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Seniors class gift hits like a ton of bricks

By **SCOTT VEITH** and
BETHANY STEFANEC
*Beacon Sports Editor and
Beacon Staff Writer*

Every year, the senior class donates a gift to the university. The 1998 senior class gift committee kick-off was held on Wednesday March 11 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the lobby of Weckesser Hall.

According to Todd Sloan of the Annual Giving Program, this senior class will donate a gift which will allow them to leave their permanent mark on the Wilkes campus.

The committee, consisting of seniors Christine Tondrick, Kristen Cookus, Rebecca Baker, Michael Beachem, Brandon

Berretta, Heather Bonner, Christine Gaydos, Amy Gutowski, Colleen Herron, Jeanette Snyder, Alison Quick, Mike Rosh and Carrie Wilkes.

They met with other distinguished faculty members including department chairs and deans to discuss just what this class would donate to their university.

"This year the seniors decided that their project will be the purchasing of bricks, engraved with the name and graduation year of the student. It's open exclusively to seniors and these bricks will be part of the new student center grounds.

"Though we haven't determined exactly where they will be used, they will be

a permanent, visible part of the Wilkes University campus," said Sloan.

Seniors who choose to donate to the cause have two payment options.

They can pay \$50 in full by May 1, 1998 or they can pay \$25 by May 1, 1998 and \$25 by May 1, 1999.

The emcee for the kick-off event was Paul Strunk, Vice President of development, alumni and



Photo courtesy University Relations

Senior class kicked off their gift campaign.

successful senior class gift campaign ever."

Several other individuals spoke at the event to motivate the committee and ensure them of the support they receive from faculty, administration and alumni.

These speakers included Wilkes University President Christopher

university relations.

Strunk said, "The fine organization that this senior class has exhibited so far and their dedication to Wilkes proves this will be the most

Breiseth who spoke about senior support and becoming a Wilkes alumnus. Director of Development Claire Fox

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Maculloch's new job, a special event

By **MARY TAMBASCO**
Beacon Staff Writer

On February 16, 1998, Carol Maculloch, of Hunlock Creek, was named to fulfill Wilkes University's new position as coordinator of special events and stewardship.

Her job entails her to work with the development team in order to plan major events that take place at Wilkes.

Currently, she is planning a scholarship luncheon, which is occurring on April 2, bringing together those individuals as donors who have created scholarships at Wilkes and



Photo by J.J. Fadden
Carol Maculloch fills new position at Wilkes.

the students who are benefiting from the scholarships.

According to Maculloch

it provides an opportunity for the recipients to meet the donors as well as for them to be recognized for the scholarship.

The Dick Hyman Benefit Performance, scheduled for May 4 is the next project on Maculloch's agenda.

This benefit performance is held in order to allow Hyman, who received his doctorate degree from Wilkes University, to give back to Wilkes all he has been able to receive.

The individuals who are invited to his benefit are those who have volunteered and supported

Wilkes throughout the years.

The second part of Maculloch's job involves stewardship, which means keeping in touch with donors who have generously given to Wilkes.

This is done so donors can be thanked properly by the university.

It allows donors to know how their gifts have been or will be utilized.

For example funding has been used towards the Classroom Office Building or will be used towards the New Students Services Building.

Maculloch, is a former secretary for the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences and a 1994 business graduate of

Luzerne County Community College.

"I really love being an employee as well as a student, working towards my bachelor's degree in business, here at Wilkes University.

"I am very pleased with my position and feel that the past two years have and will continue to serve as a learning and growing experience," said Maculloch.

In fact, Maculloch is graduating in May of 1998 during which time she is going to move to the MBA or the master's in business administration program here at Wilkes.



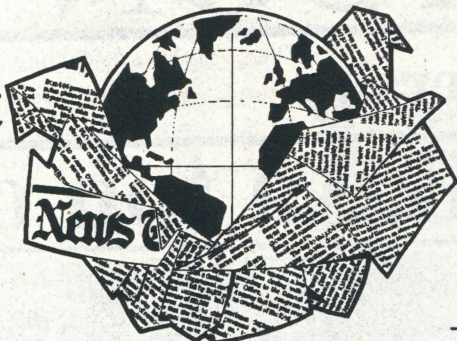
Around the world . . .

Jones case, thrown out

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (AP)--Judge Susan Webber Wright has tossed out Paula Jones' sexual harassment suit against the President.

The judge said the claims from Jones described offensive conduct, but didn't meet the standard for sexual harassment.

Jones said she refused to engage in a sex act with Clinton in an Arkansas



she'd have to meet to fit the legal definition of "outrage."

President Clinton's lawyer, Robert Bennett, said he's "very, very pleased."

hotel room in 1981 and that she was placed in a dead-end position in Arkansas state government. Clinton was governor at the time.

In her decision on Wednesday, Wright wrote that Jones' allegations fall "far short" of the standards

Jones disappointed in decision

DALLAS (AP)--Paula Jones' attorney said his client is disappointed that a jury won't get to hear the facts of the case, but David Pyke said the dismissal of her lawsuit against President Clinton doesn't believe Jones account. He said Judge Susan Webber Wright merely ruled that Jones' allegations weren't sufficient to prove sexual harassment.

Pyke said the ruling doesn't vindicate and doesn't accept his version of events.

He said it only means his client won't get the chance to tell her story to a jury.

As for whether to appeal, he said the final decision rests with Jones.

Wilkes family encouraged to contribute

By **DAVID DIMARTINO**
Beacon Copy Editor

To be a member of the Wilkes University faculty and staff takes great commitment and hard work. It also means donating money to better the students opportunity to learn.

The Wilkes University Annual Fund is set up to raise money for the school and the students.

The Annual Fund program reaches out to many different areas to raise money.

Contributions are solicited from alumni, local businesses, trustees and current seniors.

Full and part-time employees of the university are also asked to donate money to the school each year. This is called the University Family Campaign.

The goal of the Annual Fund is to raise one million dollars in one fund raising year, which starts June 1 and ends May 31.

So far the Annual Fund has raised \$700,000 this year, with \$44,000 of that coming from the University Family Campaign.

The money donated by the faculty and staff can be restricted or unrestricted dollars, it is the choice of the donator.

Restricted money is put towards the department or activity the donator requests. Unrestricted funds are given to areas in which the university feels fit to donate the money.

Either way the funds are all donated to benefit the students.

The Annual Fund mails pledge forms to 522 faculty and staff. Last year the number of faculty who responded with a donation was 199, with a total of \$45,207 raised.

Caryn Cheyfitz is the director of the Annual Fund.

"Our goal is in participation as well as donations. We would like as many people to participate as possible," said Cheyfitz.

According to Cheyfitz, when the school is surveyed the participation reflects better on the outlook of Wilkes.

The Annual Fund has several other campaigns during the campaign season. Wilkes has the Phonathon, Community/Business Campaign, Trustees, University Council, the John Wilkes Club, Alumni Board and the Senior Class Gift.

The number of Alumni which donated last year was 2,923. This year it is 3,489, an increase of 566 people.

Cheyfitz is also happy with the turnout for the University Family Campaign.

"We've had a wonderful response to our initial request for support of this years University Family Campaign. So far we've raised \$44,000," said Cheyfitz.

For more information about the University Family Campaign or any other university campaigns contact Cheyfitz at ext. 4311.

Earthy conference scheduled

By **ERICKA WRIGHT**
Special to the Beacon

The Pennsylvania Environmental Council and Wilkes University will host an Earth Day press conference on Thursday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Munson Field House in Edwardsville, PA.

Representatives from the Pennsylvania Game Commission Earth Conservancy, Susquehanna River Watch, Sierra Club, PA ISRI, Proctor and Gamble, Bureau of Forestry, Department of Environment Protection and the NEPA Community Forestry Program will be on hand to discuss upcoming Earth Day events and will answer questions regarding their organizations and community involvement.

Any further questions may be directed to Ericka Wright at the Pennsylvania Environmental Council at 408-4997.

Senior Gift

spoke about the importance of philanthropy and supporting the senior class gift and Sandy Piccone spoke about the role alumni have in the Wilkes community.

Christine Tondrick, the Senior Class Committee Chairperson, explained the purpose and goals of the gift this year.

"The goal of the class

gift this year is to increase participation from seniors by giving them a chance to make an individual mark on campus," said Tondrick.

Though tradition is a key factor in the continuation of programs like this, Sloan believes that there is an even more important message.

"It is tradition, but even more important the senior class gift begins to learn the

importance of philanthropy. It's the start of their roles as alumnus. I think it's important to help them understand that they are indeed part of the family and everything they've gotten out of their college experience will shape them for the rest of their lives, it's all about giving back and being connected in some way," said Sloan.

Dees shares his "Passion for Justice"

WILKES-BARRE--

Internationally renowned civil rights attorney Morris Dees will be the guest speaker for the 17th annual Max Rosenn Lecture Series in Law and Humanities at Wilkes University. The event will be held Sunday, April 5, at 8 p.m., in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. Dees's lecture is titled "A Passion for Justice."

"We are proud to present this brave and brilliant man, chief trial counsel and co-founder of the Southern Poverty Law Center," said Christopher N. Breiseth, president of Wilkes University.

Born in 1936 in Shorter, Alabama, Dees was the son of a farmer and cotton gin operator.

Throughout his high school career he was active

in agriculture and was named the Star Farmer of Alabama, in 1955, by the Alabama Future Farmers of America.

Dees attended the University of Alabama, where he obtained his undergraduate degree in law.

While there, he founded Fuller & Dees Marketing Group, a nationwide direct mail sales company which specialized in book publishing. After graduation in 1960, he returned to Montgomery, Alabama, where he opened a law office and continued the business.

The direct mail publishing business became one of the largest publishing companies in the south.

In recognition of his published work and his efforts to encourage young people to become active in the business world, Dees was named one of the Ten Outstanding Young

Men of America in 1966 by the U.S. Jaycees.

In 1971, during the civil rights movement he co-founded, through direct mail appeals, the Southern Poverty Law Center. This is a nonprofit group which maintains a pool of lawyers who specialize in lawsuits involving civil-rights violations and racially motivated crimes. In 1980, the center founded "Klanwatch" in response to a resurgence in organized racist activity.

The center, supported by contributions from 300,000 citizens across the nation, has engaged in civil rights lawsuits.

Dees was an active participant in the raising of money for democratic presidential candidates and revolutionized political fund raising. In 1972, he

was George McGovern's Finance Director, raising more than \$24 million.

He continues to act as chief trial counsel and chair of the executive committee for the center. Dees has devoted his time to developing ideas for "Teaching Tolerance," the center's well-regarded education project.

In order to assist in the education of young people about the civil rights movement, Dees pushed for the construction of the Civil Rights Memorial.

The monument which was designed by Maya Lin bears the name of 40 men, women and children who lost their lives during the civil rights movement.

Currently, Dees has been devoting his time to educating people about American's radical militia

movement. In his 1996 expose "Gathering Storm: America's Militia Threat," Dees explored the dangers these groups represent.

In addition to his 1996 expose, he has written two other books.

The books include an autobiography, "A Season for Justice" and "Hate on Trial: The Case Against America's Most dangerous Neo-Nazi."

On January 25, 1991, a made for television movie aired on NBC titled "Line of Fire."

Also, Dees was portrayed in "Ghosts of the Mississippi," a feature film released in 1996 about the life of a slain civil rights worker Medgar Evers.

For more information call (717) 408-4770 or 1-800-WILKES-U, ext. 4770.

Student Government

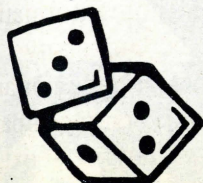
For the Students by the Students

Elections and casino night coming your way

It's that time of the year again. Time for shorts, sandals, and Student Government elections.

Surely you have seen students scurrying across campus earlier in the week, obtaining signatures required to be a candidate for the 1998-1999 school year.

Nominees for the positions of class president, vice president, treasurer and class representative were announced and posted yesterday.



Now it's your job as a student at Wilkes to vote. Elections are being held April 2 and 3 in the Stark Lobby from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All full-time, undergraduate students can vote upon showing their student ID.

Make sure you stop by and mark your ballot. It is a simple procedure and won't take much of your time.

Money too tight to fly to Las Vegas? Atlantic City too far to drive?

Well, you can play those cards and roll the dice right here in Wilkes-Barre this Friday.

Rumours Coffee Bar will transform into a casino, complete with black jack, roulette, slot machines and

wheels.

Popular magician Jim Carrol will also be on hand performing his amazing card and magic tricks for students. Carrol will also be performing "teasers" in the cafeteria Friday during lunch and dinner. So watch your chicken gorilla, he may make it disappear.

After the games end, tons of prizes will be auctioned off, using poker chips won by the "gamblers."

Prizes will include a Sony Playstation, a 13 inch color television, a CD stereo system, a Discman, a 35 mm automatic camera, a cordless phone and an answering machine along

with some smaller prizes.

For those who did not have any luck at the tables, everyone receives a ticket for a shot at winning door prizes.

And the event everyone will be waiting for, the presentation of the grand prize.

A free trip to New York City will be given away, all you need to do is have your bags packed and ready to go. Don't forget your toothbrush.

If you are chosen you will leave directly from Rumours with three friends in a limo.

You will get hotel accommodations for one night, tickets for "Stomp",

dinner and some other goodies. So pack your bags and come for a chance to win.

There is a five dollars admission, which includes pizza, soda, snacks and your poker chips. So join Student Government on April 3 at 8 p.m. for the fun.

Junior Maria Shahda is the co-chair for Casino Night and encourages all to attend.

"For just five dollars, you will get a chance to test your skills against some of the Wilkes favorites, with the chance to win some great prizes along the way," Shahda said.

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.

Student Government funds explained

By MARY TAMBASCO
Beacon Staff Writer

It's that time of year again. The treasurer and three other Student Government members are getting together to form the budget committee.

The plan is to discuss funding for over 60 clubs and organizations acknowledged by Student Government and the university.

As stated in the Student Handbook, Student Government is the largest campus organization and serves as a coordinating agency. It formulates student activities and is responsible for the supervision of expenditures

within the budget, which is then approved by President Breiseth.

For the most part, Mike Rosh, Student Government treasurer, noted that 99.9% of the budget is taken out of tuition designated as the student activities fee and the rest is a percentage provided by campus vending machines.

According to Mark Allen, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, the money available is based upon the amount of full-time students enrolled. This money is then divided among clubs and organizations.

It then fulfills the university's social calendar of events such as the Homecoming dance and

game, Winter Weekend, Psychic Fair, etc. "All in all, Student Government uses student's money wisely for the benefit of the students," Rosh said.

Student Government funds various clubs and organizations, which must meet certain guidelines in order to be funded.

First, a club or organization must submit a constitution to the general Student Government board, so that they can be recognized as an active club.

A memo at the beginning of the school year is sent out, requiring the listing of club officers and advisors, duties, activities and types of community services to be performed.

This information allows the clubs or organizations to become registered as active and they can be eligible for yearly funding.

In addition, almost any club or organization can request funding by filling out a budget request form, listing the club's characteristics, the amount of money needed and what it is to be used for.

The form is then presented to the executive board, which reviews it for a week and then re-presents it to the general board. All aspects are taken into consideration and a final vote of full, partial or no funding is made.

C.J. Copley, Student Government president,

stated that an essential eligibility factor for funding is the club's active involvement on campus and within the Wilkes-Barre community.

He also stressed how important it is for clubs to reply to the student activities office in order to be considered for funding and to be listed as an active club.

Money provided by Student Government is used for a wide variety of activities.

For example, the Multicultural Coalition uses the money for bringing speakers on campus and Programming Board uses it to show cinema movies free of charge.

How does your Garden Grow? Sara Stein will talk about how you alone can improve our environment

WILKES-BARRE--

How can one person improve a habitat? Or increase species diversity? Or contribute to the ecological health of the environment?

Sara Stein has many suggestions and she is coming to talk about them.

The Back Mountain Regional Land Trust is being joined by ten well-established organizations to bring Stein to speak on Restoring the Ecology of Our Own Back Yards on Sunday, April 19 at 2 p.m. at the Anthracite Heritage Museum in McDade Park, Keyser Avenue, Scranton.

She will lecture, answer questions and sign books, which will be available for purchase at the presentation.

Stein is a writer whose books, "My Weeds", "Noah's Garden" and "Planting Noah's Garden" have won prestigious national awards.

Her writing grows out of her own experiences with

gardens, lawns, patios, ponds, wetlands, trees, shrubs, wildlife, homeowners and the inter-relationships among them.

Stein and her husband, Marty, tamed and gardened their five acre property in Pound Ridge, New York.

When they were done, they discovered that they had forfeited the company of the foxes, birds, butterflies and other wild creatures who had welcomed their arrival.

Their adventures in "ungardening" have provided us with information and taught us about the ways each of us can make a difference and enhance the earth as a habitat for all creatures- right in our own back yards.

Newsweek said, "If Stein had been in Eve's place in the garden, she'd have found a way to coexist with the snake and we'd all be there yet."

Ten regional organizations have joined the

Back Mountain Regional Land Trust to make Stein's visit possible: The Countryside Conservancy, The Garden Exchange, The Laurel Garden Club, The Back Mountain Bloomers, The Delaware Highlands Conservancy, The Lackawanna River Corridor Association, The Pennsylvania Chapter of The Nature Conservancy, Friends of the Fragile Earth of Church of the Epiphany, Lacawac Sanctuary and the Anthracite Heritage Museum.

This remarkable coalition testifies to the community of interest shared by these groups.

The joint effort demonstrates the strength of commitments to preserving the beauty and enhancing to ecological health of this region.

Admission is free. Door prizes will be awarded. For more information, please contact Linda at 717-675-2274.

CPR course Offered

A CPR course will be offered to all students, staff and faculty of Wilkes University on April 8, 1998 from 3 p.m.-7 p.m. in room 213 of the Marts Center. It is sponsored by University Health Services. Please call 408-4730 by April 6, 1998 to reserve your spot. The class is limited to 16 participants and is free of charge. Another class may be offered in May.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BENEFIT

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Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to the present parking situation here at Wilkes. It is absurd. There are now 157 parking spaces for a school of 1600 students in which more than half are commuters.

	1998/99	1997/98
Space for commuters/residence hall	157	262

We are told we have an alternative though; we can park in Ralston field... We can leave for school at least an extra forty minutes earlier so that we can be shipped to Wilkes in bus that works in 15 minute intervals. Then, for those who have classes lasting past 7 p.m. as many of us do, we get to return on the mini bus to pick up our car before the 7 o'clock closing of Ralston Field and try to find a meter parking space.

We are told this was the only option. I disagree. For the past five years 326 of the faculty and staff and 262 students have paid \$60 a semester to park on-campus. That totals \$35,280 a year. Where did this money go? That money or say, our tuition could have paid for a parking garage. Instead we are getting a 7.5 billion dollar Student Union Building. That's nice and all but certainly not necessary.

Another thing that kind of bothers me...

	1998/99	1997/98
Spaces for faculty and staff	326	326

The faculty and staff do not lose a single parking space. Their parking spaces surpass the students' by 169. The faculty and staff's salary whose salary is paid for by the students' tuition are allotted more than double the spaces. This is especially interesting since their are certainly less faculty and staff than there are students.

Dean Adams, Dean of Student Affairs, stated that he believes Wilkes' faculty will voluntarily park in Ralston Field. Barbara King, the Associate Dean of Student Affairs, said that she would much prefer a free and security staffed parking environment.

Although when this panel at the Parking Forum on March 24th was asked if their future plans were to park at Ralston Field, heads went down very quickly. After a period of "wells" and "uhhs", one faculty member finally got the courage to say that friends of hers said that they would like to park in Ralston Field.

Overall, I find the parking situation here ridiculous and unjust. Something must be done. I was always taught that an institution of education the students come first. I wish Wilkes acted accordingly.

Sincerely,
Carole Mancuso

The Beacon is searching for weekly or bi-weekly columnists. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to voice their opinion on our pages. We are looking for commuter, adult learner and political columns. Call us at extension 5903!!!

Fair weather friend

Well, well, well... guess who caught the Colonel spirit? It's Wilkes University's biggest fan, Mayor Thomas McGroarty. This past Tuesday at noon, the Wilkes community gathered at Public Square to celebrate the 1998 history making men's basketball team. Finally, Wilkes students, faculty and friends had the chance to make their presence known in the city.

For a few brief, shining moments, Wilkes-Barre was temporarily transformed into the imaginary wonderland we students would like to call Collegetown. The dream quickly ended and the celebrators returned to campus to finish the rest of the beautiful spring day.

How convenient it is that when the mayor gets some positive P.R. for the city he is suddenly jumping on the Colonel bandwagon. Where were you during the regular season, sir? Or better yet, where have you been whenever any Wilkes students have gone above and beyond?

Whether or not you wish to recognize the fact, this campus is littered with individuals who are making a difference in the Wilkes-Barre community, in the state of Pennsylvania, in our nation as well as abroad.

If this is your feeble attempt at appeasing a population you have turned your back on time and time again, you have not succeeded. As a community, we are not fooled by your brief act of kindness towards our university.

You have certainly made your negative feelings towards Wilkes University's administration and students clear in recent months. Your display on Tuesday would have been a brilliant gesture, however once again your efforts are too little and too late.

Congratulations to the men's basketball team and the Wilkes community once again. Let's continue to keep our heads high and promote the pride that we as a campus have established without any help from the mayor's office.



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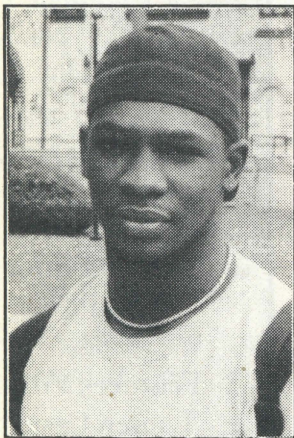
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Roving Reporter

by J.J. Fadden

"What is your favorite part of Spring at Wilkes?"



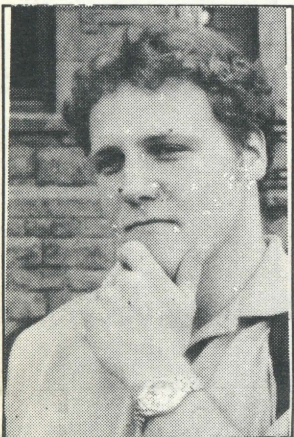
Justin Holmes

"Quality time on the bench."



Brandon Carlin

"Seeing all the lovely ladies at Wilkes walking by."



Chris Shannon

"Construction on the new student union."



Theresa Kramer

"Every single student trying to get a last minute fling in before break."



Tara Boyce

"Color in the trees."



Donna Talarico

"Watching the guys plays basketball with their shirts off."

Steel Cage Match: The Niefs vs. the world

This week some serious crap went down. The event that sticks out in our minds at the moment is the shooting in Jonesberg, Arkansas. If you haven't heard about this, you are without a doubt, dumb, deaf and blind. For some reason, these two messed up puppies wanted to shoot their classmates. They set off the fire alarms in the school and when everyone was lined up outside, they opened fire on the crowd.

Obviously, this is no laughing matter, but what the hell is happening to the youth of America? When we were in middle school, the most violent action was two kids getting into a fight. These little monsters planned a bloodbath. They are too young to be tried as adults. From what we've heard, they'll be released after their 18th birthday according to Arkansas law. It is hard to describe how disturbing it is that these little knee-biters will be free a couple of years after we graduate. Does anyone think that these kids will be rehabilitated after five years in the big house? Adults serve longer sentences for attempted murder. This case presents an important issue: child criminals.

Some people would say that these children were influenced by their environment, that if they hadn't seen graphic violence on T.V. they would never have committed this crime. That is the biggest load of crap. If that were true, this would have happened years ago. It's not like the concept of T.V. violence is new. Why didn't this kind of thing happen back in the eighties? Maybe because it has nothing to do with T.V. violence, just a couple of screwed up children. Why shouldn't a kid who acts as an adult be tried as one? It is impossible to say that these kids did not realize what it was that they were doing. They brought nine guns to school and opened fire into a crowd of students and teachers. Adult crime equals adult time. That should be the rule. The only limitation should be capitol punishment. It is going a little far to give someone the chair for what they did as a kid. Throw them into jail until they forget what the outside world looks like. With good behavior, maybe they'll get parole by the time they're 40 years old.

How disturbed does a child have to be to pull a gun on a crowd of people and shoot, especially when some of his or her friends are in the crowd? Our firm belief is that these kids need to get some serious therapy. They have some serious issues that need to be resolved with the help of professionals. Anyway, if you've got something to tell or ask us try niedma@wilkes.edu and neidmb@wilkes.edu.

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Ten total prizes will be awarded. Five at Wilkes University and five at Kings College.

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- Contest begins on 4/1/98 and ends at 3:00 am on 5/1/98.
- Your Dorm/Floor will receive one point for each \$1.00 spent during the contest period.
- The winner is the group that accumulates the most points per resident. Larger groups DO NOT have an advantage over smaller groups.
- Winners will be notified through their RJA.
- The location and times of the parties will be convenient to both the winners and Domino's Pizza.

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Representatives and Class officer Elections

Thursday & Friday, April 2, 3 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. @ SLC Lobby

Presidential Nominations

Due: Tuesday, April 14 @ the SG Office by 4:30 p.m.

Presidential Debates

Thursday, April 16 in SLC 166 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Presidential Elections

Friday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in SLC Lobby

*The Executive Board Nominations will be taken during the SG meeting on Wednesday, April 22

*The Executive Board Elections will be during the SG meeting on Wednesday, April 29

DAY BY

DAY

A student's guide to
Wilkes University
Activities

Sunday, April 5

•DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
BEGINS at 2 a.m., TURN YOUR
CLOCKS BACK!
•PALM SUNDAY

•Baseball vs. Bloomfield 1 p.m.
(HOME)

•Rosenn Lecture, Morris Dees, 8 p.m.,
CPA

Thursday, April 2

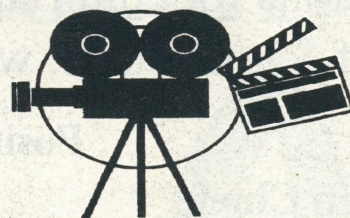
- IRHC meeting, 11 a.m., SUB basement
- Programming Board General Meeting,
11:30 a.m., Marts 214
- Manuscript Meeting, 12 p.m., 3rd floor,
Chase Hall
- Baseball vs. Misericordia 3 p.m.
(HOME)
- Scripture Study, 6:15 p.m., Alumni
House

Monday, April 6

- Golf vs. Scranton/Misericordia 1 p.m.
(HOME)
- Baseball vs. Albright 3 p.m. (AWAY)
- Student Community Service Council
Meeting, 3rd floor SUB, 5 p.m.

Friday, April 3

- Flubber, 6 p.m., SLC 101
- Casino Night, 8 p.m., Rumours



Tuesday, April 7

- NATIONAL STUDENT ATHLETE
DAY
- Amnicola Meeting, 3rd floor Chase Hall,
11:15 a.m.
- Commuter Council meeting, 12:15 p.m.,
SUB basement
- Softball vs. Delaware Valley 1 p.m.
(HOME)
- Tennis vs. Albright, 3:30 p.m. (HOME)
- Circle K meeting, 5:30 p.m., Alumni
House
- MSC's Film Festival, 8 p.m. CPA

Saturday, April 4

- Dental Admissions Test
- Graduate Record Examination
- Pharmacy College Admission Test
- Softball vs. Drew (AWAY) 1 p.m.
- Baseball vs.
Delaware Valley 1 p.m. (AWAY)
- Tennis vs. Lycoming 1 p.m. (AWAY)

Wednesday, April 8

- Scripture Study, Alumni House,
12 p.m.
- Golf vs. Lycoming, 1 p.m. (HOME)
- Talk It Out, 5 p.m., Alumni House
- EASTER RECESS BEGINS



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Advertising Editor
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Copy Editors (2)

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Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Major/Year:

Position(s) of interest:

Have you previously served on *The Beacon Staff*? If so, in what capacity?

What do you feel you can offer *The Beacon*?

What changes would you implement to improve *The Beacon*?

Previous or related experience in position you are applying for:

Other qualities you feel make you a strong candidate for position:

Applications must be dropped off c/o Lynn Elko at the communications department office, second floor, Capin Hall by April 8, 1998. All applicants must make an evening appointment for a personal interview between April 14 -16. The new *Beacon* staff will need to be available Wednesday evening, April 23 to become acquainted with *Beacon* layout procedures. New staff members will also be required to meet at least once in August before the fall semester begins. For further information, please call *The Beacon* at 408-5903 or Lynn Elko at 455-3599.

****Two tear sheets must accompany this form for all editorial positions. ****

April 2,

Self

By CAROLE M

Beacon Staff Writer

Breast Cancer
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These tumors do
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By JOHN LONG

Beacon Staff Writer

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the 6.2 mile walk will

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Self examination, key to early detection

CAROLE MANCUSO
Beacon Staff Writer

Breast Cancer. It is a dreadful disease that can occur in anyone and it can be prevented. So, what is it and how can it be prevented? Breast Cancer is a malignant tumor that develops from cells at the site. This disease occurs most frequently in women, but surprisingly enough, in men

Although this tumor is found in the breast, it does not automatically mean it is cancerous. Actually, most tumors are benign. Some examples of these benign tumors are: fibroadenomas and lipomas. These tumors do not grow outside of the breast

and are not life threatening.

Unfortunately, there is no way to prevent this terrible disease. Therefore, early detection is vital.

If the cancerous tumor is found in the early stages removal of it is likely.

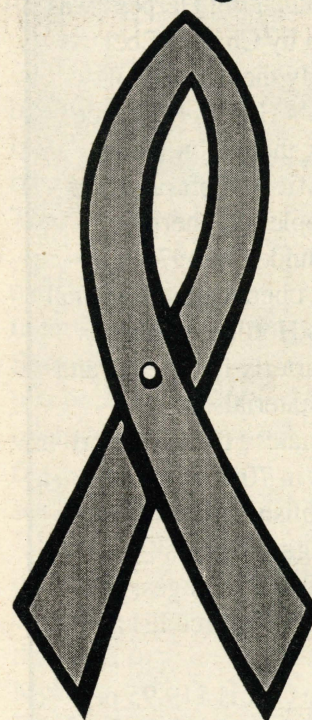
So how exactly is a tumor in the breast detected?

Well, women should have a clinical breast examination, by a health professional, once every three years.

In addition, the Breast Self Examination (BSE) should be done once a month. The test should be done the same day every month about a week after the menstrual cycle ends.

The American Cancer Society provide the following instructions for a Breast Self Examination:

1. Lie down with a pillow under the right shoulder. Place right arm behind head.
2. Use the finger pad of the three middle fingers on the left hand to feel for lumps in the right breast. The finger pads are the top third of every finger.
3. Press firmly enough to know how the breast feels. A firm ridge in the lower curve of each breast is normal.
4. Move around the breast in a set way. Either in a circle pattern or going up and down.
5. Repeat the exam on left breast, using the



finger pads of the right hand.

6. If any changes or differences are felt, see a doctor immediately.

7. Repeat the examination of both breasts while standing, with one arm behind head. The upright position makes it easier to check the upper and outer parts of breasts. This is where half of the breast cancer is found.

8. For added safety, check breast by standing in front of a mirror. See if there are any changes in the way the breasts look, such as dimpling of the skin, redness or swelling.

To be put in contact with breast cancer survivors and those supporting women in the fight against breast cancer, contact our local **Breast Cancer Support Group at (717) 283-7222.**

These feet were made for walking

JOHN LONG
Beacon Staff Writer

School will be letting out and believe it or not there are still worthwhile events to take part in here on campus before you go home.

Walk America is sponsored by the March of Dimes. This charity is now in its 50th year of fighting birth defects. The mission of the March of Dimes is to fund research and to alert people about birth defects in the United States.

Walk America is one of the largest, biggest and most successful walk-a-thons in the United States. Walk America will take place on Sunday April 26. Registration will be held at the Student Center at 8:00 a.m. and the 2 mile walk will begin

at 9:00 a.m.

The money raised is used to fund DNA research for preventing genetic birth defects and also sponsors the SuperCupboard, a program which teaches pregnant woman about nutrition and self-esteem.

Money is also used to sponsor the Mobil Outreach Maternity or "MOM." Wilkes University has participated in the walk for five years.

Last year 29 students and faculty members were involved. To join this year, contact Amy Mazur at the office of Volunteer Services, located on the third floor of Conyngham Student Center.

Sponsor sheets can also be picked up here.

Prizes will be given to



those with the highest amounts collected. Limited Edition Walk America T-shirts and sweat shirts will also be available.

Walk America Denim shirts will be available for purchase, with the proceeds

going to the March of Dimes.

For those walkers who collect \$75 or more, a special catalog will be available to them for selection of other prizes.

For those who walk or for those who can't walk but want to make a contribution, Wilkes is sponsoring their own "Defect" Birth Defects program.

You can participate in this program by buying one of the "feet" from the Volunteer Services office on the third floor of Conyngham. The "feet" cost \$1 and will be posted on the windows of COB.

The senior class would like to make the class of 1998 aware that in order for the senior cruise to take place, many more people must sign up. Money is due April 15. If our quota of 120 people is not met, the trip will be cancelled.

We have received a positive response from students, we need you to pay for your tickets.

Tickets cost \$45.00 per person. Checks can be made out to Wilkes University Senior Class.

Date: Tuesday, May 12
Price includes: cruise, bus, food and one drink ticket, NYC happy hour, dancing and time in the city.

Everyone is welcome, you do not have to be a senior, nor must you be 21 years of age.

If you have any questions, please call Michael Beachem at ext. 5038, Rich Quigley at ext. 5057, Kendra Dolan at 819-3692, Melanie Bell at 822-2692 or

Life goes on...

By SHARON BROOM
Special to the Beacon

A recent study by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention found that one in five people in the United States age 12 or older is infected with genital herpes.

To help those diagnosed with herpes manage the infection more effectively, the American Social Health Association has published the second edition of its 1994 book "Managing Herpes: How to Live and Love with a Chronic STD."

There is updated information on several subjects including treatment options.

According to a review in the *Library Journal*, "Written for lay readers, ("Managing Herpes") provides the latest information on the diagnosis and treatment of genital herpes as well as balanced, supportive advice on living with this chronic disease.

The author is very reassuring as he tells readers that "normal life, including sexual relationships and childbearing, is possible and several options are available for managing outbreaks."

The new edition features an expanded chapter on treatment options. In addition to valacyclovir, marked since 1982 and now available as a generic drug.

The doctors can prescribe valacyclovir and famciclovir, which are more effective for some patients because they boost the absorption of the medication into the body.

The book also discusses herpes and pregnancy in more detail and includes new

information on asymptomatic shedding-periods when the infection can be transmitted although no symptoms are present.

"Managing Herpes" was written by Charles Ebel, formerly the director of ASHA's Herpes Resource Center, the nation's only nonprofit support program for people with herpes.

Founded in 1979, the Center operates the National Herpes Hotline, publishes the quarterly newsletter and other materials and coordinates HELP support groups in 70 U.S. cities.

Published in softcover, "Managing Herpes" comprises 236 pages, a glossary, resource list and index.

The cost is \$19.95 per copy, plus \$ 5 for shipping and handling. Bulk discounts are available.

Copies may be ordered through the ASHA Resource Center, (800) 230-6039, or the National Herpes Hotline, (919) 361-8488. To order by mail, send \$24.95 to: ASHA Herpes Resource Center, Dept. PR88 P.O. Box 13827, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

April is STD Awareness Month

This is the time when many students should become aware of the many STDs which are infected millions of Americans. Take the time out to go and do some research. There are many clinics in the area which have resources containing material on many of the prevention of these STDs. If you have any questions you can check in the blue pages of the phone book for clinics. You can call Planned Parenthood to make an appointment at 824-8921.

Expemplifying excellence in education

By CAROLE MANCUSO
Beacon Staff Writer

The Eugene S. Farley Memorial Alumni Award will be presented in August, at Wilkes' annual Summer Commencement Program.

This award will commemorate and honor Eugene S. Farley. Farley, the university's first president when it was known as Bucknell Junior College. Farley resided in our present Alumni House.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors will choose the recipient of the award from the nominees who have been selected by the nominations committee.

This prestigious award is given to the alumnus(a) who

shows the characteristics of an educated person as formulated by the Wilkes faculty in the 1948 creed, "Marks of an Educated Person".

According to the faculty of Wilkes College in 1948, an educated person: Seeks truth, for without there can be no understanding;

Possesses vision, for vision precedes all great attainments, is aware of diversity of ideas and beliefs that exist among people;

Knows that progress requires intellectual vigor, moral courage and physical endurance;

Cultivates inner resources and spiritual strength, for they enrich our daily living and sustain us in

times of crisis;

Has ethical standards which form the basis for creating and maintaining personal and public relationships;

Respects the religious convictions of all; Participates constructively in the social, economic, cultural, and political life of the community;

Communicates ideas in a manner that assures understanding, for understanding unites us all in our search for truth.

Last year's recipient of the Eugene S. Farley Memorial Alumni Award was William P. Montague who received his masters from Wilkes in 1997.

Opposites attract

WILKES-BARRE--The Luzerne County Commission for Women and Wilkes University's Multicultural Student Coalition will co-sponsor the film "Antonia & Jane" (No MPAA Rating) on Tuesday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center.

"Antonia & Jane" is a comedy about a lifelong friendship between two very different women. The title characters secretly envy each other while devaluing their own lives at the same time. Antonia is a glamorous

book editor while Jane is the complete opposite, a used bookstore clerk.

Unusual life circumstances send them their separate ways with the exception of a once a year reunion dinner. Preparing for this means weekly therapist appointments for both of them and unknowingly, they visit the same one.

It is through these visits that the audience becomes familiar with the title characters, the people in their lives and the circumstances

that brought them to this stage of their friendship with comedic results.

"Antonia & Jane" is a *New York Times* Critics Choice that has been called, "funny, lively and shrewd."

Admission is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.

For more information, please call The Luzerne County Commission for Women at 825-1727 or The Office of Multicultural Affairs at Wilkes University at 408-4731.

Applications are now being accepted for The Beacon 1998-1999 editorial staff.

Positions available are Editor in Chief, News Editor, Features Editor, Sports Editor, Photo Editor, Business Manager, (2) Copy Editors, Distribution Manager, Subscriptions Manager, MAC Technician, and Web Master.

Applications can be picked up outside *The Beacon* office located on the second floor of Hollenback Hall, in the communications office, located on the second floor of Capin Hall, or see page 8.

By CORIN ZTAN
Special to the Beacon

Time certainly
It's finally time
Wilkes University
of music, theater and
put up its fourth show
year, William Shakespeare
farical comedy, *Twelfth Night*.

The show is a humorous
array of mistaken identities,
disguises and confusion
triangles. It is sure to be
another big accomplishment
for the theatre department.

Faculty member
Dawson is directing
and the stage manager
freshman theatre major
Corin Ztanze. The production
a few familiar faces from
theater department, including
Sean Bexton, Rachel Bouman,
Jennifer Johnson, Kimberly Prizniak,
Trish Blaine and Bob
Auditions for the show took place just before



TV job hunt

BOULDER, CO(A)
it works for burgers
Buicks, why not for
too? Jim Rettew did
T.V. advertising for
Rettew was out of a
he produced a T.V. commercial
touting his public relations skills. The commercial
aired on the Boulder radio public access channel
and it worked. Rettew
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candidate for lieutenant
governor.

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FEATURES

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Shakespeare's here

CORIN ZTANZE

Special to the Beacon

Time certainly does fly!

It's finally time for the

University department

music, theater and dance to

present its fourth show of the

William Shakespeare's

comedy, Twelfth

The show is a humorous

of mistaken identities,

and confused love

angles. It is sure to be

another big accomplishment

for the theatre department!

Faculty member Joe

is directing this show

and the stage manager is

man theater major

Ztanze. The play stars

familiar faces from the

department, including

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man, Jennifer John,

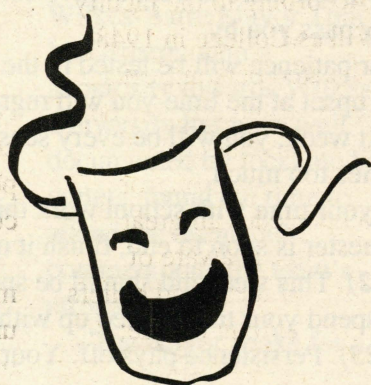
Prizniak, Pat Smith,

Blaine and Bo Dean.

Auditions for the show

place just before spring

break and rehearsals began the day students returned. The students and faculty hardly had a chance to breathe, since the previous show.



"Is There Life After High School," closed only days before this one began. That is the way things work in the theater department in order to fit in four shows a year. It is necessary to go right from one in to the next.

After a few short weeks of rehearsing, the show is well on the road to being another great Wilkes success.

One thing that is sure to stand out in this show, aside

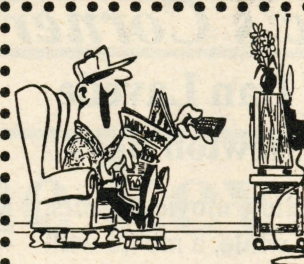
from the acting of course, is the remarkable set, which was designed by scenic designer Jamie Kurtz.

Anyone who has been to see any of Wilkes' shows at the Dorothy Dickson Dart Center (DDD) in the past two years has had a chance to sample some of Kurtz's fine work.

She has overseen and helped with all the construction, assembling, painting and all the other little tasks. Basically, she has been responsible for seeing that everything is built correctly and on time.

Performances of Twelfth Night will be Thursday, April 2 through Saturday, April 4, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 5th at 2p.m. Tickets are \$5 for all Wilkes students.

All performances will be held at the DDD for the Performing Arts. Come out and see the show. It's sure to be worth it!



TV.

Timeout

with Derek Bleiler

Unless you live in a cave, you must have noticed the beautiful weather we have been having recently. Flowers blooming, light breezes and the birds chirping could only mean one thing, spring. And what sport does spring bring? That's right, it is baseball season again!!

Tuesday, March 31, marks opening day this year and every baseball fan will tune into the radio or television to listen or watch their favorite team begin the 1998 season. Some have high hopes for their team this year, while others just hope their squad makes it to the .500 mark. Either way, opening day is always a huge day of the year for all sports fans. You always want to see the team start off the new season with a win.

ESPN once again will have the three night coverage deal, with Wild Card Playoff games in October. ESPN's coverage is outstanding, the announcers are excellent and the color men know their stuff. Johnny Miller and Joe Morgan are ESPN's "A group" doing all the big games and Sunday Night Baseball.

But televising games is not all ESPN brings to the plate come baseball season. Of course you cannot forget "Baseball Tonight" and Diamond Notes on SportsCenter with baseball insider Peter Gammons. These shows not only keep your attention, but fill you with hours of little trivia notes to impress your friends with.

ESPN is not the only channel for baseball this season. FOX is in its third season of doing live games. They broadcast a doubleheader every Saturday, normally you get the teams in your area.

The broadcasters for FOX are comprised from a group of many. Let me name a few that did the job last year. Chip Carrey, Steve Lyons, Bob Brenely, Tim MacCarver and many, many more.

Most of those guys are not to bad but Tim MacCarver is all out terrible. MacCarver tells stories that have absolutely nothing to do with baseball. He always attempts to play coach but if he ever was a real coach that team would be in big trouble.

Another great baseball show is "This Week in Baseball." Unfortunately, Mel Allen passed away a few years ago and Ozzie Smith has taken over as host. I guess he's good, too bad I never she the show. The show is on too early for my taste.

Although the games on T.V. will be very interesting, nothing beats actually going to the games and watching them live. The thrill of sitting in the stands watching your favorite player hit the game winning homerun is second to none. So is the food, steaming hot ball park franks and peanuts just can't be beat.

I know this year's baseball season brings with it memorable games and spectacular plays. I am sure that all baseball fans are excited as I am about the beginning of another year of the nations past time, baseball.

So sit back, grab some lemonade and enjoy the beginning of this great sport. After seeing a few games on television, you'll come back, back, back for more. Mark my words.



That's Entertainment

Job hunter

BOULDER, CO(AP)-- If you work for burgers and fries, why not for people? Jim Rettew did some advertising for himself. Rettew was out of a job, so he produced a T.V. commercial about his public relations skills. The spot aired on the Boulder, Colorado public access channel and worked. Rettew has secured a new job as the campaign manager for a candidate for lieutenant governor.

Carolina Cuisine

CARLOTTE, NC(AP)-- A gourmet tour downstate style. Carolina culture and food of Durham is offering its first feast on cholesterol. For nineteen hundred years a person, you can fill

your stomach and clog your arteries with some of North Carolina's best eats. The five day tour is in October. The tour organizers say they want to give newcomers a taste of the Tar Heel State. This will include moon pies and black-eyed peas.

Body Art revealed

CRYSTAL BEACH, TX (AP) -- John Rembrant is an artist, but unlike the Dutch master, this Rembrant doesn't paint on canvas, he paints on skin. Rembrant sets up shop on Crystal Beach on the Texas Gulf Coast and creates body art. Rembrant doesn't charge. Some area homeowners want to see him pack his brushes. They say he's encouraging public nudity. One recent afternoon Crystal Harrel was showing

off her topless paint job. Rembrant created a painted top to match the shorts she was wearing.



Today's Birthdays

Actor **Buddy Edsen** is 90.

Actor **Sir Alec Guinness** is 84.

Singer **Leon Russell** is 57.

Jazz/Guitarist **Larry Coryell** is 55.

Actress **Linda Hunt** is 53.

Singer **Emmylou Harris** is 51.

Actress **Pamela Reed** is 49.

Bassist **Leon Wilkerson**, "Lynyrd Skynyrd," is 46.

Actor **Ron Palillo**, "Welcome Back Cotter," is 44.

Country Singer **Billy Dean** is 36.



Critic's Corner with Dan Lavelle "The Newton Boys"

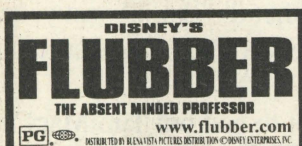
Hello fellow movie viewers. Once in while, a movie will reflect on a historic moment. In this category are such films as "Schindler's List," which portrays the Holocaust of World War II. Another is "Titanic," which showed the world's most famous boat disaster. Today there is a new film out telling the story of America's most successful group of bank robbers, "The Newton Boys." Now, I am not familiar with "The Newton Boys" story. But after seeing this film, I felt like I was watching a lost piece of history.

One thing that grasped my attention was how the Newton's were portrayed. After seeing so many westerns, you would expect bank robbers to be cold-blooded killers. But instead, these robbers acted like friendly country folk. So much, that you feel sorry for them when they were caught.

Matthew McConaughey leads the cast as Willis Newton, the leader of the group. With his natural Texan accent and witty character, McConaughey fits the part to perfection. Also in this picture was Ethan Hawke, playing Jess Newton. Hawke plays this character with a comic feel. Sometimes, you find yourself laughing during one of the robbery scenes.

Then there's "ER" star Julianna Margulies playing Louise Brown, Willis Newton's girlfriend. This is her first big screen appearance. However, I didn't really think she did a thorough job. She sounded like she came from the East Coast. I think that maybe she should try for a romantic comedy next time.

Over all I thought this was a good film. I'm giving it **THREE STARS**. I found it interesting to see a part of American history that not too many people know about.



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ALIGNING THE PLANETS WITH MADAME ZELDA

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Recently you have had some serious financial problems. Be smart about getting a summer job and save up for next year.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) This week there is a lot of love coming your way, so be there to meet it. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Your patience will be tested in the weeks to come. Try not to lose your cool. Although you may be upset at the time you will regret it in time.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Next week, you will be every sensitive and people will easily irritate you. Step back if it becomes too much.

Leo (July 22 - August 22) Take your time with school work this week. Things done in haste will have bad outcomes. The semester is soon to end, finish it on a high note.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22) This weekend should be spent at home. Get that pile of work out of the way so you can spend your time curled up with a loved one.

Libra (September 23 - October 23) Persistence pays off. Your patience will follow through with a well deserved surprise.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 21) This week your social life will be fabulous. Indulge yourself and share the fun.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) You will start setting career goals that you want to accomplish soon. So have fun now before you have to be an adult.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19) Some friends will drop in unexpectedly this week. Drop everything, no matter how important and show them a good time.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) Take a chance on originally this week. Innovative thinking is the key. Don't be afraid. Dare to be different!

Pisces (February 19 - March 20) You or your partner is overly sensitive now. Try not to push each others buttons the wrong way. Make an effort to be considerate to each others need.

Room Lottery Selection Night,

will occur on Friday, April 17th in the Residence Life Office from
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please come at that time to pick a number for
the lottery the following week.

"You gotta be hungry."

-Les Brown Live Your Dream

This week's recipes...

Delicious Dumplings

Ingredients:

- 1 ready to roll pie crust
- 1 or 2 apples
- 1/2 tbsp. butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp. nutmeg

Preheat oven to 350°.

Roll out pie crust until thin. Then core apple. Put butter into the core of apple. Pour sugar and nutmeg into bowl. Take one tsp. of mixture and pour into core. Cut pie crust into a circle so it covers the apple completely. Bake for 30 min.

On the lighter side...

Yogurt pops

Ingredients:

- 6 oz. frozen fruit juice concentrate
- 3/4 cup of plain, lowfat yogurt
- 1 sliced strawberry

Mix concentrate with yogurt and strawberry. Freeze in small paper cups. When mixture is partially frozen, place an ice pop stick in center. Once solid, rip-off paper cup to eat.

Delicious Dumplings courtesy of
Laurie Hines and Yogurt Pops
courtesy of Health Services.

ATTENTION EATERS!

Each week we will be featuring a new recipe for all of our readers to try out.

However, we are not sure what you like to eat. Submissions are being taken of recipes and recipe ideas outside of The Beacon office in Hollenback Hall.

On your way to class drop off your ideas in the box and you may be featured in next week's paper. If you cannot drop them off send them to castellj@wilkes1.wilkes.edu.

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Coach Rickrode gets the key to the city

By FRANK
TOMASZEWSKI
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Hundreds of Wilkes University students and faculty members were joined by Wilkes-Barre citizens in a sunny public square Tuesday afternoon.

They all came to pay tribute to the Wilkes University Men's basketball team and their accomplishments for the past season. The event was scheduled to be held last week when the team returned to Wilkes-Barre from their trip to Virginia but was postponed until Tuesday because Head Coach Jerry Rickrode came down with the flu. Even

Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom McGroarty, who's an anomaly towards Wilkes University has been well documented by local media outlets, found the time to attend the event and commemorate the team's efforts.

The mayor spoke for a

the team's season results. The team finished fourth in the nation and won the MAC and the Freedom League Championships. They represented the school and the city well in the NCAA Division III Final Four Tournament in Salem, Virginia at the

commemorative T-shirts to the team members, the coaching staff and the cheerleading squad. He also presented Rickrode with "the key to the city." The mayor

announced that, Mayor Tom McGroarty shakes hands with Colonel forward and captain Mike Barrouk.



Photo by Frank Tomaszewski



Photo by Frank Tomaszewski

Coach Rickrode addresses the City of Wilkes-Barre as the 1997-98 Colonels look on.

few minutes on how he, as well as the entire city of Wilkes-Barre, is proud of

Salem Civic Center.

After his speech, Mayor McGroarty distributed

to the city of Wilkes-Barre as Wilkes University Day."

Sophomore guard Chad Fabian said of the event, "It was nice to be honored by the mayor. It's cool that the city now has a Wilkes University Day."

Fabian is one of the experienced members of the team who will be returning next season to try and match the great 1997-98 Final Four run. Some of the leading returners who are already looking forward to next season include Scott

Cleveland, Jason Sheakoski, Brian Gyboski, Bill Gallagher, Damon Heller and Dave Januzzi.

March 31 will always be known as "Wilkes University Day," but the players and coaches would much rather be receiving honors for a National Championship.

With a good returning nucleus of players from this year's squad, the Colonels hope to return to the national spotlight next winter.

Take me out to the ballgame

By SHELBY
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and SCOTT
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Beacon Staff Writer
Beacon Sports Editor

Does an afternoon of exciting baseball, good food and the chance to sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" with alumni and friends sound like to you? Then you will be interested in the Wilkes Alumni Association's afternoon of Scranton Wilkes-Barre Red Baron's baseball. The Luzerne County

branch of the Alumni Association is sponsoring an afternoon for both alumni and students at Lackawanna County Stadium on Saturday, May 9 to watch the Red Barons take on the Norfolk Tides.

Sandra Beynon of the alumni office described the

event as a great way for students to meet with and



talk to alumni.

Beynon also said, "It's a nice way to get alumni together. In a way, I use it for networking; to get everybody talking."

The cost of the event is \$15 per person and includes

a reserve box seat, tickets and refreshments. Tickets will go to the first 100 people who R.S.V.P. at the alumni office.

The gathering will begin at noon and game time is 1:30 p.m.

The Red Barons are the AAA affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies and are a member the International League. This league also includes minor league affiliates of the Toronto Blue Jays, Cleveland Indians, Detroit Tigers, Atlanta Braves, Florida Marlins, New York Yankees, Tampa Bay Devil Rays, Cincinnati Reds, St. Louis Cardinals, New

York Mets, Montreal Expos, Boston Red Sox and Baltimore Orioles.

The Red Barons will open their season against the Ottawa Lynx (Montreal Expos) on April 19 in Ottawa. The home opener will be on April 13 against the Syracuse Skychiefs (Toronto Blue Jays) at Lackawanna County Stadium on Montage Mountain Road in Moosic.

If you are interested in minor league baseball, you can learn more about the Red Barons on the World Wide Web at www.redbarons.com.



Ladies smack the Centaurs in style

Lady Colonels Split a deuce with King's

By **COREY YANOSHAK**
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Beacon Staff Writer
Beacon Sports Editor

In a key Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) Freedom League game, the Lady Colonels came out strong, sweeping Allentown College, 2-1 and 9-1, at Kirby Park.

Freshman Alice Fink and senior captain Carrie Wilkes each earned wins on the mound for the Lady Colonels who are currently undefeated in league play. Fink finished with four strikeouts against the Lady Centaurs. She also managed to hold the Lady Centaurs, who have not won a MAC Freedom League this season, to four hits.

In the first game of the

twin bill, senior Kristen Cookus led the way with two hits in the one-run game. Cookus proved to be the sole bright spot offensively for either team as the Lady Colonels muscled out a close victory by the score of 2-1.

Game two saw some more offensive output from the Lady Colonels as they scored nine runs while giving up only a single run for the second time on the day. Cookus smacked two doubles and knocking in three runs while Jamie Derhammer did the same. Liz O'Neill and Robyn Mendygral each finished with two hits.

"We played very well," said Mendygral. "Everybody chipped in and the pitchers have been throwing great. We're definitely on the right track."

The Lady Colonels also took on the King's College

Lady Monarchs in a Freedom League double header on Tuesday afternoon at Kirby Park. In the first game of the day, Mendygral proved to be the offensive hero for Wilkes as she earned a tenth inning RBI base hit to propell the Lady Colonels to a 3-2 victory over King's. Fink worked all ten innings of the game and managed to scatter five hits and strike out 13 Lady Monarchs. Mendygral also managed to lead the Lady Colonels with three hits.

Game two saw a stronger King's team than the one who fell to the Lady Colonels in the first game. The Lady Monarchs earned an 11-4 victory over Wilkes. Danielle Benson was the lone offesnive star for Wilkes. She managed two hits.



Kristen Cookus swings for contact as Coach Vrabel looks on.
Photo By J.J. Fadden

MAC Freedom League Softball Standings

(Through March 29)

	W	L	PCT	RF	RA
Wilkes.....	4	0	1.000	28	2
King's.....	2	0	1.000	26	5
FDU-Madison.....	2	0	1.000	12	0
Lycoming.....	3	0	.750	16	11
Drew.....	1	1	.500	8	4
Delaware Valley.....	0	2	.000	5	26
Allentown.....	0	4	.000	5	23
Scranton.....	0	4	.000	0	29

Tennis gets rained out

The Wilkes University Men's Tennis Team was scheduled to host a three school tennis match on Wednesday afternoon but the matches was cancelled due to inclement weather. The match has been re-scheduled for Thursday, April 16 and will be held on the courts at Ralston Field.

The team lost to cross town rival King's College by a score of 9-0 on Tuesday afternoon. The team also saw action against the Allentown College Centaurs last Saturday.


The Colonels came out of this match victorious for the first time this season. The team managed a 6-3 victory.

The team will play again on Saturday, April 4 at Lycoming College.

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By **RANDY LONGENBACH**
Beacon Staff

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MIAMI (AP) -- Center Alonzo Mourning will play with a face when he returns after undergoing his broken cheek surgery last night. He'll miss today's game in Miami.

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suspensions

NEW YORK (AP) -- Buffalo Sabres captain Peca sat out the last three game suspensions night. The NHL fined him \$1,000 yesterday for throwing an elbow that knocked out Vancouver defenseman Mattia

Folek finds fun at Wilkes

By **RANDY LONGENBERGER**
Beacon Staff Writer

America's favorite pastime is taking center stage at Artillery Park for the Wilkes University baseball team. Very often, players receive the attention from the media and the community and students on campus and the coaches efforts are, for all intents and purposes, ignored.

Coach Joe Folek, the head coach of the baseball team said, "Without a doubt, the biggest asset to this team is assistant coaches (Jerry) Bavitz, (Mark) Youngblood and (Robert) Kline. None of the coaches are coaching this team for financial reasons. It

would be impossible for me to coach this team alone."

Coaching the Colonels is not Folek's only job. He also works for the Children's Service Center of Wilkes-Barre. Before making his way to the Colonels practices and games, Folek works at Wyoming Valley West Middle School where he assists special education students.

In 1984, Folek started on the baseball team as a freshman at Wilkes College. When asked why he chose Wilkes, he said, "My dad was a Colonel and he was number one, so that's why I wear that number now." He added that, "It's not that Florida State University or

Arizona State or UCLA are calling me to fill their coaching jobs but this is where I want to be."

Coach Folek is still in love with Artillery Park. He expressed this by stating, "It's my favorite place in the world. I would put up a trailer by the dynamite shed if I could," said Folek.

So far, the Colonel baseball team is playing well and Folek concluded, "We still have the nucleus from last year and a couple of new players that came in. My goal is to put together a team that plays hard nose. Win or lose the crowd is going to see a hard fought baseball game."

That's what I say



with
SCOTT VEITH

The sun has been shining bright for the past few weeks and temperatures have been as high as 91 degrees in Wilkes-Barre. Students across campus have been laying out to catch some rays and have been visiting warm weather climates for spring break and will continue to take in some sun during the upcoming five day weekend. Spirits have been high due to the weather and the spring atmosphere but something has been missing.

The Major League Baseball season has started and despite the date on the calender, the summer is officially here. Once again, we the fans can witness a home run derby between Mark McGwire and Ken Griffy, Jr. We can see if Curt Schilling can strike out 300 batters again. We can see if the Florida Marlins can find a way to win after their wholesale distribution of their key players throughout the major leagues after taking the National League by storm last season.

Although it is highly unlikely that we are going to see another season like that of the summer of 1941 or 1987, I can guarantee that we are in for an eventful summer. For the first time, we see Major League Baseball in Arizona and Tampa Bay. We will also see a team from the city of Milwaukee in the National League for the first time since the Braves moved to Atlanta.

More imporantntly, the City of Wilkes-Barre is getting into the swing of the baseball season. The Scranton/ Wilkes-Barre Red Barons will start their season next week and for the first time, *The Beacon* will cover the Red Barons action on a weekly basis. We have attained press and photography passes for every home game and we plan to have a representative at every game until the school year is over.

The Wilkes University baseball team play their home games just over the Market Street Bridge at Artillery Park and the games are action packed. The Lady Colonels Softball team also play their home games on the other side of the bridge at Kirby Park.

At these games you can find the real baseball action. They are never too crowded. They are all either cheap or relatively inexpensive compared to the major league games in Philadelphia or New York. The locations for the games are much more accessable than of any major league venue in the tri-state area. The chances of getting a seat close to the action is much greater at these games than at major league games.

The most defining reason why these games are more exciting than major league games is the fact that the individuals that play these games are not millionaire crybabies with contract disputes and more to worry about on the field than the outcome of the game. They come to the ballpark ready to play with no image to protect and no face to save. They play with two goals in mind. They want to win and they want to have fun.

Alterior motives like making money and making a living have no place in games. If an individual chooses a game as his profession, his first priority should be to have fun and his second priority should be to win.

Sports Around the World...

Surgery For Mourning Schott also undergoes surgery

MIAMI (AP) -- Miami Heat Center Alonzo Mourning will play with a mask on his face when he returns. Mourning was discharged from a Miami hospital yesterday after undergoing surgery on his broken cheekbone last night. He'll miss at least today's game in San Antonio.

CINCINNATI (AP) -- Cincinnati Reds owner Marge Schott is resting comfortably. She had surgery for a broken hip yesterday. Her prognosis is good, and her doctor said full recovery will take about three months.

Minnesota. Russians Alexei Yagudin and Yevgeny Plushenko hold the top two spots.

DiMaggio sends autographed ball to Castro

NEW YORK (AP) -- Fidel Castro has the Yankee Clipper's autograph. The Cuban dictator is a baseball and Joe DiMaggio fan, and the *New York Daily News* said he recetly told a group of visiting Americans that he had always dreamed of owning DiMaggio's autograph.

DiMaggio heard about it and was initially reluctant. But the Hall of Famer changed his mind and has sent Castro a signed ball, which arived two weeks ago.

Peca returns from suspension Weiss, Eldridge hold on to top places

NEW YORK (AP) -- Buffalo Sabres captain Mike Peca sat out the last game of a three game suspension last night. The NHL also fined him \$1,000 yesterday for throwing an elbow last week that knocked out Vancouver defenseman Mattias Ohlund.

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) -- Michael Weiss is third and fellow American Todd Edridge is fourth after the men's short program at the World Figure Skating Championships in Minneapolis,

Vrabel looks to lead ladies once again

By SARAH KARLAVAGE
Beacon Staff Writer

Kevin Vrabel is a coach who is willing and eager to teach. Vrabel came to Wilkes four years ago. He began his coaching career during his senior year in college when he was named full conditioning coach at Susquehanna University.

He put on a new hat when he came to Wilkes-Barre. Vrabel coaches the women's soccer and softball teams at Wilkes. Vrabel admits he was less familiar with softball than soccer starting out. He played many years of soccer, including four years at the collegiate level.

Kerianne Geist, the catcher on the softball team said the team can see the coach's love for the game.

"He has a great love and pride for the game and the team," said Geist.

Senior Carrie Wilkes is in her fourth year of playing under Vrabel. She says the last two seasons have been wonderful and the team is coming into the upper level

of the MAC.

"Coach Vrabel and assistant coach Tom Dunsmuir express the love of the sport and the ability to improve the team," Wilkes said.

The great enthusiasm for both sports can be felt by many players but there are differences between the sports Vrabel coaches. From

especially with managing the game," Vrabel said.

Vrabel, who is an avid hat collector, said one disadvantage to being a softball coach is the fact that he really has no background in playing softball.

"Everyone on the team has more experience in playing softball," Vrabel

Geist said, "Every member of the team is understood; sex isn't an issue."

"He knows what is important to every individual and makes that important to him," Geist said.

Being his players and friends on and off the field is all part of getting to know his players. During the team's

how to eat sunflower seeds. In fact, Vrabel considers seeds one of his favorite aspects of softball.

"It takes a lot of talent to crack the shell using your tongue and holding the shells," Vrabel said.

Vrabel prides himself on the ability to learn. He says the lack of experience in the game drives him to learn more.

Seniors Shannon O'Neill, Kristen Cookus and Carrie Wilkes have seen Vrabel develop as a head coach over the last four seasons.

"He is motivated and a go-getter," Wilkes said. "He has worked hard on his part."

Vrabel is assisted by Dunsmuir and Amy Rosengrant.

The head coach is grateful for Dunsmuir, who's softball knowledge has really help come decision time.

One decision Vrabel makes for the team is that everyone gives 100 percent on the field and to the team.



Photo By J.J. Fadden

Coach Kevin Vrabel and his team learn from each other every day.

a coaching standpoint, Vrabel is more into the softball game.

"The coach has a more active role in softball,

said.

Another disadvantage that Vrabel has is obvious. He is a male coach with female players.

trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Vrabel taught some of his players to how to play mini-golf. They returned the favor and taught their coach

Colonels slip against Scranton, Whip the Mules

By MATT REITNOUR
Beacon Copy Editor

On Sunday, the Wilkes University Colonels Men's baseball team continued their winning ways with a 29-15 win over Muhlenburg College in a shoot out at Artillery Park.

The 29 runs set a school record for the Colonels and D'Amico had a record setting day himself at the plate.

The sophomore third baseman had three home runs and managed to send eight runners around the bases in the marathon game.

The game versus the Mules was originally scheduled for March 24, but



Photo By J.J. Fadden

A Colonel batter swings at the deep right field fence at Artillery Park.

inclement weather forced the teams to reschedule the non-conference match-up.

Wilkes dropped their first MAC Freedom League game on Tuesday night with an 8-7

loss to the University of Scranton Royals at Lackawanna County Stadium.

The Colonels came out of the gates hot against the

Royals, the home team for the event.

The Colonels threw up a seven spot up in the first inning, only to see the game slip away in the bottom of the ninth inning. The team did not manage another run the rest of the way.

The loss drops the Colonels to 11-5 overall, 4-1 in the MAC Freedom League.

Sophomore Nick D'Amico continued his hot hitting as he banged out two hits.

Senior first baseman, Augie Mitschke had a triple and three RBI's, while Jim Domzalski added a triple of his own.

Jason Lanko pitched

well but took the loss for Wilkes. Starter Tim Popovich went six strong innings, giving up four earned runs along the way. Popovich also whiffed three Royals on his way to a no-decision.

Bad weather has forced school officials and team members to juggle their schedules.

The doubleheader scheduled for March 22 against Beaver College at Beaver's home field was postponed due to extremely cold temperatures.

With the weather breaking, the Colonels will look to gain some of the ground that they lost due

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