## A tweet too far?

**College investigating Twitter page with pictures of campus “hookups” under sexual misconduct policy.**

David McCabe

The photo has two subjects: a young man and woman. He’s wearing green shorts and a button-down shirt; she’s in shorts and a white tank-top. The two are kissing. Her arm is slung around his neck and his hand is moving down her back. It has the blurry styling and mediocre lighting of a photo taken with a smartphone.

But even if it was taken with a phone, it certainly didn’t stay there. In early October, the picture was posted to a publicly accessible Twitter account. The only commentary attached read: “#FirstTweet.” The wording promised more to come. And more did.

The account — which used the handle @KenyonHookups — would post four other photos of a similar nature between Oct. 6 and last week, when it unceremoniously shut down. It would amass over 100 followers and supportive tweets from several Kenyon students.

Now, Kenyon administrators are looking into whether the account violated the College’s sexual misconduct policy. But for much of the time the account existed, College administrators tasked with preventing sexual misconduct had no knowledge of the account’s existence. Administrators initiated an investigation just last week — a day before the account disappeared — taking with it some of the evidence that may have helped them find the account’s operators.

What is left in the digital realm, “any votes for him will be taken out of tabulation,” Knox said the trustees would appoint him to Koussoulas’ seat at a swearing-in ceremony Thursday, Oct. 31, making the election moot.

Although Koussoulas’ name will still appear on the ballot, “any votes for him will be taken out of tabulation,” Knox County Board of Elections Director Kim Horn said, adding that notices will be posted at election sites informing voters of this.

## Decatur takes reins at inauguration

**Student groups, Mellon Foundation official part of investiture ceremony.**

David Hoyt

Kenyon serves as the backdrop for many weddings, but few measure up to last weekend’s marriage of the College to its new president, Sean Decatur.

Saturday’s Installation Ceremony — the product of months of planning by the Inauguration Committee and the administration — sought to cement Decatur’s position and authority with an event accessible to the whole community.

Student organizations were invited to process onto the Kenyon Athletic Center’s (KAC) Toan Track with shield-shaped banners representing their groups. Cheyenne Davis ’15, who came out in support of Brave Pottage Productions, thought the banners added pomp to the event. “I think they look great,” she said of the collection of banners.

Some students converged on the KAC simply to witness a seminal event in the College’s history.

“I feel very privileged to attend [Kenyon] when an event of this magnitude is occurring,” Andrew Stewart ’15 said.

First to process onto the track was the Black Student Union, followed by other organizations and student athletes.

After the recognition of student athletes, delegates from colleges and universities around the country — who customarily attend the inauguration of a new college president — made their way onto the stage.

For practical and financial reasons, colleges often ask local professors or alumni to represent their institutions. So while President Grant H. Cornell well represented nearby College of Wooster, Associate Professor of English Ivonne Garcia served as delegate for Harvard University.

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highlight was the hymn. Allen Ballard Jr. ’52, Kenyon’s first African-American graduate, who attended the College before the advent of the civil rights movement and was excluded from much of the campus’ social life, performed a slow, stripped-down rendition of “Amazing Grace” on acoustic guitar. The audience rose for a standing ovation as he left the stage.

For Hamilton College President Eugene M. Tobin delivered remarks entitled “The College is Called Liberal.” Tobin mounted a defense of the liberal arts education while acknowledging recent attacks on the pedagogy. “Liberal arts colleges embody a currently unexamined educational philosophy that espouses intellectual wholeness and resists fragmentation and premature specialization,” he said.

The Investiture, led by Board of Trustees Chair Barry Schwartz ’70, marked the official beginning of Decatur’s tenure at the College. Schwartz delivered a proclamation first in Latin and then in English.

“It was thrilling for me to be serving the privileged role of Board Chair, and as a result of that role, to be the one to invest Sean in his new role as our president,” Schwartz said. “So I was delighted to be there.

Next was the presentation of the presidium medallion. In a symbolic gesture, President Emeritus Philip H. Jordan Jr. ’H9 removed the medallion from President Emerita S. Georgia Nugent ’H3 and placed it around Decatur’s neck. In his inaugural address, Decatur made an effort to endeavor himself to the community with a proclamation such as “I’ve always wanted a mace,” and “I’m a geek.” Though fair weather prevailed during the indoor ceremony, Decatur speculated on winter’s arrival. “I haven’t been on campus in February yet,” he said.

Drawing on his background in chemistry, Decatur compared the College to a catalytic reactor, a place where elements are made uncomfortable and undergo change. “The graduates of Kenyon are catalysts themselves,” he said. As the approximately 90-minute ceremony drew to a close, Decatur affirmed his desire to affect change here. “I’m looking forward to doing the work,” he said.

News Briefs

Panera Bread likely to open in Mount Vernon

When Kenyon students first heard that Chipotle would arrive in Mount Vernon, the campus reached a state of near euphoria. Students may now have similar cause for excitement — a Panera Bread is slated to open in Mount Vernon in mid-2014. The Panera will be located on Coshocton Avenue, near Walmart. After choosing a location, Panera representatives worked with Mount Vernon engineers to ensure that the building will be up to the city’s building codes.

To Mount Vernon Mayor Richard Mavis, these are all positive signs that Panera will open in its doors, though he shied away from concretely confirming its arrival. The issue is that once Mount Vernon officials notify a restaurant like Panera that their building plans have been approved, they have no control over whether or not Panera actually decides to come.

Recently, Frisch’s Big Boy made plans to come to Mount Vernon. They issued a press release and chose a location, but then didn’t follow through. Mavis thinks this new restaurant will prove more promising, “Panera has worked more quickly [than Frisch’s Big Boy],” he said. “We do believe that we are going to have a Panera Bread establishment here on Coshocton Avenue.”

Students are already excited about the possibility of Panera. “Oh, I’m so excited,” Megan Morris ’16 said. “We have another option besides Chipotle.”

Inauguration celebrations delay Trustee decisions

Kenyon’s Board of Trustees met last weekend for their annual fall meeting. However, due to a “condensed” schedule to accommodate the inauguration, the Board did not pass any major policy proposals, according to Chairman Barry Schwartz ’70.

“It was a very productive series of committee meetings, which is where most of the good work of the Board gets done,” he said.

Conversations did take place regarding student concerns about housing affordability, including the gap between housing costs covered by financial aid and the cost of apartment housing on campus.

“That discussions began in several committees, and those discussions will continue at the Board level and with the administration, and hopefully there will be something a bit more concrete before the Board, if not in February, certainly before the end of the year,” Schwartz said.

David McCabe

Village Record

Oct. 24 – Oct. 29

Oct. 24, 3:34 p.m. — Student complaint of unsecured personal items stolen from locker area at the Kenyon Athletic Center (KAC).

Oct. 24, 4:11 p.m. — Student complaint of theft of laptop from unsecured room at McBride Residence Hall.

Oct. 24, 7:31 p.m. — Staff member at the KAC with existing medical condition having an allergy attack.

Oct. 25, 11:11 a.m. — College guest received laceration to head when falling at the Kenyon Inn. Transported to KCH for treatment.

Oct. 25, 8:56 p.m. — Student with adverse reaction to medication in Gable Residence Hall transported to KCH for evaluation.

Oct. 25, 8:59 p.m. — Student gathering shut down in Leonard Residence Hall due to safety issues and non-compliance.

Oct. 25, 4:38 a.m. — Student arrested for disorderly conduct at Mason Residence Hall after refusing to comply with Safety officer(s) and Knox County Sheriff’s Office deputies.

Oct. 25, 11:55 a.m. — Intoxicated student found unresponsive at Peirce Hall. Student transported to KCH.

Oct. 25, 10:35 p.m. — Intoxicated student at Peirce Hall. Assisted by Safety officers.

Oct. 26, 11:27 p.m. — Student with existing medical condition having an allergic reaction at Amy Residence Hall. Student transported to KCH for evaluation.

Oct. 27, 1:43 a.m. — Intoxicated student at McBride. Safety officer(s) responded and assessed.

Oct. 27, 2:19 a.m. — Intoxicated student at Watson Residence Hall. Safety officer(s) responded and assessed.

Oct. 27, 6:08 a.m. — Unknown person(s) caused damage to window of basement area in Hanna Residence Hall.

Oct. 28, 12:24 a.m. — Student throwing bottle at object in Gable Houses. Bikes window.

Oct. 28, 11:38 p.m. — Student denied using illegal drugs in Hanna Residence Hall. Strong smell coming from residence.

Oct. 29, 12:04 p.m. — Fire alarm sounded in Olm Library. No fire. No smoke.
Hookup account may test sexual misconduct policy

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The halls of the Gam- bier Community Center may well be echoing the sounds of “Monster Mash” for the last time. After 27 years, the organization that runs Gambier Halloween party might not be able to continue with the party.

Citing dwindling atten- dance, Clerk-Trea- surer Mary Samuell, who has planned the party since its early days, said this year might be the last for the Gambier tradition.

“It just keeps get- ting smaller and small- er,” Samuell said. “I just want to be sure that it’s not necessarily because nobody really is interested anymore, that they only come because there’s nothing else to do.”

The Village’s Fall Newsletter asked citi- zens to submit their in- put on the future of the party, noting that, “in the last few years the at- tendance has been get- ting lower and lower.” Last Halloween’s weather- may have impacted at- tendance when hayrides were canceled due to rain, and this year that fate may be repeated.

Assistant Clerk-Trea- surer Kathi Schonauer said the Village has not yet received any feed- back yet from residents as to whether the party should go on.

While Samuell said she would be “happy to pass it along to some- body else,” she added, “It’s hard to say, ‘Oh, here’s this party, but hardly anybody comes.’” This lack of atten- dance underscores a shifting demographic in the Village of Gambier. Four percent of the Vil- lage population is un- der 18, according to the 2010 U.S. census, com- pared with 24 percent nationwide. Over the years, Samuell said she has seen attendance drop from 200 to around 50.

This shift has re- quired a bit less work for members of the Archon Society, Kenyon’s co- operative organization which has traditionally helped with entertaining kids at the party.

“We’re not doing too much by way of organiz- ing it ourselves,” Archon Co-President Mia Bar- nett ’15 said. “We’re just trying to help out where we’re needed there.” Barnett was surprised to learn that it may be the party’s last year, and hoped that some group or individual would be able to continue the fest-ivities.

“I think it’s not a lack of interest, it’s just they’re getting older,” she said of Gambier children. “I’d say if only 10 kids keep coming, we’d love to help with it just because there’s still that need to have some- thing on Halloween.”

Jeremiah Denuit, who works in the Village Maintenance Depart- ment, has been bring- ing his twin sons to the party for the past three years.

“I think it’s become a tradition for many fami- lies,” said Denuit, who hasn’t noticed a consid- erable lack of attend- ance, and acknowledged that “there’s still a handful of young children here, but a lot of them are getting older.”

“Even retaining these older children has become difficult, Samuell noted. “I've seen groups keep getting younger and younger who come to the party,” she said. “I used to have middle school kids that would come to this party and now rarely do I have any mid- dle school kids.”

Samuell hopes to get input from villagers at the party itself, and that even a small number of die-hard fans would bring the party back to life.

“If only 10 kids came and they said, ‘This is the greatest thing in the whole world,’ I’d keep it for 10 kids,” Samuell said. “I’d just tell the Archons, ‘You know, you might need that many volunteers; it won’t be that big.’

Still, Samuell sees the party as one of the many ways the Village has provided for the com- munity at large in recent years.

“I think the Village does a good job of [try- ing] to really engage the community,” she said. “Our Village Council is trying to make us a com- munity, not just a place to live.”

The Village of Gam- bier Halloween party will be held tonight from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Gambier Commu- nity Center.
Fate of fire department is township trustee race’s main issue

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SCHOOL LEVY

Another levy could increase funding to the Mount Vernon City School District. A balloted $890,000 permanent improvement (PI) renewal levy differs, however, from the operating levy passed last spring; these funds, if approved, could “only be spent in certain areas,” according to Superintendent Bill Seder. Those areas include building maintenance, transportation, technology and textbooks.

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VILLAGE COUNCIL

Clockwise from top left, Liz Forman; Betsy Heer; Donna Wilson; Donna Scott. A Village Council shake-up will hit this year’s races with fresh faces and the departure of a longtime public servant. Though uncorrected, the election will see a change of guard, with three-term Councilwoman Audra Cubie announcing she will not seek reelection, partially “just to allow other people the opportunity... it's time for a new adventure.” Cubie, the youngest member of the Council at 34, is currently working on getting a bachelor’s degree in science and nursing at Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

With Cubie stepping down, Donna Scott, who works in Kenyon’s Office of Admissions, will take her place. Scott, 66, is no stranger to elected office, having served on the Mount Vernon City School Board for 12 years.

“I'm certainly looking forward to getting to know more how Council actually works,” Scott said. “We have an unusual community and it's just kind of fun to think about keeping it an interesting, lively place, without too many restrictions.”

Also fairly new to the dais is Donna Wilson, who replaced former Council member and Kenyon Associate Director of Admissions Noble Jones. Wilson has worked for the Kenyon library for 20 years, but public office will be a new experience for her. When Mayor Kirk Emmert asked if anyone would be interested in replacing Jones, Wilson was the only one to show up at the open meeting.

“So I decided if I was going to participate, I should do it before I got any older,” Wilson, 68, said with a laugh. “I really don’t know that much about the government and I'm still really in a learning phase right now,” she said.

Current Councilwomen Liz Forman and Betsy Heer are both seeking reelection.

“I offer a different perspective,” said Heer, 52, who runs the Gambier House, a bed-and-breakfast. “I have no affiliation with the College, and I am a local businessperson.

Forman, 62, brings a wealth of experience as the longest-serving member of Council running for reelection. She also urged others to get involved in local politics. “It’s not an expensive endeavor. … There’s usually no competition,” she said.

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SCHOOL BOARD

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The village’s Wigg Street Elementary is the district’s oldest building, Seder said, “and it certainly has needs and upkeep and maintenance.” If the levy fails, he added, “we would lose the funding for that and have to find it somewhere else.”

In addition, the district relies on PI funding to replace each of its 29 buses roughly once every seven years. “The district actually covers 148 square miles, so it takes us quite a transportation department to be able to cover that many square miles,” Seder added.

The district also uses PI funding to periodically replace textbooks and computers, Seder said. He noted that math and science texts can cost $85-$125 each and that the district tries to replace about 300 computers a year so that its inventory of 1,500 is always under five years old.

Originally passed in 1977 and renewed six times since, the levy, if passed, would keep property taxes at their current levels. If the levy fails, Seder said, the district will have to draw equivalent funds from the its “general budget.”

“I think it’s important to note that it’s a renewal levy. … So there’s no new taxes,” Seder said.

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All politics is local,” goes the maxim popularized by former U.S. House Speaker Tip O’Neill. For Gambier and Mount Vernon voters next week, that saying may ring truer than it did last year. In lieu of presidential and senatorial contests will be an election for the College Township Trustees in which one of the candidates on the ballot is deceased; an uncontested Village Council race; and school levy and school board contests with significant implications for the College community. Students registered to vote should bring with them a copy of the utility bill previously emailed to them by the Office of Accounting.

Election Day is this Tuesday, Nov. 5, at the Gambier Community Center.

“The Kenyon Collegian”

Kousoulas served in the military for 21 years and is a veteran of Vietnam-related courses at Indiana University, according to his obituary in the Mount Vernon News.

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As the northeast Ohio Freshwater situation shows no signs of abating, three school board candidates will vie for the King City School Board.

Lt. John Freshwater, former fire chief, killed himself in 2011. Two years later, the Ohio Supreme Court ruled that the village of King City must use $1.6 million in state funds to help finance school improvements. Freshwater’s name is on the ballot.

With a decision from the Supreme Court of Ohio for the Freshwater case looming, it is an issue on each candidate’s mind, and they have different views when it comes to the controversial case. “It’s time to move past [Freshwater]; it’s time to get back to the basics of educating our children,” Rugola-Dye said.

Hamman’s campaign focuses on parent strategies and how schools can support good values in the home. He praised local teachers, saying “three of my kids have had wonderful teachers for the most part.”

Like Hamman, Steve Thompson, the incumbent candidate, says he’s focused on home values. Having grown up in Mount Vernon, he says he wants to promote the ethics he was raised with. Thompson faced questions several years ago when he became clear he had a friendly relationship Freshwater. Additionally, Thompson’s son, a teacher at Mount Vernon High School, testified on behalf of Freshwater, stating he worried about a “slippery slope” leading to teachers losing the academic freedom to teach as they see fit.

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Hamman was hesitant to voice his beliefs on the Freshwater situation. “It’s really hard to determine which way I would go because this is quite a personal issue for me,” Hamman said.

Although Kenyon students do not have children in Mount Vernon schools, many of their professors do. The schoolboard election has high stakes, according to Professor of Biology Joan Slonczewski.

She wrote in an email, “The school board election is crucial, because we need outstanding educators who can maintain excellent classrooms in hard times, especially teaching good.”
College considers altering small gathering regulations

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Times [previous administrators] were making decisions on a telephone while we were both on the ground,” he said.

Smith and von Freymann both agree that a level of flexibility is built into Safety’s enforcement of the policy, in order to forgive minor violations while keeping the policy forceful and effective. “You shut parties down, you just end up with more forceful and effective...” Smith urges adherence to the policy — Boyarski’s death prompted a series of reviews into Safety’s enforcement of the policy and the central need for adherence to the policy. “I think we need to do. [...] When you don’t follow through, you’ve taken that on yourself,” he said.

Smith, Safety and students all agreed there is room for improvement in the policy. Smith is considering the possibility of introducing a separate policy for small parties, which Smith conceded was rather arbitrary, should be more familiar with the officers and at- tempt to avoid then as a precaution against possible trouble. In general, students said that they to find the provisions of the policy. Usually, trouble arises after the fact — when alleged violations of the policy are moved into the judi- cial arena. “I think it’s just when you’re student... feel like there might be some flexibility: I might be able to sort of get cheered elsewhere so I don’t need to prepare to go hard in my room,” Smith said.

Although Smith may be the pub- lic face of the policy, he is not the only one who is in charge of making decisions on the policy. The administration also works closely with Greek organization officials and other party hosts to have more positive working relationships with Safety.

Although party planning in- tendees must sign an agreement to 1. They are not limited to people with 2. Tacci Smith, Associate Dean of Students

The policy always talks about, if you’re under 21, because of the state law, you can’t be drinking. But then as a community, we’re going to take care of each other. There’s spaces in between those two statements, and that’s purposeful.

Although no party-related inci- dents have resulted in legal proceed- ings or has introduced a novel legal kind of issue. There is also difficulty in judging how many of them thought worthwhile, and upon seeing headlines, said, “it would serve no purpose at all.” Because warrant applica- tions are “vetted thoroughly” by multiple agencies and few of them present novel legal questions for the judges, Carr said having “yet another person looking at [every case], among other things, would delay the process, which is de- cidedly not what we need.”

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‘Sexy’ costumes don’t warrant flack

In January 2011, when asked to address college campus rape, a Toronto police officer suggested that in order to remain safe “women should avoid dressing like sluts.” His comment — problematic for many more reasons than can be addressed here — insinuated that women can be and are objectified based on their clothing (or their lack thereof).

With Halloween costume parties upon us this weekend, the word “slut” will inevitably be thrown around. Females will be judged by men and women alike for what they wear. Dresses will be deemed too tight, skirts too short, and shirts too transparent. And this is simply not okay.

When women choose to dress in costumes advertised as “sexy nurse,” “sexy couch,” “sexy animal,” “sexy insect” — the options for this epithet are endless — the term “slut shaming” (a behavior that marks women for behaving or dressing in ways that some think are associated with their real or presumed sexuality) is even more prevalent than on an ordinary weekend night.

The term and the police officer’s comment target women for taking charge of their sexual lives, and make them feel unsafe as a result. Just because a woman decides to dress in a way that is perceived in a patriarchal (male-minded) society as “sexy” does not take away from her right to feel safe. Nor does dressing in any particular way invalidate sexual harassment or assault.

In light of several recent news stories, we should also warn against wearing a Halloween costume that appropriates another culture, especially those that have been historically marginalized. Actress Julienne Hough’s decision to dress in blackface for her costume in the Netflix series Orange is the New Black was grossly inappropriate and should not inspire any similar actions on this campus.

We all deserve the right to dress however we want (without being offensive) regardless of our gender. How much skin we show on Halloween is not an excuse for verbal harassment or making us the object of a joke, and it is most certainly not consent.

DEREK DASHIELL
CONTRIBUTOR

I never wanted to visit urecrush.net. I only visited because Kenyon Confessions told me to.

My friends and I have been frequenting Kenyon Confessions, a Facebook page where people anonymously post confessions. As a reaction to clear need, the spin-off Kenyon Hook Ups page was created, and a Kenyon account was set up on urecrush.net, a site for college personals.

I noted a few things. One, many posts on urecrush.net are reposts from Kenyon Confessions and Hook Ups, or vice-versa. Two, the “anonymous personal” idea probably won’t work at Kenyon, because it’s such a small school that immediately I thought I could identify at least one person from their self-description. But Kenyon Confessions has intrigued me before. Its most interesting aspect is its variety of users. Some just read. Some write funny fake posts. Some talk about their afflictions. Some actually confess. And then some write about their emotional problems. Which concerns me.

There are a shocking number of people posting about being truly unhappy at Kenyon, including alumni giving advice. Posts cover depression, anxiety, social anxiety, anorexia, suicidal urges, self-harming, loneliness and a recurring sentiment: these people don’t feel like they can tell anyone.

I’m glad this forum exists, for amusement and for others to vent, but it upsets me that I probably know someone who has posted that they can’t talk to anyone. Luckily, Sexual Misconduct Advisors and Peer Counselors often leave comments urging people to contact them, but that has led to another problem.

Some have posted about unpleasant experiences at the Counseling Center, and at least one confessor admitted to being so turned off by horror stories that they decided not to pursue counseling. That upsets me, not because I think the counselor is infallible, but because I remember being hesitant about seeking help, and my time with (the indispensable counselor) Lindsey has helped me immensely to handle things on my own. I’m not saying counseling is for everyone, but I would urge anyone to consider at least trying it.

Kenyon Confessions is a microcosm of the most intense feelings at Kenyon. We have the jokesters, the drunks, the fed-up and the worn out. But it shouldn’t be the only place some can go to get something off their chest. Maybe the popularity of Kenyon Confessions is a direct symptom of the oft-repressive culture of a small school like Kenyon, where, again, everyone knows everyone and you are held socially responsible for everything you do and say.

Most comments on trouble-faced confessions are positive, and I love the niche that Kenyon Confessions has created. But I also hope the troubled comments will start to dissipate as the people in a position to help notice Kenyon Confessions and try to give confessors another outlet.

In the meantime, maybe we, the regular peeps, could go a little easier on each other. For instance, if your friend has a problem, take it seriously. Give him the benefit of the doubt. That should cut down on at least half of the “my friends told me to suck it up” posts.

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Blues Festival satisfies ears, stomach with tunes and treats

PAIGE SHERMIS  A&E EDITOR

The Peirce Pub was awash in purple to test for the mellow atmosphere of the Blues Festival last winter, this event was not marred by a campus-wide blackout.

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The event featured 240 slices of pie pur chased from Peggy Sue’s Steaks and Ribs in nearby Newcastle and Sue’s Steaks and Ribs.

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When asked if the major nors are and try to get a good mix of people. ... The quarterback of the football team was one of our guards last year — being a little bit of a ‘Kenyon Renaissance man.’”

To tie all of the art back to the Kenyon liberal arts experience, Leone explained that when ‘opportunities come up that we think will be good for Kenyon, that are cross-disciplinary, we will pursue getting them’.

Thus, “the art behind the art” is truly those who curate, install and research the upcoming exhibitions for Gund Gallery. There is a large pop-...unnoticed in the background of the Gallery whose hard work and dedication goes into each exhibition brought to showcase.

There is a cohesive quality to the associates, which directly correlates with the production of the exhibitions. “It’s amazing. Everyone re...finds their niches, what we’re interested in, so we’re one well oiled machine,” Leone said.

For more information on MESA, the Gund Gallery, or any other art initiatives at Kenyon, contact Luke Hinkson, a Gund Gallery associate.

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EAM SAKAMOTO — A&E EDITOR

Gund Gallery exhibitions are usually relatively well-attended and highly praised, art-wise. But art itself can overshadow those behind the scenes, raising the question who paints the walls, hangs the art, and generally reads the space for visits? The answers may be your peers.

Unknown to some, the Gund Gallery Associates are all unpaid students who tend to the exhibitions with a variety of duties that range from academic research to student outreach in elementary schools by fostering events such as Family Days at the Gallery.

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Margolin ’14 to act in self-penned senior thesis production

PAIGE SHEMMIS | A&E EDITOR

For the senior theses, most Kenyon drama majors pick a play that fits them as actors or directors. When Natalie Margolin ’14 couldn’t find the perfect one, she wrote one instead.

Set to be staged Feb. 14 and 15, Margolin’s play The Power of Punctuation will serve as the senior thesis acting of Margolin and Elizabeth Gambal ’14 and the directing of Casey Griffin ’14.

Writing one’s own drama thesis is a rare occurrence at Kenyon, Gambal said.

“When I was a freshman, there was a student who wanted to write a comedy show, but mine is a solo work,” she said. “I had to really cast it myself.”

However, writing the thesis hadn’t been part of her initial plan for Margolin.

“My focus initially was, and still is, acting. I was majoring in theater studies, but I decided to also go for a minor in philosophy,” she said.

“My senior thesis group decided sophomore year that Elizabeth Gambal and I were to act and Casey would direct. We were struggling to find a play with two strong female roles that we connected to. We proposed two different plays, but they got rejected by the Department because they didn’t feel that they were the right roles for us.”

Gambal said their thesis advisor Professor of Drama Wendy MacLeod ’92 and Griffin to play character actresses that were roughly their ages.

“Casey read it, and she said, ‘That’s not right. The other play was called Savage in Limbo and basically it didn’t think that it was a good enough play.’”

The search for the perfect play to perform was on. Soon, however, Gambal found inspiration in an unexpected place.

“I had written a one-act for my Advanced Playwriting class with Wendy MacLeod and Casey read it,” Gambal said. “I had written a one-act for my Advanced Playwriting class with Wendy MacLeod and Casey read it. It was titled ‘Entropy’ about the disintegration of a family, and it seemed to fit,” she said.

Confidence is key with sharing one’s own work if we can expand it and have it as our thesis,” Margolin said.

After Griffin, Gambal and Margolin decided soon before the end of last school year to perform her piece, Margolin spent the summer expanding and revamping her one-act.

“This semester I’ve had one reading with Wendy MacLeod and I’m working it with other actresses, and then Gambal and I next semester will go into rehearsal with Casey,” Margolin said.

Margolin, a native of Los Angeles, is hesitant to give a synopsis of her work.

“I want people to come in with a blank slate as far as it will be,” Margo said. “I started out as a sketch about texting, a comedy about texting. If I were to put it in a nutshell, I’d say it’s about college friendships.”

Gambal said the play hasn’t even been officially cast yet.

“We are going to be doing readings to hear it and see which characters seems to fit,” she said.

Confidence is key with sharing one’s own original work with a wide audience, Margolin said.

“Taking ownership of a piece of writing is hard, but in order for a play to develop, you have to write it and workshop it and hear other actresses read it out loud,” Margolin said. “Sharing it with other people has been the most difficult but the most rewarding part. It’s a very collaborative experience, sharing it with everyone.”

Gambal is excited to perform in a play that’s not only the work of a peer but also of a friend.

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Natalie Margolin ’14

As for her plans after Kenyon, Margolin, a four-year member of the Department of Fine Arts, plans to direct a few plays to continue her involvement in the theater.

“I definitely want to continue writing and acting,” she said. “I love doing [improvisational comedy] too. I’ve considered applying to graduate school for a Master’s of Fine Arts. It’s a scary industry. There are a lot of ways to enter it. No matter what I do, I want to continue to produce my own material.”

Kenyon Review readings kick off 75th Anniversary Celebration

Community members read poignant pieces from the magazine’s past issues.

VICTORIA UNGVARSKY | STAFF WRITER

In 1939, Gordon Keith Chalmers, then-president of Kenyon, provided funds for a literary magazine. He hoped Kenyon, provided funds for a literary magazine. He hoped the Kenyon Review would serve as the voice of current literary magazine. He hoped the Kenyon Review would serve as the voice of current thinking, further integrating the work of a famous author such as Flannery O’Connor, Sylvia Plath, Woody Allen and Kenyon alumnus Robert Lowell ’40 and read by students and faculty. Each reading was supplemented by a PowerPoint, featuring the cover of the Kenyon Review issue from which the work was taken. This added a dimension of context as well as intimacy for the audience, as it set each piece in its specific time and place.

Some of the readings invoked laughter, such as Writer-in-Residence P.F. Kluge’s reading of “I Pass the Arctic Circle,” by Olav Hauge — a short poem about growing older. Others had a more somber tone, as in senior Natalie Staples’ reading of “The Beekeeper’s Daughter” by Sylvia Plath. This poem examines the frigid separation between a father and a daughter. Visiting Assistant Professor of English Andy Grace ’01 read a particularly poignant passage from Thomas Pynchon’s short story “Entropy” about the disparity of modern culture.

The student readers also included Grace Molloy ’14, Aaron Stone ’14, Maggie Rosenthal ’14, Aaron Lynn ’14, Buola Olukoya ’15 and Jessica Lieberman ’14. Faculty also included Professor of English Jennifer Clarvoe, Acting Assistant Professor of English Thomas Hawks, Professor of Drama Jonathan Tazewell and Professor of Religious Studies Realia Rhodes.

In its 75th year, the Kenyon Review has goals to gain new readership and keep evolving.

“We’re in the process of redesigning the magazine to make it more attractive to less intimidating. That’s a big part of what we’re doing,” Professor of English and Review editor David Lynn said. “We’re keeping it alive. And not just [as] an artifact that no one reads.”

One of the current goals is to continue community outreach, further integrating the Review into the Gambier community, Lynn said.

“We have a real community now. It’s not just a publication that goes out into the world and is famous in the world, though that’s still true. The emphasis is on making it special here,” Lynn said.

This reading certainly held to the Review’s goal. The readings were poignant, yet not just in their delivery. Authors of literature are in danger of dehumanization. They become names, rather than people who carefully constructed every line. Linking famous authors to familiar faces in the community makes their work tangible and far more personal.

The event was subtitled “the bonds of a literary community.” And indeed, the Kenyon Review pays proper homage to its past 75 years, and presents great potential for the next 75.

The next installment of the 75th anniversary celebration, the Kenyon Review literary festival, will take place the weekend of Nov. 9.
I didn’t get any sleep the night before I left for England. It was like starting college all over again, but in a different country with passports and blue money and preconceptions about what people and classes would be like.

I was worried that I’d fall behind everyone else, that I wouldn’t meet new people, that the adjustment would be too difficult. Besides the fact that the British drink a lot of tea, I was wrong about almost everything.

Both my parents lived and studied abroad at one point: my mother spent a year in Paris because she got on a plane with her mother, on a whim, took everything, and studied abroad at the Kenyon-Exeter program a year abroad with the Exeter sits in the country with passports and legal to live in Mexico — a year abroad in London. They have always pushed me to leave the nest and explore the world. My mother, on a whim, took a semester off from college to live in Mexico — she got on a plane with the intent of staying a week and came back six months later instead. They instilled in me a need to travel simply because they had.

Nevertheless, studying abroad seemed daunting from a chair in Rosse Hall during the mandatory off-campus study orientation. I chose to go for a year abroad with the Kenyon-Exeter program instead of a semester on my own, and though that meant getting to travel with a group of students and professors I already knew, the word “year” sounded ominous. It was a lot of pressure. It really hit me in September when I was trying to pack — how could I unearth a year of my life? How was I going to pack for a year when I had no idea how I was going to live it?

I left because I wanted to visit the places I had read about in so many books, in the classroom and outside it, and I wanted to see where they had been written and what about and why. Exeter sits in the English countryside of Devon, where still in October everything is green and wet. A train ride away is London, the city I wanted to see all my life and have been able to explore twice now. I’ve lived just outside a big city my whole life, but London seems more than big. It sprawls, never-ending, stretching past the edges of England. It makes no effort to see sense; it is impossible to navigate. I think the Tube is bizarre, though my father loves it — “I took it everywhere!”

A contemporary and student and a tourist. I say sweater instead of jumper and French fries instead of chips.

But there are things I’ve found myself doing in this country that feel less foreign every day, like having tea and biscuits twice a day when I never drank tea at home, or looking the opposite way when I cross the street.

After a month I finally feel settled, busy but endlessly ecstatic to be living in England. With the Kenyon-Exeter program I’ve been to Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre, seen plays all around London, explored historic sites where ancient kings lived, and taken long walks through the country and by the shore. I study literature with both British and Kenyon students, and I’m learning to adjust to a new approach to reading books and writing papers.

It’s difficult to be away from the U.S., from Kenyon especially, for a semester — let alone a year. But the experiences I’ve had so far, and the ones I will have soon, have made me incredibly grateful to have this opportunity to meet people and cultures I wouldn’t necessarily encounter back at home. And now I have my own stories to share with my parents — they’re so eager to see my new home that they’re coming to visit me for Christmas.
Men’s soccer rolls, ready for playoffs

The Kenyon men’s soccer team is poised to make a statement when the team travels to Lexington, Ky. on Saturday, Oct. 26, and Wittenberg University on Wednesday, Oct. 30, the Lords are just behind Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU) for the top spot in the conference.

Both teams enjoy a 6-0-2 conference record, but OWU has the tiebreaker because of a better goal differential. The season has gone as well as it could have gone,” Josh Lee ’17 said. “We lost some games that we shouldn’t have lost, but we are in a good position.”

The victory against Hiram boosted the Lords to 13-3-2 overall. But the Lords felt they could’ve done even more when they added a lot of depth and added goals. We are continuing the grind-out wins when we are not playing well, and when we are playing well we are pushing hard [to extend leads]. This year’s version of Lords soccer is able to win games even when not playing well,” Lee said. Kenyon will conclude its regular season when the team hosts Oberlin on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 2:30 p.m.

Cameron Scott ’15, left, has started almost every game this year for the Lords’ solid defense.

Versus NCAC foes, Ladies go 1-2

The Kenyon women’s soccer team knew they had to beat Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU) on Tuesday, Oct. 29 to stay in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) playoff hunt. But even then, they were unable to control their own fate.

Co-Captain Becca Romaine ’15 scored both goals on assists by midfielders Madi Kim ’14 and Lucy Evert ’16 against Allegheny College and a fierce fight against Oberlin College on Friday, Oct. 25 and then away at Denison University on Saturday, Oct. 26.

Despite coming off their first victory of the season against Allegheny College and a fierce fight against Oberlin, the team couldn’t manage to bring back another win. In their first match against Oberlin, Kenyon gained a tenable lead by winning the first set 28-26. After losing the second set 26-24, the Ladies rallied to win the third set 25-22, giving them a 2-1 advantage. The momentum shifted, however, and Oberlin won the remaining two sets 25-16 and 15-11.

Looking to rebound the next day against Denison, the Ladies dropped the match in three straight sets, 0-3.

“This is a good team; they’re probably going to finish second in the conference,” Head Coach Katie Charles said. “[Now] if we win [versus Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU)], we’ll be alone in seventh place and we’ll move on to the conference playoffs. Otherwise, there will be three teams tied for seventh place: us, Allegheny and OWU.”

Last night, the Ladies did just that, beating OWU 3-1. Kenyon will conclude its 2013 regular season when the team travels to Lexington, Ky. on Saturday, Nov. 2 to compete in the Transylvania University Tournament.

NBA season tips off, picks are in

IN: Tony Parker [of the San Antonio Spurs]. He is definitely one of the most underrated point guards in the league.

OUT: Derrick Rose [of the Chicago Bulls]. Editor pick defini- tion, a dark horse is someone who cannot be expected, so I have to go with Stephen Curry of the Golden State Warriors. He can elevate his game and carry the team in the tournament. The top seeds in the West- ern Conference, he could sneak up on MVP voters.

KC: What about Brook Lopez? CB: Troy Burke [point guard for the Utah Jazz].

IN: OOto Porter. If he picks up [for the Wash- ington Wizards] he will get seen.

Editor’s pick: The Charlotte Bobcats will pick Kidd, so they will give Cody Zeller the starting job at power forward, and he will take advantage of the opportunity.

KC: Are there a lot of really good teams in the Western Conference who win?

CB: [Oklahoma City] Thunder. Kevin Durant will step up this year.

IN: Spurs. Editor’s pick: It’s hard to vote against the Dur- ant-led Thunder or the ageless wonderment of the San Antonio Spurs, but the Los Angeles Clippers have extreme depth and are led by the best point guard in the league, Chris Paul.

KC: So what’s the matchup in the Finals?

CB: Heat vs. Thunder.

IN: Rematch of last year. Heat vs. Spurs.

Editor’s pick: My pick for the West is in with the Clippers. For the East, it’s hard to argu- e against the Miami Heat, but the two-time de- fending champs led by the best player in the world, but keep your eye on the Chicago Bulls and Indiana Pacers, as both seem ready and eager to knock the Heat off the top of the moun- tain. Heat vs. Clippers, Heat win in six.
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At Oberlin, field hockey rebounds after loss to Denison

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The Kenyon field hockey team kept busy last weekend, first playing on Denison University on Saturday, Oct. 26 and then hitting the road to play at Oberlin College the next day.

While Kenyon fell in overtime to Denison 3-2, the Ladies responded in full force with a 5-0 shellacking of Oberlin.

Coming into Saturday's match, Denison was atop the conference standings with an 11-game winning streak during which Denison outscored their opponents 42-5.

Saturday's game put Denison's dominance to the test for they faced a Kenyon team that had made considerable strides since falling to Denison 3-1 earlier in the season.

Denison got on the board first, but it was mere minutes before Kenyon responded, as Co-Captain Maddie Breschi '16 converted on a penalty shot to tie things up at one apiece.

Julie Freedman '15 broke the tie for Kenyon when she nailed a penalty kick for 1-0 and the Lords took the lead for the remainder of the match.

But Denison's overtime record moved to 0-4 when they scored the game-winning goal at 4:48 into the extra session.

With the loss, Kenyon fell to 10-6 and 8-4 in North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) play, while Denison improved to 16-1 overall and 12-1 in conference play.

Despite the loss, Head Coach Jacque DeMarco was pleased with her team's quality of play against Denison.

"I think we played the best we've played all season," DeMarco said. "It was a great team effort. I was very proud of them."

Looking ahead into the NCAC playoffs next week, DeMarco is optimistic about Kenyon's chances given their recent performance.

"I think that we must like- ly are going to see [Denison] again next week, and I think that we have a good chance of defeating them because of the way we played this past weekend," DeMarco said.

With little time to dwell on Saturday's loss, Kenyon headed next for a 5-0 shellacking of Oberlin.

Kenyon's previous 6-2 handling of Oberlin, the Ladies dominated once again in the 5-0 rout.

Breschi scored four times for Kenyon, and added an assist on a goal from Co-Captain Susie Gurzenda '14. Breschi was also named the NCAC Player of the Week for her stellar performance.

In addition, Breschi's high-scoring weekend brought her season total to 40 points, tying Kenyon's single-season points record, which she will have a chance to break on Nov. 2 when the Ladies travel to play the College of Wooster.

With the win over Oberlin, Kenyon secured the No. 3 seed in the NCAC playoffs. This will be Kenyon's first game in the NCAC postseason since 2008.

Kenyon will face Wooster on Nov. 2 in their regular season finale, and although this game has no playoff implications for the Ladies, Rachel Hall '15, who had an assist in Kenyon's victory over Oberlin, stressed the importance of closing out the regular season with a victory.

"We want to make sure that we let everyone know in the conference, and just for ourselves too, that we are a force to be reckoned with and that we want to win," Hall said.

Football falls to No. 17 Wittenberg

RICHARD PERA STAFF WRITER

Things couldn't have started off worse for the Kenyon Lords.

Wittenberg University, which leads the conference in total yards per game, jumped to a 21-0 lead behind its potent offense and never looked back, beating Kenyon 38-7.

While Denison was able to move the ball early on, totaling five three-and-outs before finally earning a first down midway through the second quarter.

After the first quarter ended, Kenyon's playing improved. Jake Bates '15 led a 78-yard drive capped off by an 11-yard touchdown pass to Blake Calcei '16, giving the Lords momentum.

The Lords defense pressured the Tiger offense with outstanding penetration from the defensive line. The Kenyon defense had four sacks — including the total number of sacks conceded by Wittenberg in its first six games.

Kolin Sullivan '13 led the Lords with 12 tackles, four for a loss and two-and-a-half sacks.

Co-Captain Reed Franklin '14 added 10 tackles and Brad Couts '14 recovered a fumble.

Though the defense had its successes, the offense failed to sustain and complete drives. A 33-yard missed field goal in the third quarter and a turnover on downs on the one-yard line early in the fourth quarter left 10 points out on the field. Added by a missed delay-of-game call, the Tigers tossed a 20-yard touchdown pass on third down to go up 33-7.

On the next drive, Bates tossed an interception that was returned 76 yards for a touchdown.

"The thing that makes me feel good about the rest of the season is that we have a huge amount to play for, not just for our [senior] class, but for the future classes of Kenyon and the direction of the program," Sullivan said. "My class was 0-20 before Coach Monfiletto got here and that was just an miserable feeling. We go right to a winning season, 6-4, which is awesome. If we win our next two games, that’s two win- ning seasons after going 0-20. That’s obviously something to play for."