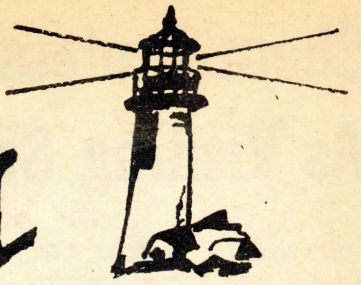


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Bermuda Triangle Mystery To Give Fresh Outlook

Lecture Topic Sept. 9



Charles Berlitz

425-foot freighter and five TBM Navy Avenger bombers.

Although he does not claim to have solved the mystery, the noted author does offer a few theories. He believes that a powerful magnetic force, either produced naturally by the earth or artificially by alien beings, may explain the compass disorientation, gyroscope failure, and enveloping clouds reported in that area. He also suggests that passing planes and ships may trigger powerful energy sources produced long by an ancient civilization that sank to the bottom of the sea. Another theory cited by Berlitz is that an advanced race of beings living deep in the earth may be causing the mischief.

Charles Berlitz, author of the best selling book "The Bermuda Triangle," will review many astonishing details connected with that area of sea Thursday, September 9 in the Center for the Performing Arts at 8 P.M. The lecture is the first in a series of concerts and lectures to be offered throughout the year.

Using slides, charts and other visual aids, Berlitz will lecture on the bizarre, believe-it-or-not happenings and continuing disappearances occurring in the stretch of sea extending roughly from Bermuda in the north to Miami and beyond Puerto Rico on the south.

Since 1949, at least 1,000 people and 100 ships and airplanes have vanished in the "triangle" with baffling reports dating back to the time of Columbus. Berlitz estimates about one ship disappears each week and an airplane disappears once every two weeks. Some of the more notable disappearances include a

Even though the U.S. Navy does not officially recognize the area as a danger zone and the U.S. Coast Guard is convinced that "the majority of disappearances can be attributed to the area's unique environmental feature," Berlitz claims that some of his most avid fans are Army and Navy vets who had personal knowledge of such disappearances but had been ordered to keep silent. He described the situation as a "cosmic Watergate."

Charles Berlitz is the author of several books including "Atlantis" and "Mysteries from Forgotten Worlds." He is an accomplished linguist speaking 25 or more languages and is also an expert scuba diver. He utilized his scuba diving talent in researching his books, examining first hand many of the strange ruins of lost civilizations as well as The Bermuda Triangle from beneath the sea.

Soter New Academic Dean



Dr. Richard P. Soter

Dr. Richard P. Soter, former dean of arts and sciences at the State University of New York, Oswego, has begun his duties as chief academic officer at Wilkes as of August 16.

According to President Robert Capin, Soter was the first choice of a special committee organized to recommend a person to fill the office of dean of academic affairs.

Capin himself held the position last year, while also serving as acting president. Following his selection as president of the college, he set out to appoint a full-time academic dean. As early as last May, he specified that the new administrator should possess a doctoral degree, have the experience necessary for the position, and be someone from outside the college family who could provide a "fresh outlook" for the college.

Dr. Soter fills all criteria, as he obtained his doctorate from Harvard University, served as an administrator for both the State University of New York and Queens College of the City University of New York and worked for the U.S. Department of State. He also has experience in the business world, specifically in management consulting and banking.

The 48-year-old Boston native speaks fluent Japanese and also

is knowledgeable in Chinese, Korean, French and German. His education is centered around the political science-history area, concentrating on countries in the Far East.

The selection committee that recommended Dr. Soter's appointment was formed in early June, and had the task of screening almost 85 applicants who answered an advertisement placed by the college. The list was narrowed down to six people, including one woman. Following interviews with each applicant, the committee members in-

dividually ranked the remaining candidates, and Dr. Soter was established as the choice of the majority. President Capin concurred with the choice and officially appointed the new academic officer.

Capin stressed that the faculty was kept informed on the progress of the selection proceedings, and noted that the committee itself included four faculty members, along with two student representatives and one classroom, and one foot in the business world."

In regard to his function as academic dean, he said, "I see myself as presenting faculty positions to the rest of the college, and I see the faculty in turn being the motivating force in curriculum to meet student needs." He acknowledged that he is ultimately responsible for the integrity of the curriculum, but also stated that he strongly feels the curriculum is the province of the faculty. He remarked that he has already "been struck by the deep commitment of the faculty to the college," and will rely heavily on faculty opinion when making decisions.

However, he also stressed that since he is responsible for making those decisions, he does reserve the right to make the final choice after appropriate consultation.

His experience in both the academic and business fields will be helpful in his opinion, as he will "have one foot in the from the administration. As chairman of the committee, Capin complimented the committee members for their performance, noting that during the interviews they "did a very good job in asking those searching questions."

Dr. Soter, who officially assumed the position on August 16, has considerable experience in this field, as he was responsible for 22 departments and almost 10,000 students in his former position. He stated that one reason he sought the position at Wilkes was because of his desire to work with a smaller college in a more intimate atmosphere.

When questioned about the possibility of changes in such

Frosh Welcomed At Orientation Program

By Mary Stencavage

Members of the class of 1980 became acquainted with their new surroundings as the 30th annual Freshmen Orientation Program took place last Saturday and Sunday.

The new students and their parents were welcomed to the college by John Whitby, dean of admissions, who introduced Wilkes President Robert S. Capin.

Capin extended "a sincere expression of welcome" to the incoming class, which is one of the largest in the history of Wilkes, consisting of 758 freshmen and transfer students.

President Capin urged the new students "to become part of the Wilkes College family as quickly as possible." "In doing so," he stated, "you will begin to feel more comfortable and relaxed ... and in that way you will be more receptive to the educational tasks awaiting you."



Freshmen Orientation staff enjoys last Sunday's freshmen picnic.

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Chem Professor To Serve As Visiting Scientist

Dr. John N. Labows, Jr., associate professor of chemistry, will be on leave for the 1976-77 academic year as visiting scientist at Monell Chemical Senses Center, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

As the nation's first research and teaching institute devoted exclusively to the chemical senses, the center is an interdisciplinary organization with specialists in a number of fields. Specialists in organic-analytical chemistry, organic mass spectrometry, biochemistry, psychology, zoology, neurophysiology, nutrition, statistics, ethology and ecology work in the areas of taste and olfaction research.

Dr. Labows will be involved in the chemical characterization of the odors produced by the action of bacteria on the apocrine secretions. He will study the effect of odors on behavior, either as the end result of a physical

condition or as a stimulus to induce behavior in another individual.

An odor print may possibly be obtained which would be characteristic of an individual and definable as to sex, age, health and emotional state. The Wilkes chemistry professor will collaborate with Dr. Albert Klingman, a leading dermatologist at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, and also with the scientists at Monell.

The following proposal was voted on unanimously by student government and will go into effect immediately: Voting in all Student Government supervised elections (i.e. SG, CC, IDC, class officers) will only be done with an official Wilkes College I.D. (i.e. identification card or dormitory meal ticket). Personnel running the election will be authorized to accept only the above stated identification.

There shall be no absentee ballots accepted in any Student Government supervised election since the organization has no machinery to control the procedure.

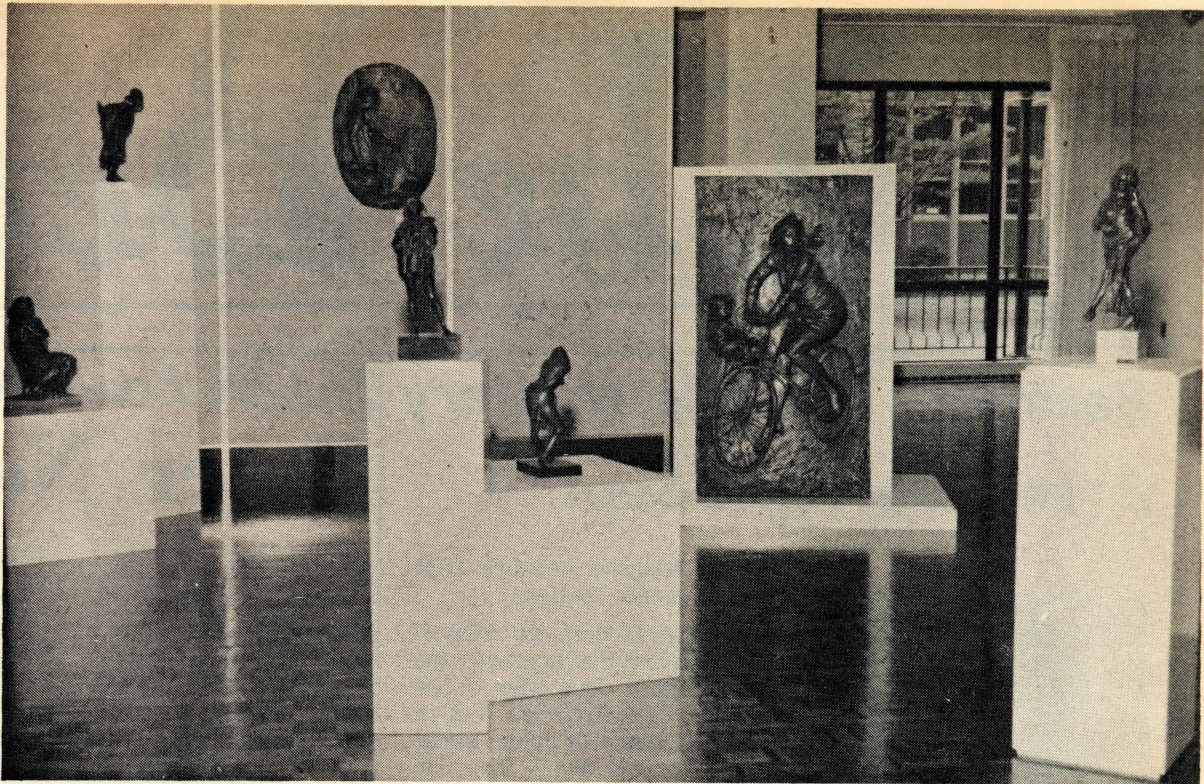
Any violations of the above guidelines shall be rendered invalid by the majority decision of the executive council and body of Student Government.

Respectfully submitted,
The Publicity and Election Committee of 1976-77
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Committee To Hold Dance-A-Thon

Wilkes College Human Services Committee, in cooperation with the American Red Cross, will sponsor a "Dance-a-Thon," Friday, September 17 at 9 p.m. through Sunday, September 19. The event, which will be held at the gymnasium, will conclude at noon on Sunday.

Sponsor sheets are available at the American Red Cross, Wilkes College Bookstore, WBAX radio station, and local participating merchants. All proceeds will go to the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross.



ART SHOW — Featured in the Sordoni Art Gallery until tomorrow, September 3, is the work of Bruno Lucchesi.

This artist mostly portrays, with considerable humor and a great sense of a spontaneity, women of all ages who are caught off-guard in a variety of daily activities and un-selfconscious poses.

His work has the discipline of painstaking craftsmanship, but also has a sense of freedom that defies the limits of conventional methods of sculpturing.

The exhibit is being displayed in cooperation with the Forum Gallery, New York, and may be viewed daily from 1 to 5 p.m.

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matters as the grading system and final exams, the new dean indicated that any reasonable request by students would be considered by both himself and the faculty.

The father of four children also noted that his door is open to anyone, and he would welcome students coming in to his office, especially in the late afternoon "when the phone stops ringing."

As a final note he observed that colleges are "really fun places," and he enjoys being with students all the time. "It makes you susceptible to change," he said, "and also allows you to see the necessity for change."

Commuters Find Aid For Parking Pains

Since parking space on the campus is so limited, most commuters are anxious to obtain parking permits for the semester.

According to David Ney, chairman of the Commuter Council parking committee, about 500 students applied for the parking permits, but about only 63 spaces are available.

He said that first consideration for the permits was given to the disabled, next to those in carpools, and finally to those travelling long singular distances.

Parrish Hall, Temple Israel lot, Gore Hall, and Wright Street are the sites for the student parking.

He added that it is not yet determined exactly how many parking spaces are available, but by next Friday all permits should be finally distributed.

This year \$1 fee is required for the stickers.

Students may pick up their stickers at the bookstore.

For those who are not eligible for the permits, Commuter Council has another solution. Students may purchase Park and Lock stickers for a reduced rate of \$10 a month. The stickers are sold the last week of the month.

Commuters may also save by riding the bus. Bus tokens can be obtained in the bookstore for \$12 a roll for one zone and \$16 a roll for two zones. There are 50 tokens in a roll, with a 20 percent savings for those travelling the one zone.

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The Beacon will not publish next Thursday due to the holiday weekend.

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BOOKSTORE BLUES?? — Why are these people smiling? Not only are they back to the same old grind, but they're also in the process of shelling out \$\$\$ for — horror of all horrors — school books. There must be better ways for them to spend their money. . .

Orientation (from page 1)

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The president gave the new students encouraging words concerning their stay at the college stating that "these four years are designed to prepare you for whatever you choose to be and for wherever you choose to go for the rest of your lives."

He cautioned them with regard to their rights and the rights of others. "While I am encouraging you to go as far as you can in your quest for knowledge ... I also want to extend some words of caution about something that might be called advantage at the expense of others."

"There will be nothing that you will ever gain at Wilkes College or at any time in your lives that will be worth too much if it is accomplished at the expense of your colleagues and friends."

President Capin concluded by

saying that he hopes "these four years will be productive and enjoyable ... everything you dreamed of when you elected to come to college."

Other individuals, introduced in the initial phase of the program, and who participated in the orientation included: Dr. Richard Soter, dean of academic affairs; Jane Lampe, dean of women; Linda Hobrock, dean of freshmen women; George Ralston, dean of men; Thomas J. Moran, public relations director; Gina O'Brien, president of Student Government; John Chawalek, guidance and placement director; Andrew Shaw Jr., assistant to the president for college management; and Lt. Col. Richard Wing, commandant of the Wilkes College Air Force ROTC detachment.

The new students later took part in small group orientation and met with faculty members and chairmen of the departments in which they will be majoring.

The social side of the orientation took the form of a Saturday afternoon reception in the courtyard of the SLC for parents, faculty and administration. Saturday evening the freshmen attended a pizza party and concert at Ralston Field to relax and meet each other. On Sunday afternoon they returned to Ralston Field for an afternoon picnic.

Debate Union Psyched For Coming Year

The Wilkes College Debate Union, moving into its fourth year under the leadership of Dr. Bradford L. Kinney, is looking forward to the continuation of last year's successful season and to welcoming new members.

Last year the relatively inexperienced Debate Union members captured 32 trophies

and awards. The debaters defeated many powerful schools, including Penn State, Clarion State, the United States Military Academy, and the United States Naval Academy, and took first place at the Pi Kappa Delta Province Tournament.

Members of the Individual Events Squad excelled, consistently bringing home awards in persuasion, oral interpretation, after-dinner speaking, and other categories. With most of last year's Union members returning, Dr. Kinney expects an even more successful

season this year.

Dr. Kinney said the Debate Union is also looking for new members, and welcomes any student sincerely interested in public speaking. He also pointed out the many benefits a person receives from forensics and debating, including logical reasoning, organization, and training in proper research methods, not to mention a lot of fun and enjoyment. Interested students may contact Dr. Kinney in his office, Kirby 206, or the Debate Union Room, Kirby 303, or by calling 824-4651, extension 393.

Debate Union members, both veteran and new, can expect an exciting season. The Union traveled over 4,500 miles last year, and Dr. Kinney hopes to exceed that figure this year.

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Can SG Perform Without Excuses?

The beginning of a new academic year, like the beginnings of most ventures, is filled with questions of various sizes and degrees of importance.

What changes will the college see this year? What personal experiences will we have to face? What do we hope to accomplish both academically and socially? How successful will student organizations be?

These are just a few of the many questions that may be going through our heads. Club and class officers have spent time thinking about the last one, and hopefully have come up with some specific answers. Worthy organizations tend to set goals which exceed those of the previous year, and it can be presumed that the pattern will continue this year.

But simply setting goals and even devising ways to reach them does not assure their realization. The optimism and enthusiasm of the summer all too often turn into disgust and frustration in the fall. Things just don't go according to plan.

Obstacles suddenly appear where only a clear path was once seen. The ideas that seemed so important just a few months ago appear very small when we have to cram for a test. The apathy of the faculty and our fellow students is a very discouraging and painful experience. Even the members of our own organization can hurt the effectiveness and aspirations of the group.

Every club, class, and organization faces problems like these, in addition to others which are even more unexpected. For the most part, these groups will be able to work out their problems, or perhaps give in to the pressures, in relative privacy. Not so with student government, and to a lesser extent, commuter council and inter-dormitory council. As three of the most powerful and influential groups on campus, these organizations are in the spotlight more often than most. Again this year they will receive a great deal of attention from the student body, administration, and this paper.

Student government, as the representative body of all students, will be the most closely observed. It has more potential power and influence than almost any other campus organization. It can do much good, (or harm) or it can simply stagnate and make excuses for its ineffectiveness.

Last year a popular excuse used to rationalize many failures was the claim that activity was hampered by the lack of a full-time president and an academic dean. This year that excuse is neither valid nor acceptable. The college is in a position to move ahead in a positive way without hesitation.

Hopefully the college, student government, other campus organizations, and the student body itself will be able, and more importantly, willing to move ahead this year.

New Dean Soter: Able And Candid

In his first appearance before a student group, Dr. Richard Soter, new academic dean, displayed an adept ability to handle the duties of an administrator fairly and candidly.

Invited by Student Government to introduce himself during its first meeting Monday night, Dr. Soter appeared to be not only friendly, but genuinely interested as well, remaining to observe the entire meeting.

The new dean commented candidly on an academic committee proposal regarding pre-final week testing, perceiving the situation of the students as well as the faculty. He agreed that in most cases tests can avoid being scheduled on the Friday before exam week. He pointed out, however, that term paper assignments due during that last week shouldn't create a problem since the student can gear himself to complete the assignment ahead of time.

When the academic committee expressed a desire to obtain grade statistics to be used in a study, Dr. Soter readily gave his approval to release such information if it was available in the registrar's office.

Later in the meeting, the academic official joined in the discussion, lending a point of view which shed some light on the situation and gave additional proof of his interest.

No administrator, faculty member, or student leader is going to make decisions that will be viewed favorably by the entire student body. There are administrators, however, who can make favorable decisions for the student body, and Dr. Richard Soter appears to be one of these administrators.

S.G. - To Be Or Not To Be ...



Book Sale In Progress

Still looking for a good deal on a text book?

The Student Government-sponsored used book sale is still in progress in the basement of the Student Union Building. Books will be sold through Saturday, September 4.

All prices have been determined by the book owner and SG collects 25 cents for each book sold.

Clubs Open To Members

College life has many diverse facets. Attending classes and studying are certainly important parts but not the only ones. A student needs a social outlet, an activity, a chance to get involved.

Today has been designated as club orientation day on campus. The grounds between the Commons and Chase and Kirby Halls will be clamoring with activity as various clubs and organizations set up stands in order to attract new members.

For the freshmen NOW is the time to get involved to become an active part of life at Wilkes.

This is also an opportunity for upperclassmen to join. It's never too late to take up a new interest or activity.

Those who complain about student apathy and the lack of activity on campus are most often the ones who sit back and merely complain instead of working for change.

Your college years are what you make of them. And those who participate in a club or activity are the ones who will have much more than merely classroom drudgery.

NOTICE

All letters to the editor are welcome if signed. Signatures will be withheld on request.

BEACON BITS

Candidates for the Wilkes College Golf Team will meet September 7 at 11 a.m. on the second floor of Weckesser Hall.

National Pre-Examination Dates for the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) will be Saturday, October 2, 1976.

The College of Podiatry Admission Test (CPAT) will be given on the following dates: Saturday, December 4, 1976; Saturday, February 12, 1977 and Saturday, June 18, 1977.

The Optometry College Admission Test will be administered on Saturday, November 6, 1976; Saturday, January 15, 1977 and Saturday, March 19, 1977. For more information concerning any of the preceding examinations please contact the Health Sciences Office at 146 South River Street.

Any seniors who have not had graduation pictures taken are asked to make an appointment with Ace Hoffman Studios by calling 823-6177.

The class of '78 will meet today at 11 a.m. in the CPA.

The All-College Block Party scheduled on the calendar for Friday, September 10 at the Conyngham Area Site has been cancelled.

The first production of the theater department this year, "Arms and the Man," will be guest directed by Will Stutts and will run from Friday, October 8 to Sunday, October 10. Auditions for the play, written by George Bernard Shaw, will be held tonight at 7 p.m. in the CPA. Persons wishing to assist with the production are asked to contact Al Groh or Joel Fischman in the theater department.

The film "Blazing Saddles" will be shown Saturday, September 11 in the Center for the Performing Arts. There will be two showings, the first beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$.25.

There will be a picnic on Chase Lawn Sunday, September 5. "Fame" will play in the SUB.

The infirmary has been moved this year to rear 120 S. River St., adjacent to the Conyngham Art Gallery. Infirmary hours are 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

People interested in organizing a computer club are asked to contact Stephen Vnuk or Eric Jansen at the computer center or the math department office on the fourth floor of SLC.

A bowling league for teams and individuals is being formed this semester. Persons interested in joining are asked to contact Steve Vnuk at the math office or room 412, SLC. A roster will be available at those locations.

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Former R.A. Marchetti Fills Housing Post

By Mary Ellen Alu

Just a few short months ago, the new housing director at Wilkes traveled the campus as a student, experiencing some of the many problems and joys that students normally face.

But the 21-year-old administrator graduated cum laude from Wilkes in May with a double major degree in biology and psychology, and now he is viewing the college from a new perspective.

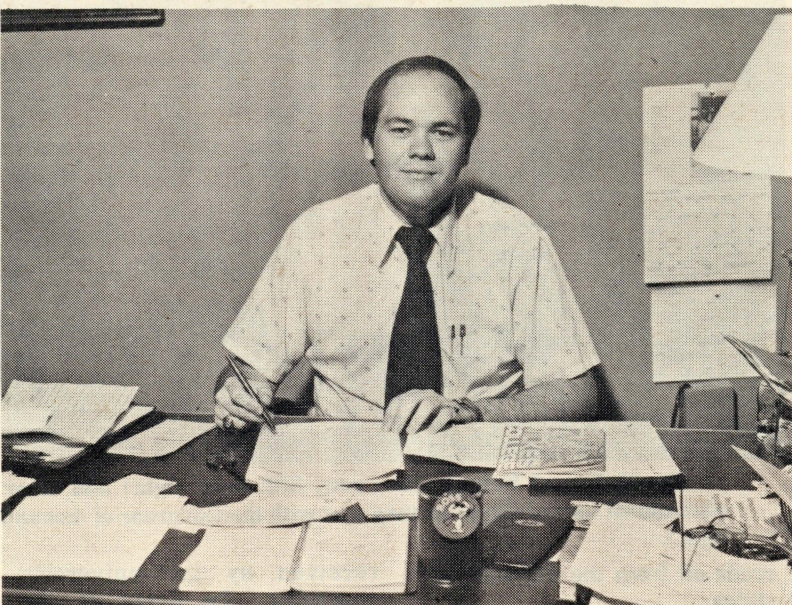
Joseph Marchetti, a dormitory student turned housing director, will be contending with different tasks and greater responsibilities.

He plans to do much for the college as he regulates dorm life and helps to make dorm living enjoyable and comfortable for the students.

According to Marchetti, he will be in charge of accommodating about 824 students and directing 38 resident assistants.

"Directing housing encompasses everything," said Marchetti, "from handling room assignments, to performing maintenance duties, to enforcing housing policies."

When he was a Wilkes dorm student, Marchetti distinguished



Joe Marchetti

himself. Not only was he named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, but he was also chosen outstanding dorm student of the year, an honor bestowed upon students contributing most to dorm life.

Viewing his position as challenging, Marchetti believes there are many advantages to having previously been a dorm student at the college.

"I've lived in a dorm. I know what dorm life is all about," he said. "I know my impression of resident assistants (having been an R.A. himself), and I'm aware of what R.A.'s can do."

Marchetti admits that there may be some disadvantages to his having been a Wilkes dorm

student (such as people testing him to see how far he will bend), but, he believes that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages greatly and that he can adequately handle any such problems that arise.

Optimistic about the future, Marchetti wants "to put the housing problems in the proper perspective and enforce them. They are for the students' benefit as well as the administration's," he stressed.

A member of the Board of Directors for the March of Dimes, he is also active in the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association and the Pennsylvania State Education Association.



The Feature Page

College Years Regarded As Learning Experience

By Janine Pokrinchak

Here it is the second of September already and we've been working hard for the last four days. It is going to be a long semester, but it also should be exciting and interesting.

After all, this is the beginning of a new year for all of us whether it is the first time at college or the start of our second, third or fourth years.

Each year represents a new adventure for everyone. No two years are ever the same. College life is constantly changing.

College is made up of many different facets. We learn through experience how to mix these many parts for our own happiness and self-contentment.

College is a time for maturing and deciding what to do with our life ahead of us. However, college

is also fun and just plain "goofing around."

These four years are perhaps the best years of our lives. And we must do all possible to see that college is an enjoyable experience for ourselves and others we meet along the way.

At times it may seem like we can't handle the pressures, but we can. Learning now will help when we come up against the pressures and tensions of the "real working world." It isn't going to be easy when our college career is over. Our success will depend upon the maturity and determination we gained here.

We all have a long way to go before the end of the semester and before we reach our goals. Let's continue to work hard to make our college years successful, but let's not forget to enjoy these times as well.

THE WIZARD OF WAZ

Please allow me to introduce myself. I am the Wizard of Waz.

I am not your ordinary Wizard since I have no extraordinary powers. However my friends Oz and Cheech are very jealous. Why? Because I have something far greater a column in the Beacon.

In this column I plan to bring a treat each week. Included will be such phenomenal things as reviews (of albums, movies, concerts, etc.), editorials, guest columnists (student and faculty), and sometimes just plain nonsense, such as I have created today.

If you are interested in giving me a break some week and want to give writing a try, just drop off your work in the Beacon office, second floor of Shawnee Hall or in the Beacon box in the Public Relations office, third floor of Weckesser Hall. Just address it to the Wizard.

On Turning 21

Yes, after living in Wilkes-Barre for 20 years, 11 months, and some 30 days one morning I decided to turn 21.

Overnight I became an adult and the proud owner of what could be the most important document to possess in Pennsylvania, the key to a new world, your ticket to fame and fortune, the hassle-free I.D. my L.C.B. card.

But, alas, its value depreciated the night I visited the local pub with two friends. One was 22 years old and counting and the other was 20 years, 11 months, and about 9 days short of being a full-fledged adult, and with her is where the problem lay.

Me: This sure is a nice place. This place would never get raided. Who would ever think of looking for a bar in the cellar of a convent?

A shout from the door: All right, down with the music, up with the houselights, this is a raid.

Me: This is great!

22: What? Who are those clowns?

20: I'm dead!

L.C.B. Officer: Okay girls, let's see some ID's that say you're 21 or older.

Me: Sure, here you go.

22: This is unconstitutional.

20: I forgot my purse. I forgot my wallet. I forgot my name.

L.C.B. Officer: Sure girly, get your old lady on the phone and see if she can help you remember.

22: This is interfering with my pursuit of happiness.

20: I forgot my phone number.

L.C.B. Officer: Better remember quick or you'll be calling from the klinker.

20: It's ringing.

22: Life, liberty and a drink in peace.

20: Hello, Mom? This is your 21-year-old daughter, you know the one born in 1954. Well, after I left the house about 21 minutes ago, I came to this bar. I must have been here 21 times before. Well, there is this nice looking handsome young gentleman here that would like to talk to you. He wants to know how old I am. I told him 21, born in....

L.C.B. Officer: Give me that phone.

Me: Well, do you think your mom will pull it off?

22: There must be a law. My ice cubes are melted.

20: I know what goes on in those women's prisons. I'll learn karate.

Me: That guy has been there for a while.

22: Tell him to get off. I'm calling my lawyer.

20: Promise you'll visit every Sunday.

Me: Here he comes. And he's smiling. Your mom must have told him.

L.C.B. Officer: Say I didn't know you lived up on the hill. You know I live next door to your uncle Joe. And your uncle Carl, the cop. Well, he and I play cards Fridays with your old man. Say hello to your Aunt Stella for me, will you? She was some chick in high school. Say, I forgot to ask how old you were. Ah, forget it. See you.

22: Such corruption. I'll bet he gets his parking tickets fixed.

Me: You're clear! I'll buy next round.

22: Southern Comfort on the rocks.

Me: Gin and tonic.

20: Warm milk, please.

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JOKE OF THE WEEK: Q. How can you tell if an elephant is in bed with you?

A. By the "E" embroidered on his pajamas.

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Egypt Found Resourceful For Educational Study

By Joe Buckley

"I am very happy that I have fulfilled the objectives of this program," said Dr. Mahmoud Fahmy as he spoke of a recent trip to Egypt which was a part of the Cultural Foundations of Education in the Middle East course offered by the education department.

Fahmy and 24 other faculty members, graduate students, and undergraduate students toured Egypt with the purpose of using that country as a case study of culture, education, economics and politics in the middle East.

The five major accomplishments of the trip according to Fahmy, are (1) the development of an awareness among one cultural group of the differences of people living in another cultural group, (2) a good understanding of the problems of developing nations in terms of population, education and economics, (3) an improved cognitive level of knowledge in terms of other cultures, (4) improved attitudes toward other peoples and cultures and (5) the opening of a good starting point for an international education program at Wilkes.

Before leaving Wilkes, the participants were involved in a two week general orientation program. "During this phase of the course," Fahmy said, "they were prepared for cultural shock by being familiarized with the major features of Egyptian culture, such as religion, status of women, economic situation, transportation and food."

Also during the orientation session, the group was lectured by Dr. Azzan, cultural minister of the Egyptian embassy in Washington, D.C.

The group was also received by Dr. Ghorbal, Egyptian ambassador to the U.S., at his Washington, D.C. home.

The morale of the group was always very high during the trip, according to Fahmy.

The group arrived in Cairo on July 9 and was introduced to the Egyptian system of education by lectures and visitations at the School of Education.

The group also visited the police academy, the site of an extensive national education program for police preparation. While there, they were officially received and were presented with the shield of the police academy.

While in Cairo, the Wilkes travelers were the guests of the Egyptian parliament, educational and scientific research committee and the foreign relations committee. "The major point" of lectures given by representatives of those committees, according to Fahmy, "was that Egyptian society is an open society in which the emphasis is on promoting the standard of living of the people."

Also, said Fahmy, "we were reminded to carry with us the goodwill of the Egyptian government and parliament to the American people and government."

Also toured near Cairo were the pyramids, temples and other ancient cultural sites of Egypt.

The entourage was entertained by the parliament at the Minahouse-Obrois Hotel, near the pyramids of Giza. During the dinner reception, the guests were treated to a large cake with 20 candles, each representing ten years, to commemorate the 200 anniversary of the U.S. "It was really moving," said Fahmy. "The guests and everyone in the hotel sang happy birthday to America."

After the celebration, Dr. Fahmy gave a speech thanking the Egyptian parliament, government and people and promised to convey the goodwill to the people in Wilkes-Barre and Wilkes College.

Another highlight of the trip came when Fahmy, representing the Wilkes group, was interviewed by the Egyptian Broadcasting Corporation, which includes both radio and television.

A field trip to Suez City enabled the group to sail in motor boats through the Suez Canal and the Gulf of Suez.

After being entertained by the governor of Suez and the head of police at an official lunch, the travelers were shown the reconstruction of the city and the building of new cities nearby to accommodate the return of citizens who left the area during the 1973 war.

Also in the area of Suez City, the group was shown the dredging project for the widening and deepening of the Suez Canal and the beginning of the construction of a pipeline from Suez to Alexandria which will carry



Dr. Mahmoud Fahmy (first row, fifth from right) and other participants in this summer's educational tour of Egypt as they met with the Governor of Aswan Province (first row, fourth from right).

crude oil from the Persian Gulf states.

After seeing Cairo and the Suez, the group left for Aswan, in upper Egypt. While there, the group toured the Kima Co., Egypt's largest chemical fertilizer factory, which produces more than 90 percent of Egypt's need for chemical fertilizer.

A lecture by the head of the High Dam Authority was featured during a tour of the Aswan High Dam. "All of us were impressed by the efficiency of the dam," said Fahmy.

The group also visited the huge, artificial lake Nasser which lies behind the dam, and saw the temple of Abu-Somble, which had been moved from the waters of the Nile to higher ground.

An excursion to Luxor, the old city of Thebes, enabled the group to tour the temples of Luxor and Kranak, a modern museum, and the valley of kings and queens. Among the valley's many notable tombs was that of the famous King Tut. "It was a very fantastic opportunity," said Fahmy. "They are well preserved."

While traveling to Alexandria by the agricultural road, the group saw the fertile lands of the Nile and the working activities of Egyptian peasants. In Alexandria, the group witnessed what remains of the influence of Greek and Roman cultures on Egypt at such sites as the Roman Open Theater and the Ptolemaic Pillar.

As guests of the Egyptian Company for Modern Performing Arts, the Wilkes representatives attended an evening performance of colorful dancing.

After attending lectures on the problems and prospects of education in Egypt at Alexandria University, the group was

received by the university chancellor, the deans of the colleges, representatives of the faculty, and students.

Among the most enjoyable and memorable events of the trip for Dr. Fahmy was when he visited his mother and father in Alexandria. Fahmy and the Wilkes group also attended the wedding of one of his nephews in the King Farouk palace.

Fahmy also visited with his brother Dr. Sayed Fahmy, the Egyptian Minister of the Interior.

When they returned to Cairo, the travelers were entertained at a big party in the prime ministers headquarters and were received by Prime Minister Mamdouh Salem.

Probably the most impressive part of the tour, according to Fahmy, was a trip to the land reclamation project, which is changing thousands of acres of land from desert to agricultural use. "Most of the group were very moved," said Fahmy. "They kept asking what they

could do to promote and help the project."

Having returned from Egypt, the group is now preparing two teaching units on Egyptian elementary and secondary education. In addition, each tour member is working on a special project.

The teachers in the group have been designated as resource persons who can help colleagues in the teaching of foreign culture.

The Egyptian officials and public were extremely hospitable and friendly," said Fahmy. "They were very interested in cultural exchange and they emphasized promoting a cultural relationship between our countries."

Although the trip to Egypt is over, it is not the end of the Cultural Foundations of Education in the Middle East course. It was just the beginning, according to Fahmy. In a series of successive summers, there will be similar tours with the same purpose to Israel, Iran and Turkey.

Writer - In - Residence Postponed Until Spring

The English Department has not appointed a writer-in-residence for this semester as had been expected. The appointment will be made for the spring semester, according to Dr. Thomas Kaska, department chairman.

"We have not abandoned the program," said Kaska. "We found out there is money available from the National Endowment for the Arts." However, the money cannot be

received until six months after the application is filed. Thus, the delay.

According to Kaska, the department will be able to make a more attractive financial offer because of the extra funds and, thus, "the offer will attract better writers."

Kaska said the appointment will probably be made in October.

To date, the English department has received 38 applications for the position.

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"Kernels"



by jeff acornley

God, I can't believe it!

Is this really me who is sitting in this wonderfully stuffy office in Shawnee Hall? Is this really me who is squirming on this marvelously uncomfortable chair for what seems like eternity? Is this really me who is sweating blood over what to say next? Is this really me who is the Sports Editor for the Beacon?

It's like a dream and I'm going to wack up and my typewriter will have turned into a pile of children's blocks. It's the classic love-hate syndrome.

When I was initially informed of my appointment, I was ecstatically happy. Then they started to enumerate my duties. What a humbler! I came down to earth rather quickly.

They started with interviewing, writing, and

editing and by the time they got to sweeping the floor and emptying the wastebaskets, I was what might be termed disenchanted.

This adventure was going to be more work than I thought. That which Paul Domowitch handled so effortlessly was all of a sudden one of the biggest challenges of my life.

I have many journalistic liabilities, one of which might be my willingness to admit them. Others are my inexperience, my lack of technical knowledge, and my baby face (not necessarily in that order).

With all of those miscellaneous negatives stacked against me, I started wondering why I even got involved in the whole mess to begin with. It didn't take long to remember.

Naturally, it all started when I was young. Ah, the dreams of youth.

I can easily recall the many lazy afternoons in the fall that violently erupted into crazed, frenzied motion. The scene was Ralston Field and the subject was the Colonel football team.

The squad was in the midst of the famous 30 game win streak. They always seemed to be losing with two minutes left in the game, until Joe Wiendel would return a punt 75 yards for the game winning touchdown or Joe Zakowski would heave a bomb 60 yards in the air and Joe Skavarla would make a diving catch in the end-zone for the score or Brinley Varchol would block an opponents desperation pass or any one of the seemingly endless miracles that they always had up their sleeves.

The coach was a living legend. He was bigger than Knute Rockne and Woody Hayes put together. The ever-docile Rollie Schmidt was a genius.

Perhaps one of the biggest thrills of my young

life was going down on the field with my dad to visit with Ed Burke, one of the star lineman on that championship squad. Burkes were a friend of the family so my dad knew him and would always congratulate him on yet another victory. Then it happened; one day while I was staring into Ed Burke's knees he gave me his chin-guard. HE GAVE ME HIS CHIN GUARD! Three days later after I came down to earth, I polished it. God, it was the most beautiful thing I had ever owned!

Whenever I went onto the field, I would always stomp once on one of the chalk marks so that when I went home my friends could see the lime on my sneakers.

We would get pick-up games in my backyard and I would always pretend that I was Ted Yeager because my father always told me that I could be both small and athletically talented just like Ted.

My dad is a tremendous human being. He gave me the gift that so many people don't give anymore; his time. We'd head off into the sunset, following Wilkes teams, even when they were on the road. His arm around my shoulders was the greatest feeling a kid can ever possibly imagine.

Communication is truly a gift. A gift that my dad has mastered.

Wilkes athletics have always been a big part of my life. Witnessing them with my dad made them even more important. The opportunity to communicate with you about Wilkes sports is a golden one and I'm thrilled to death for the chance to share my thoughts with you.

I would like to dedicate this column to my dad, without whom I would be a much poorer human being.

Thanks, Dad.

Wilkes Has Honorable Summer Diamondmen Rank 4th After World Series

Golfers Perform Well In National Tourney

The Wilkes College golf team made history last spring.

The duffers were the first Colonel team in history to compete in the NCAA Division III National Golf Championship.

The tournament was held in Springfield, Ohio, with Wittenberg the host college.

The Colonels finished a very respectable 14th in a 21 team field. Not bad at all, considering it was their first exposure to national competition.

Coach Rollie Schmidt was very pleased with his team's showing but was hoping for a finish in the top 10.

"A stroke here and a stroke there and we realistically could have finished among the top 10. Only a few shots separated the teams," recalled Schmidt.

"The tournament was excellently organized and ran without a major hitch. The NCAA gave an opening banquet and also gave all of the participants many souvenirs of their memorable trip," said the coach.

Five players represented the Colonels in Ohio with selection based on their seasonal averages. The Wilkesmen were then - seniors co-captains Mark Jarolen and Larry Gurnari as well as underclassmen Ken Donlavage, Joe Skladaney and Brian Hoynak.

The golfers played 18 holes a day for four days and the four lowest scores of the quintet counted for the team total.

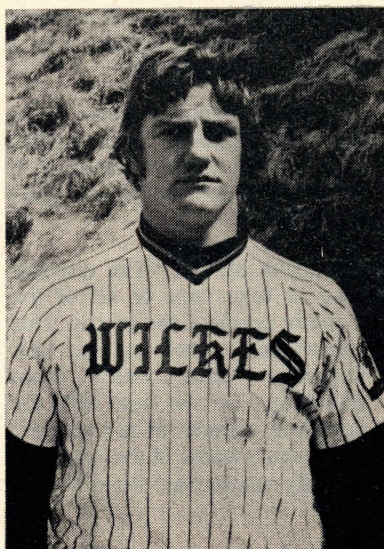
Along with the team competition was an individual championship competition with the best 125 players in the country from Division III.

Mark Jarolen, the now graduated standout, finished 11th in the country and garnered a second team All-American position.

Mark's selection was the first time in Wilkes College history that a golfer was moved to an All-American squad.

His selection was based on his general "playability." Playability would consist of a combination of individual scores, shot making, consistency, strength of the home conference, and also importantly his attitude.

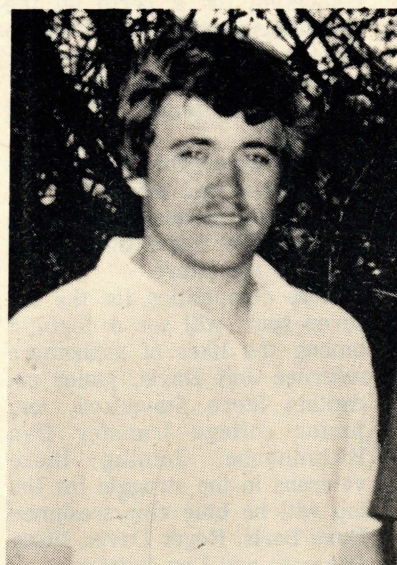
"I'm very proud of last year's golf team," said Schmidt. "I had no behavioral problems at all and Mark and Larry were excellent leaders. And encouragingly, three of these champion players will be back this spring. I'm looking forward to it."



Jim Stehle

COLONEL ALL-AMERICANS

Mark Jarolen



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Colonels Receive First Aed

By Jeff Acornley

The Wilkes College sports teams received a literal shot in the arm this year before they even set foot on an athletic field. No it wasn't an inoculation from swine flu, but just as good. The college has added an athletic trainer to its already capable sports staff. Mike Aed is a long overdue joy.

Mike Aed is the first full-time athletic trainer in Wilkes history. His addition will greatly decrease the burdens of all of the athletic coaches at the school.

"Care and prevention of athletic injuries is my primary and most important duty," says Mike. "In fact it is my only duty, but it's a bit more complicated than it sounds."

"My job is to, first of all, try to prevent injuries from happening in the first place. This entails taping joints and keeping records of individual athletes and their past medical history. If I can somehow prevent an athlete from getting injured, naturally the team will be better off."

But, alas and alack, injuries do occur in the heat of athletic battle. Mike is trained for emergency situations and is what he termed "a cross between a medical technician and a paramedic."

"The sports' world is a violent one and players do occasionally get hurt. No one likes to see it, but when it happens the athlete knows he'll be getting good care."

The other aspect of Mike Aed's job is the all-important and sometimes ticklish one of when to return a player to action. Therapy and rehabilitation are crucial to both health and athletics.

The longer a player is out of action, the more detrimental it is to the team's well-being. What also has to be considered is the individual's health and whether he is capable of performing or not. The possibility of permanent damage is too great of a risk to be taken lightly. The wrong decision on an athlete's fitness can meet with tragic results.

Mike is very much capable of making that crucial decision and many more like it. He is a graduate of Lock Haven State College with a B.S. degree in Health and Physical Education. He has his Masters in Education from Albany State University in New York. He also has attended more training clinics than you can count and has over 1800 apprentice hours under his belt.

He will be working very closely with Dr. Gordon Earles of Kingston, the school doctor.

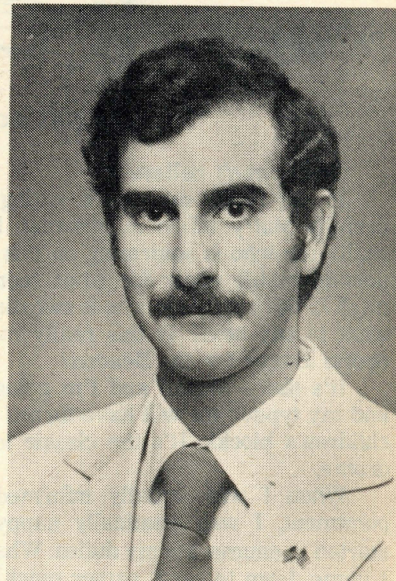
"I'm not a doctor so when something drastic happens, I treat the emergency and send for Dr. Earles," says Mike realistically.

He has set up training rooms in both the Wilkes gymnasium on Franklin Street and at the Robert J. McBride Fieldhouse at the Ralston Field Complex in Edwardsville.



GIVING AED

Walter Killian



Head Athletic Trainer
Mike Aed

Sports Information Director George Pawlusch said, "Getting an athletic trainer at Wilkes is a very significant move. It can only help our sports program. It is a long overdue addition."

Colonel football mentor Rollie Schmidt giggled, "I'm tickled pink to have Mike on our staff. It helps every intercollegiate sport at Wilkes."

Schmidt stated, "The coaches used to take care of all of the training needs of the teams. This consequently took a coaches' valuable time away from spending it on the field with the technical aspects of the game."

"It was a waste of the coaches' already sparse time when he had

to take care of medicine as well as coach. Now that we have a trainer, the coach can coach and the trainer can train," added Schmidt.

Last year Mike was at Lycoming College in Williamsport. They were perennial losers in football, but last year they went 6-2, a drastic improvement over the past seasons. Now, this is not to infer that the improvement was completely due to Mike but his presence was felt on the Lycoming gridiron.

Mike Aed is a long awaited and much welcomed addition to the Colonel sports staff. He'll make his presence felt on the field as well as in the clubhouse.

Anyone interested in becoming a student trainer for Wilkes intercollegiate athletic squad is welcome to apply. Wilkes head trainer Mike Aed is trying to get capable help so that each team will have a student trainer. Mike will train all of the students that are interested personally. If interested, please contact:

Michael Aed
Head Athletic Trainer

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Young Harriers Prep For Opener

By Jeff Acornley

"I believe that we have the finest group of runners ever assembled at Wilkes College," said George Pawlusch, Wilkes cross country coach last September.

Exactly a year later he is saying the same thing about the prospects of having a successful cross country season this year.

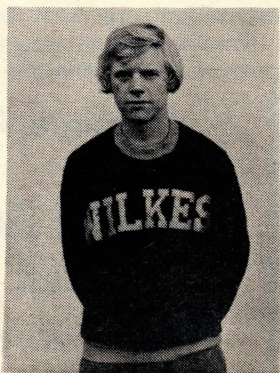
If you just happened to forget last season's results you are probably better off than if you remember them. There wasn't much happening that merited remembrance and since Pawlusch is saying the same thing in preseason this year that he did last year, you are probably thinking that we are in for another extremely long season.

Well, hopefully, that reasoning won't be altogether correct.

Last fall, the Colonels did just that as they fell to a rather dismal 1-12 record. What had started as being a promising season ended with only a few

people even remaining on the squad. Decimated by injuries and dissension, the team was lucky to even survive the schedule.

But, never-the-less, a realistic flicker of hope has been rekindled among the harriers. New blood has been brought in. All of last season problems have been pushed aside and forgotten as the Colonels welcome the largest



Leadership Figure
Steve Standiford

crop of freshmen runners in Wilkes cross country history.

"I have so many young runners competing for a berth on the squad this year that I'm going to have to revamp my training procedures to handle them all," said the obviously delighted Pawlusch.

"It's a wonderful problem that we've never had before."

The underclassmen should provide a firm foundation to build upon for the future.

Close competition for the top seven spots will see a dogfight among the likes of sophomore returnee Jeff Davis, junior co-captain Steve Standiford, and junior college transfer Dan Rittenhouse. Joining these veterans in the struggle for the top will be blue chip freshmen Dave Boris, Roger Davis, Vince D'Amato and Don Patrick.

Also hoping to contribute significantly to the Colonel cause will be veterans Jeff Metzger and co-captain Mary Kay Malloy. Coupling that with more fresh-

men prospects such as Dave Kerek, Pete Kowalchik, and Ray Van Nest; it is a pretty impressive bit of recruiting.

All of this young talent is still untested and it remains to be seen whether they can compete effectively at the college level. Coach George Pawlusch thinks they can.

They will be getting their first

taste of competition this Saturday when they compete in the Cliff Robbins Memorial Run at Kirby Park in Kingston. No team scores will be kept but they will be running as an individual for prizes. It is not a league meet but it will give Pawlusch an excellent opportunity to take a long hard look at his promising package of gold.

CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE George Pawlusch, Coach

Sept. 11 — Lebanon Valley Invitational - Annville	11:00
Sept. 15 — Scranton	Away 3:00
Sept. 24 — Baptist Bible	Home 3:30
Sept. 29 — Scranton (Triangular)	Away 4:00
Muhlenberg	
Oct. 1 — Delaware Valley (Quadrangular)	Away
Albright - Philadelphia Textile	
Oct. 6 — Lebanon Valley	Away 4:00
Oct. 13 — Albright (Triangular)	Away 3:30
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