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Rhetoricians compete speech tournament

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Karly 70 representatives nine different colleges And the 8th Annual Colonial see Speech Tournament held stweekend in Stark Learning 's room one.

he two-day tournament, began Friday and was med on Saturday, featured a of speaking events extemporaneous, informative, ive, children's literature, ery, and prose. Contestants adged on poise, material, y, and organization.

Bradford Kinney, of the Wilkes unications Department, ed that the tournament is since it is the only novice nent held on the East coast the Spring semester.

his is a competition where are able to bring their team mally watch what they're

Kinney tallied the scores of the competitors with the help of Wilkes alumnus David Evans, and Al Mueller, a sophomore Wilkes debate team member. Scores were calculated using a Macintosh computer program specially designed by Evans, which allows results to be computed faster and more efficiently.

Otherwise, the competition was managed exclusively by Wilkes students, with Teresa Herman serving as the Student Director

"I want the activities to be more student involved. In this way, they can alleviate any problems which arise during the tournament," said Kinney.

According to Herman, however, problems in this year's tournament, were minimal.

"Overall, I was really pleased with how smoothly the entire program ran. In fact, we ended 15 minutes ahead of schedule. That has never happened before, she



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STUDENT HELP— Members of the debate team coordinated the speech tournament.

Competing from Wilkes were sophmores Holly Evans and Amy Vaughn and freshman Heather Shocker. Vaughn was top seated in two events, poetry and child's literature, received 4th place in poetry and Impromptu, and placed 2nd in kiddy literature. Evans received 1st place in informative, and 3rd in kiddy literature.

Other competing schools included Bloomsburg University, California University

Pennsylvania, Thiel College, West Chester University, York College, Monmouth College, Hofstra University and Middlebury College.

The Colonial Novice Speech Tournament originated in 1977 at York College in York, Pa. under the leadership of Professor Jeanine Barr. The "Beginner's Bash," as it was then called, was passed to Wilkes in 1983 when Barr received

'Fairy Tales' theme for winter games

By BECKY STEINBERGER Beacon Staff Writer

It's back, and bigger than ever. Wilkes annual festival of fun, Winter Weekend, will be held from February 8th through the 10th.

The theme of this year's Winter Weekend is "Fairy Tales." Twenty-five teams, each consisting of ten boys and ten girls, will kickoff the competition Friday night with opening ceremonies in the Marts Center. A spirit contest, costume judging, and the volleyball tournament will round out the evening's events.

On Saturday, teams will report to Ralston Field at 9:00 a.m. to participate in blind basketball, dodge ball, amaeba, keg roll, and roll in the sack race. Sunday's events will include the bat spin and line race, followed by the closing ceremonies.

First place finishers will be awarded trophies, the second place team will receive medals, and third place will receive certificates.

Past success of the annual event has caused Student Government to increase the number of teams by five.

According to Michael Nolfe, Director of Student Activities, "Five hundred students will be involved on twenty-five teams making this year's Winter Weekend the largest ever."

With a \$2 per person entry fee, \$1000 has been raised and will be donated to WNEP-TV's "Operation Yellow Ribbon," a project which benefits the families of those serving in the Persian Gulf.

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Communications professor comments on the state of an industry

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Moran, Professor of munications in Wilkes' and Communications ment, is attempting to students' attitudes toward Mofprint journalism. Moran k is worried about his ayapparent lack of interest wspaper industry.



"This is heady stuff. We're now covering the war on the tail end of a patriot missile."

-Thomas J. Moran Communications Professor

"I am definitely concerned about students' attitudes toward the print media. So many young people today are just not reading the newspaper. What they do not realize, however, is that they cannot get the whole picture from television or radio. A newspaper, on the other hand, has both the space and time to get the whole story," Moran said.

Moran is definitely not a newcomer to the newspaper

industry. His career in journalism, teaching, and public relations has spanned nearly 40 years.

After receiving a Bachelor of Science in Education and English from Bucknell University and a Master of Science degree in Journalism, Moran worked with various media industries and also maintained teaching positions at the college level.

His professional media

experience began as a reporter for the Pittsburgh Post Gazette in 1951. Over the following twenty years, Moran's duties at various newspapers covered almost every aspect of print media, from reporting to news management.

After serving in the military on the teaching staff of the United States Army Informational School, Moran returned to professional journalism in 1961 as a reporter for the Times Leader.

Moran then joined the staff of Wilkes-Barre Sunday Independent where he eventually became managing editor. Moran has also served as the Northeastern Pennsylvania regional correspondent to the New York Times, and he currently writes a weekly column for the Sunday Independent.

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FINANCIAL AID NOTICE

The William E. Weisel Scholarship will be awarded annually to a worthy full-time student seeking a career in robotics/automated systems.

The Golub Foundation **Graduate or Professional School** Scholarship provides \$4,000, to be awarded over two years, to a graduating college senior.

The Rose Brader Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to those who wish to pursue an education in or seek advanced training in the field of rehabilitation medicine.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Advertising Club provides a scholarship for students interested in a post degree career in advertising or public relations.

The Berwick Business and, Professional Women's Club Scholarship awards \$200 annually to an eligible woman, 25 years of age or older who resides in the Berwick Area and is enrolled in a formalized program of study.

The Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women, Inc. is offering three scholarships to women students interested in a career in politics or government.

The Paul Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program offers up to \$5000 to students.

The Scholars in Education scholarship binds the recipient to teach a year of mathematics or science as a full-time permanent teacher in a Pennsylvania school for each year the SEA award was received.

The Dr. Arthur and Helen M. **Horvat Foundation Scholarship** is awarded on the basis of academic qualifications and financial need.

The National Organization of Italian American Women, is offering a \$1000 scholarship to a local female student entering her senior year of college.

The Luzerne County Counselor's Association is awarding a \$1000 scholarship.

ALL SCHOLARSHIP INFOR-MATION AND APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FI-NANCIAL AID OFFICE UN-LESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Data base 'kinects' students to jobs

By COLETTE SIMONE Beacon Staff Writer

A new computer system has been instituted at the Wilkes Career Services office which will allow students access to corporate employers throughout the country.

"KiNexus" provides government agencies, local organizations, and national employers such as AT&T, IBM, The Discover Card, and Dow Chemical with a student's employment information including career interests, location, language skills, and work experience.

The data base is a free service available for students seeking full time, part time or co-op positions in their major field of study.

Services Coordinator, believes the computer will be a valuable resource in a student's search for employment.

"With the aid of KiNexus, more companies will have access to your qualifications," she said.

Eugene Domzalski, Director of Career Services also believes students will ultimately benefit from the new system.

"KiNexus provides an immediate opportunity for exposure and visibility of Wilkes graduates to potential employers nationwide, he said."

KiNexus terminals are located in the Stark Learning Center IBM Lab, Fortinsky Hall and Career Services in the Max Roth Center.



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JOB HUNTING - Students can now provide prospective employers with vital information.

Taxes no longer as taxing

VITA students offer free income tax assistance

By Missy Margus Beacon Staff Writer

The headaches and stress often associated with tax season can be significantly reduced for some people, thanks to a continuing program offered by Wilkes Accounting majors.

Free income tax assistance is available to the public as part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program which is co-sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service.

VITA is now entering it's 7th year at Wilkes, according to Ms. Cynthia Chisarick, Associate Professor of Accounting at Wilkes and coordinator of the program.

"The students have made it a success. Without student participation there wouldn't be a program," she

Approximately twenty students have volunteered their time to work with VITA, including two student coordinators, Robert Hawkins and Kim Mattes. The volunteers, mostly juniors, have completed an IRS

training course in basic income tax preparation offered at Wilkes.

Chisarick believes the program is equally beneficial to the students, as well as the public.

"It's a good opportunity for the students to deal with people," she said.

Chisarick feels students have several other advantages in volunteering for the VITA program. In addition to the benefit of offering their service to the community, VITA volunteers also gain an opportunity to realistically apply what they have learned in the classroom.

The service is available to Wilkes students, the elderly, and low-income individuals from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Feb. 9 and 23 and March 2, 9, and 16. Volunteers will be on hand in room 214 of the Marts

Taxpayers seeking assistance are advised to bring this year's tax package, wage and earnings statements (Form W-2) from all employers, interest statements from banks (Form 1099), a copy of last year's return if possible, and any other information that may be

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•The 2nd Annual Bloo Drive will be held Thurst February 21st from 10 amage 4 pm, on the lower level Marts Gym. Pizza and di dogs will be served and print will be given away.

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WILKES UNIVERSITY BLOOD DRIVE

WHEN: Thursday, February 21st, 10-4 WHERE: Marts lower level

WHY: BLOOD IS THE GIFT OF LIFE

WHO: YOU!

The student health advisory council will be serving pizza, donated by Dominos, and their famous chili dogs. There will also be great prize give-aways.

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The other 'raging fire': the Soviet dilemma

VAUGHN SHINKUS on News Editor

While Saddam Hussein combats the the of the freedom-fighting Alliance, a in another land struggles through a ent kind of war, a battle to hold ther a weakening nation.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ningly failed in his attempts to bring economic reforms in his struggling

he reasons for this shortcoming are us, according to Wilkes Associate or of Foreign Languages, Walter

he Soviet Union does not have the or the psychological capability to democracy based on a western model,"

As food supplies in the Soviet Union My fall well below minimum standards, nations, including the United States, any and Japan have provided food in s of paving the way for necessary

But no longer are Soviet leaders used in winning peace prizes. The today," said Karpinich.

political climate has changed to a "less tolerant, less cooperative" attitude. This shift to conservative ideals is a step backwards, according to Karpinich.

"Gorbachov finally has faced a crossroads in Glasnost—the reformists have stepped out of power. We (in sending United States aid) are supporting something which no longer proceeds upon the same path," he

The lack of food, evidence of a failing economy, is but one factor of a broader issue, according to Karpinich. "Gorbachev is losing his sphere of influence."

With the Baltic states of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia wishing to gain sovereignty, the Soviet Army has resorted to force in attempting to "keep the status quo," accoding to Karpinich.

Throughout all of this, the United States has maintained a position of diplomacy, not wishing to lose Soviet support of its own cause.

Yet the Soviet situation remains a primary world concern, along with the Gulf

"These issues are the two raging fires of

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MOSCOW - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev turned up the tension on independence-minded republics Tuesday, declaring Lithuania's upcoming referendum

Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis insisted the non-binding ballot would be held as planned Sunday — setting the stage for another confrontation with the

"Lithuania is in observance of law," Landsbergis said in a statement, "and views the president's decree as impermissible political interference in the matters of the sovereign Lithuanian state."

What wasn't immediately clear: whether Gorbachev would take steps to prevent the polling or would let the vote proceed and ignore the results.

President Bush said Tuesday he believes Gorbachev remains in control of his government and doesn't think the perestroika era is over: "I think it will never go back, no matter what happens, to the totalitarian, closed society days of the Cold War," Bush

The Lithuanian vote complicates Gorbachev's efforts — which have taken a harsh, conservative tone in recent weeks to keep the union together. A nation-wide referendum in all 15 republics is set for March 17 to determine the future shape of

The Baltic states and Georgia have so far said they won't take part in any vote for the new union treaty.

The Lithuanian government announced last month it would poll citizens on whether to include a sentence in its constitution declaring Lithuania to be a sovereign, democratic state. The republic's drive toward independence turned bloody last month when at least 13 unarmed civilians were killed by troops attacking broadcast facility in Vilnius.

Gorbachev has accused the Lithuanian parliament of acting unconstitutionally while trying to secure independence. He insists the republic must go through a five-year transition to independence.

Also Tuesday: The Russian Federation said it would take "exceptional measures" if the central Soviet authorities did not lift new broadcasting curbs on its liberal radio station, Radio Russia.

addam may still be olding his terrorist card

M VINCENT MEDDIS College Information Network

WASHINGTON — The lack of major terrorist on in the United States since the Persian Gulf degan could be due to unprecedented international ration — or a waiting game by Saddam Hussein. Saddam may be holding back his terrorist card le senses public support for the war has eroded mattack would have more impact, says a recent

at cryptic messages broadcast Monday and ayon Baghdad radio may be the first call for an miled terrorist campaign directed by Baghdad and dby professional terrorist groups such as that Abu Nidal, say senior U.S. officials.

message: "Implement the program of last

ople are taking (the broadcasts) quite w... it's not just psychological warfare," said Cannistraro, formerly a top CIA terrorism official.

mistraro said a key reason that terrorism has ed in check is the wide-scale expulsion and of lag's known intelligence agents in many "It's crimped Iraqi capabilities," he said.

pped-up security measures also may be ostponements of attacks, said Cannistraro,

now a senior fellow at the National Strategy Information Center.

"If it's difficult for them to get a bomb on the plane now, they'll wait," Cannistraro said.

The FBI says it has identified several terrorist support groups in the United States, including Abu Nidal's group.

The bureau says it has some terrorist sympathizers under heavy surveillance.

The FBI also is trying to track down several thousand Iraqi nationals whose visas have expired.

There have been at least 70 acts of international terrorism against U.S. and allied interests since the gulf war began:

- Powerful bomb blasts rocked offices of U.S.-based Citibank and destroyed the car of a French state employee early Tuesday in Athens, Greece, in the latest guerrilla attacks in support of Iraq, police said.

- In Lima, Peru, leftist guerrillas Tuesday dynamited a car outside a security company contracted by the U.S. Embassy, killing three guards. The far-left Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement claimed responsibility.

— In Saudi Arabia, police arrested an unspecified number of foreigners suspected in a sniper attack on a shuttle bus Sunday that injured two U.S. military

(Sam Vincent Meddis writes for USA TODAY.)

Twistin'the night...



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TWISTER— Wilkes students Lorrie Petruisky, Hillary Blake, and Denise Carson twist it at Rumours. Dances will be held each Wednesday and Sunday in the non-alcoholic night club.

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Bball - Delaware Valley,

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Lincoln's Birthday CC Meeting, 11:45 a.m. Bio Club Meeting, 11 a.m. Women's B'ball - Elizabethtown, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday

Ash Wednesday SG Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Wrestling — ESU

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Thursday

Valentine's Day Winter Recess Begins 10 p.m. BACCHUS Meeting, 11 a.m. WUPB Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

THE FORUM

Wilkes University speaks out on the Persian Gulf War

Editor's Note: This week, the Beacon has interviewed Dr. Harold Cox, a professor in the History/Political Science department. Dr. Cox has taught here at Wilkes for 35 years and has previously taught at Temple University for seven years. He also will be teaching Geography next semester.

Beacon: As far as the coalition goes, what do you feel will happen next?

HC: There is no way to predict on what the coalition will do. It all depends on what Israel will be compelled to do. It also depends on what Saddam Hussein will do. He has been trying to break up the coalition by bringing Israel into the war, which will probably split up the

Beacon: Why do you feel that the Iranians hate Americans more than they do the Iraqis?

HC: The Iranian government disapproves of the United States because Iran is run by a fundamentalist government. The previous regime was dedicated to westernization and when that was overthrown, the United States became the most

convenient and obvious "whipping boy" that could be used by the new government as a embodiment of the evils of western culture. Therefore the United States becomes the "Great Sa-

When do you think the Allied Forces will start the land attack?

HC: When they decide they've bombed enough. We have a number of problems involved in the progress of this war: The first problem is that air power has never, and probably never will, successfully end a war in and of itself, short of the using nuclear weapons which would be politically unacceptable.

The second point is that you've got to go in on the ground. There are a number of factors that limit when you go in. The first is to get the (Iraqi) Army in as bad as shape as possible before you go in. That can be done through air power. The interdiction of supply lines is probably as important as the destruction of the military instillations in that area. If you can starve them out, then you can beat them, and that takes

There is the problem of holding together the alliance. The more that they're there, the harder it's going to be to hold that coalition together.

How do you feel the economic slump will be affected by the war?

HC: It depends on how the war goes. To a considerable extent, the national economy is maintained with "smoke and mirrors." One of the major contributory factors in economic recessions that it is selffulfilling. People decide when it's coming, and they start retrenching, and they make it worse. If we get in and get out comparatively fast, if our technology wins for us, it could restore a degree of American confidence. We've been operating over the last few years with a severe inferiority complex, primarily based on the Japanese, and if we suddenly decide that we can do something, which is a belief that's been in rather short supply in this country for a few years, it should stimulate enough growth, I think, to end the recession.

Let people live their own lives

has to adjust to a totally different life style that he not have been exposed before. Unless he is enough to have his own room, or having a roommate at he will have to adjust to a roommate. In short, a whole series of social patterns have to be developed between roommates. Study times have to be coordinated, a syst warning may have to be arranged in case one of the room entertains a date for a period of time during the night, and personal hygiene habits may need adjusting to. In short, of give and take is needed to make a relationship Usually, most relationships between roommates tum out with a few occasional disagreements between them.

EDITORIAL

The student also has to learn to get along with others in the rooms around him. He may have to deal with parties or music while he is trying to study. A certain pro such as this is usually rectifiable because the person causing disturbance may want to be friends as well.

By the time the student gets through college, he, the maturity, will most likely learn to respect the privacy personal rights around him and expect the same treatment

Why, then, when we're supposed to be tolerant of habits of those around us, are we so afraid of homosexuals as the technical terminology states, homophobia.

Since the beginnings of civilization, all humans homosexual preferences have been shunned, segre against, maltreated, and even mistreated. Today, li

The issue is not only with the homosexuals, but also people with religious preferences who have been sh against. These people merely wish to practice their believes peace, without being harassed by the so-called "purists."

If you recall, last semester there were some articles Beacon concerning homosexuals and the ROTC. Dur interview with some homosexuals in Washington D.C. not only expressed their disapproval of the government policies, but also their wish to just be left alone.

About three weeks ago there was a situation here campus concerning homosexuals that caused a large degree concern among the rank and file of Wilkes University. we, as mature adults, accept that as a person, carry lifestyle different than our own, and merely leave that alone? We should learn to get along and accept others human race is to thrive and prosper.

> There will be a retreat in memory of David Wardrop

> Friday, February 8, 1991 4:30 p.m. Chase Hall Lawn

Letters to the editor

Student asks about policies

Dear Editor:

There are three pet peeves I have that I wish to inquire

First, why are the ashtrays located in the stairwell? I walk up four flights of stairs to keep in shape only to have smoke blown in my face when I'm "sucking wind" at the top. Why aren't the ashtrays in the hallways?

Second, why, if someone

gets caught drinking or fighting off-campus, in an apartment, disciplinary action occurs? According to the Financial Aid Office, offcampus housing is a separate unit from the school; therefore, financial aid is not applicable to off campus housing. Isn't this a double standard?

Third, does it take so long to get things done on campus? One year ago I approached the bookstore man-

ager about the sign outside the bookstore. Three letters were upside down. She stepped outside, laughed, and said she'd get ABM right on it. Six months later, I informed a dean about the situation, still to no avail. It is not just the upside down letters, it is the principle of the matter. Why don't the faculty listen to students.

Mike Fontinell

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Student laments over loss of colleague

This letter is intended to remember a friend who has daway. It is not intended to offend anyone! The only drould express my views clearly was a letter to God.

How are you today? I'm fine, physically, but I have a mestions about what has happened to a friend of mine. en only 24 since I heard the news that David Wardrop, omore at Wilkes, was dead. I have subsequently also and that his death was self-inflicted. What's even more thing is a possible reason for his senseless death. He ndy found out that his dream of going to the United s Air Force Academy was nearing an end. The culprit, know, was a heart failure.

hose of us who knew Dave should be glad that we did. ways gave of himself to help others. This trait was cognized by the powers-that-be in the ROTC program, honored Dave with a cadet award at the end of his

kan ROTC cadet, Dave Wardrop, was arguably, one of

the finest to walk through the hallways and courtyards at Wilkes. He was one of the first cadets in his class that I really got to know as the Flight Commander of the freshmen, and he was always one of the last to leave if I needed help in any form. He most certainly would have been a welcome addition to the Air Force Academy, had his physical condition not prevented him from attending.

With all of this going for him, why, then, did you allow such a promising young man to end his earthly existence? I know that we shouldn't question decisions such as these, but I see no logical reason for his death. There are certainly plenty of people who, most would agree, would better serve the human race by being in Dave's place now. A person that comes to mind is the Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Nevertheless, when things began to get unbearable for Dave, why couldn't you have at least given him some help? All of us need a helping hand at one time or another, and if you offered this to him I apologize, but it just doesn't seem possible that help was offered to a person who only offered of himself. I only wish that he would have thought a little more before he made his decision. I guess, though, that Dave must have felt that he had given all that he had to give. Thus, with nothing left but darkness, he made the decision that will stay with some of us for quite sometime.

I can't imagine that those of us who knew Dave are going to forget him. Those who didn't know this outstanding person, however, have really missed out. He was an excellent student, leader, and overall person.

I would like to ask a favor from you. Allow others to learn from Dave's passing. There will be others who go through the same mind-set as Dave's that allow for thoughts of ending it all. Please, I beg of you, offer a helping hand, to allow them to make a different decision. Don't let Dave's death go forgotten. I know that there is nothing that could possibly happen to someone whose problems can be worked out. It's the others out there that don't know what I'm worried about. The problems that we get ourselves into today are also the ones that we get ourselves out of eventually. That is the reason that I wish that Dave held on for just a little while longer. Good-bye, Dave. Wilkes will always miss you!

> Respectfully yours, Christopher Augustine

P.S. Take good care of my friend.

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The Wilkes Community mourns the loss of David Wardrop. Wardrop had returned to his home in Athens, Pennsylvania where he was found dead on Monday afternoon. His death was ruled suicidal. A second-year Computer Science major, Wardrop was an active member of Air Force ROTC. In this capacity, he was regarded as one of the finest cadets on the Wilkes University campus. In his memory, a vigil will be held on Friday, February 15 at 4:30 p.m. in front of Chase Hall.

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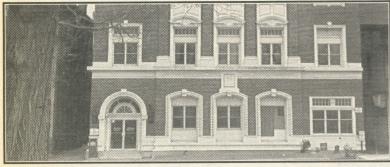
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SITE OF MUSEUM— The Sterling Annex will soon house the new Collegiate Museum.

By MARLENE MANGAN
Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE— There will soon be a new center of art and culture coming to downtown Wilkes-Barre.

As a joint effort of both Wilkes University and King's College, the new Collegiate Museum will be constructed on South River Street in what is now the

Sterling Annex.

According to Judy O'Toole, director of the Sordoni Art Gallery at Wilkes, and recently named director of the new museum, both schools' interest in the project is very different.

"King's interest is from the point of view of teaching a general education arts class whereas, Wilkes' interest is to supplement the goals of the art department," stated O'Toole.

With three main galleries, various class-rooms, and a library, O'Toole hopes to get students and the community involved.

"One of the classrooms is a studio room, and we are aiming toward art education majors to get involved in doing Saturday morning art classes for kids," said O'Toole.

Along with regional art, the faculty and students of both Wilkes and King's will have a chance to exhibit their work in the new galleries. Construction on the museum is estimated to begin in April and it will open in the fall of 1992.

O'Toole also emphasized the important role the Wilkes

the museum is completed.

"This never would have happened if it were simply left up to the Wilkes-Barre community. Wilkes is going to play a major role in the development of the museum because we are entering the project based on the history of our own Sordoni Art Gallery."

Judy Plummer, Director of Student Activities at King's College, is on the Facility Advisory Common for the new museum. In mer is anxious for won begin on the museum, and is pleased that her study will be able to apply a classroom experiences and development of the gallet.

"I'm totally delighted be working Judy O'To and I'm thrilled that Wa and King's, along with Sordoni Art Foundation, embarking on this joint fort," Plummer said.



DIRECTOR— Judith O'Toole has been named Directord

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The Cue-n-Curtain Club is selling Valentine's Day Heart-a-Grams to send to someone special.

The Heart-a-Grams consist of Valentine's Day candy, and will be delivered by singing Cue-n-Curtain members.

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So, this Valentine's Day, send someone you love a singing Heart-a-Gram and support our soldiers in the Middle East.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

An alternative form of counseling for students

By MARIANNE REVIE Beacon Staff Writer

Many believe that being a college student is an easy way to spend four years. Any student, however, can tell you that college life is not as simple as it seems. In fact, college students today face many problems which can make it difficult to cope with everyday life.

There are, however, various ways in which the burden of college life can be eased. Organizations such as the Campus Counseling Center were created to alleviate some of the pressures common among college students. These organizations focus upon depression, anxiety, and other personal problems commonly associated with college life.

Another alternative which students can consider as they face the problems of college life is the Help Line. Help Line is a non-profit, referral, advocacy, and crisis access program serving Luzerne and Wyoming Counties 24 hours a day and seven days a week. Although the service is often viewed as

an after hours crisis access center, Help Line's staff is equipped to handle many of the issues which plague college students.

Help Line differs from other referral services in many ways. Its caseworkers each have particular knowledge in a specialized field, and if the caseworker is not able to answer all of the student's questions, he will refer the student to another source where his concern can be addressed.

In addition to the known health issues which Help Line deals with, it also has information for students on such issues as tennants rights, consumer laws, vocational testing, volunteer opportunities, credit information, and budget counseling.

As a result of the current crisis in the Persian Gulf, other agencies have become affiliated with Help Line. This connection has resulted in a 24 hour Middle East crisis center for families and friends of U.S. servicemen serving in the Gulf. Help Line also offers other information and referral services concerning the war.

Many callers have phoned in

their concerns about troop tions and casualties. To he swer some of these questions. Line has available phone may of government agencies which provide the caller with the intertion he needs.

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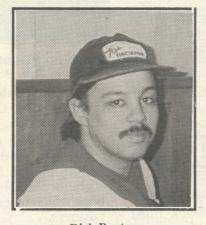
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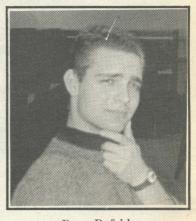
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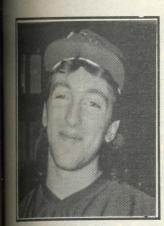
Rich Burton Sophomore Yes, because of good teachers and hands on experience.



Yujia Zhao Freshman Yes, because I'm an art major and I learn through technique.



Doug Rafeld Sophomore I think it does prepare me, however, it is tough to get internships for business majors.



Lance Benson Junior Absolutely yes, because Wilkes r surpasses any other institution of education. If they can't prepare me, nobody can.



Chura Juniors Yes, because we feel that the school provides opportunities for internships and practicums.



Ed Hurlbrink Sophomore No, we need more co-ops and internships available to students.



Charlotte Hoffman Junior s, because the teachers here are concerned and willing to spend extra time with their students.



Scott Trauger Senior Yes and No. Yes, the education will help with the technical aspect of your job, but you still need on the job training.



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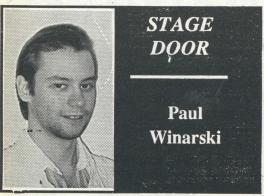
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When actor Sir Rex Harrison died last May, he left behind him a legacy of great performances on both stage and screen. Best known for his award-winning performance as the crusty professor of phonetics, Henry Higgins, in "My Fair Lady," Harrison was tagged the undisputed king of high comedy. The late Sir Noel Coward once said of Sir Rex, "Harrison is the greatest actor of sophisticated comedy...next to me."



As you can tell, I admired Rex Harrison very much, and I believe a young actor can learn a lot by observing his many performances.

He had a style of acting which has all but disappeared now. For this reason, I was very eager to read the book which he had completed shortly before his untimely death at the age of eighty-two.

A Damned Serious Business by Rex Harrison is not an acting book. Harrison believed that no one could "teach" a person how to act. His delightful memoir recounts how Harrison developed his unique, naturalistic style of acting.

Harrison despised what is known as "method acting," and he tells how he had once done a play filled with method actors. The play was the first production of Chekov's "Platanov." Harrison said that the audience never understood the humor of Chekov in the 20th century since the humor was always downplayed by grumbling, grunting, and heavy-handed acting. Harrison's performance of "Platanov," however, revived interest in Chekov because he indeed brought out the humor in him.

Sir Rex's book is more than a narrative, it's a warm, funny, and touching book filled



SERIOUS BUSINESS -- Actor Rex Harrison and his will Palmer in Bell, Book, and Candle.

with antecdotes concerning Harrison's closest if including the Olivers, Robert Coote, Noel Cown Richard Burton.

My advice to any actor who wishes to become comfortable with his profession, or just wants to com feeling like he has spent an evening with one of h acclaimed actors of our century, should pick up H book which indeed confirms that comedy is "a damned business.'

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Moran stresses the print media

Following a ten year span as President and Chief Administrative and Education Officer of Luzerne County Community College, Moran joined the Wilkes University faculty last September.

In addition to his full class schedule last semester, Moran also delivered the keynote address at the first annual High School Journalism Institute of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Editors and Advisors at Tunkhannock Area High School. Moran's focus in his address was the overall importance of print media journalism.

Moran is now attempting to bring an interest in print media back to students at Wilkes University. Along with encouraging his communications students to write for the campus and local newspapers. Moran has also begun work to create a chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) on the Wilkes campus.

Both the faculty and administration here at Wilkes would like to work to build our Communications Department into on of the largest and best in the northeastern quadrant of the country," Moran said.

Moran feels that part of the reason for the

decline of enthusiasm for print media stems from a general misconception about the industry. He claims that many students are drawn to the glamour of electronic media, and they forget about the tremendous impact of newspapers.

I'm going to try to steal as many electronic media people as I can. What they do not realize is that behind every successful anchorperson, there is a newsroom full of

writers," Moran stated.

Moran also feels that the job of the newspaper and the entire communications industry has become even more important in light of the current crisis in the Gulf. With very little experience in in-depth warcoverage, the communications field must adapt to this new situation.

This is heady stuff. communications industry is undergoing a performance test with this crisis. We're now covering the war on the tail end of a patriot

Moran says, however, that his greatest joy comes from teaching and placing his hopes in students who he knows will rise to

'So much of our lives depend upon communication, and I want to try to impress upon students the importance of print media. The field is wide open, and they will definitely get far more out of it than they put in."



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AROLYN DOUGLAS

IKES-BARRE— On Monday night, nof the Wilkes community were able rience a cultural history of Americans as the Soul in Motion resented their exciting play "We Are

emain purpose of the performance is to all people to actively seek out on relating to their historical past. itself is based on the studies of Egypt w these findings affect the culture of

play was inspired by a book by T. Brouder, and it also contained from such noted authors as Maya and Gil Scott Heron, as well as Mike the founder of the Soul in Motion

performance began on a high note, with "So Many Stars, " a song and performed by the late Sarah From that moment, the play became nd more lively, and the audience to enjoy each segment of the

hough the crowd was small, it was y enthusiastic and receptive. A

highpoint of the performance came when some of the performers entered into the audience and paraded a few semi-willing volunteers dancing through the theater.

The cast of "We Are Africa" consists of

Kevin Campbell, Natii Mathewson, Gregory H. Poole, and Michael E. Friend.

Campbell is a musician and composer from New York City who has performed as a singer, percussionist, and actor in many parts of the U.S.

Mathewson is a jazz vocalist and actress from Connecticut who currently performs with a trio in the Washington, D.C. area.

Poole, an actor from Washington, D.C. has performed in numerous theatrical productions. He is currently performing stand-up comedy in national clubs.

Friend founded the Soul in Motion Players in 1984. He is a professional percussionist and has performed with the world renown Arthur Hall Afro-American Dance Ensemble.

The Soul in Motion players will be performing at various colleges and universities on the east coast throughout 1991. Thanks to the efforts of the Black Students Coalition, Wilkes University was fortunate enough to become a part of this spectacular theatrical performance.



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'AFRICA'— The Soul in Motion Players perform at the CPA

ompetition brings talent to campus

RIAN MALINA Staff Writer

Wilkes University nt of Music, and Dance will hold nd annual Concerto ion on Monday,

competition, which ly one of its kind in tern and Central vania, is open to

musicians and between the ages of thirteen and eighteen.

The winner of this year's competition will have the opportunity to perform with Wilkes University the Orchestra in their spring concert and will rec ive a \$500 prize.

According to music

vocalists Harrington, Wilkes began the in recruiting gifted musicians. competition to "help develop interest in orchestra in high schools."

> Harrington also stated that it is a great recruiting tool, allowing musicians to become aware of "Wilkes' best kept secret," the music department.

The competition has department spokesman James already proven to be helpful

Both the first and second place winners from last year's competition are currently studying under instructors here at Wilkes and plan on attending the university next

Anyone wishing to enter must prepare one movement of a standard instrumental

concerto or concert area for vocalists. Applications

be submitted no later than February 18. Participants must also bring their own accompanists to the auditions on February 25.

Further information concerning the competition can be obtained by contacting Harrington at extension 4428.

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SENIOR RECITAL

Wilkes percussionist, Geoffrey Dent, will present his senior recital on Monday, February 11th.

Dent is a member of the Wilkes University Orchestra, Percussion Ensemble, and the Contemporary Music Ensemble "Twinge."

The recital will be held in Gies Hall and will begin at 8:15 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

Burke takes out warriors

by RONALD D. RAINEY

Beacon Staff Writer

When Jimmy Burke took the floor for last Saturday's basketball game against Lycoming he may not have been ready for what was about to happen. The Warriors certainly were not.

During the game Burke travelled to a zone not many athletes visit in their entire careers. If he was a baseball pitcher Burke would have delivered a perfect game.

Instead, the senior shooting guard, who transferred from Susquehanna this year, scored forty points in the Colonels 88-73 win.

Asked about his performance, which included eight of ten from three point land, Burke said it was almost dreamlike.

had anything like this happen to me.'

Although Burke scored almost half of the Colonels points, he did not win the game single-handedly. Joe Natale had twenty points and thirteen rebounds and Eric Lawson chipped in ten.

Burke spoke about how Wilkes' inside game played a role in his scoring outburst.

When Lycoming's players collapsed on Joe and Phil Marko that let me open to take some three pointers."

One person excited about Burke's performance was Colonels coach Ron Rainey, who gave the guard high praise.

I've never seen a Wilkes player shooting from three point range with such consistency before," said Rainey. "Once Tim Marose (Lycoming's leading scorer) cooled off, Jimmy stepped up and did a tremendous job."

The victory gave the colonels a two game winning streak as earlier in the week Wilkes shut down Susquehanna 90-78. In the game against the Crusaders, Wilkes had five players in double figures. Eric Lawson led the way with twenty four, Ray Ott had a career high nineteen, Marko and Burke tallied sixteen, and Natale scored ten.

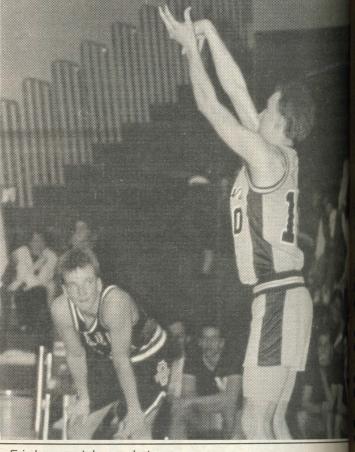
The victory showed that Wilkes could play with one of the better teams in the MAC (Susquehanna was 8-4 in the MAC). It also buoyed the Colonel coaching staff who are still positive when speaking about the season.

'We're better than our record indicates," said Rainey. "We had some injuries that hurt us (Ott, Chris Patackis, and Tom Sheplock all suffered "Everything went right," said Burke. "All serious injuries during the year). Still, our young the shots I took went in. I scored 25 points in a people have improved over the year and they make game as a sophomore at Susqehanna, but I've never the future look bright. I hope we can finish up strong for our home crowd who has supported us

> The Colonels are now 7-14 overall and 4-8 in the MAC. Wilkes will now look to play the role of spoiler as they host one of the best in the MAC Saturday when they take on FDU-Madison at 2:00 at the Marts Center. This game is also Senior day as the Colonels honor Ott, Lawson, and Burke before the game.

After FDU, Wilkes plays their last home game of the year Monday at 7:30 when they host Delaware Valley.

As the season winds down the Colonels hope Jimmy Burke can take a trip back to that elusive travel spot known as the scoring zone, and if he does he may help the men's basketball team find a home in the winning column.



Eric Lawson takes a shot.



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Big East' football emerges

MARRIE DAWSON

College Information Network

MOVIDENCE, R.I. — Nine football helmets were spaced evenly across the head table. Left was a maroon one from Virginia Tech. Rutgers' scarlet headgear was on the right. The one in the middle was the most significant. It was emblazoned with the Big East dence logo, the tie that binds. The helmets were arranged in a matter of minutes, but it was to bring them together.

The concept of an Eastern college football league has been, by some estimates, 30 years raking.

he Big East football league was born Tuesday — finally — with the formal moment at a late-morning press conference at Omni-Biltmore hotel.

Rutgers and Virginia Tech in the eight-team alignment are Temple, West a Syracuse, Miami, Boston College and Pittsburgh.

Teyli play a loosely structured league schedule next season. Syracuse, Boston College, and newcomer Miami essentially are all-sports members of the Big East, while a Temple, West Virginia are football-only members from the Atlantic 10 — and a Tech is from the Metro Conference.

This a very exciting time for eastern football, and it's a time that's long overdue," said an abletic-director Fred Gruninger, chairman of the football league's executive "All of us who have come together today to formalize this association only know that is in front of us.

Meall hope, as we go into the '90s, that this will be one of the finest, if not the finest, atmaferences in the country. We have a lot of tradition and we have a lot of people who ten in college football for many, many years who we can call upon to make this attractive."

the control of the director of the Crouthamel will chair the television committee, Ed Bozik with heads the group that will negotiate with the bowls and Chet Gladchuk of Boston and the finance committee.

mils of the league's revenue-sharing plan were not disclosed, but Big East some Mike Transhese did say football revenues will only be shared by Big East members.

ranger added that programs such as Miami, which can usually count on bowl revenues france football, would not be put at a disadvantage by the plan. The revenue sharing may as the league develops.

buliversity of Miami is satisfied with the financial arrangements," Miami interim the first Paul Dee said. "You also have to understand that Miami is a full member of the first paul Dee said."

The Hurricanes are the unquestioned power — and there is little doubt that the other members will have to raise their standard of play to be competitive, some by several notches.

"The good news is that we're in the Big East," said Rutgers football coach Doug Graber, who did not attend the ceremonies. "The bad news is we have to play Miami. Playing Miami is going to help all of us upgrade our programs."

"I think if you pluck out Miami, there's parity," Temple athletic director Charlie Theokas said. "We're going to recruit (better) because Miami's in it, so whatever parity is, I think it will happen a little more quickly than people think."

A bowl tie-in may happen quickly, too. "We've alerted everyone," Tranghese said of the various bowls. "We want a bowl tie-in by 1991 and probably we'll have one. If we don't want one, we'll have reasons for it... It's not just having a bowl tie-in. It's having the right bowl tie-in."

The Big East will negotiate national and regional ABC network appearances for its members within the College Football Association structure. It also hopes to obtain national appearances on ESPN. The Big East Television Network will have a syndicated game of the week series, similar to what the league has for its basketball members.

Until Tuesday, the league's eight members were football independents, but many play one another regularly.

That's why the Big East will be able to play a loosely structured league schedule immediately and determine a league champion. Power ratings, among other things, may help determine the winner for a few years.

Some members may be able to adjust their 1991 schedules to include another league opponent or two.

All Big East members must schedule a mininum of five conference games by 1995.

The football league's formation solves many problems for all members. West Virginia was among those that would have preferred an all-sports association, but found the football-only deal viable because its other sports remain part of the Atlantic 10 Conference. Same story for Temple and Rutgers.

Pittsburgh, a Big East basketball member, sought a football association. The league allows it to retain its lucrative Big East basketball tie and creates a haven for its football program. Same story for Syracuse and Boston College.

Virginia Tech was from the faltering Metro Conference, looking for stability.

Miami, the most dominant team in college football the past decade, was wooed by the Southeastern Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference, but not strongly, and joined the Big East mainly to enhance its basketball status.

Talk for years had centered on Penn State leading a group of Eastern independents into a league but that didn't materialize, and the Nittany Lions last year shocked the collegiate world by joining the Big Ten.

(Barrie Dawson writes for the Bridgewater Courier-News.)

V's Score it big his B'ball season

StaffWriter

her Barre. The Wilkes Colonels how Varsity squads' season has been tended to that of a roller coaster ride. It weeks three games were no

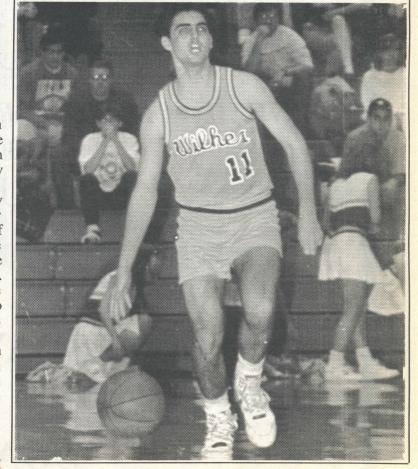
Intesday, January 29, the J.V. team immber one ranked Junior College, as. A month before, Wilkes had deposite on a last second tip in to pull appet. This game, Keystone was out age, and got it. The Keystone team add the Colonels the whole game and them to turn the ball over several Coach J.P. Andrejko felt his team advell on defenses and at times the assexecuted well.

by of that week, the Colonels J.V. meled to Baptist Bible to take on the in In the first meeting of these two colonels won by nine in a rather met. This time the Colonels were

more experienced and wasted no time in establishing what was going to be done. The Colonels won the game by a 39 point margin and felt ready for the next opponent, who they would face Sunday afternoon at home.

The Valley Sportsmen arrived Sunday afternoon and looked as if they weren't ready to play. However, this team made up of former area atheletes were indeed ready. The game was a fast paced one in which the Colonels led at half time by a basket, 61-59. The second half the Sportsmen waited for the Colonels to make a mistake, and they did so for about a two minute period, and the Sportsmen capitalized. The Sportsmen won the game by 3 points, 107-104. Coach Andrejko was pleased with the way his team performed, however, he was not happy that they lost.

Coach Andrejko is very positive about his team's remaining games. He feels his team is forming a good concept and are learning what they can and can't do. Coach Andrejko said, "You have to be ready to play every game and especially the big one."



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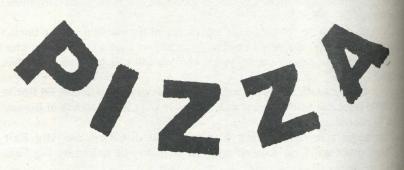
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By BECKY STEINBER
Beacon Staff Writer

Mud and high spirits this past weekend a participated in Winter We the Marts Center and Ra

The Marts Center opening ceremonies, which the introduction of the tweath team was judged on costumes.

Announcements were Covernment President Bil member Andy Feinberg. observed a moment of sile David Wardrop and the tro-Gulf.

Saturday morning's 9:00 a.m., with Blind Bask Ball. The muddy companch, and play was resurted Amaeba race. This was keg Roll and the Sack F.

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By NICOLETTE YEVIC Beacon Staff Writer

Student Government students another opportunition involved by sponsoring a Club Day this past Westfrom 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Learning Center lobby.

Fifteen clubs and or tons were represented, a sudents to gain insight is activities that are available wilkes campus.

Those who attended of chance to taste Dr. Turocomous chili at the Biology booth, stop by the Cor Council table for a baked is get a keychain from Program Board.

The lobby came alive a Owens, the Rumours D.J accords creating an excit anosphere as students learned the organizations which the campus and the conty.

"This was the first Winte Day and we (Student Govern sere very happy to see that 1

