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Pi Sigma Alpha to Host Election Panel Discussion

BY GABE LeDONNE
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Few events instantly indicate their historical significance; the terrorist attacks of September 11, and the war on Iraq might be considered exceptions to this rule.

But what about voting?

On Saturday, April 3, Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honor Society, will host a panel discussion entitled, "The 2004 Election in Historical Perspective." The panel will feature three prominent political scientists and will aim to illustrate the impact a voter has when he or

she pulls the ballot lever.

The panel discussion's main objective will be to ask, "what can we learn from previous elections that we can draw on for this one?" according to Dr. Thomas Baldino, Professor of Political Science. Baldino also serves as Pi Sigma Alpha's faculty advisor at Wilkes.

"One of the things that makes voting interesting is that it's not just a moment at this point and time, but a moment that reflects a tradition. If you vote in a con-

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Amy Chua Slated as Latest Rosenn Lecturer

BY KRISTIN KILE
Beacon Staff Writer

Amy Chua will be added to a list of prestigious lectures that include academics, dignitaries and legalists that have offered their insight as part of the Max Rosenn Lecture Series in Law and Humanities. Chua, an author and law professor at Yale University, will be discussing the effects of globalization to government, business, and academia.

The lecture series, named in honor of Judge Max Rosenn, was established in 1980 by his law clerks, family and friends on his tenth anniversary as a Judge on the United States Court of Appeals.

According to Rosenn's biography, "he has made innumerable contributions to the enhancement of Northeastern Pennsylvania, to state government, and to the federal judiciary."

Since 1980, the series has hosted prominent speakers from all over the

country. Among the distinguished group are: Richard Schifter, former U.S. Ambassador to the United States; John Paul Stevens, Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court; and Fareed Zakaria, editor of *Newsweek International*.

Rebecca McNatt, Wilkes Fund Project Coordinator, said Chua was picked to speak by Judge Rosenn's son. "She's a friend of Judge Rosenn's son who is on

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Student Gov. Releases Rep. Election Results

Student Government recently released the election results for the 2004-05 academic year. The results are as follows:

Senior Class

President- Liz Roveda
Vice President - Julia Buss
Secretary - Katie Morton
Treasurer - Elena Archer
Representatives - Megan Smith
Madhan Srinivasan
Julia Buss
Mick Jenkins
Roman Hakim
Danielle Dellazia

Junior Class

President- TIE: Kelly Leach, Jared Shayka, Andrew Steinberg
Vice President - Stephanie Victor
Secretary - Ashley Klein
Treasurer - Jared Shayka
Representatives - Jonathan McClaven
Janelle Weiland
Ashley Joselin
Ashley McBrearty
Matt Cook
Andrew Steinberg

Sophomore Class

President- Candice Davis
Vice President- Jaimee McDowell
Secretary- Jennifer Cerra
Treasurer - Andrea Kelly
Representatives- Shuja Shafat
Robert Donahue
Karen Weslowski
Mike Meoni
Devan Cervinsky
Sarina Kapoor



It should be noted that results are tentative until those elected have accepted their positions. Elected class officers and representatives will either accept or decline their positions at Wednesday's SG Meeting.

SG's Executive Board will be chosen internally from the elected representatives and voted on by the entire SG Board. The exception to this is the office of SG President, which will be chosen by a student-wide vote in April.

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Bednarz Prepares to Bid Farewell to SG

BY JULIE MELF

Beacon Asst. News Editor

As the current Student Government (SG) President, Selena Bednarz is a very recognizable face on campus. Bednarz has been extremely active in SG, serving as a representative her freshmen year, Treasurer on the Executive Board her sophomore year, followed by serving two terms as President. As May quickly approaches and another semester comes to an end, Bednarz will be graduating and leaving behind quite a legacy of campus service.

"Selena was one of the first that I can remember being a two-term president. She's done a fantastic job. She'll obviously be missed. It will be difficult to fill those shoes...I am enthusiastic about new blood coming into the organization, and I think Selena will do everything she can to help make a smooth transition for the new president," said Mark Allen, Dean of Student Affairs and SG Advisor.

Bednarz will also miss those she



Student Government President Selena Bednarz (center) with her 2003-04 Executive Board.

worked with and is grateful for all the experience and opportunity she gained and offers some advice to whoever will be elected in as the new student government

president.

"It is kind of sad to go, but it was a lot of work and I don't regret any of it. I had a really good time with great people to work with on General Board and Executive Board. As far as parting advice, I would just say be organized, help publicize, help with the apathy on campus, which I think...will always be an issue," explained Bednarz.

This past Thursday, SG Representative elections took place online and although many members of campus did cast their ballot, SG would always like to see more students get involved with

the voting process.

"The elections are really important at Wilkes. I don't think a lot of people realize that it's not like high school. They

mean a lot. It's very important that the students have a say because we do make a lot of big decisions on campus," stated Terry Holdren, SG Parliamentarian.

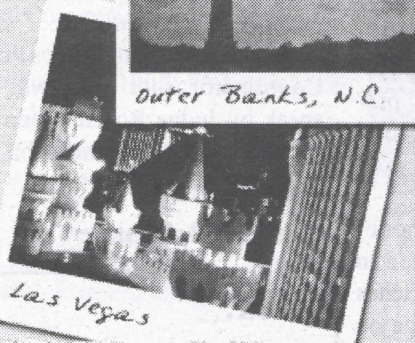
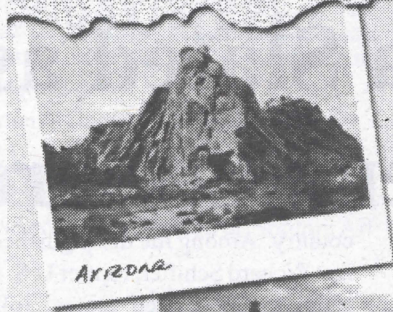
Bednarz also agreed about the importance of voting and couldn't emphasize enough why students need to continue to get involved with the elections.

"I think it's like any kind of election, whether it be for the President of the United States, just so you realize you have an opinion. Clubs come in and ask us for money, you know, like events we do on campus. I think we essentially effect a lot of people. That aspect alone is kind of like you're voting for your representative. We vote on big issues like the smoking lounge last year, the game room this year we're going to vote on. So, it's important to-it's so cliché that you choose your representative, but it's true-you want to choose people that you know will do the right thing," said Bednarz.

The campus community is also reminded that on tax day, April 15, the SG elections for the position of SG President will take place.

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News Briefs

Courtesy of the Associated Press

Report: Firefighters determined church was safe to enter

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Firefighters had decided that it was safe to re-enter the burned shell of a church to douse hot spots before the steeple fell, killing two firefighters, according to a preliminary report released by a board looking into the deaths.

The report, released Friday, does not describe how firefighters determined the Ebenezer Baptist Church was stable enough for firefighters to head back inside on March 13. Some firefighters have said that officials looked at the bell towers and walls of the 131-year-old historic church and they appeared stable.

The head of the board, Deputy Chief John Gourley, has barred members of the panel, composed of six firefighters and one city official, from discussing their investigation until the report is completed, which could take as long as two months.

Burglar caught by homeowners using Webcam

Last Friday the family's 18-year-old son logged on and saw images of a neighbor, also 18, who was supposed to be looking after the family's cats but had been told to stay out of the house.

Investigators said the home had been ransacked, and the intruder's belongings and food wrappers were scattered around the interior and video footage showed him downloading pornography on the family's computer.

West Point continues to battle topless maid business

A business owner says a northern Utah city is trying to sweep her topless maid business out of town.

The West Point City Council has revoked the home business license of Dee Dee Derian, saying she misused it by sometimes running the business on a cell phone outside of her home.

Prosecutor drops charges against double-murder suspect

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP)—The Lycoming County district attorney dropped murder charges against a man Friday, saying he does not have enough evidence to convict in the slayings of the man's neighbor and her 5-year-old daughter.

District Attorney Michael A. Dinges dropped charges against Earl R. "Skip" Kramer III, 38, but said there is no statute of limitations for murder and the case remains open. He referred the case back to Williamsport police for more investigation.

Drugmaker will close Lancaster Co. plant

MARIETTA, Pa. (AP)—Wyeth plans to close its Lancaster County manufacturing plant by year's end, laying off the last 440 workers.

The plant, which most recently produced components for flu vaccines, employed 1,500 people at its peak in November 2002.

Terrorism not urgent issue for Bush admin. before Sept. 11 former adviser testifies

BY HOPE YEN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush White House scaled back the struggle against al-Qaida after taking office in 2001 and spurned suggestions that it retaliate for the bombing of a U.S. warship because "it happened on the Clinton administration's watch," a former top terrorism adviser testified Wednesday.

The Clinton administration had "no higher priority" than combatting terrorists while the Bush administration made it "an important issue but not an urgent issue" in the months before Sept. 11, 2001, said Richard Clarke, who advised both presidents. He testified before the commission investigating the worst terrorist attacks in U.S. history.

Clarke's turn in the witness chair transformed what has been a painstaking, bipartisan probe of pre-Sept. 11 intelligence failures and bureaucratic missteps into a nationally televised criticism of President Bush on the terrorism issue at the core of his campaign for re-election.

The White House redoubled efforts to undermine Clarke, the author of a recent book critical of the president.

Officials also took the unusual step of identifying him as the senior official who had praised the president's anti-terrorism efforts in an anonymous briefing for reporters the year following the attacks.

"He needs to get his story straight," said Condoleezza Rice, Bush's national security adviser and Clarke's boss while he served in the administration.

Former Illinois Gov. Jim Thompson, a Republican, took up the president's cause inside the commission hearing. "We have your book and we have your press briefing of August 2002. Which is true?" he challenged the witness.

Despite the flare-up, commission members worked later to distance themselves from the sort of partisanship that could undermine the credibility of the final report they are expected to release this summer.

"Nobody has clean hands in this one," said former New Jersey Gov. Thomas Kean, a Republican and the commission chairman, referring to the Bush and Clinton administrations. "It was a failure of individuals. The question now is whether or not we learned from our mistakes."

Clarke began his appearance with an apology to "the loved ones of the victims of 9-11. ... Your government failed you.

Those entrusted with protecting you failed you and I failed you," he added, as some relatives of those killed in the attacks dabbed at their eyes with handkerchieves.

The appearance of the white-haired former official overshadowed the release of a commission staff report that said bureaucratic disagreements about the extent of the CIA's authority to kill Osama bin Laden hampered efforts to eliminate al-Qaida's leader during the Clinton era. The result was a continued reliance on local forces in Afghanistan that all sides recognized reduced the chance of success, both before and after Bush took office, the report added.

"If officers at all levels questioned the effectiveness of the most active strategy the policy-makers were employing to defeat the terrorist enemy, the commission needs to ask why that strategy remained largely unchanged throughout the period leading up to 9-11," it concluded.

Officials from Clinton's National Security Council told investigators the CIA had sufficient authority to assassinate al-Qaida, the report said, but Director George Tenet and other spy agency officials "believed the only acceptable context for killing bin Laden was a credible capture operation."

Sandy Berger, Clinton's national security adviser, testified that the former president gave the CIA "every inch of authorization that it asked for" to kill bin Laden.

"There could have not been any doubt about what President Clinton's intent was after he fired 60 Tomahawk cruise missiles at bin Laden in August 1998," Berger said, referring to strikes at a camp in Afghanistan where the al-Qaida leader was believed present. Bin Laden escaped.

Tenet, who preceded Berger in the witness chair, also was asked about the issue of authorization to kill bin Laden.

"I never went back and said, 'I don't have all the authorities I need,'" he replied.

Tenet said that even if bin Laden had been captured or killed in 2001, he did not think it would have prevented the 9-11 attacks, an assertion that mirrored testimony by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and Secretary of State Colin Powell on Tuesday.

Tenet's tenure has spanned two administrations. And unlike Clarke, he praised aides to both presidents. "Clearly there was no lack of care or focus in the face of one of the greatest dangers our country has ever faced" after the Bush administration took office, he said.

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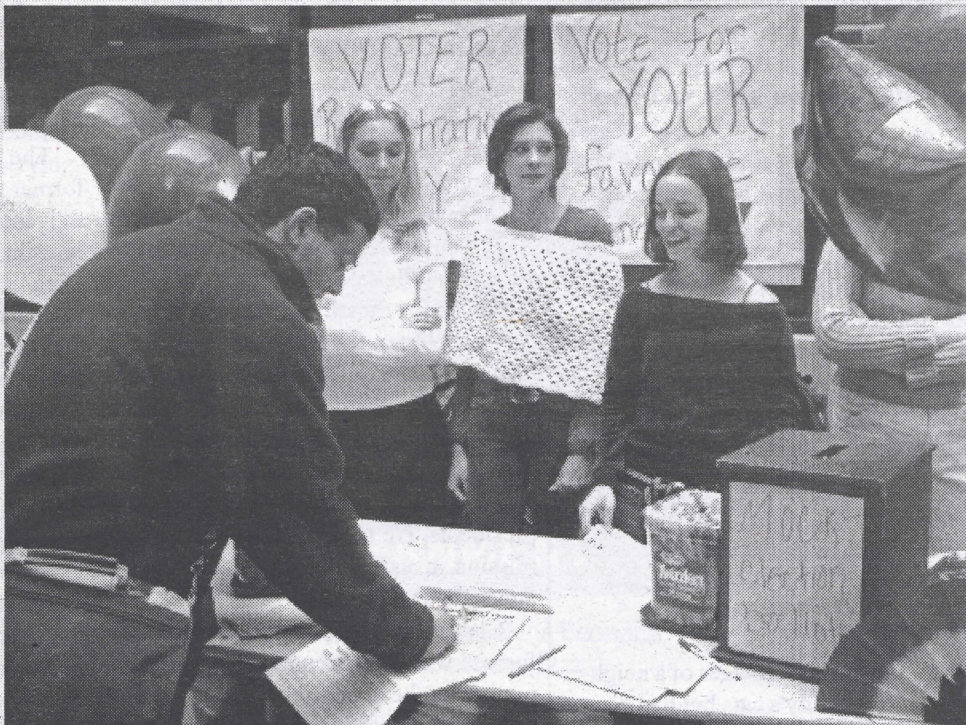
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Voter Registration Drives on Campus

Members of a presidential focus group in the COM 398-A special topics course, "PR and News," held a Voter Registration Drive and mock election on Tuesday, March 23. During the two-hour long drive, 32 people registered to vote; also the unscientific mock election resulted in an overwhelming victory by Sen. John Kerry. Kerry received 102 votes, while Bush earned 36 votes, and Nader swept in 9. The group plans to hold another Registration drive on April 27--Pennsylvania Primary Day.

The Political Science Club also held a Voter Awareness day on Thursday, March 25, where the group handed out information on the candidates, and over 30 voter registration cards. The club will most likely hold another event in October to further educate students on candidates and the issues.



The Beacon/Kristin Hake

Amanda Watson, Alison Fennell, and Kristin Kile help Joe LoBrutto register to vote in the upcoming Presidential election.

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text like that, it makes voting more meaningful than just throwing your vote in for Bush or Kerry, thinking it's just affecting this moment in time. You may be continuing a trend. You may be creating a new tangent--there is context to this, and I think that's fascinating," Baldino said.

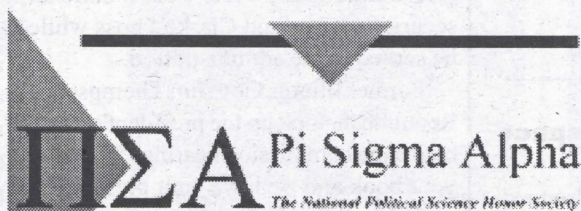
Derrick Hall, Pi Sigma Alpha President, has worked with Baldino and the rest of the honor society to organize and promote Saturday's event. He says that the panel will be helpful to everyone.

"It is hoped that through interaction with the panel, students will be able to further their knowledge and complement their classroom experience. The panel includes a number of experts in their fields, and everyone, regardless of major, should be able to benefit from the discussion," Hall stated.

The panel will feature a trio of distinguished political scientists from other universities: Sidney M. Milkis of the University of Virginia, William Carey McWilliams of Rutgers University, and Richard Valelly of Swarthmore College will comprise panel.

Milkis currently is a James Hart Professor of Government and Foreign Affairs and Senior Scholar with the Miller Center

of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. According to the University's website, "Milkis's research focuses on the American presidency, political parties and elections, and American political history."



Baldino says that Milkis's main topic of discussion at the April 3 panel will focus on "how this election compares to others in terms of political parties and party building is part of the presidential campaign."

McWilliams, political science professor at Rutgers University, is a 34-year veteran of the university, and has authored several books on politics and elections in America.

McWilliams will likely focus on the "reflection of America's political culture, and he's going to throw some pop cultural references in," according to Baldino.

Valelly, Professor of Political Science at Swarthmore College, is "an expert on American party politics, elections, social movements, and public policy," accord-

ing to the College's website biography.

Baldino stated that Valelly will concentrate "on the institution of the presidency and how it has changed." Valelly will also likely discuss a theory about presidential cycles posited by political scientist and author, Stephen Skowronek.

The format of the two-hour panel discussion will be interactive. The first hour will be divided among the panelists' presentations, and the second dedicated to panelist discussion and audience questions.

"We're opening it up to all...faculty, staff, and students here at Wilkes, as well as at King's and [The University of] Scranton...to learn about the election, and how elections do have connections to the past," Baldino said, explaining that the event is not open to the public at large.

Baldino pointed out that, while Wilkes is the lead school for the event, both King's College and the University of Scranton endorsed the grant proposal to fund the event.

The panel discussion will take place Saturday, April 3, in the Student Center Ballroom between 1-3 p.m.

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the Yale law school faculty," said McNatt. "He heard her give a presentation as a lecture. He thought she was very dynamic, she's won a lot of awards and she's a wonderful person to speak. She's lectured all over the world actually on various topics."

Chua will speak on such topics as globalization and ethnic hatred, a subject that she has written a book about. Her first book is titled, *World On Fire: How Exporting Free Market Democracy Breeds Ethnic Hatred and Global Instability*. According to an article on the Wilkes University website, her book has made the bestseller list for both *The New York Times* and *Business Weekly*.

McNatt said Chua is a "Chinese who has grown up in the Philippines" and says that she "talks a lot from own personal experience."

McNatt explained that, in Chua's lecture, she explains how "the Chinese-Filipinos are basically one percent of the population in the Philippines, but they pretty much own 60 percent of the private economy there; they own the banks, the big department stores, and the major airlines."

Chua uses this situation to talk about "the capitalism she finds allows the minority to get rich and these are not people who have been handed wealth, these are hard working people, but they are [the] ethnic minority in the Philippines. The majority of the people are Filipinos and then democracy allows the majority to get even. The Filipinos resent the Chinese for all of their wealth," McNatt said.

Growing up in this environment Chua has experienced the affect of globalization on ethnic hatred. One personal experience she may touch on is the murder of her aunt. "Amy Chua's aunt in the Philippines was very, very wealthy and her throat was slit by her chauffeur because he was a Filipino and he was poor," said McNatt.

The website article also goes on to say, "based on extensive research and personal accounts of her aunt's violent murder in the Philippines, Chua shows how free markets have often concentrated starkly disproportional wealth in the hands of a resented ethnic minority."

Chua is scheduled to speak in the Dorothy Darte Dickson Center on April 25, at 7:30 p.m. McNatt said, "There is a reception afterwards and a book signing." According to McNatt, the bookstore in the Henry Student Center will be selling Chua's books beginning in early April.

Class Research Projects Reap Rewards, Offer Opportunities

BY JULIE MELF

Beacon Asst. News Editor

For some Wilkes students, "academic research" has recently taken on a whole different dimension. No longer just going through the motions to get the paper done for class, this semester several Wilkes students will present their research findings in regional and national conferences, publish their work as a chapter in a book, and even travel to foreign countries as a result of the research they have done.

Senior communication studies majors Alison Fennell and Kristin Hake will present findings from their project at the Eastern Communication Association Convention in Boston, Massachusetts in April. They chose to conduct their research on domestic violence, gathering an array of perspectives--not from the abuser or the abused, but from the point of view of the lawmakers, judges, health care officials, and police officers. Their research effectively asked the question: How do the respondents to victims of domestic violence in the Wyoming Valley believe the system works?

Fennell and Hake conducted their qualitative study as a requirement of a communication research methods class taught by Dr. Andrea Frantz, Assistant Professor of Communication Studies. In the class students have to design a

qualitative field study based on interest and access and research their topic for three months.

"We concluded that there definitely has to be a lot more research done on this, but most of the people we interviewed didn't think the system needed to be changed at all. They thought that the system, (which we originally thought didn't really work for the abused but worked for the abuser)...does really work for the abused if they let it work," explained Fennell.

To prepare for her own conference presentation, which was blind reviewed and competed for acceptance with professionals from across the Eastern region, Fennell was able to listen to graduate students present their finding at Rutgers University in New Jersey when her advanced news writing class recently traveled to the regional Association for Educators of Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC) conference.

"I found that what Kristin and I did was equal to graduate work, which amazed me, and...the more I can make other people aware of [domestic violence issues] and as many people as I can help, that's my goal in the whole project," said Fennell.

But communication studies is not the only area in which students have conducted long-term research. Last semester Dr. Bonnie Culver Bedford, Associate Professor of English, had her American drama class research their final paper throughout the entire semester. They were given their final paper question the first day of class which was to identify or explore the diverse definitions of American identity and then to defend their stances using various critical reading strategies.

"In the beginning, the plays were concerned with Americans as they were comparing themselves to Europeans so there were lots of characters that were from England and France and they were always the 'bad guys' because we were always the 'good pioneers.' And by the end, everything turned inward and everything was about how we relate to each other in terms of gender, in terms of class economics, education all the things that make up us as individuals, but make us American," explained Bedford.

After the class papers were completed, Bedford submitted copies of the papers to the committee in charge of the Pennsylvania College English Association annual statewide conference and found out the papers were accepted in January. She

couldn't be any happier.

"Most of the people presenting will be either Ph.D. students or full faculty members, so I'm incredibly proud because these are undergraduates presenting at a faculty conference," stated Bedford.

Her students presenting at the conference are also very excited about the opportunity to present their research to approximately 200 people in attendance.

"This course culminating in the writing of this paper has aided me immensely in my understanding of what it is I do as an actor, writer, and artist. I look forward to sharing it with a panel of scholars who feel the same way that I do in regards to this," said Corey Pajka, a junior double majoring in theater and English.

Additionally, Dr. Kenneth Klemow, Professor of Biology and Geo-Environmental Sciences and Engineering, had six of his students conduct research on Saint John's Wort. But instead of presenting their research at a national conference, the students' work will be published as a chapter in a prestigious science book, due out in the near future.

"I did describe the project and told them that this is something that scientists in positions will be reading, relying upon, and it's something that's going to be really very important, that it's a real life mainstream chapter that they're going to be writing. I think they got very excited by that," said Klemow.

The students who participated in this research-publishing project were indeed excited about the opportunity that they were given, and some still can't believe that they are now published authors.

"It hasn't really sunk in yet that I and a few other students' names will be alongside Dr. Klemow's in a chapter of a book. It's actually pretty cool. I would partake in something like this again and would advise others to take part as well," explained Eric Pape, senior Biology major.

Klemow would love to have a celebration style party in honor of the achievement of these students in the not too distant future.

"The students who took advantage of it said it was a great experience. It was something that they really feel... puts them so far ahead of their colleagues...from other institutions," said Klemow.

Dr. Wagiha Taylor, Professor of Economics, also encouraged her class to conduct research, but not to sub-

mit or to be presented at a national conference, nor to be published in science book. Instead this research was designed to prepare them for an opportunity to see international businesses firsthand.

The spring break trip to Europe actually combined Dr. Taylor's two classes--an undergraduate international business experience and a graduate global business experience. A total of 44 students went on the trip, which was the highest enrollment Dr. Taylor has seen with this particular course.

"I had students present team presentations and the teams chose a particular country or city we were visiting over spring break and they made their presentations. This way, they got to know exactly where they were going and got to know the business aspect of that country, its international business relationship and any particular economic, political, social, geographic differences," explained Taylor.

"[For] our presentation we chose to do Italy, and we focused mostly on the cultural differences that we would expect to see when we got there and I think that it really did help us when we arrived," said Whitney Bull, who will be completing her final semester of the MBA program at Wilkes.

Whether it be to present research at a national conference, or publish original research in a book, or even to study European business practices firsthand, all of these Wilkes students agreed that conducting research has given them opportunities of a lifetime that they will be able to carry with them for the rest of the careers.



Courtesy of www.uscourts.gov

Judge Rosenn to Visit Campus

Marketing Communications recently announced that Judge Max Rosenn will be on campus to donate his collection of congressional letters and documents to the Farley library on Wednesday, March 31 at 4:00 p.m. (first floor, library).

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Clarke's Claims Should Make Voters Question Strike Motivation

Nearly three years after the terrible disaster of September 11, 2001, an independent investigation has finally been convened to inquire into the events preceding the 9/11 attacks and the actions of both the Bush and Clinton administrations.

The commission's particular purpose is to ascertain whether or not there were intelligence failings in either case or a failure to prevent the attacks. Coincidentally (or not so coincidentally), the hearings have finally been convened at this period when we are entering the homestretch leading up to the presidential election. The outcome of that election may owe a great deal to the information that is presented before the independent 9/11 commission.

It always seems that American justice is sometimes agonizingly slow. Investigations take a long time, and it is hard to say the reason for these great delays. Perhaps it is due to the meticulous gathering of evidence or the complexity of the many legal channels and seas of paperwork that must be negotiated before an investigation even takes place. Perhaps it is because the initial shock of a great political upheaval or national tragedy must be allowed to wear off before an investigation can proceed with order and objectivity.

The cynic would say that the reason for a long delay is that it allows a lapse of time in which the initial hot emotions of the public begin to cool. But with such a delay the primary evidence also begins to cool, and there is a period in which those who have something to hide have an opportunity to cover their actions with a paper trail or similar deception.

One very important reason why this investigation has become such a pressing issue is the criticism aimed at the White House because of the testimony of former White House counter-

terrorism coordinator Richard Clarke. Clarke has also published a revealing and provocative book on the approach of the Bush administration to terrorism prior to the 9/11 attacks, and he has openly criticized what he sees as the failure of the administration to attend to the terror-

ism. It is sad to think that it might be happening again. Clarke's criticisms do not apply only to the actions of the Bush administration prior to the 9/11 attacks. Clarke has testified that a day after the tragedy, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld pushed for retaliation against Iraq, despite the fact that all evidence pointed to al-Qaeda. Al-Qaeda, as we know, is an independent, multinational organization of terrorist networks, and at the time of the 9/11 attacks, al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden was hiding in Afghanistan under the protection of the Taliban. According to CNN, Clarke has stated that Rumsfeld was eager to use the terrorist attacks as a reason for striking Iraq, because "there aren't any good targets in Afghanistan and there are lots of good targets in Iraq." If Clarke's accusations are true, it is alarming that Rumsfeld is the kind of Defense Secretary who won't protect Americans from the legitimate threats, but will instead aim for the bigger, sexier target that will be a bigger feather in his department's cap.

Clarke also has not been shy in criticizing the President himself. He claims that Bush also asked him to look for links between al-Qaeda and Iraq immediately after the attacks took place. Clarke insists that the President didn't ask him to stretch or fabricate intelligence linking Iraq with the attacks, but again according to CNN news, Clarke has said that "the entire

conversation left me in absolutely no doubt that George Bush wanted me to come back with a report that said Iraq did this." When Clarke told Bush that U.S. intelligence had been unable to find any connections

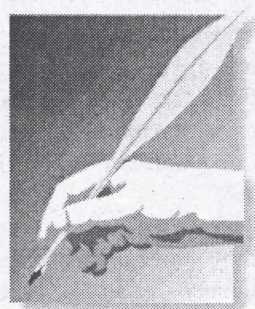
politically motivated red herring," and National Security Council Deputy Stephen Hadley has questioned Clarke's motives in waiting until an election year to bring all of this up. He has called Clarke "a disgruntled former employee who left the government after he was passed over for the No. 2 job in the Department of Homeland Security."

Regardless of which side is telling the truth, both out-

comes are disturbing. If Clarke is lying because of political motivation, then that is demoralizing. But if the Bush administration is lying, the prospect is much more demoralizing and disturbing.

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Beacon Editorial

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terrorism threat, despite warnings from U.S. intelligence organizations such as the CIA.

One of the most disturbing aspects of Clarke's testimony is that the Bush administration ignored Clarke's warnings that the al-Qaeda was a pressing threat and never acted on his advice that a top-level meeting of White House staff, including Cabinet members, should be called to look into the issue. Clarke has stated that instead of focusing on al-Qaeda, administration officials were more interested in issues such as missile defense and Iraq.

Clarke has also claimed that a renewed attempt to oust Saddam Hussein was a Bush priority even before he was elected as President. If these accusations are true, then we are indeed living in a disheartening period of American history, when a gov-

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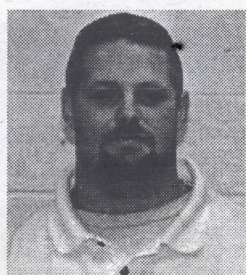
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EDITORIAL

Learning what the Wilkes University Fitness Center Can Offer You



BY KEITH KLAHOLD
Fitness Facilities Coordinator

The fitness center has been a great addition to the Wilkes campus considering the latest reports by the government on obesity and sedentary lifestyles in America. This is an accurate report even though in America today hundreds, thousands, and even millions of Americans spend billions of dollars on diet and weight loss products. The best formula for fighting the bulge in America is good nutrition and exercise. Why not visit your local fitness center and ask the professionals? The fitness center and fitness center staff is here to help the Wilkes University community combat those statistics.

Not only does the Wilkes Fitness Center have new equipment and a new look--we also have a new attitude. The equipment in

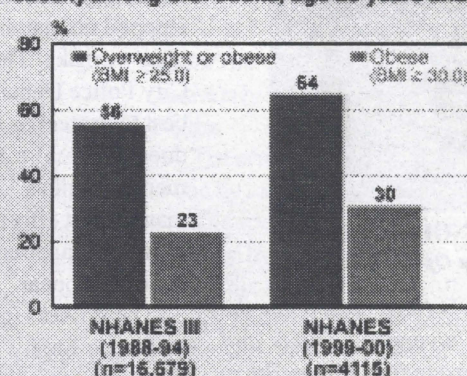
the fitness center is the top-of-the-line equipment found on the market today. Suited for everyone, the equipment is great for training the highest level athletes or achieving your personal fitness goals. We have a bright and non-intimidating environment to workout. The room layout is larger with more space between equipment. The fitness center is no longer just the hang out for the usual "gym rat". The fitness center is now for everyone from the Wilkes athlete to the faculty person or student that just wants to tone up and improve their overall fitness level. The fitness center student staff is here to help you if you have any equipment questions. My assistant and I are here to help everyone attain his or her personal fitness goals. We will write a workout or

advise you on your current workout program. We can help you with nutrition information, exercise selection, and repetitions and cardio schemes to attain your desired fitness level.

The fitness center has combined with the intramural program to promote a "Shape Up for Summer Contest" in which the Wilkes community is encouraged to workout and to attain their fitness goals for prizes. The competition involves first, your fitness center attendance for the next month, and second, attaining your personal fitness goals. Each person entered receives a fitness center attendance card and is measured according to their personal fitness goals. At the end of the month long training each person will then be measured again to see if they attained their fitness goals. The prizes will be given out according to attendance and achieving your fitness goals.

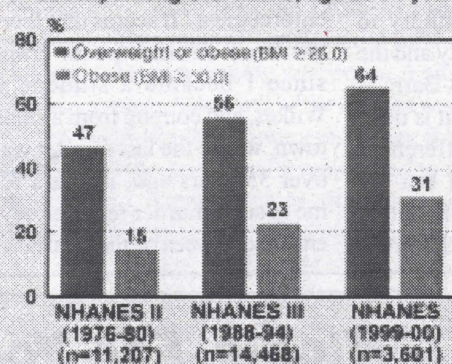
Saturday April 24th at 10am again in conjunction with intramurals we will be holding a Wilkes University Strong Man / Strong Woman Contest. This will be a fun filled event for everyone. There will be four weight classes for men light weight, middle weight, light heavy weight and heavy weight. There will be three

Figure 1. Age-adjusted* prevalence of overweight and obesity among U.S. adults, age 20 years and over



*Age-adjusted by the direct method to the year 2000 U.S. Census of the Census estimates using the age groups 20-29, 40-49, and 60 years and over.

Figure 2. Age-adjusted* prevalence of overweight and obesity among U.S. adults, age 20-74 years



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weight classes for the women's category light, middle, and heavy weight divisions. The events are still to be determined but will be similar to those events in the World's Strongest Man Competitions shown on ESPN. The events scheduled are a tire throw for distance, a tire flip for time, a keg throw for height, farmers walk for distance, a truck pull, and 2 more events to be determined. This is a great chance for everyone to compete.

For those people who do not wish to enter the competition it is fun to watch and cheer on your friends. Weigh-ins for the competition will be held in the Marts Center the evening before the competition from 5pm - 7pm. Come out and join in the fun and excitement.

Martha Stewart's Downfall Not About Cultural Icon Status



BY J.W. DAVIES
Beacon Columnist

In recent years the federal government has come under fire for not following through on its duty to bring corporate criminals to justice.

Although Enron, Tyco, Adelphia and a handful of other major corporations have been giving big business a bad name lately, it seems that the law is finally making an attempt to exorcise America's corporate demons. Among the plethora of good old boys charged with fraud, embezzlement, stock tampering and

the outright theft of millions of dollars, one woman has become the poster child for America's "David and Goliath" crusade against big money and power.

Everyone's favorite homemaker and queen of the well-kept home, Martha Stewart, was recently convicted on four counts of obstructing justice and lying to investigators as a result of the poorly timed sale of her ImClone stock. Although she dodged a major bullet when the judge threw out the heavy charge of securities fraud, Stewart still faces up to five years in prison and a possible fine of \$250,000 for each count against her.

If there is any question of whether justice was served, it is almost safe to say that the numbers speak for themselves. Stewart dumped nearly 4,000 shares of ImClone stock, which saved her from a loss of about \$51,000. Now, after being caught she resigned from her position as chairwoman and CEO of Martha Stewart

Living and has since witnessed the steady decline of its stock (so far, only a loss of a few million).

There are also legal fees and the possibility of paying nearly \$1 million in fines. Undoubtedly, financial justice has been achieved.

As for the idea of Stewart being a scapegoat, or a patsy, or the fact that she was targeted because she is a woman, or a celebrity, there is no doubt that the media ruthlessly enjoyed the scandal. But the fact remains that she did commit a crime and was caught. Federal prosecutors brought Stewart, her stockbroker, Peter Bacanovic, and ImClone founder, Sam Waksal (both men) to justice not through some form of social or political vendetta, but within the means of the law.

The downfall of Martha Stewart was not directly related to her status as an icon. On the contrary, it was actually the result of clear, concise and convincing

evidence. And if she is subsequently used as an example to warn corporate America that such crimes will not go unpunished, it would only be for the better. If anything, Stewart's case will bring the focus back around to men like Dennis Koslowski and Mark Swartz who allegedly robbed Tyco of almost \$600 million, or John Rigas who, along with his sons, managed to plunder Adelphia Cable.

Although Stewart's fate is uncertain, it is plausible for people to continue to support her and to believe that, deep down, she is still a truly good person. But it would be absolutely foolish for anyone to feel sorry for her. Up to this point, she was wealthy. Through her current legal troubles, she will continue to be wealthy and after all is said and done, she will still be extremely wealthy. After all, I am almost certain that Martha Stewart and her high-priced defense team would not feel sorry for you.

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Where Do Students Feel Safer, On Campus or Off?



BY GINGER ESICK
Beacon Op-Ed Editor

Editor's Note: Safety on the Wilkes University campus and in the surrounding Wilkes-Barre area is a major concern for everyone who resides here. We all would like to feel a sense of safety when we walk through the streets of Wilkes-Barre, no matter if we are on or off of campus. So, where do students feel most safe, on or off of campus? Or is there even a difference? Have the recent improvements made to the Public Safety Department changed how safe we feel on campus compared to off of campus?

Ginger Eslick

Crime can be deterred; however, it cannot be entirely stopped no matter what precautions we make. The Wilkes-Barre City Police Department does its best to protect us from crime, as does the Public Safety department at Wilkes University. No matter what effort is put forth by either department, crime will never disappear.

The Wilkes University Office of Public Safety recently went through a major change in order to better protect the students. The department is on campus in order to deter crime to a point, but more importantly to help us when crime occurs. There will never be a semester that goes by that we are not faced with break-ins, vandalism, or other sorts of crime, regardless of whether we are on or off of campus.

The crime in Wilkes-Barre is something that we cannot seem to escape. But does this mean that the city's police department

is not doing its job? I don't think so. Unfortunately, crime is a fact of life. We have to face that fact. Granted, there may be some areas that are less populated and therefore have less crime. But again, we have to remember that the officials are doing their best to deter crime and prevent future occurrences.

I can't honestly say that I feel safer when I am on Wilkes's campus compared to how I feel when I am on the streets of Wilkes-Barre. I do feel comforted by the fact that the Wilkes Public Safety officers are out on the streets, watching for crime, doing their best to prevent it, and listening to us when we think they should do more.

Kerri Parienello

I've had the opportunity to experience Public Safety and the overall safety of Wilkes-Barre as it was last year, and as it is now. I have found that the differences between this year and last are very subtle and insignificant.

I honestly don't feel that com-

muter students can adequately grasp just how important the Office of Public Safety is here on campus. When there's a false fire alarm, a break-in, or any other random domestic disturbance, Public Safety runs to the rescue, or at least walks, as in the case of most of the experiences that I've had.

There have been upgrades in some of the Public Safety facilities this year, including bicycles, to expedite the travel time across campus, an increase in the number of call boxes, and the new card access entry points to many of the buildings on campus, but these changes don't make me feel any safer.

Then there's the issue of the city of Wilkes-Barre, and its crime enforcement. It seems that there has been an increase in crime since I became a student at Wilkes, and coming from a small town, where the last murder was over 35 years ago, it's hard for me to see a murder reported several times a week on the local news



BY KERRI PARIENELLO
Beacon Layout Editor

channels. Just a few weeks ago, a woman was murdered literally two buildings from our gym, and that's a scary thought for students as well as parents.

When the decision was made to replace the entire Public Safety force this past summer, the public was told that the decision was based on a student survey. The new employees are younger and better qualified, but I felt safe when I was being protected by those I felt were capable of protecting me. Our safety should be the number one priority of the University, but I don't feel that it is.

Your Voices...

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE REPUBLICAN UTOPIA?

Republicans have long said that if only they controlled our government there would be utopia. They said that the budget would be balanced. They said that people would be more free. They said that the government would be smaller. They said that government pork would decrease. They said, they said, they said.

But talk is cheap and the Republican party has displayed the perfect example of how cheap talk can be. So what happened? Why isn't our country at peace? Why isn't our budget balanced? Why is the size of government larger than at any time in its history? Why is our environment deteriorating? Why are more and more American jobs being sent overseas daily? Why is the balance of trade still out of whack? Why is our tax code fifteen percent larger than it was three years ago? Why is our economy in ruins? Why have millions lost their life savings? Why has unemployment gone up? Why are there millions more uninsured people? Why are our civil liberties being attacked? Why is there so much secrecy in the executive branch? Why has the US become the most hated country on earth? Why, why, why?

Republicans have controlled the Executive, Legislative, and the Judicial branches of the government for three years now, but instead of America improving, it has been going downhill faster than an angry avalanche. Sociologically our country is down. Economically our country is down. And we are at war with our soldiers dying every day in foreign lands. In almost every major area of measurement our country has been going down, down, down.

Yes, what happened to the utopia promised by Republicans? No one is dreaming any longer. But how can they when Republican nightmares are invading every facet of our lives. Please Republicans, stop trying to make our country a utopia. It is destroying us.

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Nickle For Your Thoughts

by Jason Nickle



Where is my
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fork, and
since when is
the beverage
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"Adaptation"

Catalog Pioneer Lillian Vernon to Hold 'Conversation' at Wilkes

BY JESS NIEMIEC
Beacon Staff Writer

"My mom gets that catalog."

"I think everybody's mom gets that catalog," said Dr. Jeffrey Alves, Allan P. Kirby Distinguished Professor of Free Enterprise & Entrepreneurship at Wilkes University. Alves also is the man in charge of for the Kirby Lecture series.

Lillian Vernon, a pioneer in the catalog and retail industry, is set to speak this Wednesday, March 31, at 7pm in the Rite Aid Auditorium (Stark 101), for this semester's presentation of the Kirby lecture series.

According to Alves, this lecture is going to be a bit different than those which have been scheduled previously; rather than a straight lecture, the set up is going to be that of a conversation, in which Vernon intends to sit and talk with her audience.

"I hope she does most of the talking. This is going to be the first presentation that is non-formal ... because she prefers it," said Alves.

The Lillian Vernon Industry has expanded greatly from its origin. There are now numerous catalogs, an expansive website, and even a new "Lilly's kids" catalog, that sells children's products. The diversity of facets through which she gets her products noticed demonstrates her commitment to entrepreneurship and free enterprise, the two traits that this lecture series is intent on demonstrating to the public.

"My career is 53 years young, and it really kept me interested, which is the most important part. The ever-changing scene, the way everything was so tied in with the economy. I learned so much, in time of war, quiet, peace, and because of it, I would like to say I'm a worldly person," said Vernon, who serves as her company's Chief Executive Officer.

Vernon was the choice for this semester's presentation for reasons beyond just her embodiment of these traits, though, according to Alves.

"First off, she came to the United States after World War II, and literally started at her kitchen table. Secondly, she's truly a pioneer for this kind of selling. She was a good ten to fifteen years ahead of her time, and she's continued to keep her offerings fresh, she's continued

to keep up with technology, and she's been very generous with her time and money, in terms of giving back to the community," stated Alves.

According to her bio, Vernon began her mail-order business in 1951 using \$2,000 of wedding gift money to purchase a \$495 advertisement for a personalized handbag in Seventeen Magazine. The rest of the money went towards the purchasing of an embossing machine and the product. That ad brought more than \$32,000 in orders.

"I never thought the business was going to expand that much. Women weren't supposed to think that way. It was a big surprise, and in many ways, it still is," said Vernon.

Since then her business has soared. Two years after that initial ad, the Lillian Vernon catalog was born. A simple, 16 page, black and white attempt was mailed to 125,000 customers, chosen from those who had initially responded to the ads.

Nineteen years after sitting down at her kitchen table to concoct a way to make money, her annual sales were soaring past \$1 million dollars, in an age when women were entering the workplace, and as a result had less time to leave the house to shop.

Now, the company introduces more than 2,500 new products every year, and receives upwards of 3.7 million orders--and Vernon is in charge of it all.

"[As a CEO] you work hard, but you eat better, as my son would say. You really have to work fast, and get a lot done, being very ambitious. Most are just born with entrepreneurial traits. They like power, and have the ability to do things. Every CEO must make a difference," said Vernon.

As her career has matured, Vernon has begun giving lectures at different colleges and universities, to share her entrepreneur expertise.

"Now that I don't have to produce a catalog every hour, on the hour, I have the opportunity to pull away from the business and talk at these different schools. School changes your life forever, and I'm just interested in formulating the future," said Vernon.

Now, it's not just "my mom has that catalog," but, "my mom uses those products," and even, "my mom orders from that website."

Writing Center and Girl Scouts Combine Forces to Stop Smoking

BY ANDY CALHOUN
Beacon Staff Writer

To most of us, the writing center is a room in the basement of Breiseth Hall where we can get some good advice for completing a tough homework assignment--whether it's editing, getting started, or finding a way to break writer's block.

But recently, the writing center took on a different role by helping more than just the students at Wilkes.

Coordinators at the writing center took on the challenge of helping a local Girl Scout troop write a play on the dangers of smoking. It's true that the writing center doesn't usually focus on plays, but Ann Marie Miller, a graduate assis-

share the play with area daycare centers and early intervention programs," said Miller.

The unique part is, "the play will all be done by animal characters," said Starnier.

The idea behind the play was created entirely by the Girl Scouts. "Victoria the Wolf, the main character of the play, is trying to make some friends. The problem is that Victoria smokes, and all of the other animals have various reasons why they can't be Victoria's friend. Their reasons range from Victoria's inability to keep up with Caitlin the Cougar to the impact of smoking on Katelyn the Kangaroo's baby, Joey," said Miller. "In the end, Victoria realizes that she can have more fun and have lots of friends if she stops



The Beacon/Fran Moriarty

Ann Marie Miller (center) works with a local Girl Scout troop to create a play script to educate youth about the dangers of smoking.

stant working in the writing center, gladly took on the challenge.

Currently, there are nine Girl Scouts working on the play, plus Miller and two troop leaders. "The girls are working toward their Silver Award, which is one of the higher awards that a Girl Scout can achieve," said Dr. Janet Starnier, Assistant Professor of English and director of the writing center. The girls meet every Sunday afternoon in the writing center and work through the script. They are also using the writing center's manila site to put the segments of the play together.

The Girl Scouts, who are currently writing the play, will each play the part of a puppet character. "The girls will then

smoking."

In addition to the play, Mike Hockenberry, a student at College Misericordia, is creating a coloring book to be given out to the elementary school children for whom the Girl Scouts perform. The book will incorporate the characters from the play and will reinforce the message from the play.

"I think it's great to see the writing center helping with this project," said Starnier. "We are making an impact in the community."

The play should be finished within the next few weeks and will be performed by the end of the school year.

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Career Services Course Prepares Students For Life After Wilkes

BY NORA JURASITS
Beacon Correspondent

With the current uncertain conditions of the economy, stepping out into the "real world" can be a scary thing. That is why it is important to know what you can do to make yourself stand out to prospective employers.

Luckily, there are many on-campus services that can help students prepare for success. For one, Career Services is offering a one-credit class called "Life Career Planning" in the Fall of 2004 for students looking to get ahead. The class plans to meet every Wednesday from 12 to 1 P.M.

According to Carol Bosack, Director of Career Services, the class helps students write resumes, enhance their interviewing skills, learn proper business etiquette, and prepare them for the realities of life after graduation.

The course is offered with the mind set that, whether applying for a job or an internship, resumes and essays must be well-prepared to catch the attention of potential employers. There must be substance to the content, but appearance is also very important. A professional looking resume and cover letter are great ways to make a strong first impression, and students will learn how to perfect them in this course.

However, according to Philip

Ruthkosky, Coordinator of Education and Field Experience, resumes are not the end of the process. "Resumes don't get you jobs and internships, they get you interviews," he said.

According to Ruthkosky, mock interviews, which take place in the Career Services office, are a great way to introduce students to what they will experience when they step into their first real one.

"We have mock interviews here. You can talk to us about different tips just to prepare yourself for the interviews," said Ruthkosky.

When the interview is lined up, there are many preparations that should be taken. Before the big day, research the company. "The more you do your homework on the company

Top 5 Interview Questions You Must Be Able to Answer

Compiled by Carol Bosack: Director, Career Services

- 1. Tell me about yourself...:** Be prepared to talk about your education, state your strengths and weaknesses, and sell yourself to the interviewer.
- 2. What do you know about our company?** Make sure to do your research on the company, either on the web or talking to people who work there. Anything to get a good idea of what they are about.
- 3. What skills and experiences would you bring to our organization?** Make a list of things you have done that have built skills such as time management and leadership.
- 4. A behavioral question: "Give me an example of a time you had to..."** Think of what they will want you to do if you are hired, and relate past experiences to this, telling what you learned from the experience.
- 5. Why should we hire you over the other 50 applicants who are qualified to do this job?** Talk about your good attributes without bragging or cutting others down. Communication and teamwork skills, along with the ability to get along with people are traits they are looking for.

and see what they want of you, the better you'll be able to sell yourself," said Bosack. Also, do a self-analysis, and mentally prepare to both answer and ask questions to the interviewer.

She encourages that prospective employees arrive early wearing proper business attire and exerting a good attitude. "Dress the way that the business would dress, not the way a student would dress," said Bosack.

Once the interview begins, answer questions in a way that informs them what skills and education you possess that make you the best applicant for the position. Tie in any past experiences that may relate to

what needs to be done in that particular company and sets you apart.

"You want to tell them your good attributes without sounding so in love with yourself. People always look for the big things: communication skills, teamwork skills, a strong work ethic, and ability to get along with people, and then whatever the particular skill is of that business," said Bosack.

Bosack suggests talking about "...doing volunteer work, getting a part time job or an internship in your field. Since the competition is so fierce out there, these are all things that are going to put you on the 'yes pile' for the interviews."

The course also offers post-interview suggestions. For instance, once the interview is over, make sure to shake hands with the interviewer and thank them. It is also a good idea to send a thank-you letter to the company. These are all courteous things that will make a good impression. In order to gain the desired position, good business etiquette is crucial.

In addition to the course, Career Services and Human Resource professionals are offering a program on Thursday, April 1 from 11:00 AM- 12:30 PM in the Henry Student Center in the Miller Conference Room called, "Can You Dine and Look Fine?" This program familiarizes students with dining and interviewing skills, and professional etiquette. It also demonstrates how to "dress for success."

Students who are interested in attending can register with Career Services in the Max Roth Center or via faculty sign-up forms. Also, students interested in taking the Life Career Planning course can sign up at the Registrar's Office.

Top 5 Tips to Score an Internship

Compiled by Philip Ruthkosky: Coordinator of Education and Field Experience

- 1. Do a Self-Assessment:** You must first decide where and what you want your internship to be before you can attempt to find it.
- 2. Find your Internship:** Networking is a great way to make connections, and there are also many periodicals and websites such as InternshipPrograms.com out there to match you with the perfect internship.
- 3. Take Advantage of University Services:** Visit Career Services and the Co-op office to polish your resume and find great opportunities.
- 4. Perfect Your Interviewing Skills:** Career Services offers many opportunities to do Mock Interviews in order to prepare you for the real thing.
- 5. Start Early:** Application deadlines can be as early as October, especially if you are looking for an internship with a larger company or in an urban setting.



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Italian Impressions: One Wilkes Student's Reflections on Study Abroad

BY ELVIRAILLIANO
Asst. Beacon Features Editor

The Beacon's Assistant Features Editor, Elvira Illiano, is spending the spring semester on a study abroad program in Rome, Italy. The following first-person account offers some insight into one Wilkes student's international experience and the challenges and benefits that naturally come from broadening one's world view.

'When in Rome, do as the Romans do.' This is something that is definitely easier said than done...especially when you know absolutely *nothing* about the Romans to begin with.

But I have been living in Rome this semester as part of a unique study abroad program through the American University of Rome, and I've had to learn just what it is the Romans *do*. I must say that with every day that goes by, I find myself becoming more and more of a Roman.

One of the best parts about this experience is being able to share it with my roommates: Margaret, Emily, Julie and Lindsay. We all come from different parts of the States but we have one thing in common: we are living a unique experience that will be a part of us for the rest of our lives.

Together we have shared the ups and downs of living in a foreign country. We've made new friends; we've gone sightseeing (we've seen the Vatican, St. Peter's Church, the Trevi Fountain and so much more); we've gotten used to the Italian plumbing system (five girls, one bathroom and a water heater that holds enough hot water for one and a half hot showers); blackouts (never use a blow dryer while the computer is on); continuous computer crashes; getting lost in town (I am not talking about early in the day or afternoon...I'm talking midnight, when absolutely all public transportation stops and you get stuck walking home in the freezing cold); trying the 20 kinds of ice cream Romans kill for (the best is 'Bacio,' the equivalent of the American Hershey Kiss) and so much more. For every obstacle we've faced getting to know this city and this culture, we've had ten times that much fun.

The classroom experience in Rome is much different than at Wilkes. The size of classes is basically the same, but I am so used to professors knowing their students' names that, I must admit, I was very lost at first. Now I've gotten used to it, though. I honestly don't know any of my professors as tightly as I know the ones back home, but I would assume that comes with study abroad territory. That said, however, faculty and staff do seem friendly and very much willing to help when necessary.

Culturally: as far as the way Italians perceive Americans go, it's hard to say. As part of an American institution, they can't really say they hate Americans. I have noticed, however, that there are some Italians, especially the elderly, who do blame the U.S. for such things as the war in Iraq. It's such a touchy subject that you learn to stay away from it.

I am working in an internship through the United Nations that is more like a volunteer experience (a decision I took on my own), which will later transform itself into a wonderful job opportunity. Basically, I will transcribe data collected through research for this year's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) project based on globalization. I will have to find a unique and creative way to place the information on a website I will create over an estimated 120 hours. It must be done in such a way to make the website unique and interesting to the public so that they are inclined to visit it and get more information on FAO and the United Nations in general. The information, then, may be used to create a publication as well.

What has surprised me the most about this experience is that things could be so different. I'm happy I'm here, though. It definitely opened my eyes to the world outside the United States.

Ciao belli!



Elvira Illiano, assistant features editor, is studying abroad this semester in Rome, Italy



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VPA to present *The Winter's Tale*

Wilkes Press Release

Wilkes University's Department of Visual and Performing Arts will present Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale*, April 1-3 at 8:00 p.m. and April 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the



Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts, corner of South and River Street.

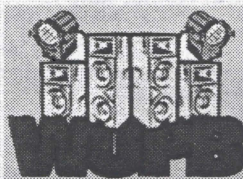
Directed by Joseph C. Dawson, with set design by Teresa Fallon, the

Shakespeare classic celebrates romance, fantasy, death and resurrection.

King Leontes accuses his wife Queen Hermione of infidelity and declares that the child she is bearing is illegitimate.

After the queen gives birth to a girl, her loyal friend Paulina takes the baby to the king, in the hopes that the sight of the child will soften his heart. He only grows angrier, however, and orders the child to be abandoned in a desolate place. Sixteen years pass and the principles' fates become once again intertwined.

Ticket prices are \$15 for general admission, \$5 for senior citizens and students, and free for Wilkes students with ID. For more information or ticket reservations, please call the box office at (570) 408-4540.



WILKES UNIVERSITY PROGRAMMING BOARD'S APRIL

ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS CALENDAR

4/18 "BALLS OUT" BINGO, 8pm in the Ballroom.
Double Money Prizes

4/24 BLOCK PARTY: Starting at Noon.
\$5 tickets for food will be provided for Wilkes students with ID
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Dorm Room Dining

BY LORI GRAUSAM
Beacon Staff Writer

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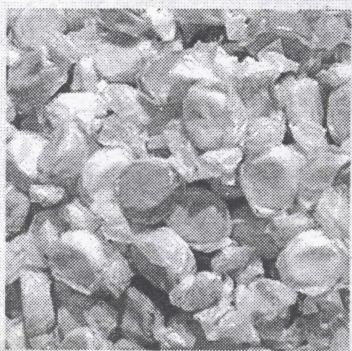
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- 2 c. sugar
- 1 c. corn syrup
- 1 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1 1/2 c. water
- 2 tbs. butter
- 7 drops green food coloring
- 1/4 tsp. oil of peppermint

Directions:

1. Combine sugar, corn syrup, salt and water in 2 quart saucepan.
2. Cook slowly, stirring constantly, until sugar dissolves.
3. Cook to hard ball stage (260 F) without stirring.
4. Remove from heat, stir in remaining ingredients.
5. Pour into buttered 15x10x1 inch pan. Cool until comfortable to handle. 6. Butter hands and gather taffy into ball and pull.
7. When candy is light in color and gets hard to pull, cut into fourths.
8. Pull each piece into a long strand about 1/2 inch thick.
9. With buttered scissors, quickly snip into bite sized pieces.
10. Wrap each piece in waxed paper.

Yields 1 1/4 lb. of taffy.

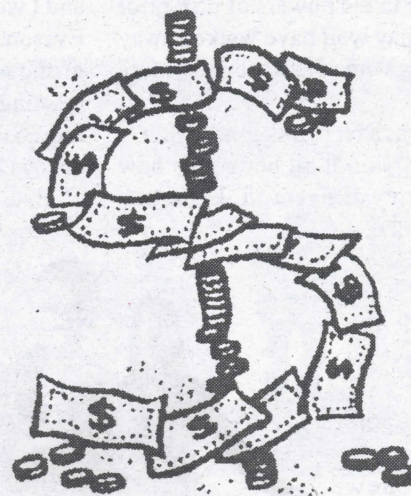


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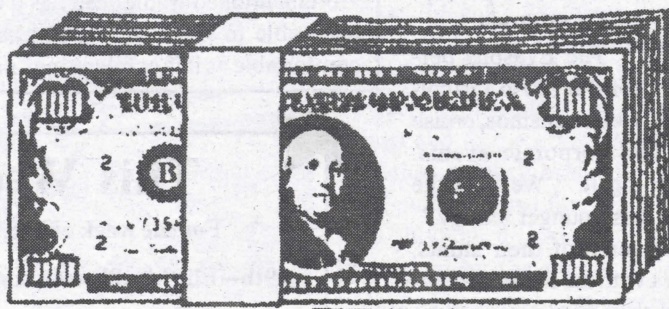
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Event Review: The Evasons Mind Readers

BY ALISON SHERRY
Beacon Staff Writer

You may have seen them on NBC's *World's Greatest Magic 5* or *Powers of the Paranormal* on FOX. But Jeff and Tess Evason brought their amazing powers of ESP (Extra-Sensory Perception) right into the Henry Student Center Grand Ballroom last Tuesday night.

This was no show built on simple tricks, fortune telling magicians, or pulling rabbits out of a hat. Students who didn't believe in the powers of ESP prior to the show may well have walked away from the show with at least slightly more belief.

I admit I was a bit of a skeptic at first. I thought I had seen it all before, so how could this be any different? Like the rest of the audience, I was in for a shock. Jeff and Tess Evason took the stage and marveled the audience with their awesome powers of ESP.

The show started off with many of the audience members' participation. The Evasons asked everyone in the audience to pull out an object of personal belonging such as a picture, money, or a driver's license. With Tess blindfolded, Jeff went around the room and picked people with the most interesting objects while Tess used her powers of ESP to guess their names, birthdays, or the objects students held in their hands.

Nobody was disappointed by this amazing stunt. Tess even went so far as to guess the name of a girl's mother. Gasps and cheers rang throughout the ballroom. Probably the most amazing stunt of the night was a girl who was picked out of the audience to have her picture taken in front of a white cloth while sitting relaxed in a chair with her eyes closed. She had to think of a loved one who had passed on a few years ago while someone took a picture with a polaroid camera.

Afterwards, Jeff asked the girl if she had felt anything during her concentration. The girl responded she had felt someone touch her on her back and she had a memory of a Christmas spent with her

loved one. When the picture developed, it was clear you could see a figure behind the girl in the background shadowing over her. With gasps and screams, the audience ran to the stage as Jeff showed disbelieving audience that what had happened was in fact real. I'd argue there wasn't a skeptical soul left in the house.

How these two amazing people, who have been married for twenty-one years, come to meet each other? Was it ESP?

"Tess was a fashion model in Canada and I worked at a radio station," said Jeff Evason. "I happened to know the owner of the agency and Tess and I ended up meeting at a party. She has been practicing ESP since she was little and I have always been interested in magic."

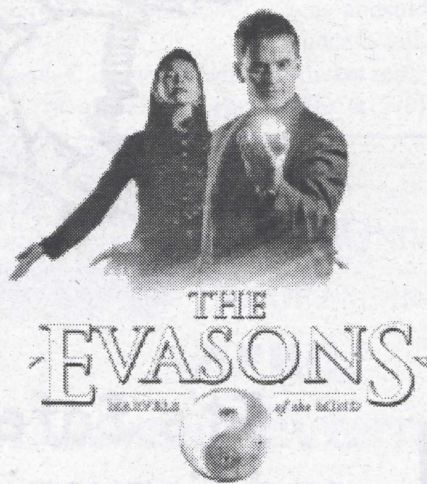
Evason also went on to explain the power of the intuition that the show was based on. "There is a small percentage of language that is spoken. In the first thirty seconds you can decide whether you like someone or not. Intuition is based on things we do or things we don't understand. Everybody's perception is different."

The Evasons perform at 100 to 150 colleges every year as well as casinos, cruise ships, theaters, and corporate events. "We both love doing it. We love the colleges because it is younger energy."

In the case of some of their stunts, such as the student with the Polaroid camera, Evason said they try to pre-screen people. "It might freak them out," he explained, "We like to have them choose an older person because it might have been a natural death so it's nothing too tragic."

The audience's reaction was astounding. "Dude, that thing was freaky!" said junior Mylinh Nguyen, "I was a skeptic...but now I know he didn't pick me to volunteer because he knew he couldn't pronounce my name!"

After the show, the Evasons sold copies of their book, *The Magic of ESP* for \$10 while Tess Evason answered questions from the audience on anything they wanted to know. Hopefully the Evasons will visit us again soon...but only they know where their future will lead.



CD Review: Absolution

BY MATT JOMES
Beacon Columnist

If musical memory serves, there hasn't been a band as ambitious as England's Muse in a few decades. The threesome of Matt Bellamy, Chris Wolstenholme, and Dominic Howard attempt, and mainly succeed, to produce an album of epic rock-operas that borrows as much from Queen as it does Black Sabbath. In Muse's playbook, grand pianos and venomous guitar blasts go hand in hand all while vocalist Bellamy professes, "Come on its time for something biblical." Such aspirations may make a lesser band cave in under themselves yet Muse makes it all work somehow.

Relentless opening number "Apocalypse Please" sounds like Radiohead, Phillip Glass and Rachmaninoff thrown into a blender and pureed, resulting in a, well, apocalyptic sendoff that will leave even the sturdiest music fanatic gasping for breath when it's all through. Not since the aforementioned Radiohead has a band been able to produce a sound as uncomfortable as it is exhilarating, and all

in the first track. Later onslaughts like "Stockholm Syndrome" and "Hysteria" loop subtle electronic flourishes around razorblade riffing and rousing choruses where Bellamy is on the full-scale doomsday pulpit. Even if the lyrics aren't exactly "lucky in love," the band does tone down their assault on a couple of the songs. "Blackout" showcases some beautiful, Danny Elfmanesque string arrangements and "Sing for Absolution" actually has some



acoustic guitar in it, even if it's only for a few seconds and mixed back to the point of obscurity. When things go awry though, the effect can be jarring. Despite the impressive straightforward and almost punkish guitar rock of "Thoughts of a Drying Atheist", it's tough to swallow lines like "and the end is all I can see/ and it scares the hell out of me" delivered in a major key

chorus. But these moments are thankfully few, and even if jaded rock fans scoff at titles like "Butterflies and Hurricanes," any listener can't deny the affecting power of this album. Since *Absolution* is only the young band's third major record, it should be interesting to see how Muse develops as time goes on.

This Week in History...

For the week of March 29th to April 4th in retrospect:

29th-- Elle MacPherson born, (1964)

30th-- The Queensboro bridge in New York opened linking Manhattan and Queens. It was the first double decker bridge, (1909)

31st-- The W.E. Roach Company becomes the first automobile company to put an advertisement in a national magazine. The magazine was the "Saturday Evening Post," (1900)

1st-- Jimmy Buffett's "Margaritaville" released, (1976)

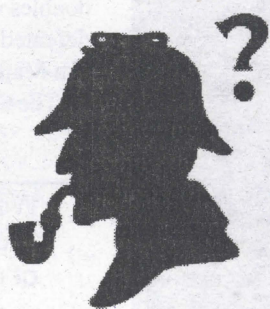
2nd-- Marvin Gaye born, (1939)

3rd-- Harvard College conferred the first honorary Doctor of Laws degree to George Washington, (1776)

4th-- The city of Los Angeles was incorporated, (1850)

Real Questions, Fake Answers with The Realboy

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Question of the Week:

Did Adam and Eve have a belly button?

Sine God created Adam and Eve as fully grown adults from the dirt of the earth instead of from a mother's womb, they most likely did not have belly buttons. Now, this had both its advantages and disadvantages. One advantage was that neither had to fret about unsightly belly button lint--of course, being that they didn't wear clothes, it wasn't a huge problem for them either way.

However, one disadvantage was that, since neither one of them had a belly button, when Cain was born *with* one, they didn't know that the umbilical cord should be cut; rather Adam naively assumed that God intended babies to come with a "mommy leash" so that they would not be lost. It wasn't until Cain hit the "rebellious tween" stage that Adam and Eve decided that he should be cut loose.

Yours,

The Realboy

Have a question? Send them to wilkesrealboy@yahoo.com

From the Cutting Room: Taking Lives

BY MELISSA JURGENSEN
Beacon A&E Editor

One positive thing that can be said about *Taking Lives* is that it doesn't feel like a repeat of every thriller out there. For the most part the movie appears more concerned with telling a story than juicing up its narrative. But one of the movie's voids is that it has a cheesy ending. This is just the kind of level I was hoping *Taking Lives* wouldn't sink to, yet it does.

The Set Up

Angelina Jolie plays FBI profiler Illeana Scott, who is on special assignment to help her old friend, Captain Leclair (Tcheky Karyo), hunt down a serial killer. Illeana immediately gets results, interviewing murder witness James Costa (Ethan Hawke), who puts her on the trail of Martin Asher (Kiefer Sutherland), a man thought killed 20 years ago, but whose mother (Gena Rowlands) now believes to be alive and in Montreal.

The Review

There is a twist in *Taking Lives*, but it's less outrageous than what has become the norm for this genre. The story is more about Illeana's character than the hunt for a serial killer. There is a car chase, but, rather than being the film's action centerpiece, it is presented as a plot device that's short and to the point. Plot holes exist, but they are well masked. Nevertheless, the ending reeks of having been re-shot. It's silly and far below the standard established by the previous 85 minutes. Maybe I'm wrong--perhaps the fault lies

in the source material, a novel by Michael Pye (which I haven't read).

The movie has two evident assets. The first is the location. The use of the French Canadian scenery represents a pleasant change-of-pace. There are also some nice stylistic touches, including one legitimate scare that shocked me out of my seat.

The second plus is Angelina Jolie, who, after a series of dull parts, is given an opportunity once again to remind us



that she can shine on the big screen. She plays Illeana perfectly--a woman who slowly comes to realize what it means to fall in love. This is more like the work of the actress who appeared in *The Bone Collector* than the one who starred in *Tomb Raider: Cradle of Life*.

As far as thrillers go, *Taking Lives* exists on a level above that of the run-of-the-mill, routine film. On the other hand, it's better than *Twisted*, but not as good as *Identity*. There are reasons to recommend this movie, but in the final analysis, it falls short.

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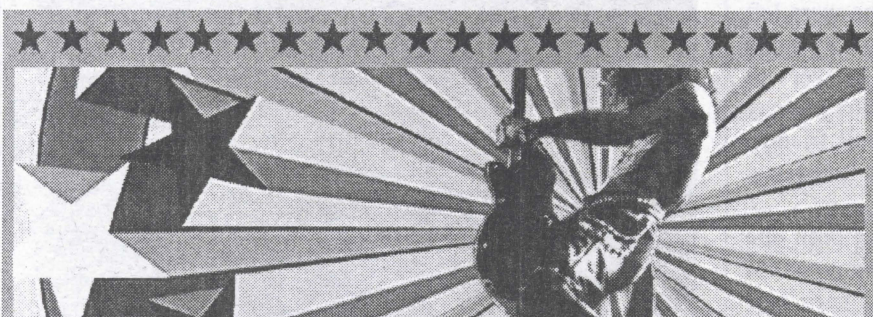
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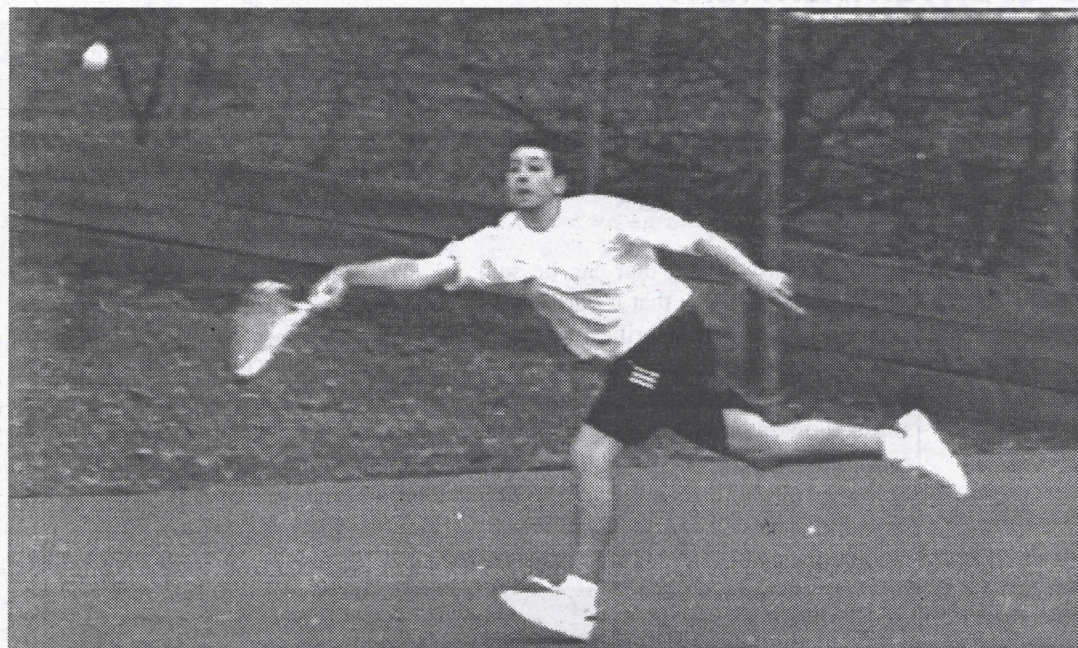
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Memories of 2001 Plane Crash Very Much Alive at OSU

BY TOM CANAVAN
AP Sports Writer

As much as Oklahoma State can see San Antonio and a trip to the Final Four in the road ahead, the path the Cowboys traveled the past three years cannot be forgotten.

Becoming a team in some ways started tragically on a snowy night in Colorado when a plane crash took the lives of two players and eight men associated with the basketball program.

The crash on Jan. 27, 2001 molded a team, dramatically altered longtime coach Eddie Sutton and created change in the university, players and coaches said.

"The plane crash was a lesson," said forward Ivan McFarlin, one of two players remaining from the 2001 team. "Everybody stuck together, the coaching staff, the players, everyone."

McFarlin said before the crash the Cowboys weren't really a team.

However, McFarlin remembers Terrence Crawford calling for unity after the accident.

"I think that's a real big key now because everybody is stick-

ing together," said McFarlin, a redshirt in 2001 who did not make the trip to Colorado. "When someone is in a situation, maybe you can depend on your teammates to always help you out. That's something that has helped us as a team."

The accident also changed the 68-year-old Sutton, who is going for a third Final Four appearance in his 34-year head coaching career.

"I think he appreciates life every day now," said Sean Sutton, the coach's son and an assistant at Oklahoma State. "He doesn't take anything for granted. He is very attached to his family and grandchildren."

The tragedy also helped Sutton as a coach, said Cowboys forward Joey Graham, who transferred to Oklahoma State two years ago.

"I talked to players who were here before and they talked about Coach Sutton being hard on them, and aggressive and that stuff," Graham said. "The plane crash, it kind of humbled him and put things in perspective."

"Ever since then, he has found a better way of coaching. We've had a great turnaround the last couple of years. We've made the NCAA tournament. He turned

the whole program around."

Tom Dirato, who does radio color commentary for Oklahoma State, said there isn't a day he doesn't think of the men who died.

"For all of us who were left behind the pain never goes away," Dirato said. "It never will go away and it shouldn't go away because they were all friends, people we knew and loved on a daily basis."

Dirato could have been one of the victims of the propeller plane crash. But his back hurt and Eddie Sutton had him put on the team's jet for the flight home.

"You have to be able to understand things happen in this world and there is no real answer for them," Dirato said. "Whether I am walking or flying or boating, the thought of those guys is with me all the time."

Oklahoma State hasn't forgotten about them, either.

Sutton and his staff wear metal pins with the number 10 at games.

The Stillwater, Okla., university built a statue of a weeping cowboy, knelling with his hat. Pictures of the 10 victims are on the memorial.

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Srinivasan also was involved in the Colonels only doubles victory as he and Lowe defeated Ryan Horsley and Jason Mathews 8-2.

The Colonel's first match of

The Colonel's also went undefeated in their three doubles matches of the day as Srinivasan and Lowe defeated Horsley and Mathews 8-2; Kopelcheck and Narula defeated Ruhl and Byerly 8-3 and McClintock and Holwitt

We won at Lyco. It was a good match, and my two guy wasn't there so everyone had to kind of move up a spot

Chris Leicht
Tennis Coach

the week on Wednesday proved to be victorious as they defeated Lycoming College 5-2.

Srinivasan defeated Bernardo Udaneta 6-0 and 6-0. Kopelcheck defeated Ryan Horsley 6-0 and 6-4. Narula defeated Mike Byerly, 6-2 and 7-6. Lowe defeated Jason Mathews 6-4 and 7-6. McClintock fell to Kyle Bartz 6-3 and 6-2, while Ben Holwitt, Wilkes freshman, also lost 6-2 and 6-2 to Peter Ruhl.

defeated Bartz and Sam Trone 8-6.

"We won at Lyco. It was a good match, and my two guy wasn't there so everyone had to kind of move up a spot, and then we lost to Drew without the two guy. It's kind of hard to shuffle everybody, because it weakens all those spots, but we played pretty well against them (Drew). They're the three time MAC champions so I knew that would be a tough match," said Leicht.



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Softball Finishes the Week Strong

Courtesy of Sports Information

William Paterson University swept a non-conference softball doubleheader from Wilkes University on Wednesday afternoon at Kirby Park. The Pioneers, ranked 18th in Division III, posted a 4-1 win in the opener and a 4-0 win in the nightcap. The victories improve William Paterson to 9-1 overall, while the Lady Colonels fall to 4-8.

Wilkes jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the third inning of game one. Shelley Pheiff singled and moved to second when Katie Orr reached on an error. After both runners advanced a base on a sacrifice by Nadine Taylor, Andrea Dominick singled to score Pheiff.

The Pioneers scored a run in the fifth to knot the game at 1-1. Mindy Coxe led off the frame with a double. After moving to third on a sacrifice by Nicole Arias, Nicole Damiano lofted a sacrifice fly to drive home Coxe.

William Paterson pushed across three runs in the sixth inning to pull out the win. Brandi Kavaliauskas drew a base on balls and stole second. Danielle Patlen moved Kavaliauskas to third with a sacrifice. A single by Alicia Albert would score Kavaliauskas to give the Pioneers a 2-1 lead. With two outs, Liz Sisca doubled to score Albert and make it 3-1. On the play Sisca attempted to go to third. The throw



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trying to nail Sisca at the bag went out of play allowing her to score.

Jenn Scott allowed only three hits and struck out seven to pick up the pitching win. Laurie Agresti, who surrendered only four hits and also fanned seven, suffered the loss for Wilkes.

In game two, William Paterson scored twice in both the fourth and fifth innings

to notch the 4-0 win in a game halted after five innings due to darkness and rain. April Sardinas and Sisca led off the fourth with consecutive singles. After a fly out, Arias reached on a fielder's choice that eliminated Sardinas at third. Damiano then ripped a double that scored both Sisca and Arias and gave the Pioneers a 2-0 advantage.

In the fifth, Jessica Wetzel led off with a pinch-hit single. Pinch-runner Colleen Takemoto would move to second on a single by Patlen. Another single, this time off the bat of Albert, loaded the bases with no outs. Wilkes hurler Jen Trate got Sardinas to pop out and struck out Sisca for the first two outs of the inning. However, Coxe stepped to the plate and delivered a two-run single that scored both Takemoto and Patlen with the final runs of the game.

Scott improved her mound record to 8-1 by scattering four hits and striking out two. Trate allowed nine hits and struck out one for Wilkes.

Sisca was the lone two-hitter in the nightcap for William Paterson with a pair of singles. Nadine Taylor had two singles for Wilkes.

The Wilkes University softball team opened Freedom Conference play on Saturday by sweeping a doubleheader at Lycoming College, 1-0 and 5-1. The wins improve the Lady Colonels to 6-8 overall and 2-0 in the conference. Lycoming falls to 5-7 overall and 0-2 in the conference.

In game one, Wilkes freshman Laurie Agresti allowed only two hits and struck out 15 hitters to out-duel Lycoming standout Morgan Mantle in a 1-0 Wilkes win. Mantle surrendered only three hits in the contest and struck out nine.

The Lady Colonels scored the only run of the game in the third inning. Kristi Burke reached on a

Warrior error and advanced to second when Kim Graver was hit by a pitch. Andrea Dominick followed with a single that scored Burke with the game-winning run.

Dominick, Agresti and Julie Henry had the only hits for Wilkes. Jenna Reitz and Chris Cardselli had the hits for Lycoming.

Jen Trate scattered seven hits over six

and one-third innings to pick up the win for Wilkes in the nightcap. Trate gave up only one unearned run in the contest.

give Wilkes the lead.

The Lady Colonels extended their advantage to 2-0 in the second inning.

Shelley Pheiff reached on an error and moved to second when Nadine Taylor walked. Pheiff came around to score on a single by Dominick.

Pheiff, Taylor and Dominick combined to provide Wilkes with two more runs in the fourth inning. Pheiff singled and scored on a triple by Taylor. Dominick then singled to score Taylor and make it 4-0.

After Wilkes scored a single run in the sixth inning on a Taylor sac-

rifice fly that scored Graver, Lycoming scored an unearned run in the seventh to close out the scoring.

Dominick had four hits and drove in a pair of runs to lead the Wilkes offensive assault. Nunemacher contributed two hits

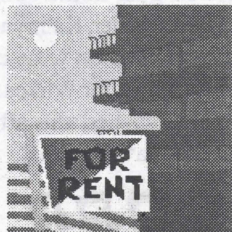


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Amanda Geary was tagged with the loss for Lycoming. She allowed nine hits and four runs in four innings of work.

Wilkes took a 1-0 lead in the first when Dominick and Henry singled to put runners at first and second. Jan Nunemacher would score Dominick with a single to

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Women's Lacrosse Still Struggling Thru Season

Courtesy of Sports Information

Unbeaten Montclair State improved to 4-0 overall with an 18-1 non-conference women's lacrosse win over Wilkes University on Monday afternoon. The loss drops the Lady Colonels to 0-2 overall.

Brianna Gillin scored five goals for Montclair State, while Angela Giampino contributed four goals. The Red Hawks also got a record-setting performance from Cathy Homiek. Homiek handed out seven assists in the contest to become the all-time NCAA leader in career assists with 186.

Wilkes got their lone goal of the contest with 12:06 remaining in the game when Catherine Dzubyat converted a shot to break up the shutout.

Montclair State held a 30-13 advantage in shots on goal. Kristen Kuhmann stopped six shots in net for the Red Hawks. Wilkes goalkeeper Cassie Malone came up with eight saves in goal.

Drew University opened their Freedom Conference season with a 20-0 women's lacrosse win over Wilkes University on Wednesday afternoon at Ralston Field. The win improves the Rangers to 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the conference. Wilkes falls to 0-3 overall and 0-2 in confer-

ence play.

Kara Fetter led the Drew offensive attack with four goals and two assists. Adrienne Rumore also tallied four goals for the Rangers. Kaity Lynn added three goals and three assists, while Anne Luetzow chipped in with three goals. Courtney Cunningham contributed two goals and handed out two assists as well.

Casey O'Brien stopped three shots in net for Drew to pick up the victory. Cassie Malone notched 19 saves in goal for the Lady Colonels, who were outshot by a 45-7 margin.

Abby Hildebrand scored eight goals to lead FDU-Florham to a 17-3 Middle Atlantic Conference women's lacrosse win over Wilkes University on Saturday afternoon. The win improves the Devils to 2-4 overall and 1-2 in conference play. Wilkes falls to 0-4 overall and 0-3 in the conference.

Hildebrand received ample help from Lisa Parry. Parry knocked home three goals and handed out three assists for FDU-Florham. The Devils owned a slight 24-18 edge in shots on goal in the contest.

Maria Currier, Kathryn Currier and Jen Compton were credited with the goals for Wilkes. Cassie Malone finished the afternoon with four saves in goal.



The Beacon/Nick Zmijewski

Colonel's Baseball Can't Shake Aggies

BY ARIEL COHEN
Beacon Staff Writer

After losing only two out of their first 13 games of the season, the Wilkes Colonels seem to have dug themselves into a three game losing streak all against Freedom Conference rival, Delaware Valley.

The three game set began with Delaware Valley shutting the Colonels out 5-0. The Colonels pitcher, Mike Spotts, dropped his record to 2-2, giving up four runs and eight hits in his four innings of work. Charles Hampton was the only two time hitter for the Colonels in this game with a pair of singles.

The challenge between the two teams continued here at the Colonels home field, Artillery Park, with a doubleheader on Saturday. Delaware Valley remained unbeaten in the Freedom Confer-

ence, sweeping the ground right out from under the Colonels 4-3 in the opening game and 10-0 in the nightcap.

Delaware Valley wasted no time in taking a 2-0 lead in the second inning of the opening game. Justin Hoban, of the Aggies walked and scored on a RBI triple by Brandon McCabe. McCabe then scored the second run of the inning on an error.

Wilkes was able to come back, cutting the lead in the third frame to a score of 2-1. Steve Imdorf led the Colonels off with and single and eventually scored off a ground out by Tyler Trutt.

Wilkes would score two more runs in the opener which including a run from Midkiff off a Dave Evans ground ball making the score 5-2 in the 5th. Then in the sixth inning Dave Morgan started the Wilkes Colonels sixth inning off with a walk. With two outs

Trutt was able to pick up another walk off the Aggies pitching putting runners at first and second. Morgan was then able to bring the Colonels within one on a RBI single from Midkiff but it would not be enough as the Colonels had now given up two out of the three games to Delaware Valley.

Mike Toomey drops his record to 2-1 but only gave up three earned runs while pitching a complete games. Midkiff and Imdorf both chipped in two hits a piece for the Colonels.

The nightcap did not look any better for the Colonels as they were limited to just four hits throughout the entire game. Dave Evans tripled in a losing effort for Wilkes. With the 10-0 lose Matt Midkiff falls to a 1-1 record but only allowed three earned runs in the five innings that he worked the mound.

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SOFTBALL

	Conf.	O/A
King's	0 0 0	9 2 0
Drew	0 0 0	10 4 0
FDU-Florham	0 0 0	5 3 0
Scranton	0 0 0	5 3 0
Lycoming	0 0 0	5 5 0
Delaware Valley	0 0 0	5 6 0
DeSales	0 0 0	4 5 0
Wilkes	0 0 0	4 8 0

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

	Conf.	O/A
Widener	2-0-0	3-1-0
Drew	1-0-0	3-1-0
Messiah	1-0-0	4-3-0
Susquehanna	2-0-0	2-2-0
Scranton	1-0-0	1-4-0
Elizabethtown	1-1-0	1-4-0
King's	0-1-0	1-1-0
Moravian	0-2-0	1-3-0
FDU-Florham	0-2-0	1-4-0
Wilkes	0-2-0	0-3-0
Lycoming	0-0-0	0-0-0



Madhan Srinivasan

Men's Tennis

Madhan Srinivasan, junior, helped lead the Wilkes men's tennis team to two victories this week, while going undefeated for the week himself.

On Wednesday, Srinivasan defeated Bernardo Urdanetay of Lycoming in singles, 6-0, 6-0 and he and John Lowe defeated Ryan Horsley and Jason Mathews in doubles, 8-2. On Friday Srinivasan defeated J.D. Spina, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 and he and Lowe defeated Spina and Julian Fuller in doubles, 9-8. On Sunday, Srinivasan defeated Andrew Benner 6-0, 6-0 and he and Lowe defeated Benner and Haru Oshima 8-0 in doubles.

WEEKLY RECAP

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

(3/22) Montclair State 18 Wilkes 1
(3/24) Drew 20 Wilkes 0
(3/27) FDU-Florham 17 Wilkes 3

SOFTBALL

(3/24) William Paterson 4 Wilkes 1
William Paterson 4 Wilkes 0
(3/27) Wilkes 1 Lycoming 0
Wilkes 5 Lycoming 1

BASEBALL

(3/25) Delaware Valley 5 Wilkes 0
(3/27) Delaware Valley 4 Wilkes 3
(3/27) Delaware Valley 10 Wilkes 0
(3/28) Wilkes 7, Desales 2
Desales 6, Wilkes 1

MEN'S TENNIS

(3/24) Wilkes 5 Lycoming 2
(3/26) Drew 6 Wilkes 1
(3/28) Wilkes 7 Keystone 0

NUMBERS OF THE WEEK

- 3** number of wins Madhan Srinivasan had in as many matches
- 5** number of hits Andrea Dominick had during Saturday's softball double header
- 15** number of strikeouts thrown by Laurie Agrestie against Lycoming on Saturday

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Grab-and-Go
foods

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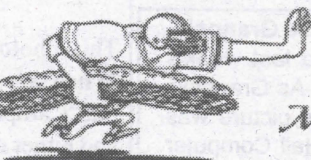
Monday	Chicken Wing Pizza	\$4.99
Tuesday	BBQ Chicken & Red Onion	\$4.39
Wednesday	Pesto Chicken Alfredo	\$4.39
Thursday	Stuffed Cheesesteak Pizza	\$4.99
Friday	Garlic Shrimp with Ricotta	\$4.99



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March 1-5

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March 8-12 "Spring Break!!!"

Cheesesteak Sub
with Chips, Pickle, and a 20 oz
Fountain Beverage \$4.59



Hours of Operation

Monday through Thursday 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM Friday 7:00 AM to 12:00 AM Saturday 8:00 PM to 12:00 AM

Colonels Rebound from Loss to DeSales to Beat Drew

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SPORTS

MARCH 29, 2004

Colonel's Tennis Has Impressive Week

BY STEVE KEMBLE
Beacon Sports Editor

On Sunday afternoon, Wilkes men's tennis (2-1, 1-1 conf.) blanked Keystone College 7-0 in a non-conference match-up.

Madhan Srinivasan, Wilkes junior, defeated Andrew Benner 6-0 and 6-0 to take his singles match.

Hassan Shah, Wilkes junior, defeated Haru Oshima 6-0 and 6-0 in singles play.

Keith Kopelcheck, Wilkes freshman, defeated Han-Wool Ji 6-2 and 6-1 in their singles match.

Arvin Narula, Wilkes sophomore, defeated Jim Mirabelli 6-0 and 6-0 in a singles match.

John Lowe, Wilkes sophomore, defeated Scott Gower 6-2 and 6-0, while Tony McClintock, Wilkes freshman, went on and defeated Jim Swope 6-0 and 6-1 to finish off Wilkes' undefeated day.

The Colonels were also undefeated in their doubles matches.

Srinivasan and Lowe defeated Benner and Oshima 8-0. Shah and Narula followed suit and defeated Ji and Mirabelli 8-0.

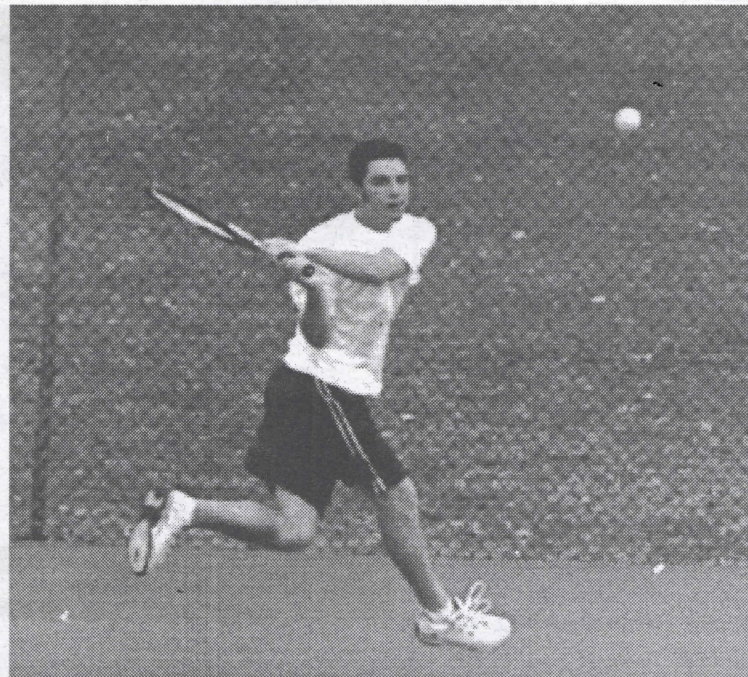
Kopelchak and McClintock also won their doubles match 8-0 defeating Gower and Aaron Packer.

"It went well. They (Keystone) have kind of a new program so they're still developing, but we played well right through the lineup and everybody won so it was a nice team win since everybody won singles and doubles," commented Chris Leicht, Wilkes head coach. "It was nice that everyone contributed to the overall win."

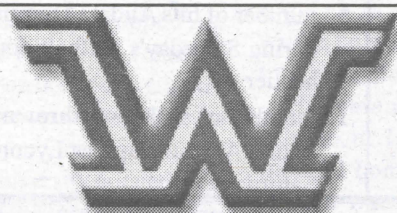
On Friday, the Colonels dropped their match against Drew 6-1.

The only highlights in the day for the Colonels were when Srinivasan won the only singles match for Wilkes defeating J.D. Spina 6-2, 3-6, and 6-3.

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Campus Calendar

MONDAY (3/29)

Baseball vs. LaSalles; Artilley Park 3:00 PM
Lacrosse Vs. Susquehanna; Ralston Field 4:00 PM
Antique Appraisals, Miller Conference Room, 6:00 PM

TUESDAY (3/30)

Study Abroad Meeting; Kirby Hall, 11:30 AM
Senior Gradituation Meeting; HSC Ballroom; 11:15 AM
Men's Tennis vs. Marywood; Ralston Field Complex, 3:00 PM
Softball @ Moravin; 3:00 PM
Woman's Lacrosse @ Messiah; 4:00 PM
Diversity Special Mixer; HSC second floor; 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY (3/31)

Men's Tennis vs. King's; Ralston Field Complex; 3:00 PM
Baseball @ Dickinson; 3:30 PM
Movie & Discussion- Between the Lines...; HSC; 7:00 pm
Allan P. Kirby Lecture; SLC 101, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY (4/1)

Softball @ Keystone; 3:00 PM
Lacrosse vs. Scranton; Ralston Field, 4:00 PM

FRIDAY (4/2)

Golf @ Misericordia; 1:00 PM
Baseball @ Keystone; 3:30 PM
Spring Fling Dance; Waterfront Banquet and Convention Center, 6:00 PM
Communter Coffee Hour; Communter Lounge, 9:30 AM

SATURDAY (4/3)

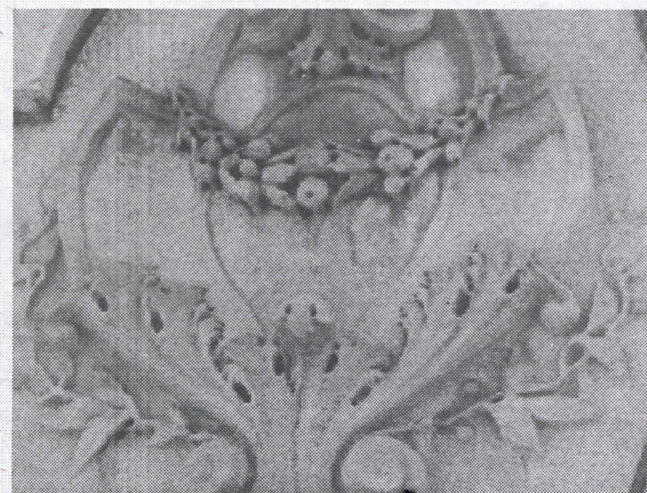
Beginning Reiki; Breis 205, 10:00 AM
Softball @ FDU-Florham; 12:00 PM

SUNDAY (4/4)

Baseball vs. Moravian; Artilley Park, 1:00 PM
Softball vs. Scranton; Kirby Park, 1:00 PM

Congratulations to Denise Granoski who correctly identified last week's "Find This Picture" first. As Granoski pointed out, last week's picture was located in the Bedford Hall Computer Lab. Granoski will receive a \$10 cash prize courtesy of the Wilkes University Programming Board.

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