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Senate to Establish Criteria

Student Council Discusses Issue of Sorority Affiliation

BY STEVEN ROSENBRUSH

Last Sunday, Student Council opened for the first time this semester. Among the key issues discussed was the establishment of sororities at Kenyon. Senate will approach the sorority matter by establishing Senate to establish criteria. By dealing with the national affiliation question first, Council hopes that the specific issue of sororities will be easier to resolve.

Student Council President Dan Mechem did not say what he thought the criteria might be, nor did he describe the process by which they would be decided. He did say, however, that the issue of sororities is one that will not be dropped. On the other hand, there is strong argument which says that if you allow sororities on campus you will dramatically change the complexion of campus life.

Also at the meeting, it was reported that Dean Edwards has submitted to Senate a proposal redefining the criteria for an affiliation. In addition, Mechem discussed the fact that the college considered terminating Custom Food Service's contract at the end of last semester. (See related story below.)

During the Senate report, the 1981-82 academic calendar was announced. Classes will begin after Labor Day and there will be one day break on Friday, October 23. One notable change in the new schedule is that final exams will be interspersed throughout a week-long period at the end of the semester. This plan is designed to ease the burden on students by breaking up the block of exams which usually follow a four-day reading period.

Council's next meeting will be held Sunday in the Biology Seminar room. It will begin at 9:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m. to accommodate those who wish to watch the Super Bowl. The Student Organization or group of persons that has a suggestion regarding national affiliation is encouraged to come to the meeting.

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Custom Food Service Comes Under Scrutiny of College

BY LYNN TRAYERS

A meeting to discuss the possibility of contracting a new food service to replace Custom Food Corporation for the second semester was held on December 17. In attendance were Dean Thomas Edwards, Assistant Dean Karen Williamson, Student Council President Dan Mechem, and Food Service Committee members Steve Conen and Garrett Hammegan.

This meeting, which Dean Edwards wanted to remain secret until after all appropriate action was taken, was not designed to bring about any formal commitment to a course of action, but simply to air opinions. Those attending met unannounced to express dissatisfaction with Custom's overall performance, according to the students who attended. They then explored the option of replacing the present food service with ARA Services.

A clause in the Custom contract, however, could have resulted in their leaving Kenyon at the end of this semester. Because of this, the idea of changing services was no longer considered as it would then be necessary to make this change in the middle of the semester.

According to Dean Edwards, Custom first approached the College administration to request more operating funds for the second semester, money that was being operated at a considerable deficit during the first half of the school year. However, the school chose 'to abide by the original contract,' said the Dean, which led Custom to consider leaving Kenyon.

Then John Meir, the owner of Custom Management Corporation, traveled to the College in order to speak to the administration and express his desire to maintain his contract at this school, and finish the year's service successfully.

At last Sunday's Student Council meeting, Mechem voiced speculation that the College was providing Custom with supplementary funds to use in order to finish out the term, however, both Dean Edwards and Vice President for Finance Samuel Lord insist that this is not the case. Mechem stated that he was uncertain of many details of the negotiations between the College and the food service, largely because the administration did not disclose them to him. While he feels that the administration does have the right to keep specific financial details private, Mechem says, "The students have a right to know why Custom is still here." At one point he had been under the impression that a new food service would be brought in, and was somewhat surprised when this did not happen.

Food Service Director Chuck Porter described Custom's plans for improvement in the second semester. Increasing promotions of special features and of meals in the main emphasis of these plans. He states, "We lost some credit we should have earned (due to the lack of promotion)." He cited as an example the reaction to the rearrangement of the Peirce salad line; he feels that this "well-intentioned move" was supported by most students due to lack of publicity before the change.

Also important, he says, is building rapport with students. Porter says that Custom hopes to "get closer to the students." He added that they were adding more special services and features, such as pizza delivery and new sandwich combinations.

Finally, three managers will now be at Peirce, which Porter says seems to need more supervision in order to function smoothly. Two managers, one of whom is himself, will serve at Gund.

Mechem expressed his belief that Custom genuinely cares about providing a good food service at Kenyon and wants to improve. He feels that "it is important for the school to provide some type of incentive for improvement." Also, he pointed out Custom Corporation's "philosophy of employee/managers, and that said increased effort in that area would almost certainly result in a general improvement.

Honored Poet James Dickey Coming to Speak at Roosse

If the post of "unofficial poet laureate" was only a literary crime perpetuated by Jimmy Carter's hype-laden media consultants as the bulmy days of 1976, the poet evoked to this nonexistent status was definitely the real thing, James Dickey, one of America's most honored poets even before he was asked to read at Carter's inauguration, is a genuine literary figure. Dickey will be coming to Kenyon on January 27.

"I look on existence from the standpoint of a survivor." This is Kenyon's 1981 Poet Laureate's opinion on living and his world. Dickey, the native of Georgia, was educated at the University of South Carolina.

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Exploratory College Offers Variety of Uncommon Courses

"by SUZY APEL"

The 1981 Gambier Experimental College, which will begin classes soon, will offer 25 courses which cater to a wide diversity of interests. The一下子就 classes range from a novel-in-progress, and provide a chance to study a foreign language to one in adi.lition, the coordinators plan to break up the winter routine. Stu Sheppard and Dale Marsh;

Vernon. Early enrollment is encouraged. For more information, call 297-5106.

Co-DEC Director Hil Rizvi

Registration for the courses will be held January 26 and 27 in dinner in both Peirce and Gund, and on January 28 and 29 from 4:00 to 6:00 in Rosse Hall. Enrollment is open to all college members, and interested students are encouraged to conduct a registration in Mount Vernon. Early enrollment is recommended, for it Rizvi pointed out, "Enrollment is limited in a number of classes." He eliminated a potential problem by emphasizing that "There's no limit in the Melodrama course, though, as long as we don't have so many people sign up that we would have to hold the class in Rosse Hall." The 1981 Gambier Experimental College promises to provide everyone, from the plow to the drunkard, an opportunity to expand their knowledge while breaking up the winter routine.
The Affiliation Question

At its meeting last Sunday, Student Council raised the issue of sorority on campus. No real action can be taken until Student Council establishes criteria for groups considering national affiliation. We feel that any group of women which is able to fulfill these requirements has the unequivocal right to form a sorority on campus, and we ask that students become involved in the formation of these guidelines.

As President Dan Mechem pointed out at the meeting, the character of campus life may "drastically change" because of the presence of sororities. The statement is undeniably true. The completion of campus life will be altered by the existence of such an all woman society; the question is whether any group of women which is able to fulfill these requirements has the unequivocal right to form a sorority on campus, and we ask that students become involved in the formation of these guidelines.

To those who oppose sororities, the end result of their formation will be an increase in the sense of separation that exists to some extent between sororities and the rest of the student body. Many fraternity men will tell you, however, that their respective societies aid them in their social relationships and provide them with experiences invaluable to their futures. We submit that sororities may provide women with the same opportunities.

It is true that there is no facet of campus life in which women cannot participate. It is clearly then a faction which thinks that the extent groups (L.A.K.E., Upperclass Sisters, Hannah More, etc.) are not sufficient, and that sorority is necessary to fill a gap they feel exists. This faction must not be ignored, as the voices of the students are those which must guide this campus in its daily activities.

We urge members of the community to contact their representatives in Student Government and aid them in establishing the necessary guidelines. This criterion will also have an impact on groups which are nationally affiliated, so it clearly has repercussions for the entire Kenyon community.

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"Realpolitik" Remains Key Policy in Reagan's Cabinet

By BRYAN SNYDER

The Senate has approved President Reagan's Cabinet appointments, with revitalized Republican fervor for a party foiling its new-found majority status.

Ronald Reagan, following his campaign slogan "We're going to make America great again," has been enlisting old Nixonsites in a party that looks like a reunion at 40. Members from the Democratic party's brethren include blacks, liberals, and civil libertarians alike.

In assessing the incoming administration's foreign policy prospects, perhaps Mr. Reagan's campaign slogan would have been more accurate if it had read, "Let's make America imperial again."

Leading this new calling will be the ex-Generalissimo of Nixon's "Palace Guard," General Alexander Haig. The former Secretary of State in the Nixon administration has been described as a "realpolitik" type of politician who thrives on countering "perceived" Soviet threats. Through Mr. Kissinger's influence, General Haig marched along with the White House in numerous actions, including the overthrow of the Allende government in Chile in 1973, the 1972 Cuban invasion of Haiti, the mining of Haiphong Harbor, and the illegal bombing of Cambodia.

Reagan administration has been moving to reconstitute "realpolitik" ideology, which asserts that any policy action taken by the United States is justified by countering "perceived" Soviet power. Though Mr. Kissinger has "no longer in favor with the insiders of the Reagan camp, his policies will be more than understood by government by both General Haig and our next U.N. Ambassador, Jean Kirkpatrick (of A.E.I. notoriety). These two have a world outlook that should bury what is left of Carter's human rights policies in a flood of support for right-wing regimes. Haig, along with Kissinger and Kirkpatrick, voiced early support for the authoritarian regimes in Iran and Nicaragua.

What Realpolitik means to the human rights community is that it does not matter how a regime treats its own people, but how it treats the United States. This opens up some interesting possibilities for 18 and 19-year-olds, because of potential intervention in places like El Salvador, Guatemala, the Philippines, South Africa, and/or Saudi Arabia. Their repressive regimes will be held up as American aid and troops if the people start endangering our vital interests in their country.

The Department of Defense, in the Reagan regime, will operate under yet another Republican, Casper Weinberger, who was welcomed by the hawks of the Senate Armed Services Committee as one who will put our record defense budget to good use. There may be a closer fraternal relationship between the Department of Defense and Defense in this administration, along with a de-emphasis of the National Security Council, which often conflicts with the president's foreign policy.

The Three Faces of Eve is an important film for several reasons: it introduces a young actress of enormous talent, Joanne Woodward (who later won an Oscar for this film), and it tells the relevant and true story of a schizophrenic woman and her treatment. The psychiatrist, played by Lee J. Cobb, struggles to unravel her unstable psyche. Two main personalities are obvious. The patient, called herself Eve White when she is a drab Southern housewife; most other times she is Eve Black, a confident and sharp person who ignores her husband and child. The spouse, unable to cope with his alternately manic or unresponsive wife, leaves her. Meanwhile, the psychiatrist uncovers another Eve, an upstanding and intelligent woman. Eventually, the surprising root of Eve’s problem is discovered by the doctor.

The Three Faces of Eve was a box-office failure of the movie because of the complexity of the protagonist’s role. Joanne Woodward’s acting was unemotional, however, so the film remains coherent. The story is slightly fantastic, but the real Eve (not her actual name) is alive and sane and living in Northern Virginia with her three children.

Klute


Klute is a unique blend of thriller and romance. The protagonist, a 44-year-old literary celebrity who is unhappy, successful call-girl and the classic story of the detective with more than a professional interest in his client into an indivisible whole without damaging each other.

The Soft Skin


Francois Truffaut wrote (with the assistance of Jean Louis Ricard and directed this characteristically controversial film. Based on a dream-like image which came to Truffaut years before, the film is about industry. Truffaut exposed the conventional treatment of this subject; in his eyes few films had concentrated on representing the practical difficulties and the anguish involved in such a happening.

The performance began with the Sonata No. 1 in C Major, for harpsichord and harp by J.S. Bach (1685-1750), in a more recent arrangement for more instruments: piano and viola. The Sonata in four movements was executed by both musicians excellently. For Solo Viola

Mike Lindner

On Tuesday night in Rosse Hall, the young Virtuosi Series concert of the music of the early nineteenth century German Romantic school, the heredis of a more refined Roman-

cism. Ms. Gallagher’s control of these difficult pieces was com-

cendable and Mr. Posnak’s ability to play the difficult lyrical ac-

companyment with such force and ease was breathtaking. The four Mer-

chenbinder cover a spectrum of detailed emotions, from extreme levity to

more serious ones. The abilities of both instruments are

exploited in this late work of Schumann.

For Solo Viola (1900), a Work by Günter Hermanns.

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200-yard backstroke with a highly impressive 2:31.47, Singer made

third place finisher in the 100-yard breaststroke, 1:18.5; Kelly

Dovey in required diving; Rentschler

owed her third time of 2:17.10 in 200-yard breaststroke.

Unfortunately, the Johns Hopkins team had the edge and was vic-
torious, but Coach Steen is confident that the next time the two teams
meet, the Lords will get the spoils. If the past is an indication, Coach

Steen's confidence is justified. Last year Kenyon's men overtook the

Johns Hopkins team at the national meet after losing a close meet the day before. Kenyon displayed her versa-
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 Kenyon Women Stumble in Tough Season Openers

By KAREN STEVENSON

The women's basketball team resumed its season last Saturday on a rather disappointing note with a 58-

44 loss to Case-Western Reserve. This Case dominated first-half action, forcing the Kenyon squad to take two poor shots and, consequently, winning the game. Defense was an important championship that Steen is confident, "will offer the girls to their victory over Youngstown State at Steen stayed home with the men for their meet against Miami (Ohio)." Speaking of the two-

week long Florida training trip over Christmas break, Steen felt that "the girls as a group were remarkable. Despite the adverse conditions that resulted from Hurricane Agnes, they worked hard and accomplished a great deal. At this point they are proving themselves further along than

that anticipated they would be." With only five short weeks remaining until the women travel to Oberlin for an attempt at a fifth straight OAC State Meet victory, things could hardly be looking any better. Next weekend, the team travels to Denison along with the men to compete in the first annual Great Lakes College Association Swimming Meet, at a meet that Steen is confident, "will offer the women an opportunity to prepare themselves mentally for the more important championships at the end of the season." With such credible teams as Kalmarazoo, Wabash, Wooster and Albion at the G.L.C.A. meet, the Ladies will no doubt have their hands full. But if this past weekend's performances are any indication of things to come, it won't be a surprise to anyone if Kenyon's Swimming Women come away victorious.

Jim Parker in action in Shaffer.

... As Men Look to Nationals' Rematch

Meanwhile the Kenyon Lords met with their long standing rivals the

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meet on January 16. The two teams met in a similar meet last season, with JHU claiming victory only to fall to a strong Kenyon team national meet.

By CLAIREFAY

Steen pointed out that the Johns Hopkins team was ready for the meet because they have respect for the ability of the Kenyon team. As a result, there were numerous close races with the women's team just touching the Kenyon team's opponents. In the 200 yard freestyle, Dave Pool record.

Kenyon's Joe Wilson also qualified for the national meet with a winning time of 2:00.44 in the 200 yard individual medley. Wilson also qualified for the national meet in the 200 yard butterfly with a time of 2:00.62. And John Kobrock, also of Kenyon, qualified with a time of 2:17.10 in 200 yard breaststroke.

Outstanding Kenyon performances included Dave Dillusion's first place in the 1000 yard freestyle with a time of 9:52.92; Steve Counsell's win in the 1000 yard freestyle with a time of 9:52.92; Steve Counsell's win in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 2:02.93, and Chris Shedd's win in the 200 yard medley with a time of 2:05.93.

This weekend Kenyon will compete in two away meets, facing Bowling Green tomorrow and taking part in the Great Lakes Conference Invitational to be held at Denison University on Saturday.

Drinnin of Kenyon qualified for the national meet with a time of 1:45.71. His time was .15 of a second slower than that of the JHU swimmer who placed first in the race with a time that set a new Shaffer pool record. Once again, Kenyon won both relays, and grabbed the majority of first place finishes. Brintlinger was impressive in the distance freestyle events, winning both the 200 and the 500 with times of 2:07.32 and 5:26.72 respectively. Kenyon's out-punted everyone in the 100-yard freestyle, her 59.12 a significant improvement over her winning time in the same event the day before. Kenyon showed her versatility by winning three events, beginning with the 200 I.M., 1:23.17, and followed by the 100-

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Fast-Breaking Scots Defeat Lords

By DAVE DEACON

With halving pivot man Gil Tecca pumping in 24 points, and point guard Rikki Corbett flawlessly causing long jumpers, Wooster College defeated the Lords of Kenyon 61-53, in a hard-fought game Saturday night at Wertheimer Fieldhouse.

Kenyon, without the threat of a consistent outside shooter since the graduation of Scott Rogers, tried most of the game to slow the tempo and work the ball into big men Gary Rieszke (44 pts.) and Bill Melis (16 pts.). This worked quite well for the opening ten minutes of the first half, as Wooster held onto a slim lead thanks to Corbett’s long jumpers.

But following a three-point basket by Melis, which made the score 20-17, Wooster unleashed. The first half featured inside to make it 22-17, then hit a fifteen-foot jumper from the right side, and finally sunk a short pop from a fast break after sophomore Paul Collinsworth had missed a driving hook. This made the score 26-17, and coach Jim Zak called a time out. The Lords played a solid defensive game, but the Scots continued with the same efficient offense, and the program played evenly the rest of the half as it ended 36-27.

Kenyon, needing a spark to close the nine-point gap, decided to use a three-guard and two-bench team. This worked quite well for the Lords offense, the Lords played a flexible defense to counter the Scots attack, Wooster shot an incredible 64% from the field, and outrebounded Kenyon 15 to 7. The Lords simply didn’t have the explosive firepower needed to come back.

Considering the limitations of the Kenyon offense, the Lords played a gutsy game against a very good Wooster team. With no real threat of an outside Kenyon attack, Wooster settled back in their zone and clanged up the middle. Yet Kenyon played with the Scots in the second half, outscoring them 26-25, and outrebounding them 19-18. Credit for this should go in large part to Riazzi, who scored often enough from the outside to open up the inside game.

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