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Letters

Skiers Seek A Permanent Coach

Dear Editor,

Since the reinstitution of the St. Lawrence University ski team in 1985, there has been an upward trend in accomplishment and finishing results of St. Lawrence Division I skiing. Already, within the first three carnivals the St. Lawrence men's ski team has placed second on two occasions; the highest St. Lawrence finish in at least ten years.

However, the majority of this success is due to the outstanding results of the cross-country ski team. Their accomplishments are a direct result of a full-time, qualified head coach. In order to achieve any higher, overall results, the Alpine program must also recieve a full-time, qualified head coach.

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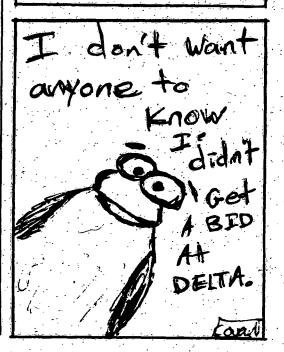
Appropriate funding would make it possible to attract and maintain a coach of such status. With improving results of the cross-country ski team, now is the appropriate time to commit to upgrading the position offered for the Alpine coach from a part-time assistant to a full-time head coach. Without this commitment, the SLU ski team will not be able to continue competing against other teams such as Dartmouth, Middlebury and Williams with continued success.

Unfortunately, the budget deadline is March 1, 1988; therefore our time frame is limited. Consideration and action by the Board of Trustees is essential in order to achieve this goal.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely, Stephen Lawe, Captain Men's Alpine Ski Team Hollis Dickinson, Captain - Women's Alpine Ski Team

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Schwartz Clarifies Kenya Rumors

Dear Editor:

Students on the spring semester St. Lawrence University Kenya Semester Program scheduled to leave on Wednesday, January 27th were delayed one week in departure. Many rumors and misinformation have resulted from this delay. I would like to clear up the situation so people understand what has happened and how that relates to the future of our program.

St. Lawrence University's program prides itself on intensive interaction between our students and Kenyans. Because of this interaction we need government clearance for rural homestays, internships, and for much of our field work. We obtain these permits at the beginning of an academic year for the entire year. We now hold and have held a clearance for our 1987-88 program which was confirmed as late as December of 1987. In mid-January 1988 an internal administrative directive within the government of Kenya put educational and research clearances or have operated beyond the scope of their clearances. This obviously has not been the case for our program but we were not exempted from this newly mandated review. For a while there was a real question as to whether or not we could get our clearance reviewed in time to conduct key elements of our program for this spring semester. I am happy to report through the outstanding efforts of our director, Dr. Paul Robinson, working in conjunction with high ranking officials within the Kenyan government, we have been able to operate a full academic program for the Spring semester and have no doubts that this will continue into the future.

It is important to stress that this has been a bureaucratic problem with the timing of the review of our clearances and has no relationship to the security of our students or to our program. We continue to believe that St. Lawrence University conducts the best undergraduate program in East Africa and we hope that our record of 13 years of uninterrupted academic programs will continue into the future.

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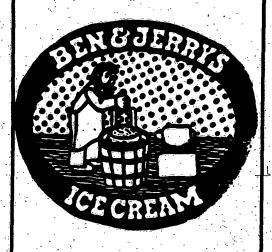
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