

The Beacon

Should be Open in Fall

Conyngham Home to be New SUB

The new Student Building facilities, expected to be open next fall, will be housed in Conyngham Building, rather than the Carriage House behind that structure.

This decision was reached by the Board of Trustees at its December meeting.

Conyngham Building, on South River Street between the Annette Evans Faculty House and the Congynham facade, was donated to the college two years ago. Until now it has stood vacant and unused, and at first was in danger of being razed.

A New Life

However, the college's \$2.4 million Alpha campaign has given the building new life, since the provision of a new Student Union Building is one of the campaign's major goals. Originally the new SUB facilities were to be constructed in the Carriage House behind the Conyngham Building. But, according to President Robert Capin, the college architect looked at the campus land use and felt that the Carriage House was located in such a manner that it would block a proposed "greenway" in the overall campus picture, especially if a new women's dorm were constructed on Northampton Street.

Thinking of long-range college plans, the architect and administration felt that the Conyngham Building would be a better asset to the college, since it is a major structure on South River Street, has enormous architectural appeal, and is already an integral part of the campus. On the other hand, the Carriage House is "buried."

Two Plans Proposed

The architect was given permission to see if the program planned for the Carriage House was a physically and economically viable one for the main building. He came up with two plans—one involving an addition

to the building and the second making use only of the available space, but providing for possible future growth.

The first was deemed cost-prohibitive, but the second was approved by the Board. (Floor plans for the project are on p. 2.)

The project cost is expected to be approximately \$350,000. A \$100,000 grant obtained via the Alpha campaign from the Pew Foundation (specifically the Glenmede Trust, originating from the Sun Oil Co.) is already in hand and \$50,000 in pledges

have been solicited. Capin noted that the college hopes to generate additional funds for the SUB through future campaigns.

Commons to be Replaced

The new SUB will replace both the present SUB and the Commons, since it will contain all facilities currently provided by both buildings. The future of those two structures is still undecided, and will depend on the results of a space utilization study which is expected to be completed soon.

Depending upon the needs of the college, the buildings may simply be left vacant, converted for another purpose, or razed.

As for the new facility, preliminary work has begun, and as Capin commented, "If all goes well, we will be in the building next fall."

Wilma Hurst

Registrar Opts

Not to Resign

In a surprise announcement, President Robert S. Capin announced January 10th at the President's Council meeting that Mrs. Doris Barker, Registrar, will not resign as planned and stay on for one more year. Barker handed in her resignation at the end of last semester to be effective in May. She cited her reasons as personal.

When asked why Barker changed her mind she said that President Capin had asked her to stay on. She will take the summer off but has agreed to come back next year. Whether or not she will resign after next year is not known.

"I just love Wilkes College," said Barker, but added "I myself need to take some time off." She noted that she really enjoys most of the students and when asked if she would stay on as Student Government advisor next year she said "If they ask me I'd be happy to because I enjoy it."

Barker's duties as Registrar include the scheduling and registration of all classes, the scheduling of finals, and to see that all graduating students fulfill their requirements.

Jim Edwards

Over 160 Applications In For Academic Dean Post

The search for a new dean of academic affairs is underway, with some 160 persons seeking the position.

According to President Robert Capin, who is acting academic dean, a time-table was established in order to ensure final approval of a new dean by June.

January 15 was the deadline for receipt of applications, and according to Capin, four persons currently at Wilkes have applied for the post. (He would not reveal their names.) The other 156-odd applicants are men and women from all over the country and from a variety of institutions.

"We advertised the position for only two consecutive weeks in the 'Chronicle of Higher Education,'" said Capin, "and we received around 160 responses."

The second phase of the selection process is for a committee to read all applications by Feb-

Accreditation Affects 1978 Graduates

The college nursing department received initial accreditation from the National League for Nursing (NLN), on December 8. This announcement was made by President Capin.

The accreditation means that the program "is meeting the highest standards in nursing education," according to Department Chairperson Ruth McHenry, who is "very, very happy, very pleased, and gratified with the news." She said the accreditation "signifies achievement after long hours of work and effort, and the faculty deserves a lot of credit."

The accreditation is effective as of December 8th and is retroactive to the 8-month period prior to the NLN's Board of Review decision. This means that last year's graduating nurses will be included under the accreditation.

The program, which was instituted back in 1972, did attempt accreditation once before in the spring of 1977 but was turned down for various reasons. One of the major factors involved was the teaching credentials of the faculty.

NLN requires that each instructor obtain at least a Masters degree in a clinical area. Of the current teaching staff in the department 17 of the 18 members have a Masters degree.

Since the spring of 1977, McHenry and the nursing facul-

ty have worked vigorously in attempting to meet the standards for NLN. There were many curriculum changes which, in essence, place major concentration in the upper level courses. Grade standards were also raised within the department. Students must receive at least a 2.0 in their nursing courses in order to advance.

New Goals Set

With this accreditation, however, the department is not sitting on its hands and will still move progressively in positive directions.

The department has, in six short years, become the largest department on campus. McHenry feels the department has reached its capacity in the undergraduate level with 350 to 400 students but feels the department should expand the continuing education emphasis.

This spring the department is holding eight sessions in continuing education for nurses in the area. The response has been overwhelming with over 130 registrants.

There will be no charge for these sessions to the registrant and the nursing faculty is volunteering its time to hold these sessions. "We have a responsibility to keep these nurses up to date," said McHenry who added that the faculty is acting in the "interest of the community and their patients."

When asked if there is the possibility that a Masters program in nursing be instituted at the college McHenry responded "I would hope this would happen." She could not say officially whether this will be implemented or not but is strongly in favor of the idea.

"This area hasn't done much to continue education in nursing," said McHenry which is one of the reasons why recruiting qualified faculty to the area is a problem. A Masters program in nursing would be a first in Northeastern Pennsylvania if the college decided to take this route.

McHenry Resigning?

Rumors have been circulating around campus that McHenry will resign now that the program has been accredited. She is eligible to retire but would not disclose any facts whether she will or will not.

Her priorities for the future include maintaining the quality of nursing education at the college as well as being up to date.

Jim Edwards

34 Seniors Named to 'Who's Who'

Thirty-four seniors have achieved national recognition by being selected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" according to George Ralston, Dean of Student Affairs.

The selection of "Who's Who" is based on campus and community activities, leadership ability, and academic achievement. These students join an elite group of students selected from more than 700 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states.

The outstanding seniors are:

Mario Apuzzo, Jamesburg, N.J. is a political science major and served as co-captain of the varsity soccer team. He is also a senior class officer and a member of the Wilkes College Chorus. **Steven Bailey**, from Stroudsburg, is vice-president of the senior class and president of his dormitory. He is a biology major and copyright editor of the "Amnicola."

Michael Barth, from Union, N.J., is a biology major. He served as chairman of the Wilkes Blood Donor Day and is a member of the Act 101

Advisory Council. He is also a student member of the Accreditation-Goals Outcome Program Committee.

Gregory Black, Wilkes-Barre, is involved with intramural sports and is vice-president of the student government. A biology major, he is also class Parliamentarian.

Noreen Corbett, Wilkes-Barre, is an English major and served as co-captain of the women's tennis team. She is also a member of the Letterwomen's Club and is news-copy editor for the "Beacon."

Gerald D'Albis, Hamden, Conn., served as Homecoming co-chairman and is a member of the student government. A music education major, he is also a member of the Human Services Committee.

Donald Demko, Wilkes-Barre, is a chemistry major and currently serves as vice-president of the Chemistry Club. He is a student affiliate of the American Cancer Society and a laboratory assistant in the chemistry department.

Cindy Fisher, Dover, N.J., is president of the

Music Educators National Conference and a member of the Cue 'N Curtain Club. She is a music education major and senior representative for the band.

John Griffith, Wilkes-Barre, is an English major and vice-president of Commuter Council. He is also a member of the Cue 'N Curtain and Photography Clubs.

Frederick Herrmann, Somerset, N.J. is a member of the National Association of Accountants and the Accounting Club. He is an accounting major and a resident assistant. He is also involved with intramural sports.

Wilma Hurst, Wilkes-Barre, is a chemistry major and editor-in-chief of the "Beacon." She is also manager of the women's basketball team and a member of the Letterwomen's Club, in addition to serving on the Steering Committee of the college Middle States Evaluation committee.

Nancy Johnson, Wilkes-Barre, is co-captain of the women's basketball team and a member of the Letterwomen's Club. She is a business administration major.

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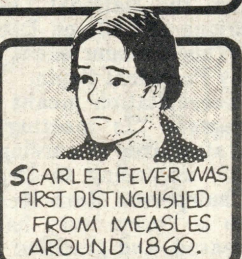
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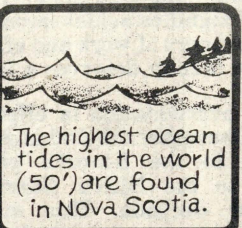


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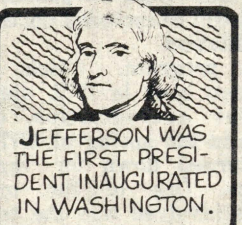
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tion major and advertising manager of the "Beacon."

Julie Kerrick, Blakeslee, is a sociology major and vice-president of the Letterwomen's Club. She was a 1978 Homecoming Queen nominee and a member of the women's field hockey team.

Sheree Kessler, Brigantine, N.J. served as captain of the majorettes and is secretary of the Student Union Board. She is a business education major and a resident assistant.

Rosa Khalife, Wilkes-Barre, is a music education major and a member of the strutters. She is also corresponding secretary for the Theta Delta Rho Sorority and a member of the Cue 'n Curtain Club.

Stephen Kichka, Hazleton, is a member of the Nursing Student Organization and served as a member of the Freshman Orientation Staff. As a nursing major, he served as a member of the Nursing Department Curriculum Committee.

Steven Kirshner, Levittown, is a biology major and president of student government. He is also a member of the Human Services Committee, Biology Club and the Wilkes Emergency Alert Team.

Ann Marie Kopec, Swoyersville, is a commuter council representative and a member of the Theta Delta Rho Sorority. As a sociology major, she was a member of the Freshman Orientation Committee and an Alpha Campaign Volunteer.

Stella Korpusik, Wilkes-Barre, is a fine arts major with a concentration in biology. She currently serves as president of Commuter Council. She is also a member of the Cue 'N Curtain Club and is involved with theatre productions.

John Kozey III, Mountaintop, is a member of the WCLH-FM staff, Computer Science Club and Math Club. The economics-computer science major is involved with intramural sports.

Cheryl Moyer, Schuylkill Haven, is a nursing and psychology major and a member of the Nursing Student Organization Club. She has been a majorette for four years and a member of the Emergency Alert Team.

John Mundy, Honesdale, is the vice-president of the Philosophy Club and the National Honor Society in Philosophy. He is also involved with the chorus and Madrigal Singers.

Mary Jane Nulty, Long Island, N.Y. was the 1978 Homecoming Queen. She is a sociology major and a resident assistant, as well as an area coordinator of female resident assistants.

David Pawlusch, Miners Mills, is a chemistry

major and a member of the Chemistry Club. He was actively involved with Wilkes College Science Expositions and did volunteer work on alumni campaigns.

Karen Polomski, Bricktown, N.J. is a YMCA tutor and a resident assistant. She served on the "Amnicola" staff for four years and is a member of the Letterwomen's and Math Clubs. The math-computer science major also was a member of the women's tennis team as well as being involved in other college and community projects.

Susan Rogers, Wilkes-Barre, is a biology major and a teaching assistant in the Biology Department. She is also a member of the Young Republican's Club and a community health worker for the Kirby Health Center.

John Senatore, Weston, Mass., is an Upward Bound tutor and chairman of the Finance Committee. He is also involved with the Ski and Track Club. He is currently treasurer of the Wilkes College Student Government Association.

Joseph Stephens Jr., Sykesville, Md., is a biology major and the 1979 chairman of the Cherry Blossom Committee. He is an Upward Bound tutor and a member of the Soccer team. Stephens also serves as a student government representative.

David Taylor, North Plainfield, N.J. is a member of the Outdoor Adventure Club and the Inter-Dormitory Council. He is an environmental science and elementary education major.

Ann Timko, Frackville, is a sociology major and treasurer of the senior class. She is also a member of the chorus and the Human Services Committee.

Gary Toczowski, Scranton, is president of the Inter-Dormitory Council and a student government representative. The environmental science major is a resident assistant. He is also a member of the Environmental Science and Outdoor Adventures Clubs.

Gregory Tomcho, Allentown, is a biology major and a member of the Biology Club and the Human Services Committee. He was also involved with intramural sports and the 1978 Science Exposition.

Casper Tortella, Paulsboro, is captain of the varsity wrestling team and a resident assistant. He is a political science and secondary education major and takes an active part in intramural football and softball.

Debbie Yedlock, Ashley, is a nursing major and captain of the majorettes and women's basketball team. She is a member of the Letterwomen's Club and is involved with intramural volleyball.

Commuter Council Returns To Find 8 Empty Seats

To start the new semester Commuter Council found itself with eight unfilled positions. For various reasons eight of last semester's council members are no longer with the council, leaving two senior, two junior, one sophomore and three freshmen seats open. However, due to recent CC publicity, two freshmen students, Jim Campanella and Bev Rothery attended this weeks CC meeting and were appointed to the council.

President Stella Korpusik urges any commuters who are interested in becoming members of the council to attend the CC meetings on Mondays at 4:45 p.m. in the board room at Weckesser Hall.

CC will hold a Suds and Stuff party on Saturday, January 26 from 9-11 in the SUB. Everyone who buys a ticket will be entitled to three pieces of pizza and an ample supply of beer. For the music lovers, CC proposes to have a D.J. with a sound system on hand. Tickets will be on sale in the CC Office and at the door.

160 apply

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was vacated last semester when Dr. Richard Soter resigned the post after an unsuccessful bid for the presidency of Stockton State College in Pomona, N.J. Soter had been appointed dean of academic affairs in June 1976. His title was changed to provost after the college's top administrative responsibilities were revised.

The new administrator will again be the dean of academic affairs, since according to Capin, he "will not have as broad responsibilities as the provost. The dean of academic affairs will be devoting his or her efforts to academic matters, spending time with the faculty, and being concerned with curriculum and academic standing."

Capin also emphasized his desire to see the academic dean "spend more time on (the faculty's) turf," by going to their offices to discuss academic matters.

Wilma Hurst

The council has plans to start a Student Social Committee to aid the council in helping to make student life better at Wilkes. President Korpusik said that she thinks the committee will help the council to receive more suggestions and input from the students as well as more help on social functions. She went on to say, "We want to get more students involved in what's going on on campus." The council feels that better contact between the council and the students will help solve some of the student's problems.

Any commuter interested in being a part of this special committee is requested to attend a meeting in SLC 101 today at 11.

Those who cannot attend the meeting but are interested in the committee can contact the council in the office daily until 3 p.m.

The monthly parking stickers for Park and Lock will no longer be sold by CC due to the fact that Park and Lock was losing money because of late returns. Students who wish to purchase the stickers may do so at the Park and Lock at the same price (\$15). The council will still sell the booklets of parking coupons and the bus tokens, however.

CC has decided to reserve space in the new SUB complex for commuter mail boxes. The council feels these will help to make communication between the college and students easier as well as helping the college to save postage money.

Plans were initiated for a proposed sci-fi and or comedy film festival. Details have not been finalized yet.

Last semester's Christmas Party was deemed a success. All 300 tickets were sold and the Gramercy was full in spite of the bad weather conditions.

To round up the meeting John Moffat was elected treasurer; Bill Stusnick was elected traffic coordinator; and Don Patronick was elected Commons chairman.

Bill Turcan

Lest We Forget...

The Woody Hayes Incident

Every state in the union has at least one football conglomerate that also furnishes "education." Every conglomerate has a shepherd who leads a flock of plastic clad mesomorphs and ectomorphs. Being a shepherd commands tremendous respect from those within the conglomerate as well as the respect of those outside. In the "Buckeye" state Mr. Woody Hayes commanded as much respect as Mr. Paterno does (or should we say did) in the "Keystone" or Nittany state. The only positive aspect of Mr. Hayes' Gator Bowl may lie in the fact that some of these shepherds may lose some of their unwarranted reverence.. all else is negative.

With the college sports tycoons toying with the idea of national play-offs to determine "who's on first" we see the water over the dam principle in action. The Woodhead swung because an oblong object covered with dead animal skin flew into the hands of an opposition mesomorph along with Ohio State's hopes for victory. If this amount of radioactivity is generated by the desire for the victory of one bowl game, the halfives of a national championship playoff system would certainly be magnified. Certainly Woody Hayes may have been a rare "element" as he had become "unmellow" on the sidelines several times previous to the Gator Bowl.

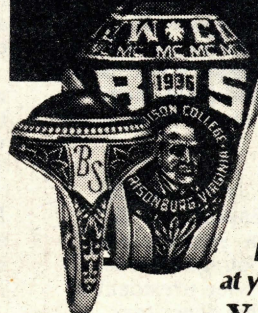
Regardless of the severity of Hayes' isolated case, a national play-off system would exert tremendous pressure on the shepherds and their flocks increasing the potential for disaster. Let's face it - the less radioactivity we are exposed to, the better..... AVOID COLLEGE FOOTBALL HOLOCAUST!!!!

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Tenure a Factor

Basketball Coaches Not Rehired

Faculty contract renewals became an issue over semester break, as it was revealed that both Wilkes basketball coaches have not been rehired.

Coaches Rodger Bearde and Sandra Bloomberg, both assistant professors of physical education and hygiene, were informed in December that their contracts would not be renewed for 1979-80 due to tenure decisions.

According to President Robert Capin, most non-tenured faculty members come up for contract renewal each year before December 15, the date when all contract decisions must be made. Department chairmen are normally contacted before that date and asked to review budgets, faculty, and student enrollment.

Tenure a Factor

"In reviewing contract renewals," said Capin, "timing for tenure decisions must be considered. You must say to yourself that one thing to consider is the number of people in their sixth, seventh, or eighth year who are subject to contract renewal according to Wilkes College policy. Is it fair to the person and the institution to continue their employment and then tell them they can't have tenure?"

He claimed that Wilkes tries to make a tenure decision before a

faculty member goes beyond the seventh year of employment. (Wilkes is currently censured by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), reportedly because has allowed people to remain at the college longer than seven years without having tenure.)

Considerations Listed

When a person is up for review prior to contract renewal, according to the president, the following points must be considered:

1. What are the needs of the institution in the department...
2. What is the future enrollment pattern...
3. What is the percentage of tenured faculty members in the department...

"If a person has been here for, say ten years," Capin commented, "and his chances of getting tenure are nil, it is in the best interest of the individual to say, 'maybe the time is now for you to make a new life for yourself'."

Reportedly this was the situation faced by both Bearde and Bloomberg, who had eight and seven years of employment behind them. Capin noted that although a tenure decision for them may have been three or four years down the road, the fact that they have already been at Wilkes at least seven years complicates the issue for them, Wilkes, and agencies such as AAUP.

Review Required

Although the procedure for evaluating faculty members up for tenure involves action by the department chairman, tenure and promotion committee, academic dean, president, faculty member, and ultimately, the board of trustees, contract renewal evaluation involves only a

department chairman's review and consultation with the administration to discuss college needs, economy, and faculty qualifications.

According to Capin, the department chairman is "required to sit down with the faculty member to review his evaluation and recommendation. The faculty member must initial the form and can disagree with the review and attach an addendum."

Was it Signed?

Athletic Director John Reese confirmed that he must complete a written review and have it signed by the faculty member. However, both Bearde and Bloomberg say they never even saw the evaluation, much less signed it.

In commenting on the general situation, Reese indicated that he felt "the timing was really terrible for the coaches and the teams." He said he regretted that the decision was made public near the beginning of the basketball season, and also emphasized that the decision was simply an unfortunate combination of conflicting tenure policies and economics, and had nothing to do with performance.

"All done fine jobs"

"They've all done fine jobs," commented Reese. "We are very much pleased with all of them. I'd just as soon have all three (Bearde, Bloomberg, and Gay Meyers) tenured, but that wasn't possible." (Meyers has been recommended for tenure.)

As for the future of the basketball program as it pertains to the coaches, Reese said, "We'll have to play it by ear. Hopefully we'll be able to hire two full-time people. If not, we'll have to go to part-time coaches, which I don't think is fair to the kids or good for the program."

Wilma Hurst

Nursing Parking Permits Create Problem for IDC

IDC's first meeting of the new semester saw a continuation in the discussion of the ever-present Wilkes College parking problems.

Nursing majors seeking parking permits are the biggest problem because of the large number of permits they are requesting. IDC, along with all those non-nursing majors who also need parking space, are stressing that the number of nurse-requested parking spaces are too many to accommodate, and are therefore

recommending a shuttle bus to the area hospitals for the nurses.

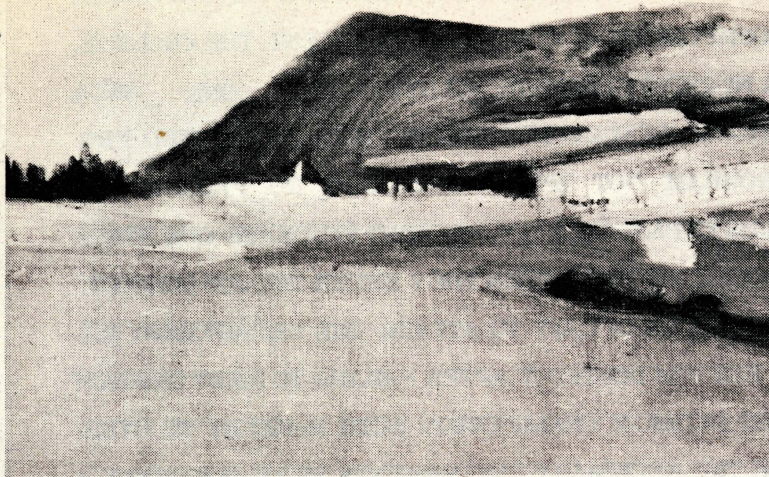
Parking applications are being reviewed this week.

February 16 is the date set for the annual Valentines Party, which is being sponsored by IDC and CC. One issue discussed was whether the event should be held on or off campus. Since capacity at most places off-campus is usually limited to 500 people, a suggestion was made to have the party in the gym, which can easily hold a majority of the student population.

IDC is also checking out the possibility of a "bring-your-own-bottle" affair, but college rules state that alcohol is not allowed in "academic buildings." The question is whether or not the gym is considered an academic building.

According to IDC, a majority of the students polled by the Co-ed committee are in favor of co-educational dorms. IDC will now continue to research the idea.

Tony Lillis



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Debaters Earn 20th Trophy in Md.

Trophy victories for the semester were raised to numbers 19 and 20 as the college debate union completed competition in the popular "H.L. Menkin" Memorial Forensic Tournament hosted jointly by the Baltimore Sun newspapers and Towson University.

For two days schools from eight states gathered on the

Maryland campus of Towson U. for competition in the various forms of forensics and debate. The "Menkin" tournament is one of the most respected of all the forensic contests held on the east coast.

Wilkes extended its consecutive victories to 26. Jon Pliskin moved into an easy second place finish in the expository discourse

competition and Colleen Gries once again demonstrated her rhetorical persuasive skills by finishing as a finalist and winning a trophy in the salesmanship category. Wilkes was fifth place overall for the entire tournament - out of 30 participating colleges.

Contributing to the team success in addition to Pliskin and Gries were Darlene Schaffer and Davida Roberts. Wilkes, with a small squad, nevertheless finished ahead of most larger teams, demonstrating how balanced the members of the team are. The debate union members are coached and directed by Dr. Bradford L. Kinney of the Speech division.

RA Selections Begin Feb. 1

Joe Marchetti, director of housing, announced the beginning of the Resident Assistant Selection Process with February 1 scheduled as the application deadline.

Any student who will be in school next year is eligible to apply providing he or she is not on academic probation and meets certain minimum requirements.

Applications are now available in the Housing Office. Students desiring more information about the R.A. position are encouraged to contact any member of the Dean of Student's staff, the Housing Office, or any member of this year's R.A. staff.

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Weckesser Wrecker Still at Large

The police are still searching for the intruder who broke into Weckesser Hall the week of final examinations according to Gene Manganello, personnel director. Manganello stated that the

discovery was made the morning of December 12 when employees first entered the offices. Apparently the intruder entered by prying open a basement window.

On the second floor the door to Dr. Kelly's office was extensively damaged as the intruder pushed it through to enter.

Mr. Aikman's office, the development office and the public relations office on the third floor were broken into with files and papers left askew.

Reported missing from these offices were money, a calculator, a wristwatch and medicine. Manganello noted that the police were called in to dust for fingerprints.

Reenie Corbett

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NOTICE

Sophomore class meeting today at noon in the CPA.

NOTICE

A Winter Weekend meeting will be held today at 11 a.m. in SLC 101.

NOTICE

Applications for the "Gong Show," to be held Feb. 16 at the Paramount Theater, are now available in the bookstore and library.

The SG used bookstore is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Nursing Accreditation a Significant Accomplishment

*Wilkes College is pleased to announce
that on December 8, 1978
the National League for Nursing's
Board of Review for
Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs
granted initial accreditation
to the Wilkes College Baccalaureate Degree Program
in Nursing*

THE RECENT ACCREDITATION OF THE NURSING DEPARTMENT IS AN EVENT WHICH WE VIEW AS A SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT, THE COLLEGE, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE NURSING STUDENTS. WILKES IS NOW ONE AREA COLLEGE THAT OFFERS A NATIONAL LEAGUE OF NURSING (NLN)-ACCREDITED PROGRAM. THIS MAKES THE PROGRAM NOT ONLY ATTRACTIVE TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS, BUT ALSO A VALUABLE EXPERIENCE FOR PRESENT STUDENTS-ONE WHICH WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE BENEFICIAL TO THEM WHEN THEY ENTER THE JOB MARKET.

THE NLN ACCREDITATION HAS NOT BEEN EASY TO ATTAIN; THE DEPARTMENT EXPECTED APPROVAL IN 1977 BUT WAS DENIED IT AFTER FAILING TO MEET CERTAIN CRITERIA. THE EFFORTS OF DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON RUTH McHENRY TO OVERCOME THIS SETBACK AND MAKE THE NECESSARY REFINEMENTS WERE CERTAINLY A MAJOR FACTOR IN THIS YEAR'S SUCCESSFUL REVIEW. WE SINCERELY CONGRATULATE MRS. McHENRY, THE ENTIRE NURSING FACULTY, AND THE STUDENTS FOR ATTAINING THIS GOAL, AND WE WISH THE PROGRAM CONTINUED GROWTH AND SUCCESS.

Beacon Will Tackle Tenure Issue

SEVERAL TIMES THIS YEAR WE HAVE COME FACE TO FACE WITH QUESTIONS INVOLVING TENURE OF FACULTY MEMBERS. EACH TIME WE HAVE FOUND THAT THE TENURE POLICY IS NOT AS CLEAR-CUT AS IT SHOULD BE. WE HAVE SEEN THAT STUDENTS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND EVEN FACULTY MEMBERS ARE GENERALLY UNCERTAIN ABOUT THE EFFECTS TENURE DECISIONS MAY HAVE ON WILKES COLLEGE. THE STORY DEALING WITH THE NON-REHIRING OF COACHES SANDRA BLOOMBERG AND RODGER BEARDE IS JUST A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF EXACTLY WHAT IMPACT TENURE CAN HAVE.

IN AN EFFORT TO UNTANGLE THIS CONFUSING ISSUE, THIS SEMESTER THE BEACON WILL EXPLORE THE CURRENT POLICY (OR POLICIES) AND THE RAMIFICATIONS. WE INTEND TO CLEARLY STATE THE CURRENT POLICY, DEAL WITH SOME OF THE CONSEQUENCES, BOTH GOOD AND BAD, AND LOOK AT SOME SPECIFIC CASES.

THE SERIES OF ARTICLES PROMISES TO BE CHALLENGING AND PROBABLY CONTROVERSIAL. NATURALLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT ALL SIDES OF THE ISSUE FAIRLY. IN ORDER TO DO THIS, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO ANY QUALIFIED PERSON TO ASSIST US IN GATHERING INFORMATION FOR THE ARTICLES OR TO SHARE HIS OR HER OPINION CONCERNING TENURE.

Conference for Research Students

To the editor:

We are writing in reference to the Eastern Colleges Science Conference which is held every year during the Spring semester. This conference gives students who have done research in the science fields a chance to present their findings in the form of seminars. The seminars are scheduled over a three day period - the length of the conference.

This year the conference will be held at Wilson College in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, on March 29, 30, and 31. We are hopeful that a delegation might be sent from Wilkes College consisting of students who are interested in observing the activities, although not presenting seminars. In this way, we may provide support for our own representatives presenting their research, while being able to get first-hand look at the kinds of research being done at our neighboring colleges and universities. The cost per person will be approximately \$25. Anyone with questions about the conference itself should see their department chairperson for more information. Those inter-

ested in attending as delegates are asked to sign the list on the Biology Club bulletin board as soon as possible.

For anyone planning to do research in the future or for those just interested in the science fields, this can be not only an educational experience, but an enjoyable one as well.

Sincerely,
Debra Feldman
Dr. Les Turoczy
Biology Department

In-Class Evaluation Termed Successful

To the editor:

The Fall 1978 Student Government Course Instructor evaluations are expected to be of more benefit to students, faculty and administration due to the increase in student response. A total of 141 classes participated in the "in-class" evaluation procedure.

Such a great response would not have been possible without the cooperation of many faculty members, S.G. and Circle K members and other students.

I would like to thank the many faculty members who participated in the "in-class" evaluation. I also wish to apologize for the confusion and inconvenience of the late evaluation date notification.

I would like to thank the many students, especially Circle K Club, Jim Edwards, Ruth Zukowski, Greg Black, Ross Mantione, Pat McNamara and Steve Kirshner, who helped with the evaluation project.

Thanks!
Julie Kent, Chairman
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All letters MUST be signed IN INK, but names will be withheld upon request. Editorial discretion will be used in all cases, especially where questionable language is used, all letters will be typed as written, without corrections [except for the preceeding case], and the views expressed in letters are NOT the views of The Beacon.

What Does Faber College Have That Wilkes Doesn't Have?

The aftermath of "Animal House" has undoubtedly left most Wilkes students with a feeling that something is missing from their college experience. While the movie does rely on humorous exaggeration, it still manages to convey the idea that college should be more than four years of books. These are supposed to be the best times of our lives, which raises the question; Will you cherish the days

you spent at Wilkes College? With the probable answer to this question in mind, I plan to spend the next few weeks examining the Wilkes social life, and how it can be improved. During this time I will welcome your ideas, either through letters to the Editor or direct discussion with me. Two facts are above dispute. First, the social life at Wilkes isn't what it should (or could)

be. Second, enrollment is dropping. Whether or not these two factors are related is up to you to decide. However, I'm sure everyone will agree that an improved social life couldn't hurt enrollment.

We'll begin our examination with a look at dormitory life. Once again a few facts emerge. These facts, by the way, are looked upon as serious problems by both administrative and student leaders. First off, there is the problem of a lack of pride in the dormitory in which a student resides. I should mention that these problems are for the most part characteristic of the men's dormitories. Second, there is the problem of destruction and a lack of cleanliness in the dorms. The third, and perhaps most important problem lies in the absence of "togetherness" in the halls. Seldom does a dorm function truly as a group, since most students look at their residence hall as merely a place to live. It has gotten to the point where R.A.'s are required to conduct a set number of social functions between dorms in an effort to alleviate some of the problem.

Some of you, in a true moment of insight, may have already guessed my proposed solution to these problems. Fraternities. Already I can sense the echoes of "can't be done" echoing through administrative halls. I'm sure that the idea could present a few problems in the beginning. But, I sincerely believe that the benefits of such an idea would far outweigh any of the problems.

Since I've already gotten pretty far into this week's article, I'll save an examination of the fraternity idea for next week. Let's leave this week with the idea that dormitory life is a problem for which fraternities may be the solution.

Ed Van Buren

NOTICE
SG course-instructor evaluation questionnaires for last semester's courses will be available for commuters next week Mon. and Tues. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in SLC lobby, Wed. and Thur. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Commons, and Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Parrish Hall. Students will need ID's to obtain the questionnaires.



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I UNDERSTAND IT'S A LOW-BUDGET AVANT-GARDE FILM THAT EXPLORES THE DYNAMICS OF 20th CENTURY SCHOLASTICISM ...

Nationally Known Poet To Give Reading Of Works

Robert Bly, nationally known poet and winner of the National Book Award, will visit the campus this Monday, January 29th, to meet with students and give a public reading from his works. The reading takes place at 8:30 P.M. in SLC 101.

The special power of Bly's poetry opens new lines of communication between the "outward man" and the "inward man." In his book *The Light Around the Body*, Bly quotes the mystic Jakob Boehme--"according to the outward man, we are in this world, and according to the inward man, we are in the inward world... Since then we are generated out of both worlds, we speak in two languages and we must be understood also by two languages."

Bly's poetry speaks both languages. The inward world and the outward world involve one another in supervising ways. Bly moves from vivid, realistic descriptions of the natural world, to intense, spiritual, sometimes surreal visions of inner being.

Ordinary things reveal their spiritual life in Bly's new world. "When we first sense that a pine tree... has a physical life and a moral life that is complete with-

out us," Bly explains, "we feel alienated and depressed." But then he adds, "The second time we feel it, we feel joyful."

Robert Bly, who has received Fulbright and Guggenheim fellowships as well as a Ford Foundation Grant, is an exciting performer as a reader of poetry. He is one of many well known poets visiting Wilkes this semester in a program sponsored by the college and the Arts.

On January 30th, Bly will lead an open discussion of poetry at 9:00 a.m. in the PVA room of the library. At 10:00 a.m., Bly will conduct a brief writing workshop with interested students and members of the community. Those wishing to attend the writing workshop should register at the Department of Literature and Language office, Kirby Hall.

'I Love New York' Now You Can Go!

If you enjoy Broadway shows, sightseeing, museums, Fifth avenue shops, the latest movies and fine restaurants, then you will consider spending the weekend of March 23-25 in New York City.

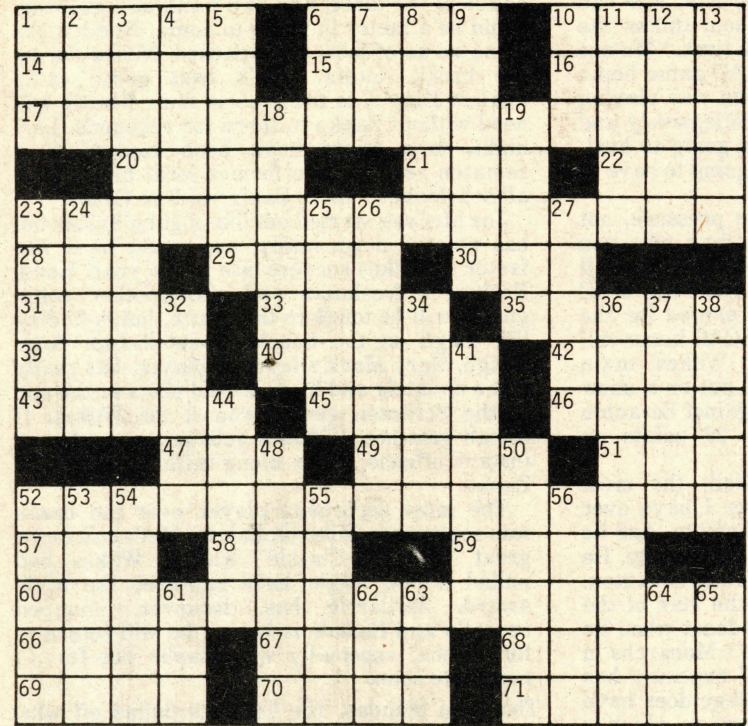
According to Art Hoover, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, an especially attractive weekend has been arranged for members of the Wilkes family in cooperation with the Abbey-Victoria Hotel (51st St. and Seventh Ave. in the heart of the theatre district).

For just \$39 per person the weekend includes round-trip bus transportation to and from the hotel; two nights at the Abbey-Victoria Hotel (two persons per room); and baggage handling.

All students, faculty, staff and administration members are invited to attend, however, you are urged to make your reservations as soon as possible as there are a limited number of seats.

For further information please contact Mr. Hoover.

collegiate crossword



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- ACROSS**

 - 1 Wigwag
 - 6 Miss d'Orsay
 - 10 Emulates 6-Across
 - 14 1938 movie, "Chicago"
 - 15 Horse color
 - 16 Mrs. David Copperfield
 - 17 Increasingly near (3 wds.)
 - 20 1963 movie, "David and Goliath"
 - 21 de cologne
 - 22 Tennessee power complex
 - 23 Tension (3 wds.)
 - 28 Bird call
 - 29 1958 movie, "God's Little Girl"
 - 30 "Haw"
 - 31 Chinese port
 - 33 "Three men in a boat"
 - 35 More convinced
 - 39 duck
 - 40 Metric volume
 - 42 Aswan's river
 - 43 Indian state
 - 45 Of an age
 - 46 Nefarious
 - 47 Blubber
- DOWN**

 - 1 Spasm
 - 2 Make bigger (abbr.)
 - 3 Popular hangouts
 - 4 Famous cow
 - 5 Macedonian city
 - 6 "Diavolo"
 - 7 Charged particle
 - 8 Type of jeans
 - 9 One way to pay (2 wds.)
 - 49 Yoko, et al.
 - 51 "So there!"
 - 52 Mythological twins (3 wds.)
 - 57 Exclamation of disgust
 - 58 2.0 grade-point average
 - 59 Environmental science (abbr.)
 - 60 Luxury (3 wds.)
 - 66 Squid-like
 - 67 defense
 - 68 Come next
 - 69 Harry Belafonte song
 - 70 Fencing foil
 - 71 "The defense"
 - 10 Hubbub
 - 11 Mesa
 - 12 Famous fountain
 - 13 wrap
 - 18 Knave
 - 19 Ancient instruments
 - 23 Milan's "La Scala"
 - 24 Spanish man's name
 - 25 Mr. Shaw
 - 26 Nuclear particle
 - 27 What old grads do
 - 32 Baker's ingredient
 - 34 Actor Neville Martin
 - 36 Unmatched
 - 37 Nobel prize-winner
 - 38 Root
 - 39 Take ten
 - 41 Emulated Romeo
 - 44 Emulate Minnie
 - 48 Zephyr
 - 50 George Best's sport
 - 52 One of Santa's reindeer
 - 53 Rocket stage
 - 54 Trembling
 - 55 Author of old
 - 56 Actor Greene
 - 61 Youth group
 - 62 Chemical suffix
 - 63 Once named
 - 64 Prefix: self
 - 65 French possessive



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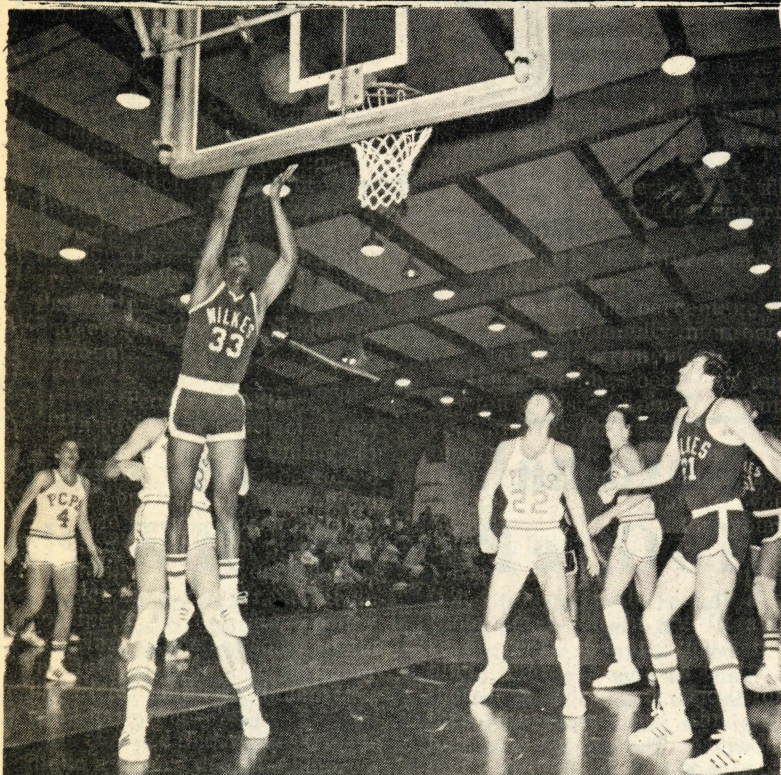
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Sports



BIG MAC ATTACK - Wilkes' Kendall McNeil goes up for two against Philadelphia Pharmacy in the first round of the "Colonel Classic" basketball tourney held over the break. Wilkes downed Pharmacy in a close game and advanced to the finals, only to fall to power Hartwick College. On the right for Wilkes is soph Mike McCarrie, who was named to the All-Tourney team.

SPORTFOLIO....JOHN ZAPKO

Everytime Wilkes plays a basketball game, John Zapko's name is plastered all over the sports pages. So why write another article about him? The answer is so simple that many people tend to overlook it.

Although, we have watched John Zapko play excellent ball for over three years now, no one ever took the time to tell us what John was like as a person. His stats tell us he is one of Wilkes' top players this season and maybe ever. But they neglect to tell us what makes him tick, what he thinks and feels.

John lives in Fairless Hills, Pa., which is on the north-east side of Philadelphia. His decision to come to Wilkes was based on several reasons. First, his high school was very large with his graduating class numbering 1,200. The college's small size appealed very much to him and the financial help, little as it may be, from basketball, helped defray the costs a bit. Last but not least, John was very impressed by the helping attitude shown by those he came in contact with during his visit.

John started out as a biology major, but changed to business administration after finding out he did not like all the work. Being a senior, John anticipates getting out, but as with any other senior, is not sure just what he will be doing. If nothing else comes up, he might be able to enter a management training program at the steel mill where his father works.

John's personality is what you would call low-key. He likes to spend time enjoying the company of his good friends, but besides that, he does not get involved in many clubs or organizations. He says, "Being active in campus affairs is up to the individual. Some people join student government because they see things that can be changed. I say let them change what they want, but that sort of thing is not for me."

John does not think the college has changed that much in the four years he has been here except maybe concerning the types of parties. "When I was a freshman," he says, "parties were all over the campus. Every dorm had their little party. Now, they have become more centralized with everybody going to the same one."

I asked John what does he see himself doing ten years from now. "I guess by then I'll be married with two or three kids. I hope I have the kind of job that will enable me and my family to live in comfort. I guess I have the typical middle class desires, as long as there is lots of old fashion love around."

What advice would you give a freshman? "I see lots of people drop out of school because they want to go everywhere. They get influenced by crazy thoughts of other people. The biggest thing would be to do your own thing and not follow others for the sake of something to do. Avoid groups that do not do anything except party. College means getting good grades as well as having a good time. Do not complain about having too much work to do, just face it and do it."

To finish up let me say this. Sports is playing a larger role in all most everyone's life these days. It is a shame but it has come to the point that some athletes center their entire life around a certain sport. They lose perspective of what their real personality is and their sports behavior. The sad part about this is that once their athletic days are over their field manners can not blend into social settings. Why bring this up? Because it is a pleasure to see an athlete, no matter how good he is, to be able to keep a proper perspective about sports and life in general. John Zapko is such a person. The more power to him.

Perry Lichtinger

Cagers Coming On

It seemed the Wilkes College men's basketball team was finally starting to jell, especially after upset wins over nationally-ranked Albright College and always-tough Scranton University. And then it happened.

With only 40 seconds left in the Wilkes-Scranton encounter, John Zapko went down with an ankle injury. At first, trainers thought it was not bad, and swelling did not immediately occur, everyone was hopeful that Zap would be in uniform for the three crucial MAC games this week. On Sunday, the bad news came, when the ankle swelled up, and Zap was forced to sit out Monday's game with Elizabethtown.

He was listed as a doubtful starter for yesterday's war with King's and could probably play on Saturday when Wilkes hosts Delaware Valley in still another MAC game.

Wilkes Coach Rodger Bearde, who has had his share of problems this season, thinks the injury came at the worst possible time. "We are in the middle of a crucial six MAC game home stand and this happens. And John was playing the best ball of his career, both offensively and defensively." He went on, "It is going to hurt, no doubt, but the other guys are going to have to pull us through."

With Zapko gone, much of the pressure, not all notes Bearde, will fall on a man who you want in the crucial situations, Mr. Cool, Kendall McNeil, Wilkes' own version of the "Big MAC Attack." McNeil, who has been named for the second time this season, to the ECAC honor roll team this past week, has been Wilkes' main man in the tough going. Kendall put on a show in a televised game on WBRE against Scranton when he ripped the cords for 27 points on uncanny shooting from the field.

In his last two games, McNeil, the most exciting college basketball player I have ever seen around here, has scored 59 points. And he did not do it against no cup-cake University. He did it against top-ranked Albright and Scranton. McNeil, we all remember was the star of the other Wilkes basketball TV broadcast when he tallied 31 points over Ed Donohue's Monarchs in a 77-75 losing cause. But the TV exposure has shown area fans that Wilkes College does have a basketball team and a cage program, which is working despite all the problems beset on it by officials, which at this time will be undisclosed.

McNeil, a 6-2 center out of the Bronx, sees playing without Zapko as a challenge for the other players. "We all know that John brought us here. Now we have to carry on. We got the feeling now, and it's up to us to keep it going." All I can say is look out to the rest of the MAC, because if Bearde lets Kendall go, your going see one of the greatest individual feats since the David Thompson of N.C. State a few years back. McNeil is that kind of a player, who can dominate a game at any moment. Ask Ed Donohue, Ask Bob Bessior, Ask Will Renken.

McNeil is Wilkes' leading scorer and should go over the 1,000th career point mark early, real early, next year. Zapko is second in scoring, but leads the team and is ranked No. 2 in the country in Division III in rebounding. The "Zap and Mac" show is definitely a hit, and you can catch it at the Wilkes Gymnasium, slowly but surely becoming known as the "Little House on the Prairie." If that name comes around, maybe somebody will get a committee together to look into a new gym, - for all sports.

Wilkes going into this week of crucial MAC games was 5-7 overall and 3-3 in the MAC. Colonel fans have to hope that the Blue and Gold knock off everybody else in the MAC while King's keens on winning. It would put both the

local schools in the MAC playoffs and maybe create some dedicated local college cage fans.

Although Zapko and McNeil dominate the stats for Wilkes, Coach Bearde will be the first to state that it is a team effort, win or lose. And he is damn right. Guys like Pat McCue, Rick Marshall, and Ed Van Buren, who do not score a lot are doing a great job at what they are supposed to do. McCue and Marshall are the top assist men, while sharing the point-guard slot. McCue uses his raw talent to an advantage, while Marshall adds the experience of a crafty veteran. Van Buren has done an excellent job in key situations with his defense, and is using his off-the-bench role to it's highest bounds.

Also contributing under neath the boards are Kevin Walker, Dave Capin and Pat Romich, all freshmen. Walker has been seeing the most action of the three, and at 6-7 and still growing, could be a factor in years to come. Romich has come on as of late, and sparked Wilkes during the break. Capin, who's best game came against King's, is the muscle man Bearde will need without Zapko in there for rebounds. Last night, fans might have been treated to a rematch between two former local high school all-scholastics - Dave Capin vs. Ken Casey.

Joe McCrae started out like a gang-buster but has quieted down lately, and could be a key factor in Wilkes success late in the year. Kevin Becker, a freshman and still another point-guard, will be tough in the future, but is finding life tough on the bench. Sweet-shootin Artie Meigh, Gary Mack's favorite player, has really come on lately and his four-foul shots at the end of the Scranton game, won it for Wilkes. If Meigh gets hot, Wilkes's gets an extra shot of instant offense to go along with Kendall and Zapko.

The most surprising player over the break was sophomore Mike McCarrie. McCarrie had a great "Colonel Classic" and if Wilkes had pulled it out, might have captured the MVP award. McCarrie has, however, slumped recently and Bearde is hoping he will return to form soon, especially with Zapko out for an indefinite time.

This past Monday, the Colonels pulled off what Coach Bearde calls, "The biggest win of the year," in a 55-42 upset over Elizabethtown at Wilkes. Bearde was thrilled with the win, as the Colonel did it without Zapko, and Kevin Walker filled in with 11 points and eight rebounds. The Colonels are now back in the MAC title race with a 4-3 league slate and a 6-7 overall mark. Wilkes will host Del Val this Saturday at the Wilkes Gym and meet Susquehanna at home on Jan. 31.

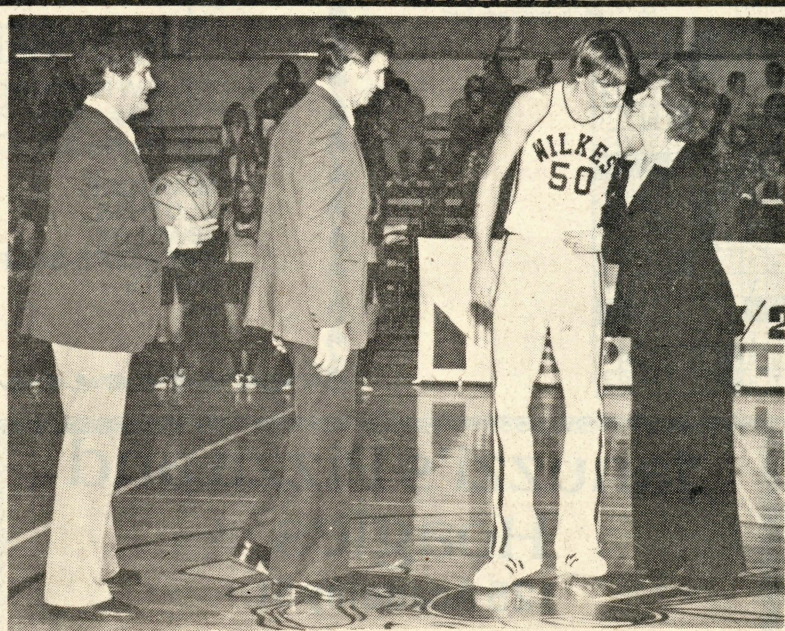
TIP-INS:.... Coach Bearde enjoyed the company of rival coach Ed Donohue of King's at the press get-together prior to the Colonel Classic. Donohue, who's club is currently one of the best in the nation, expressed an interest in getting into next year's tourney. He also complimented the committee on it's job with the classic... Larry Carpenter, a guard from Hartwick College was named as the MVP of the tourney... selected to the all-tourney team were: John Zapko and Mike McCarrie, Wilkes; Bob Gibbs, Pharmacy; Jerry Fulmer and Don McAllister, Hartwick...Hartwick captured the initial event, with Wilkes finishing second, followed by Pharmacy and Slippery Rock State...the teams for next year will be announced in the near future, stated tournament director George Pawlush....Chris Reilly is still doing a fine job on the scoreboard as is Chip Mack, the man who makes the Wilkes Gymnasium go. Eddie White III

BOWLING RESULTS

If last Friday's action in the Wilkes College mixed bowling league is any indication of things to come, this semester could be one of the most hotly contested in the last few years. After only one week of competition, no undefeated teams remain. All eight confrontations were split two games to one.

Among the teams with two wins are the defending first half champs, the 752 Crew, along with runner-up The Falcons, who were nipped by two points in the third game.

NOTES: A few spots remain open if anyone wishes to join us Friday at 4:00 at Chacko's Lanes. Call 823-2406 and ask for David Williams. High scorers for the past week include: Dave Skripkunis 564, Joe Pelchar 555, Jack Kijek 555, Judy Bellas 174-431, Sheree Kessler 480, and Marilyn Barbieri 371.



A KISS FOR A 1,000TH - Wilkes standout forward John Zapko receives a kiss from his mother Marge during pre-game ceremonies at the Wilkes-Scranton cage tilt. John tallied his 1,000th career point the game before in a win over nationally-ranked Albright College and received the ball he did it with from Coach Rodger Bearde on the left. John's father John Sr. looks on between Zapko and Bearde.

Grapplers Host E-Town Tonight

Billig, Densberger Most Impressive

The Wilkes College wrestling team carried an 8-4 record into the big Penn State meet this past Tuesday. If the Wilkesmen came home from State College at 9-4 it's "Fantastic," but if their 8-5 it should be accepted.

Needless to say Penn State is bigger than Wilkes; but on the mats - it is a toss-up. It would probably be on the football field too. Last year, PSU turned back the upset-minded Colonels 30-6, but the grapplers had vengeance on their minds this season. To be competing with Penn State is a victory in itself for Wilkes College and John Reese. The 26-year mentor is a 1951 grad of Penn State and has built the Wilkes mat program to what it is today.

The Wilkes team crept into the MAC in the 1946-47 season and arose to be champs in 1957. Several titles and accomplishments later, Reese left the small-time to go Division I and now is able to contend with some schools like Penn State.

Wilkes has picked up wins over over York 48-0, Yale 23-17, Navy 21-19, Tennessee 29-18, Boston University 34-6, Del Val 35-15, Montclair 23-11, and South. Conn. 26-18, this season, while falling to Lehigh 29-10, North Carolina 18-17, Clemson 22-20, and Syracuse 27-15.

Two Colonel wrestlers have already passed major milestones and it's only mid-season. Bryan Billig, a soph from New Tripoli, Pa., defeated an NCAA and national freestyle champion in Montclair's Ken Mallory. The Blue and Gold stalwart not only upset the 134-pound stud, but he also caused him to stall. Mallory wrestled Billig's type match and the Wilkesman proved his "Back-yard Style" was best. Billig carried a 11-2 slate into the Penn State match.

Colonel 158 pound grappler Mark Densberger, Danville, is currently the only Wilkes grappler with an undefeated record and he received national rankings of 8th and 7th respectively in the past two editions of Amateur Wrestling News. Mark has a 12-0-1 slate and leads the team in points with 41.

Wilkes co-captains Casper Tortella and Alex Grohol have been wrestling back to back at 142 and 150 pounds. Tortella shows a 10-1 record with his only loss coming to Syracuse's Tim Catalfo, who Tortella had beaten before. Grohol is 10-1-1 and his consistency has helped the Colonels to victory many times.

Rick Smith, a junior from Walden, Vt., is Wilkes strong 190 pounder and recently dropped to 177 class since Bart Cook was having trouble making weight. Cook a junior from N.J., has been troubled with an elbow injury. Reese hopes to have Cook back before February so he can get some matches under his belt before Easterns. Smith is 10-4 and adds to the Colonel strong finale along with post-grad Danny House at heavy-weight. House is 10-2 and will be shooting for a place-finish in the top three in the EIWA tourney next month.

Todd Ferrara, a freshman from Farmingdale, N.Y. has been wrestling in the 118 pound category for the injured Ed Johnson. The Colonel yearling has been doing a respectable job, better than his 2-4 slate indicates. Johnson is expected back for the Lycoming meet Saturday.

Bill Dodge, a soph from Va., was wrestling behind Billig, but since Billig moved up to 134, Dodge has seen some action. He was undefeated in three varsity meets. Gene Waas, another top freshman, is 5-2-2. Also wrestling at 134 and winning two of them was junior Bob Gaetano of Mt. Top.

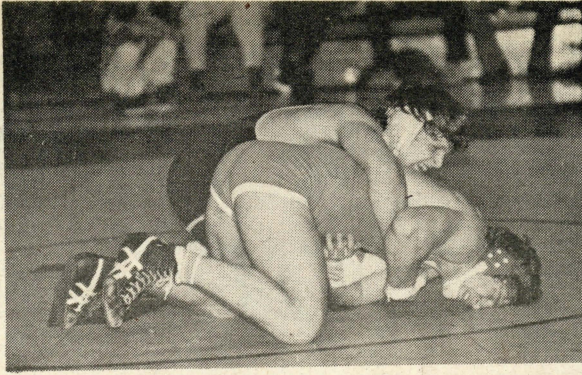
Dan Miner and Joe Gray are doing the job at 167. Gray is 1-1 and freshman Rick Gaetano is 5-5 at the 177 spot.

Several All-Americans from across the nation were among the 366 contestants which turned out for the prestigious Rose Bowl of Wrestling held at the Wilkes Gym on Dec. 28 and 29. Clarion State waltzed away with it's seventh straight team title, amassing 73.5 points and crowning two individual champs.

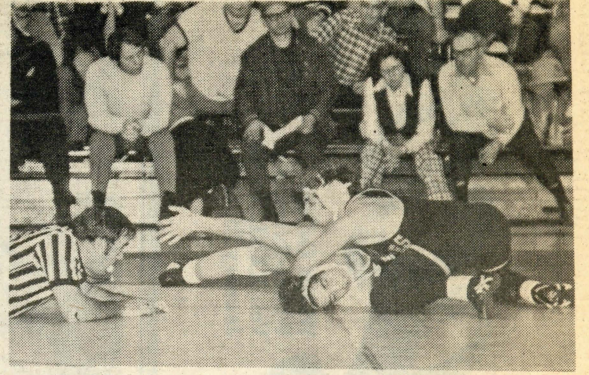
Only two Blue and Gold matmen were placemen in the most competitive event of the decade. Mark Densberger took fourth in the 158, while Dan House took third at HWT. Densberger faced All-American and returning champ Bill Smith of Morgan State and fell short of a 6-4 bout, due to a takedown with one second left. House posted a 9-6 decision in the consolations.

Wilkes will host Elizabethtown at 8:00 at the Wilkes Gym tonight and then travel to Lycoming College Saturday. The Colonels are favored in both meets, but the squads are Division III. Looking ahead, Binghamton State will be in town on Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 8:00.

Bob Gaetano



DOING THE JOB - Rick Smith, in the left photo, has his opponent under control in a recent Wilkes victory, while the top Colonel grappler of the 1978-79 season, Mark Densberger, picks up another pin in the Wilkes Open in the right photo. Densberger, a junior and coming on strong, was undefeated going into last night's match with the Lions of Penn State at University Park. Lets hope the Blue and Gold had as much success as the Alabama Crimson Tide in the Sugar Bowl.



*****Now 5-4*****

Women Cagers Beating Bad Luck

There's a song whose lyrics include the words, "If it weren't for bad luck, I'd have no luck at all." The women's basketball team could almost adopt it as its theme song, for it sure tells the story of the perplexing problems plaguing players.

Not that the Blue and Gold haven't been winning. Their record currently stands at 5-4, and includes some impressive wins.

The bad luck has to do with players--or rather, the lack of them. Coach Sandy Bloomberg

Mary Lynne Dreibelbis. Together the three have helped fill the gaps left by Farrell, McHale, and Freda.

The Colonel's offensive punch thus far this season has been either explosive or non-existent, and Coach Bloomberg is looking for continuity and fluidity. As the players again become acquainted with one another's style and depth ceases to be a problem, that should come. Already offense is looking better, and the cagers were actually applauded for their outstanding passing exhibition in a recent game.

Defense has been fairly strong, especially with the quickness of the guards, and although the Colonels are not blessed with height, the forwards usually hold their own or do better when it comes to rebounding. The "Board Sisters," Debbie and Lynn Yedlock have been the leading rebounders, and Lynn especially has come on during the past few games.

Since the last issue in December, the cagers defeated Marywood 72-67 at the losers' court. Mary Lynne Dreibelbis, wearing a Wilkes basketball uniform for

the first time, had to come off the bench to help pull the game out at the foul line. With two players fouled out, and two injured teammates keeping stats in the stands, she sank two pressure free throws to cap the win.

Then came the nightmare of the winter sports coaches-semester break. Back just in time to host the Letterwomen Holiday Tournament (dedicated to Correen Santoro), Wilkes placed a disappointing third. They lost once more to King's after an administrative disaster had the Monarchs threatening not to show up. Wilkes' enthusiasm deflated like a leaky balloon, and the game was equally flat, as the Blue and Gold lost 82-59.

But, as President Capin said, "The mark of a truly good team is to come back after a bad game and win the next." The cagers did just that, with a squeaky 60-59 victory over Drew the next day. Matywood, who lost to Wilkes just a month before, had an equally exciting game against King's and emerged as tournament champions.

King's Kandi Karuza came away with MVP award for offense, and Wilkes' Diane Kendig and Lynn Yedlock shared defensive honors.

The tournament was intended to tune up the teams prior to the start of the second half of the season. What it did in Wilkes' case was point out a few weaknesses and the need for more organization in the offense and the 1-2-2 full-court press.

After a few days of practice, the Colonels took on Albright and showed that practice does make perfect, as they had an easy time in the 56-36 win. Fast passes, timely cuts, and rebounds all came their way, and the cagers seemed to coast through most of the game.

A real test for the team would have been Saturday against Upsala, who has provided Wilkes with two heart-stopping games in as many years, but bad weather forced postponement of the game.

Tuesday at home the Blue and Gold enjoyed another big win over Keystone, trouncing the Giants 83-57.

Diane Kendig scored a season-high 34 points in leading the Colonel attack, and also snatched the ball away a record 11 times.

The win was Wilkes' third straight, and puts the Colonels' record at 5-4.

The squad meets an extremely tough Scranton University team tonight at home and is looking for an upset over the Lady Royals. Saturday is Parents' Day, as Delaware Valley will come to Wilkes-Barre, hoping to avenge its loss to Wilkes in the MAC tournament last year.

Wilma Hurst



UP FOR TWO--Mary Jo Frail, the tallest player on the team, has been converted to a part-time forward and has an effective shot from wing or top of the key. Lynn Yedlock [43] is the team's leading rebounder, while Freshman Kathy McHale [51] started out as a starter, but is now sidelined after an appendectomy.

has seen enough of sprained ankles, broken ankles, pulled muscles, emergency appendectomies, and even broken noses to last a lifetime. Three key players are sidelined with various and sundry injuries just when the team is entering the heart of the season. Mary Jean Farrell has been out since the opening game, Kathy McHale may be out all season, and Sue Freda is inactive as well. All three are guards, the one position that had a wealth of depth at the beginning of the season.

Fortunately, there is some good news. Three new players, including a highly-recruited 1000-point scorer, have been added, and all are contributing to the team effort. Freshman Ellie Adams transferred from Lock Haven this semester and joined hockey stars Pam Snyder and



LEADING SCORER--Diane Kendig, last year's MVP, is again the Colonel's outstanding player this year.

INDOOR SOCCER: meeting for anyone interested in indoor soccer today at 6:00 p.m. in upper level of Commons.

ATTENTION SWIMMERS: Water safety instructor's course [WSI] is now being formed. For more information, contact: MRS. MEYERS, co. Athletic Dept., 824-4651, ext. 355; or Kitty Fortune, Red Cross Office, 823-7161.

Blue & Gold Swimmers Looking for First Win

The Wilkes College swimming team is still in search for its first win of the season. The tank team most recently fell to Swarthmore 55-47 at the King's College swimming complex.

In the close meet, which was the first between Wilkes and Swarthmore, there were many highlights for our Colonels. Perry Lichtinger and Valarie VanDyke placed first and second in both the required and optional diving events.

Team captain Jim Edwards placed first in the 200 yard breaststroke with a time of 2:47.4. Freshman Michelle Maguire, out of Meyers High, took a first in the 200 yard butterfly with a clocking of 2:31.1.

Edwards also placed second in both the 200 free and 100 yard freestyle events. Another first place finish was scored by the 400 yard freestyle relay team of Liz Hendrixson, Claire Holden, Megan Caverly, and Alan Shaw.

Scoring additional points for Wilkes were Rob Doty in the 200 individual medley, John Moffatt in the 200 yard backstroke, and Michele Maguire in the 500 freestyle.

The Wilkes swimmers will travel to Western Maryland on Saturday and then to Williamsport to meet Lycoming on Feb. 3. The next home meet will be with the Monarchs of King's College on Feb. 7 at 7:00 at the North Main Street pool.

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