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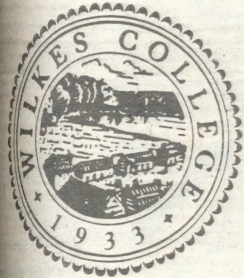
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## Wilkes' Crown jewel

# Marts Center dedicated

by Michele Corbett  
Beacon News Editor

WILKES COLLEGE — This Friday, Feb. 17, Wilkes College formally dedicated its new gym as the "Arnaud C. Marts Sports and Conference Center."

Doors opened for the occasion at 10 a.m. enabling visitors to tour the facilities before the ceremony began.

Wilkes students greeted the visitors offering information on the center as well as their services as guides. Music was provided by the Wilkes College Brass Ensemble directed by Jerome W. Campbell.

The three-story, 75,000 square foot structure's highlight is the gymnasium with a seating capacity of 1,000, one of the largest in the country for an institution of Wilkes's size.

The basement has other rooms for sports activities such as the wrestling room and its adjacent quarters, male and female locker rooms for Wilkes teams and their competitors, a sauna, training and nautilis rooms.

The coaches' offices are located on the first floor. There are conference rooms located on the second floor as well as a kitchen and media room. In addition, there is space allocated for the Registrar's office to be relocated during the summer.

The interior boasts a modern color scheme of teal, grey, mauve, and slate. The center was architecturally designed by the award winning firm of Bohlin, Powell, Larkin, and Swinski.

The site on which the new building stands once held the "old gym," a building that Dr. Marts established.

Thus, as Dr. Breiseth remarked during the ceremony "the name of Dr. Marts is once again linked with a radical new ambition of Wilkes to



**Crown Jewel** — The Arnaud C. Marts Sports and Conference Center was officially dedicated in a ceremony last Friday, February 17th.

secure the support it needs to become a more significant institution of higher learning."

Dr. Breiseth was referring to the early days of Dr. Marts who "by 1926 was one of the leading fund raisers in the nation and established the firm of Marts and Lundy. He became deeply involved in the development of Bucknell University where he was elected to the Board of Trustees in 1932."

"Three years later, in the depths of a depression, his fellow board members called upon Arnaud Marts to be president of Bucknell. He accepted reluctantly and insisted upon continuing to manage Marts and Lundy, commuting by rail each week between Lewisburg and New York City," as the program stated.

"Dr. Marts quickly became aware of the pressing needs of the

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## Capin chair established

by Becky Steinberger  
Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES COLLEGE — Former professor and president of Wilkes College, Robert S. Capin, will return after a five-year hiatus as an accounting teacher.

A group of former students and friends have established a fund in his honor, the Capin Chair of Accounting, in the college's School of Business and Economics.

Their goal is to raise \$500,000 to recognize Capin's fine qualities as an educator and mentor.

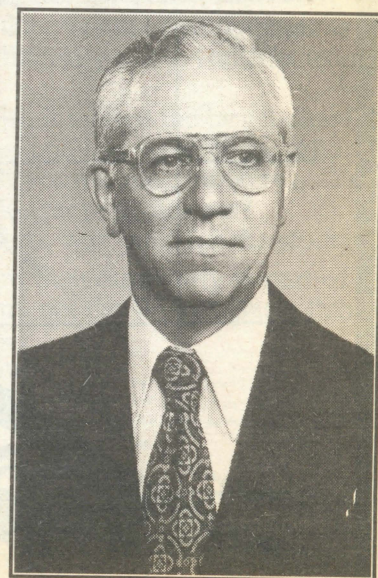
Capin graduated from Wilkes in 1950 with a bachelor of science in economics, and re-

ceived a master's degree in business administration from Lehigh University and his CPA from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Capin taught part-time at Wilkes before becoming a full-time faculty member in 1972, and went on to become Dean of Academic Affairs.

He was selected in 1975 as the third president of Wilkes, a position he held until 1984, when he accepted a partnership at Parente, Randolph, Orlando, Carey and Associates, a Wilkes-Barre accounting firm.

Among Capin's accomplishments include the Outstanding



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Robert S. Capin

## Opinion/Editorial

Cracker Jack drivers  
are driving me crazy;  
get them off the road

Driving is a way of life for most persons in the United States and sometimes, well many times, I'm convinced that many people get their licenses from a Cracker Jack box.

You know what I mean, you're driving down the road at 35 miles per hour and out of the blue a driver who can barely see over the dashboard pulls out doing 75 without even looking to see what moving objects he or she might hit.

Talk about courtesy.

Another common driving technique used by Cracker Jack driving graduates is tailgating.

They're the drivers of the car that looks like it's two inches from your back bumper.

Did you ever get the urge to slam on your brakes causing their front end to ram your car. I have, and if it weren't for the fact that my insurance rates would rise and my car would be damaged, I'd do it all the time.

And still another segment of the driving population are the so-called "Let's take a Sunday drive during the week" drivers.

They're the ones that go 30

miles below the speed limit and almost always stop at every intersection whether there is a stop sign there or not.

## OPINION

by Tom Obrzut

Part of the problem, I think, is that the state of Pennsylvania doesn't require drivers to be re-evaluated once they receive their license, whether they obtain it through normal means or the Cracker Jack crash course.

This means that someone who received his or her license anytime during the 1900s never, ever has to be re-tested.

I think this should be changed.

Granted, all reckless drivers aren't senior citizens, many are.

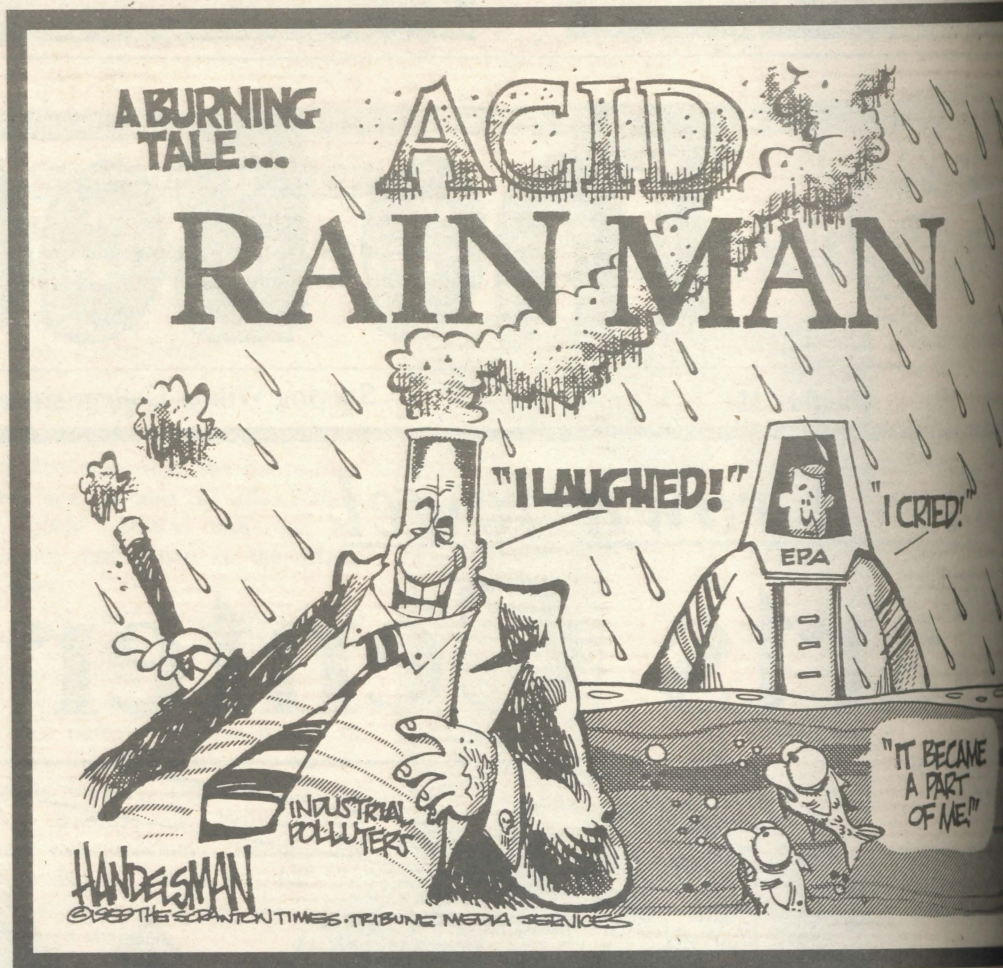
It's been proven that a person's reaction time slows down as one ages. A slight difference in reaction time can be the difference between life and death.

A simple re-evaluation once a person reaches 65 years of age and at set intervals after 65 might help alleviate some of the problem, but, I'm afraid, Cracker

Jack drivers will forever haunt our nation's highways.

In the meantime, to satisfy your urge to kill a reckless driver, just throw eggs at their car.

The time they spend at the carwash might give them some time to re-evaluate their Cracker Jack driving habits.



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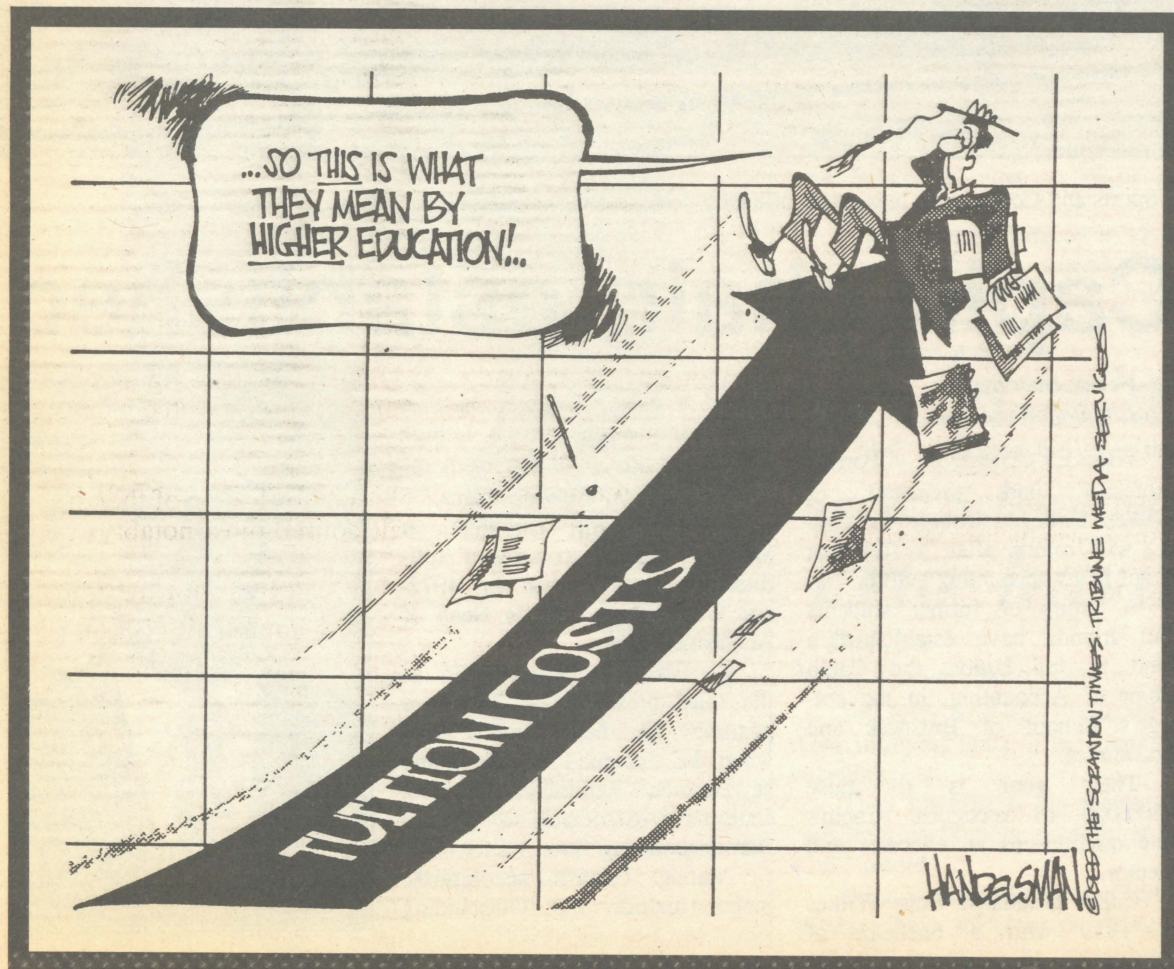
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**More Students**

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My job has always been a little bit of a pain. Sometimes it has gotten me in a little bit of a bad mood, but people take it for granted. I can't really laugh at someone who says I'm a little bit of a pain. It seems to me all I really do is make people feel a little bit of a pain. I would like to say but don't want to say it. I'm afraid, or they have way too much of a sense of humor. I've been accused of having too much of a sense of humor. I've even once sniffed a wine glass. I don't put the prices on the menu.

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# The Beacon Mailbox

## More Student Government response

Dear Editor,  
Wilkes College Student Government truly an invisible en-

According to Tom Obrzut, yes. He addressed some important concerns about our function as an organization. These concerns are valid and require careful attention on our part. It is important that he is thanked for bringing these concerns to our attention as well as to the attention of the student body.

I became familiar with the function of student government during the 1986-87 academic year. At this time, the organization had reached a point in terms of its structure and function. The 1987-88 academic year brought forth a new president and a new executive council which immediately began a restructuring, rebuilding and strengthening process. To this day, we are still attempting to carry out such a process. We believe that quite a bit of progress has been made. However, I certainly won't deny that there is a great room for improvement.

Such improvement is necessary in terms of posting office hours. It is true that our office is often empty. We do intend to change this in the near future. I don't believe, however, that our lack of posted office hours has greatly impaired our functioning. What good is a campus organization whose members spend

most of their time in an office rather than on campus? Our members spend a great deal of time on campus. Most are involved in other major campus organizations and activities such as Commuter Council, Inter Residence Hall Council, *The Beacon*, the Student Health Advisory Committee and the football team. A few of our members are Resident Assistants. We are also required to serve as student representatives on various faculty committees such as the Academic Standards Committee, the Library Committee, the Athletic Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee.

From this it is obvious that student government members are certainly aware of our campus environment. Participation in other activities also allows for accessibility to much of the student population. Therefore, it is not really valid to say that we're only available at Wednesday night meetings. (...and about that desk you saw being delivered..... We weren't receiving a new one; we were just trading one of ours with one of the secretary's from the Deans' Office.)

Elections were not very problematic last semester. The replacement nominations and elections for S.G. representatives and class officers were publicized at Club Day and by means of posters. Freshman nominations and elections were delayed due to the fact that the fresh-

man class advisor wanted to hold a meeting for freshmen to try to encourage participation. However, all original dates were printed in the school calendar. Changed dates were publicized by posters. The polls at the actual elections were open at lunchtime in SLC lobby and at dinner hours in Pickering Hall. By the way, nominations for class officers and representatives for 1989-90 will take place on March 7.

Who is the president of S.G.? This year's president is Mr. Charles Sweigert. Charlie can be found around campus and at many campus events. He was introduced to the student body at the Commencement/Convocation ceremony in September. Charlie has been doing a terrific job as leader of our organization and he's quite personable. Just as you encountered at LCCC, Mr. Obrzut, it's highly probable that Charlie is known by more than 80 percent of the students at Wilkes. Perhaps you're just part of the 20 percent that hasn't had the opportunity to meet him.

I hope some of your questions have been answered Mr. Obrzut. I'm sorry you feel you deserve better. We are by no means perfect, but we certainly are making an effort.

Sincerely,  
Maribeth Montaldi  
Student Government  
Senior Class Representative  
Recording Secretary

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Network.

Another syndicated show gracing the weekend morning airwaves is an embarrassing debacle called "Steampipe Alley." This is hosted by a gentleman who appears to be a cross between Pee Wee Herman and Richard Simmons. Do today's children like this stuff? This guy scares the hell out of me. He may be a refugee from the cast of *La Cage Aux Folles*. He makes Mr. Rogers seem more like Mr. T.

Things have gotten so bad for weekend morning TV producers that they're resorting to rehashing proven programs from the past, yet they somehow manage to make them worse. No mean feat, believe me. Case in point: "A Pup Called Scooby-Doo." How can I make a joke out of that? And Hanna-Barbara showed they have no shame when they disembowled their one shining moment, "The Flintstones," by producing a travesty called "Flintstone Kids." There is nothing more disconcerting than a pre-pubescent Fred Flintstone bitching and moaning at 8 o'clock on a Saturday morning.

The last straw came when I discovered animators are now creating cartoons based on food. Disney (which should know better) has created a thing called "The Adventures of Gummi Bears." It's almost as strange as Mutant Ninja Turtles.

You know, if this idea catches on we may begin to see adult programming with a similar twist. Look for the networks to produce a buddy cop show called "The Adventures of Steak and Lobster Tail."

## Editorial

# A school for the students, or not?

Recently, the College contracted Enrollment Management Consultants (EMC) to "conduct a comprehensive assessment of the admissions image of Wilkes College." This was done to gauge potential students' impressions of Wilkes.

The study showed, as impossible as it may seem, that the school has *no* image. Not a negative image — as the average student might think; not a glowing image as the administration would like to think.

To this point, the school has reacted by putting together sample groups of students to measure reaction to the study.

The students discovered that many of the problems revolve around dormitory life. Incoming students are taken aback by the lack of housing and the condition of some of the existing housing.

Another problem is the "lack of social activities" on campus. Loosely translated, that is a knock on the alcohol policy.

I am a commuter student and I find myself on Campus more than at home because of all of the different things going on. There are in fact many events on Campus, most of which are organized by the Programming Board.

Anyone who spends her or his weekends here knows that the Board ALWAYS has something going on. If not the Board, there are sporting events, concerts, lectures, or plays at the CPA, the occasional "all-college weekends" put on by Student Government, dances . . . , get the point?

The one thing that stuck out as a positive for the school is its small size and, accompanying low student/teacher ratio. Many future students like the fact that they will get to know and work closely with their professors.

The study was a good idea and well done. I certainly hope that the school actually follows through with the suggestions of the committees, not whitewashing the bad to make the good look better. We are on the brink of some very good things happening to the school. Let's not blow this one.

If the study says improve housing, do it. Don't decide just to show potential students the nice room in the nice dorm.

If the study says add parking spots, do it. Don't force the students on the Commuter Council into a corner by forcing them to give out more permits than spaces.

This school is for the students who choose to come here. It's about time that they get what they need; and the \$7000-plus (more for dorm students) yearly pricetag gives them the right to expect it.

## A Giant Thumbs Down

Hey, in case you missed it, the Arnaud C. Marts Center was dedicated on February 17th. Yes, that was during break.

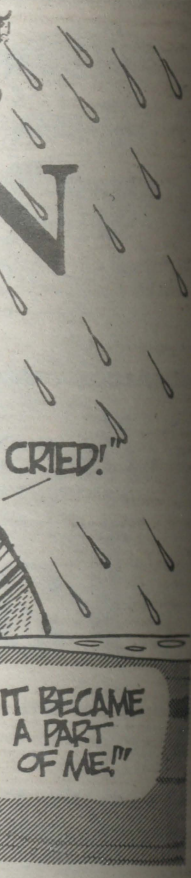
It puzzles me that the school sent every student an invitation to the dedication, yet they would be so ignorant as to schedule it for a time when the majority of the students would be off campus.

The gym took a year to build, it missed the target date for completion by almost two weeks, and had some of the original rooms taken out (the raquetball courts, most notably). You couldn't wait three or four days longer to dedicate it?

The gym, unless I'm mistaken, was built for the students first. Not the community. Sure the community is part of it, but it is the Wilkes College Gym, not the Wilkes-Barre Public Gym.

Please consider this next time.

**Thumbs down:** Go to anyone who tore down posters that advertised "Winter Weekend." There was very little opportunity for the Student Government to advertise for this event and the posters were a major part of it. Just imagine if it had been your work destroyed.



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Grand tour — Before Friday's dedication many took advantage of a chance to tour Wilkes newest building.

## Marts

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new Junior College Bucknell recently established in Wilkes-Barre," it continued. Unexpected "growth forced Dr. Marts to find a leader for the Wilkes-Barre campus." This person was Dr. Eugene S. Farley who became the first president of Wilkes College.

"Through a busy and enormously productive life Arnaud C. Marts found time, energy, and devotion to help build this College for the young people of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Arnaud Marts challenged this community to invest in its future."

Nearly all of the speakers at the dedication ceremony alluded to the aforementioned life of Dr. Marts. The first of these was Dr. Breiseth.

He greeted the large audience of more than 750 persons shortly after noon. Bruce Grover, president of the Alumni Association presented the platform guests.

Frank M. Henry, chairman of the Board of Trustees, said "the mission of the College" was much like that set before Dr. Marts years ago.

Mayor of Wilkes-Barre, Lee J. Namey, expressed congratulations and best wishes to the College on behalf of the city.

Mr. Bruce G. Freeman, president of Marts and Lundy, spoke on behalf of Mrs. Arnaud C. Marts.

Dr. Gary A. Sojka, president of Bucknell University, commented on the close ties between Wilkes and

Bucknell, thus expressing pride in Wilkes's construction of the center.

Other speakers included: John Reese, "the third winningest wrestling coach in the country;" Dr. Sandra Bloomberg, a graduate of 1971; Joseph Wiendl, Jr., a graduate of 1969; and Marvin Antinnes, a graduate of 1961.

The audience was then graced with the spectacular unicycle entrance of the Wilkes Colonel, Robert D. Wachowski, class of '89. Dean Emeritus George Ralston then followed with the Benediction.

A reception followed this ceremony dedicating a building to a man who showed the very essence of what Wilkes is all about.

## Capin

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Community Leadership Award from Temple Israel, and the 1977 "Man of the Year" award presented by the Wilkes-Barre Lions Club.

He has also received the doctor of humane letters from Wilkes in 1983, and an honorary Doctor of Laws from College Misericordia.

Former students have also established the Robert S. Capin Endowed Scholarship in Accounting in his honor.

The purpose of the Capin Chair, a part of the WILKES TOMORROW campaign, is to pay the salary of its occupant using the funds that are raised.



Dr. Christopher N. Breiseth, Wilkes president, left, and Bruce Freeman, president of Marts and Lundy, pose next to a portrait of Arnaud C. Marts. Freeman spoke on behalf of Mrs. Marts.

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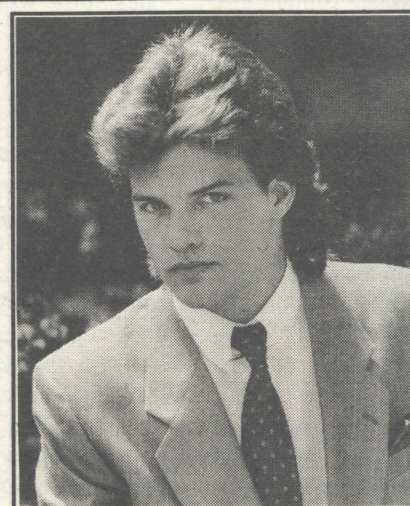
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## Beyond the Beacon

### News Briefs

Compiled from The Times Leader

**NICOSIA, Cyprus** — Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini last Sunday rejected the apology of British writer Salman Rushdie and exhorted Moslems to "send him to hell" in his novel "The Satanic Verses."

Khomeini, patriarch of the Islamic revolution, last week sentenced Rushdie to death for his novel, which Moslems say insults Islam.

**JOHANNESBURG, South Africa** — Police raided the home of black activist Winnie Mandela last Sunday and said they took fingerprints and found traces of blood.

Brig. Gen. Jaap Joubert, who is heading the investigation into the death of a 14-year-old black activist who was allegedly abducted and beaten in the house, said the fingerprints and blood samples would be tested.

**NEW YORK** — CBS is out-muscling the other networks' coverage of Emperor Hirohito's funeral and President Bush's trip to the Far East this week, taking most of its news broadcasts to Japan at a cost of at least \$2 million.

ABC, NBC and CNN also will be on location for Hirohito's funeral. Bush will attend the funeral today in Tokyo, then he goes to China and Korea.

CBS "Evening News" anchor Dan Rather called the coverage "unprecedented" by broadcast news, but warranted as a symbol of "the end of the postwar era."

**LOS ANGELES** — Thirty five year-old Marc Christian, Rock Hudson's former lover, was awarded \$21.75 million in punitive damages last week due to Hudson's failure to tell Christian that he had AIDS.

"I don't know why he didn't tell me," Christian said. "He took that to the grave with him. He should have been man enough to tell me."

Born in Hollywood and raised in Southern California, Christian thought of becoming a baseball player, tried being a rock musician and, with his blond good looks, dabbled in acting and modeling. He was working on a music history project and volunteering in political campaigns when he met Hudson in 1982.

On-line Budget Applications for Student Government are now out.

They are due by Monday, March 6.

If you have any questions, contact Michelle Chiodo, SG Treasurer, at ext. 4108

## Crisis Series offered

**WILKES COLLEGE** — Based on the previous success of the "Social Crisis Series," which addresses religious values and social issues, the Wilkes College Division of Continuing Education is sponsoring a fourth course in the series.

"Focus America: Myths By Which We Live" examines many of the beliefs about the traditional and contemporary concepts that have been identified with the United States, and how people learned of them.

The class, which is instructed by a panel of experts in various areas of religious and social issues, will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the following Thursdays: March 2, 9, 16, 30, and April 6, 13, and 27, in room 409 of the Stark Learning Center.

Cost for the course is \$35, and class size is limited to 30 persons.

To register, contact Ann Calkins, Coordinator, Division of Continuing Education, at 824-4651, ext. 4460. Pre-registration is required.

**The Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Business Women's Association is currently accepting applications from qualified candidates for their annual scholarship.**

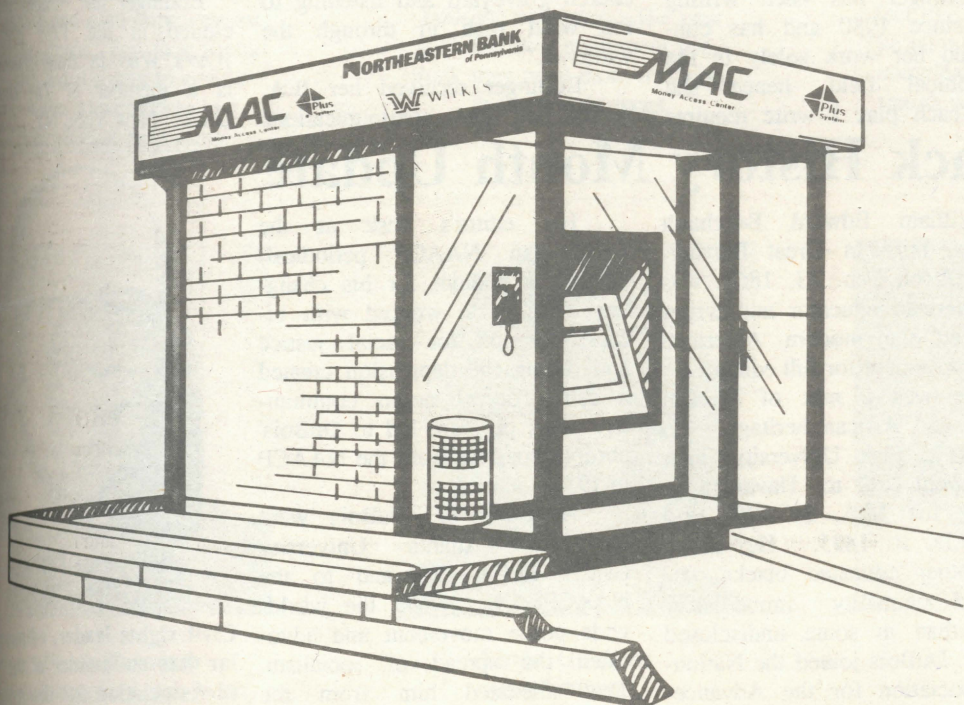
**The scholarship usually ranges from \$500 to \$1,000.**

**Basic qualifications are: candidate must be a woman seeking a business or professional career; must have financial need; and must be in good scholastic standing.**

**Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office. Deadline for receipt of applications is March 15, 1989.**

## B.M.O.C.

### BIG MACHINE ON CAMPUS



### Northeastern's MAC

There's a newcomer at school this year. New to Wilkes College, but not a stranger to students who need cash in a hurry. Any time, day or night.

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## Feature

by Cathy Slebodnick  
Beacon Feature Reporter

# The new theatre news

## Gales of March blow into Wilkes

by Michele Broton  
Beacon Assistant Feature Editor

The curtain goes up this weekend on a world premiere performance of *The Gales of March*, the newest production to be shown at Wilkes College's Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

Directed by Dr. Marti Lo-Monaco, *The Gales of March* is the story of the Bronte sisters, Charlotte, Emily, and Anne. Included are their family members, the Reverend Bronte, their father; their brother, Branwell; and Arthur Bell Nichols, Charlotte's suitor.

For those of you who the Brontes were, they wrote such novels as *Wuthering Heights*

(Emily), and *Jane Eyre* (Charlotte). *The Gales of March*, by Lee Bollinger, offers insight into their unique writing style and editing methods.

Portraying the three sisters are Maureen O'Hara, Jennifer Hussey, and Bridget O'Brien. The remaining characters are portrayed by Rob Johansen, Paul Winarski, and David Zimmerman. All are Wilkes students.

Karl Ruling, the technical director, has designed an interesting and unique set. Costumes have been designed by Mara. Christopher Brush is the acting stage manager.

On Thursday afternoon, Feb. 23, there will be a lecture given by Ms. Bollinger at 4 p.m. At 8 p.m. on that same evening, there

will be the preview performance of *The Gales of March*. This preview is open to the public free of cost.

The official performances will be given on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 3 p.m. Following the Friday night performance, the Wilkes theatre department will sponsor a question and answer session with Bollinger, after which there will be a reception in the lobby of the C.P.A.

For ticket information, contact the Center for the Performing Arts at ext. 4540. Tickets are free for Wilkes and Kings students, and \$4 for the general public. Come and enjoy this fabulous show.



Shown above are the three stars of the play, *The Gales of March*, from left, Bridget O'Brien, Jennifer Hussey and Maureen O'Hara.

## Playwright to give lecture at Wilkes

by Jennifer Gluc  
Special to the Beacon

Wilkes College Women's Faculty Caucus and the Department of Speech, Communications and Theatre Arts present a public lecture given by woman playwright Lee Bollinger in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 4 p.m. There will be a reception following the lecture.

The lecture is entitled *Why I Write* and according to Ms. Bollinger, it "centers not only on the reasons one writes but also the

reasons a particular field of writing is chosen."

Ms. Bollinger claims her writing "to be innate" and stresses that "playwriting chose her and not vice versa." The event is a preview to *The Gales of March*, a play written by Bollinger which is scheduled to open Friday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m. in the Darte Center.

Bollinger has been writing plays since 1980 and has concentrated her work solely in the biographical field, hence she says, "each play I write requires

a great deal of research."

Research for *The Gales of March* began in the winter of 1984. She made two trips to Hayworth, England to do her primary research in 1986 and 1987. The title for the play was thought of, she says, "at a point one day in March 1987 while standing in Charlotte Bronte's room overlooking the small church graveyard and listening to the wind rush in through the windows."

Bollinger received her B.A. in English and communications

from Gannon University, Erie, Pa. and her M.A. in communications from Cleveland State University, OH.

She is currently enrolled as a graduate student at the University of New Hampshire, in New Hampshire, where she is working on a M.A. in English literature.

Bollinger has recently been included in the 1989 edition of *Who's Who in Entertainment* and is a member of *The Dramatists Guild*, New York, NY.



Lee Bollinger

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## Black History Month Update

William Edward Burghardt DuBois, born in Great Barrington, MA on Feb. 23, 1868, was an American educator and writer who led the modern American black movement for full equality.

He was a mix of French, Dutch, and African heritage. He studied at Fisk University, then later went on to Harvard, receiving his M.A. in 1891 and his Ph.D. in 1895. He, along with other educated blacks, demanded equality immediately rather than in some undisclosed future. DuBois joined the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in 1910.

Soon DuBois became the black movement's most influential spokesman.

His editor's desk at the *Crisis* (an NAACP periodical) became a podium for his changing ideas. He worked with biracial groups for racial justice and during the depression created a self-sufficient negro community. This program led to DuBois' abrupt departure from the NAACP in 1934.

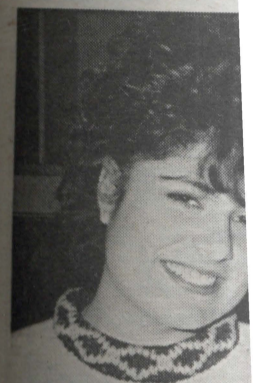
After WWII, DuBois went back to Atlanta University (where he taught) and to the NAACP. He joined the worldwide peace movement and advocated the spread of socialism. This alienated him from the United States. He won a Lenin Peace Prize in 1959. In 1961, he emigrated to Ghana. He died in Accra, as a Ghanaian citizen on August 27, 1963.



Winston DuBois  
(1868-1963)

Civil rights leader, editor, scholar was co-founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the chief organizer of the first Pan-African Congress of 1919. DuBois died in 1963 in the African country of Ghana.

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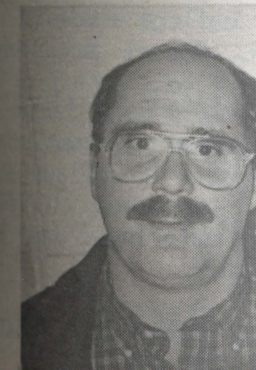
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Cathy Slebodnick  
Beacon Feature Reporter

# Roving Reporter

Photos by Mary Ann Bobkowski  
Beacon Feature Reporter

## What do you think of the new gym and how could it be better?



**Karen Shiabo**  
(freshman)

I think it's nice but it should be bigger. They should have racquetball courts and a pool.



**Denise Caparoni and April Pedroski**  
(juniors)

We think the gym is nice but it needs a swimming pool.



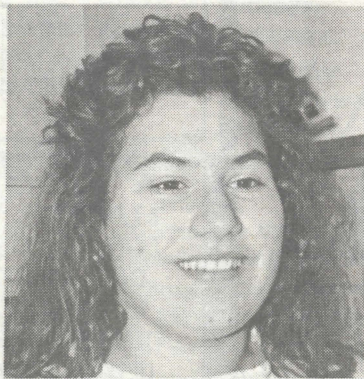
**Tracy Ebert**  
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I haven't been in the gym yet but it's appearance is flattering to the campus.



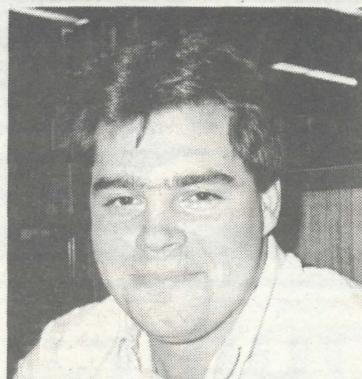
**Matt Hanlan**  
(sophomore)

I think that the gym is very modern and is an improvement to the campus. But, they should have added a pool to enable Wilkes to participate in intercollegiate swimming.



**Diana Whalley**  
(freshman)

I think it's a good idea that they built the new gym. The new gym has new equipment but I think they need more machines in the weight room.



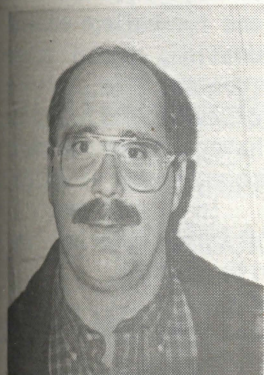
**Girth**  
(senior)

The gym is so impressive that I feel like I'm at an away game. The all purpose rooms should be completed and the racquetball courts would have been nice.



**Jim Feldhusen**  
(senior)

I used the facilities and I like it. It's definitely a bonus. Instead of going to the YMCA or joining a club, Wilkes has it. A pool and racquetball courts would make a full facility.



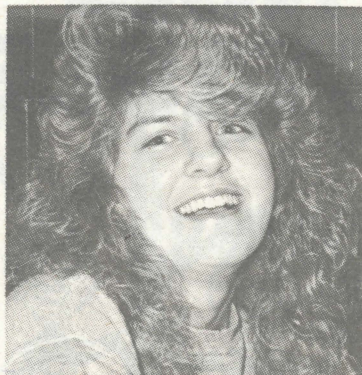
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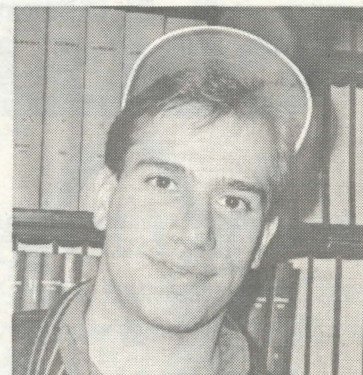
**Linda Gubitose**  
(sophomore)

I think the gym has adequate facilities for a small college, but they should have installed a swimming pool.



**Kris Erhard**  
(freshman)

I like it and I think it's great to have, but they need a volleyball or racquetball room.



**Dave Argentati**  
(junior)

I think the gym is great -- ten times better than the other one. I think there should be racquetball courts first and then a pool.

# Critics vs Readers: Awards for all

by Michele Broton  
Beacon Assistant Feature Editor

When you watch awards shows, have you ever notice that the people or group you and your friends pick are never the ones the critics pick? *Rolling Stone* magazine noticed and they have given us a comparison of the *Reader's Pick* and the *Critic's Pick*.

An example of this is the Artist of the Year; the *Critics* chose Tracy Chapman, while the *Readers* chose U2. Diesel and

Dust from Midnight Oil, was chosen as the best album by the critics. The readers chose Rattle and Hum by U2.

The differences go on and on. The critics chose one artist or group and the readers chose another. The controversy reigned, and it seemed no one could agree on who was best and who was worst.

Sometimes, even the readers managed to contradict themselves, by declaring the same group or artist for opposite awards. For example, the Best

Heavy-Metal Band chosen by the readers was Guns-n-Roses, but one of the groups picked as the worst band was, you guessed it, Guns-n-Roses.

Every once in awhile, however, the critics and the readers do manage to agree on something. Tracy Chapman was chosen by both for the honor of Best Female Singer.

Some of the other more prominent choices included Best Male Singer: Bono (readers), and John Hiatt (critics); and Best Single: Desire by U2 (readers)

and Fast Car by Tracy Chapman (critics).

All people are different, so naturally they all have different opinions. But for some reason, critics never seem to agree with the general population. I guess

it's just one of those freaks of nature, to be classed with the teacher who refuses to accept his own lecture as acceptable answers for test that unknown place that disappear to when you're in the dorm...

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The Colonels, led by Steve, struck again, cutting the lead to 19-20 with two minutes left. A Graves three-pointer cut the lead to eight, 103-95, with under a minute remaining.

That's as close as the Cougars would get as the Colonels to notch the victory. Colonels' highest scoring player was Steve.

## Colonels

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Colonels finished the meeting with a flourish.

At East Stroudsburg, Colonels won four of the five matches and received a boost at 134 as Froehlich, a highly-regarded A-1 player, scored 8-6.

But the anticipated match the evening never took place.

Wilkes' Brian Bauer, despite his injury, was looking forward to countering defending N-1 champ Jack Cuvo at 121. However, Cuvo elected to compete at 121 against Colonels' Kurt Tamai. Tamai, needless to say, was surprised. "The day before, some was joking around, saying,



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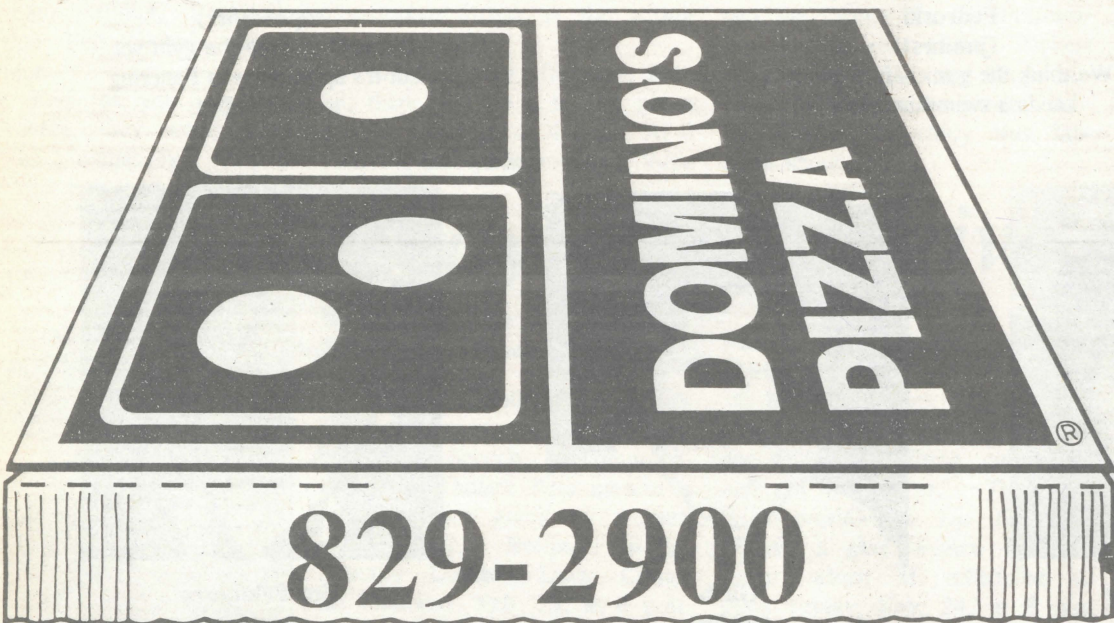
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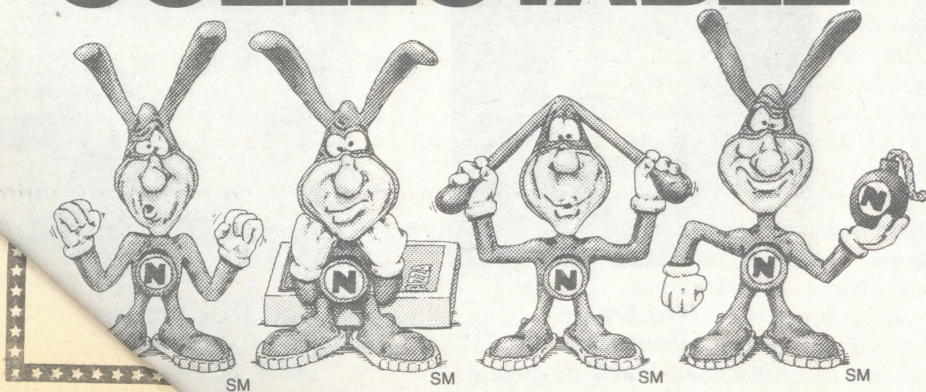
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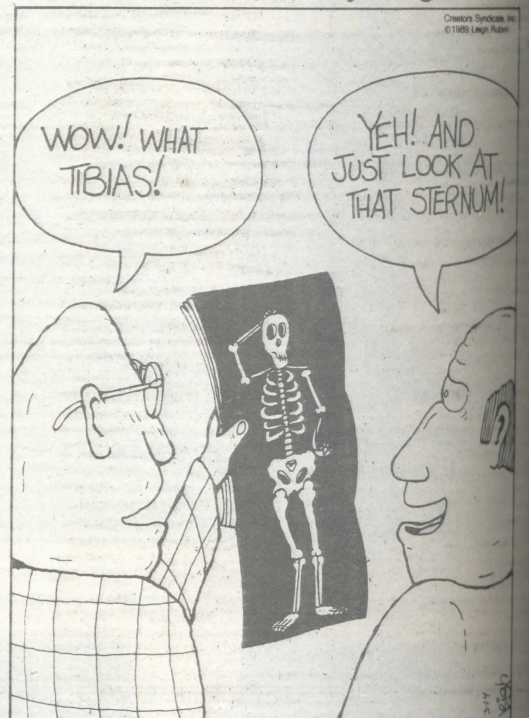


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Leading the way for the  
Colonels were Graves with 25  
points, and Dave Argentati and  
Nolan, both with 23. Tate and  
Argentati both pulled down six  
rebounds.

The Colonels faced the  
tough Aggies of Delaware Valley  
in their season home finale.  
Wilkes picked up a strong, come-  
from-behind victory.

The Colonels were led by  
Doughty, who tallied 19 points,  
12 rebounds, and six assists.  
Argentati added 14. Graves, play-  
ing in his final home game,  
scored only two points, but  
grabbed nine rebounds and had  
five steals and five rebounds.

A few days earlier, the  
Colonels hosted the high-

powered Jersey Devils of FDU-  
Madison. FDU drowned the  
Colonels on the strength of  
Nova Madison's 22-point per-  
formance.

Wilkes was led by Graves  
with 12, Nolan with 11, and  
Wayne Henninger, who chipped  
in seven coming off the bench.

"If we had one more 6'5",  
220-pound guy, it would have  
made (the season) worthwhile,"  
Graves said. "We would get  
more rebounds and be able to  
start the fast break. Nobody can  
stop our break."

That break, *sans* Graves,  
will have to wait until 1989-90  
to showcase itself again.

heavyweight with a 6-4 win over  
Duog Arena.

The Colonels used a four-  
match winning streak in the 150  
through 177 weight classes to  
take a 20-9 lead in their win over  
Franklin & Marshall at  
Lancaster.

Reese commented on how  
the Colonels' late-season im-  
provement has whetted his  
appetite for the future.

"I'm really looking forward  
to the next three or four years. I  
think we're going to be a pretty  
tough team and give everybody a  
lot of trouble."

Reese would love to begin  
causing that trouble at Lehigh on  
the first weekend in March. It  
never hurts to start early.

## Locker

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him down.

"Players are so talented today. They are poised, quick and tough.  
It's fun trying to stop them."

Love for the game of basketball will never leave Graves, and he  
wants to pass his knowledge on to others. He has already begun to do  
so, coaching a Police Athletic League team last summer in New York  
City, his hometown.

"We took it all," Graves said. "Our record was 25-2 and it gave  
me a thrill to see that I implemented some of my ideas into them."

"I have especially good communication with my point guard. It's  
important for me to have a player like me at that position."

A smile crinkled his face after that statement. He must be a good  
one, Marc.

Graves ended up in Williamsport because his mother Lillian  
thought it would be best for him to escape the city. He lived with Jack  
and Barb Baucke, whom he has grown to love dearly.

"Some people don't have one set of parents. I'm lucky," Graves  
said. "I've got two."

The one image that observers will remember about Graves is him  
diving into the stands to snag a loose ball, a frequent occasion. His  
drive and determination will be forever etched in many memories.

"His tenacity was constant," Rainey said. "He's a great  
competitor."

I watched Graves for just one season, but one incident involving  
his play will always stick in my mind. During the late minutes of an  
away loss to Misericordia, Graves dove into the Cougars' bench after a  
ball with total abandon for his body. Even though the game was out of  
reach, he smiled as he emerged from his fall.

An elderly man tapped me on the shoulder and remarked, "Look at  
him. They're down by ten and he's doing that kind of stuff. And he's  
smiling."

"He's a hell of a player."

You got that right, my friend.

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## Correction

In last week's "Locker Room," it was incorrectly stated that  
Graves played his high school basketball at South Williamsport  
High School. He went to Williamsport Area High School.

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# The basketball court was Graves' home

All of us are great athletes in our minds. Most are aware of what to do in different sporting situations. We know where the football should be thrown, whether or not a pitch should be taken, how to shoot a foul shot.

The problem arises when our bodies have to act on our thoughts. Marc Graves has no such difficulty. His body and mind are one on the basketball court, a synchronized pipeline of grace and quickness. Simply put, the guy's got great neurons.

There have been many fine basketball players at Wilkes, but what will separate Graves in the memories of those who were lucky enough to witness his floor magic will be his explosiveness, his ability to take control of the contest at any moment. Whenever he pawed the ball, all eyes in the house were riveted on him without hesitation.

Graves was as much a theatrical event as a basketball player. His act is over now, and four seasons have produced 1,277 points, the eighth highest total in school history. But points don't tell even a fraction of the story when describing Graves' career. He was a dribbler, a passer, a defender, a rebounder. He did it all.

Yet the most evident aspect of his playing personality was the competitor. He radiated desire, and when the Colonels lost as they did often in the last two seasons, it showed on his countenance. And hurt in his soul.

"Losing is an experience I'm not used to," Graves said. "It was tough because when I was a freshman, we were ranked 16th in the country. It's tough to adjust to."

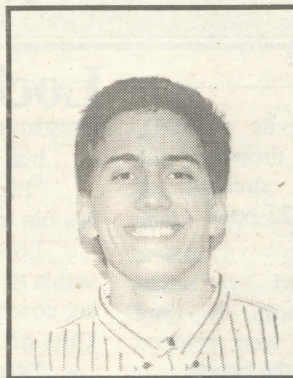
Despite the losing, Graves still knew how to have fun...he had to.

"When a team is losing, the guys have to become close, become a family," he said.

That displayed leadership is one of many traits that will be sorely missed by head coach Ron Rainey.

"He was a leader by example," Rainey said. "His work ethic, especially in practice, was tremendous."

"He was such a good assist man and his push on the break was unbelievable. He was just a great all-around



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player."

Graves' foes express similar sentiments.

"His size was never a factor on the court," said Scranton head coach Bob Bessoir. "He's what I call an 'underground intimidator.' You always had to look down on the floor to see where he was."

Possessing a ballhandling skill that allowed him impose his will on the defender, Graves dictated the pace of a fast break, choreographed it at high speed. He had total control and the feeling thrilled him.

"I pretty much knew that not many guys could stay with me," he said. "That opened up things for my teammates. When they came out and doubled me, that left at least one guy open."

Rainey echoed Graves' assessment.

"People don't realize that in order to score 1000 points, as Jim Nolan did, you have to get the ball in your hands," he said. "Mark did an outstanding job getting the ball to the rest of the guys."

Graves readily admits that the desire to use his ability to the fullest sometimes backfired.

"At times, I tried to go too fast," he said. "In a lot of situations, I should have pulled it out and got everybody under control."

But driving to the basket was a natural tendency. "The Gravy Train," from his childhood through illustrious careers at Williamsport High School and Wilkes. But the three-point rule that came along in 1985-86 was a scoring locomotive to an outside track.

"I love the three-pointer," Graves said. "It's great for the guards. In the beginning, everybody was hitting it. The defenses essentially came out to the perimeter. Now it's a tougher shot."

Defense is something Graves took to heart. He was many a defender. If he wasn't picking a pocket with a defender, he was being a pest.

"It's a great challenge to play defense," he said. "I like to go against the other team's best ballplayer and try to

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Marc Graves finished with 1,277 career points.

Photo courtesy of The Wilkes-Barre Times

## Post final mark of 7-16

# Lack of rebounding dooms cagers

by Lee Morrell  
Beacon Editor

HUNTINGDON — One ingredient.

This year's men's basketball team lacked just one ingredient that would have turned an also-ran into a title contender: the "pure center."

The Colonels (7-16, 5-9 in the MAC) did have junior Tom Doughty for rebounding, and he did a fine job down the stretch. However, what they needed was an Akeem Olajuwon or a Patrick Ewing type, a bruiser in the true sense of the word.

This missing piece of the puzzle was glaring following the Colonels' final two contests, losses on the road to Juniata (90-86 last Saturday) and Misericordia (108-95 on February 15), who out-rebounded them 45-30 and 45-28, respectively. Preceding that, Wilkes defeated Delaware Valley (72-60 on February 13) and lost to FDU-Madison (70-52 on February 11) at the Marts Center.

The Colonels came out strong against the Indians of Juniata and stayed with them for the entire game.

Wilkes was down by as

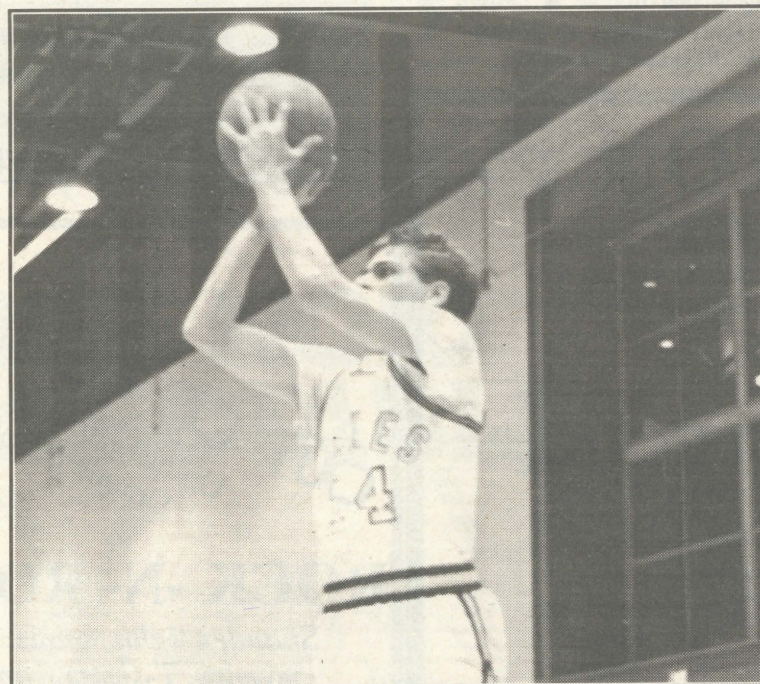


Photo by Bruce Alexis

Dave Argentati (14) scored 14 points in a win over Delaware Valley.

much as eight in the early going. But, following a three-point goal by Ray Ott, three straight steals (2 by Marc Graves and 1 by Jim Nolan) and conversions put the Colonels up 43-39 with 3:32 left in the first half.

Both Doughty and freshman Rob Neira picked up their third

fouls with under two minutes to go in the half, which left the team with very little rebounding power.

The Indians took the lead into the locker room, 48-46, on a buzzer-beater by Mike Welker.

Wilkes stayed even with Juniata for most of the second half,

taking a 7-point lead early on two three-pointers by Graves and a deuce from Neira.

Juniata then went on a roll of their own and pulled ahead by two.

The game see-sawed until late in the second half when the Indians pulled ahead by seven, 87-80.

The Colonels' 80th point was scored on the final basket in the illustrious career of Marc Graves. As usual, it was layup on the heels of a steal.

His final shot, with 4 ticks left on the clock, was one of his trademarks; he began to drive the lane, pulled up at the top of the key and pumped the 3-point "J." This time he fell short and so did the Colonels.

Wilkes was led by Graves with 20 points, Nolan with 17, and Ott, Neira, and Doughty, each with 12. Doughty pulled down 9 rebounds while Graves and Neira each grabbed 5.

The Colonels experienced the same rebounding problems against National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) powerhouse College Misericordia at the Dallas junior high gym.

Aside from their troubles on

the inside, the Colonels did not stop the aerial attack of the Cougars. Misericordia converted nine three-point shots. The bombs helped to put the Cougars out of reach, putting the Colonels up 44-26, with 5:26 remaining in the first half. The Colonels were down 55-34 at the end of the half.

The second half was less a spurts from both teams. The Colonels started out by pulling in 10 straight, including three-pointers and eight points from Graves.

Once again, the Colonels received a blow by way of Tom Doughty picked up three fouls in the first half and left the game with his fifth early in the second.

"I guess it did affect Doughty," Doughty said. "When you get out that early, it does affect you."

With Doughty out, rebounding came very important to the Colonels make their first half. And make them they did. They cut it to a 65-61 Cougar lead by the strength of Nolan's half-court shot midway through the half.

Misericordia answered.

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End season v

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by Jim Clark  
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — One of the team's hardest tasks is to win the right time, to save the best for when it unlocks will matter most.

The Wilkes wrestler made that chore look easy, wrapping up their 14-6 record in the 33rd consecutive campaign for the program's first straight wins. Now the team is looking for the EDWA Tournament (March 10-12), and its higher ranking awaits the smoking Colonels.

Last night's 43-0 drubbing of Kutztown at the Marts Center was preceded by victories over Hofstra (44-3 on February 10), East Stroudsburg (24-11 on February 10), and East Stroudsburg (26-13 at Lancaster).

Head coach John Rees has been a careful observer of the team's development and is pleased with the displayed results.

"The kids are doing great," he said. "I'm really pleased with the way they've been performing. I knew it was going to be a tough year, but we got through it."

"We wrestled some teams early when we made mistakes. We lost a few matches that I don't think we've lost now. But that's how you learn, in close matches."

Carson

Most freshmen enter a college with a lot of talent, but they don't fit in and make a contribution. They step in and become starters, and they become a part of a squad.

That is exactly what Wilkes point-guard Denise Carson has done. She is a four-year member of the team and has helped them win a MAC playoff berth.

"Denise is one of the real stars," says head coach Jodi Kest. "She's a great player."

Carson started playing basketball in her game to the courts of her home where she was a four-year member of the team and has helped them win a MAC playoff berth.

"I like playing point-guard because I can handle the ball the most and I can shoot it."

Carson's success at Williamsport is a great work habit, but she admits she has a lot to learn. "He's a good friend of my father's," she said.

Carson said. "He was always a great player. He made me go to college. He decided to come to Williamsport High School and play basketball."

"I knew Melissa Kennedy and I knew Melinda Kennedy. They were all at Wilkes and they were all good players."

Once arriving at Wilkes, Carson

# home Colonels are peaking at right time

is a natural tendency for childhood through his High School and Wilkes. Long in 1985-86 took this. "It's great for everybody was hitting it. But the perimeter. Now, it's took to heart...and to a pocket with a steal. "I like to get on top and get the wrists and tilt him (his opponent) up." Schroat avoided mistakes and posted a 6-3 decision over Butch Padamonsky at 158; Shaud dictated the tempo throughout a 13-4 major decision over Dave McNamara at 167 and Schannauer's quickness overwhelmed 261-pound Derrick Magwood in an 11-1 major decision at heavyweight as the See Colonels page 9

Wilkes-Barre - One of a hardest tasks is to peak at right time, to save a string of wins for when the benefits will matter the most. The Wilkes wrestlers have that chore look easy, winning up their 14-6 season, third consecutive winning streak for the program, with three straight wins. Now, the tournament (March 3-4 at Wilkes) and its higher stakes, the smoking Colonels. Last night's 43-0 drubbing at the Marts Center preceded by victories over (44-3 on February 18 at Marts Center), East Stroudsburg (24-11 on February 14 at Stroudsburg), and Franklin Marshall (26-13 at Lancaster). Head coach John Reese has a careful observer of his development and is happy to display results. "The kids are doing well," he said. "I'm really pleased. We were going to be a tough team, but we got through it. We wrestled some tough matches when we made some mistakes. We lost a few of them, but I don't think we would have lost as many as we did. But that's how kids win in close matches."

Last night, senior Brian Bauer, in his last career home match, opened the onslaught with a 15-0 win by technical fall at 118 over Odell Kyler in just 4:44. Kurt Tamai followed with an 8-4 decision at 126, defeating Greg Frigoletto, giving the Colonels a quick 8-0 lead. Freshman Mike Froehlich, who has replaced the shelved Dave Bonomo (out for the season with a leg injury), got his fourth win in a row with a 21-5 technical fall at 6:33 over Chris Coffin. Anthony Diaz broke a five-match losing streak with an 8-7 edging of Bryan Leese at 142. Merrel Neal was all over Steve Fisher in a 10-2 victory by major decision at 150, which upped the Colonels' lead to 20-0. The winning ways continued at 158 as Mike Schroat creamed Bill Kissner, 18-0 in 4:21. Senior Chris Shaud, also appearing in his last career home match, followed with his eighth career victory, a hard fought 6-5 decision over James Becker at 167. Charlie Keyes recorded a fall in his 177-pound match against June Grasty, Ray Mendoza picked up a forfeit win at 190 and Steve Schannauer won 4-2 at heavyweight.

Last Saturday at the Marts Center, Tamai (126), Froehlich (134), Keyes (177) and Mendoza (190) were the beneficiaries of four Hofstra forfeits as the Colonels picked up 24 gift points. They weren't needed, however, as the Colonels blitzed through the lineup offered by Coach Tony Arena's Flying Dutchmen, suffering only one defeat. Freshman J.P. Epifanio subbed for the sore-ribbed Bauer and gained an easy 11-2 major decision over Hofstra's David Muglio. The Colonels' lone loss came at 142, as Diaz was dropped by Sal Adamo, 11-4. Reese is concerned with Diaz' recent woes. "Tony is struggling," Reese said. "We're trying to get his confidence back, but he just doesn't believe in himself." At 150, Neal crushed Matthew Solarish, winning by technical fall, 17-1 at the buzzer. Neal controlled all aspects of the match, consistently throwing the weaker Solarish to the mat. "Merrel's wrestled much better than we expected," Reese said. "He's probably the guy that's been the biggest surprise to us." "He has great leverage and he's very long, which enables him to ride very well. He doesn't wrestle well on his feet, but he counters well. "I think he, more than anybody on the team, has blossomed." Neal attributes his 14 wins to plenty of hard work last summer. "I wrestled three times a week and lifted weights five times a week last summer in Neptune, New Jersey," he said. What about his technique?

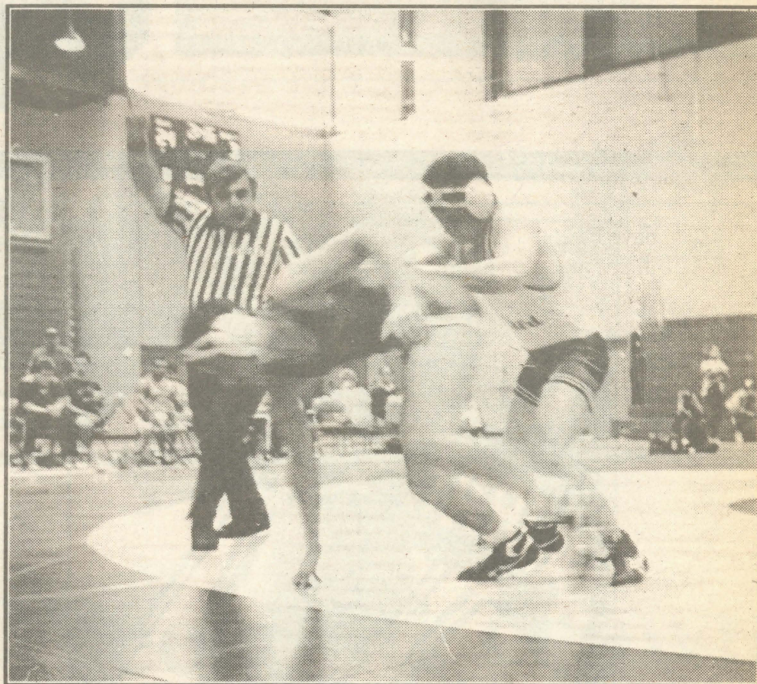


Photo by Jim Clark

Wilkes' Chris Shaud (right) takes control in a win against Hofstra.

## Carson's play, not age, matters most

the Colonels could the aerial attack of the Misericordia converted point shots. These led to put the game in, putting the Cougars with 5:26 remaining in the half. The Colonels 55-34 at the end of the second half was featured by both teams. The Cougars started out by pouring in the paint, including two layups and eight total points. Graves. Again, the Colonels rely by way of fouls as they picked up three in the second half. In the second half, it did affect us," said Kennedy. "When you foul, it does something. It's a good friend of my family and was a great help," said Kennedy. "He was always pushing me and making me work hard. He made me go to camps and play in the summer." Carson decided to come to Wilkes because of the number of athletes now excelling at the Wilkes. She knew Melissa Kennedy, Marc Graves and Mike Kennedy were all at Wilkes and that they were doing well and she said. "I like offense in college a lot more than I did in high school, but I consider myself a defensive player."



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Ray Ott

some quality playing time.

"I knew there were a lot of people to compete with but I thought I could play," she said. "I wanted to start some games or at least play half the game."

"The biggest adjustment was getting used to playing against better competition and better athletes. In high school, anyone can play, but in college, you have to work for your position."

And work is exactly what Carson has done all season, according to Kest.

"Denise is not the fastest or quickest player, but she loves to play," said the coach. "I never have to worry about her. She plays hard and is very intense. She gives 100 percent 100 percent of the time."

Despite averaging nearly ten points a game and leading the team in assists, Carson considers herself a defensive stopper.

"I like offense in college a lot more than I did in high school, but I consider myself a defensive player."

Kest agrees wholeheartedly. "Denise always guards the other team's best player, which is tough when you're running the show," she said.

"Denise is an unselfish player who will give the ball up," says Kennedy, the senior co-captain. "She's the best freshman I have seen in my four years here."

"By the time she's a senior, she could be an all MAC player."

Kennedy isn't the only teammate quick to praise Carson.

"I think she is one of the best point guards in the conference," says fellow freshman Lorrie Ann Petrulsky. "Everyone has confidence in her when she has the ball."

Carson believed this year's edition of the Lady Colonels would be successful, but to what degree was the big question.

"I knew we had a lot of talent, but I also knew that we were really young," she said. "I wasn't sure if we would make the playoffs because of our inexperience."

"I've enjoyed the season but it's been a lot of hard work. I think the reason for our success has been that everyone is very dedicated and that the team played really well together as a unit."

In about two weeks, Carson will unlace her sneakers and pick up her cleats, hat and glove in an attempt to win a position at first base on Wilkes' softball team. But not to worry, Coach Kest...basketball is her first love.

"Basketball is my favorite sport," she affirmed. "I'm always playing. I like to watch the Celtics and I really like Larry Bird."

And for the next three years, Denise Carson, whether on the hardwood or the diamond, will be a sure hit.

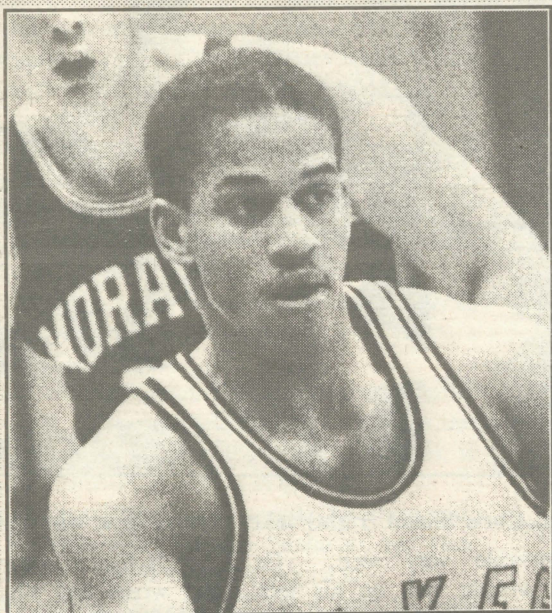
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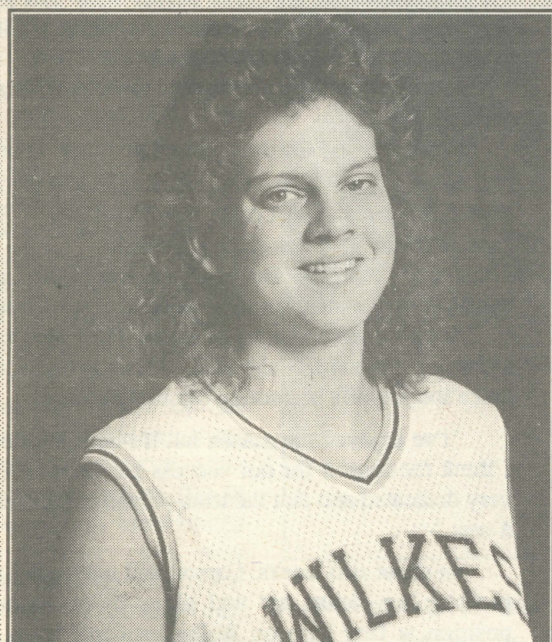
THIS WEEK'S COLONEL OF THE WEEK IS MARC GRAVES, A SENIOR BASKETBALL PLAYER FROM WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

GRAVES, PLAYING IN HIS LAST GAME FOR THE COLONELS, SCORED 20 POINTS IN A 90-86 LOSS TO JUNIATA.

HE FINISHED HIS CAREER WITH 1,277 POINTS, THE EIGHTH HIGHEST TOTAL IN SCHOOL HISTORY.

"HE'S JUST A GREAT ALL-AROUND PLAYER," SAID HEAD COACH RON RAINEY.

## Colonel of the Week



THIS WEEK'S LADY COLONEL OF THE WEEK IS NICOLE KOVALESKI, A SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL PLAYER FROM EXETER, PA.

KOVALESKI'S 17 POINTS AND 8 REBOUNDS IN THE LADY COLONELS' PLAYOFF LOSS TO SCRANTON EARNED HER THIS WEEKLY HONOR FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT WEEK.

"NICOLE ALWAYS GETS THE JOB DONE," COMMENTED HEAD COACH JODI KEST.

## Lose a 50-47 decision at Scranton

# Lady Colonels drop chance

by Jim Clark  
Beacon Sports Editor

SCRANTON — All season long, the fate of the Wilkes Lady Colonels basketball team had been in Nicole Kovaleski's hands when the game was on the line.

With less than a minute to go in their 50-47 loss to Scranton at John Long Center in the first round of the MAC playoffs on Tuesday night, the ball once again found its way to the star sophomore forward.

Trailing 49-47, Kovaleski received a pass in the center of the lane and began to square her shoulders toward the hoop and dribble simultaneously.

The intended shot never materialized, however, as three Scranton defenders converged and slapped the ball away from Kovaleski and into the hands of Lady Royals guard Patti Brophy.

This time, the Kovaleski magic failed.

"I shouldn't have put it on the floor," Kovaleski, who led the Lady Colonels with 17 points and eight rebounds, said. "They just stole it from me."

The Lady Colonels, who were making their first playoff appearance since 1980 and the second in their history, were subsequently the victims of some on-the-court confusion. Angela Miller committed a foul at the :30 mark, when Scranton's shot clock read :18. The infraction gave the Lady Royals a fresh clock and the chance to let time expire without attempting a shot.

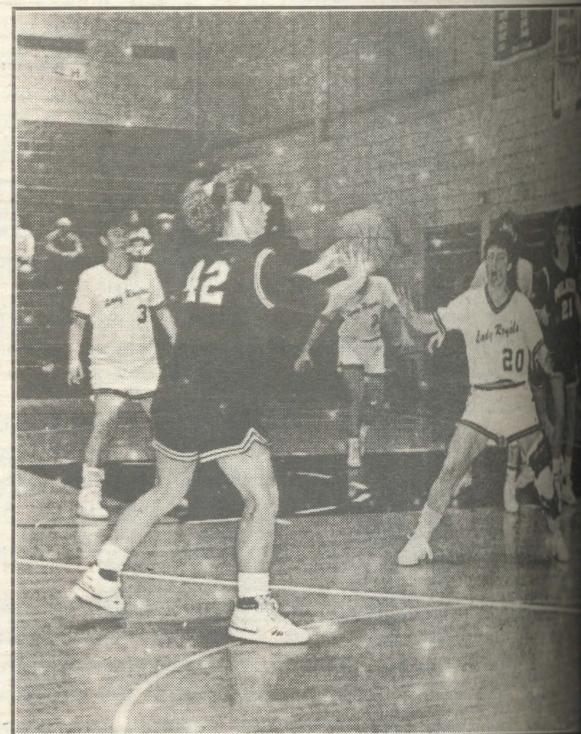
Simply put, the Lady Colonels had to foul. They failed to do so until four seconds remained in the game. Scranton's Michele Guteski converted the front end of a one-and-one and rebounded her miss of the second shot. Time expired and the Lady Royals advanced in the MAC title race.

The Lady Colonels were just left wondering.

Why did they wait so long to foul?

"I didn't realize they had a new shot clock," Miller said.

"I heard Coach (Jodi) Kest and Coach (Vince) Trivelpiece screaming, but because of the noise, I couldn't understand



Denise Carson (42) looks to pass in the Lady Colonels' 50-47 loss to Scranton.

them," Kovaleski said. "I limited time after the mission."

Head coach Kest was puzzled by her team's failure to foul.

"They have to know to foul in that situation," she said. "It was just a case of inexperience."

Scranton head coach Michael Strong, whose squad had defeated the Lady Colonels 66-58 on February 7, was glad to come away from Tuesday's tilt alive.

"We weren't ready to play," he said. "I don't know what it was. Wilkes played their hearts out. We may not have deserved to win this game."

"I think our seniors came up big in the end. They've been there before."

Two of those seniors were Guteski and Marilee Bamford, who contributed 10 and 12 points respectively. Junior Pam Saxe added 12.

The Lady Colonels, who led 26-20 at halftime on the strength of Kovaleski's 11 points and Krista Zoka's six rebounds off the bench, extended their margin to 30-22 on buckets by Kovaleski and Miller.

The Lady Royals then produced a 17-7 run to take a 39-37 lead at the 10:25 mark.

Zoka, despite being a force in the opening 20 minutes, saw



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## Yabba-da Flintstone

by Becky Steinberger  
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The Flintstones came in first place this past weekend at Wilkes' annual Winter Weekend. The WWF Wrestlers came in second and third place with Rocky and Bullwinkle.

"I had the best time... weekend," said Laura Rozycki, a member of the Looney Tunes team. "Everyone on the team had a really good time... It was incredible!"



Winter Weekend participants in the Beacon win.

## Beacon wins

The Beacon has been awarded a First Class rating for the first time by the Association of Collegiate Press (ACP).

## 121 pints of blood donated

A recent blood drive sponsored by Wilkes College collected 121 units, according to Mary Supey, R.N., Director of Health Services at Wilkes. She added that 25 were first-time donors.