Fire strikes SAC Sunday

BY ROBERT URBIN
Editor-in-Chief

A stray cigarette or an electrical problem have been cited as probable causes for the fire at the SAC Monday morning. Gambier Fire Chief Herbert Brown said the fire could have started in the basement or on the first floor.

The fire department received the fire call at 2:20 Monday morning from a neighbor who noticed something was smokin in the SAC.

"Security was en route to the area," Brown said. "They would have detected it in the next five minutes. If it had been another ten minutes, though, the whole place probably would have gone.

As it was, the fire began in a wall, and spread upward through the wall to the roof. "When we got there, the building was filled with smoke," said student Freeman Dave Reed. "It was covering all the windows and they were pitch black. There wasn't too much fire damage in the room themselves, but water damage.

"We used masks and handlines when we entered the building," Brown said. "About then the fire broke through the roof. We had it out in about ten minutes, but then we had to make sure all the burning embers in the walls were out as well."

According to Brown, the fire caused about $5,000 worth of damage to the SAC. Most of the fire damage was in the wall where it started, and the supply and bathroom areas of the first floor. The fire caused some damage to the second floor, and burns a hole in the roof. Smoke and water damage were also reported.

Brown said that around 31 firemen responded to the blaze from Gambier. Continued on page six.

Council wraps up 'satisfying' year

BY LINDSAY C. BROOKS
Staff Writer

"Almost everything about Council has been a pleasant surprise for me, the re- estoration of the Campus Assembly," said Jeremy Foy, council president, as he looked back on the Council's accomplishments so far. "I could have handled that satisfactorily," he added.

"The big plus," for the year was the Finance committee's policy of allocating funds to organizations on a yearly instead of semester basis, he said. "The concept of education is definitely positive, not just for our term. We go to school for a whole year, so this makes more sense. In particular, it will help top priority organizations spend the money up front in the beginning of the following semester."

About the same lines, "the biggest handicap faced all year was the budget," Foy said. "It goes beyond the Kenya. The Society (K.S.O.) KFS was the world exhibit of this and my greatest distance," he pointed out. "We decided that raising interest in the world was our only goal, and that's what we've been doing."

But Foy had additional recommendations for the upcoming year. Foy announced that Social Board for giving "a wall of fresh student supported funds and small time in which to plan activities."

The Administration has been lax in its funding policies regarding the allocation of funds, he said. "They should help in some way. They could allow more organizations to be funded, the world distributes it to the athletic clubs."

When it comes to "the bottom line, it's (our) students' money making it up to the..."

In the area of student-faculty relationships, it's "hard something you've ever going to legislate," said Foy. "When it comes, it will be gradual change and will take a lot of..."

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Foy continued, "We found our limitations" dealing with the political proposals, he said. "From the start the Administration never agreed to "seven any" a policy allowing lips and cats on campus. "They simply feel this is the best policy for the student body, it's just left up to the students to demonstrate their responsibility. They should have set up a real system, but it took too much time and was too complex."

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Class of '82 diverse

BY BILL COREY
Staff Writer

Director of Admissions John Kushin reported Tuesday that there would be 320 students in next year's freshman class. He said he was "very pleased with the students... they seem to be a very diverse and capable group.

May 1st was the deadline for students who had been accepted to decide whether or not they would attend college in the fall. Kushin explained that 900 of the 1000 (about 90%) had decided to come to Kenyon. Approximately 225 males and 195 females will make up next year's freshmen class.

At this point, he said that about 250 applications had been received this last year. He said that although more applications are received each year, he said that he had received 250 applications this year. "In the past, we've said we have the same number of kids accept our offer of admission."

There's a wider geographic spread. Students are coming in from more states than in the past...
A sensational year

People have complained to us several times during the past year that the past year has been sensational in its new round. We don’t think we are, still, when you think about it, there is a grain of truth in it. To some extent we have been sensational this year. Why? Perhaps it has been a sensational year.

It’s seemed to us that each new issue we printed had a burning question that was answered by the beginning of the year. The most important issues facing students were things like the Health Service’s new policies, the York re-organization proposal, and platform removal in the dormitories. But the news grew in scope with each passing month.

As those issues faded into the background, we were suddenly confronted with the antics of Louis Weiss as he tried to raise money for the new set of KFS movie projectors. At the time the banner back and forth between the Student Council and the witty Weiss seemed a harmless, funny episode, and fall turned into winter.

When we got back from Christmas vacation, though, the proverbial red rain Analytically fell. Right off the bat we found ourselves in the middle of a financial crisis of large proportions. There just wasn’t enough money to go around. This is when the real problems with the KFS began. They escalated from a joke to a serious issue, and to top it all off the college was paralyzed by the worst blizzard in Ohio’s history.

As the KFS projectors controversy wound itself out in Student Council and Media Board meetings the Shapiro controversy blossomed (in full color and green). The dramatic Monday evening meeting with 400 students in Lower Dempsey was perhaps the most important event of the year. It was the first time the student body was concerned. The ensuing attempt to sponsor an all-campus assembly never got off the ground, but this did create a basis for the issue’s continued importance now.

It was an important and sensational year; but what does it all mean? That’s something that we can only speculate upon, a task much more difficult than ranking the big news events of the year. We don’t have the final answers, but a possible suggestion for this year’s trend is growing pains.

It has been ten years since the big expansion at Kenyon began with the addition of women. Though fraught with some pitfalls, the transition has been fairly successful. Now, the College is at the size its mentors foresaw when they undertook the expansion. Yet, everybody’s minds is the idea that this college is still growing. We see a new theater being constructed, we read of the high enrollment, and unconsciously it influences us.

This might have been behind the budget crisis (and consequently the KFS controversy) — the growing demand for services finally exceeded funds, which had stopped growing with the leveling off of the student body size.

It was also partially responsible for the great student dissatisfaction with the Shapiro question and the tenure process. Young, vital professors are part of a college’s growth. When the college’s growth music stops playing, there are only so many tenure chairs to be had. And, it seems to us, we sit down. The Shapiro issue, although not directly connected with the tenure question, is a reflection of our unconscious desire for continued growth, and perhaps some discomfort on the part of the faculty and administration in dealing with the new size. Kenyon is not Ohio State, but it is a lot bigger than it was 10 years ago and, as a result, not one, and consequently must be dealt with as such.

Robin Ruba

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A sensational year

E.S.P. beef

To the Editor:

Where are the remnants of critical thinking that college professors infuse into its students? Are we to believe that the majority of the members of the course "Concepts of E.S.P." without any critical questions and challenges? It seems that many students must have been satiated by so many tricks, "...he too many times..." and from a common view that many accept in it's simplicity without even the suspicion of a single occult kind.

I am applauding the possibility that a phenomenon such as E.S.P. is far from ordinary, but I would like students who perpect without enquiring if the possibility that he could very well be a highly trained popular psychologist and a talent magnet, the notion that he has any power.

I further want to add that this particular performance was quite offensive with its cutter little secret comments. And if you think that such comments are no big deal, because "...can be harmful..." consider that is exactly what I am talking about: furthering the attitude that women can be manipulated little oops-e-daisies.

Dell Econom

With help like this...

To the Editor:

The second to last edition of the Collegian, I hope this letter will serve as a warning to next year's seniors who are interested in applying for any kind of national scholarship. The problems which I faced in this area have been experienced by other students besides myself. I have spoken with many candidates for different scholarships who feel Kenyon has done little more than make application forms available (although Kenyon has been incompetent in even doing this). Except for the lucky few who have had whole-hearted support from certain key individuals, the majority of us have been left to fumble. The lack of information, organization, and guidance, has severely hurt the chances of young students who may have candidates for these scholarships.

The above claims are admirably written, but is there any proof that I am returning the years prior to 1978 in order to content to offer one example of the problem, so that I can add suitable willing to defend the above claims to the world and not to the Kenyon students. An example which I am presenting here is a case where the awards committee was involved. Please read what follows before deciding the ability to use my case in your own case.

I have been the recipient of the Marshall Scholarship; I found it necessary to obtain the approval of the dean of Students in order to comply with the Marshall application. Receiving the due date for this letter was October 22, 1977, I therefore placed the form for the letter in Dean Edwards hands the first week of October. After checking the due date for the letter, written in bold letters at the top of the form, Edwards assured me that he would have the letter in time. On November 11, I received a letter from the Committee and was assured that my application was in process, not as important. I then received the Dean’s letter of recommendation. I was able to contact Dean Edwards’ office to find out why the letter had not been received. At the time, I was assured that the Marshall Committee would receive the letter twenty days late. Given the caliber of students applying for such a prestigious scholarship, an application which is completed twenty days late must be considered at a great disadvantage, if the application is considered at all.

I spoke to President Jordan about what happened as I felt Edwards had failed in his duties as Dean of Students, and I felt responsible for not being able to get Edwards support. I was told that Kenyon fully supported me in this type of allegations, but Jordan seemed more concerned with the fact that Edwards had not notified the Marshall Committee had received the letter. Jordan’s inexperience would be a severe blow for any student who had earned an endowed scholarship, for it is my impression that Jordan had not the first clue about the application process.

President Jordan assured me before I left his office that he would investigate the matter. He said he would find out from the Marshall Committee whether my qualifications or Edwards’ lack of proper lettering led the Committee to deny me an interview. It is a pity that Jordan does not think this issue is of sufficient importance to report back to me concerning his findings. Because, although I have been four months since I talked with Jordan, I must conclude that either he has done nothing to investigate my charges, or that the result he has found must be particularly pleasing.

Whatever the case may be for the Marshall Committee not granting me an interview, I must conclude that Marks and have no reason to excuse Edwards. If Edwards did not have time to assist me in my application, he should have made an administrative assistant so that the letter would have been in time. At the very least Edwards could have read the letter and the letter would be late thereby allowing me the chance of being on the Committee of that fact. Edwards didn’t have time to do anything; I was assured he was too busy. When a friend of mine confronted Edwards with this matter, Edwards was apologetic, but threatened to punch my friends. Should I ask a simple question? Why?

Sid Gore

Shapiro Legal Fund

To the Editor:

While educational issues and resolve around Shapiro’s affair, Shapiro affair, a good portion of this issue does resolve around more readily readable by correspondence. These issues, contracts and damages, should be solved only be revisited in the public forum.

If the College has done all of these things, then not, this will be revisited by the Court of College, in all of its obligations, then the College will have heard all of its obligations. The present concern would be whether the College had made a decision. In either case it is decided that the College had made a decision. The present concern would be whether the College had made a decision. In either case it is decided that the College had made a decision. The present concern would be whether the College had made a decision. In either case it is decided that the College had made a decision. Therefore, a William T. Shapiro Legal Fund is being established. Contributions should be sent to the Legal Fund, P.O. Box 816, Gambier, Ohio 43022. Contributions are not expected to be used for any legal purposes will be returned to the donor.

Mark Hoenig

Our sense of futility

To the Editor:

In the course of our column, "Politics and Poetry," we have been writing about the various governing bodies a present and in the past. We have been challenging our fellow students to "amend what all feel is the electric sense of "political responsibility" of the college. Now, we wonder if this is not the same as asking us to amend the "political responsibility" structure of the college. We wonder if the college has been given an opportunity to vote on the question, for the college enhances present academic growth, but when it comes to "shaping" the college, any bit of arid have been asked to judge what is in the best interest of the college. The answers seem to be of various sorts. The best answer seems to be of various sorts. The best answer seems to be to say that the students will shape the college in the future. When a friend of mine confronted Edwards with this matter, Edwards was apologetic, but threatened to punch my friends. Should I ask a simple question? Why?

Sid Gore

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The administration and the Department of Political Science have not yet acted in regard to the concerns that have been raised about Professor William Shapiro. Shapiro has not had the opportunity to present his side of the story because he has not been given the chance to do so.

Ironically, Professor Shapiro, who has been a member of the faculty for over twenty years, has been denied the opportunity to respond to the concerns that have been raised against him.

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my concern about the treatment of Professor William Shapiro by the administration.

Professor Shapiro is a respected member of the faculty who has been a significant contributor to the Department of Political Science. His work has been widely recognized and respected by colleagues both within and outside of the academic community.

Recently, there have been allegations made against Professor Shapiro. These allegations have been serious and warrant a thorough investigation. However, the administration has not taken appropriate action in response to these allegations.

I believe that it is important for the administration to ensure that Professor Shapiro is given a fair opportunity to respond to these allegations. He should have the chance to present his side of the story and to defend himself against these accusations.

I urge the administration to take immediate action to address this matter and to ensure that Professor Shapiro's rights are protected.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]

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The reason The Four Musketeers succeeds is because, as with its predecessor, the director is satirizing the way in which the film world, Hollywood on which it thrives. The extreme extravagance of France under Louis XV serves as a metaphor for the studio system. The story is presented with such suave elegance and sets and costumes that an all-star cast almost seems a necessity to complete the effect. But Lester doesn't leave his ability to satirize the films of the eighteenth century unexploited. Rather, he uses them to destroy it. In the movie's most appropriate casting decision, Charlton Heston plays a cardinal driven by evil for pur- pose. Heston maintains a sense of seriousness when all his plans are foiled which pretty much robs previous displays of the actor's volatility in such movies as Ben-Hur. By reducing the Hollywood spectacle, Lester takes all the hot air out of the Ben-Hur in the world and even to make this comic balloon rise above them. And the one car of this vehicle for Lester's unique talents is so good all around that even Raquel Welch doesn't pull this one down. —PM

Long Middle Path

Compiled by JOHN KILLY, JR.

Hill Theater. 8:00 p.m. — The Four Musketeers (film). Rose.
Saturday, May 6
8:00 p.m. — KCDO Spring Concert. Rose.
8:00 p.m. — 400 Blow( film). Rose.
8:15 p.m. — Knox County Sym- phony Concert. (Gould, Mi- Vernon Memorial. 7:30 p.m. — The Four Musketeers (film). Rose.
Sunday, May 7
6:00 p.m. — Musical Listening Group. Rose.
8:00 p.m. — Senior Voice Recital (Rolle, Pressley, Brooks and Charles Tigue). Rose.
10:00 p.m. — 400 Blow (film). Rose.
Monday May 8
8:30 p.m. — Film: "Blk Jack" sponsored by Beta Theta Pi.
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7:30 p.m. — Kokosingers Spring Concert. Rose.
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Wednesday, May 10
8:00 p.m. — Orchestra Rehearsal. Rose.
10:00 p.m. — Long Goodbye (film). Rose.
Friday, May 12
8:00 p.m. — An Evening of Chamber Music. Rose.

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Long Goodbye


Robert Altman's film version of a known Raymond Chandler novel from 1953, The Long Goodbye, is an appropriate title for the film because it takes Chandler's now-outraged (although still en- titled) concept of the hard- boiled detective of the Thirties and Forties, Philip Marlowe, by the throat and places it at the mercy of the Seventies. The conclusion of the film is that the old film heroes, gallant knights like Bogart's Marlowe in The Big Sleep, are outmoded and slightly ridiculous characters in the face of modern-day television. It says good-bye to this genre film by showing us what Marlowe, who is played by Elliott Gould, would be like if he were to wander the streets of a 1973 Los Angeles. What we see is Marlowe still as the "shambling angel" (Ross Macdonald's description of Chandler himself), but now his gaitility is foolish — he's manly and tough and all that good old stuff, but one can't quite resist shaking of him as even a modern-day Dashiell.

This is a funny movie because Gould is able to bring things out of the way the old Marlowe would be getting and by an updated treatment of L.A. foes and freaks. There is also a new and more savage sickness to this film which lets us know that...

The 400 Blows

The 400 Blows. Directed by François Truffaut. Screenplay by Truffaut, with Jean-Luc, Patrick Auffray, G. Mauvi, Albert Remy, Black, Truffaut's film

The 400 Blows is a coming-of-age autobiographical account of Truffaut's own childhood; the year-old in the film, played by Jean-Pierre Leaud, who has a special talent for playing the character in all of Truffaut's films, who has become his expositionist in what is itself a confession. Shown as a加快发展的, the movie is a...
Kenyon "field" win in finale

By Gerard Iacangelo
Sports Writer

Promoted by a sweep of the field events, the Kenyon College trackmen scored a back-to-back team from the Kenyon College to win its final field meet of the season, Saturday at Gambier Bowl. Kenyon, with a team score of 263, beat Wooster, which scored 205. The meet was the Kenyon's second close shave this season. Kenyon had an identical score against Wittenberg, which scored 263, and lost the meet 27-26.

Kenyon and Wittenberg virtually ran the meeting, so the other teams who provided the margin of victory. Mike Daley hurled the discus 112’, to beat his season-best, and Freshman shot putter Brian Chet Baker captured the title. High-jumper Dave Callahan leaped 6’ 2” to a Berson record. In the pole vault, Don Adamian cleared 17’ 10” scores among Tom Foori and Phil Distas. In the javelin, the team's most consistent thrower, shattered his pole vault record and was unable to compete.

Frequent Phenon Dave Thomas, a rare display of athletic versatility, won the long jump (20’ 9”), while a 414’ long jump in the OAC meet conference. His long jump was the best in the nation between 100 and 110 feet, ahead of Jim Patten of Wittenberg (20’ 4”).

Back on the track, the Lords took a leaping in both relays by a team that was overloaded with sprinters.

By Bruce Freeman

Even though Kenyon's tennis team lost 5-4 to Ohio Wesleyan Tuesday afternoon in Gambier, it didn't seem to matter all that much, as the Lords have a significant advantage. Kenyon outlasted the Bucs 6-4, 6-4, 7-6. It was a difficult match for the regular season for senior Vincent Van Gent and junior Alex Miller, who won two of the six singles matches but the netters easily dispatched the Bucs in the second, 9-0. Ohio Wesleyan lost the first 9-0, 7-5. The only complaint was Miller's 12-6, 6-3 win over No. 7. The Ohio Wesleyan encounter was the biggest one for the Lords, however, mainly for seeing in the OAC tournament. Kenyon started slowly, losing number one doubles 6-4, 6-3 and number two doubles 6-4, 6-3. The consistent team of Terry Hall and Peter Flanzer won their number three doubles match 6-1, 6-4. The singles matches headlined the highlight of the day, however.

Number six Flanzer took a tough 2-6, 6-2, 6-4 win over No. 5. Flanzer was forced to default his number five match because of illness. He was a strong favorite in the match, but the score was 4-2 before Flanzer took a quick lead. Senior Van Gent and Robert Cole lost at singles, three and four, respectively. The number two doubles match-ups were the feature of the match, as seniors Terry Hall and Miller downed the Kenyon duo 4-2. Van Gent and Miller overcame an insulting and rallying Bucs. 4-2, 7-5 to win in a very sweet win for the younger of Kenyon's tennis brothers. Van Gent and Miller handed Walker his first OAC loss in four years. The win was doubly impressive as the OWU ace had been a Division II National Finalist in singles last spring and, as Kenyon Coach Jim Steen noted, "it was his last OAC game despite the fact that he (Vandenbouw) had a broken string on his racquet."

Looking forward to the OAC tournament, the seniors say that "OWU is the definitive favorite but if we play exciting tennis we have a chance."

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Ladies' day at MVNC

By C. R. Cumpuff

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Bruce Atkinson in 112-1 loss to OWU.

4/3, Captain Kaye Leomin 14-3/4, Sarah Stierle 12-2/4, Karen Devine 6-4, and Karen Bengston 5-3/4. The meet was won by the Owls 88-62. In the 400-meter dash, 62-6, Danston is the high jump (13), Leomin in the second (12), Devine in the 110-meter hurdles (11:33), and Morse in the mile run (4:18). Five school records were set, along with one of the best performances in Leomin's winning time in the 400-meter dash clipped her previous record in the long jump with a meet record of 19’ 4-3/4” in the 400-meter dash with a jump of 19’ 4-3/4” to a new previous record in the long jump competition between the two schools. Moving to the most hyped event -- exciting competition between both the high jumpers and one jumper -- the meet was competitive, fun, and highly entertaining. The Lady Bishops edged Kenyon (defending champ) 59-53, but would-be holds another championship (13) and Demes (6).

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BY JENNIFER LUKER

Many Kenyon women have become aware that Kenyon is only one of a number of schools across the nation trying to incorporate Women's studies into their curricula. Well before the weekend of April 19-21, nine Kanon representatives took part in the Women's Action Network (GANLCA) Women's Studies Conference.

The theme of this year's conference, "Women’s Life Work," although broad, dealt specifically with the role of an employee of women, as well as with the role of a woman in the workplace. The participants had a chance to explore how women examine ways in which they could improve the education within their institutions.

The conference offered a varied selection of talks, including Latina Decision Making, Men's Anxiety, Being Lesbian, and Problems Men Face with Respect to Women's Changing Roles. The seminar On Being Lesbian began with a documentary film of two women who share not only a sexual relationship (which many people believe is the only thing lesbianism offers men), but also an honest, intellectual and deeply loving relationship with another woman. The message it conveyed was that lesbians are not unlike heterosexuals; rather they are human beings too, who have chosen a lifestyle that problems can not solve. The horror film discussion that included a talk by one male participant, "I’m jealous, America," brought into question the relationships that are so common in our society, an ideal wife and I strive for ourselves.

The workshop on Men Anxiety was directed by Stubia Tobias, a Ferguson Professor of Women's Studies at Wesleyan University. Her major point was that the culture of the freedom of choice has not been directed as well as men have in the field of mathematics and therefore an anxiety has developed in many women concerning numerical equations and functions.

Tobias also spoke to the increasing number of problems men have and what needs to be done about it. Her message was simple and easy to understand — the highlight of the conference was, "The Committee on the Equal Opportunity Coordinator, Donna Scott, "Say it’s not true, just a lie." Many of these things form an attitude that is so much in itself. It’s not true, just a lie that is so much in itself. It’s not true, just a lie."

An especially moving and telling seminar was the one entitled Problems Men Face: "Men in Society," as well as the discussion that followed it. The seminar showed men a way that the social problems of men can be solved, and that opportunity should not be reserved for the men on the campus, but for those in the community.

After a hectic day of seminars and conferences, many women are tired and frustrated. The unique and supportive music of the concert entitled "The Battle of the ERA"俱乐部 was the perfect finale for everyone. The concert began with a long list of problems. A few of which include - problems women have to deal in the job market, dual career families, birth control — whose responsibility?"; what can men gain from the movement?; what do we do about it?; and what is the role of the community in this era? The concert was filled with music and energy and ended with a performance of "The Battle of the ERA." Club members performed a variety of songs, including "The Battle of the ERA," which garnered much applause from the audience.

Another tribute to the movement was given by Marjorie Belt, Chair of the Women's Studies Program. Her speech emphasized the importance of activism in the community. She called on students to take action in all areas of activism, from the local level to the national level.

While recognizing the importance of activism in the community, Belt also recognized the importance of activism within the college. She highlighted several programs and organizations that have emerged on campus in recent years, such as the Women's Action Network and the Women's Studies Program. She encouraged students to get involved in these programs and organizations and to continue to fight for equality and social justice.

Despite the challenges faced by many women today, Belt remained optimistic about the future. She reminded students that activism is not just about fighting for change, but also about building a community that supports and empowers everyone. She ended her speech with a powerful message: "We are stronger together. Let's continue to work towards a future where everyone is treated with respect and dignity."

The evening ended with a celebratory dinner at the Alumni House. The dinner was attended by faculty, staff, and students and featured a keynote address by Karen Ford, the executive director of the National Organization for Women (NOW). Ford discussed the importance of activism in today's world and encouraged everyone to continue to work towards a brighter future.