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## Four students die

# The tragic summer of 1990

By TOM OBRZUT  
Beacon Managing Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Summer.

A time for fun and a time for sun. But for the family and friends of four Wilkes University students, this summer will be remembered for something other than fun and sun.

Since classes let out in May, four Wilkes University students, Kimberly Kalinas '93; Shawn Galbreath '91; Joel Rosenthal '91 and Barbara Zardus '90, have died.

The flowers that were on stage during the Summer Commencement and Convocation have been planted on campus in their memory, said Dean of Student Affairs Jane Lampe-Groh.

Galbreath, a member of the Wilkes wrestling team, would have been a senior. He died when his car hit a tractor trailer head-on after he fell asleep at the wheel one week before school started.

Kalinas, a nursing major, enjoyed art, said a

friend. She participated in Wilkes' Upward Bound program and was involved with the Red Cross.

Zardus, a correspondent for *The Times Leader*, died when her car was hit broadside while she was traveling on Route 309 in the Back Mountain area.

Rosenthal was a member of the class of 1991.

Mark Sowcik, director of Campus Counseling, stands ready to help those students who are having a difficult time dealing with the loss of a family member or friend.

Students, he said, can receive free and confidential counseling for a variety of problems.

"Talking to someone who allows you to express your feelings about issues, especially the important issue of death, is important," he said.

Sowcik said students have received counseling on such problems as anxiety, depression, relationship problems and roommate problems.

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## 'Balloon Man' strikes again

By VAUGHN SHINKUS  
Beacon News Editor

WILKES-BARRE — A fraudulent psychology experiment involving message-filled balloons has resurfaced at Kings College.

According to Wilkes Security Coordinator Gerald Cookus, an individual has again been placing balloons containing official-looking messages on the Kings College campus.

On August 27, Kings College security officers found a large yellow balloon containing a message requesting student involvement in a experiment for Penn State Psychology 202, a non-existent course. The alleged experiment claims to test an individual's "ability to follow directions," directing the finder to another location and promising a monetary reward for involvement.

A prior incident involving the "balloon man" occurred last February when similar balloons were found on North Main Street and Public Square.

The individual is described as a white male, of medium build, in his early thirties, with light brown hair and a small beard. He has been seen wearing a black leather jacket, light pants and carrying a white bag.

Anyone with information concerning the "balloon man" should contact security immediately at extension 4999.



Gerald Cookus, chief of security





Martial arts club members show their stuff during last week's Club Day

photo by Donna Yedlock

## Large turnout for Club Day

By JEFFREY C. LOBALBO  
Beacon News Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Thirty-two clubs were represented at Wilkes University's annual club day.

The idea of Club Day is to get freshmen, transfer students, and upperclassmen involved with clubs around campus. The nature of the clubs varies from the sciences to the arts.

"I feel that the turnout was

much improved over last year's," said Mike Nolfe, Director of Student Activities. "Some of the clubs are even giving away and selling things. I feel very enthusiastic."

The items given away and sold by the clubs ranged from T-shirts, sold by the Physics Club, to free bubble-gum from the Inter-Residence Hall Council (IRHC).

Other gimmicks were also used to entice involvement. "Cue-n-Curtain," Wilkes' drama group,

threw a rubber chicken onto the sidewalk to get the attention of students to sign up.

"I think it's good that people get more involved," said student Renee Savage.

Bill Hannigan, Student Government President, also felt satisfied with Club Day.

"I feel that it is a great opportunity for freshmen and the campus to see what Wilkes has to offer," he said.

## College students hit the books

By Nanci Hellmich  
Apple College Information Network

Contrary to what critics might say, college students are putting in long hours with books and in the classroom, a new survey of undergraduates shows.

About 40 percent of undergraduates in the study said they devote 35 hours or more a week to academics, including time spent in classes. Eighty percent devote more than 30 hours, says C. Robert Pace, professor emeritus at the University of California School of Education.

He bases these conclusions on questionnaires completed by 24,000 undergraduates at 74 colleges and universities across the country from 1983 to 1986.

"There is a sizable group of students who put in as much effort as a person who works 35 to 40 hours a week," says Pace. "My general impression is that students are putting in more time and effort and getting more out of college than many of the critics seem to think."

### Other findings:

— 93 percent of students said they take detailed notes in class.

— 95 percent said they listen attentively in classes.

— 67 percent said they spend five hours or more writing a paper — not counting the time spent in reading or at the library.

— 76 percent said they think about the practical applications of the material they study.

Most students also said they spend time talking to their peers about job prospects, money, careers and current events.

Academic progress appears to increase with each year in school. And the closer kids live to campus, the more involved they are in campus activities, the report found.

At selective liberal arts schools such as Vassar and Bennington College, students spent even more time — an average of 45 hours a week on academics, Pace says.

## Off-campus policy causes controversy

By JEFFREY C. LOBALBO  
and HEIDI HOJNOWSKI  
Beacon News Editor  
and Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — As a result of complaints by the Wilkes-Barre community and *Times Leader* columnist Steve Corbett's column, Wilkes has decided to strictly enforce the off-campus policy as it appears in the student handbook.

"It is not a change of policy, in so much as it is bringing into effect policies written up twenty years ago," said Jane Lampe-Groh, Dean of Student Affairs.

According to this policy, off-campus students are expected to "behave in such a manner that will afford their neighbors their rights as citizens and promote positive neighbor/community/university relationships."

Lampe-Groh has expressed the reasoning for the enforcement of this policy. She explained that for the past few years the university, as well as herself, has attempted to play middleman, or "ombudsman." This action, although effective at the time of a raid or complaint, has proved ineffective over the long term.

"I found myself saying the same things to the students in May that I was saying to them in September or October," said Lampe-Groh.

Lampe-Groh also explained that disciplinary action will not be taken for "every little thing." She did say, however, that in situations which involve disturbing neigh-



Dean Jane Lampe-Groh

bors or littering lawns with beer bottles and cans will result in disciplinary action. This will include (but is not limited to) the loss of Wilkes grants or generated aid and conditional suspension.

A conditionally suspended student cannot represent the university in any official capacity.

"If the students conduct themselves well there will be no trouble," said Lampe-Groh.

Wilkes security cannot become involved in these situations because they have no authority on campus.

If a complaint is received on security, it will be forwarded to the Wilkes-Barre police who have officially announced that "no freebies will be given" in these situations. Disciplinary action will be taken by both the police and the university.

### WILKES UNIVERSITY POLISH ROOM SCHOLARSHIP

Each year the Wilkes University Polish Room Committee awards scholarship in honor of Dr. & Mrs. Joseph J. Kocyan. These funds are awarded to students of Polish descent who do well academically (minimum Cum. GPA of 3.0).

Any student who wishes to be considered for this scholarship must submit a brief letter of application indicating major, class year, and Polish ancestry to the Financial Aid Office, Sturdevant Hall by Friday, September 21, 1990.

## Oregon

By DAVE BERNIS  
Apple College Inform

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By MARLENE MAN  
Beacon Staff Writer

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MCAT Test  
Wilkes University Council Meeting  
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Marts Center  
Football-Albright 1:30 p.m.  
Men's Soccer-Upsala 11 a.m.  
Field Hockey-Albright 11 a.m.

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Wilkes University Council Meeting  
8:30-Noon, Marts Center

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Volleyball-Upsala  
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4 p.m.



# policy controversy

By DAVE BERNIS

Apple College Information Network

SALEM, Ore. — Oregonians view it as a chance to make a fast buck or to raise money for the state's financially troubled college athletic programs.

But the nation's pro-sports establishment sees Oregon's year-old Sports Action Lottery as a challenge to its very existence — a threat to its self-promoted, clean-cut image.

The game of chance, which began its second year this week with the start of the 1990 National Football League season, has thrust Oregon into the national spotlight, sparking congressional efforts to outlaw state-sponsored bookmaking.

Supporters of the game scoff at the pro-sports establishment opposition to the lottery.

"I think it's one of the most hypocritical things I've ever seen," said Bill Byrne, the University of Oregon athletic director. "You mean a \$2 bet in Oregon is going to convince an NFL quarterback to throw a game, but a \$1 million bet in Las Vegas has no impact?"

Danny Sheridan, a sports analyst for USA TODAY and the Cable News Network, said: "You're talking peanuts here compared to what's wagered in Nevada."

Opponents, however, fear that Oregon's experiment with the sports book — the first of its kind in this country — could lead to a rapid proliferation of state-sponsored sports betting.

"It's a serious threat to public confidence in our game," said Greg Aiello, director of communications for the National Football League. "It transforms a healthy sport into a full-fledged gambling activity."

Richard Levin, Major League Baseball's director of public relations, said: "We're overwhelmingly opposed to that kind of lottery. We're opposed to any form of gambling."

The sports lottery is a state-sponsored effort to ease the needs of the state's financially strapped college athletic programs without raising new taxes.

Officials hoped to raise about \$2 million for colleges in the game's first year. But sales fell short of projections. Some of the earnings were used to replace shortfalls in the lottery's numbers games, and the athletic departments received only \$400,000.

The lower earnings sparked an outcry from some who thought they were misled by lottery officials, but university officials said they were thankful for the money they received. The University of Oregon and Oregon State University each received about \$150,000.

## Students mad about parking

By MARLENE MANGAN

Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — The lack of University parking this year has many students concerned about the dangers of parking off campus.

Because cars are often towed away the same day they are ticketed, many students are forced to park long distances away from campus.

Debbie Semel, a sophomore dorm student, parks her car nearly one mile away from campus, near the Luzerne County Court House. "I think with all of the out-of-state people at Wilkes, the administration should provide ample parking for them," she said.

As Wilkes administrators work on a solution, University Security is still towing vehicles, enforcing a parking policy set forth in previous years. According to Wilkes Security Officer Richard Chabala, "Cars lacking proper identification will be towed."

## Health service inundated

By VAUGHN A. SHINKUS

Beacon News Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Wilkes University's Health Service has treated over 200 students with cold-like symptoms since the beginning of the Fall term.

According to Betty Kwak, RN at the Service, the cases are "mostly varied, not epidemic."

Kwak attributes the increase in patients to the Service's location, integration with Resident Assistants and other key University personnel, and promotion through University publications.

The Service is affiliated with Wyoming Valley Family Practice which allows for "continuity of care," according to Kwak. Physicians at the Service are employed on a two month rotating residency.

Of the nearly 3000 cases the Service handles each year, 60 to 70 percent are cold-related.

The Health Service is located on the first floor of Evans Hall. Personnel are available from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays.

For further information, contact Diane O'Brien, Health Services Coordinator, at extension 4730.

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CC Meeting, 11:45  
Bio Club Meeting, 11 a.m.  
Elections for SG Replacement Reps  
Learning Center Workshop: Test  
Talking Talking Strategies,  
1/1 a.m.-Noon & 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Women's Soccer-Swarthmore 4 p.m.  
Field Hockey--FDU Madison 4 p.m.

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Rosh Hashanah Begins at  
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SG Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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Programming Board Meeting,  
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Field Hockey-Lebanon  
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# THE FORUM

## OPINION BY VAUGHN SHINKUS

### Why work on Labor Day?

Labor Day. A time to honor the hard working people of our nation. A time to sit back, relax, and congratulate ourselves for surviving another year in the rat race. A time for backyard barbecues, picnics, and, of course, Jerry Lewis. At least that's what Labor Day is for most Americans.

For Wilkes students, faculty, and staff, however, Labor Day represents, ironically enough, just another day of labor. Each August, Wilkes students return to campus days before the end-of-summer holiday.

A national holiday, Labor Day is observed by all government agencies, most businesses, and all state-run universities. As a private institution, however, Wilkes has no obligation to honor the holiday, and instead holds classes as though it is just another day.

Granted, the argument remains that, prior to labor day, regular classes are adjourned for nearly three months of uninterrupted leisure time. For many students and faculty, though, summer is spent not vacationing, but working to support their school-time endeavors.

Aside from our absence at various social events, the Wilkes community projects a much deeper message by holding classes on Labor Day. We're confirming the widely held American belief that education is not important.

Unlike the American work force, be it blue or white collar, the fruits of our labor are not monetary, but cerebral. The liberal arts education produces well-rounded individuals, knowledgeable in various areas of human existence. This form of labor-- the development of the mind-- is perhaps the most important step in strengthening American cultural development.

Is Labor Day so insignificant that we can't fit it into our college agenda, or are our studies here at Wilkes so insignificant that we need not take the time off to relax on a national holiday?

One final word to the agenda setters: our labor is important, give us a break.

## OPINION BY RICHARD PRINCE

### Scholarships for whites too

Don't blame humor columnist Art Buchwald. Don't blame late-night TV's David Letterman. And don't blame the Western Golf Association in Golf, Ill.

"I am a high school junior," Wendy Lynne recently wrote to her local papers' letters page, "and already I have become aware of reverse prejudice. When I took the PSATs, I realized that the vast majority of scholarships are for blacks only."

Wendy must be on to something. A couple of months ago, Lisa M. Krotz wrote in, too.

"Blacks have a distinct advantage over whites," she complained. "We have black-only scholarships, and of course, the United Negro College Fund. What I want to know is this -- why is a mind a terrible thing to waste -- but only when it's black?"

Last week the chorus grew louder. A news item quoted a 1988 study by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. Fully one-third of high school students polled thought financial aid was set aside solely for "minority" students.

Of course, that one-third is wrong.

The National Center for Education Statistics says that for undergraduates entering colleges and universities in fall 1986, the last year for which figures are available, African Americans, Asians, Hispanics and Native Americans, received only 30 percent of all federal, state and institutional aid. They were about 20 percent of the undergraduates.

Says Daniel J. Cassidy, author of a comprehensive listing called "The Scholarship Book:" "There's something out there for everyone."

Someone must not have done her homework -- or didn't get the right assignments.

That's why I'm happy to tell Lisa and Wendy about Buchwald, Letterman and the Western Golf Association.

The droll and crazy funnymen have endowed scholarships for that vast majority of people -- those who not only aren't "minorities," but aren't smart.

At least, not as measured by grades.

An Art Buchwald scholarship to the University of Southern California "is for the person who writes the funniest," a spokeswoman told me. No joke: This year's award was \$5,000.

Letterman, no honor roll student, has endowed three hefty scholarships at his alma mater, Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., in telecommunications.

The scholarships are based on creativity -- only.

Surely, "minorities" have no lock there. In fact, one could even list, Letterman-style (in reverse order), the top nine scholarships that must have eluded Wendy and Lisa. My nominees:

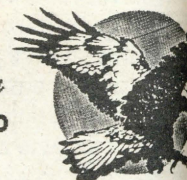
3. The Creole Ethnic Association Scholarship, for people of mixed racial ancestry who are at least one-thirty-second black. Must be U.S. citizens and study genealogy, language or Creole culture.

2. National Science Teachers Association Scholarship. Must create and build an original working device powered by one or more Duracell batteries.

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Any wonder that Cassidy's guide, my source for most of these, says \$6.6 billion in financial aid from corporations goes unclaimed each year?

Yet we shouldn't think these offbeat scholarships provide the bulk of financial aid. The overwhelming majority of it, no matter how unique the stipulation, is based on need.

And African Americans and other people of color represent a disproportionate share of the needy.

Why? For African Americans, at least, slavery's legacy still with us.

Last year two sociologists, Melvin Oliver of UCLA and Thomas Shapiro of Northeastern University, looked at the differences in terms of net worth -- the value of all assets including what grandpa left.

Their study, published in the Spring 1989 issue of Rutgers University's Review of Black Political Economy, found the median net worth of white households in 1984 to be \$39,000. For black households, it was \$3,541.

That's not much to send a kid to college on. Even if you are a left-handed teetotaler, the son of a blind veteran and the last name's Baxendale.

Richard Prince writes for Apple College Network.



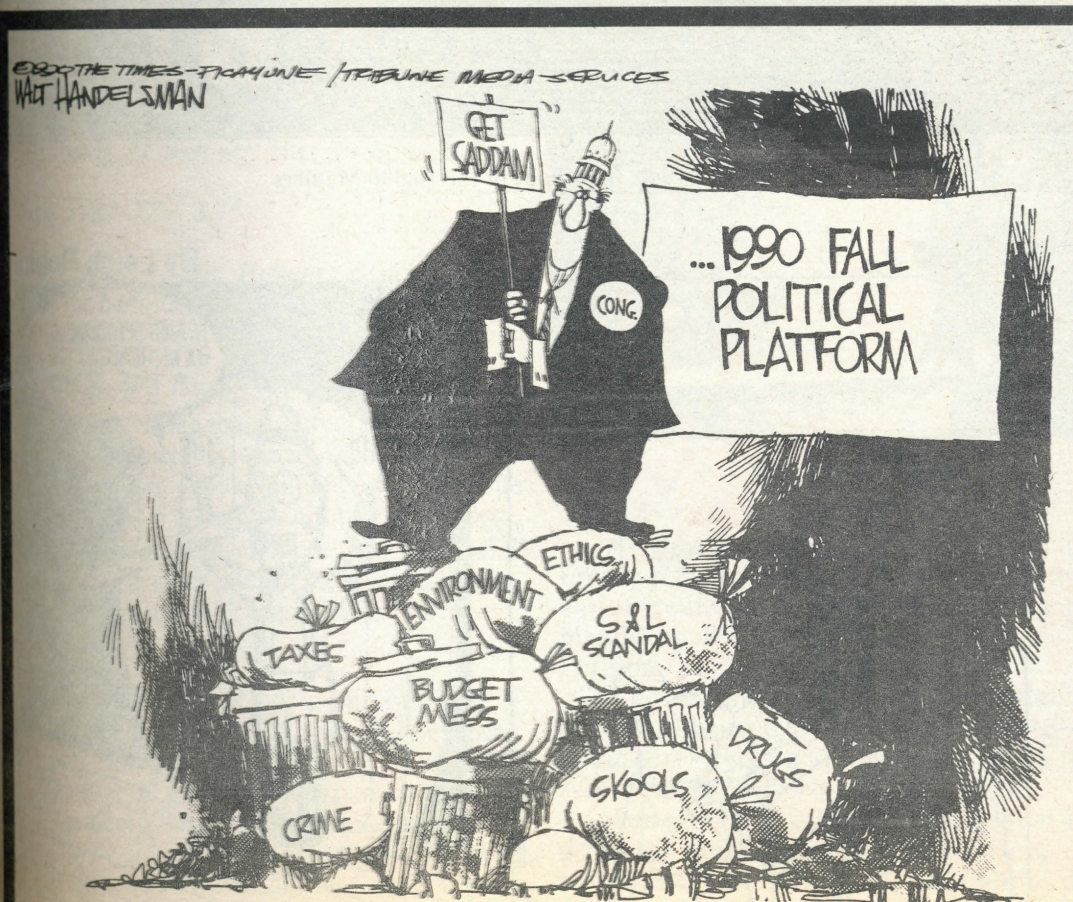
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# Wilkes first?

The decision by Wilkes University not to intervene on behalf of its off-campus students when South Wilkes-Barre residents complain about noise and rowdiness doesn't say much about its commitment to that sect of its student population. It's a viewpoint that falls in line with a "Wilkes first" attitude that appears to guide some of the institution's actions.

Wilkes seems very preoccupied with maintaining an upstanding image within the outside community at the cost of the benefit of its students. Can we name examples? Sure.

— President Breiseth's initial decision to hold graduation indoors in 1989, which was later altered by a mass student protest.

## EDITORIAL

— Wilkes University's costly coming-out party, which saw the staging of purely ceremonial dinners, the city-wide banner blitz and the building of infantile brick...uh...embankments in front of the Darte Center and library. *Is that what they are?* The money could have been used to upgrade the students' facilities, from Pickering's rathole bathrooms to our very own *Beacon* office.

*We could use two more computers.*

— Confirmed instances of the Admissions office promising incoming freshmen rooms in Evans Hall when they knew the lottery process couldn't guarantee such promises.

— Holding the Barre Hall rededication for the pleasure of River Street residents instead of the burned-out students.

It's a long list of administrative crimes. The new off-campus policy is just the latest.

Although everyone should obey the law, Wilkes' determination to let the police serve as Mayor Lee Namey's "ego police" by busting a few drunk college students is inexcusable. In the residence halls, there is always an RA to mediate these difficult situations.

Why not extend the same courtesy to off-campus students?

Is it because they don't pay dorm costs?

Or is Wilkes afraid of the scare tactics of the *Times Leader's* talented, yet inflammatory Steve Corbett?

Or both?

It looks like Wilkes' image must stay shiny clean.

*Editor's Note* — Some parts of *The Beacon* have undergone a transformation in order to keep things fresh as a new school year begins and a new editorial staff takes over. We have a new masthead, and a few new section names — PREMIERE (formerly Feature) and THE FORUM (Opinion/Editorial). As always, we encourage your voice to be heard on these pages. Tell us how you feel — about anything!!



# PREMIERE

## The 10,000 Maniacs at Wilkes.

By JESSICA MATERNA  
Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — "We would have felt really absurd just sitting at home," 10,000 Maniacs' Natalie Merchant told reporters of the Maniacs' desire to travel, a desire that will bring the band to Wilkes University.

The New York based 10,000 Maniacs, comprised of Merchant, lead vocals; Jerome Augustyniak, drums; Robert Buck, guitars; and Steven Gustafson, bass, will perform at the Dorothy Dickson Dart Center for the Performing Arts on October 26th.

The music of 10,000 Maniacs has never been easily categorized. A major factor contributing to the group's distinct sound is the environment in which the Maniacs were nurtured -- rural Jamestown, New York, a small town seven hours northwest of Manhattan.

"In Jamestown," Dennis Drew recalled, "There was never any music community for us to become a part of or to be influenced by. So we were able to develop in a vacuum and come out sounding like ourselves."

In the Maniacs' earlier days, which originally included rhythm guitarist John Lombardo, the group appeared throughout upstate New York performing covers of post-punk English groups like Joy Division and the Gang of Four, and reggae favorites by Bob Marley and the Mighty Diamonds. Following their 1981 performance debut, the band gradually began to include original works in their repertoire, and also added flavors of country, folk and bluegrass music to create their characteristic sound.

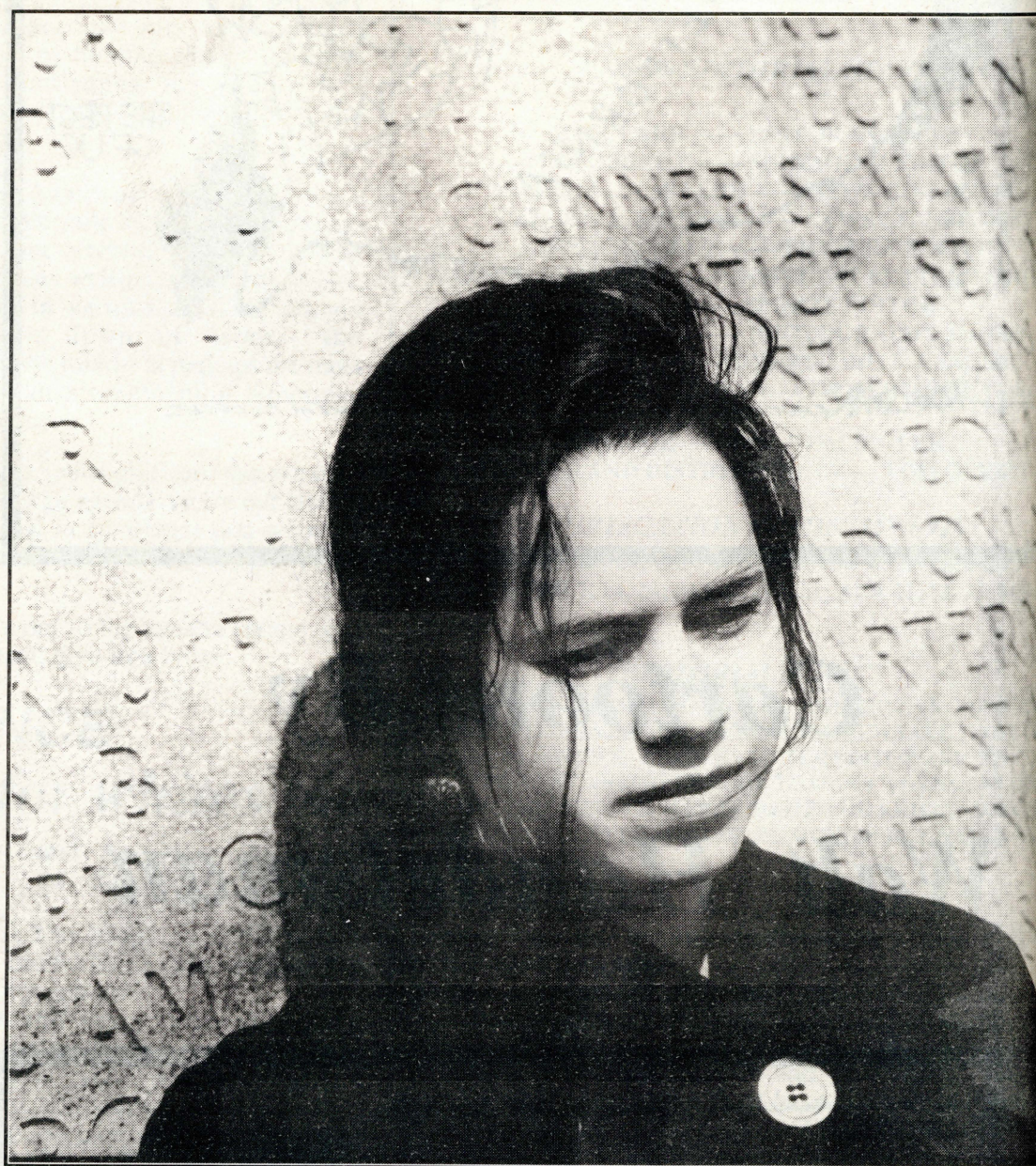
Over the next three years, the Maniacs released two records on their own Christian Burial label: a five-track EP, *Human Conflict No. Five*, and a full-length album, *Secrets of the I Ching*. It was this album which produced the Maniacs' first hit. "My Mother the War," a single from the *Secrets of the I Ching* album, enabled the album to reach #26 in the U.K. -- not bad, considering it was the only American record to place in the BBC's Top 50 in 1983.

10,000 Maniacs made a brief tour of the U.K. in 1984, and then signed with Elektra Records in early 1985. Their Elektra debut album, *The Wishing Chair*, became one of the most critically-acclaimed releases of 1985. The success of this album blazed a trail for future success with releases such as the 1987 *In My Tribe* album and the Maniacs' latest release, *Blind Man's Zoo*, in 1989.

Throughout 1989, 10,000 Maniacs, opening for such headliners as the Grateful Dead, received wide acclaim for their live shows. Lead vocalist Merchant was especially well-received for her eloquent, expressive performances. The acclaim is still strongly evident today as the band continues to add to its devoted following, particularly among college students, who are attracted to the rock/folk sound and socially-conscious lyrics.

Wilkes Programming Board Concert Director, Kevin Tronkowski, says he "hopes to get a good response" to the concert. He stated that the initial interest and feedback from students on club day was encouraging, and he hopes that the public will also come out to see the band.

Ticket sales are projected to begin during the first week of October. Prices are set at \$10 for students and \$15 for the general public.



Natalie Merchant of the 10,000 Maniacs

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By Leigh Rubin



Pinocchio's comedy routine.

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# Formulas fired up the Summer

Formulas, formulas, formulas! The Summer of 1990 was loaded with a multitude of films that played off of the formula fascination of recent years.

Andrew Dice Clay (the Diceman) said it best when he made this comment at the beginning of his Summer film *The Adventures of Ford Fairlane*, "Suck my Dick.....Tracy!" This sarcastic wit was ingenuous and poked fun at a Summer filled to capacity with average formulas and follow-ups.

Clay viewed the Summer premiere of *Die Hard 2: Die Harder* and had this to say about it, "It's formula. It works!"

In the case of *Die Hard 2*, this statement was right on the money, literally. It was a formula, it worked, and it was "in the money" as one of the Summer's top money makers.

However, a majority of the Summer releases achieved only marginal status in regards to making profits and quality of the picture.

Here's a look at the best films that were out this Summer:

**1- *Presumed Innocent*:** Harrison Ford gives a chilling performance as Prosecutor Rusty Sabich who is accused of murdering his colleague played by the sultry Greta Scacchi.

*Presumed Innocent* is an intelligent adaptation of Scott Turow's best-selling novel. It contains more creative twists than any other motion picture this Summer.

Alan J. Pakula, who directed *All the President's Men*, maintains the mystery and mystique that he captured in the aforementioned.

John Williams' musical score adds to the obsessive atmosphere evoked by Ford's character. Rusty (Ford) is seduced by his partner (Scacchi) and becomes obsessed with her after she ends their adulterous relationship. Therefore, he becomes the prime suspect when she is murdered.

Bonnie (*Die Harder*) Bedelia plays Ford's dedicated and faithful wife, Brian Dennehy portrays his co-worker and friend, and Raul Julia is his defense attorney. The trio give highly credible performances with shades of jealousy, backstabbing, and unrelenting anger.

The final verdict is that *Presumed Innocent* is guilty of being the best that this Summer had to offer.

THE GRADE= 3.75

**2- *Die Hard 2: Die Harder*:** Bruce Willis returns as the hard-luck cop, John McLean, who is extremely lucky. He's always in the wrong place at the right time.

In *Die Hard 2*, Willis is forced to use his cunning and knowledge to outwit yet another band of terrorists who have taken control of Dulles International Airport. Meanwhile, his wife (Bonnie Bedelia) is trapped in an airliner circling the airport.

*Die Harder* contains even more explosions and action sequences than its predecessor, making it an outstanding follow-up to the original *Die Hard*.

THE GRADE= 3.5

**3- *Ghost*:** Demi Moore has come out with a surprise hit that has now made more money than her husband's *Die Hard 2*.

Patrick Swayze gives the best performance of his career as Sam Wheat, an up and coming bank executive who is murdered and remains on earth as a spirit. It takes Sam awhile, but he finally comes to the realization that he is indeed dead. However, he discovers that his poltergeist form has unfinished business in regards to his girlfriend,



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Molly (Moore).

Swayze spends much of the film protecting Molly from the thugs who put him in the grave. He recruits the help of a psychic played by Whoopi Goldberg who is at her comical best in a scene reflecting her first encounter with the ghost of Swayze.

Moore is at her teary-eyed best, especially in the dramatic finale that is the highlight of the film.

*Ghost* gives reflections of comedy, drama, and suspense that mesh together nicely to form an eerie but fun-filled image.

THE GRADE= 3.25



Demi Moore and Patrick Swayze in *Ghost*



Bruce Willis in *Die Hard 2*

**4- *Young Guns II*:** "The Kid" is back! Emilio Estevez returns as the outlaw Billy the Kid, and is reunited with his old but young cronies played by Kiefer Sutherland and Lou Diamond Phillips.

The youthful brigade has an assembly of new pistoleers headed by the multi-talented Christian (Heathers) Slater and rounded off with the like of Alan (Ferris Bueller's Day Off) Ruck.

*Young Guns 2* is that rare sequel that guns down its predecessor as a better film. The only reason Estevez, Sutherland, and Phillips decided to do a sequel was because of the promising script.

It was a script that allowed Emilio Estevez to don his sadistic but child-like grin in portraying the

most wanted man in the west, "Billy the Kid."

*Young Guns 2* works because of the conflicts between loyalty and friendship which take place in the film, especially the conflicts surrounding "The Kid" himself.

THE GRADE= 3.25

**5- *Back to the Future: Part III*:** Michael J. Fox makes his final journey through time along with his friend, or sidekick in this instance, Christopher Lloyd.

Marty and the Doc find themselves trapped in the old west as they experiment with various ideas on how to go *Back to the Future*.

In the meantime, Doc Brown (Lloyd) falls head over heels for Mary Steenburgen, and this causes him to have second thoughts about leaving the western era.

*Back to the Future III* is a satisfying sequel that plays on the zany antics of Lloyd and the cute capers pulled off by Fox.

THE GRADE= 3.25

## BEST OF THE BEST

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6- TOTAL RECALL	3.0
7- Pretty Woman	3.0
8- Gremlins 2	2.5
9- Arachnophobia	2.5
10- THE EXORCIST III	2.5
11- Ford Fairlane	2.25
12- Another 48HRS	2.0
13- Days of Thunder	2.0
14- DICK TRACY	2.0
15- Robocop 2	1.5

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Lloyd & Fox in *Back to the Future Part III*

Leigh Rubin

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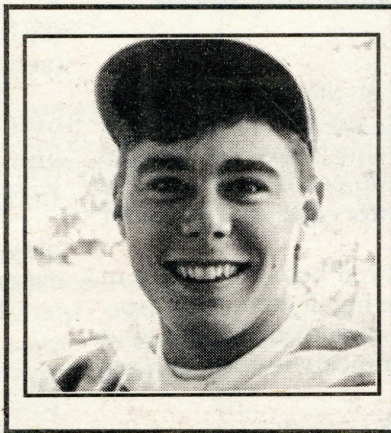
# OPINION IN FOCUS

## Do you think Wilkes should have held classes Labor Day?



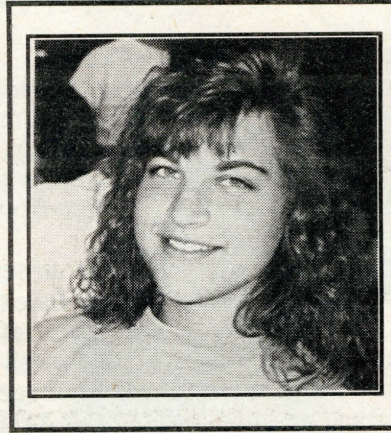
**D. L. Whaley**  
Senior

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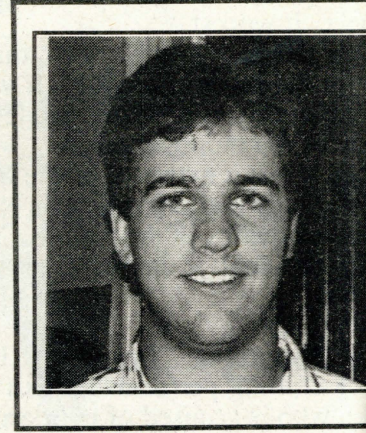
**Wayne "Chum" Henninger**  
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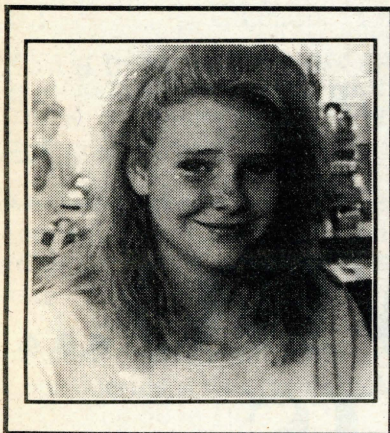
**Alexandra Keblish**  
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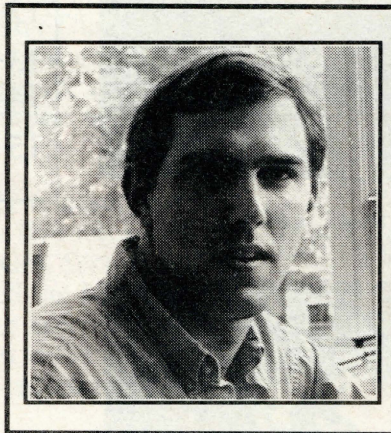
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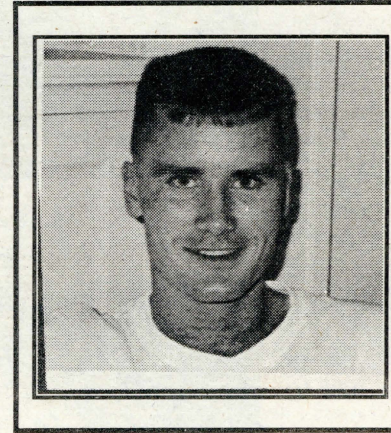
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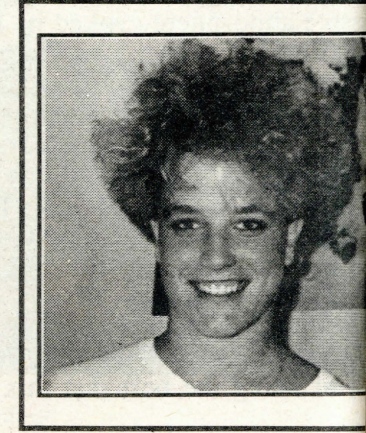
**Jim Newton**  
Sophomore

Yes, because there is no reason why we shouldn't. What is Labor Day anyway?



**Bill Phillips**  
Junior

Yes, because I want to get as much education as possible in order to get my money's worth.



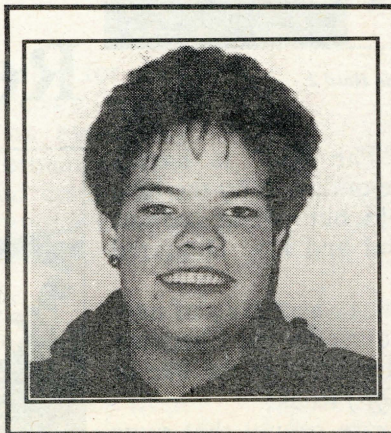
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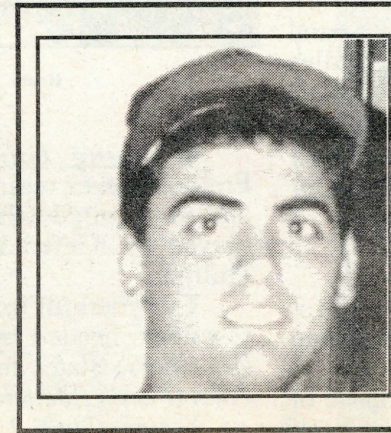
**Robyn Gall**  
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No, I don't think we should because it's a holiday.



**Jenna Akola**  
Junior

No, because most other schools didn't have classes.



**Jeff Gregory**  
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**Ralph Miller**  
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Yes, because I love school!

By JOHN G  
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By Jim Dee



# Do your "right thing!"

By JOHN GORDON  
Beacon Feature Editor

Fads and fashions have dominated the lives of youths for many decades. Over the past 30 years, young adults have gone from wearing ponytails and bellbottom pants to sporting Air Jordan's with the Nike swish.

Some people have their own style while others conform to the norms of society.

Certain individuals possess a quick draw to their purses or wallets when they see a new fluorescent pair of Nikes or BK's (British Knights) gracing the glass of a display window. On the other hand, there are those people who like to make their own statement in regards to how they don their attire or wear their hair.

There are also those individuals who are different just because they are being themselves. They dare to stand up to ridicule because they believe in themselves and know that those who are close to them will like them for who they are instead of what they're wearing.

One of the most disappointing traits of human nature is ridicule. Loud and obnoxious criticism is the worst form of this behavior.

Even though this ridicule is already taking place at Wilkes, some people still dare to be different with their own style, regardless of snickers and taunts from ignorant students.

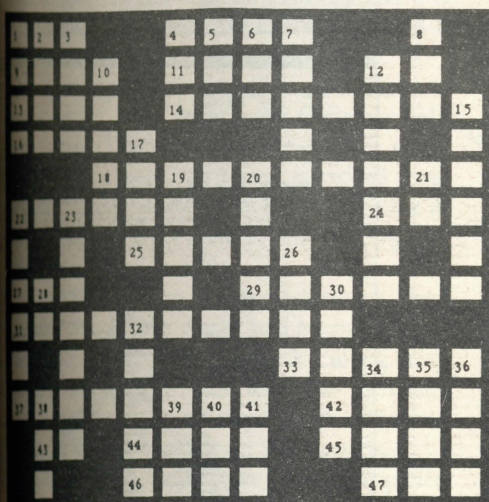
People will always have their own opinions about fashions which they think are ridiculous, but they shouldn't

voice them aloud to a person they don't even know; and I emphasize: person.

Everyone has tried to be different at some time in his or her life. Do you remember the time you got your hair cut a certain way because it was the "in" style, even though it didn't look quite right on you? Or, have you ever bought a pair of pants or a shirt that was "in," but it was really "out" on you? And do you remember how much it hurt when someone criticized you? Well, imagine being criticized every day for being yourself... pretty frightening, huh?

As long as you like the way something looks on you, that's all that counts. Being high on yourself is "in," and being an obnoxious jerk is a fad that has been on its way "out" for years.

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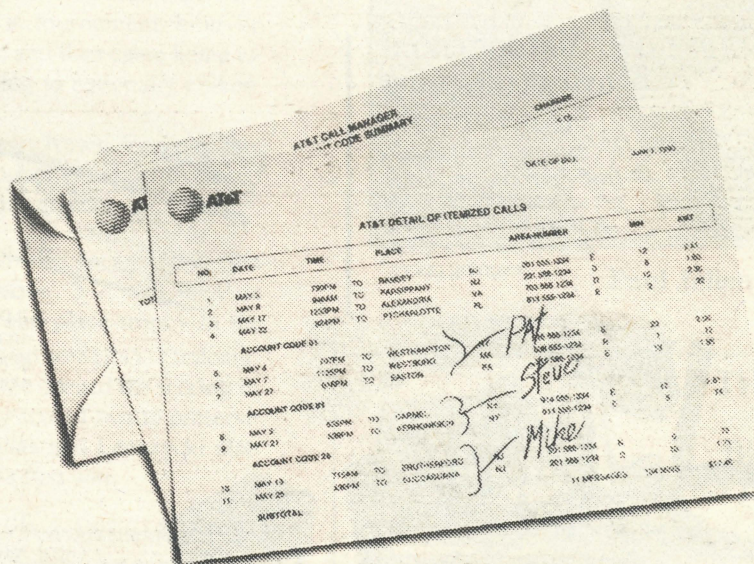
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## Tragic

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The student usually guides the direction of the session, he said.

"It's a matter of allowing someone to share their problems," Sowcik said. "A friend's death is tragic and difficult to understand."

Typically, he said, students attend an average of four to five sessions.

The center, which opened in the fall of 1986, is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sowcik said after hours appointments will be scheduled when necessary.

In addition to counseling, the center has sponsored several workshops on campus including ones on stress management and assertiveness.

A workshop on procrastination is planned for sometime this semester, Sowcik said.

## Fire hits Rifkin Hall

RAY OTT  
Icon Sports Editor

A minor fire broke out at Rifkin Hall around 1 a.m. this morning. The fire broke out so suddenly that most of the students did not realize what was happening.

"We thought that it was a false alarm, but someone downstairs was yelling to get out," said an anonymous eyewitness. "At this point we knew it was a fire."

The fire was contained in one of the rooms. The Resident Assistant of Rifkin Hall and another RA attempted to extinguish the fire, but a running fan in the room blowing the fire prevented it.

Three fire trucks and one ambulance arrived at the scene. No one was injured.

After the fire was extinguished, Blume, Regional Coordinator of Residence Life, and Mark Vetovitz, Coordinator of Residence Life, inspected the room, but denied entry to all others, kept the cause of the fire secret.

According to Wilkes security, the probable cause of the fire was either a match or cigarette but thrown into a bag can in the room.

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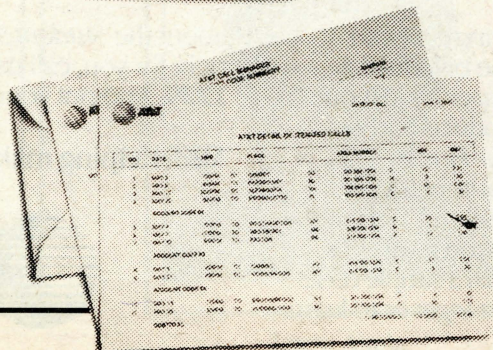
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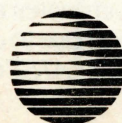
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# Galbreath taken from Colonels

WILKES-BARRE — "It's really weird," said head wrestling coach John Reese. "The day before Shawn was killed Merrel Neal and I were talking, and we both thought that if Shawn came back healthy he would be as good as any 150 pounder in the nation and that he would surprise a lot of people."

But senior-to-be Shawn Galbreath will not be returning to Wilkes University this fall. The easy-going and well-liked Galbreath was tragically killed in an automobile accident a week before returning to school.

"It was a really great shock," said Reese. "The police said that he fell asleep at the wheel and ran into a tractor trailer. He was working a lot of hours and it was late at night, he just fell asleep. The police found no traces of drugs or alcohol, he was just tired, it's a real shame."

Galbreath came to Wilkes by way of Brookville High School in Siegel, Pa. In his senior year he compiled a 22-2 record with 18 falls. It was this kind of dominance combined with his academic prowess that had Wilkes extremely interested in Galbreath as a student-athlete.

"Shawn was such an outstanding student; he won an ROTC scholarship and could have went any where in the country with the ROTC program," said Reese. "We had a Dean by

the name of Frank Kamus who tried to get Shawn to come here. What wound up happening was that Shawn had a minor stomach disorder his junior year in high school and the Air Force cancelled his scholarship. But Shawn decided to come any way. That's the type of kid he was."

Galbreath's first three seasons at Wilkes could best be described as injury-filled. In his freshman year, he wrestled Lehigh's best wrestler and lost by one point.

"We had real high hopes for Shawn, but then he tore his rotator cuff in the Wilkes Open," said Reese.

His sophomore and junior seasons followed suit as Galbreath sustained an injury to his knee, reinjured his shoulder, and suffered a concussion.

"I think the reason Shawn got hurt was because he wrestled so hard," said Reese. "In everything he did he went full tilt."

But according to Reese, Galbreath was determined to put all that behind him and gear up for his senior season.

"Before Shawn went home he came in to see me and told me he was going to see the doctor, he wanted to be healthy when he came back," said Reese. "When I talked to his father after the accident he said Shawn had one of his best summers. He was happy and had worked real hard."

"Shawn was a great kid," said Reese. "He was a good student and we never had any problems with him, he always worked real hard and wanted to do good."

## Booters looking to match season

WILKES-BARRE — After having one of their best seasons in recent years, the Wilkes Colonels' soccer team is looking ahead to a new season and will try to build upon last year's success. The team has ten starters returning from a squad which finished 10-8-1 and was invited to the E.C.A.C. playoffs.

Junior stopper Chris Dahm will be called upon to fill the shoes of Andy Renner, the Colonels' only departing senior. Dahm, who is a tri-captain along with Mike Lenczycki and Ron Rainey, is excited about the season. "I think we can cause some problems in the M.A.C. with the solid blend of returning players and newcomers that we have."

Coach Phil Wingert enters his ninth year as head coach of the Colonels with a team lead by six seniors. One of these seniors, Mike Lenczycki, along with sophomore Paul Jellen will lead the offense. Freshmen Dave Unsicker and Kieth Verdi will come off the bench to supply additional scoring punch.

A veteran midfield will look to control games with Rainey, sophomore Phil Joyce, junior Steve Maloney, and seniors Tom Horbach and Chris Shenefield all splitting time.

Defensively, the Colonels have Dahm, seniors Doug Albertson and Craig Larimer, juniors Brian Loy and Thomas Ross Andrade, along with freshman Dean Montomeros.

In goal for Wilkes will again be senior Kevin Tronkowski, who is coming off last season as an academic all-american. Sophomores Chris Law and Tom Miller will battle for the back-up job.

One of the Colonels' strengths this season will be their depth. Sophomores Mike Selzer and Tom Nally, and freshman Bill Dietz will come off the bench to provide added support.

Although the Colonels have a wealth of talent, they will face one of their toughest schedules in years.

## Cunningham

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Cunningham has also tried to eliminate some of the field diversions.

"I've cut my radio show out, and I'm doing my TV show on Monday night, when I'm not practicing or playing. There's no excuse for people to say I'm doing too much, because I'm doing everything else in the off-season. Come the regular season, it's all football."

A curve was thrown Cunningham's way when the

The schedule includes three Division II teams: Kutztown, Bloomsburg, and Millersville, along with defending Division III national champ Elizabethtown, and perennial top twenty teams Messiah and Scranton.

The Colonels had a year to savor their victories from their previous campaign, but now they must continue to improve in order to get another post season invitation.

"We won't surprise any teams this year, they all know we have some talent," said Lenczycki. "One of our goals this year is to beat some of the better teams on our schedule and to be ranked within our region."

The Colonels kicked off their tough schedule with a second place finish in a tournament held at Christopher Newport College, and then came home to beat Baptist Bible before losing to nationally ranked Messiah.

In their opener in Newport News, Virginia, the Colonels lost to host Christopher Newport College, 2-1, with Dahm scoring the lone goal.

On the second day of the tournament, the Colonels beat Randolph Macon, 3-2, and in a tie breaker were awarded a second place trophy in the tournament, finishing runner-up to SUNY Fredonia. Against Randolph-Macon, Joyce opened the scoring in the first half, and then Rainey scored two to preserve the win. Jellen had two assists and Lenczycki also added an assist in the Colonels' first win.

The booters came back to Pennsylvania and beat up on Baptist Bible, 8-1. Jellen had a hat trick, while Maloney, Shenefield, Lenczycki, Dietz, and Joyce also scored for Wilkes.

Goalies Tronkowski and Law split the time in goal, each seeing a half of action.

Eagles axed offensive coordinator Ted Plumb, but to Randall, that's just life in the NFL.

"Yeah, I miss Ted," he said. "There are some adjustments that I'm going to have to make. It's going to take some time. We've got a lot of learning to do with our offense. But if we put everything together, I think we can have a great year."

"It's going to be tough, though."

That's just life in the NFL, Randall.



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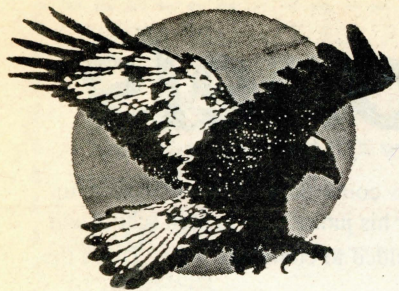
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## Kest headed for Maine

By RAY OTT  
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — In a surprise announcement last week, head women's basketball coach Jodi Kest announced her resignation. Kest will now take a position at the University of Maine as an assistant coach.

Kest said the opportunity to advance to the Division I ranks was too great of an opportunity to pass up.

"This is something I have always had the desire to do," said Kest. "My goal is to someday be a head coach at the Division I level."

Kest will be leaving one quality program for another at Maine. Last year the Lady Black Bears finished 25-6 and made it to the women's National Invitational Tournament.

"Maine has a quality program and has a lot of quality people, I think it will be a great opportunity for me."

Kest took over a struggling Lady Colonel program four years ago and has brought it full circle. In the last two years, Kest has compiled a 31-20 record. She has also lead her team to M.A.C. and E.C.A.C. playoff births. This would easily explain the disappointment of some of her players.

"I was totally surprised," said junior center K. Zoka. "I don't think anyone expected her to leave. She was more than just a coach to us, off the court she was someone we could talk to; her door was always open."

"It's a really big surprise, especially with the season only a few weeks away," said sophomore forward Missy Chinchar. "They say there are a lot of people applying for the job with the application deadline being Friday. We are supposed to have someone say in who gets the job. Hopefully they will make a decision soon so we can get ready for the season."

Kest is confident her leaving will not hurt the Lady Colonels program. She said she is confident it will allow for progression.

"The players that are remaining are a really solid group," said Kest. "Plus I think they have some really talented freshman coming in."

Still Kest admits leaving Wilkes was not an easy decision for her to make.

"The hardest part about leaving was the fact that I will not get to see my players develop fully, both on the court and as young women. The players always worked very hard to get the program where it is now and it is very difficult for me to say goodbye. I will miss all the good times and memories that we shared."



Jodi Kest

## Cunningham won't take blame

By JIM CLARK  
Beacon Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Ever since he became the Philadelphia Eagles' starting quarterback, the entire burden of the team's success has rested on Randall Cunningham's shoulders.

For a while, he thrived on the pressure, even welcomed the challenge. But things have changed. Cunningham showed off a new flat-top haircut and a revised attitude during a late-summer visit to the area.

"With the way we (the Eagles) play, we can basically make it to the playoffs each year as long as we play hardcore football with the black shoes and the Buddy Ryan attitude," Cunningham said. "But if we get to a point where everyone is second-guessing, wondering if we can do it, then I think there are problems."

"If we can get to the playoffs, it's going to take a lot of coaching to carry us because Buddy's brought all these great athletes in and we know how to play football. Now, the coaching's got to kick in."

It's interesting that Cunningham, who was less productive last year than in '88, chose to shift the attention to head coach Ryan, who's in the final year of a five-year contract. After years of waiting for the Eagles (0-1 after Sunday's loss to the Giants) to build an offensive line to protect him, Cunningham seems to be protecting himself. But he's clearly tired of being the only one praised or punished for the Eagles' results.

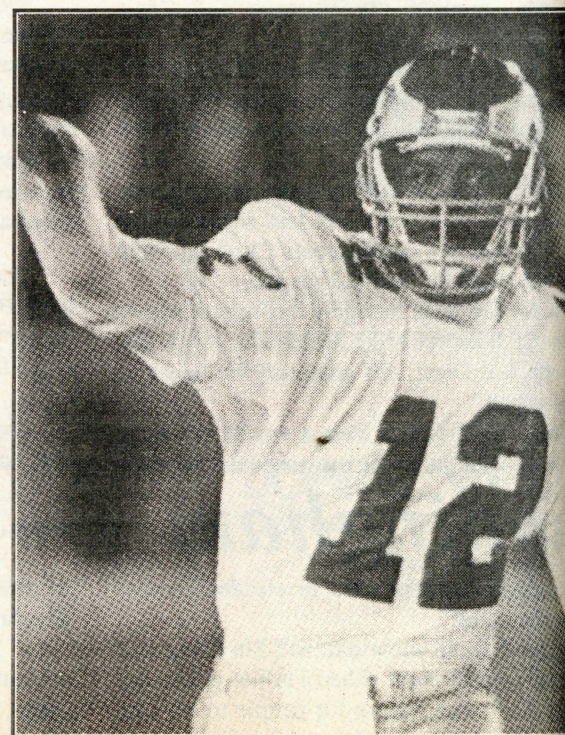
"There's a lot of pressure on me and I try to take it all in stride," he admitted. "But there are times when I'm out there working hard and the other guys are working hard, and they're still looking to me to make something happen. We all have to work together and I know that. My first year, I tried to go out and win games by myself and you can't do that as a quarterback."

Cunningham refers to the San Francisco 49'ers, the NFL's best team, as the prime example to follow.

"Look at a guy like Joe Montana," he said. "Dan Marino might have a better arm, but Joe has a lot of guys who are working with him. So if we (the Eagles) can all work together, I might not be forced to be the leading rusher and I might not have to do so many things to make our team better. Other guys have got to make the big plays."

But don't get the idea that Cunningham wants just Ryan and his teammates to improve. He knows he turned in disappointing efforts in a 30-20 loss at New Orleans that cost the Eagles a division title and in a 21-7 wildcard loss to the Los Angeles Rams. Like the Eagles, Cunningham has reached a crossroads, but he's hitting it on the run — literally.

"I'm working out harder than I ever have," Cunningham said. "Every year, I try to step it up just a little bit. I've been running long distance. I hate to do it, but I'm doing it."



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By VAUGHN S  
Beacon News Edit

WILKES-BARRE — The Gulf crisis is a little different with Wilkes' Dr. Science.

The Iraqi nation is concerned about the situation.

"Too many people," he said yesterday, "are saying the nation which began."

Nejib understands that it is not realistic to expect a foreign country, "to do it."

According to the rule of Saddam from other rulers, this, Nejib feels that the situation is not realistic to expect a foreign country, "to do it."

Like many people, his presence, short of submission. Instead, it inevitably fades away, "the imminence of World War III."

"No matter what the Soviet Union will be at stake," Nejib said.

Because of the already feeling the situation, Nejib was born and went to college and American fellows graduate degree.