

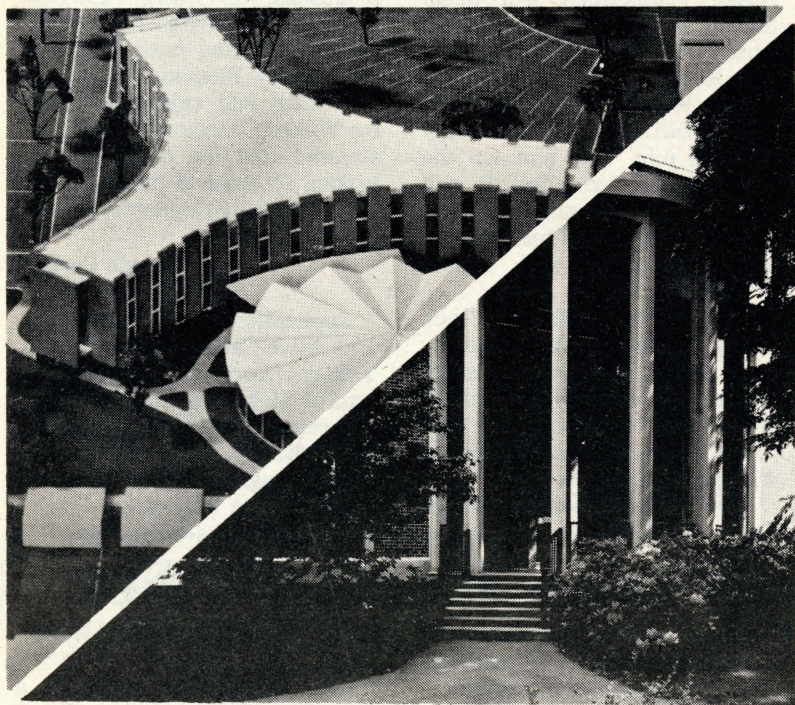
# The Beacon

Cherry Blossom

Fever Strikes...

For details,

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**VANDALISM** — Both the Library and New Men's Dorm have become victims of an increasing number of vandals. As a result, a party ban has been set in New Men's Dorm and the Library faces the problems of replacing damaged books and journals.

## Party Ban Discussed

## Access Among NMD Problems

Vandalism and the easy access to New Men's Dorm were the highlights of the discussion at a meeting Monday night of NMD representatives, Housing Director Joe Marchetti and Dean George Ralston.

The group met to discuss the current situation in Pickering Hall (NMD) where a party moratorium is in effect. Ban was the result of damage incurred at recent parties.

Representatives of the nine dorms within the building agreed that NMD lacks the sense of pride and responsibility that outside dorms exhibit, due to the set-up of the complex. It was pointed out that only the center lounge (where alcohol and congregating are prohibited) is an adequate place for a party, and that each of the three dorms on each floor, while expected to behave as individual groups, do not have individual areas to hold social functions.

The lack of pride and feelings of unity were attributed to this problem, and various suggestions, including the renovation of the center lounge, were made. Dean Ralston said that this possibility would be looked into.

The fact that Pickering is so easy to enter at almost any time of the day or night led Ralston to comment that it is like "Grand Central Station," and Marchetti to observe that it is a "24-hour gathering place for resident students, commuters and high school students."

No acceptable solution to this problem was agreed upon.

Damage done to the facility during or after parties was also a topic for discussion, when it was revealed that glass doors are broken at least once every

weekend, and each door costs \$100 to replace.

Marchetti claimed that more doors are broken by dorm students than by outsiders, and Ralston commented that "reasonable people wouldn't break doors." He also asserted that there is no reason for anyone to become intoxicated and resort to such action.

Representatives agreed that drinking is the primary social activity on campus, and that since few other activities are offered that are attended by a

majority of the student population, this popularity would continue. The need for an effective party policy and efficient enforcement was thus seen to be an important item to consider.

Although no definite policies were made (a meeting was held Wednesday night to discuss the issues in more detail), people who attended Monday's meeting felt that better student leadership in the form of dorm councils was needed, in addition to better facilities for NMD residents.

Wilma Hurst

## Library Sees 'Upsurge' In Vandalism This Year

The Eugene Shedden Farley Library has seen an "upsurge" in vandalism this year, according to library officials.

Reference Librarian Fred Krohle reported that an increasing number of books and journals are being mutilated by having pages torn out and passages underlined; graffiti can be found on library signs and book labels and microfilm has also suffered damage.

"It's the old story of a few people hurting everyone," he said, "and it does hurt everyone in the long run because everyone pays for it in some way."

### 111 PAGES MISSING

He showed The Beacon some examples of the damage done this year, in the form of a \$45 book with 111 pages missing and a journal with notes in the margins and numerous passages underlined in ink.

"It takes a great deal of time,

effort and money to repair the damage done to these materials," he noted, "since we have to find replacements for the pages or have to replace the entire book. It all comes down to dollars and cents which partly come from student tuition. It also hurts the student by limiting the available resources."

Some problems with graffiti, missing signs and damaged furniture have also surfaced,

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## Debate Union Captures First National Honors

Debate Union wrote still another chapter of Wilkes history when it captured the overall first place award in the national Phi Kappa Delta Honorary Forensic Society's annual tournament in Plymouth, Mass.

The Forensic Unit of "Kinney's Kids" won 15 national awards, raising the total number of trophies won this year to 70, more than double the 22-year-old record of 30 awards.

The award marks the first time the squad has won a national honor, and establishes it as the best unit on the East coast. It also is the first time all Wilkes competitors won medals during the same competition.

Marcia Stratton, Donna Korba, Davida Roberts, Ann Sharkey, David Evans and Jack Lambert combined efforts to win one gold, three silver and eight bronze medals.

They also won three trophies for excellence in speaking, in addition to the first place title.

This was only the third national in which Wilkes has participated since 1956. This weekend the union is participating in the national tournament, which is by invitation only and attracts the top teams in the country. The Debate Forensic unit is coached and directed by Dr. Bradford L. Kinney, speech division.

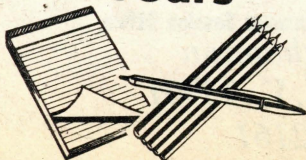
## On The Cover

Here she is, folks. Someone finally caught our own Advertising Manager and Cartoonist Donna Korba busily painting. Donna's art work has appeared in many Beacon issues during the last two years.

Photo by Bob Gaetano

## THE BEACON AWARDED FIRST PLACE RATING

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The Beacon has been awarded a first place rating by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for the third consecutive year.

It competed with other four-year institutions of similar enrollment from across the country. Issues for 1977 were judged in relation to these other colleges and universities and were awarded 866 out of a possible 1000 points.

Judges in the fifty-fourth annual contest stated that "The Beacon has many commendable points: overall good news coverage, a strong editorial page, some good features and a strong sports section."

General news coverage was given 46 out of 50 points, and the sports section received a perfect score, as it was considered well-balanced, with women's sports seeing excellent coverage.

Content and coverage received 94 per cent of the possible points, while writing and editing earned 86 per cent, along with design and display. Marks in individual

categories within these major areas were consistently in the 80s and 90s.

The paper received a first place certificate, along with a detailed critique containing marks, comments and suggestions, all intended to aid future issues.

Editor-in-Chief Wilma Hurst commented on the award, saying "It's very gratifying to receive recognition from such a prestigious organization, and I think this award speaks well for the people responsible for publishing The Beacon, especially this year's staff, which often had to work under some very trying conditions."

"I also think the Pittston Sunday Dispatch was a tremendous asset to us this year, as the people there never failed to offer their assistance and expertise whenever it was needed."

"The suggestions made by Columbia will be examined this summer, and hopefully, next year's Beacon will be even better."



## SG Kirshner Begins Term; New Officers Elected

Steve Kirshner took over the position of Student Government president at Monday night's SG meeting as Carl Holsberger ended his term. A round of applause from the body was given to Kirshner who then promised a very productive year ahead.

Elections for next year's executive council were held and the results were as follows: Greg Black defeated Dave Blumfield for vice president; Barbara Landis was the only person nominated for recording secretary; John Senatore won the post for treasurer over Dave Blumfield, Larry Walsh, and Steve Kicka; and as corresponding secretary and homecoming chairperson, Sharon Maganello beat out Gerald D'Albis.

Tribute was paid to the outgoing executive council for their work this past year. They were Larry Assilita, vice president; Frank Scancerella, treasurer; Diane Coleman, recording secretary; and Rosetta Chiavacci, corresponding secretary.

Under committee reports, the academic committee reported that the teacher evaluation forms will have fewer questions for this semester. These questions will also be divided into categories such as the book used, exams given, and the overall effectiveness of the teacher. A number representing the average response for each category may be used.

Dave Evans, committee chairman, stressed how important it is for students to fill out their evaluation forms. The committee is hoping for at least a 50 per cent response as compared to the 20 per cent response of the last evaluation.

Greg Black, concert committee chairman, reported that the Firefall concert on Sunday night

was a success with everyone seeming to have a good time. Out of a capacity of 2100 tickets available, 1450 people attended while only 257 students bought from the 500 subsidized tickets available.

The film "The Three Musketeers" will be shown today and Sunday at 8 p.m. in the CPA for 25 cents.

Kirshner announced that any student interested in serving on a Student-Faculty committee next year may pick up an application in the Library or the bookstore. All applications must be returned to the SG office by next Friday, April 28.

Students also interested in being a committee chairman of SG should contact Kirshner who will appoint new people. These positions are open to the whole student body and not just SG representatives.

At the close of the meeting the body decided to ask Dean Edward Baltruchitis to, again, be the SG advisor. He accepted.

Jim Edwards

## 'Family' Phase Surpasses Goal In Capital Campaign

Wilkes College's \$2.4 million "Alpha" capital campaign reached a memorable milestone on Wednesday during the first report meeting of the "General" phase at the Sterling Inn Towne.

Dr. Walter Karpinich, assistant professor of foreign language and literatures at the college and chairman of the faculty division of the "Wilkes College Family" effort, announced to the audience that his group had surpassed its goal of \$50,000.

"With 86 per cent of the cards covered," Karpinich reported, "the total commitment is

Are you desperately searching for a means of illuminating the darkness which is hovering above students' heads in the form of overdue papers, reports, make-up exams and finals lurking in the future?

Take advantage of the festivities offered by the Cherry Blossom Festival starting today. The gala atmosphere is sure to set you firmly on your feet again, so you are able to face these last few "anxiety weeks" in somewhat better spirits.

GOOD TIMES are not only to be had, but they are also FREE (which is more than one can say of coffee, No-Doz and aspirin - the usual steady diet students sometimes acquire this time of year).

ELLEN duFOSSE, committee chairman, stated that opening ceremonies will be held at 2 p.m. on the North River Commons, and at 3 p.m., the "Cherry Blossom Games" will begin on the South River Commons.

TEN DIFFERENT events are scheduled in which teams of 6 will participate. These events are structured to test the par-

\$51,111. As a member of the "College Family" leadership, it is personally gratifying to know that once again the administration, faculty and staff provided generous support, thus reaffirming its commitment to the goals and mission of the college."

The two-pronged "General" phase, which began on April 12, is directed at obtaining pledges from nearly 1200 Wilkes-Barre area friends, and seeks substantial support from nearly 3400 alumni residing in the Greater Wilkes-Barre area.

As of April 18, a total of \$1,081,823 has been pledged to date in the three-year effort. Funds raised through the "Alpha" campaign will be directed toward (1) scholarship support, (2) enlarging the endowment to support faculty salaries, and (3) reconstruction of existing college properties.

### NOTICE

Dr. Foil Miller from the University of Pittsburg will visit Wilkes College to give a lecture entitled "Tales and Anecdotes in Chemistry" on Friday, April 28.

The lecture will take place in SLC 1, and will begin at 3:00 p.m. The Department of Chemistry and the Wilkes College Chemical Society invites everyone to attend.

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## Blossom Festival Semester Blues Remedy

participant's coordination, balance, endurance, courage, and most importantly - sense of humor.

First place prizes will be awarded for each event, and cash prizes will also be awarded to the top three times with the highest number of accumulated points.

Following these events, the softball tournament will begin at Kirby Park from 6 p.m. and will last until 2 a.m. This is a single elimination contest, and the finals' competition will begin Sunday evening at 6 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four teams.

The "Wilkes College Carnival" will be held Saturday and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on the South River Commons. It will feature different booths organized by group members of various dorms and school organizations.

THE CONYNGHAM Block Party highlights the Saturday night activities. Plenty of sandwiches, snacks and beer will be available from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. along with music supplied by the Mailpouch Express.

The carnival booths will be

open again Sunday afternoon from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

There will also be an "Eating Contest" which will give students a chance to toss aside their table manners, if they have not yet done so.

And lastly, the final games of the softball competition will start at 6 p.m. Sunday evening at Kirby Park.

According to Ellen, Kevin McCall, Helen Stubits, Lynn Arlauskas, Nina Nubani, and Sue Levens, committee members, have all worked hard to make this Cherry Blossom Festival a successful and enjoyable event for Wilkes College students. She stressed that the committee is looking forward to participation from commuter students as well as dorm students.

Rennie Corbett

### NOTICE

Applications for the Class of '81 Executive Council will be due on Friday, April 21. Applications can be picked up at the Library and returned at the class meeting on Thursday, April 20th in the CPA Lounge at 11:30 or in a box placed in the library.

## Piano Recitals Set

Three music recitals are scheduled for this week, with the first being presented tonight.

Catherine Davis, a sophomore music education major, will present a piano recital tonight at 8:30 in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Gies Recital Hall.

A native of LeRaysville, Miss Davis is secretary of the College chorus and member of the Madrigal Singers. She is a recipient of the Padarweski Piano Award for 10 years of superior ratings, and is eligible for an International Gold award. Adria Shumusic will assist her on the piano.

Leslie Kirstein and Maureen Rincavage will present a joint piano recital tomorrow at 8:30

p.m., also in the Gies Recital Hall.

Miss Kirstein, a senior, is a member of the chorus, band, piano quintet, an accompanist and soloist for the Young Musicians Concerto Program, and a participant in the Intercollegiate Choral Festival.

Miss Rincavage, also a senior, is a member of the chorus, band, treasurer of M.E.N.C., and an Intercollegiate Choral Festival participant.

Freshman Tonya Reeves will present her piano recital Thursday, April 27, at 8:30 p.m.

Member of the chorus and M.E.N.C., she received the Chopin Piano Award in 1977, and is a native of Wilkes-Barre.

## DeRobertis Hands Gavel To New CC President

Louis DeRobertis, former Commuter Council president, turned Monday afternoon's meeting over to Stella Korpusik, the newly elected president, by handing her the mighty gavel.

The first move Korpusik made was to hold elections for a new executive council. John Griffith was elected vice president over Bill Lewis and Jack Lambert. Denise Strickland is the new treasurer over Becky Toton and Bill Lewis and Karen Supkoski is the new recording secretary over Becky Toton, Judy Bellas, and Sue Johnson. Bill Lewis finally won a position on the executive council as corresponding secretary over Becky Toton, Ann Marie Kopeck, and Judy Bellas.

Under committee reports, Griffith, Commons committee chairman, reported that a stereo will be purchased for the Commons for \$135 along with some 8-track tapes. DeRobertis also noted that improvements can be seen in the variety of food served in the Commons. He also mentioned that a wide variety of comments are being placed in the Commons grip box. None were mentioned for the record, however.

DeRobertis also reported that

the Yankee game bus trip was not a success with only 27 people out of 47 tickets available going. The council was able to sell all the tickets but at a loss.

In what was the most controversial vote all year, CC decided to have their appreciation party outside by a 13 to 8 vote. The "Inning" or "outing" question was decided by the freshmen block who all voted for an outside party.

Jim Edwards

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We see a very busy Keith Jones, WCLH's Station Manager, directing a crew of assistants in the production of another program. Keith has been the station manager since January and will hold that position until next January.

Before becoming station manager Keith was the Station Engineer. A junior electrical engineering major, he works about 22 hours each week at the station, with advisor, Tom Beck, to determine the directions the station will take.

A few of his duties are to: maintain the station reference library and files, write and record five feature reports each week, oversee the activities of all station departments, preview new programs, assist members in attaining their third class licenses, and to actively seek opinions and ideas for improvements.

Keith stated that the purpose of WCLH is to "provide a practical classroom for students interested in radio as a hobby or career." He also noted "a lot of people don't realize that we are a professional radion station, but we are."

WCLH has a staff of 60 students who do write, feature reports, organize programs, and announce on the air.

The organization of the station is as follows: The station manager works with the chief engineer and Director of Broadcasting Services. Under their direction are the Station Engineer, sports director, music director, news director and public affairs director.

There are also the program director, station assistant and operations manager. Under the operations manager are the feature reporters and announcers.

WCLH operates at 90.7 FM - 131 hours a week.

WCLH's programs include on Sundays - Easy listening music and "The WCLH Polka Music Special", on Monday evenings "The WCLH Jazz Special", Tuesday evenings - "The WCLH Country-Western Special",



WCLH — The Phoenix, a mythical bird that rises from its own ashes, stands guard over the control booth at WCLH. Broadcasting at 90.7 FM, WCLH operates 131 hours per week.

Photo by Bob Gaetano.

Wednesday evenings - "The WCLH Classical Special", Thursday evening - "The WCLH Golden Oldies Hour" and "Folk Festival", and on Friday evenings - "The WCLH Soul and Disco Night".

Saturday is a Progressive Rock day with WCLH's own Rock Reports. Easy listening music is featured from 7 to 10 a.m. on Monday through Friday and Contemporary Music Monday through Friday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 5 p.m. and Sunday through Thursday from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. The program is progressive rock.

Mutual News can be heard on the hour and associated press headline news on the half hour. Local reports, WCLH feature reports, sports and public affairs are also featured. Weather can be heard at five past and 33 past each hour. The WCLH Request Line is always open at 825-7663 or 824-4651, Ext. 360.

For a more extensive program guide or if you are interested in joining the WCLH staff call the above numbers or go over and visit the station on the third floor of Dart Hall.

So remember, stick that radio in your ear and tune it to WCLH,

Louis Czachor

## Library From P. 1

although the damage has not been "extreme."

### GRAFFETTI A PROBLEM

Graffetti is an "ongoing problem" which is dealt with as quickly as possible, but Krohle noted that some is missed and others cannot be removed without incurring great expense.

The librarian also noted that a sign, which had been screwed into a wall, is missing, along with other less securely attached notices.

Micofilm has been torn or broken, but Krohle feels that this is probably caused by students not knowing how to properly use the viewers. He emphasized that the library staff is always willing to instruct people in the correct manner to operate any of the library equipment.

Wilma Hurst

## METRIC WALK '78; Keep On Truckin'.....

Planning is underway for the eighth annual March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania, and the March of Dimes needs everybody's help to make METRIC WALK '78 the most successful Walk-A-Thon ever.

A Walk-A-Thon is a total community effort to help the March of Dimes raise funds to fight birth defects that currently strike over a quarter-million babies born each year in this country. More than 15 million Americans suffer from birth defects.

Participants walk a common 20 mile route. This year, the route will be measured in kilometers (20 miles equals 32 kilometers). On Walkathon Day, after first finding as many sponsors as possible to pay them a set amount for each kilometer, they walk. Participants then walk the route, getting their Walk Cards checked at each of the checkpoints on the route, and then collect their pledges from their sponsors, turning the money over to the March of Dimes.

The Walkathons are an important source of public support for the March of Dimes, and give everyone an opportunity to help in the prevention of birth defects.

Metric Walk '78 will be held on Sunday, April 23, 1978, at 8 a.m., rain or shine, in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton, and Clarks Summit.

Starting points for each Walkathon are as follows: Scranton, County Court House; Wilkes-Barre, Public Square; Hazleton, School District Stadium; and Clarks Summit, Keystone Junior College.

The March of Dimes is looking for "Quality Walkers" of all ages. Quality Walkers are walking to improve the quality of life. Like the March of Dimes, they are serious about doing their part to protect the unborn and the newborn.

Who are Quality Walkers? ...They start off on the right foot by sponsoring themselves. This adds to their efforts in a BIG way. ...They obtain many sponsors. It's the same 32 kilometers whether you are walking for \$40.00 or \$400. But the more sponsors one has, the easier and more significant each kilometer becomes.

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982-4320 for a second sponsor sheet when the first one is filled. ...A quality walker shows up and walks. He doesn't just register, he walks too.

...Quality Walkers encourage their friends to register and walk by returning the enclosed registration form, or calling 800-982-4320.

...Quality Walkers become "Metric Walk" representatives at school or work by calling the March of Dimes office.

IDC

## New Executive Council Presides Over Meeting

The new executive council took their positions at the Inter-Dormitory Council meeting Sunday night after elections last Tuesday.

Gary Toczykowski, president; Mike Sibilia, vice president; and Diane Brobeck, treasurer, were present to assume their duties while Monica Krammer, recording secretary and Debbie Westbrook, corresponding secretary were absent.

Before Tom Bazzini, former IDC president, stepped down he thanked Sheree Kessler, Kathy Stano, the rest of the executive council, and Joe Marchetti, housing director, for all their work and cooperation they lent.

Toczykowski, under new business, then opened the floor for nominations for the Most Outstanding IDC Representative. Tom Bazzini was elected the most outstanding over fellow nominees: Kessler and Stano.

In a report from the food committee, a number of proposals are being made to the cafeteria food service, M.W. Wood, for next year. They included six additional special meals comparable to the Christmas and Easter dinners, table linen for every Sunday dinner, a cold cut lunch, and more Sundae nights. The next food committee meeting is today at 2 p.m. in the wing of the cafeteria.

In advisor's comments, Marchetti welcomed the new executive council and wished them good luck while extending appreciation to the outgoing council.

Jim Edwards

## AIR FORCE ROTC —

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# Debate Team Deserves Fame



The success of this year's Debate Forensic squad has been outstanding, to say the least. Winning over twice as many awards as the previous total of 30 (a record which stood for over 22 years) is just one of the many accomplishments of this group of talented and dedicated students.

The unit has brought national recognition to Wilkes through its participation in tournaments throughout the country, and has shown that the College is not to be taken lightly when it comes to forensic ability.

Often taken for granted or ignored by the general college populace, the union has been perhaps one of the most prestigious and impressive assets of the College.

The fame it has brought to Wilkes and to its members is exceeded only by the dedication and hard work that has made the team the success it has become.

We sincerely congratulate Dr. Brad Kinney and his "Kids" on this history-making season and wish them the best in their efforts this weekend.

# Endorsement Within Limits

The Student Government presidential election turned out to be a close, hard-fought, sometimes bitter race, where issues were clouded by some dubious political moves and vague accusations.

One point of controversy involved The Beacon's endorsing one candidate for office. We have heard people claim that this move was "illegal" and should not have been made.

For the record, it is a policy of The Beacon to publically endorse a SG presidential nominee as part of our responsibility in serving the best interests of Wilkes students. It has been done during all our years at the College, with the exception of 1977, when only one candidate ran for the office.

Furthermore, it is entirely within the limits of a newspaper to endorse a political candidate, and we simply claimed that privilege, partly to generate interest in the election, but mainly to support the person we felt would be best able to fill the position.

Our choice was based on the written platforms and past performance of each candidate. It was made independently, without regard for personalities, and will be made again next year in the same manner.

# Student Offers Suggestion For Harrassment Problem

To The Editor:

In past years, on this campus, there have been incidents in which women dorm students have been harrassed and molested by men from the local area. The solutions previously provided have been partially effective, however, outcries for improved security and student escorts quickly die down after the incidents are forgotten and are only again raised at the next bit of trouble. The more permanent solution lies in the correction of another situation on campus.

If one were to look at a map of the school, it would show that all male students are concentrated in a one block area, whereas female dormers are spread throughout the 23-acre campus. Despite what the P.R. brochures say, at night, our "tree-lined" streets are not altogether quiet - they are dark, empty and dangerous.

If some male dorms were relocated to different parts of the campus, then there would be the usual movement to and from the

different dorms. I am not implying that every male student would be able to stop an attack, or that every female student is totally defenseless, but the facts are male dorms have more people coming and going until later hours and their very presence might deter some deviates.

In the University of Pennsylvania campus (an Ivy-League school), there were many attacks on women's dorms. Entire dorms would be terrorized by the local hoods, until the Penn administration enacted the policy of co-ed housing on certain floors. After this arrangement was established, the next time there was a break-in on a co-ed floor, they had to carry the would-be attackers out on stretchers. Admittedly, Wilkes-Barre has not turned into central Philadelphia, but problems do exist and integration of the sexes may provide a viable solution.

What are the reasons for not spreading male dorms

throughout the campus and turning Pickering Hall co-ed (by house, room or floor)? I only see two. First, there is a certain amount of difficulty in changing dorms from male to female (or vice versa) - the men are harder on the dorms than the women. However, I am sure a long-term change-over plan could be worked out with all the variables considered. The only other reason I can see for not reorganizing the dorm set-up is the reason the dorms were probably set this way in the first place; to keep the Wilkes boys from getting at the Wilkes girls. This idea was noble - at one time, but haven't we reached the point where we must say, "Who are we protecting who from?" Perhaps, we should let the women decide.

Yours truly,  
D.A. Harris

**VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!**

For the solution to the biggest mystery on campus since we told you there was a cat on the front cover, tune in next week when TEX and FRITZ are unmasked.

Beat the rush- plan your revenge early.

**Jane Manganella Selected As PR Director Assistant**

Jane Manganella has been named assistant to the director of public relations at Wilkes College, according to an announcement by Robert S. Capin, Wilkes College president.

Mrs. Manganella, a native of Philadelphia, will assist George Pawlush, the public relations director, in the administrative duties of the office. She has served as the public relations secretary since 1975.

"Jane has demonstrated a keen sense in working with people, both on the campus and in the community," notes PR Director Pawlush. "Her help on the administrative level will be in-

valuable in meeting all the challenges of our office."

Among her duties will be handling cultural and news events, advertising, as well as serving as associate editor of the "Wilkes College Quarterly."

The new Wilkes assistant has taken several continuing education seminar courses in public relations and advertising, and has prior public relations experience with John B. Kelly, Inc., Philadelphia.

Married to Michael Manganella, the couple reside in Kingston and are the parents of six children: Michael, Paul, Mark, Kurt, Kim and Stacy.

## Co-Chairmen Extend

## Thanks To Committee

To The Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our co-chairpersons, Charlie Giunta and Carol Stefanetti, for their help and support in producing the Junior-Senior Dinner Dance on April 8. We also thank the executive council of both classes and the committee which consisted of Michael Barth, Tony DeVincentis, Nigel Gray, Janine Pokrinchak, and Caryn Axelrad.

We all put in a lot of time and effort to make this dinner-dance one that both classes would enjoy and be proud of. As always there were a few hassles in trying to please the majority, but we feel the end result was worth it.

We hope everyone that attended enjoyed themselves as we did. To the seniors - good luck in whatever you choose to do, and to the juniors - see you next year at the dinner-dance.

Sincerely,  
Kim Dubosky and Steve Elko  
Co-chairpersons of  
Jr.-Sr. Dinner Dance

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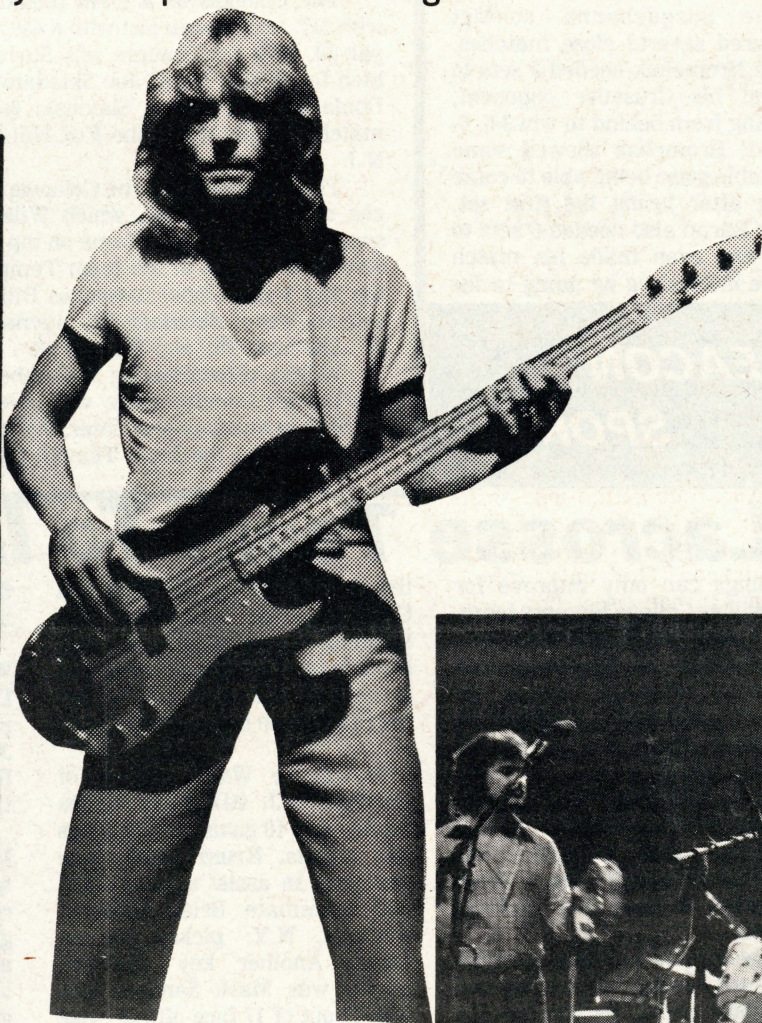
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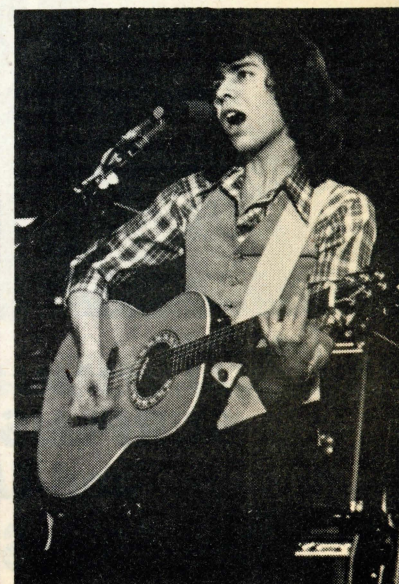
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"No way will anybody be able to see me behind these things."



"My balogna has a first name..."



# A-Corny Look At The "Kernels"



by jeff acornley

An athlete is a delicate conglomeration of physical prowess, intellectual strength, and emotional stability. Some athletes are made of snips, and snails, and puppy dog tails while others are made of sugar, and spice, and everything nice but both require a special kind of dedication in order to insure success.

The 1978 Beacon Athletes of the Year are diametrically opposite in their athletic gifts. Tony Couto eats quarterbacks while Cindy Glawe does imitations of swans.

Our panel of 30 resident sports experts resoundingly voted Couto the recipient of the male award. He was Rollie Schmidt's defensive co-captain during this past football season and set a precedent by being chosen as the MAC's Most Valuable Player; a rare honor for a defensive player.

Operating out of the inside linebacker slot in the 4-4-3 alignment, he led the Colonels in every defensive category from quarterback dinners to fumble desserts. He is going down South next week for a tryout with the Montreal team in the Canadian Football League.

While Couto's basic claim to fame deals directly with violence, Cindy Glawe is exquisitely graceful. As a four year member of the Wilkes swimming team, she was a pillar of strength to the program. Operating under the direst of circumstances, it is simply amazing that the program still exists. Swimming without a pool gets to be extremely difficult after a while. It is largely to Cindy's credit that there is still a Colonel swim team.

The epitome of desire, she came back after a near-disasterous fall to garner the first MAC gold medal in diving in Wilkes College history.

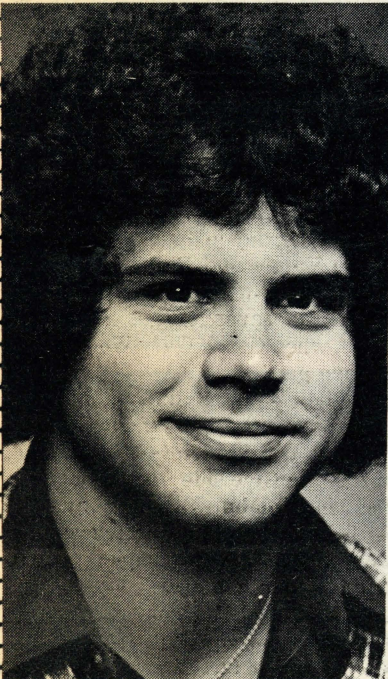
The winners this year are rare in that they have only performed in a single sport during their collegiate careers. In the past the tendency has been to award the multi-sport athletes.

The balloting was extremely close in the female bracket this year. Cindy barely edged out basketball standout Diane Kendig for the top honors while Mary Jo Frail, last year's winner, finished a very close third. Karen Olney, Jerry Ann Smith, and Joanne Pugliese also received strong support.

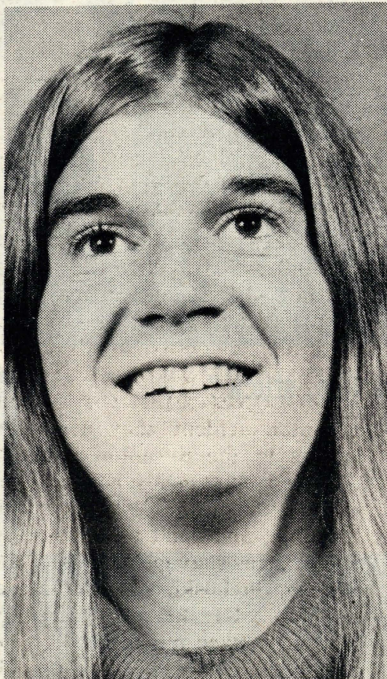
It was a very convincing victory for Couto in the male category. He easily outdistanced Terry Schoen, second baseman supreme, for the award. John Zapko, the human rebound, placed third while wrestlers Gene Clemons and Danny House and soccerman Mario Apuzzo also finished high.

The 28th annual awards will be presented at the Student Awards luncheon on Tuesday, April 25 in the CPA.

## 1978 Beacon Athletes Of The Year



Tony Couto



Cindy Glawe

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# Tennis Squad Hanging Tough

Most pre-season predictions had the Wilkes tennis team counted out without even a second look. After all, the Colonels were too young, inexperienced, and prone to silly mistakes for the team to be very successful. Many people felt that the tennis team had just about as good a chance of having a good year as Leon Spinks had of beating Muhammad Ali. We all know what happened to Leon, but what about Coach Rokita's netmen?

Well, somehow, the Blue and Gold split two matches last week to stay at the .500 mark with a 3-3 record. The loss came first, at the hands of the University of Scranton. The Royals were just too determined to lose the match and ended up defeating Wilkes 7-2. Later in the week, the Colonels travelled to Susquehanna where a 6-3 victory evened their season log for the second time.

The Susquehanna contest featured several close matches. Mike Hromchak needed 3 sets to defeat his Crusader opponent, coming from behind to win 3-6, 6-3, 6-1. Hromchak showed some valuable poise being able to come back after losing the first set. Rick Baran also needed 3 sets to win and even made his match more interesting by going to the

nine-point tie-breaker in the third set. Collins and Manoski once again looked good in doubles.

This week is a tough one for the Colonels. The week starts with a match against a very tough Bloomsburg team. Bloom is a Division II school, and their power shows. On Friday, Wilkes travels to Elizabethtown to face another fine team.

Hopefully, the tough matches this week will prepare the team for a return match with Scranton next Monday. Following their 7-2 loss to Scranton, the team is obviously looking for revenge against the Royals. But that's still a long way off, and two other stumbling blocks stand in the way.

Dave Jolley

## Pensieri Makes Debut As Colonel Duffers Win

The Wilkes College golf team has gone 2-1 since the last Beacon, and has raised its season slate to 3-2. The Colonel duffers defeated Scranton and Upsala last Thursday and dropped a tough decision to King's College on Monday afternoon.

Wilkes junior Sandy Pensieri made Colonel athletic history, when she became the first woman ever to participate in a Wilkes golf match in the twin-victories over the Royals and Upsala. Sandy, a graduate of Coughlin High School and one of the top cheerleaders on the campus, (right Mike) scored a 114 in her collegiate debut.

The Colonels as a team tallied 407, with Scranton in second with 417, and Upsala last with a 439. Taking medalist honors on the par 70, 6170 yard course was Steve Nielsen with a 75. Other top men for Wilkes were: Joe Skladany 80; Bryan Hoynak 82; Kenny Donlavage 82; Bruce Slavinski 88; and Joe Rubbico 96. The match was played at the Fox Hill Country Club in East Orange, N.J.

This past Monday, the Colonels had a rematch with the Monarchs of King's College, which Wilkes had already defeated this season, 395-405. King's came on top this time, 411-405 at the par 72, 6100 yard course at the Irem Temple Country Club. Medalist for the day was Colonel freshman Billy Briggs with a 75. Other top scorers were: Skladany 82; Hoynak 82; Donlavage 85; Williams 87; Slavinski 88; and Nielsen 93.

Wilkes, after meeting Muhlenberg and Moravian yesterday at the Lehigh Country Club, will meet Susquehanna University on April 24 in an away encounter, before hosting Albright and Juniata on April 28 at the Irem Temple Country Club at 2:00.

Eddie White, III

## Lacrosse Team To Improve

Things can only improve for the Wilkes College lacrosse team, and Coach Jon Hobrock expects the season to brighten this Saturday when his troops entertain Muhlenberg College for "Parents Day" at 2 p.m. at Ralston Field.

After winning their initial contest of the year by an impressive 17-6 margin over Dickinson College, the Colonel stickmen dropped four straight games.

However, the pain was inflicted by mostly reputable schools and if Wilkes wants to become the best, they have to battle the best. Included among reputable powers were Bucknell, which handed Wilkes a 9-6 setback last Wednesday and Madison FDU, which edged the Colonels 8-6 Saturday.

In the Wilkes-Madison FDU game, the Colonels outplayed their adversary in first half action and carried a 4-3 advantage to the lockerroom. Madison came back with a strong third quarter to take a 6-5 lead entering the fourth period.

The Wilkes lacrossemen put it together and controlled the ball most of the quarter, but FDU managed to outshoot the Colonels 2-1, to ice the 8-6 victory. Coach Jon Hobrock noted, "Our offense is playing together really well and it all began to 'gel' together in the week against Bucknell".

The proof of Hobrock's statement is shown in the statistics, which indicate four out of the six goals scored in both games last week were assisted. Co-captain Bruce Davis registered three tallies and one assist to be high point getter vs. FDU Madison while sophomore Bill Adams of Bethage, N.Y. contributed two goals and one assist.

Both goals scored by Adams were the only tallied registered in

the second half for the Blue and Gold. Adams, who was outstanding as a freshman, has already hit the net nine times and is credited with six assists to lead the Colonels in points scored with 15.

Sophomore Wayne Krum of Boonton, N.J. still leads Wilkes scores with 10 goals, and also has two assists. Krum gained one goal and an assist against FDU and teammate Brian Blesi of Bethage, N.Y. picked up an assist. Another key offensive player was Mark Sanders who won 11 out of 17 face-offs to raise his percentage to 67 out of 90 overall. Sanders, a sophomore of West Islip, N.Y. is working on improving last years percentage which was 70. Goalie Dave Singer had 12 saves and junior Andy Dutch stopped two.

The Colonels had to do with limited service from key defenseman John Lack, due to an injury earlier in the week, but Bernie Donachie helped pull the defense together and two reserves, Charlie Zezza and Tom Heller turned in excellent defensive efforts according to defensive coordinator Bill MacArthur. Bob Taylor, a junior from Flemington, N.J. played awesome defense in Saturdays' game, as well as in the Bucknell match Wednesday.

Wilkes dropped a 9-6 verdict to the Bisons of Bucknell University, but "held their own" against the highly touted squad. During the first half, the Bisons outscored the Colonels 7-4, but second half scoring was even, with two a piece. Hobrock felt his offense started to rely on "teamwork" and the 9-6 score wasn't indicative of the actual game. Although Bucknell was considered a "GIANT", Wilkes proved it could handle anything, and slightly surprised the Lewisburg crowd which watched

the action take place in the lighted stadium.

A maneuver which helped the Wilkesmen was rotating of Bruce Davis and Brian Blesi on attack position and also the rotating of John Larkin, Steve Kinback and Pete Maxwell, in place of attackmen on the riding team.

Bill Abrams, a sophomore of Maine, N.Y. has been characterized as a "hustler" and has really been picking up the loose ground ball frequently. Abrams, along with Blesi, Sanders and Donachie picked up 25 out of 42 ground balls against the Bisons, which was an important factor in keeping the Wilkesmen in the game. Hobrock played several midfielders and it was beneficial to Wilkes, mainly because of the fine conditioned Davis, Abrams, Sanders, Jim O'Neill and Todd Noll.

Senior Greg Wild has scored four goals this season and was a key substitute for Blesi and Davis in both games last week.

Wayne Krum and Bill Adams led in scoring at Bucknell with two goals and one assist each. Sophomore Joe Burnett of Vetal, N.Y. recorded his first goal since Dickinson, where he hit the nets twice. Co-captain Davis scored once and Brian Blesi had two assists. Davis has scored safely in every game so far this season.

The Blue and Gold were expected to play Haverford Wednesday, at the Fords home field. It will be another tough one for the Colonels, since the Fords have two players listed in the "Top 10" scoring and "Top 10" assist leaders in the MAC. The Colonel stickmen will be out to avenge an 8-2 loss from a year ago. Saturday's encounter should be lighter since Wilkes defeated Muhlenberg 17-1 last season.

Bob Gaetano



# Softballers Finally Begin Their Season

The Wilkes College women's softball team opened its season this past Tuesday afternoon with a 10-6 loss on the road to Upsala College. Funny thing is the lady Colonels completely outplayed Upsala in every inning but one, the first.

In the opening frame, Wilkes committed 13 (count 'em), 13 errors, accounting for Upsala's ten runs. Coach Gay Meyers was pleased with her club's performance, after the horrible first inning, but commented that the team should improve so much that it will never happen again.

Leading hitters for the lady Colonels were freshman Bernie Swiderski, a former Bishop Hoban standout, who went two for two at the plate and Anita Meehan with two hits. Pitcher Karen Smith took the loss, surrendering seven hits in the defeat to the (3-2) Upsala club.

The ladies were supposed to host King's College on Wednesday afternoon at Kirby Park for their home opener, before traveling to meet Scranton University on Saturday afternoon in the land of the "bush" baseballers.

Prior to the season opener, Coach Meyers had a tough time getting her roster to a respectable number, as 45 prospective Brooks Robinson's tried out for the club. The team returns nine letterwomen from last season.

In any kind of baseball, including softball, pitching is the

key and the Wilkes ladies feel they have a fine crop, which includes: Mary Jo Frail, a lefty sophomore out of Meyers High School, who broke a finger just before last year's opening game; freshman Karen Smith, a hard thrower from Dunmore; and senior Karen Olney, who has a little bit of everything, from a great fastball to your good ol' slow knuckle curve junk ball pitch. If Coach Meyers ever has to get on the phone to the bullpen, she'll have two good ones waiting to put out the opposition's fire in Julie Kerrick and Debbie Welliver.

Some of the top offensive members of the team include: co-captain, Anita Meehan, Bernadette Swiderski, Gloria Pasternick, Nancy Van Kuren, and Patti Paraventi.

Other prospective standouts include: Debbie Conroy, catcher; Donna Edwards, shortstop Sue Freeda, left-fielder; Nancy Johnson, outfielder; Anita Meehan, 2b; Kathy Poplawsky, 2b; the Yedlocks, Debbie and Lynn; and Mike Schmidt of Wilkes College, Jackie Wiendl.

**SOFTBALL SCOOP** — A look at last year's stats reveal that Wilkes was 2-3 in softball, owning wins over Baptist Bible (30-7) and Marywood (23-8) ... records of last year's pitchers were Karen Olney (1-1), Julie Kerrick (1-0) and Nancy Van Kuren (0-2) ...

Eddie White, III

## Co-Ed Volleyball Team Puts It All Together

Women's volleyball team put it all together against Baptist Bible when it came from behind to win the pivotal game and take the match, three games to one.

Bouncing back from a loss to Scranton U., the Colonelettes boosted their record to 3-2 before traveling to King's Wednesday.

Amy Gordon, a sophomore, and co-captain Karen Polomski were instrumental in leading the team to its third season victory. Gordon scored seven times on spikes and also had six blocks, while Polomski added 11 points in the four-game match.

The Blue and Gold had lost the first game to the always — tough Baptist Bible team, 15-11, but came back to win the second, 15-12.

The all-important third game, which would give either team a definite advantage, proved to be a heart-throbber. Down 5-14 (just one point away from losing the game), the volleyballers began their comeback.

Amy Gordon served six points before hitting the ball past the end line, making the score 11-14.

Karen Burkley added three more after Baptist Bible failed to score, thus tying the score. The adversary added one, but since a game must be won by two points, did not claim the victory, and in fact, lost the serve. During the next two rotations, Pam Snyder and Sally Steele added one point each, giving Wilkes a 16-15 lead, again not enough to win.

Baptist Bible refused to give up and managed to tie the score before giving the ball back. Finally, Karen Polomski added two to win the marathon game, 18-16.

Wilkes then went on to clinch the match by winning the next game, 15-8.

Karen Burkley led the scoring with 13, followed by Polomski and Steele with 11 each. Gordon and Cindy Rossi turned in seven spikes apiece and Steele added six, while Gordon, Rossi and Snyder also blocked the ball six times each.

The Colonelettes will travel to Baptist Bible Monday to try to sweep the series, and return home Wednesday and Friday to take on Scranton and Misericordia.

Wilma Hurst

## Beacon Jinx Strikes Again

For the second week in a row, the previously number 1 ranked team suffered back to back losses. Last week it was the Independents, now the Edwards-Fatoole Graduating Class has fallen victim to The Beacon jinx.

After winning their first two games, Edwards-Fatoole were set to go against the K.A. Association which had yet to win a game and who were the victims of Kevin Roland's shutout pitching in their previous contest. The fans flocked to the ballpark expecting a romp, and they weren't disappointed. The K.A. Association led all the way enroute to an easy 12 to 7 win, capitalizing on numerous E.F.G.C. miscues in the field.

With dissention brewing amongst his boys, captain Jay Mack was able to avoid a mutiny for the time being, and led his squad not-so-fearlessly into its big test against the awesome Dennis Phelps Fan Club this past Monday. Edwards-Fatoole hung tough through most of the contest and even tied the score at 8 apiece in the fifth inning on a two run homer by Danny Cardell. However, Phelps countered with two in its half of the fifth and exploded for six more in the next inning to put the final touch on a 16-8 win. If Edwards-Fatoole comes up with similar performances in future big tests, they might all end up like Edwards and Fatoole.

Meanwhile, back at the farm, the Smegmas were putting on a monumental display of power hitting against the Vets Club. During the course of the 27-12 blowout, the defending runner-ups took advantage of the strong tailwinds and wound up setting a new Wilkes College Intramural Softball record with 10 home runs, the most ever by a team in one game. Phil Pecuch and "Lefty" Levitch each homered twice for the winners.

In the American League East, the Independents finally won, stroking the Master Batters, 14-3. Tony Couto, in his first game with the Independents, was credited with turning the program around, much like what Kenny Hughes did for the Wilkes College cage team. Also helping out was "Radioactive" Norm Rickles who highlighted a seven run Independent outburst in the fourth with a three run homer.

In the same division, the Thumpers ran their record to 3-1 with an impressive 13-5 win

by Bob Welsh and Jay Mack



**LOU** — Elefante slams another one in the Colonel homerun barrage. Lou currently ranks in a tie for second place in the all-time Wilkes homerun list.

## Domzalski's Team Priming As Tournaments Approach

It's that time. They're starting to gell. They are finally reaching the point where they have to be to make a stretch run at that Mideast Regional Tourney berth. Yes, the Wilkes College baseball team is using its powerful (boy, are they powerful) offense, and like always, is complimenting that with a great mound staff, looking ahead to get back into that NCAA Division III World Series, which they were a part of two years ago.

The veterans, who were there two years ago know what it takes, and are willing to give it all they got. The names of Elefante, Suchoski, Hockenbury, Polaha, Grasley, Hungarter, and Schoen are stinging the ball, while senior hurlers Harcharufka and Kresky are turning away opponents like they were a box office at the World Series, seventh game.

The youngsters, who have never been there, but want desperately to be a part of it, are doing their part: Andrewsavage, Marino, Marshall, Brezenski, Pisarcik, Capece, Adams, Kavulich, Borofski, Briel, Korba, McHenry, and Kearney.

The coach Gene Domzalski, and his two alert assistants Tony Schwab and Jerry Bavitz are also hungry, waiting for that chance to show the nation that Artillery Park is the home of a champion.

The Colonels passed its first major test of the semester this past week as they endeavored many, many MAC games, and have come out of the busy week undefeated with an 11-1 overall mark and a 7-0 slate in MAC competition. Before press time, the latest Wilkes capture was a 21-0 slugging of Division II East Stroudsburg State College, as the Blue and Gold banged out a school record seven home runs.

Those hitting the blasts were: Billy Hockenbury, Dave Hungarter, Ken Suchoski (grand slam), Chick Andrewsavage, Ricky Marshall, Phil Marino, and Lou Elefante. Elefante's blast put him in second place on the all-time Wilkes homer list with 16, tied with Mike Supczenski, behind Don McDermott's 19.

In that blow-out of East Stroudsburg, Marino, Hockenbury and Hungarter tied another school record with back-to-back-to-back homeruns on three consecutive pitches. The last time that was done was in 1976 at the Regional Tourney, when Steve Leskiw, Elefante, and Suchoski connected for homers.

Wilkes, which met Albright College yesterday in an away MAC twin-bill, will travel to meet Delaware Valley and Richie Zisk's brother John, on Saturday afternoon for another MAC doubleheader. The Colonels will get their revenge shot at the Scranton University Royals on April 26, when Coach Gary Woode brings his "clowns" to Artillery for two games.

**COLONEL CLOUTS:** ... Still another piece of info on that Scranton incident: they "conveniently" forgot to report the loss to Wilkes to the Scranton papers ... like I said before "bush." ... Wilkes top guns are not only from the offensive side, the Colonel outfield has some top-notch rifles in Polaha, Grasley, and Elefante, and don't forget Suchoski behind the plate ... Suchoski and Andrewsavage led the Colonels in RBI's with 23 apiece ... Schoen, Suchoski, and Elefante all have four homeruns, tops on the club ... Kresky is 4-1, Harcharufka is 4-0 and McHenry is 2-0 to lead all Wilkes pitchers ... Colonels have scored 167 runs in the first 12 games, while yielding only 48, that's a 13.9 to 4.0 ratio ... Team batting average is .383....

Eddie White

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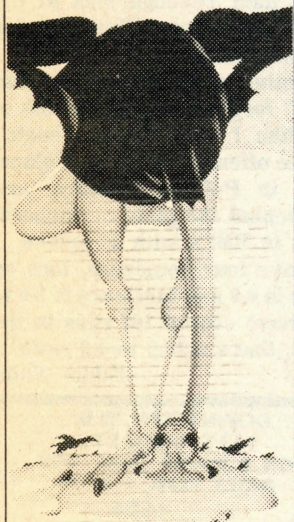
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