pool. At an estimated cost of $5.5 million in 1981, today the cost of the ARC would be around $12 million.

The ARC was also used as a space for concerts and hosted artists both within and outside the College — most famously the Michael Stanley Band. After completion of the renovations, the ARC was finally demolished in 2009.

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More flag thefts are unacceptable

Too many times over the past several years, the Collegian has published editorials condemning thefts on campus. This past weekend’s theft of Hispanic-heritage national flags from Pierce Hall, we do so again. But this case is not a normal one. While the flags may have had less monetary value than a laptop stolen from the library, they still hold a great deal of symbolic value and represent the hard work put into planning the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations on campus.

Perhaps the flags were not stolen specifically to harm these celebrations. Maybe they were just seen as an easy target by drunken revelers going on a late-night stroll through Pierce. Or even if that is the case, the disappearance of the flags still sends a cruel and unsettling message to those celebrating Hispanic heritage. We urge those responsible to return the flags immediately.

When several rainbow pride flags were stolen from Unity House last year, the Kenyon community responded strongly and immediately condemned the crime. Many were heartened to see news of mini-flags lining Middle Path, and the distribution of rainbow-flag magnets sent a message of tolerance and acceptance at Kenyon. We hope the campus will respond equally positively and productively to this negative event.

Be aware of the hazards cats pose

There is no single solution to handle Gambier’s current cat problem. It is better to ignore the cats but risk further multiplication, or to lure them with food in an attempt to catch and sterilize them? There are, however, simple steps to keep the issue from escalating further.

It is inexcusable for anyone to abandon an animal, and this especially applies to Kenyon students. It may seem like a good idea to take a pet into your dorm room or apartment, but if you cannot provide for the animal when you move out, or if you panic at the thought of living without your pet, you are not doing yourself a favor. For this reason, think of the long-term consequences when you get a pet.

If you absolutely must be a friend to the animals, do it through appropriate means. Rather than approaching feral cats, which can be aggressive and carry health risks, volunteer at or donate to the Humane Society to help care for the cats in need there.

New revelations on NSA warrant debate

Each week, we learn new ways that the National Security Agency (NSA) has broken or retrieved forms and means of digital privacy. In recent weeks, thanks to reporting by The New York Times, The Guardian, and ProPublica, we learned that HTTPS, VPN, SSL and VOIP are the latest outdated Internet slang. This is paired with revelations that the NSA is vacu-umming data at a humongous rate — 1.6 percent of all Internet traffic per day — which ArTechnica, a technol-ogy website, points out is even more than Google. These communications include not just Americans (unintended surveillance) but the whole world (un-tended surveillance).

A sort of despairing thought occurs: when we can’t trust the NSA and have become inured to the idea of less privacy these days, what can we do? Talking with my friends on cam-pus, we seem to have two opinions about the NSA: The first suggests that the NSA is really just one part of a larger cultural shift in how we live our lives. It is neither the cause of nor the explanation for our lack of privacy today. Societal changes are pushing us into an age of no privacy because all our “wins” in life are so social. “You are not alone” is now “you should never be alone.” And the argument says that, surprisingly, most people don’t mind this.

The second argument in favor of NSA spying is something along the lines of national security. The NSA makes us safer. So it goes.

But I urge you to reconsider. Thus far the NSA has produced no convincing case of lives saved from their digital spying. It erodes trust by portraying our government as Goliath when we least want them to, and as inept and bumbling when we most need them.

There is a difference be-cause you agree to a complicated terms of service agreement on Facebook and Twitter and the federal government is circumventing your records without your consent. The Constitution is not a null-op. Also, though privacy may appear less obvi-ous, most people still do it. Two weeks ago, a Pew Research Center survey found that “86 percent of internet users have taken steps to remove or mask their digital footprints.” Perhaps far more im-portantly, my friends ar-gue that we still live in the shadow of 9/11.

To this I respond with an urgent editorial from 11 September, Sept. 10, 2002, in The New York Times that said: “When we are afraid, as we have all been this week, civil liberties can seem abstract. But they are at the core of what separates this country from nearly all others; they are what we are defending when we go to war. To slash away at liber-ty in order to defend it is not only illogical, it has proved to be a failure. Yet that is what has been happening.”

In an age of no privacy we gain an immeasurably powerful strength — the potential for speech. But anything at the grievous cost of something else is no good. The media’s job is to make as clear as possible where privacy is abjured and exactly what information has been taken or used. The spying powers of the NSA have increased without the discussion and de-bate we deserve.

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Two homes, far apart but closer in spirit

CHARMAYNE COOLEY CONTRIBUTOR

Not having the opportunity to study abroad during college, I undertook my desire for adventurous travel in the past few years. This international life primarily revolved around Cameroon, an equatorial African country where I served as a community health educator with the U.S. Peace Corps for 27 months.

Although nothing could have fully prepared me for that experience, Kenyon equipped me well. Kenyon shares a surprising number of similarities with my post, Bapa. Like Philander Chase is roused to have said, too, I arrived at the top of my mini-mountain and said “This will do.” I had traded a village on “the Hill” for one of the hills of West-Central Africa.

If nothing else, power outages and rustic living conditions are acutely in need of Caples. As in Cameroon, the power was sporadic and the air conditioning in Bapa was impossible. And, in typical rural-living tradition, anything has the potential to become a snake.

Whether traversing Middle Path or walking the path from my house to the Bapa Health Center, greetings and conversation are not only the norm, they’re expected. (Though we would have faced far less opposition to paying the dirt roads in Cameroon — especially during rainy season when the trenches of mud and puddles threaten to swallow entire cars.)

Now, instead of acknowledging goats and farmers cooking themselves under the shade of banana trees, I nod at students sprawled out on Ransom Lawn with their heads propped up on backpacks.

Much like Peirce’s sustain-ability mission, almost everything I ate in Cameroon was locally produced. Speaking of food, I forgot how much Mid-Westerner love sharing their garden bounty with you. So far back in my Midwestern County, I’ve bestowed my surplus of tomatoes and zucchini in return received jalapeño peppers and homemade pesto sauce.

Like living abroad for four years, I’m leaving Cameroon with a regret of my experience here. I’m told there are no crocodiles guarding the entrance of Cromwell Cottage, either.

Whether reading the Alumn i Bulletin online or diligently serving as a class agent, I never wavered in my love for Kenyon College. Photos of campus adorned my house and I wore the College’s name on flip-flops and T-shirts — so much so that the kids in my compound would buy me a drink in return for a free shirt.

I miss my little African village and the life I created for myself. I feel scared of things I should not fear.

You always have so far.”

Do you want a free dinner or some homemade cookies? Go. Is whatever you pick the best thing you can do for them? If not, you should never do it again.

I hope readers will tell the truth, let your friend judge you, and tell you that you are worth more to your friends than your car and that your friendship will survive.

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In my mind. Community in the name of ever-present reverse culture shock, I’m likely to ask you how you slept, to think you’re the only person who doesn’t learn how to externalize some things.

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SEPT. 25 | 7:30 P.M. WOMEN’S STUDIES LECTURE INDERPAL GREWAL BUDD CULLENTHOR THEATER
SEPT. 26 | 7:20 P.M. FOOD MOVEMENT LEADER MICHAEL POLLAN HOUSE HALL
SEPT. 26 | 8 P.M. COMMON HOUR DISCUSSION MICHAEL POLLAN PEIRCE LOUNGE

COURTESY OF BENJAMIN DE MENIL

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When Fast Food Nation — the investigation by journalist Eric Schlesser into how we opt for the fast food choice — first hit bookstores in 2001, it transformed the way Americans understood the food industry in the United States. Since then, writer and journalist Michael Pollan has continued to investigate and extend conversations on the topic more than a decade later.

“How you eat has more impact on the world than most of the other things you do,” Pollan said in an interview with the Collegian. “It’s a very powerful vote that we all have with our food choices, and how we cast it makes in the tradition of the liberal arts.”

Ten to 15 years ago, when Pollan visited a feedlot in California and a potato farm in Idaho, he was rudely awakened to the extent of the industrialization of American food. “There’s a big story that Americans don’t know about the origins of their food, and the images being used to sell [food] to us are not accurate,” Pollan said. “I encourage people to be more conscious. I don’t like to tell people what to do, but I think if people go to the trouble to learn about the food chain they’re part of, they tend to make much better decisions.”

Pollan’s work has impacted many members of the Kenyon community. Lead Instructor and Director of Introductory Labs in Biology Jennifer Smith said that Pollan will lecture on healthy eating and sustainable farming.

reading Pollan’s books has directly affected how she eats. “I didn’t realize how far the food industry has gone to ruin a meal,” she said. “I make conscious decisions now, whereas I didn’t use to, about what I eat.”

Even if students have limited access to a kitchen, Pollan still encourages students “to make their desires and needs known to the people running the food service and the administration.”

Becca Katzman ’14, a student manager of the Rural Life Center and a member of People Endorsing Agricultural Sustainability (FEAS), believes that students must realize they have a voice to influence the way they eat. “If we don’t demand local foods in the dining hall, no one else will,” Katzman said. “If we don’t appreciate all of the wonderful, fresh foods that the College is working so hard to get for us, then what’s the point?”

Like Katzman, Pollan encourages students to maintain an open dialogue about what they eat and where it comes from. “You don’t have to be passive in regards to food that’s being served,” Pollan said. “Students are changing it all over campus.”

Pollan will also host a common hour discussion on Sept. 26 at 11 a.m. in Peirce lounge to engage directly in a question-and-answer session with students.

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Powerful Kjartansson film exhibition evokes, haunts

Icelandic artist Ragnar Kjartansson’s multi-room and multi-screen exhibit is a blend of film and music.

The exhibit explores these themes, as does the accompanying Indian Film Series. The exhibit is on view at the Gund Gallery from Sept. 9 through Nov. 24.

The Indian film series is entirely meant to connect to our focus on Indian popular visual culture as featured in the current exhibition Global Ganesh: Temple, Market, Museum. The exhibition is the product of grants from the Mellon Foundation in 2009 and 2010, and involved my collaboration with faculty from five other liberal arts colleges: Vassar, Denison, Middlebury, Scripps and Furman.

The first film, initially scheduled for Sept. 5 in the Gund Gallery Community Foundation Theater, is titled Jodhaa-Akbar. Due to copyright issues, however, the Gallery postponed the screening to a later time.

The film premiered in 2008 and was the winner of the Audience Award for Best Foreign Language Film at the São Paulo International Film Festival, as well as seven Star Screen Awards and numerous other accolades.

About a marriage between Muslim Mughal Emperor Akbar the Great and the Hindu Princess Jodhaa, Jodhaa-Akbar features action and dazzling cinema photography and wardrobe. Additionally, the Gund Gallery’s Ganesh exhibit integrates film of Ganesh.

Film clips and other video and animation work is featured in the exhibition proper. ... [It] also includes festival images of ephemeral media, print technology and image production/distribution, web and new media, comic books and animation,” Marsh wrote. “The film clips and other video pieces all include imagery of Ganesh.

Film series, exhibit bring Indian culture to Kenyon

Colorful elephants decorate the Gund Gallery — countless patterns and incarnations of ceramic statues, paintings and film.

Called Ganesh, an elephant-headed god prevalent in Indian culture, this deity is the subject of Global Ganesh: Temple, Market and Museum, the exhibition running at the Gund Gallery from Sept. 9 through Nov. 24.

“His malleable identity makes us remember the differences that tear us asunder when we all probably want the same things from life — simple joys and simple sharing of happiness.”

The thirteenth annual Telugu Film series at the Gund Gallery is titled Global Ganesh. The films chosen to facilitate a dialogue with not only the exhibit but also Kenyon’s curriculum. The film series will run until Dec. 2 and covers a wide range of themes including romance, diplomacy and allegiance. The film series corresponds to material in several disciplines, including sociology, international studies and women’s and gender studies.

Ranging from historical to modern, and featuring four major Indian languages, the films have English subtitles and cover a wide range of topics.

“We regularly organize film series in conjunction with the themes of our exhibitions,” Marsh wrote. 

Statues of the elephant-headed Hindu god Ganesh line the walls of the Gund Gallery. The exhibition Global Ganesh is in conjunction with the Indian Film Series.

Taking a short break, or simply sitting and contemplating. We are constantly waiting for something to happen, and the anticipation builds up over the performance, which is just over an hour.

In the background of one of the rooms, a woman who sleeps through it all showcases calm and tranquility, and we know there is a treat waiting for us at the end of this musical journey. The slow, rhythmic pace in all their actions, whether doing mundane things like playing with the bathwater or removing mud, makes us wonder if they get ready to walk away from the camera, surprises the audience.

As the song continues, the artists brilliantly exit out of and into the new frames.

Secluded in a curtained-off room in the Gund Gallery, “The Mass” — a shot of a lone pianist in an outdoor lonely landscape — is a single-screen projection of legendary blues pianist Pinetop Perkins, who was the oldest surviving blues performer from the Mississippi Delta region until he passed away in 2011. Portraitture at its best, the work captures Perkins sitting outdoors, playing his piano. In the background is a lone house and a pine tree, accen
tuating the lonely yet intricate and absorbing musical journey of the artist.

Evocative, beautiful, soul-stirring and soul-calming, this work succeeds if we have the patience to unravel the mystery it promises.
Women's soccer struggles on three-game losing streak

Hampered by a slew of injuries, the Ladies find themselves in a slump.

IAN ROUND
STAFF WRITER

Meredith Krieg '17 sat on a cooler and leaned against the fence in the corner of Mavec Field for most of the Ladies soccer team's 0-1 loss to Carnegie Mellon University on Sept. 14.

She wore a yellow pinnie over her jersey and cheap green and black plastic sunglasses. She said she couldn't handle being on the bench anymore.

"I started on the bench, moved to the Ga
tor, and moved farther away," she said, referring to the trainers' motorized green cart.

Krieg, a defender, is one of many players sidelined due to injury.

She has a concussion — her third in 12 months. She suffers headaches, sensitivity to noise and difficulty falling asleep when she is finally able to sleep.

Krieg left the bench and put on her sunglasses in order to counter the sensory overload from the sun and noise.

Most of the injuries players have accumulated this year appear to be knee- and foot-related, but Head Coach Kelly Bryan didn't specify exactly which players had what injury. She attributed bad luck to the growing number of injuries.

"There's a lot more than we would like," Bryan said. "We're waiting for that trend to change."

Still, despite the 0-1 loss against no. 17 Carnegie Mellon, Bryan said the Ladies, who are 1-5, played well. "Considering all those factors, I'm extraordinarily proud of how our team has played," she said.

Carnegie Mellon scored its lone goal on a header off a corner kick with 24:53 left in the game. "We truly gave them one dangerous opportunity," Bryan said.

Bryan was optimistic at halftime.

"They're not going anywhere if we stand to our principles of one-to-one defending," she told the team.

"They have done nothing to prove that they can beat you," she added.

But in her post-game speech, Bryan had changed her tune. "We have chosen to use those [injuries] as an excuse," she said.

"We didn't play great and we didn't trust each other," she told the Ladies. "And despite that, we still hung in there and competed against one of the top 10 teams in the country."

Afterwards, the players took Bryan's suggestion to remain on the field to reevaluate just how they could play more like a team.

Kenyon extended its losing streak to three games with a 1-2 loss to the University of Mount Union on Sept. 17.

The Ladies look to rebound from the loss as they begin conference play on Sept. 28 at home against DePauw University.

Football stumbles in loss to Earlham College Quakers

RICHARD PERA
STAFF WRITER

In a game defined by sloppy play, Earlham College upset Kenyon on Saturday, Sept. 14 in Richmond, Ind. by a score of 25-15.

The Lords committed four turnovers to the Quakers' three, but together accounted for eight fumbles, three interceptions, three failed fourth-down conversions and 15 punts.

It was a nightmare game for Kenyon (1-1, 1-0 conference) after coming off a statement victory over Allegheny College in week one.

For Earlham, Saturday's contest represented a marquee win for a program that has now won just two games in its past 31 attempts.

"We couldn't get rolling," defensive back Maggie Smith '17 said of the home team's season opener, a 3-0 loss to No. 16 Westminster College in week two.

The Quakers cruised their way to a 21-3 lead at halftime. Despite the score, the Lords remained competitive.

"They couldn't get anything going and we were able to do the same," Lord's defensive back Matty Vento '17 said.

But Earlham was able to maintain its lead for the entirety of the game.

The Quakers, who previously had struggled to win in the fall, were able to gel in the second half and even held the Kenyon offense to one score.

"We've been working on defense all year," Quakers' head coach Chris Monfiletto said.

Despite the loss, Kenyon was able to show its support of the team.

"We're extra proud of the effort the team put into this game," Co-Captain Sam McQuiston '14 said.

"We just didn't come out and play the Kenyon football we know we can [play]. That kind of gets in your head a little bit, and we couldn't overcome it."

The Quakers shut out the Lords until the second quarter, when wide receiver Jack Hanratty '17 scored on a 13-yard run from the wildcat formation. A successful two-point conversion by wide receiver Jake Gennachowski '15 trimmed Earlham's lead to just three points.

After another Earlham touchdown, Kenyon responded in the fourth quarter with a three-yard touchdown run by quarterback Max Boyd '16, again bringing the visiting Lords to within three points.

But a fumble deep inside Kenyon territory enabled the home team to score the game-sealing touchdown with less than five minutes left.

Boyd, who started in place of the injured Jake Bates '15, went 10-26 for 89 yards and one running touchdown.

He dealt with several dropped passes, a rushing attack that was held to 132 yards and disorganized offensive line play.

Defensively, the Lords surrendered 331 yards in the air, nearly half of which was given up on six plays alone.

But Kenyon successfully held the Earlham rushing attack to just 83 yards, and interceptions by linebacker and Co-Captain Reed Franklin '14 and defensive lineman Ryan Rosen '14 also highlighted the Lords' defensive efforts.

Defensive lineman Cam Ventling '14 also recovered a fumble.

Despite the loss, Kenyon remains unaffected in the conference-title race, as Earlham was the Lords' sole non-conference matchup of the regular season.

But North Coast Athletic Conference play heats up this Saturday, as Ohio Wesleyan University visits Gambier for Homecoming at 1 p.m. It is shaping up to be a season-defining game for Kenyon.

Bates, who dislocated his thumb in the Lords' season opener, is still questionable for the game.

Head Coach Chris Monfiletto is counting on the Kenyon community to show its support at McBride Field this weekend.

"We need [the fans] to win," he said. "There's no doubt about it. I think you'll be proud of the product out on the field and its representa
tion of the school as a whole."
Field hockey starts NCAC season 2-1

NOAH GURZENSKI
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend, Kenyon field hockey began conference play with a victory over Earlham College and an impressive defensive showing against no. 16 nationally-ranked DePauw University in a 1-0 defeat. The Lords went on to improve their conference record to 2-1 with a 2-0 home victory over Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU) on Wednesday night.

Co-Captain Sammy Johnston ’15 put the Ladies on the board with her first goal of the season ten minutes before halftime, and Rachel Hall ’15 launched her eighth goal of the season 10 minutes before the game’s end. All in all, the Ladies threw nine shots the Battling Tigers’ way, with six going on goal.

Kenyon’s defense also continued its strong play, holding OWU to three total shots and none on goal. In the win against Earlham on Friday, Sept. 13, Cecilia Depauw ’15 opened up the scoring 11 minutes into the first half off a pass from Hannah Drake ’16. Just over two minutes later, Hall slammed a shot into the net off an assist from Co-Captain Maddie Breschi ’16. Not five minutes into the second half, Julie Fredman ’15 put one past the Earlham goalkeeper, pushing the Ladies lead to three.

Kenyon’s offense kept the Earlham goalkeeper busy throughout the match, logging 22 shots on goal. Breschi added a goal at the end of the game, securing Kenyon’s 4-1 victory. Despite the win, Breschi, who tallied three points in each of the Ladies’ past three games, was unhappy with the overall offensive performance.

“It was not our best showing,” she wrote in an email to the Collegian. “It shows that our team can score a good amount of goals despite not playing our best.”

With their first conference win under their belt, the Ladies then drove 122 miles west to face defending North Coast Athletic Conference champion DePauw University on Saturday, Sept. 14.

The Tigers, coming off a dominant 21-2 record and national semi-final appearance the previous season, were riding a three-game losing streak going into the match. Kenyon, on the other hand, entered the match with a three-game winning streak.

Kenyon’s defense held strong for all 90 minutes, allowing only one goal from DePauw’s keeper, pushing the Ladies to solidify a 1-0 victory. Goalie Sydney Carney-Knisely ’14 stopped eight of nine shots, keeping the game well within reach for the Ladies.

Head Coach Jacques DeMarco was impressed with the team’s weekend showing as a whole. “We performed well,” DeMarco wrote in an email. “It was great to see the competitiveness the team showed playing back-to-back games.”

The Ladies continue their conference play this Saturday, Sept. 21 when they head to Wittenberg University to take on the Tigers at noon.

Golf swings its way to fourth in Pa.

JOHN BRAY
STAFF WRITER

While most students were attending class on Monday, the Kenyon golf team took to the course at the Country Club of Meadville in Meadville, Pa., where they finished fourth at the day-two round at the Guy W. Kuhn Memorial Invitational hosted by Allegheny College.

Sunday’s opening round found the Lords playing well and finishing with a score of 304, four strokes back of leader Carnegie Mellon University. Jake Fait ’16 ended the day tied for first after shooting an even-par 72.

The Lords continued to play well on Monday, shooting 306 as a team. However, that was not enough to climb to the top of the leaderboard, and the Lords left Pennsylvania placing fourth out of 17 teams. Kenyon finished only seven strokes behind eventual tournament champion Carnegie Mellon, which had a score of 603. The University of Rochester finished second with 606 strokes and host Allegheny finished in third with a score of 607.

Individually, the Lords posted four top-30 finishers. Fait and Jack Tommashot ’16 tied for ninth with final scores of 151 each, while Alex Bickle ’15 tied for 20th with a final score of 156.

Head Coach Grant Wallace

“We really came back strong after our first week. ... Hopefully going forward we have set the tone.”

Head Coach Grant Wallace

The Ladies opened their fall season with a hot start at the Oberlin College Invitational. Taylor Diffley ’16 led the charge, winning all of her six matches — three singles and three doubles matches. Diffley’s most impressive showing was against Sara Zargarh of Case Western Reserve University, the top-ranked player in the region, where she won in three sets, 6-4, 6-6 and 10-5.

Jenna Murray ’17 had a breakout performance. Doubles partners with Diffley, the duo defeated two Denison University teams and one Allegheny College team. Madison Hoffman ’16 also excelled; like Diffley, she won all three of her singles matches. The Ladies played their way back into the region and earned a match against the top-ranked team at the Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Qualifier. “That was a really good achievement for them,” Thielke said.

Diffley said this team is “very hard-working” and is willing to “give everything [they’ve] got,” a trait which she is confident will help them continue to excel.

The team hopes to continue its winning streak next weekend in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Qualifier in Greensboro, N.C., which begins Sept. 20.

— Alex Pijanowski

Women’s Tennis

Volleyball

Last Saturday, Kenyon’s volleyball team took the court against the Fighting Muskies in hopes of avenging a previous loss and receiving their first win. Unfortunately, the Ladies were again unsuccessful against Muskingum University, losing three sets to one. Muskingum won the first two sets by scores of 26-24 and 25-22, respectively, but Kenyon rallied in the third to win 25-20. Muskingum then finished off the game by winning the final set 25-9.

“Unfortunately we lost Ana [Maricic ’14] officially this week; her foot is broken … but we have enough people this year that we can adjust around that,” Co-Captain Sierra DeLeon ’14 said.

DeLeon tied her personal record for most kills in a match, racking up 20 kills for Kenyon, while MaryJo Scott ’14 had an impressive 65 attempts but just 13 kills.

On the defensive end, McKenzie Wallace ’16 led the team with 19 digs, while Melanie Couchman ’14 followed her with 13 digs.

The Ladies will play next on Sept. 21 at Hiram College.

“This Hiram game is a fresh start for us,” DeLeon said. “It’s our first conference game, and we’re going to use that to take off for the season and start fresh.”

— Reed Dickerson

Men’s Tennis

Kenyon’s men’s tennis team began their season hosting eight schools at the Kenyon Invitational. Sam Geier ’16 said the tournament offered a lot of challenges for everybody to get some playing time. Kenyon’s doubles A-team of Tim Rosnerstedt ’15 and Colin Haas ’15 advanced to the championship match, eventually losing 8-7 to a team from Wittenberg.

Several important contributors from last season, including All-American Michael Razumovsky ’15, returned this year. Razumovsky weathered some injuries last year, ailments that have kept him off the court so far this season as well. In returning to playing shape, he said he hopes to help the team achieve its ultimate goals. “We want to win a national title,” Razumovsky said. “But I think you’ve got to take baby steps.”

Head Coach Scott Thielke agreed that pursuing a national title is top priority for the season, and that his players have been “moving in the right direction” since winning the national indoor championships against Emory University last February.

The Lords have this week off from competition, and will return to action in Kalamazoo, Mich. on Sept. 27 for the three-day Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Qualifier.

— Alex Pijanowski

Women’s Tennis

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Lords soccer extends hot streak, now at three in a row

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With the referee’s final whistle Wednesday evening, the Lords soccer team extended its winning streak to three games. Up 1-0 against the University of Mount Union after 47 minutes in the Lords’ first non-conference game of the weekend on Saturday, Sept.14, Co-Captain Andrew Parmelee ’17 reached out to tackle an onrushing opponent headed for goal. The ball went out harmlessly for a corner kick, but Parmelee came away limping toward the sideline, holding his hamstring. He would not return — leaving the Lords without a key member of their squad.

“It was a little bit nerve-wracking when our captain went down about five minutes into the first game,” said Jeremiah Barnes ’16, who provided the assist on the first goal. About two minutes later, the Lords let Mount Union play a ball into the box. After one or two passes, a shot from the top of the box beat rookie goalkeeper Sam Clougher ’17.

“That first goal was kind of cheap. Maybe it took two deflections before it got past our keeper,” Midfielder Rei Mitsuyama ’15 said.

“The Lords quickly re-grouped riding newly found confidence under Parmelee’s replacement, Josh Lee ’17, and a string of other first years. ‘Tony Amolo ’17, a speedy forward that plies his trade by running at defenders, scored his second goal of the game and third of the season after the Mount Union keeper mishandled a cross to make it 1-1. The Lords went on to dominate the Purple Raiders, outshooting them up to a 4-2-0 record.”

Tony Amolo, 17, the team’s leading scorer, fueled the Lords’ hot streak by scoring three goals in the team’s last three games.

“I put in an awful cross,” Barnes said. “Once we adjusted and we started to get the game going, we really dominated the other team.” Head Coach Chris Brown said.

After another mistake handled a cross to make it 2-1. The Lords went on to dominate the Purple Raiders, outshooting them up to a 4-2-0 record. Grant Carney ’15 and Mitsuyama scored for the Lords. First-year Jordan Glassman slid in a beautiful assist for Mitsuyama’s third goal of the short season.

On Wednesday, the Lords played their third game of the week, taking on the Wilmington College Fightin’ Quakers.

Amolo scored about a minute and a half into the game, bringing his season total to 4. Jordyn Glassman ’17 added to the lead with his first goal of the season to make it 2-0. Wilmington College fought back to 2-1, at one point shaking the crossbar, but could not break through the Lords’ last line of defense. Amolo fought to win the ball back with the bounce finding Parmelee one-on-one against the keeper to seal it at 3-1.

“It’s a work in progress. Everyday we get a little bit better at it,” Brown said. “They’ve still got a ways to go, but we’re getting better every day.”

“I think we are doing really well,” Clougher added. “We’ve got four guys playing really big minutes right now.”

With Glassman, Lee, Clougher and Amolo, the Lords have a solid foundation. Thus far, the first years — excluding Clougher who plays goalkeeper — have accounted for seven of the teams’ 17 total goals.

The Lords hope to continue their winning streak against the College of Mount St. Joseph on Saturday, Sept. 24.

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SPORTS EDITOR

This past weekend, the Lords and Ladies continued their string of dominant performances in cross-country meets at the Pre-Regional Knight Invite in Grand Rapids, Mich.

In the women’s meet, 33 teams competed and the Ladies finished fourth overall, with Natalie Plick ’16 and Co-Captain Jenna Willett ’14 finishing in the top 10. Looking to win her fourth-straight meet, Plick ended up taking second, while Willett finished 10th, and both shattered their personal best times. Plick and Willett shared the spotlight with Co-Captain Kenny Strader ’14 and Lizzie Halper ’15, who finished at 44th and 48th, respectively.

“Last fall, we had a fantastic season, and so we started this year with a confidence that we didn’t have before,” Strader said. “Now we know that we have the potential to be one of the top teams in the country, if we keep working hard.”

The Ladies haven’t finished lower than fourth this season, and expect to improve as the season wears on. “We anticipate this success to continue because [Head Coach [Duane] Gomez’s training is geared towards a late-season peak,” Strader said. “In championship meets, we often beat teams that we lost to earlier in the season.”

On the men’s side, the Lords were one of 33 teams competing and continued their successful run. Sam Lagasse ’16 paced the Lords for the third straight meet, finishing at 44th, while Willy Friedlander ’14 and Nat Fox ’16 tied for 49th place. The three top-50 finishers pushed the Lords to an eighth-place finish as a team, and like the Ladies, the Lords’ top three finishers ran their fastest times of the season. Co-Captain Bryce Raz ’14 said he has noticed the hard work and determination of the Lords paying off immensely. “It’s definitely a blast to see how well some of our top guys are running this year,” Raz said. “My teammates and I always want to give our all for the rest of the team. And when you have some great runners throwing down great times, it’s definitely a motivator.”

As the ninth-ranked cross-country program in the region, the Lords and Ladies look to build upon their hot streak with regionals looming.

“We’re happy with where we are at being ranked ninth in the region,” Raz said. “But there’s a lot more we have to do this season. I’m not concerned that the success will end, but we still have a ways to go before we will be happy.”

The Lords and Ladies are on a short break until Oct. 4, when they will compete in the Fernley ’14 Championship in Cedarville, Ohio.