Committee Presents Draft of Racial Harassment Policy

By Gay Tiao

At a meeting of the full Senate on February 28, Professors Fred Baumann and Rich Sheffield, two faculty members of the Senate Subcommittee on Harassment, presented for senatorial review the committee’s draft statement, titled “Committee on the Basis of Race, Sex, Sexual Orientation, Age, Handicap,Religion and National Origin.”

The document breaks new ground in that, unlike any current College regulations, it precisely defines what constitutes an act of harassment as opposed to other kinds of offensive behaviors. This precision allows for the student population at Kenyon to better understand which behaviors might be construed as harassment; it also provides a clearer set of standards for the College to implement in policing any harassment complaints.

The statement defines harassment in this manner: (1) Any kind of physical, non-verbal or verbal conduct or expression which is designed or intended to intimidate, insult, dehumanize, humiliate, frustrate, or hinder the academic or professional performance of an individual where such conduct or expression is made because of the individual’s sex, race, color, age, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, handicap, or disability. (2) The intention, design, or reason of the person charged with violating this policy may be inferred from the context.

Kenyon Considers Academic Year

By Joyce Tecson

The Kenyon Calendar Committee is in the process of proposing a plan for the 1991-92 academic year. If accepted, the new calendar will include a shortened Thanksgiving break, one extra reading day during first semester, and will allow students to leave a few days earlier for winter vacation.

According to Thomas J. Edwards, dean of students, the proposal was suggested because of two factors. Dean Edwards explained that some faculty members were concerned that the 10-day Thanksgiving Break “disturbs the class rhythm and momentum.” These faculty members claim that a full week away from classes will allow some students to take a well-deserved rest before beginning the semester with a fresh start.

The second reason for the change is the cost of transportation to students; under the present system, students return to Kenyon after Fall Break and leave two or three weeks later for winter break. The new system would encourage students to stay on campus for full break.

Fall break for the proposed 1991-92 academic year would begin Wednesday, November 27, and end Monday, December 1. Reading day would be December 12, 13, and 14, and exams would be given on December 14 and 16, through 18. Classes would resume Monday, January 11, 1992. This would shorten the normal Thanksgiving break from nine days to four days. Winter break would then begin.

Liz Forman, registrar, and chair of the calendar committee stresses that the proposal is tentative and that the committee itself is divided. However, “since the faculty are not enthusiastic,” and “suspects the students won’t be either,” Faculty members have already been notified about the proposed changes in the calendar. John Lewis, Senator Council president and member of the calendar committee, presented the proposal to the Senate Council on March 25.

Forman also stated, “each year the calendar committee tries to look with a new eye at the academic calendar.” This year’s plan is similar to a schedule implemented a few years ago, but was not well received by the Kenyon community.
Selection Process for Commencement Speaker Requires Change

With graduation less than 60 days away, Kenyon College still doesn't have a commencement speaker. While this may come as a surprise to many students, the situation is nothing new to the Kenyon campus.

Each year seniors are asked to vote on whom they would like as a commencement speaker. The results of this vote are then sent to the president who makes a final decision on whom to invite. Six hundred dollars and two nights lodging at the Kenyon Inn are offered to the student who will speak as an encouragement to come speak. An honorary degree might also be used as an incentive to woo a prospective orator.

Normally at about this time of the year, the college's senior staff scrambles to find someone who will serve as a speaker for the paely offerings. Many of the big name individuals that the college invites respond to Kenyon's request by asking for a sum like $25,000 (all in a day's work). The senior staff then scrambles and squirms a little more, hoping to discover either a famous alumna or a friend of a friend of a trustee who will do the job for a more reasonable price.

However, by the time President Jordan calls his first choice as a commencement speaker, many colleges on a par with Kenyon have already made a down payment on the $25,000 owed to the individual that they have selected.

Maybe their reasoning is that they are wanting to lock something completely in set before the issue February of 1990. Timing probably does have something to do with this.

Maybe their president had the sense to realize that if you're really going to play the commencement game, you have to get the one current speaker that the campuses can become pregnant and who usually suffers alone in the event of an unwanted pregnancy — I think it is the woman who makes the final decision about having sex. Except in the cases of rape or incest (which account for less than one percent of all abortions) no one forces a woman to have sex. Essentially, sex must be her choice done because it is she who inevitably faces the results.

I respect the woman who plans ahead and uses contraception, but we all know that birth control fails. We women must think of this before having sex. Professor Cohen's analogy of the "people seeds" supposedly joined to the body of a woman who want birth control to "plug the people seeds (which managed to escape the "screen") from its place... and discard it even though it is still in its death." I find this argument to be totally irrelevant. Let's not kid ourselves — "people seeds" (or sperm, as they commonly known) do not fly around the atmosphere and mysteriously land in a woman's uterus. Usually (at least I have never heard otherwise) she has had sex, thereby allowing herself to take the risk of becoming pregnant. On this point, I must agree with J. Prince and T. Patterson (even if they are men) when they say that "when a couple make a [ultimately, a woman] decides to have a baby, they are making a choice. We might ask all cases when a couple chooses to have sex, they recognize the possible consequences." When a woman makes this initial choice, she needs only take into consideration her own interest. But after she is pregnant, there is another person's interest involved. For me to tell you not to preen your sexual ideas would be forcing a religious belief on you. This is not my intention. But I don't think you can disagree that sex is a responsability. A woman needs to consider before she goes "all the way" or not she thinks she is responsible enough to face the possible consequences. And if she doesn't think she is, I could argue that if she is intelligent) she does not have sex.

Sincerely,
Kate Blanchard '92

Middle Path Day Returns

To the Editor:
This Saturday, March 31, marks the date for an important annual event held during the spring since 1971 — Middle Path Day. Middle Path Day is a result of a joint effort between the Kenyon and Gambi communities in planning projects and campus cleanup. It is held on the campus on Saturday, in cooperation with Grounds Supervisor Steve Vadin (3132), or the members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee — Meryl Brott (4532), Mike Nunez (5488), Heather Peske (5470) or Mar Vacha (5478).

The Buildings and Grounds Committee

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
Student Council budget request forms for the 1990-91 year are now available in the Guinn Commons Student Activities Center. Student Organizations who want to request funds for the 1990-91 year must return this completed form to the Guinn Commons Student Activities Center by Friday, April 6, 1990 at 4:00 p.m. On Tuesday, April 3, 1990 at 3:00 p.m. in Philomath Hall, there will be a MANDATORY budget workshop led by Don Thomas, Student Council Treasurer and Stewart Fitz Gibbon, Director of Student Housing Services. The purpose of this workshop is to review guidelines for completing budget request forms, to provide helpful hints to organizations as they develop their financial plans, to explain Student Council's budgeting procedures, and to answer any questions student organizations might have.

Each organization is expected to have a representative present at this workshop (preferably the treasurer or president). Finance Committee and Student Council will not be able to consider your organization's request if a group representative is not in attendance. Please direct any questions to Don Thomas, pbs 870, or Rosann Hayes, Guinn Commons, pbs 5217 or 5663.

In the fall of this year, Finance Committee and Student Council proposed that the Student Activities Fee, from which student organization allocations are obtained, be increased. This increase, which received support in the form of a positive vote from the student body, has been approved by the Board of Trustees. Student Council and the Finance Committee strongly encourage all student organizations to submit a budget proposal if they need funding for next year's activities.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Thomas
Student Council Treasurer
Talented Cast Succeeds Despite Melodramatic Script

By Jennifer Sampson

Watching the recent Senior Thesis production of "The Tempest," at least one person seemed to me to be similar to witnessing a kind of a war between the script and the actors. I must first admit that I was disappointed that with Shaffer's long-winded and melodramatic speeches, heavy-handed symbolism, and what seemed to be a lack of sense. Then, without a conscience, I must say that I admire the production's attempts to overcome these problems. Despite the seeming implausibility of the script, this production held my interest and, for much of the time, encouraged me to suspend my disbelief.

Mark A.'s first direction of a "straight" play (as opposed to the review-type produc- tion of GREAT's "Brecht on Brecht" earlier this year) was successful overall. His blocking at many times was both effective and in- tentive, as in the scene of the mock shipwreck in which Clive and Pam. At other times, however, it seemed that the blocking was awkward for the actors or inappropriate to the mood. Overall, the lack of seriousness seems to be, at least in part, an outgrowth of the script.

Tom Witherspoon found interesting com- ing selections in his role as the self- teaching Clive Harrington and played them wonderfully. For example, the comedic tones of interaction with his sister were some of the most believable and touching in the play. The intimacy shown between these two characters provided an excellent contrast to the strained relationships Clive had with the other family members. Witherspoon was able to use the character of Clive's father, the character's emotions during scenes of conflict seemed overlaid at times. Although he made an excellent choice in showing attempts to suppress emo- tion rather than exploding, the very suppres- sion was sometimes overdone. Overall, his portrayal was characterized with the inher- ent melodramatic nature of Shaffer's dialogue.

Laura Porter-Jones' approach to the role of Louisa Harrington was intriguing to watch. The role seemed to unfold in additional aspects of the character gradually came to light. What appeared in the first scene to be a mother's somewhat obsessive relation- ship with her son is later revealed to be a display of power for the benefit of her less cultured husband. And her admiration of the tutor is uncovered as a less "cultured" desire than first apparent. With few of Porter-Jones' lackings of the character in the character was both subtle and convincing.

Elen Samberg gave a completely engaging performance as the teenage daughter, Pamela Harrington. She avoided the stereotypical rendition of the adolescent girl and made the girl's quirks and struggles inter- esting to watch. She was believable, not only in that she appeared to be a middle teen, but also in that her character was completely plausible in the family setting. Her light heartedness and sweetness seemed a reaction against the strained atmosphere, rather than a purely arbitrary character trait.

Eric Ziegenhagen's portrayal of the father often seemed in direct contradiction with the comments of other characters about Stanley Harrington's personality of a bully. I think that his choice, however, was both im- aginative and wise. A soft-spoken lather charges, were allowed for interesting levels of emotion in the show, and Ziegenhagen played it with consistency.

The tutor role was well played by Andrew Ludington. Despite some minor inconsist- encies in the way he related to the family (this character sometimes seemed like a potential tutor, and the fascinating installa- tion piece, An Evening With the Ladies, which incorporates women's bodies into the furniture, is well done.

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Olin Exhibits Senior Collection of Art Exercises

By Stephanie Riske

The artwork of three Kenyon seniors, Elmer Decipida, Sary Greenberg, and Jennifer Shaffer, is on exhibit in Olin Gallery as the culmination of the student's senior ex- hibits in studio art. The varied subject mat- ters of the four seniors, the diversity of the artists' work makes for an extremely inter- esting exhibit.

Decipida's work, all in charcoal, ranges from two nude studies series, which seem to trace the nude from a recognizable form in- to an abstract form, to oil life-size portraits of his friends and family, which nevertheless retain an incredible sense of in- tensity. With regard to his Christian faith, the artist states in a personal statement in- cluded in the exhibit: "My work is in a sense trying to get hold of that spirituality, the intangible soul force that comes from within; my sculpture is nothing but letting it shine through my artwork."

Sary Greenberg, in contrast, seems to be dealing with the idea of pop culture, the me- neuses, her self-sufficiency, and her self- esteem. Working with fabric and mixed media, Greenberg presents such statements as the piece, Why Chocolate Chip Cookies are Better Than Men, with his huge image of woman, and her legs driving away four potential suitors, and the fascinating installa- tion piece, An Evening With the Ladies, which incorporates women's bodies into the furniture, is well done.

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Comunyakaa's Reading to Complete "The Season of Poetry" Tour

Assisted by a National Endowment for the Arts Creative Writing Fellowship, he finished his third collection of poetry, Copacetic, which was published in 1984.

Moving to Indiana University in 1985, Komunyakaa was appointed visiting assistant professor of poetry. His poems had moved away somewhat from the Southern inspira- tion of New Orleans and began encompass- ing more Southeast Asian influences. He also taught courses evoking that same influence a senior seminar on "Literature on the Vietnam War Experience," "Literature and Public Life—History and Literature of the Vietnam War Experience," which he continues to in- clude in his repertoire. He published Toys in a Field in 1986 and has published almost biennially since; I Apologize for the Eyes in My Head appeared in 1986 and Dien Cao Duc debuted in 1988, also completed with funding from a National Endowment for the Arts Creative Writing Fellowship.

His 1992 collection "the poet Crewe Lil- lion, "What poetry which does not save Nations or people?" Following the lead of his own poetry, Komunyakaa has ex- pandied his own influence, added other voices such as early African-American poetry, autobiographical writings by artists, and contem- porary black poetry. He also opened a por- tion of his personal collection of the Australian aboriginal literature, and art.

"The final reading in the 1989-90 Ohio Poetry Circuit series takes place on Sunday, April 1, at 8:00 p.m. in Peerless Hall Lounge. The guest reader is Yusef Komunyakaa, associate professor of English and Afro- American Studies at Indiana University.

Born in Bogalus, L.A., Komunyakaa served in Vietnam as a correspondent and editor of The Southern Cross. He received a Bronze Star for his combat duty and returned to America to pursue studies at the University of Colorado. Two years after acquiring his B.A. there, he published his first book of poetry, Deductions and Other Darkhouses. His second collection, Devotion, included works both traditional and experimental. His third book, History, followed as Komunyakaa completed his M.A. at Colorado State University and his M.F.A. in creative writing (poetry) at the University of California at Irvine in 1985.

After returning to Louisiana as an instruc- tor at the University of New Orleans, Komunyakaa was named poet-in-residence for elementary-school students there in 1984.
A Day in the Life of President Jordan

By John E. Grant

I recently had the pleasure of spending several days observing President Philip H. Jordan, Jr. in action. Contrary to popular belief, Kenyon’s Commander-in-Chief’s job description does entail more than walking the dog and speaking at commencement. He is involved at both the micro and the macro level of the college’s activities.

At 8:30 on our first morning together, President Jordan and I met with Douglas Givens, Vice President for Development in the president’s Ransom Hall office. Givens reported on the fundraising efforts that the college had in progress, and the president’s schedule concerning fundraising efforts in the near future. I quickly began to see the importance of the president’s relationship with the local community, the network of Kenyon alumni, and other individuals who donate to the college on a regular basis.

Later that morning, the V.P. for Finance (Joseph G. Nelson) gave his weekly report to the president. Nelson explained to me that he was responsible for planning the budget and managing the Kenyon endowment. He gave the president his opinions concerning the upgrading of the VAX system, the probability of renovating the New Apartments and the Beacon apartments, and the possibility of paving the remaining tributaries of Middle Path.

Then the president met with Rodlyn Warren, his executive secretary. She and the president confirmed his appointments for the board meeting of the Columbus Academy (a private school for boys), a lunch with Dr. Frank Hale, and a Rotary luncheon in honor of local Kenyon student Carmen Posada. Warren stressed the need to organize the president’s time effectively so that it is used wisely. When I asked about the president’s habits, I was told that he is a fiscal conservative who usually drives himself to meetings and sometimes even eats at McDonald’s to save time and money.

Next on our schedule was a meeting with Vice President for Information and Computing Services, Tom Moberg. Moberg reported to the president on the issue of unauthorized use of computer software with regards to the college’s liability statement, and the problems concerning the overloading of the Kenyon computer system. Jordan explained that the computing services are a high priority to the college, and as such, Moberg’s current position was created to reflect the college’s increased emphasis on having quality computing services.

After lunch, Provost Reed Browning reported to the president. Browning defined his position along the lines of keeping track of the academic realm of Kenyon. His job description includes: organizing searches for and recruiting new faculty, reviewing current faculty and reporting to the president regularly on his activities. Having served as acting president during President Jordan’s sabatical, Browning spoke of his new found admiration for the presidency. The president commended him for his work and stressed the importance of the position, especially in the current political climate.

The president’s student open hour was productive. Williams Whitmoyer ’90 came to inquire about the college’s negotiation with regard to the American flag. Whitmoyer was distraught at the fact that the college was not taking down the American flag daily, nor was it shining a light on the flag as required by law should the flag be flown at night. The president immediately walked over to the security and faculty offices to get the bottom of the situation. Currently, the flag has a spotlight shining on it after dark.

The following day, the first thing on our agenda was a meeting with Dean Thomas J. Edwards. Dean Edwards spoke with the president concerning the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act which authorizes institutions of higher learning to give a higher profile to drug and alcohol education. Dean Edwards explained that a package was about to go out to all students with information about drug and alcohol abuse as part of the college’s response to the new law. He then professed the new Kenyon AIDS policy, which the college should be sending out to all students in the near future. Also included in that day’s schedule were Chaplain Andrew Fosher and Professor Carlos Piano of the Modern Foreign Languages department.

As can be seen, the daily activities of the president vary widely. While I only sampled several meetings with Kenyon officials, I was able to get the feel for the rhythm of the president’s activities at Kenyon. Each senior staff member reports weekly to him, and in addition, other members of the Kenyon community often aid and advise the president.

The president also serves as an important link with the community. For example, he serves on the loan committee of the First Knox National Bank and on the board of the Columbus Academy. It is his responsibility to attend functions such as the Rotary luncheon. Further, he often travels to expand upon the ties already made with members of the world community, and develop new relations which benefit the college. All this work makes one wonder how the president is able to make time to walk his dog and write his speech for the following year’s commencement.

The Changing Faces of Kenyon

Common Grounds is going where? Food served in the Library? What is going on around here? We at the Collegian figured that there would be innumerable opinions of the Common Grounds annex of the Library. So, once fine moving, we ventured into the heart of the scene, the Olm Acrum, just to find out what the average, hard-working, and articulate Kenyon student thought of the coffee shop moving into their valuable study turf.

"It will be much more centrally located. Everyone on campus will be able to get there. There are so many people in the library and the library needs a place for study breaks."—Shelly Welsh '90

"I think that it's a great idea. It will be a fantastic way for Common Grounds to sell their product. More people will be here and they will buy it."—Tom Shumaker '90

"I don't think the library needs to be anymore social than it already is."—Anne Hobs '92

Every Interest Easily Satisfied at Kenyon

By Shy F. Riegler

Starting a new club at Kenyon is very easy. Roseann Hayes, director of student activities, and the process is "really simple and basic. This is one great benefit of Kenyon." The liberal approach Kenyon takes toward allowing people to organize and become official is probably the best way to explain the surprisingly high number of new clubs started at Kenyon this year. Since last September, 14 new groups have been started. The road to official status is relatively easy. The organizing student makes an appointment with Hayes and go to her office to explain what it is they want to do. If such a group already exists, Hayes tries to "channel them in that direction, because of the limited resources available." Many groups compete for the pool of funds from the Student Activities Fee everyone pays along with their tuition. However, if the idea is really original or the students are adamant about moving it ahead, they move onto the next phase. They are given a very short and simple form called "Registration of an Organization." Undergraduate Organization to fill out. The completed form is then taken by the Student Affairs Committee (SAC), headed by April Garrett '90. This branch of the Student Council reviews the form and asks the student to come to a meeting and make a presentation and to answer questions about their group. If the SAC approves the club, it is officially recognized by the Student Council. Hayes reviews the application, sends the student an information packet, and assigns the group a mailbox in her office. That is how a group becomes official.

Official status is very desirable for a group at Kenyon. An official group may have a great deal of difficulty, Official groups have access to Student Council funds and are able to establish a student account number for their group, which allows access to school vehicles and are able to reserve meeting space. Such groups are also part of an established organization line. They are much easier to contact.

Of course, official status does not mean immediate access to funding. A group started after the budget has been made, cannot be included. For this reason, most new groups are slow to start because of monetary problems. But, says Hayes, many "have been doing well this year because they held on to their funds." She also encourages similar groups to coordinate their efforts. Cheryl Steele, assistant dean of students, handles all of the collegiate groups, which include: WKCO, the Collegian, the Kenyon Film Society, etc. All special interest, political, religious, and recreational groups are handled in Hayes’ office. It is interesting to note that the majority of new groups on campus this year are either religious or political. This year’s new organizations are: ASIA, Christian Science Organization, Harcourt Student Group, ITEK, Kenyon Graphix, the Kenyon Observer, OCS, ACS, People for Choice — NARAL, the Pulp Society, the Sky Diving Club, Suf Life, Students for Progressive Action NOW (SPAN), and Worldly Wisdom.

Obviously, if a club does not satisfy an interest you have, you can always start your own.
A second issue Boerckel will raise in his study is the problems faced by the South African church in creating an integrated community of believers. Comparing the situation to many U.S. churches, Boerckel said, "Although the roles might show blacks next to whites, that's not always the case in reality. For instance, there might be an 8:30 service for blacks and a 10:00 one for whites. With integration in the church, I want to know: how does it work and how well?"

Boerckel added that the question about church integration in the idea he believes is "tame enough" to get him into South Africa. With the help of Andrew Foster who is the Kenyon chaplain and faculty advisor on this project, Boerckel hopes to be sponsored by the Episcopal Church.

In the wake of sweeping changes occurring in South Africa in the past few months, the legalization of groups such as the African National Congress (ANC) and the release of anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela, Boerckel thinks the timing of his study is ideal. "People will be very excited and, I hope, willing to talk about their lives, both before the changes and their hopes for the future."

Boerckel's own future plans have been affected by the opportunity his Watson Fellowship created. The English literature major envisions eventually entering graduate school and a possible career in journalism.

Win Wins Watson to Study South African Churches

By Becki Miller

The Watson Fellowship provides money to people to do what they've always wanted to do: let people follow their dreams." In his words, Kenyon senior Win Rodriguez follows his dream to South Africa to study the role of the church in the midst of apartheid, legal racial segregation. Boerckel is one of 76 winners nationwide of the prestigious Watson Fellowship. It provides a $10,000 grant for recent college graduates to stay abroad for 12 months in a project of their own design. Boerckel was chosen as one of four nominees from Kenyon who competed nationally for the fellowship.

Boerckel's winning project concerns two subject areas. First is the role the church plays in resistance to apartheid. Boerckel explained that with South Africa's declaration of a state of emergency in recent years, many a ban on groups acting for a lawful end to apartheid. Yet, the church uses a unique status—not a political force, but one that can similarly organize and communicate to members. Boerckel used the example of mass meetings in the form of sermons or Masses featuring social justice causes against apartheid.

"With no option for peaceful, political protest, the church filled that role," Boerckel said.

Rodriguez Discusses Writing as a Mexican-American

Writer-journalist Richard Rodriguez will be at Kenyon College to discuss his development as a writer, his controversial views on literature and affirmative action, and his efforts as a successful Catholic Mexican-American in a predominantly Protestant country. He will offer a lecture on "The Life Life and the Life of the Writer" on Friday, April 2, at 8:00 p.m. and a discussion of his written works at 11:10 a.m. on Sunday, April 3. Both events will take place in Peirce Library.

A significant portion of Rodriguez's obliged work addresses the centrality of language to a person's development and his identity. His autobiography, Hunger of Memory: The Education of Richard Rodriguez, meditates on his journey through a fragmented American educational system and his coming from both his Hispanic family and his English-speaking scholastic education.

Fullbright Scholarship studying English Renaissance literature. But his facility with this "public" language alienated him from his family; "the language of their Mexican past sounded in counterpoint to the English of public society." In fact, Rodriguez's parents were eventually "intransigent by what they had worked so diligently to bring about: the integration of their son into the larger world of graingo life, so that he, unlike they themselves, could go far, become, one day, powerful, educated," as Paul Zweig wrote in the New York Times Book Review.

Rodriguez's autobiography painfully details the conflict he felt: "If, because of my schooling, I had grown culturally separated from my parents, my education had finally given me ways of speaking and caring about that fact." In fact, he won a Christopher Award for "writing about those very things... my mother has asked me (to reveal)... telling the gringo about how divided you feel from the family."

Rodriguez, having attained the goals he and his parents had sought for him under the aegis of "minority student," now disagrees with the very policies that helped him to achieve those goals. As New York Times writer Le Anne Schreiber explains, Rodriguez "could not withstand the irony of being counted a 'minority' when in fact the irreversibly successful effort of his life had been to become a fully assimilated member of the majority." Rodriguez argues against affirmative action since "the program has primarily benefited people who are genuinely disadvantaged, people who cannot read or write."

"No one seemed troubled by the fact that those who were in the best position to benefit from such reforms were those... least victimized by racism or any other social oppression—those culturally, if not always economically, of the middle class."

Similarly, Rodriguez feels that bilingual education is not a practical solution to immigrants' lack of assimilation. "To me, public educators in a public schoolroom have an obligation to teach a public language. Public language isn't just English or Spanish or any other formal language. It is the one we speak or, in Rodriguez page eight.
Swimming Teams Roll Lucky 7-11 Combo at Nationals
By Molly Roll

It is no surprise to hear that the swimmers have done it again! That the Lords have captured their eleventh and the Ladies their second winning relay team in seven years is getting to be a routine. The Kenyon swim team is clearly in a class of its own. With this year’s victories at Nationals, the swim team has set the NCAA record for the consecutive national titles in any sport in any division, and head coach Jim Steen has broken the record for NCAA coaching championships. He has now won eighteen national titles, beating Ted Banks from the University of Texas at El Paso, who won seventeen titles in cross country and track and field from 1974 to 1981. It seems clear that with this year’s victories at Nationals, the Lords and Ladies swimming teams have been the teams of the 1980s. Into a new decade, we wonder if this can possibly continue.

While everyone was away for Spring Break, the swim team remained at home to prepare for Nationals which for the women were held at Williams College the weekend of March 9th. Despite the fact that senior Missi Nelson became ill the week before and was not able to swim, the team managed to stave off a threat from the University of California at San Diego who had been ranked 10th above the Ladies in the national poll all season. After the second night of competition, UCSD had narrowed Kenyon’s lead to 48 points. Last year, Kenyon won by over 300 points.

Head coach Jim Steen said that “This championship gave the Ladies a chance to see what it’s like to be in a close meet, and they held their ground. We never gave up and it showed in the last day. San Diego gave us a good meet.” Assistant Coach Maureen Murrett added, “This is the biggest challenge we’ve had in the last five years. I’m proud of the way the team accepted the challenge and went after the victory. We developed as a team and swam to the best of our abilities.”

Out of a total of twenty events Kenyon won six of them including four of the five relays. Twelve Ladies and four gentlemen were awarded All-American honors. Winning individual titles were sophomores Carrie Nealon in the 1650 meter freestyle and Jenifer Hazel in the 800 freestyle relay. Nealon, who was defending her title in the 1650 was also a member of Kenyon’s winning 400 freestyle relay team. Kelley became Kenyon’s fourth Relay Champion with 81 points. She was on three winning relay teams and placed second in three events. In her individual races, she earned All-American honors. Other swimmers were Catherine Capriles, who was named co-swimmer of the Year and set national records with each of her victories. Assistant coach Murrett commented that “Jennifer had a tough three days of competition. She had the most visible competition with Capriles, and she went after her every time.”

Six seniors completed their careers at Kenyon in the meet, Howard, LeR àndri, Tom Magowan, Parker Nash, Scott Sporte, and Tip. Howard with eleven NCAA titles and twenty-one All-American titles while Wenz had eight NCAA titles and eleven All-American honors. Magowan was an All-American in three events while Nash and Sporte each earned All-American status once.

In last week’s issue of “Sports Illustrated”, Jim Steen commented on his winning team. According to him, it looks like they had a positive experience if one of his teams is nationals. It would give them a new beginning—something to strive for. We can only wonder what the future has in store for Kenyon swimming.

Kenyon Boys of Summer Are Cold
By C. Alfred Mellowes

The most interesting stat for the 0-11 Kenyon Lords baseball team is that it has been ahead in seven of those games. This trend began down South over Spring Break and has continued into the Ohio portion of the 1990 season. The problem, essentially, is that both the pitching and hitting are still on vacation. If one is working, it can carry a bullpen until the other facet comes around. Neither has come around yet for Kenyon. The high hopes of Kenyon’s season rested on its offense coming into this season. Kenyon managed to score just 18 runs during its southern campaign, which covered six games against Beloit, Kenyon-Oberlin, Occidental, Valley State, Marion, and Wheaton. Over 16 of those 18 runs were scored in two of the six games. The hitting is being led by Jason Bertram (380), Jason Huddleston (333), and Josh韦伯 (272). After that, no one man consistently bats over .230. The team batting average is in the low .200 range. Although Roger Colson is 6 for 8 on stolen base attempts (all coming down South), Kenyon is still relying on the sacrifice bunt, sac fly, and sacrifice runners and advancing them in. To witness Kenyon, left of average of 10 men stranded per game over those first six contests.

While Kenyon scored 18 runs in those six games, they were being scored upon 47 times. The following week, the men traveled Missouri and Arkansas, where they won two of eight games, including three of five relays. Seventeen men earned All-American honors. The Lords posted 60 points to defeat UCSD who tallied 50 points.
Lords, Ladies Lacrosse Look To NCAC After Break

By Grant Tentille

It must be the heat. The temperature correlation between men's lacrosse team's amazing performance on their traditional, season opening weekend and the shabby condition of the majority of the players' heads. The Lords left Kenyon two weeks ago with full heads of hair and a full stomach. Now they're back and their hair is gone. The trip south, which included stops at Lynchburg, Pfeiffer and Guilford, left the Lords with an impressive 2-0 record, and answered many questions about the young team's ability to score goals and win games.

The first contest, at Lynchburg College, and the travel-wearied Lords on the losing end of a 6-1 halftime score, but the second was all Kenyon. Led by explosive freshman attacker Peter Dagbovie, who added an amazing 6 goals, The Lords battled back to win 14-9. Senior midfielder John Lombardi credited much of the teams success in that first game to fellow middy Andy Mehan and Emity Johnston saying "their intensity in the second half did much to raise the entire team's level of play."

The Lords' second match at Pfeiffer College was much less exciting, but it provided the Lords with another opportunity to display their considerable offensive firepower as they won 11-4. Junior defenseman Don Thomas noted that, unlike the Lynchburg game, "the defense was in control from the start." Thomas currently leads the Lords in controlling ground balls with 37 scoops to his credit.

The final game resulted in a disappointing loss to a tough Guilford team by a score of 16-4. Many of the Lords felt that a combination of fatigue coupled with the promise of the upcoming vacation led to the poor showing. Some players did feel, however, that coach Bill Heiser might have used his time outs more effectively to slow the tempo which was stirred so strongly to Guilford's favor.

Overall the trip was a great success, giving the Lords a very clear picture of their strengths and weaknesses. The emergence of Dagbovie as an offensive force, the inspired play of Johnston and Mehan in the midfield, and the continued strength of Chris Alpaugh's goaltending are just a few of the positive aspects which surfaced during the opening week of the season and let's not forget those great haircuts.

Women's Lacrosse

By E. Ray Baird

After a successful series of scrimmages over the spring break holiday against some of the best women's lacrosse teams on the Eastern seaboard, the Kenyon women's lacrosse team is ready to enter the regular season. Yesterday the Ladies traveled to Wooster to take on a Fighting Scot team with a new look. The Wooster team has a new coach and it is impossible to see what effect that might make, but momentum has the Ladies coming out ahead.

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The outlook for the rest of the season is also optimistic. The combination of an experienced senior-laden defense, and a balanced offense means that the team should challenge for the conference title. The Ladies defeated the perennial champion, Denison, in a scrimmage during spring break. As long as the Ladies stay healthy they are as good as anyone in the area. Unfortunately, the position of First home is a spot where injuries have taken their toll. Beth Melusa Wood and Ali Shari are out. Hopefully, they can return as soon as they are better and the Ladies will progress towards the NCAC crown and the post-season.

Tennis Teams Gain National Respect Down South

By Scott Jarrett

Like many other Kenyon students the Lords and Ladies tennis teams also headed warmer climates over break but didn't get to enjoy the mildness of Florida beaches. Instead the squads crunched into vans and marked on their spring season successfully they played a total of 11 matches through Saturday of Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee.

The Ladies, last year's NCAA Division III champs, won four of their six matches with relatively young team. With such immediate success first year coach Paul Wardlaw feels that the team is on schedule to play successfully on the national level.

"They are going to improve a lot before nationals," Wardlaw remarked noting that there seems to be a total team effort in each match. 'Everybody has contributed on any given match,' Wardlaw remarked.

The biggest victory for the Ladies team is in a five and a half hour marathon match against sixth ranked Emory.

Sophomore Kathy Langan and Stacy Bear defeated at first and second singles, but Kenyon fun the third through sixth singles making the team score 4-2 heading into doubles. In order to win the match the traditional doubles, to win the doubles which they most triumphantly did.

At first doubles Lane paired with Lisa Voisin for a 6-3, 7-5 win, while at second doubles Bear and Tia Tartaglione prevailed 6-3, 6-4 and at third doubles Cindywith and Britt Hartin bounced back from a 6-2 set loss to secure the Ladies win' 6-1, 6-3.

Other highlights from the trip included the loss of Division I power Davidson, 6-1, and a close loss to second ranked University of South, 5-4.

Despite a 2-5 record over the break, the team also decided to uphold Kenyon's fine tennis reputation.

The men's team began the trip ranked 18th friendly and champl,ed up wins against Kwan and Rippon. Yet the Lords best match came in a tough 5-4 loss to third ranked Washington College.

Sophomore Adam Wadsworth who led the nation's 3rd ranked singles team, 3-6, 6-7, 7-5.

Also winning were David Register and Jon Gantner at fifth and sixth singles and

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Notes

Schedule

There is but one team playing at home this weekend, and it is the Ladies' lacrosse team. Indiana and Earlham visit Kenyon for games that begin at 10 in the morning on Saturday. The game against Earlham represents the second NCAA game for the team, as it goes for its first ever league title.

Golf

The golf team spent an adventure some five days in Florida playing several pre-season matches. Playing with a Sidell State team that was without Tom "Gimme a winner" Toby and teams of club pro wannabes, the Lords held their own. Matt Acton returns as the top player that the team should vie for the NCAC crown, as long as its players get rides back from the course and don't have to hitchhike.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mike and Tina Pfliger. Cameron Michael Pfliger was born to the couple last Friday. Rumor has it that Coach Pfliger has the tyke kicking a mini-socket ball around the crib in between skating lessons.

Swimming

After winning his third consecutive NCAA Division III title in the 50-yard freestyle, senior Jon Howell earned the right to compete at the Division I championship held last weekend at Indiana University.

A slow start hampered Howell as he placed twenty-sixth swimming for a time of 20.46. The winner was Kent Lang of the University of Michigan in 19.40. Howell's best time in this event occurred at the 1990 Division III Championships when the time was 20.13, a time which would have earned him All-American honors at the Division I level.

Howell concludes his career with 21 Division III All-American honors and 11 national Division III titles.
Harassment
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said he is working with the Administration on possible compromises to the document.
Professor Sheffield, commenting on Runt’s written objections published in the Minutes, said he is pleased at the Senate’s concern, and emphasized the importance of students showing interest in the protection of rights of expression. A closer look at the statement, however, would reveal to the reader the “painstaking attempts” of the committee to avoid infringement upon student rights. Professor Sheffield said it was important to create a document which was not subjective, so that the resulting policy being recommend-
ed to the Senate for adoption was one which would “condemn anyone’s personal sensibility.” The document’s objective standard allows for the avoidance of loopholes, and coupled with the more precise definition of harassment) is especially vital when utilized in the context of the Judicial Board, which handles matters of this nature.

With regard to the issue of intent, Professor Baumann said the committee wanted to state what it thought was harassment, but didn’t want to write something that would quash free speech. The key issue is determining whether an action is merely ordinary insensitivity or actual harassment is the intent of the student involved, and just the effect of the action, and Professor Baumann feels intention can be proven because the definition is a good one. “It’s a set of guidelines for reasonable people.”

The six-member ad hoc committee—comprised of professors Baumann, Sheffield and Joan Sloczowski as well as students Ed Curtis, Rachel Tucker and Peter Wernick—benefited from fact that it was not a solely law-conscious council; instead, they concentrated on how a broadened definition of harassment would work amongst the Kenyon student population. The members did, however, have a chance to examine statements created by other universities and the difficulties their documents spawned. Professor Sheffield, who is the only faculty member with a law degree, emphasized the fact that his place on the committee was as a faculty member, not as a lawyer.

Professor Baumann said that although the views of the committee members were quite diverse, there was a “remarkable” cohesion: “We agreed on the basic principles, and wrestled on the edges.” Professor Sheffield was “quite impressed” with the student members’ objectivity and the level of their participation.

The Senate invites written comments on the harassment statement to be submitted to the Senate President, Professor John Macioci.

Wilhelm
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Wilhelm explained that he is looking forward to the transition to an institution that is similar in type to Kenyon, one that “provides high quality liberal arts and science education.” He emphasized his happiness about re-
maining affiliated with the Great Lake’s College Association (GLCA). Wilhelm worked at Albion college for two years before he came to Kenyon three years ago. He is com-
fortable with the networks he has created with other people in his field from the GLCA. Although he will miss Kenyon, Wilhelm is pleased that the student popula-
tion of the two schools are very similar.

Barbara Gensheimer, Director of the Career Development Center, commented that, “I will miss Hoyte and what he has done here at the Career Development Center. At the same time I am excited for him and his new oppor-
tunity at Wooster. I’m pleased that he’ll still be at one of the GLCA colleges, so we can continue to exchange ideas.”

Kenyon has begun a search for a new Assistant Director of the Career Development Center. Wilhelm’s replacement is scheduled to start at the CDC on the first of July.

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The committee will meet again on Thurs-
day, March 29 to further discuss the calendar and prepare it for presentation to President Jordan. Edwards remarked, “The committee can do no more than recommend.” President Jordan has the authority to make the final decision.

Women
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The sponsors of the conference hope that other faculty members, current students and alumni will participate as well in order to explore as fully as possible the question, “Whither Kenyon women?”

This program is receiving additional support from the Crouser Board, Student Lectureships and Women’s and Gender studies.

Seniors
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of the pictures, to insure that the viewer does not miss the reference. The exhibit of three senior exercises in studio art are on view only though Thursday, March 31 at Olin Gallery, to make sure you don’t miss it; the talent exhibited in that gallery is incredible!

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