April 30 through May 4, 1979...
A WEEK OF ACTIVITIES & COMMEMORATION

MONDAY APRIL 30...
8:00p.m.
A Workshop on the Anti-War Movement
Room 315 in the St. Ctr.

TUESDAY MAY 1...
6:00p.m.
May 4th. Film Showing
1. May 4, 1970 narrated by E.G. Marshall
2. Confrontation at Kent
3. Tent City 1977
Room 315 in the St.Ctr.

THURSDAY MAY 3...
10:00a.m.-3:00p.m.
Continuous Slide Show
Tent City & Gym Struggle
Gov. Chamber/St. Ctr.
7:30p.m.
"Kent State: A Requiem"
A Dramatization of the Events of May 4, 1970
Performance in the Kiva
10:00p.m.
Ninth Annual Candlelight March and Vigil
(meet at the victory bell on the commons)

Friday May 4, 1979...
NINTH ANNUAL COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
"The final chapter remains unwritten!"
noon on the Kent State University Commons
william kunstler constance slaughter sanford rosen
robbi stamps tom grace *music by john bassette
Nine long years have passed since May 4, 1970. For many of us who were in Junior High or younger at the time, that day is a dim memory. What, for us today, is the significance of the murders of four young people on the Kent State campus?

Allison Krause, Jeffrey Miller, Sandy Scheuer, and Bill Schroeder could just have easily been one of our older brothers or sisters who went off to college in the late 60s or early 70s. Concern over the war in Indochina united students all over the country in those days. It's hard to find one student of the 60s who didn't attend a rally, a vigil or a teach-in about the war.

On April 30, 1970, Pres. Nixon announced the expansion of the war into Cambodia. By this time there was too much opposition, too much understanding, and too much hatred for the war for students to remain silent. Campuses across the country became the stage of a massive outpouring of anger and frustration.

The class of 1979...

Allison, Sandy, Jeffrey and Bill were killed on May 4th, 1970, on our campus, for exercising their constitutional right to protest the invasion of Cambodia. The guilty—Ohio National Guardsmen, James Rhodes and Richard Nixon, who brought the war home to Kent State—have yet to answer for their crimes. Instead, they and the KSU administration have sought to cover up the facts about their involvement in these unjust killings.

Can we really afford to forget?

The realities of students 1979 are not so far removed from those of 1970. The U.S. economy continues on a daily plunge toward crisis and the danger of regional or global war grows. Far from fading, the chances of U.S. involvement in conflicts increases. In fact, at this time there are fourteen bills pending before Congress calling for the reinstatement of the draft. This time around there will be no student deferments and women may also be subject to service!

It was the fight against the draft that first united students against the Vietnam war in the early 60s -- as thousands burned their draft cards or spent long months and years behind bars, refusing to participate in a war they didn't understand and didn't support. And we can be sure that the draft is not being re instituted just at the whim of this or that congressman—they're doing it for a reason.

Especially with the reappearance of the draft, many of the same choices and questions that faced the students of the 60s will quite possibly be faced by us in the 80s. The true tragedy of May 4 will be if we fail to remember its meaning and learn from its lessons.

To this day, it has been the active concern of Kent State students over the May 4 issue which has kept the memory of what happened on our campus from being swept under the rug. To a large degree the recent legal victory, won by the families of the 1970 victims, would not have been possible without the efforts of KSU students working to end the cover up of the 1970 murders.

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Today, more than ever, we need to consider the past, present and future significance of May 4th. Join us on the Commons at noon to commemorate and learn from the sacrifices of Allison, Sandy, Jeffrey and Bill.