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### Judge Higginbotham\_\_\_\_

# To Speak At Graduation Exercises



### Williams. Farber & Fahmv **Elected Class Presidents**

by Louis Czachor

Bruce Williams, Eric Farber and Raef Fahmy were elected presidents of their classes as a result of the elections for class officers which were held last Thursday.

There was a total of 38 votes cast in the elections for officers of the class of 1982. There was only one person running for each of the offices. Current President Bruce Williams was elected for a second term. He received 35 votes. Next year's Senior Class Vice President will be Laura Danowsky. She had 33 votes. Sue Palmer, receiving 32 votes, will be secretary. The Class Treasurer will be Theresa Gabana with 35 votes.

A total of 96 votes were cast in the Class of 1983 elections. Eric Farber won the presidential election with 69 votes. He was opposed by Paul Sheppard who received 20 votes. Daniel Cuscela took the office of Vice President with 68 votes. Pat Damiani also ran for Vice President, and received 28 votes. Danelle Scaren was un-

opposed in the race for Secretary. Scaren won the office with 82 votes. Carol Cigarski was also unopposed in the race for class Treasurer. She won that election with 84 votes.

The Class of 1984 cast 133 votes, which is one vote less than the other two classes combined. In the Class of 1984, as in the class of 1983, there were two candidates for the offices of President and Vice President, and one candidate for each of the offices of Secretary

In the presidential race Raef Fahmy won with 80 votes compared to 52 votes for his opponent, Jim Volpi. Ed Williams won the election for Vice President by receiving 72 votes. Melissa Monahan ran against him and received 55 votes. Karen Ahlefeld got 125 votes, making her the class Secretary. Doug Fahringer will be class Treasurer. He received 125 votes also. Both Ahlefeld and Fahringer received more votes than any other candidate in all of the three classes.

by Louis Czachor
President Robert S. Capin
recently announced that the speaker for this year's commencement will be the Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham Jr. Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Higginbotham was born in Trenton, New Jersey. He attended Purdue University and graduated from Antioch College in 1949. In 1952, he graduated from Yale Law School.

He was appointed as a United States Circuit Judge in October, 1977 by President Jimmy Carter, and by a unanimous vote he received the American Bar Association's highest rating — "exceptionally well qualified." Since 1970 he has been an adjunct professor in the department of sociology at the Wharton Graduate School, and since 1971 he has been a lecturerin-law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

President Capin noted that Higginbotham is well known and in great demand on the speaker circuit. Higginbotham has received honorary degrees from many colleges and universities.

He has received more than 50 local, regional, and national honors and has been listed in several honorary publications including Ebony's 100 Most Influential Black Americans; 1000 Successful Blacks, Ebony Success Library, Vol. I; Who's Who (National); Who's Who in the East; Who's Who Among Black Americans; Who's Who in Government; Who's Who in the Black World; Leaders of Black America; Dictionary of International Biography; and Afro-American Encyclopedia.

Higginbotham has been on the Board of Trustees or a member of

more than thirty national organizations.

He has published more than 40 articles in major journals. He has written a book entitled "In the Matter of Color: Race and the American Legal Process; The Colonial Period." It was published in 1978 by Oxford University Press and has received several national awards including — The American Bar Association's Silver Gavel Award, The National Bar Association Literary Award, The Frederick Douglass Award of the National Association of Black Journalists, and The Book Award of the National Conference of Black Lawvers.

Higginbotham is writing two additional books in his "Race and the American Legal Process" series, and also an anthology of "Documents on Race and the American Legal Process.'

### Publicity And Elections Committee Announces Nominations Schedule

by Louis Czachor

Publicity and Elections Committee of Student Government has announced the following dates for nominations and elections. Nominations for IRHC officers are now open and will close at Sunday's IRHC meeting in the basement of the library. Candidates must submit 100 signatures from resident students.

Nominations for Commuter Council President will take place at the CC meeting next Monday, March 23. Candidates are required to turn in 100 signatures from commuters.

Nominations for the office of Student Government President will also take place next Monday. SG meets on the first floor of Weckesser Hall. 200 signatures are required from all SG presidential candidates.

Elections for CC and SG representatives will take place next Thursday, March 26. Signs will be posted telling when and where the elections will take place. Stuents must present valid I.D. in order to

On Wednesday, April 1, there will be a presidential forum for all SG, CC, and IRHC presidential candidates to express their views. The forum will take place at 8:00 p.m. in SLC 101.

The elections for SG, CC, and IRHC presidents will take place on Thursday, April 2

Next week the Beacon will feature interviews with each of the presidential candidates as well as the platform of the SG presidential candidates.

### Debate Team Wins Seven Awards At Shippensburg Tournament

The Wilkes Debate team returned victorious this past weekend, winning a total of seven awards and being named 4th best overall school at the tournament. Held on the campus of Shippensburg State College, the tournament attracted teams from fifty-one colleges and universities representing twelve states and the District of Columbia. Wilkes defeated eleven schools before finally being eliminated. This past tournament was billed as the largest Forensic/Debate tournament this side of the Mississippi.

Jon Sparks, in his first intercollegiate competition, was named the third best Lincoln-Douglas debater at the tournament. Patti Sparlow debated to a stand still, obtaining a balanced score of three

wins and three losses. Fred Deets, the third member of the squad, chalked up four wins and two losses. The advocates of Wilkes defeated such schools as Fordham University, Thiel College, West Chester State College, William and Mary College and Villanova.

Not to be outdone by the debate team, the Public Speaking Unit was equally busy in competition. Colleen Gries continued her three year record of winning in the area of Sales Competition by winning a fourth place trophy. Linda Esrov also won a fourth place trophy in the area of Original Oratory (persuasion). Darlene Schaffer displayed her speaking skills by securing two trophies for Wilkes. Schaffer was recognized as the second

place winner in Salesmanship Competition. Like her teammate Gries, Schaffer has never lost in

Schaffer also demonstrated her ability to organize and speak with a fourth place trophy in Impromptu Discourse competition. In this area, the competitor is given a topic and is alloted a total of seven minutes to organize and deliver a speech of significance on the stated

Donna Krappa, another new member, showed the Wilkes versitality by winning a fourth place trophy in the area of prose interpretation. Darrell Lewis, Joe Rubbico and Nancy Ginter completed the Wilkes squad.

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### Student Withdrawls Below Nat'l Average

by Tom Jordan

Over the past three years, 813 students have withdrawn from Wilkes College. This breaks down to 271 students per year, which is 13 to 14 percent of the total number of students at Wilkes.

Dean Lampe, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, stated, "This is a low percentage compared to other colleges." The national total of students that withdraw from colleges is 25 percent.

Dean Lampe said that there were many reasons for students withdrawing from college, including maternity, jobs and just taking time off. According to Dean Lampe, many students find that they are just not ready for college at this time so they decide to withdraw. Also, some student's grades are not that good, so Dean Lampe or Dean Hoover might council a student to withdraw rather that have a failure on their records.

In the late 1960's, the national total of students withdrawing from college was 6.29 percent. Dean Lampe feels the main reason for the increase in the percentage of students withdrawing from college is that students have more mobility now than students did in the past. Before 1970, students who wanted to attend college had to put money up before they could attend college, because there were no loans or aid for students who did not have the money to go to college. During this time, Dean Lampe stated, "Students just didn't start and then stop college.

During the month of September is the time when most students withdraw from college because they are usually homesick or they decide to go to a college closer to their home. From May to August, before the Fall semester, there is a large number of withdrawals.

#### NOTICE

The Cooperative Education Office is now accepting applications for the summer and fall. Deadline for the summer applications is April 21. The office a coased in the rear of 34 S. River St. The Coop staff will be happy to discuss placements in Pennsylvania and surrounding states.

The withdrawal policy at Wilkes College is in effect each semester until it is time for the final exams. Dean Lampe says that this is a good policy and she feels it will stay in effect in the future.

Senior Class President Rob Wallace announced that plans are being made for graduation and Senior Week.

He noted that the first event will be the Junior-Senior Dinner-

Dance which will be held on Friday, April 10 at the Woodlands Inn. Tickets will be \$15 per couple and only couple tickets will be sold. They will go on sale soon. The dinner-dance will feature a buffet-style dinner, and entertainment will be by "Something Else."

Wallace stated that the President's Dinner honoring the class of 1981 will also be held at the Woodlands Inn. That event will take place on Wednesday, May 13. Then, on Thursday, May 14 a party may be held at an as yet

undecided location.

Wallace noted that on Friday, May 15 there will be a graduation rehearsal in the morning followed by a picnic in the afternoon at the farm of the first Wilkes president Eugene Farley.

He commented that because the majors will not be appearing on the diplomas, the class is considering receiving their diplomas by major rather than alphabetically. Wallace also stated that the Kingston Armory has been reserved in case of inclement weather.

### New Resident Advisors Selected By Housing

or of Market Mills

The list of new and returning R.A.'s was posted immediately following spring break. Applications for the position were received at beginning of the semester, with all applicants undergoing extensive interviewing as part of the selection process.

Responsibilities of the R.A. include management and coordination of board and an unconditional single.

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fazleton, Pa. Whitehall, Pa. Forest City, Pa. Trenton, N.J.

### Raspen Settled In Neu Responsibilities of the R.A. include management and coordination of life in the residence hall. Each R.A. is compensated with free room and Alumni Director Post

by John Finn

thirteen years in the Financial Aid Office, I was ready for a change," remarked Mr. Richard Raspen, who became the new Director of the Alumni Office in November. Raspen replaced Mr. Gordon Roberts, who left in November and is now a high school teacher in New Jersey.

Mr. Raspen said the financial aid work was never monotonous; in fact, "it was a very dynamic area because the programs that are administered involve the student's individuality. Each case is dif-ferent from the next." Raspen says he misses that one to one contact with students, but in his new position, "there is a lot that I was not aware of that has turned out to be extremely interesting, like running into an alumnus whom I knew as a student.

For two months, Raspen was actually running both the Financial Aid Office and the Alumni Office. His replacement, Linda Giordano, a business education instructor, had to complete her first semester teaching responsibilities and could not assume the responsibilities of the FA office until Jan.

Raspen said his transition was smooth, however, because he started in a slow period. The big project in November was Campaign '81, and most of the organizational work had been completed by Mr. Roberts.

At present, Raspen is running the Phonathons at the Annette Evans Alumni House. He is also contacting over 2500 alumni with a record of making past donations. He will concentrate most of his effort on this project for the next month.

On March 18, Raspen will travel to New York City and conduct a telethon fundraiser for alumni who are residents of the Metropolitan area. In the future, he will conduct similar telethons in Philadelphia, Boston and Washington.

In addition to his fulltime work in the Alumni office, Raspen is helping Giordano with her transition. "If she runs into a situation that is new to her, she can call

Raspen is now looking ahead to graduation, when approximately 500 new names will be added to the alumni roster, and new records will have to be prepared. Also, a major event for the alumni committee will be next year's Homecoming activities. The game is already set for October 31, against Johns Hopkins University.



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### **Ticket Problems Upsetting To CC**

by John Finn

Although the St. Patrick's Day Party last Saturday night was successful, with more than the expected 400 guests enjoying the event, members of the CC did voice some adverse reaction to problems they feel should be avoided at future events. One problem was that a number of people arrived at the party expecting to be able to pur-chase tickets at the door. "All tickets had been sold out before the event," explained CC President Bill Miller, "but people claimed they had been told by CC people they could purchase tickets at the door." Miller said that the policy on ticket sales has always been "first come first served," and remaining tickets would be sold at the door. "Those who I felt had been mislead," Miller added, were admitted at a later time after 10:00, for \$2.00." original ticket price was \$3.50.

However, Joe Knox said he was particularly disturbed when he learned that even a few people who had helped organize the event were turned away because they had no tickets. "There were special cases that sould have been handled differently, especially if you have people who worked on the party."

Other problems pointed out included food running out early

and what some members considered the high price of drinks.

Coffeehouse chairperson Amy Elias said that the next coffeehouse will probably not be held until the second week in April. She said she does not want to try anything at the end of this month, pointing out that it "would be pretty hectic" with all of the upcoming elections.

The Student Center Board has set aside \$1000 for a large-screen TV, but will have to ask SG for additional funds as this was only a downpayment, according to Joe Knox. Knox also said that the board has approved the purchase of a ping-Pong ball dispenser for the basement. The cost will be 25¢ per ball.

#### NOTICE

Executive staff applications are now available at WCLH. Applications can be picked up at the radio station, Darte Hall, 3rd floor. The following positions are open: Station Manager, Public Affairs Director and Station Engineer. The deadline for submitting applications is April 3 at noon.

The Book of Lists asserts that Americans fear speaking in public more than they fear heights, bugs

### - SG -**Fund Requests Top Agenda**

by Louis Czachor

Fund requests topped Student Government's agenda Monday night. But, first Tom Rooney, SG Treasurer, reported that there is \$7474.29 in the SG treasury. It was also noted that in addition to that amount SG has \$3000 in a buffer account.

The first request came from Charles Boyer of the Engineering club. He requested \$254 to allow four students to attend a conference on April 23, 24, and 25. He noted that this is the first time the engineering club has come to SG asking for money. When CC president Bill Miller asked if the Engineering Department was subsidizing the students in any way, Boyer stated that that option had not been looked into since the department was already paying for a senior project that some students are working on. Dana Shaffer noted that there would be people from the Biology and Chemistry departments also requesting funds to attend the same conference, and he pointed out that the request for the engineering students amounted to more than \$60 per student and if the same amount was granted to the Biology and Chemistry students,

SG would be giving out over \$1000. The request will be voted upon next week.

Brian Wheeler, representing senior research students in the Chemistry Department, presented the second fund request. He stated that \$274 is needed from SG to send 11 students to the aforementioned conference. He pointed out that the Chemistry department is paying \$237 to send the students to the conference, but he was not sure if all of the students would have to pay anything themselves. The request will be voted upon next week.

The third fund request of the night was presented by Jeff Gavlick of Circle K. He explained that \$400 is needed from SG so that approximately 14 Circle K members could attend the Pennsylvania District Circle K Convention in New Kensington, PA. That request will also be voted upon next week.

The fourth fund request was presented by Cherry Blossom Chairman Dave Capin. Capin explained that as part of Cherry Blossom Weekend a concert is being planned. The concert had been scheduled for Friday, April 24, and "Dakota" was slated to appear but they backed out. However, it is possible that Dakota could appear on either Thursday, April 23 or Saturday, April 25. Also, the city gave the committee \$600 provided that "Dakota" appear during the weekend, and if the Cherry Bloosom Committee can not get "Dakota" for one of the alternate dates the money will have to be returned to the city. It was noted that if "Dakota" cannot appear, it may cost as much as \$2000 more to get another group to perform. The SC body passed a vote of confidence that the Cherry Blossom Committee can use up to \$2000 more if necessary in getting a group to perform at the concert.

In other news Tom Farley reported that he had sent an order for 44 tickets for the REO Speed-

wagon concert on April 11 at the Spectrum in Philadelphia. He is presently waiting for a response, and if the tickets are received, SG will discuss selling them and prices

SG President Joe Galli announced that the financial aid committee is setting up a subcommittee to investigate scholarships. The committee will decide whether to increase or decrease scholarships for student leaders and publications editors, as well as merit scholarships and other scholarships. Galli commented that it is "A definite plus for Student Government.'

COPUS Director Joe Knox announced that there will be student lobby day on Monday, April 13 in Washington, D.C. Knox suggested that a bus be chartered so that students could go that day, Galli instructed Knox to look into prices of buses, and noted that he was in favor of the idea.

Galli also noted that SG had been scheduled to move out of Weckesser Hall and into the Student Center on April 1. He suggested that that moving date should be postponed until after graduation since it would not be fair to the new student government administration to have to worry about moving immediately after taking office. The consensus among the SG reps was that the move should be postponed.

A constitution for the Future Educators Club was read for the first time. The meeting was closed and re-opened so that the constitution could be approved. The constitution was read a second time and was passed.

Galli closed the meeting by announcing that nominations for SG president will be held at next week's SG meeting. Also, there will be no SG meeting the following week on March 30. Instead, there will be a brief triorganizational meeting on Wednesday, April 1 before the presidential forum.

# pens Officer Nominations

by Donna Nitka

Nominations for IRHC officers for the 1981-82 school year were opened on Sunday, March 15, and will remain open until Sunday. March 22. Elections for IRHC officers will take place on April 2.

This weekend, March 20, 21, 22, there will be a fourth of July celebration on campus. The celebration will be kicked off by a 24 hour dance marathon on Friday. Events Saturday include a picnic, games, bowling, and skating. The festivities end Sunday

night with a fireworks display. Those wishing to participate in the dance marathon may obtain an application in either the IRHC or CC office.

The various IRHC awards -Best Male Residence Hall, Best Female Residence Hall, Outstanding Rep., and Outstanding Senior Rep. will be voted on at next week's meeting.

A copy of the proposed new IRHC constitution is available for inspection at the IRHC office.

The Food Committee reported

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that the food service will be revising the menu over the summer. The purpose of this is to delete some of the more unpopular items from the present menu and replace them with new items.

The Student Center Board has contributed \$1,000 toward a new, large screen TV for the Student Center. When the TV is acquired, a white card worker will be needed from 11 to 4 to ensure that it is not abused.

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### **Debate Team**

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The seven trophies won this weekend raises the number of trophies won this year to 52, and represents 21 consecutive tournaments that Wilkes has attended and won. Plans are currently being made for Wilkes to travel to Gatlinburg, Tenn., to attend the National Championship Tournament. In this tourney, schools from all fifty states will compete for national ranking in four days of competition. The tournament is sponsored by Pi Kappa Delta National Honorary Forensic Society. Competition will be in Public Speaking, Discussion and Debate. Wilkes will enter all fields of competition.

The Shippensburg State Tournament concluded the Debate union's regular 1981 season. The members of "Kinney's Kids" have won, in the past eight seasons, a total of 388 trophies for the institution - a record unmatched in the history of Wilkes College.

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Job descriptions for each of the above positions may be found in the March 13, 1981 issue of the Beacon or can be obtained in the Beacon office.

All information must be completed on the form to be considered for a position. A writing sample must be submitted with each application. Those applying for photographer must submit a sample of their work.

To insure the privacy of each applicant, completed forms must be returned in a sealed envelope addressed to Patti Sparlow, Beacon Editor. All applications must be received by Sunday, April 5, 1981 at 3 p.m. Only those applications received in a sealed envelope before the designated deadline will be accepted.

Each application will be interviewed on an individual basis by a small committee of Beacon editors, faculty members and administrators. The interviews will take place on the evening of Thursday, April 9, 1981.

Applicants will be notified by telephone of the exact time and location of their interview.

Applications may be delivered to the Beacon office, during any office hour, sent in the inter-college mail or placed in the Beacon box in the library

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### **Beacon Buck\$**

The economic crunch is everywhere — businesses, organizations and families have begun to conserve dollars by cutting back on life's little luxuries.

The economic squeeze has affected the Beacon as well, forcing us to cut back, not on luxuries, but necessities. With the cost of printing, newsprint, and typesetting skyrocketing and a headliner needing constant repair, we find that we cannot operate a 12 page paper on a weekly basis any longer without facing a serious fund shortage. Therefore, in order to s-t-r-e-t-c-h our funds to the end of the semester, we have decided to publish eight pages on a weekly basis. Nothing else will change it will just be a little shorter

his decision was not an easy one to make. Since last year, the Beacon has improved and increased its service and communication to the college community by instituting the 12 page issue. This year, we have been able to basically maintain 12 pages, but now discover that in order to survive financially, we must tighten our belts.

Unfortauntely, you, our reader, must ultimately suffer because of our necessary cutbacks. Our reasons for not wanting to reduce our number of pages were varied, including; an inability to accurately reflect the happenings at Wilkes in only eight pages, less publicity and fewer promotions to those groups who really deserve it, fewer news, feature and sports stories, and ultimately, reduced service to the college community.

While the quantity of pages will suffer, we will strive to maintain top quality in content — perhaps more for less, though doubtful. While our will to live to the end of the semester triumphed, we find ourselves feeling that we are shortchanging the college community of the news that you deserve to know. Moreover, we are greatly reducing our visibility in the local college newspaper market.

The Beacon staff will truly attempt to make the best of a trying situation and beg your indulgence for the remainder of the academic year.

Please excuse our small size — but like the old adage says — "Good things come in small packages." We are only disappointed that this package has to be so small.

### Hey Seniors --

Look for details about Senior's Last Will and Testament

#### Guest Column

### A Student's Transit Troubles

The other day, as I sat in the SUB absorbed in intellectual pursuits (I was trying to eat all the sprinkles off the top of a doughnut while leaving the icing underneath intact) I remarked casually that if I didn't get a car soon I was going to lose what little was left of my mind. My dinner companion, putting aside a fat volume full of words I couldn't understand, assumed a patronizingly mature expression and told me that I was spoiled. Cars were fast becoming an extremely expensive commodity, he said, and to want to burden myself with one was mere foolishness. I stopped licking sprinkles and stared at my friend in disbelief. Obviously this person had never commuted by bus for any length of time and didn't realize that the experience can be equated roughly with being allergic to pollen and realizing you're stuck in an elevator with twelve Hari Krishnas; it's incredibly irritating. I set down my now de-sprinkled doughnut and began to tell this poor, misinformed idealist about the real world of city transit.

It was Thursday, it was very cold, and I was running frantically down South Franklin St. in, among other things, four-inch heels (the original cruel shoes), hoping desperately to catch the 4:15 LCTA Special. As I rounded the final corner, heading into the home stretch, my heel caught in the iron grating of a storm sewer and I went down with a crash that will probably incapacitate the underground City Steam System for many years. I sprawled unbecomingly on the sidewalk, thoroughly embarrassed. I then tried to pretend that I crashed down on public thorough-fares as part of my daily routine, and prayed that it had gone unnoticed.

Disentangling my foot, I began to draw the attention of a scruffy-looking old man wearing galoshes and a World-War-I flying cap (the kind with the ear-flaps, you know?). He watched, amazed, as I contored my leg into fantastic shapes and geometric figures he would occasionally twitch his body to the left or right when it looked as though I was going to break free, much the same way a boxing fan will jab at the air with his fist when watching his chosen fighter swing at an opponent. When I finally did free my leg, he looked extremely disappointed, as if the storm sewer had somehow thrown the fight.

Now overheated, angry, embarrassed and mumbling to the old man that I hoped his ear-flaps got stuck to the wall of a public john, I gathered myself together and got to the bus-stop just as my bus was turning the corner. That did it. Fuming, I proceeded to condemn the bus driver, now out of earshot, and his favorite pet to places where there were no women and where every meal was a caf breakfast. I was incensed. Turning in time to see Old-Grizzle-Face-with-the-ear-flaps boarding his bus on time, I stomped over to a bench to wait for the next bus home.

Getting a seat wasn't easy; the competition for space was formidable. At one end of the bench sat an elderly woman of immense proportions who clutched an overstuffed, plastic, flowered shopping bag tightly to her ample chest, and who glowered at anyone who dared to walk within ten feet of her. Next to her sat a little wrinkled old man. I wasn't sure if he was living. Next to him sat a snotty-looking high school girl with braces, who was stuffed tightly into a pair of Jordache jeans and puffed on a cigarette trying to look mature.

After carefully viewing the scene, I decided not to sit down and walked over to the bank steps, forgetting how fond pigeons are of that particular area, and was appalled to find the seating there covered by an ample layer of pigeon presents, so to speak. I gave up and walked over to Boscov's for a cup of coffee, noting that it was beginning to rain and I

That is a typical day for me. I didn't even mention the one lady who talks to an invisible friend, or the one old man who eats powdered doughnuts and spits on the bus seats, or the young kids who ride the bus to school and blast Van Halen from portable stereos at 7:30 in the morning.
I really do need a car, you know?

**Amy Elias** 

mixed media work of Chester Colson, Berenice D'Vorzon, Richard Fuller, Allan Maxwell, Herbert Simon and William Sterling at the Sordoni Art Gallery. The exhibit will be held until April 5 and the gallery is open daily and Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; Thurs., 6-9 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

On March 20, the Manuscript Film Society will present "Madame Bovary." This Vincent Minnelli film deals with a lonely, middle-class 19th century French housewife caught between exstravagant dreams and drab reality. The film will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the CPA. Admission is free.

Babetta Bernstein is featuring her works of art March 21-27 at the Conyngham Art Gallery. The exhibit is part of the Senior Art Exhibits sponsored by the Wilkes College Art Department.

The Wilkes College Music Department will present a voice recital by Pamela Samuelson at Gies Recital Hall in the CPA on Sunday, March 22, at 3:30 p.m.

"Wise Men of Helm" will be presented by the Children's Museum on March 22 at 2 p.m. in the CPA. The feature is an original adaptation of stories from the old country.

In Monday, March 23, the Women's Free Lecture Series features "Throw Out Your Hang-Ups" at the Osterhout Free Library in Wilkes-Barre. The lecture is from 12-1:30 p.m. For additional information contact 823-0156.

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### **New Members** Inducted Into Iota Chapter

by Tom Jordan

Nine new members were recently inducted into the Iota Chapter Phi Alpha Theta society at Wilkes. They are Mr. Jack Meyers, Joel Berlatsky, Kuo-Kang Shao, H. P. Shao, Richard Martin, James Watkinson, Beverly Feller, Howard Diamond and John Naegeli. Other members include Gerald Hartdagen, James P. Rodechko, Harold Cox, James Berg, Rick Gaetano, Susan Chandler-Finn, Emmett Burke and Dominick Augustine.

Phi Alpha Theta is an international honor society in history and consists of students and professors who have been elected to the society on the basis of excellence in the study of the writing of history. Any student of history may become a member of Phi Alpha Theta by maintaining a high standard of work in his studies of history. This year is the second year the Iota Chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta society has been at Wilkes College.

The objective of the Phi Alpha Theta is the promotion of the study of history by encouraging research and the exchange of knowledge and thought among historians. Its goals are to bring teachers and students of history together.

The Phi Alpha Theta was organized in 1921, at the University of Arkansas. The organization now has nearly 600 chapters in the 50 states, Puerto Rico, Canada and the Phillippine Islands. It is the largest of the accredited honor societies holding membership in the Association of College Honor Societies.

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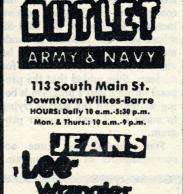
insanely, he has spent the last decade "behind the scenes"

creating the advertising campaigns

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### "Con-Man" To Speak In CPA

Milt Tatelman, who is scheduled to speak at the CPA at 8 p.m. on March 25 under the sponsorship of the Concert and Lecture Series, is the con-man who sends the world to the movies — the great ones . . . the good ones . . . but mostly, the



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pictures - from the G-rated to the X-rated to those beyond ratings. Via newspapers, magazines, poster, TV, radio, teasers and/or trailers (better known as "previews of coming attractions"), Mr. Tatelman has developed the initial campaigns for countless movies. Often he is called in as a "troubleshooter" to try to save a film that is dying. In fact, he has

become known as a sort of one-

man Hollywood Red Cross. Born in Newton, Massachusetts, he received his B.A. from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. His M.B.A. was earned at the Bernard M. Baruch College in Manhatten, where he wrote his master's thesis on something he now enjoys stretching -Believability Factor in Television Advertising.

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### Fourth Of July Celebration Slated For This Weekend

by Louis Czachor

This weekend the college is celebrating the Fourth of July. Although the actual holiday is three and one-half months away, the celebration will take place this weekend since most students are not here in the summer to celebrate then.

The weekend is being sponsored by three subcommittees of Student Government's Social Committee. Each of the subcommittees was to sponsor a different event on three different occasions, but they decided to work together to have one big event — the Fourth of July Weekend.

The weekend begins tonight at 8:30 with a dance marathon in the gym. The marathon, which is also sponsored by AFROTC will run into Saturday. Pledge sheets for the marathon are available at various locations on campus.

Tomorrow at 1:00 there will be a picnic in the parking lot behind Pickering Hall. Food will be served and there will be games. Starting at 7:00 there will be a talent show in the Gies Recital Hall of Darte

Hall (also known as Darte 41). It will be sponsored by MENC.

Then, there will be a concert in the gym from 8:30 to 12:30. The concert will feature T.N.T.

On Sunday afternoon there will be bowling and other activities, and on Sunday night there will be

### Job Interviews Scheduled

The Office of Career Services announce the following information for seniors concerned with job opportunities.

March Interview Schedule

- 24 Leeds and Northrup Company, North Wales, Pa. — Computer Science, Electrical Engineers.
- Dept. of the Navy, Navy Recruiting Class "A" Station,

Wilkes-Barre, Pa. - For all Officer Programs - The Officer Information Team will be located in the Student Center from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. No advance appointment is necessary.

25 American General Life Insurance Company, Taylor, Pa. — Business Administration, Marketing, Finance

the stereo on a platform to keep it

dry, but the Board is still waiting

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Assistant Director Carol Benek

announced that applications for

Student Center Board officers for

next year will be available starting

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26 St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center, Syracuse, N.Y. -Nurses - Nursing Recruiter will interview in Darte Hall, Room 2, from 10:30 a.m. to

31 John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, Clarks Summit, Pa. - Open to all majors.

Registration forms must be completed prior to participation in the on-campus recruiting program. It is also used in the resume referrals to prospective employers.

The Career Services Office has designed an interview sign-up process that gives all students equal opportunity to schedule interviews with employer representatives. Specific sign-up procedures are explained in detail at orientation sessions or by visiting Roth Center. Seniors should sign-up for interviews as early as possible.

All students who plan to take employment interviews on campus must attend an orientation session. Students may register for one of these orientation sessions by calling Ext. 490 or by visiting the Career Services Office at Roth Center.

**Career Orientation Sessions** Tuesday, March 17, 11 a.m. -Career Library, Roth Center -Open to all majors - Seniors only.

Tuesday, March 24, 11 a.m. -Careers Library, Roth Center -Open to all majors - Seniors only.

## Student Center Board Discusses Vandalism

by Elaine Czachor

At last week's Student Center Board meeting, discussion of vandalism was on the agenda. It was reported that someone has torn off the back of the television set and has stolen the cable. Commenting on buying the large screen television, Student Cetner Board Director Mike Canonico speculated, "Do you really think that it's worth it, putting that much money into a T.V. if it's going to be vandaliz-

ed"? Dean Art Hoover commented on the vandalism, saying, "Somebody's supposed to be on duty to see this and stop it. What is the person on duty doing?" It was also reported that some students are throwing ping-pong paddles against the walls, breaking the paddles. It was suggested that students be made to sign out equipment like ping-pong paddles. The students would also hve to turn over their I.D.'s, which

would be returned upon the return of the equipment. Canonico approved, remarking, "Something has to be done, because we can't afford to go out and buy paddles every week.' There have been some problems with the stereo in the Student Center. It was noted that when it rains, water accumulates on the floor of the basement where the stereo is. The Board wants to put

## State Evaluation Of Act 101 Finds It Among Strongest In State

by Louis Czachor

According to Dr. George Siles, Director of the Academic Skills Center and Act 101, the Pennsylvania State Bureau of Equal Educational Opportunity evaluated the college's Act 101 Program and found it to be very

Last month a state evaluator conducted an intensive two-day evaluation which included interviews with administrators of the college, Act 101 staff and students. Additionally, all files and folders of students in the program were examined. It was noted that 100 percent of the students in the program use the tutoring service. Also, 62 percent use the counseling program. Siles commented that these figures are very high.

Siles stated that he attributes the success of the program to the significant support received from the administration and the commitment of the college to Act 101. Also, he cited the program's "very excellent staff" as contributing to the program's success. Siles addi-

tionally noted that a great deal of support, assistance and cooperation is received from all of the administrative offices on campus, and the faculty gives a great degree of understanding and support.

The Act 101 program is in its fourth full year of operation here, and it has grown from 30 students to over 100 students. The college's Act 101 Program is viewed as one of the strongest in the state because of the "high caliber of students at Wilkes College," stated Siles.

He noted that as a result of the evaluation, the evaluator and the state have recommended that the college's Act 101 Program receive increased funding for the 1981-82 school year. An increase in funds means that the program will be able to expand to do more for students. Siles added that the proposal for next year's program is being written and the staff is trying to make it an even stronger pro-

Siles pointed out some accomplishments of the program, and stated that there are "very outstanding students" in Act 101. He noted that students will be receiving three awards in April at a luncheon for all of the colleges in northeastern Pennsylvania.

Additionally, Siles stated that next year he will serve on the state board of directors for all Act 101 Programs, and he will be the director of Act 101 in northeastern Pennsylvania.

Siles commented that 1981 is the tenth anniversary of Act 101 and along with 70 other colleges in the state Wilkes will be celebrating.

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by Tom Jordan

There are thousands of people throughout the country who are studing Karate, Judo, Kempo, or some other type of martial art. All these forms of the martial arts originally come from the Chinese art of Kung-Fu.

Early Kung-Fu was started behind the walls of the Shaolin Monastery by a man called Bodhidharma around 500 A.D. It was started as an exercise for the monks to keep their bodies healthy. Kung-Fu is the ultimate of the unarmed martial arts, but there is much more to the art than fighting. In fact the Shaolin priests, who would be the best fighters, were taught that it is bet-

ter to run away then to fight.
The TV show "KUNG-FU" staring David Carradine showed what the monks had to go through in the temples. The monks had to develope their minds as well as their bodies, which they did through meditation. The exercise system is based on the movements of five animals - the crane, dragon, tiger, snake an leopard. In the middle of the 1600's, the Manchus invaded China and started burning down the monasteries forcing many of the monks to leave China. They went to countries like Okinawa, Japan and Korea, spreading their art to these places.

The monks taught the people of these countries the fighting of the martial arts. But because they were different people with a different type of land around them, various moves of Kung-Fu were changed thus starting the other martial arts including Karate and Kempo.

There are still some Shaolin temples in China today, back in the mountains. The monks in these temples dedicate their lives to learning Kung-Fu. Many people have heard of the late actor, Bruce Lee who was the king of Kung-Fu, yet it is said that there is no way that he would be able to defeat a Shaolin priest.

Jackie Chan, star of the movie "The Big Brawl," is a traditional Kung-Fu fighter who uses the various forms, whereas Bruce Lee was more concerned with just improving his fighting skill. According to Sifu Cindy Rothrock, teacher at the Shaolin school on South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, "Jackie Chan is a good person to watch to see the various forms.' She also stated that "Chan will probably make it better than Bruce Lee did."

There are many styles of Kung-Fu such as Northern Shaolin, Southern Shaolin and White Dragon style. Sifu Cindy Rothrock also said, "There are so many dif-

ferent forms of Kung-Fu, that even after you reach your Sifu or Black level, many people consider that you are just starting your skills." That is because in Kung-Fu you can always keep learning new forms. In Karate, for example, after a student reaches a certain stage he or she can not go on any farther.

Kung-Fu is probably the best thing to learn to defend yourself because of the knowledge a student learns in fighting and evading the strikes of an opponent. Kung-Fu is a system of self-defense in which a person learns to use his hands, elbows, knees, feet and other parts of the body for defense in acutal combat situations.

Although this is one of the best ways of fighting, it is not taught for a person to go out and beat people up. In fact, the Hollywood star James Coburn, who learned Kung-Fu from Bruce Lee, stated that "I am in such respect of it (Kung-Fu), that it would be very difficult to force me into any sort of combat. I would be reluctant to fight anyone. I don't want to hurt anybody. I would be very depressed by that and highly offended by it, too. I know that if it were a matter of defending my existence, I would use it to the utmost with great glee." Coburn's statement sums up how the Shaolin priests felt about Kung-Fu and what Kung-Fu was designed for.

The conclusion of this story will be in the March 27 issue of the

#### SPORTS NOITICE

Coach Kaschak requests that all men's intramural softball teams meet in the gym this Tuesday, March 24 at 11:00 a.m. for an organizational meeting. Rosters for the season must be complete by this time.

Sumthin Extra

For as long as I can remember, I have always loved the sport of baseball. I followed the same series of rituals that every youngster goes through to prove his or her loyalty to the sport. I spent my weekly allowance on baseball cards, played rubber ball in the schoolvard until it was too dark to see, and worked my butt off to become a little league ball player.

When I hit junior high school, I still loved the sport more than anything else. Friday nights found me out tossing the ball around with one of my pals instead of speeding in circles at the nearest roller kating rink. Even when my first heart throb came along, my baseball glove was always close at hand, usually squeezed under the front seat of my Chevy.

Although my serious baseball competition is now contained to Friday night softball during the summer, I manage to fill my huner for the sport by following the major leagues with undivided attention. I was presented with an added delight this past fall when my all time favorite team (the Philadelphia Phillies) won the ultimate in baseball excellence, the World Series.

I never thought the time would come when I would find myself dissatisfied with the way baseball was plotting its future. But I must admit that I look forward to this coming season with a bit of fear in the back of my mind. For the first time in my life, I am actually questioning the morals of the sport which is as American as apple pie.

With the Phillies questing for another series title, I question whether or not baseball has the same essential ingredients which has made it the great sport it is today. I wonder if it has the ability to survive future problems so other generations may enjoy its splen-

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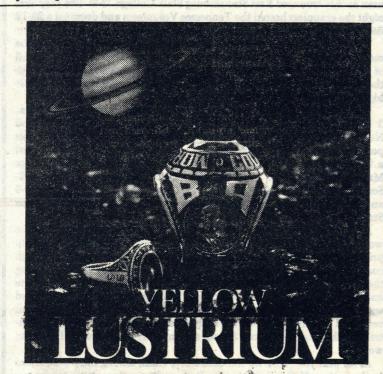
baseball is getting out of hand. What was once and still is a child's game, is now very realistically a big business. I realize that all professional sports are big businesses, but I fear for baseball the most because of its inflated salaries and on field business operation.

It is ridiculous when a baseball player can earn more money in one month than the president of the United States. It has been reported that millionaire Dave Winfield will earn \$110,000 a month compared to President Reagan's monthly salary of \$16,666. The sad part of this whole situation is that Winfield is just one of numerous players who have followed the base paths to lifetime wealth.

Another thing which bothers me is the way owners and general managers trade players around like children trade baseball cards. Teams use to take pride in building an organization which would prove itself in the long run. Today, pennants are bought by the owners as easily as hot dogs and beer by the fans in the stands. It is a rare thing to see a ball player who has been with the same club for more than eight years.

The players also disappoint me with their attitudes toward the game itself. Because of the atmosphere which they are surrounded by, they too view baseball as a business. Realistically this is true for it is their livelihood, but there was a time when the competition of the game itself meant something to the players as well.

I honestly fear for this sport which so many of us enjoy. I worry about its present status along with its immediate and long term future. My only plea is that it restores its dignity, thus assuring its continued existence. I honestly hope the day never comes when the trading of baseball cards is restricted to auctions.



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## Sports

### Bowling

by Doug Williams

The battle for first place raged onward this past Friday as Geekanooza, the Aristocrats and the No-Names made the fight a three way battle. The Aristocrats calmly flew past the 752 Crew as they took over sole possession of second place, just one game behind Geekanooza who took 2 of 3 from the Maniacs. Elsewhere, the No-Names fell prey to the newly united Avengers; John Moffatt led the Avengers to a 2 of 3 game decision with his 210-527. In other action, Triskadekaphobia, led by John Maciorowski-415 and Karen Cocco-407, all but eliminated the Columbian 300's by taking 2 of 3. Scoring highlights: Bill Petrick-233-586, Ron Kielb-170-452, Lisa Prokarym-173-468, Connie Tanski-169-437, Paul Somerville-186-525.

Athlete Of The Week Capin's

It was the finish to an outstanding season in an excellent career. After the Wilkes College playoff setback against Albright, the Colonels greatest loss will be senior, Mike McCarrie.

Mike has been selected Athlete of the Week by finishing the season and his career in typical fashion another fine performance. Against Albright he tallied a total of 22 points with 4 rebounds. Once again he was perfect from the penalty stripe, with a perfect 2 for 2; he also sunk 10 of 17 from the

For the season, Mike finished with a total of 433 points, the ninth highest season total in Wilkes history. In each of his last eighteen games he hit the double figure mark in scoring; and in all the twenty-five games this season, he had a 53 percent from the field average, making 182 of 344. From the foul line he did much better, making 69 of 77 for an excellent 89.6 percent average. Mike was the team's leading scorer, ending the season with a 17 point average for each game.



#### Mike McCarrie

With a career total of 1,325 points, Mike ranks in fifth place in the Wilkes all-time career scoring

This year he had been selected for the first team all MAC, as well as being named to the 1981 National Association of Basketball Coaches all district team for the Middle Atlantic region. Of this second team he has been named to, ten players will become eligible for the All-American team.

Incidently, this is the third time this year Mike has been selected Athlete of the Week, and although he could not be reached for a comment this week, a few things he stressed in an earlier interview are worth mentioning. In short, he was satisfied with this season personally, but attributed most of his success to the support he received from his parents, teammates, coach, and, of course, the wild bunch from Gore Hall.

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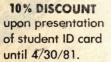
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The Wilkes College Wrestling Team recently participated in the 77th Annual Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament which was held at Princeton University. The Colonels were expected to challenge Syracuse, Lehigh, and Navy for top honors, however, this never materialized. Syracuse finished 1st, Lehigh finished 2nd, Navy finished 3rd, and Wilkes finished a very disappointing 10th. According to Coach Reese, We wrestled worse than we ever have in a post-season tournament since I have been here." Besides having the poorest finish in history, Wilkes failed to send a single wrestler to the National Tournament. This marks the first time in 20 years that Wilkes was not represented at Nationals.

Place winners for the Colonels in the EIWA Tournament were: Pete Creamer, 4th; Joe Birmingham, 5th; and Rick Smith, 6th. It should be noted that the top three place finishers in each weight class advance to the national tournament. Pete Creamer narrowly missed out on a trip to nationals as he finished 4th.

One of the reasons Coach Reese was so disappointed in the Colonels' showing is that they defeated so many of the top finishers in the tournament during the regular season. For example, Rick Smith defeated Mike Rotunda of Syracuse during this year's Wilkes-Syracuse meet, 12-4, however, Rotunda won the EIWA title while Smith finished a disappointing 6th. To add to the Colonels' frustration, Temple qualified three wrestlers for the National Tournament after Wilkes soundly defeated Temple in the regular season match-up 26-12. In that match Temple only won three bouts, sound frustrating, just ask Coach Reese or any of the wrestlers and they will explain how frustrating it really is.

The Colonels took a roller coaster ride through the 1980-81 season as they compiled a 12-8 dual meet record, and a 10th place finish in this years EIWA Tournament.

The first dual meet of the season was probably one of the best wrestling match-ups a fan could ask for. Although the Colonels dropped a 24-18 decision they gained much respect as they battled the Engineers to the wire. Later that week the wrestlers traveled to Annapolis, MD. to take on the Midshipmen of Navy, the Colonels saw their record drop to 0-2 as they were soundly defeated 29-13.

On Wednesday, Dec. 10 the Colonels finally broke into the win column as they trounced East Stroudsburg State College 33-9. The very next night the grapplers hosted the Tennessee Volunteers and dropped a 28-12 decision. At this point the grapplers had a 1-3 dual meet record.

The last week of December, and the first week of January were the most grueling 2 weeks in Wilkes wrestling history. The Colonels hosted 3 of the top 20 teams in the nation within this period. The Colonels began the stretch by losing to Auburn 26-21. They then rebounded to topple highly touted Clemson 23-17.

The Colonels began in the new year by wrestling Missouri on Sat., Jan. 3 and Nebraska on Jan. 4. Wilkes lost to both Missouri, 27-14, and Nebraska, 24-10. At this point the wrestlers record stood at 3-6. From this point on the Colonels completely turned things around as they compiled a 9-2 record for the second half of the season. They defeated George Mason 38-10, Rutgers 40-9, Temple 26-12, Binghamton State 38-2, Southern Connecticut 39-7, Hofstra 45-3, Bucknell 32-6, Lycoming 45-0 and Franklin and Marshall 30-6 while losing to Syracuse 30-18 and Penn

At the beginning of the year Coach Reese thought the tough schedule would hopefully pay off down the stretch, and therefore would help prime the grapplers for the EIWA tournament. It seemed as though coach Reese was right as the team showed marked improvement during the second part of the season. However mother nature did not cooperate and the team developed a severe case of "Spring fever". (During the third week of February the average temperature was a balmy 65 degrees). It is very hard to continue practicing with intensity, and to keep your concentration when the rest of your friends are enjoying the unseasonably warm

As for next year, look for the Colonels to finish among the top 20 teams in the nation. If Coach Reese can find quality replacements for seniors Joe Burmingham (158), Dan Miner (167), and Rick Smith (HWT), the Colonels should have a tremendous year. With Doug Billig, Billy Dodge, Mark Popple, Mark Troutman, Kurt Rowlette, Mark Correll, and Pete Creamer returning, coach Reese should be able to put together one of the strongest teams in the East.



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