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# THE BEACON

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## Down with the old Chacko's, up with the new

By RANDY  
LONGENBERGER  
Beacon Staff Writer

For those of you who  
do not already know, the  
parking lot next to  
Chacko's Bowling Lanes  
on 169 South Main Street,  
will soon be closing.

For quite some time  
students, faculty and  
shoppers have been parking  
next to the bowling lanes.

That will soon change  
as Chacko's Bowling Lanes  
will be torn down and the  
new Corporate Call Center  
will be constructed.

The Corporate Call  
Center, which will be a  
phone service for catalog  
orders, will take up the

parking lot, along with the  
space vacated by Chacko's.

Paul O'Hop, Vice  
President of Business Affairs  
said, "The sidewalk will still  
remain for students to travel  
from Wilkes University to  
Main Street."

However, the sidewalk  
will be about the only thing  
spared by this new  
construction.

The last day for business  
at Chacko's Bowling Lanes  
will be on February 14.

"The city owns the  
property but they allowed us  
to stay until the 21st of  
February," said Danny  
Chacko, acting manager at  
the bowling lanes.

"I've been letting people  
know that there won't be any



Photo by J.J. Fadden

Chacko's bowling lanes moving to a new location.

parking here in the near  
future.

"Some people have taken  
advantage of me telling them  
this ahead of time," he said,  
"I keep telling them when  
they ask this lot will be

closed soon."

There is no doubt that  
Chacko's is losing plenty of  
business, two and half  
months worth.

According to Chacko this  
is one of the most popular

times for bowling.

"Everybody is looking  
forward to the new center  
though," he said.

The new Chacko's  
Family Bowling Center,  
which will be located on  
195 North Wilkes-Barre  
Boulevard, began  
construction in November.

The new bowling center  
will have it's grand opening  
sometime in May. It will be  
complete with forty new  
synthetic bowling lanes, all  
new equipment, a lounge  
and a bar.

Not everybody is happy  
that Chacko's will be  
moving. "This is like home  
to me. I've been here for  
eighteen years. I am happy  
See CHACKO'S page 2

## Students join in the capitalist system

By CARA DURSO  
Beacon Staff Writer

Many students do not  
take the time to find out  
what clubs and  
organizations are available  
to them.

Some say they are not  
interested. Others give the  
excuse that they just don't  
have the time to join.

Their minds are sure to  
change when they discover  
that an organization exists  
here which has the  
potential link them to  
employment opportunities  
in the business world.

S.I.F.E., or Students In  
Free Enterprise, was  
founded in the late 1970's  
by business people who's  
goal was to inform students

about the free enterprise  
system.

The S.I.F.E. program  
began with only 50 chapters  
but now has over 1,000  
chapters around the world.

But what exactly is the  
purpose of S.I.F.E.? The  
goal of the organization is to  
provide students with the best  
business opportunities to  
make a difference and to  
develop leadership,  
teamwork and  
communication skills through  
learning, practicing and  
teaching the principles of free  
enterprise.

The S.I.F.E. chapter at  
Wilkes began last semester  
when Dr. Jeff Alves  
introduced the program to his  
entrepreneurial class. Many  
students were interested in

the benefits of the program so  
the club was organized.

There are currently 11  
members in the S.I.F.E.  
chapter at Wilkes.

"Students in all majors  
are welcomed and  
encouraged to join," said C.J.  
Copley, senior and president  
of the organization at Wilkes.

What exactly do you have  
to do as a S.I.F.E. member?  
The group works together to  
develop projects throughout  
the year. S.I.F.E. is currently  
working on five projects,  
including developing its own  
Home Page, putting together  
a program called "The Nuts  
and Bolts of How To Start  
Your Own Business," helping  
to market Rumours, creating  
a boardgame called  
Wilkesopoly and putting

together entrepreneurial  
forums that will allow  
business owners to explain to  
Wilkes students how they  
began their careers.

At the end of March, all  
of the S.I.F.E. chapters  
participate in a regional and  
international competition  
held in Parsippany, New  
Jersey.

The competition requires  
individual campus teams to  
give a 20 minute  
demonstration to explain the  
projects they have developed  
throughout the year to other  
student members.

A recruiting fair takes  
place following the  
competition. Many times,  
CEO's and Business  
Executives hire S.I.F.E.  
members on the spot.

Alves thinks that there  
are many benefits of having a  
S.I.F.E. program at Wilkes.  
"Students involved with  
S.I.F.E. at two year colleges  
are now looking to continue  
their education's at schools  
that offer the S.I.F.E.  
program. This will help  
Wilkes in its recruiting  
process," Alves said.

Another benefit of being  
a S.I.F.E. member is that the  
students have the opportunity  
to be a part of the "Certified  
S.I.F.E. Student Program."

The requirements include  
the completion of a minimum  
of 50 hours of S.I.F.E.  
experience and a  
recommendation by an  
advisor.

After completion the  
See S.I.F.E. page 2





**Student G**



# Snow delays, who decides if you get to sleep in?

By MICHAEL BLAIR  
Beacon Staff Writer

It's 10 p.m. and it's snowing outside. You still haven't finished your physics term paper and you doubt you will be done before your 8 a.m. class.

You decide to take a chance and go to bed, hoping the snow will cause class to be cancelled tomorrow.

Does this sound familiar? Have you ever wondered who and what determines the cancellation of class? Most students have and most don't know the answers.

By 5 a.m. Mark Davis, Director of University Relations at Wilkes

University, has been on the phone.

He has called the PennDot hotline and the meteorologists at the Channel 16 weather station to check on the snow fall.

He finds out how much snow is expected, how long the snow is planned to continue and what the driving conditions are going to be like.

He also checks the internet for up-to-date weather maps of the storm system causing the snow, sleet or rain.

Once Davis gets all the necessary information, he makes a call to Paul Adams, Dean of Student Affairs and University College at Wilkes

University.

Adams has the authority to cancel classes. After Davis gives Adams all of the information he has acquired, they discuss their options.

Adams then contacts Sister Mary Glennon at College Misericordia and Dean Shergalia at King's College to discuss the weather situation. At this point, they make their decision.

Wilkes University, King's College and College Misericordia are in their first year of cooperative scheduling.

This means that any cancellation, due to snow or any other reason must be a

unanimous decision by all three schools.

The thought process behind this cooperative education is for all three schools to have the same academic calendar.

This policy allows students from each school to cross-register between schools without having scheduling conflicts.

After Adams, Glennon and Shergalia discuss their options over the phone a decision is made, Adams then informs Mark Davis of their decision.

Davis then begins to make a series of phone calls. Davis describes himself as the "keeper of codes," because a special code must

be given out to authenticate his call.

Davis contacts all local TV stations and 35 radio stations, which reach from Bloomsburg to Scranton, to inform them of the cancellation.

According to Davis, "Weather is so inexact and we make the best decision we can. We know we're not always right."

He urges students to read through the inclement weather policy, in the student handbook, for more information about weather and attendance.

For additional information contact either Dean Adams at 408-4114 or Mark Davis at 408-4774.

## Student Government

*For the Students by the Students*

### Sophomore student auction, a huge success

The lights were dimmed. Soft disco music was playing in the background.

Rumours was jam packed with anxious people. The MAC machine in the Stark lobby was nearly out of cash.

This was the setting for the second annual student auction, sponsored by the Class of 2000.

Approximately 125 students were in attendance at the auction, which began at 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday night. A mix of 37 guys and girls were auctioned off to the audience.

Each "auctionee" was brought up to the catwalk by either Matt Sowcik, Jason Phillips, Nicole Priore or Donna Talarico read tidbits of information about them

and started the bidding.

Bidding started at \$2 and went upwards from there in dollar increments.

After the bid reached \$20 the bidding then proceeded in five dollar increments.

Students who participated in the auction were all good sports but some were a little nervous about being in front of the crowd.

"I was very nervous up there," said junior Nicole Metzger.

Jeff Reichl, a sophomore said, "I was not anticipating being bought by someone who would make me clean their apartment after Winter Weekend."

Cheers, catcalls and laughter filled the peanut gallery as their friends, teammates and classmates were auctioned off.

There were many bids that went back and forth for a

while until a large sum of money accumulated and the person was finally sold.

The highest bid was \$33 and the lowest was \$3.

Over \$300 was collected to benefit the sophomore class.

Each person who was auctioned off and/or purchased someone had their name entered in a raffle for movie passes and dinner gift certificates. Eric Thomas won the gift certificate for TGI Friday's and J.J. Fadden won the movie passes.

Sophomore class representative Matt Sowcik said, "The student auction was a success for two reasons. One, it tremendously helped out the sophomore class. Second, it got students involved with Rumours."

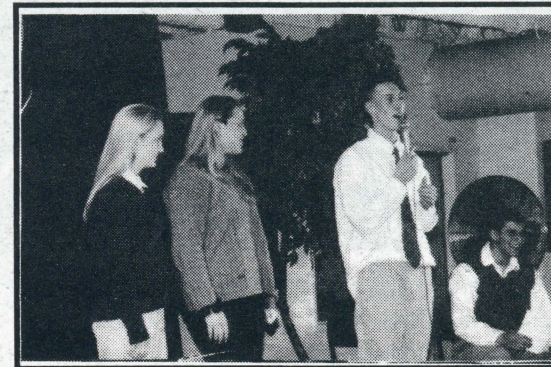


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The sophomore auction was a success all around.

### SG Information

•Great job to the junior and freshmen class on their Valentine's Day fundraisers. There will be a lot of happy people Friday when the gifts are distributed.

•The senior class is selling toothpick holders, just in time for Winter Weekend hors d'oeuvres. See a member of the senior class for more information.

•Rumours is currently forming a dart league and a pool league. Stop in Rumours to sign up or for more information.

**Winter Weekend is almost here!! After that it will be time to get ready for the Block Party!**

Information compiled by Donna Talarico.

Student Government meetings are every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in Marts room 214. All students are encouraged to attend.

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## The last challenge of a socially conscious society?

Depression strikes millions— indiscriminately. Depression is simply a suppression of brain activity that makes life unbearable. And even though depression is readily treatable, only 1 in 5 ever seeks treatment. Why do so many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide? First, there's the lack of awareness of depression— as an illness and as the threat that it is to each and every one of us. Second, there's the unwarranted negative stigma attached to it. You know, the 'mental' thing. It's time to collectively face depression. To know it's an illness, not a weakness. And it's a challenge that's long overdue. It's taken too many of us already.

**UNTREATED  
DEPRESSION**

#1 Cause of Suicide

Public Service message from SA/VE. (Suicide Awareness/Voices of Education) <http://www.save.org>

Congratulations to all Wilkes students nominated to the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges!

Please be advised that Who's Who photos will be taken on March 15, not as noted in the student calendar.

## You're invited...

*The Beacon* is hosting an Open House on Sunday, February 15 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Come visit us on the second floor of Hollenback Hall across from the library. Refreshments will be served!

## Come one, come all

As editor in chief of *The Beacon*, I have been able to watch a dynamic group of diverse individuals gel into what has become the most productive team with which I have ever been associated. You may chuckle at my reference to a team when talking about *The Beacon*, but no organization will succeed without the blood, sweat and tears of its team members. Together we have seen each of these essential elements.

Our first semester together had its ups and downs, but with all of those lessons under our belts, *The Beacon* office has become one of the best places to be on a Wednesday night. Not only are we, a motivated group of college students, getting together each week to accomplish a common goal, but we are learning and laughing simultaneously. We not only enjoy ourselves on the job, but priceless relationships have been forged among almost all of our members. *The Beacon* is the ideal example of maximizing the college experience through participation. Since the staff is having such a good time, we have decided not to keep this a secret from the student population any longer. With that in mind, we want to provide you with the same opportunity to have fun and be involved.

Come one, come all to the special event planned for this Sunday, February 15 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We, *The Beacon* staff, are planning our first annual "Open House." We want all of you, our readers, to come and see what we are all about. Any member of the Wilkes community is welcome to get a first hand look at what it takes for the Wilkes University student publication to be produced each week. If you have ever wondered where we are located, how the newspaper gets from us to you or even if this is your first time thinking about it, you are encouraged to take advantage of this occasion.

Check out our editing and layout facilities. Learn how stories evolve from an idea to delivery across campus. Meet the editorial staff. Ask any questions you may have. Make suggestions about what you feel would make *The Beacon* a better publication. Let us know what you would like to see in your school newspaper.

We are not just opening our door for you to take a glimpse of *The Beacon* press, but we are extending an invitation for you to join our "party." We are always accepting new staff writers. No experience is necessary. We are looking for students of all majors. Our only requirements are commitment and effort. You have the potential to gain hands on experience and add a possible 4.0 to your G.P.A. If you would like to write for us and are looking to get involved, stop by this Sunday or call extension 5903. We hope to see or hear from YOU soon.

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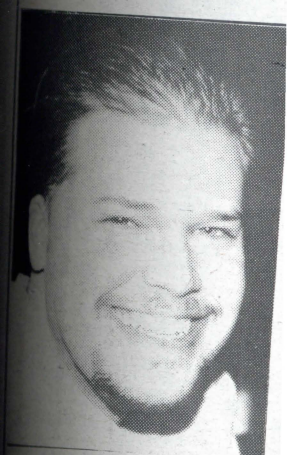
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## The Beacon calling ...



**Darren Hack** is originally from Danville, PA. He received his bachelor's degree in history from Wilkes University in 1994. Hack is now working on his master's degree. He currently serves as the Director of Residence Life.

### Why would you suggest students live in the Residence Halls?

"We offer a lot of good services. We offer comfortable structures with a Resident Assistant. Socially, it is a lot easier to build relationships with people within the resident community."

### What is the best part of your position as Director of Residence Life?

"I enjoy working with the students, not just the residents, but I also enjoy supervising the students who are members of the Residence Life Staff."

### What is the worst thing about your position?

"Dealing with tragedy is the worst. It is terrible when we lose students or are faced with student in an emergency. I would also rather not deal with discipline, but that is one of the most important parts of the job."

The Beacon is looking for writers and photographers.

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## Steel Cage Match: The Niefs vs. the world

When we were looking for a topic to write about this week, we decided to go abroad, so we turned on the TV. We happened to be watching the Olympics and it hit us. SPORTS!

First up is women's ice hockey. The only problem we have with this sport is simple. It's women's ice hockey! We were not aware that the sport was so popular that it became an Olympic event. It sounds like some kind of B-Rated nudie movie that guys would rent for the hell of it (i.e. Foxy Boxing and Glorious Ladies of Wrestling). To be honest, we will probably watch the games, but it won't be the same. We pinpointed our major concern with this particular sport; no body checks. So, in effect, they took the fun out of hockey. Why would they take out checking? We've seen some of the girls on those Olympic teams and they look like they could take it. Without the physical aspect, they should call it *girl's* ice hockey. It's kind of like watching the WNBA; lots of hype with little follow through. It's much like Decaffeinated Jolt, or sugar-free candy. What's the purpose? This isn't to say that the women are bad at hockey, but they are not allowed to play to their potential.

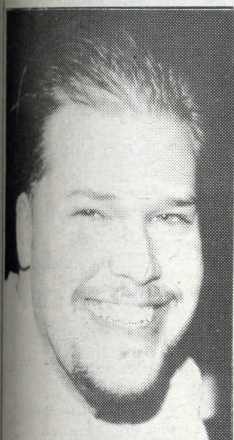
Another retarded sport is the world renowned biathlon. For those of you who don't know, the biathlon consists of cross-country skiing for a distance and then stopping and shooting at a target. The participants then proceed to repeat the process two more times. When they finish shooting for the last time, they ski a little more until they finish the course. In all, they ski ten kilometers and shoot 15 times. Not to say that this event is easy, but what in the world were the people thinking that developed this event? We can imagine it; a bunch of drunken guys wearing snowcaps sitting around a fire in a snow lodge saying, "We need another sport for the Olympics." One guy stands up and says, "How about we let women play ice hockey?" Everyone laughs at him and they all say, "Who in their right mind would want to watch that?" Then, another guy says, "Hey, I know. We've got guns and we've got skis. I think I've got an idea." And there you have it. The biathlon was born.

Another thing we saw, briefly, was two ball competition; the replacement for the slam-dunk contest. It was pathetic. They paired players from the NBA with players from their corresponding WNBA teams. Clyde Drexler and Cynthia Cooper (we don't know who she is) both from Houston, were paired together, and they won. The Slam Dunk contest was not exactly thrilling, but two-ball stunk. We had more fun watching the three point contest, which Jeff Hornecek won. It seemed pretty obvious that two-ball was a lame attempt to get some good promotion time for the WNBA.

DJ Nightsweat's thought of the day: The men's downhill slalom was delayed due to snow. I thought you needed snow to ski. Think about it.

## Roving Reporter by J.J. Fadden

### "What is the best Valentine's Day gift you could receive?"



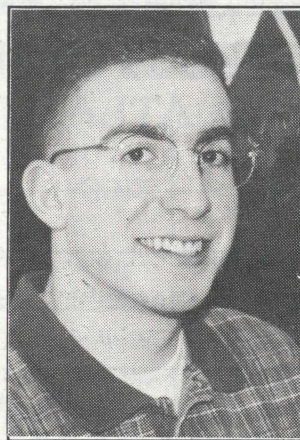
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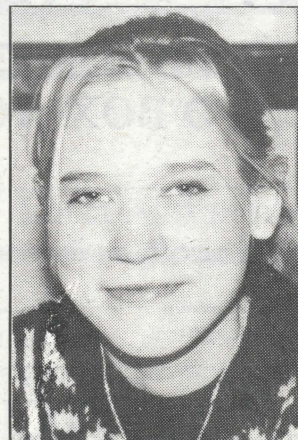
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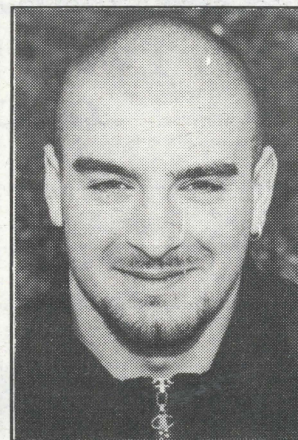
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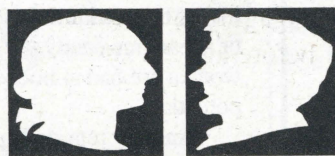
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Thursday, Feb. 12

- Lincoln's Birthday
- IRHC meeting, basement of SUB 11 a.m.
- Programming Board General Meeting, 11:30 a.m., Marts 214
- Manuscript Meeting, 12 p.m., 3rd floor, Chase Hall
- Scripture Study, 6:15 p.m., Alumni House

Monday, Feb. 16

•President's Day



- Women's Basketball vs. Susquehanna 7 p.m. (Away)
- Men's Basketball vs. Lycoming, 7:30 p.m. (Away)

Friday, Feb. 13

•"Kiss the Girls" 7:30 p.m., SLC 101



Tuesday, Feb. 17

- Beacon staff writer meeting, 11:30 a.m.
- Amnicola Meeting 11:15 a.m., 3rd floor Chase Hall
- Commuter Council Meeting, 12:15 p.m., SUB Basement
- Circle K Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Alumni House

Saturday, Feb. 14

•Valentine's Day



- Wrestling vs. Kutztown (Away)
- Women's Basketball vs. Drew, 2 p.m. (Home)
- Men's Basketball vs. Drew, 4 p.m. (Home)

Wednesday, Feb. 18

- Campus Interfaith Talk-It-Out, 5 p.m., Alumni House
- Women's Basketball vs. King's, 6 p.m. (Away)
- Student Government Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Marts Center
- Men's Basketball vs. King's, 8 p.m. (Away)

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By SANDRA KRAMER  
Beacon Staff Writer

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caused by the HIV virus, which is spread in three ways. These ways are having vaginal, anal or oral sex, sharing needles and through mother's infecting their babies in the womb, at birth or during breast feeding. HIV may be present in a person's blood, semen or vaginal fluid.

When you engage in risky behavior, it definitely puts you at risk, but behavior such as not having sex, having sex with a faithful, uninfected partner and not shooting drugs are just a few ways to stay safe.

A commonly asked question is where and when should I get tested for HIV? Planned Parenthood in Wilkes-Barre offers Peace of Mind Testing. This is for anyone who just wants to be on the safe side. There is a window period of six months from the last time of engaging in sexual activity

that one can be infected with an STD.

The cost is \$25 and each test is strictly confidential. Also, the State Health Department offers STD testing every Tuesday and HIV testing on the first Friday of every month from 1-5 p.m., on 379 South Main Street.

There are currently 32 STDs. HPV is a group of viruses that infect the skin. This STD is on the rise and is currently incurable.

"The virus causes warts or it can be inactive in the skin cells," said Susan Smith, Department of Education Services, Planned Parenthood, Wilkes-Barre.

It can also be transmitted without any signs or symptoms. There is NO test for this disease and it can cause cancer. Cancer could appear in any of the infected areas such as the penis, rectum,

vagina and the vulva especially the cervix.

There are some behaviors which make you more likely to contract HPV. One such behavior is smoking because it increases the aggressiveness of the virus. Another is engaging in sexual intercourse before age 20. At this time, cervical cells are immature and vulnerable to the virus. Last but not least, more than one sexual partner in your lifetime increases the likelihood of obtaining an STD. The only way to prevent this infection is through abstinence.

It is obvious that abstinence is the only sure way to be safe, but for the most people it is not what they choose. Valentine's Day is right around the corner and it is important to make a right choice for "you" in a particular situation. Being safe is the

key. Would you rather have five minutes of pleasure or a lifetime of suffering?

### How to use a condom:

- Use a new condom every time you have sex.
- Handle condom gently.
- Make sure the rolled up ring is on the outside.
- Squeeze tip gently so no air is trapped inside.
- Hold tip while you unroll condom.
- After intercourse, hold condom in place and move completely away before removal.

### Tips for success:

- Never let a condom touch oil in any form. Use water based lubricants.
- Keep unused condoms in their packs in a cool dry place; not a wallet.

**Important: If used properly, latex condoms will help reduce the risk of transmission of the HIV infection and many other STDs.**

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unprotected sex at any time, ASHA recommends that both be tested for STDs in a physician office or clinic.

The partners should also use condoms correctly every time they have sex to help protect against transmitting an infection.

Alexander emphasized that abstaining from sex is the only completely safe choice.

"For those who are having sex, unless both partners are 100 percent certain that they are free of infection, condoms are essential," said Alexander.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention, five of the 10 most frequently reported infectious diseases in the US—chlamydia, gonorrhea, AIDS, syphilis and hepatitis B—are STDs. It is estimated that there are 12 million new STD cases in the US annually, with

two-thirds occurring in people under 25 and one-fourth in teenagers.

The CDC recommends condom use for STD protection based on studies conducted among couples in

which one partner was infected with HIV/AIDS. By using latex

condoms consistently and correctly, 98-100 percent of the couples avoided transmitting HIV to the uninfected partner.

Condoms are also considered to be highly effective in protecting against chlamydia, gonorrhea,

syphilis and other STDs that are passed via bodily fluids. Condoms are less reliable in preventing transmission of genital herpes and genital human papillomavirus (HPV). HPV's are STDs that

are transmitted by skin-to-skin contact, because the site of infection may lie outside the condom.

However,

people with herpes or HPV should use condoms to protect against other STDs.

Among types of condoms, the male latex condom is considered the most effective in preventing STDs. A female condom, which is made of plastic, also is

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considered effective for STD prevention. A male plastic condom is available, although its effectiveness against STDs is still being tested. Natural membrane condoms are not recommended for STD prevention.

Latex condoms should be used with a water based lubricant, since oil-based lubricants weaken the condom. Plastic condoms can be used with either kind of lubricant.

**Free, confidential information about STDs and condom use is available through hotlines operated by ASHA: the CDC National AIDS Hotline, 88/342-2437; the CDC National STD Hotline, 800/277-8922; and the National Herpes Hotline, 919/361-8488**



## Bedford rocks Metropolis: New album in stores now

By **DAN LAVELLE**  
Beacon Staff Writer

If you are a Wilkes student and you hear the word "Bedford" in a conversation, you might think of the art building "Bedford Hall" on campus on the corner of River Street and South Street. To someone in touch with the local music scene, "Bedford" is one of the most recognized independent rock bands in North East Pennsylvania.

The band is composed of three members. Lead singer and bassist Phil Price and guitarist Chris Sleboda, are both graduates of Wilkes University. Ed Geida is the drummer who attends Luzerne County Community College.

This past Friday, the band played a concert at Cafe Metropolis to celebrate their new release, *Pleasant Day*. Playing with them were the bands "Grey A.M." and "Everett."

I've been to a couple "Bedford" concerts in the past and have made many visits to the cafe, but that night was the most crowded cafe concert I've seen.

Whenever the band is playing a concert, they always bring in large crowds. When I asked Price about this, his response was "It's great. I think it goes to show that there's a huge underground seen that's not recognized by the mainstream."

With their new release *Pleasant Day*, you will be able to feel the intense energy this band generates with it's music. Some of the songs include "G.U.I." (Graphic User Interface), "I, Sucker" and "Cardboard Box Parade."

"I think it (the release) goes in some directions we haven't explored before"

said Price.

One example of this is a song "Bedford" does with Leigh Sabol, the lead singer of "Everett."

"We've always been good friends and after she started singing with Everett, we decided we wanted to do a project together," said Price.

In the past, a lot of people have categorized "Bedford" as punk rock, indie rock or just plain old nerd punk.

"Bedford" is a mixture of the things that all three of us bring in to the band. Ed brings the energy with him. Chris brings some of the more extreme creativity and I bring a solid pop background," said Price.

As far as "Bedford's" future is concerned, no one has heard anything about a tour for the new album. However, "Bedford" is planning to play on February 20 at 8 p.m. at Rodono's, the cost will be \$5 to get in. To find out where you can catch a performance check the papers or talk to someone in touch with the local music scene.

If you're interested in purchasing their new release *Pleasant Day*, it is sold at all *Gallery of Sound* stores and is available through mail order distributions.

Other releases from "Bedford" include *A Million Ways to Spend My Time* which is a seven inch record, *Bedford: Year One*, another seven inch, which will be released at the end of February and *Bedford and Grey A.M.* also a seven inch will be available in March.

According to Price, you can expect one thing from "Bedford." "Fun and a lot of special times."

For more information on the Bedford's website:  
<http://www.geocities.com/SunsetStrip/venue/4544>.

## Experience speaks for itself

By **ELIZABETH PISANO**  
Beacon Staff Writer

When you are alone with a group of friends and the topic of sex emerges, do you feel comfortable discussing the topic? Well, Maria Falzone does.

This past Monday night, comedian Maria Falzone entertained approximately 80 Wilkes students in the Stark Learning Center. Falzone gave her funny performance of "Sex Rules" at 7:00 p.m.

The comedian, who performed with such personalities as Paula Poundstone, Gary Shandling and Kevin Meany, wowed the audience while at the same time educated them about safe and enjoyable sex.

To personalize her performance, Falzone first began by describing her own sexual experiences. She claims that many of her first experiences occurred while she was under the influence of either drugs or alcohol.

In her college years, Falzone went on exploring her sexuality and never really felt comfortable with her own body. Through unprotected sexual behavior, Falzone contracted the herpes virus from a friend. The herpes virus, Falzone explains, can never be cured. Therefore, she will always be a carrier.

Through audience interaction and a few demonstrations with volunteers, Falzone demonstrated that each and every one of us is at risk for an STD if we have unprotected sex. In other words, there is no longer any specific group of people that are a target group for sexually transmitted diseases.

Falzone also touched on masturbation.

"Masturbation is important," said Falzone, "for a person to get to know their own body and how to take pleasure to oneself."

In doing so, one can tell their partner what they like and need for gratification. It is also the safe sex. Realizing that many students do not abstain from sexual intercourse, Falzone mentioned there are 32 STDs that can be contracted through unprotected sexual activity.

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## It's the real deal

**DAYTONA BEACH** — Spring Break on the shores of Daytona Beach will be hotter than ever with more of what makes Spring Break rock. There will be more clubs, more music, more freebies, more rays than Florida's northern beaches and more company. There will be hundreds of thousands of sun seeking collegians, mixing and matching on the shores of the world's most famous beach.

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In Daytona Beach, stay at one of nearly one hundred hotels or motels with Spring Break package deals. Cruise the beach on a bike or in your car. Play volleyball.

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pool deck, overlooking the beach. Hit the clubs and make a new friend or two when the sun goes down.

Students can take something back to school with them; a job.

Check out Spring Break, Inc., the fourth annual Daytona Beach Spring Break Career Fair. It's strictly casual. Come right in off the beach in your swimsuit or beach wear. The recruiters from about 40 companies will be on hand. Students can fill out a mini-resume or bring their own resume along them.

Interview with recruiters right then and there. No fees. No hitch. These recruiters have jobs they need to fill and most are fortune 500 companies.

Last year's recruiters included GTE, AT&T, Ernst & Young, Sprint, Energizer/

Eveready Batteries, Lucas Technologies, Arthur Andersen Technology Solutions, Eddie Bauer, United States Secret Service, Naval Aviation Systems, many more.

And if you need to take a break from the sun, check out Daytona USA, at Daytona International Speedway, billed as "The Ultimate Motorsports Attraction."

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of these actors include "Operation Condor" and "Tomorrow Never Dies." The new action film "The Replacements" came from the Hong Kong international action star Yuen Biao. In the story, assassin Jojo's little boy. However, his gun assassin in LA is trying to get himself and his friends going to take place.

I must say that I am impressed. He strikes me as a "shoot 'em up" handling handguns in this film.

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### ATTENTION STUDENTS

Wilkes University will be hosting the National Eating Disorders Screening Program on

Thursday, February 26, 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., in the Marts Center Room 21.

The program is free and completely anonymous. Jo Ann Amillay, Ed.D., from Wyoming Valley Health Care Systems, will be the guest speaker.

For more information about this program you can contact Sowcik at ext. 4732.



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## Critic's Corner with Dan Lavelle "The Replacement Killers"



Hello fellow movie viewers. You know, in today's world of action films, many stars are from Hong Kong. Some

of these actors include Jackie Chan "Rumble in the Bronx" and Jet Li "Conan" and Michelle Yeoh, the new Bond girl from "Tomorrow Never Dies." The director of "Face/Off," John Woo, also from the Hong Kong area. Recently added to this action list is action star Yun-Fat Chow. Making his American debut in the film "The Replacement Killers."

In the story, assassin John Lee (Yun-Fat Chow) was paid to kill a young boy. However, he refuses to do the job. As a result, every top assassin in LA is trying to kill him. Knowing this, Lee must find a way to protect himself and his family safe from all of the shoot-outs that are taking place.

I must say that I am impressed with Yun-Fat Chow's work in the film. He is a "shoot 'em up" kind of a guy. He does a great job of handling the handguns in this film. I look forward to more action films from him.

Michelle Sorvino is one actress that I'm still wondering about. In this film she plays Meg Coburn; the woman that tries to help out Lee into escaping the cops. Sorvino shows that she does not only have to play a damsel in distress. She can be very aggressive. As a matter of fact, I often wonder if she was in the film. Not that I'm bad mouthing her acting abilities, but I'm wondering what's the point of her character in the story.

Overall, I think that the filmmakers just needed a big name to get the film seen.

Finally, the story. Although the story it was filled with action, it was somewhat dull. During the times there were no shoot outs, the film seemed slow and boring. Half of the time, I was sleeping in my seat and heard a loud boom.

In conclusion, I gave this film two and half stars. Though I was impressed with Yun-Fat Chow's action work, the dry storyline and the puzzling character threw me off. You might want to wait until the film comes out on tape if you're interested in seeing it.



## Special Valentine's Day Edition of ALIGNING THE PLANETS WITH MADAME ZELDA

**Aquarius (January 20-February 18)** The one you are with is expecting a bit too much from you. Never do anything you do not want to do or aren't ready for. If they can't handle it, Say Good-Bye!

**Pisces (February 19-March 20)** You've been in a relationship for a while now and your ready to drop the L-Bomb. If your afraid, don't be. Your mate will surely say the same!

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** Recently you found out your significant other has been sharing their love. Don't convince yourself it won't happen again. Take time away from them and talk things over when you've calmed down.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** Who said long distance relationships never work? Yours is great and going strong! Have a great Valentine's Day and be sure you will be spending it with the same person for years to come!

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** As Valentine's Day approaches, you wear more black, get more depressed and shoot more dirty looks at those holding hands down the street. Well, end the tradition this year. Go out to a party or club and meet people. Be on the look out of romantic sparks in the near future.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** You and your significant other won't be able to get together for Valentine's because you're too far apart. This doesn't mean you have to lock yourself in your dorm room and cry. Think of something you can do over the phone or send them a package in the mail...Be creative!

**Leo (July 22- August 22)** Torn between two lovers? Make up your mind. One to go! Who makes you happy? Who do you care about more? Before Valentine's Day is the time to make the decision.

**Virgo (August 23-September 22)** If your lonely this Valentine's Day, spend it with friends. You never know where love can emerge! A good friend will become more before the day is through.

**Libra (September 23-October 23)** Your friends set you up on a blind date with the friend of a friend of a friend. Although a great friendship will come out of this date, do not expect much else.

**Scorpio (October 24 -November 21)** Expect this Valentine's Day to be the most romantic you've ever experienced. You will be showered with flowers, candy, gifts and love...Enjoy!

**Sagittarius (November 22-December 21)** You will receive a gift or flowers from a secret admirer. Its not who you would expect, but they are right under your nose!

**Capricorn (December 22-January 19)** You have been together with the same person for a while now. Its time to either take it to the next level or forget about it. The decision has to be made...soon!

## See what it is all about...

The Beacon will be having an Open House, Sunday, February 15 from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Hope to see you there. Refreshments will be provided.

## That's Entertainment

### Love stinks

**Novato (AP)** -- The scent of love is in the air. That is why lots of folks are holding their noses in the northern San Francisco suburb of Marin County. It is the skunk-mating season and the smelly little creatures are looking for love in all wrong places.

Wildlife experts say there are now more skunks than ever out in the open. The animals don't pose a danger to people, but the experts sprayed during a tender moment.

### Tonya sighting

**Nagano (AP)** -- Is Tonya Harding really back at the Olympics? Some people were doing double-takes at the arena where the pairs figure-skating finals were held in Nagano, Japan. The bad girl of the 1994 games wasn't really at rink-side. A couple of Portland,

Oregon, disk jockeys had a Tonya look-alike doll with them.

Dan Clark and John Murphy dressed the doll in a blue velvet skating outfit and used a photo copy of Harding for the face. They then stuffed a cigarette in her houth. The DJ put a sign behind the doll that said, "Shrine to Tonya Harding."

### Axl Rose arrested

**Phoenix (AP)** -- Axl Rose of the rock band "Guns N' Roses" is free after spending part of the night in jail Phoenix.

Police say Rose swore and shook his fist at a Southwest Airlines security supervisors had asked to look inside Rose's bags.

Rose was booked for a few hours in jail before being released early today.

## Today's Birthdays

Movie Director **Franco Zeffereilli** is 75.  
Sportscaster **Joe Garagolia** is 72.  
Keyboardist **Ray Manzarek**, "The Doors," is 63.  
Actor **Joe Don Baker** is 62.  
Country Singer **Moe Bandy** is 54.  
Actress **Maud Adams** is 53.  
Actor **Cliff DeYoung** is 53.  
Actor **Michael Ironside** is 48.  
Guitarist **Steve Hackett**, "Genesis" is 48.  
Actress **Joanna Kerns** is 45.  
Actor/Talk Show Host **Aresenio Hall** is 43.  
Singer **Cynna Phillips**, "Wilson Phillips," is 30.  
Bassist **Jim Creggan**, "Barenaked Ladies," is 28.  
Keyboardist **Keri Lewis**, "Mint Condition," is 27.  
Actress **Christina Ricci** is 18.

## Help fight Domestic Violence at the IABC sponsored Bowl-A-Thon.

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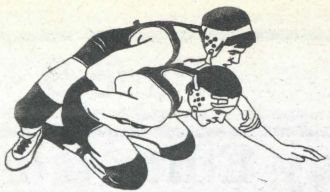
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## Conway is a natural leader for Colonels

### Special to the Beacon

For senior Matt Conway, this season has been something special. He has been to the "Elite Eight" of the NCAA Division III National Tournament before, but now, getting there again is only half the battle.

This season, Conway has taken on the role of being one of three captains on a team that has a bull's eye on their back against every opponent on their schedule.

Ever since the loss at Salisbury State University last year in the NCAA tournament, fans, local media, the student body and even the players have pointed to this season as the

one in which Wilkes would once again challenge for a national championship.

With only one starter from last year's team graduating, the Colonels now possess what could be the deepest team in school history.

Junior forward Scott Cleveland and sophomore guard Chad Fabian have shown vast improvements since last season and sophomore center Jason Sheakowski has accepted the challenge of being the only new starter on this year's team.

Then there is Conway. He, along with Jay Williams, has been a part of the most successful four year run in university history. Conway,

however, is not a starter. He does not put up 20 points per game. He does not grab ten rebounds off the bench.

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**Matt Conway**

When Coach Rickrode calls on him to go in the game, Conway knows what is expected of him. He knows that his role is to go out and defensively shut his opponents down and disrupt their offensive set.

On and off the floor, he wears the hat of team captain and does his best to keep the rest of the team focused on the job at hand.

"What I lack in ability, I make up for in emotion," said Conway.

Every team needs a fire starter and for the Colonels found that man is Conway. As a captain, his leadership has the potential to help the team go the distance.

"Obviously the national championship is the ultimate goal for anyone. The key right now though, is to close out our Freedom League games with wins and go on to win the MAC Tournament so we can get a number one seed for the tournament," said Conway, "It would be great

for the fans, students and alumni around here to watch us go for the title."

The path ahead for the Colonels will be filled with pressure, emotion big games and hostile environments. Conway will help lead his team through it all.

For sports information you can call the sports information hotline at ext. 4778.

Also, be sure to tune into WCLH 90.7 for coverage of both men's and women's basketball along with highlights from matches and other sporting events.

## In the world of sports

### Bills plan to trade for Jacksonville's Johnson

**ORCHARD PARK, NEW YORK (AP)** — The Buffalo Bills are apparently close to finishing a trade for Jacksonville Jaguars' back up quarterback Rob Johnson.

Sources say the Bills will part with their first and fourth round draft picks for Johnson. Their first round pick is the ninth overall.

Sources say the deal is as good as done but cannot officially go through until the NFL's trading period begins on Friday.

Johnson has backed up Mark Brunell the past three seasons.

### Casey on the cart

**EUGENE, OREGON (AP)** — Casey Martin can ride his cart on the PGA tour.

A federal magistrate in Oregon has sided with Martin in the golfer's lawsuit against the tour. Martin has a rare disorder which makes walking painful, and he sued under The Americans With Disabilities Act for the right to ride instead of walk.

Magistrate Thomas Coffin said, "A golf course during a tournament is a place of public accommodation and is covered under the act."

The PGA has said allowing the Martin to ride would give him a competitive advantage over

other golfers. But, Coffin said, "Giving Martin a cart won't significantly alter the sport."

The PGA says it will appeal.

### U.S. earns two gold medals in skiing

**NAGANO, JAPAN (AP)** — The US Medal count stands at two following the winning performances of Picabo Street and Johnny Moseley on the Slopes.

Speedskater KC Boutiette is hoping for a similar result. The world champion skates in the 15 hundred meter.

### Women's hockey still undefeated

**NAGANO, JAPAN (AP)** — The US Women's Ice Hockey Team fought back from two tie scores to beat Finland 4-2. The women are undefeated and tied Canada in the standings with six points each.

### Richter should start for U.S.

**NAGANO, JAPAN (AP)** — Olympic hockey coach Ron Wilson says Mike Richter probably will start in goal for the American's first game.

The U.S. plays Sweden on Friday in Nagano, Japan.

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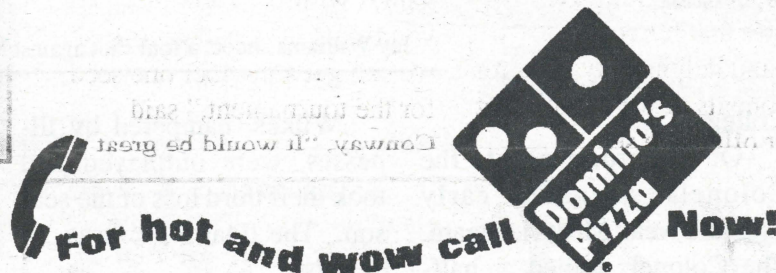
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## That's what I say With SCOTT VEITH

Am I the only man on Earth who is glad that the Duke Blue Devils are no longer the number one men's basketball team in the nation or what? I can't think of a better team to take over the reigns for those crybabies than the North Carolina Tar Heels. Yes, I'm a Carolina fan. Yes, I hate Duke. Yes, I think that Dean Smith should be The President of the United States of America. That's not why the Heels should be number one, and the Dukies should play second fiddle.

The Heels should be number one because they earned it. The Heels have withstood the late retirement of coach Dean Smith just a few months before the season started. They have put all of the ridicule about first year head coach Bill Guthridge behind them. They have received 25 point scoring efforts from Ed Cota, Shammond Williams, and Maktar Ndiaye, and these guys aren't even the team leaders. Usually, Ndiaye doesn't even star because the Heels are that good.

In fact, Ndiaye has spent time at Michigan and Wake Forest, and he would rather be a reserve for the best team in the country than a superstar for anybody else. Ndiaye wants to be a national champion, and he knows that The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is his best shot at that.

Before I go off on some tangent about how great the Tar Heels are, and how no other school can ever say that they produced Michael Jordan, I better watch myself.

The Heels went up against a somewhat mediocre Georgia Tech team that consists of senior Matt Harpring and a cast of twelve no-names this past Saturday, and they almost caught themselves flexing their muscles rather than playing basketball. The Heels whooped up on the Dukies last Thursday, and they played as if they were too good to be in the same gymnasium as the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets. The Yellow Jackets jumped all over the Heels, and the Heels barely survived a double overtime win in a situation they should have never been in.

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# Men stay strong despite setback

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For the second time in two weeks, the Colonels traveled to a hostile environment and came out on the short end of the scoreboard. Wednesday night in Allentown, the Colonels gave up a season high of 99 points against

close as they would come to overcoming the strong Allentown effort.

John Platchko and Jason Moyer, the only two seniors on the Allentown roster, combined for an amazing total of 56 points. Moyer alone

senior leadership on Wednesday night."

With this loss, the Colonels record dropped to 14-2 with upcoming games on Saturday night at home against Moravian College and a Monday night affair against Lebanon Valley

to show why they were ranked ahead of Lebanon Valley in the Eastern Region Polls. However, Lebanon Valley's All-American Andy Panko and the Flying Dutchman came to play harder than the Colonels did this night.

by the middle of the second half, but The Flying Dutchman proved to be superior.

Keith Phoebus scored a series of lay-ups and the Colonels were back to 25 points. Panko ended up with 18 points. Panko showcased his



Photo by J.J. Fadden

Coach Rickrode discusses game plan.



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Jay Williams shoots a foul shot against Moravian.

an Allentown College team that has averaged only 77 points per game. Wilkes jumped out to an early 7-2 lead, but found themselves trailing behind the Centaurs for the rest of the game.

Allentown carried a 13 point halftime lead into the locker room, but it was the Colonels who came out strong in the second half.

Behind the strong play of Brian Gryboski and Dave Jannuzzi, Wilkes cut what had once been a 15 point halftime lead for the Centaurs down to a one point lead. That was as

knocked down six three point baskets including one that lifted the score to a 92-81 lead in favor of the Centaurs. This seemed to be the nail in the coffin that sealed the victory for the Centaurs.

Allentown's strong inside offensive attack and rebounding cancelled out the hot outside shooting of the Colonels.

Coach Jerry Rickrode commented on play of Platchko and Moyer by saying, "Their seniors knew it might be their last chance to beat Wilkes and they came out and showed se-

College.

On Saturday night, the Colonels struggled early against a weak Moravian team. The Colonels trailed at halftime once again and came out firing in the second half. Led by Gryboski and Jay Williams, the Colonels started the second half with 14 consecutive points. Moravian finally scored their first points of the half after the eight minute mark. The Colonels refused to look back at this point. They proceeded to run away with a well deserved victory.

On Monday, Wilkes looked

Wilkes, hampered by illnesses, were outplayed and took their third loss of the season. The final score was 104-78.

Preseason All-American Mike Barrouk, who did not play in the Moravian game, returned to the starting lineup in place of Scott Cleveland.

The Colonels fought hard, but Panko scored early and often as he netted 21 first half points. The Colonels trailed by a score of 77-4 at halftime, but they were not out of the game yet.

Wilkes cut the lead to 17

Dutchman shot 60 percent of the floor and outrebounded Wilkes 47-30.

Wilkes' best scoring were turned in by Gryboski and Chad Fabian who each scored 17 points.

Wilkes rebounded smoothly from this setback Wednesday night with a win over King's College by a score of 79-71. The Colonels once again paced by the play of Jannuzzi and Mike Barrouk. The Colonels are currently 3, and are still on track for a berth in the NCAA tournament at seasons end.

## Wrestlers drop two, win one

By SCOTT VEITH  
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In their last three matches, the Wilkes University Wrestling Team earned one win, but could not manage wins in the other two matches.

The win came against Ursinus College in dramatic fashion. The Colonels trailed by three points going into the heavyweight bout featuring

Wilkes' Jeremy Hoagland. Hoagland managed a pin to put the Colonels ahead by three points. This was the final match of the night and it was also the most exciting match of the week.

Hoagland was not the only Colonel to post wins this week. Despite team losses to both Lycoming College and University of Scranton, outstanding

individual efforts were displayed by many team members.

Sophomore John Conte managed to win all three of his matches this week including a pin, a major decision and a decision.

John Laudenslager also managed three wins in the past week. His wins were highlighted by a pin and a decision.

Mike Moreleno earned two wins in his past three matches. RJ George and Josh Mendosa each earned a single win in the past week.

The Colonels have two matches remaining on their schedule against highly ranked opponents.

These matches include a Saturday afternoon rendezvous at Kutztown University on Valentine's

Day and the final home match of the season against Eastern Stroudsburg University next week. The East Stroudsburg match also symbolizes the last match for the Colonels this season.



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