Senate vetoes its own idea

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By a vote of 11 to one Senate struck down the Student Council proposal to remove the vote of a faculty member on Senate. Then, after creating their own piece of legislation to replace the vetoed Student Council proposal, they were unable to garner the needed two-thirds majority vote pass it. If you're confused, then you understand. The topic of yesterday's meeting centered around the voting imbalance created after the removal of the Greek voting power a few weeks ago. The removal of the Greek vote gave the faculty and administration more voting power than students. Both Council and Senate have been debating possible solutions for weeks, and even though two official votes on the matter were held yesterday, the group remained in stalemate.

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Gund Commons gets redecorated

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After a year of planning, calling, taking advice and giving advice and examining lots of plans, Gund Commons is being transformed sort of. At the fall Board of Trustees meeting, Area Coordinator for Upp. 7-laws Students, Doug Banes, received approval from the Board of Trustees to re-arrange Gund Commons to create a more inviting and usable space.

"I've observed the student and general usage of the building for over a year," said Bazein.

"From student comments, and by working with others on campus, such as Library and Information Services, Business Services and Maintenance, it was determined that improvements would include expansion of computer facilities, updating

Tiger Foundation’s high debt exposed

BY DANIEL CONNOLLY
Senior News Writer

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No creditor is going to take [the tigers], Rogovin said.

"There's a foreclosure action, but that's going to take a long, long time. There are some other actions going anywhere," Rogovin said.

Rogovin said he filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy at the 1001.1 level, Darmstadt added. The foundation took out two mortgages, one for $110,500 and the other for about $75,000 in exchange for the home and other personal items.

"I'm not going to go away," Hartmus added. "I'm going to help fight and file a similar motion on a $110,500 mortgage taken out in August, IMC Mortgage Corp. in Columbus. The amount was $99,534 plus interest of $243,633, according to documents filed by his lawyer, Creditor Kenneth C. Thompson.

"The property was bought at a mortgage foreclosure auction and repossessed," Rogovin said.

"I'm not going to go away. I will follow these people for the rest of their lives," said creditor Michael Polychronopoulos.

"I've been very pleased that we have had not many problems with the pizza option and of course, the addition of the year, has both student input. The company can keep students happy. Items on the agendas of these groups included the possibility of late-night food service, increased kitchen and cafeteria space and even the idea of adding a coffee shop. Members of the Student Life Committee and Student Council have been active in these panel groups.

Darmstadt points out that the choices for students dining are more diverse than ever. There is an on-site deli bar where sandwiches are made in front of you, the pizza option and of course, the normal array of salads, hot meals, soups and desserts that are now offered to students. This lends an air of space and labor. "The future of the kitchen is important," said Darmstadt. "We've really reached a limit to what we can do in the servery.

With the ever-failing Philander's Pub, late-night food options are being forced to the front of the discussion concerning future meals at students at the College. This is being worked on wholeheartedly, Rogovin said, in the form of discussions between students and the corporate heads at ARAMARK will most certainly continue. As for the implementation of the meal-plan card, it is being actively considered by ARAMARK, Darmstadt admits that it will be some time before students will be receptive to the idea of a carded-access door to enter the dining hall, but, he said, "The school will sooner or later go to the card.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE of students, not a board or smaller constituency like most other representatives and thus, their actions would go unchecked.

Student Council President and junior Ruth Crowell felt that the position needed to be fleshed out more before it was created and that just adding a student-at-large position might anger some students. "Adding a specific position for independents might further polarize the tensions between the Greeks and independents ... and they would have no board to answer to and would be responsible for answering and talking to 75 percent of campus," said Crowell.

Associate Dean of Students Cheryl Steele raised the question of how to control elections and how to define an independent student. In response Schubel said "An independent is someone who is not in a fraternity or sorority who has guaranteed campus housing."

Also noted by Crowell was the feeling that Student Council, in their meeting Sunday, expressed support for the Greek voice but no vote, but was not supportive of the same policy for an independent student. Also Sunday, council urged Senate to consider that a student come from a position outside of the Council themselves since they already occupy several positions on Senate voting body. Although no official vote was held by Council on the issue of whether or not the student should come from the Council itself, Crowell made clear that it was the intention of the Student Council that such a plan was not in the best interest of students.

Steele was then brought up to make one of the administrators' votes a floating vote, where two of the three administrators would be able to have them voting on the and the vote was nullified. After more discussion and clarification, Senate decided to divide entire issue into two separate ones. The votes to accept Student Council’s plan to remove a faculty vote was veed Monday. The second vote was held to accept the new piece of legislation that Senate had created to replace the vetoed Student Council proposal by instating that three administrators to vote at any given meeting. This vote was unsuccessful because only 10 votes were received for the proposal, with juniors George Polychronopoulos and Ruth Crowell abstaining. The constitution requires that new legislation and council votes receive at least a 2/3 majority vote, which due to the current council size of 10, means that the council vote short of the 2/3 to accept the bill. This means we are back where we started at the beginning of the meeting, we still have an unbalanced voting body," said Dean of Students Donald Omanah.

In response, Senate Council was a presentation by Ronald Griggs, who spelled out proposals that will flush out the exact responsibilities of what a new legislative body, the SAC, would have. The new SAC would have been created including carrels, chairs and tables.

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"I'll give an example from my experience," said Schubel. "An administrator was organizing a relief effort for the victims of the earthquake in Turkey, similar to the recent efforts by student Republicans for the victims of the earthquake in India, I was only able to do so because of the austerity of the rules. If students would have had to make the effort to look up my messages on a board, and then send them "out to help, it would not have worked like it did," said Schubel.

Griggs acknowledged that as the student body "there are a lot of senior States of Senate present at the meeting, but Griggs gave no indication as to whether or not the current di- gest plan of LBS is to be reworked. Senate will next meet after spring break.

Senators: Decision still not reached on voting issue

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE study furniture and dining tables and making the game room more functional and friendly," said Bazuin.

The computer lounge in Gund will see the addition of 12 modern computers, as opposed to the 16 laptop network corners there now. All of these new computers will be equipped with large 17-inch monitors and placed in the common study area. There will also be six laptop stations for students to plug in their own personal laptops in the Gund network. Three iMac standup computer stations will be added by the door in the hallway for email access and new furniture, including carrels, chairs and modular seating to be installed as well. In front of the windows will be conversation spaces with large chairs and coffee tables. Frankly, they simply didn't exist in a sunken area in the middle to create a more intimate space. All of this had been done in a sunken area in the middle to create a more intimate space. All of this had been done in a

The computer lab. "This is the biggest upgrade in the building, and likely will be the one most noticed by students," said Bazuin.

All the tables in the dining room will be replaced with new, more durable rectangular and oval tables. Six rectangular and five round tables will be added to the dining hall, and some long ones will be moved out. Seating numbers will be changed so that seating is not random. Bazuin said, "We are excited about the color -coordination possibilities." Currently, the tables are in the room old, many in disrepair and are rather dark in color. These tables will have a lighter wood grain top and more closely matching chairs, it will brighten the space up," he said.

The game room will undergo a major facelift. The television is being moved into the sunken area in the middle to create a more inviting space. What has already been done in the game room is that more electrical circuitry has been installed for the video games, more storage bins have been added to the already existing bookshelves. According to Bazuin, this has created within the commons a "more open feel and better usage of space."

"I anticipate that these improvements and investments for Gund Commons will be well-utilized and appreciated by students. I am ready to get it all done now," said Bazuin. "This is a living process and I'm eager for students to be able to enjoy all of this," said Bazuin.
No matter who the victim is, a hate crime is a hate crime

With the inauguration of President George W. Bush, hopes of a more comprehensive hate crimes bill were all but dashed for many people. Given his record in Texas and his disinterest in preventing murders such as the one committed last year in镗as, a law enforcement official from Cleveland, Oh, was sent to the hospital after being beaten by two men in Toledo, Oh. Just before they began beating him, the two men reportedly said, "You’re a f*cking faggot, you wanna suck my c*---." Though this language, this dehumanization of the victim because of his perceived sexuality is what makes this a hate crime, it is inherently more than that. A hate crime is labeled as such because it targets a member of a group, any group, for the sole reason that they are part of that group. It is not only a crime against a specific member of a group; it is a crime against the group itself. Hate crimes can be determined as such because of language that is used before, during or after the crime is committed or the vandalism or person or property by the perpetrator of the crime. On Feb. 10, Allen Patrick Shepherd, an activist from Cleveland, Oh, was sent to the hospital after being beaten by two men in Toledo, Oh. Just before they began beating him, the two men reportedly said, "You’re a f*cking faggot, you wanna suck my c*---." Though this language, this dehumanization of the victim because of his perceived sexuality is what makes this a hate crime.

Recently, a hate crime was committed in the Gambier Post Office. Granted, it was on a much smaller scale, but the principle behind it is the same. An outspoken, active, conservative Republican received in the mail an anonymous envelope containing fecal matter and a note that read "Republican suck." The language was much less severe, but the principle behind it is the same. An anonymous, active, conservative Republican received in the mail an anonymous envelope containing fecal matter and a note that read "Republican suck." Though the crime is much less severe, this student was targeted merely because of his membership in a campus minority. This was an act of hate.

There is a significant difference between the acts against the Cleveland man and the act against the student. One was committed because of Shepherd’s perceived membership in a group based on sexuality, while the other was committed because of the student’s membership in a group based on ideology and political opinion. Are these acts similar in intent and the choice of victim?

The answer is resoundingly “yes.” Shepherd was hospitalized so that the two men could exert their power over him just as the Kenton student was intended to feel powerless, isolated and unwanted by the mail he received. They are acts that are morally wrong, and they are acts that should be legally wrong.

To the cowards who decided the best way to express their disagreement with Republican policies was to take part in exactly the sort of hateful bigotry which hate crime legislation would prohibit, thank you. Thank you for reminding us that even Kenton is not immune to the kinds of behavior that led to the beating of Shepherd in Toledo. Maybe it will help people realize the importance of preventing these kinds of acts with measures like hate crimes legislation and legislation preventing the kinds in no way justify the means, and though your act was much more petty, you are no better than the two men who beat Shepherd unconscious.

OPINION

Monks visit accomplished goals, promoted awareness of Tibetan issues

BY JULIE FOXWORTHY
Guest Columnist

As President of Students for a Free Tibet, I would like to thank the campus for its reception of the monks from the Drepung Loseling monastery who visited us two weeks ago and take a moment to reflect on what their visit means for all.

Many students may have walked away from the visit with a superficial understanding of the political situation in Tibet. Perhaps a majority of us know little more about Tibet today than we did two weeks ago. Some other students were intrigued by the visit and have taken steps to learn more about the Chinese occupation, as I myself had three years ago, raising my curiosity. I have since learned much about the people, their history, culture, religion and political situation. I know for a fact that that same desire to learn was sparked in a handful of individuals this time; the monasteries send monks on tours, which accomplish the multiple goals of raising money, exposing people to Tibetan culture (as they certainly do not expect to create experts in the span of their four-day visit) and introducing people in the West to Buddhism. These tours very directly help support the preservation of the culture.

Some might argue that a direct donation to a monastery or refugee camp would better help the Tibetan people. I agree that such donations are much needed and are quite helpful. This money, raised by touring, will have to be divided up to pay the costs of the tour and the organizational framework that exists to make it all possible. I would argue, however, that it is worth the cost to the monastery to introduce people to Buddhism, to make contacts and to capture the imagination of those who reside in the United States.

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Kenyon College doesn’t allow us to spend our student organization money on donations to charities and organizations, no matter how worthy we think the cause. Instead, we have to come up with other ways to make sure the money, one of our most powerful tools, is getting to where it needs to be. And quite frankly, I would argue that even if I could just cut a check from Students for a Free Tibet at Kenyon College to the Drepung Loseling monastery in India, I don’t think that is the best use of SFT’s money. I believe that there is an added value that comes from bringing the monks here to meet with students and community members; because one more person who thinks, “Tibet is cool, Chinese oppression is bad,” is one more person who may later support a bill, write a letter, send a check or participate in a march. It is one more person who will give a damn about what happens to these people and their culture, and in my opinion, that is a victory for the Tibetans.
BY JENNY MCDENVITT  
Senior Staff Columnist

This column was supposed to be about the appearance of the new deli bar on campus, who makes our sandwiches for us, and in extreme cases, to starve themselves or binge and purge.

While eating disorders first arise in high school for many people, they are also extremely prevalent on college campuses across the country. When you are away from home, you are in a strange environment and made to feel at home at the college campus, even if you are not, told that they aren’t “real men.”

We all compare ourselves to these images, even if only on a subconscious level. Few of us measure ourselves to the unrealistic and impossible standards of beauty presented in the popular media, but that doesn’t stop us from trying. We all feel the pressure to conform, but some of us stop when it becomes obvious that we will never be as thin and beautiful, you’re a failure. Boys as young as 15 are watching men on popular TV shows and copying their eating habits. Most of us, however, are not encouraged to emulate hyper-masculine professionals, and if they fail, are told that they aren’t “real men.”

Zero-tolerance policy is only the first step for frats

BY SHAYLA MYERS  
Guest Columnist

Zero-tolerance policy is only the first step for frats.
The Kenyon College Student handbook states that during the 1999-2000 academic year, there were conflicts alleging sexual assault were heard by the Judicial board. However, this number does reflect the unreported cases of sexual assault committed on campus. "About 1/3 of my close friends have been sexually harassed or assaulted at Kenyon," said an anonymous senior woman.

Sexual assault, as defined by the handbook, "occurs when a student engages in sexual relations with another student without that person's consent." Sexual assault includes sexual conduct known as rape, which is "the carnal knowledge of a female with a man forcibly or against her will, or without consent in a manner that is not recognized among the student population." The Sexual Assault Prevention Education (SAFE) group is currently committed to the prevention of sexual assault and harassment. However, the number of reported sexual assaults is small compared to the number of cases that are not reported. SAFE hopes to increase the number of reported cases by raising awareness about sexual assault and the consequences of non-reporting.

The revision of the Sexual Misconduct guidelines by SAFE, most notably the Informed Consent regulation, not only sought to amend current problems but also to educate the community. Schweik said, "SAFE demanded a more serious and applicable policy be generated regarding sexual assault on campus. Coppins and Myers designed programs as pledge activities, as a top priority; at least six fraternities arc doing sexual assault prevention in the past four years regarding sexual assault is becoming a more vocal one.

The awareness of sexual violence on campus is increasing. Stevens, a prime example of the increased knowledge about sexual misconduct, rich increases the tendency for women to report incidents of sexual assault. Schweik said, "In a huge majority of sexual assault cases on campus campuses alcohol is a factor, so I think it's so important to talk about the two in conjunction with each other, said Myers.

Increased awareness of the issue's presence on campus is also recognized among the student population. The awareness of sexual assault is becoming a serious recognized issue on campus. The fact that during my freshman year, there was enough attention given to the issue that we became aware sexual harassment and sexual assault exist. Evangelical national woman. "This attention, coupled with the large number of women in our class who experienced sexual harassment and assault first-hand gave a deeply personal reason for Kenyon to change for the better."

Several changes have emerged in the past few years regarding sexual violence issues on campus. The formation of the peer-educational Beer and Sex group by Pete Coppins '01 and Shalay Myers '02 is one example of the increased concern for sexual assault on campus. Coppins and Myers designed the program to educate first-year students on more responsible use of alcohol, especially in relation to sexual relations.

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I think that at a lot of guys are afraid of the stigma attached to caring about a 'woman's issue,' and I think that the more men that step up and acknowledge the problem ... the more men will be able to make the first move."

By Sarah Gelm

Sexual assault awareness by stus and orgs
Faculty/staff take a canine break at Dog Play Group

BY JILL SALMON
Senior Staff Writer

Kenyon's campus abounds with four-legged friends that hold a certain celebrity status in the community. They provide much amusement as they walk down Middle Path in their Hallowe'en costumes or entertain spectators on the lawns of Ascension. And everyone loves to talk about their dogs.

Stories range from rescues at a city dumpster to a dog trick entitled "the David Letterman." Many of these dog lovers know every owner through a group of faithful members that call themselves the Dog Play Group.

As many dog owners at Kenyon know, the five o'clock hour brings much excitement to the canine members of the community. Down at the Community Center, about 10 dogs gather to romp around the grounds just off the Gap Trail.

Liz Forman, the Associate Director of Admissions, explained the dynamics of the group: "We range from staff to faculty to retirees and fromscruffy terriers to really beautiful golden retrievers." Every day the play group gets together to run the pups and their owners even go out together, including an annual trip to watch the production of Sylvia last fall.

Forman explained how the group started: "It really formed the way friendships form ... mutual interests." A couple of friends wanted to socialize and exercise their dogs, and the group grew from there.

The dogs are added to the group, and Forman said that perhaps their owners feel the same: "If I'm late at work, when I get home, my dog is literally tapping his paws wondering where I am and why he is not at dog play group. The group has become a part of the dog's social outlet and they really miss it when we don't meet ... What's been a surprise for me is that we have owners become good friends as well ... it is a stress reliever for owners, the exuberance of play, of watching the dogs romp and tumble, of watching our socials friends and make new friends as well ..." Forman also commented why he brings his three dogs to the event: "They are very high energy dogs and they love to socialize."

Faculty and staff members and their dogs (especially since "it was only a two-hour class") spend as many as 20 dogs present.

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Facility and staff members and their dogs spend each afternoon together at Dog Play Time. Often there are as many as 20 dogs present.

Wise words on an American cliche, denial of discrimination

BY HEATHER GRISBY
Feature Editor

Commercial cliches abound in our society from slogans such as "Built Ford tough" to Walmart's family values. However, social critic Tim Wise, takes the idea of America's cliche a step further.

"For me, America is a name in the national anthem. It is America's collective cliche," said social critic Tim Wise in a November 1994 LivingLouisiana Weekly article.

We will address this and the rationalization of discrimination in his lecture Sunday, March 25 at 7 p.m. in Storer Hall entitled "But Some of My Best Friends Are Black ... Racism and the Culture of Denial."

Wise began his history in so-called "white" America when he worked as a member of the underground campus paper at Hillsboro High School. His power of speech and his compelling story were recognized even then.

"I don't think you recognize your power, I think you could stand on a table in the lunchroom, and tell the students to burn the building down, and just they might do it," said his assistant principal, Harry Bouzen, after he criticized the school dress code.

Wise has taken his charisma and devoted it to fighting discrimination in education, housing, criminal justice and against all of the working class poor.

His most recent project is the founding of the Association for White Anti-Racist Education (AWARE). Through this organization he attempts to educate about the social and economic effects of discrimination on people of color and on those doing the discriminating themselves.

Wise looks to bring into his listeners awareness an inequality he recognizes in today's society which is being denied or rationalized.

"Sometimes the denial gets downright silly," he said in the above Louisville Weekly article. "In 1989 (during my senior year of college) when a cross was burned on the lawn of a Tulane University fraternity, the very night that fraternity had issued its first-ever bid to a Black student, many white students and administration said they didn't think the perpetrator actually claimed that the two pieces of wood had been "pugged.""

The dog of Jill Atkinson, new member of the SAC, and her command for a brief moment between rounds of a game of frisbee.
Chamber Singers set to begin trek astward

BY PETE HORAN
Staff Writer

The Kenyon College Chamber singers, directed by James D. and Cornelius W. Ireland Professor of Music Benjamin Locke, will begin their 2001 Spring Tour Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church in Meadville, Pa. From there, the ensemble will travel to six other churches along the East Coast before returning to Gambier on March 10. The 52 Kenyon College Chamber singers represent an eclectic geographical mix, including one from Jamaica and another from Germany. The major fields of study of group members vary from music to English to women’s studies to molecular biology.

The ensemble has been rehearsing daily for their annual Spring Concert as well as several other exclusively Kenyon concerts. Touring, as "Doc" Locke explains, is a way for Kenyon to be represented through the Chamber Singers. It is funded through the budget of the music department along with the choir account, though Locke says support comes from every- one from the admissions office to alumni.

The singers will be touring several places in direct response to alumni requests for Kenyon to put on a show for their hometowns. Prospective students are also contacted if the Chamber Singers will be in the area so the potential Kenyon students can get a real sense of what Kenyon has to offer through music and choral performance.

This year, a major theme among the pieces to be performed is the rose or rosemary. However, the group will also perform an eclectic repertoire of sacred and secular music on a variety of themes.

One of the harder pieces, Locke said, is Bach's "Lobet den Herrn, alle Heiden, BWV 230," a musical version of Psalm 117. According to Locke, the group normally begins working on the more difficult things earlier in the year. With this song, however, the group has not had too much time to work on it. The Chamber Singers have all given a "solid effort" towards capturing the beauty and intensity of the piece.

The Chamber Singers have been touring annually ever since Locke came to teach at Kenyon in 1984. They began that year with a weekend tour of two Episcopal Churches in Cincinnati. Today, the group sings in Baptist Churches, high schools, synagogues and many other locations. Since the first tour, they have been gradually expanding travel time and distance. Last year, the singers went on a Southern tour that culminated in Texas. In 1997, they had a nine-day tour that took them all the way to Denver. Normally, the students are hosted by members of the parish or community, an experience that often becomes as rewarding as touring and spreading the prestige of Kenyon.

After traveling with the same students for a week, it would be expected that strong social bonds form between the singers. Locke notices this happen increasingly every year. "Fun and growth happens when we're traveling," he said. "The social growth really relates to the musical growth." Not all of the Chamber Singers may be the best of friends initially, but after working so hard together toward the same goal, it is inevitable that they will all learn to appreciate the effort everyone put in for the good of the group and the good of Kenyon.

The official Chamber Singers Spring Concert for Kenyon will be in Rossie Hall on Saturday, March 24 at 8 p.m.

The 2000-01 Kenyon College Chamber Singers leave this weekend for a weekend tour of the East Coast.

Premiere Theaters

Music-line: 392.2220

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7:20, 9:20

3000 Miles to Graceland
Fri - Thur 4:40, 7:10
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Monkeys Bone
Fri - Thur 9:40
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Down to Earth
Fri - Thur 4:30, 7:10, 9:10
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Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon
Fri - Thur 4:30, 7:30, 9:30
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Recess: School's Out
Fri - Thur 5:00, 7:15
Sa - Su 1:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:15

Sweet November
Fri - Thur 9:15
Sa - Su 9:15

Cummiskey Trio’s jazz album not all that jazzy

BY DAN ALPER
Music Critic

Simply not knowing about a certain style of music—not being aware of its history, its traditions, its customs—should not mean anything when attempting to listen to it for pleasure. Music is universal, and it should hit you on an emotional level, should give you satisfaction and enjoyment. Whether you know the entire recorded history of a particular artist or genre, or are just discovering entirely new worlds of music, good music should make you feel something. Whether it is heavy metal, punk rock, trance, jazz or hip-hop, music, when done correctly, should move you.

This brings me to the new disc by The Tim Cummiskey Trio, Alone Together. This recording is a collection of jazz covers, performed by local Columbus musicians and fronted by Kenyon Adjunct Professor of Music Tim Cummiskey.

One of my main problems with jazz music, and most of this disc especially, is that it often seems as if it is content to play second fiddle to something else, as if it were designed to be background music for relaxation in smoky clubs or dinner parties.

Sure, the players are very skilled, technically speaking, but they really do not hold your attention for any amount of time. I'm not saying that you have to be Eddie Van Halen and provide ridiculous guitar virtuosity to be recognized and respected, but you have to give your audience something to focus on, a reason to bolt their conversa-

The Tim Cummiskey Trio recently released the album Alone Together.

A&E BRIEF

Owl Creeks Revue set for post-break

The Owl Creek Singers, Kenyon’s female a capella group, is set to host a revue of Kenyon performers Friday, March 23 from 8 to 11 p.m. in Weaver Cottage. Joining the Creeks will be fellow Kenyon music groups the Chasers, Kokonings, Stairwells, Cornerstones and Company. In addition, other student performers are welcome to play music, read poetry and display their other talents. Proceeds from the evening will help to fund the group’s upcoming CDs.

There is a $2 admission fee for the revue, which will take place on a coffee-house feel. Food and drink will be served. Several Kenyon students are set to perform their work and there is still time to join them. People can sign up to perform until tomorrow by contacting Anna Richey ‘04 or Risa Roberson ‘04.
American Beauty.

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much criticized for her perfor-

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Laura Linney, You Can Count on Me

Julia Roberts, Erin Brockovich

Actor-Supporting:

Jeff Bridges, The Contender

Willem Dafoe, Shadow of the Vampire

Benicio del Toro, Traffic

Albert Finney, Erin Brockovich

Joaquin Phoenix, Gladiator

Actress-Supporting:

Judi Dench, Chocolat

Marcia Gay Harden, Pollock

Kate Hudson, Almost Famous

Frances McDormand

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director, while the film also re-
cieved best picture recognition.

In some sense, however, the

film, which Soderbergh handled the

despite the fact that the
the ensemble cast proved detrimen-
tal in the nomination process.

Every performance within the

multiple storylines was out-

standing, with every actor and

actor affecting a sense of

ity on the film. That very

consistency meant that no

single performance could be

easily identified as miraculous.

Meryl Streep and Catherine Zeta-Jones were the

most notable snubs, but Benicio del Toro's soulful

performance earned him a nod, and he appears the fron-

raner in the Best Supporting Ac-

tor Category. Critics have

mused of supporting actor

nominee Joaquin Phoenix for his

questionable performance in

Gladiator. However, the film

as it expected, Phoenix

walkaway with award.

The blockbuster Gladi-

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year, seems desired

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Hollywood in the 1950s. It is

perhaps the movie most likely
to win the major awards such as

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The performances of Bates, 

and Palmina enhance the

experience, making it one of

the best films no one ever saw.

And the nominees are ...
The Kenyon Ladies' basketball season ended last Tuesday with a tough loss in the first round of the NCAC tournament. Earlham defeated Kenyon 51-46 on their home floor. Kenyon finished the season 10-13 overall and 6-10 in the NCAC.

Captain Jada Twedt '01, watching from the sidelines because of injury, said, "We actually played really well for most of the game." She reported that consistent shooting and strong defense allowed the Ladies to establish a six-point lead by halftime.

But then Earlham made a comeback early in the second half and the game remained close back and forth. Down only three with about a minute to go, Kenyon was unable to convert several three-point opportunities that would have tied the game. "I think the Earlham game was telling of how the season went," said Captain Megan Hill '01.

"They had a team that had trouble [working] the offense when the pressure is on. I do think we played well. Do I think we could have played better? Sure."

Now that they have been ousted from the tournament, the Ladies have time to reflect on their season. Both Twedt and Hill said that the Ladies have struggled a lot this season. Despite returning four starters from last year's NCAC tournament-winning group, this team has struggled to establish its own identity for a number of reasons.

"A bunch of things happened during the season that made it such that none of the four people ended up starting anymore," said Twedt. "Beth Eye, for health reasons, wasn't able to play anymore, I tore my ACL."

As a result, players were faced with not only the challenge of fulfilling different and possibly unexpected roles but also with fulfilling those roles in the context of a team. "There was a time when we weren't getting along great," said Hill. "We really came together [in the end]. I am proud of that."

The two senior co-captains also mentioned that the challenges that the players had to overcome as individuals and as a team would only help them next year. Despite the fact that Kenyon will lose four seniors to graduation—Twedt, Hill, Brooke Bergdahl, and Whitney Meno—Twedt and Hill raved about the play of many of the players who will carry on without them. Twedt mentioned Eileen Witman '03, a guard who started for the Ladies for the first time this season. "She has improved tremendously this year," said Twedt. "She has always been an offensive scoring threat, but this year her defense improved so much. She had tons of steals."

Twedt also singled Erin O'neill '02 who stepped into the point guard position this year. "She handles the ball really well," said Twedt.

"She has a very strong personality...[and] has definitely improved so much as a leader—which you definitely want from a point guard." Hill added newcomer Sabrina Fox '02 to the list. "She is really intense and aggressive and that helped us a lot.

These Ladies will help next year's team continue the Kenyon tradition not only on the court but off. "I believe there really is something special about Kenyon...and how close we are," said Hill. "I guess our basketball team is a reflection of that."

The seniors will continue to be a part of the Kenyon tradition long after they have gone. "It was never totally about basketball for me," reflected Hill. "It's cool because that stuff is the relationship, doesn't end."

"I'm very happy that I got to be a part of this program but mostly because I'm just sad that it's over," said Twedt.

"I still think I have practice tomorrow," joked Hill.

Twedt summed up the disenfranchisement the seniors must be feeling when she said "It's strange to think that we're not a college athlete anymore...it's like I'm going through the grieving process—hopefully I'll reach the acceptance stage soon."
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SPORTS

OFF THE HILL

By Jay Helmer
Staff Reporter

Racing fans, others mourn loss of Earnhardt

The competing swimmers are seniors Erica Carroll, Nealia Kendall, Sarah Leah, Andrea Pichard and Sarah Street; juniors Abby Brethauer, and Madeline Courtney-Brooks; sophomores Kinky Gritter, Melissa Holt, Kate Holland, Erin Hurley, Sarah Reisman, Ashley Rowatt and Claire Tindal; and first-years Chauncey Arnold, Beth Galloway, Katelynn Moore and Hillary Strong.

The group of Ladies heading off to compete consists of perhaps swimmers who are capable of scoring high points in more than one event. Surprisingly, there are nine swimmers from Kenyon competing in the 500 freestyle, which is half the National team. Also, the three seniors Kenyon has swimming in the event are the only seniors competing in the 500 freestyle.

The team will also focus on their relays, which have proved very strong recently in competition. The team is also strong in distance, long stroke events and have quality sprinters.

There are about 50 schools with qualifying swimmers for Nationals. "It is far faster this year than it ever has been. Division III swimming is really finding innovative ways to get faster and it shows," Rowatt explained.

The pressure is certainly on for the Kenyon National team. They have been focusing very hard on their training. It all comes down to the next couple of weeks to get into that certain mindset in order to compete successfully at Nationals. They are continuing a long tapering process to give them enough rest so they are not exhausted in the water at Nationals. The tapering also includes race simulation so each swimmer focuses on what it will feel like to race their personal events.

Nicole Watson '01 said, "The distance swimmers swim a lot of pace sets, trying to imitate the pace they will set for themselves in their races, while the sprinters do many full-out sprints and starts."
Men's, Women's track teams set new records

**By EBIN BILLIE COOPER**
Staff Reporter

The Kenyon Lords track team left Granville last weekend with a series of impressive 4X400-meter team records. Led by senior captain Erica Neitz '01 the all-star cast of 1500-meter standout Dana Mondol '01, 800-meter star Katherine Kapol '02 and 400-meter specialist Vyrosteck teamed together to run the fastest relay time in Kenyon history—4:15.18. They took fourth place in the extremely competitive event.

Vyrosteck noted that achieving the record was a team endeavor. "I was really proud of our 4X400 team. All four members had really good races, with everyone dropping significant amounts of time off of their splits from previous meets. I took forward to the opportunity to try and improve our time even further next week." In the 55-meter hurdles, Stephanie Guthrie '01 ran a fine-tune-up her form and ran a 10.67 to finish eighth in the field.

Continuing Kenyon's field event success was Jenna Prayoonhong '04 in the pole vault. Prayoonhong made waves earlier this season when she broke Kenyon's pole vault record. She re-set the record last weekend with a vault of 9-0 to place fourth in the event. Her distance moves her up in the NCAC Conference rankings as the indoor season draws to a close.

Vyrosteck said, "Jenna looked fabulous in the pole vault, easily clearing a height which she has been trying to master all season long. She shot over 9-0 with room to spare."

Rounding out the record-smashing night was Kenyon's impressive 4X400-meter team.

Lords prep to take 23rd swim title

**By TRAVIS ANDERSEN**
Staff Reporter

In three weeks, the Lords swim team will grace the NCAA Division III championship meet with their presence, boasting a fleet of the 18 fastest swimmers that our fair nation has to offer. The Lords have won 22 consecutive national titles, and they're currently working harder than ever to lock up number 23. Well, not exactly.

Right now it's time to cut back on yardage during workouts, explained junior Estevao de Avila. "I've been swimming three more weeks," said de Avila, the defending national champion in the 200 backstroke. "So we've starting taper right now. We do the taper to focus on our speed."

So the fastest backstroker in Division III is tapering to get even faster. Should opposing teams worry? You bet, especially when they consider that Avila's not alone.

All the usual suspects will don the purple and white for Kenyon, including junior Michael Bonomo, defending national champion in the 1650 freestyle.

Bonomo's partners in pitlage include senior Lloyd Baron, a man spectators might miss if they blink during his signature event, the 50 freestyle, for which he claimed top honors at the NCAA conference championship.

Listing the remaining Lords' credentials would surely tax the patience of readers. Suffice it to say that every chlorine commando from Kenyon has a chance to score big when the gods are shining.

Here are their names (sans Bonomo and Avila): senior Lloyd Baron, Jensen Book, Tom Hinckley, Brett Holcomb, Alan Rushton and Josh White; junior Chris Brose, Matt Janczak, Jared Murphy and Connor Sheedy; and sophomores Reed Boos, Brian Keppler, Chris Las Vegas, Collin Kliner and Greg Remaly.

The fun starts Thursday, March 15 in Buffalo, N.Y. Finals are slated for Saturday, March 18.

As the rest of Kenyon peaks up to return from spring break, Head Coach Jim Steen should be cranking yet another championship banner into his suitcase. At least that's the safe bet.