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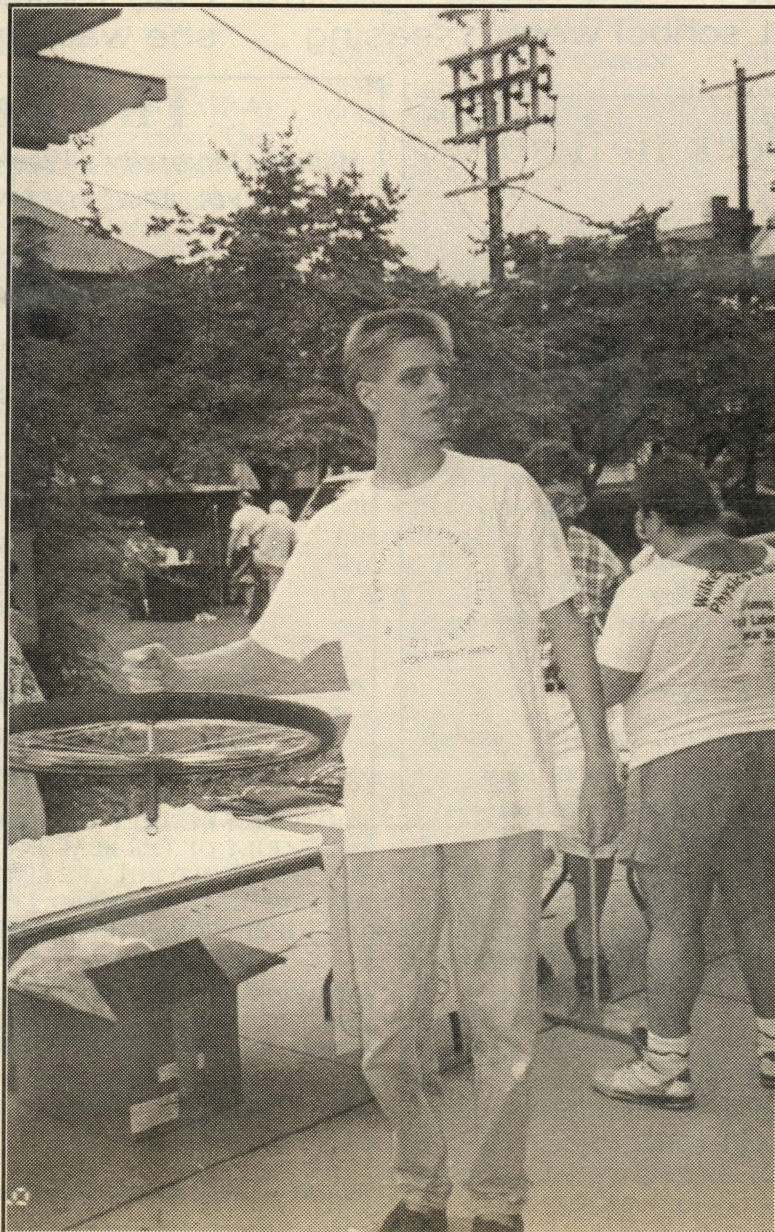
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Back to school fun



Students are shown at club day as a new semester begins



The Scent in the Wind

by Al Mueller

Parking. The perennial issue has once more raised its ugly head on the campus. One female member of the senior class is noted for saying, "If the administration went through what we commuters go through every day on this campus, you can bet that something would have already been done about the parking situation." From a rhetorical standpoint, this statement is good agitative rhetoric. From a practical standpoint, this statement is totally inaccurate. Whereas this article is written by one of the most noteworthy anti-administration commuter students on the campus, one hopes the reader can appreciate the profoundness of the previous statement.

Parking has been the central issue on Wilkes' campus for the last forty years. If one looks to the very first editions of this newspaper, one will find columns crying out for more parking spaces on campus. A certain cynical History professor might say at this junction, "It's nice to know some things never change." But, this is not to say that nothing has been done about the problem. Rather, it implies two very important concepts.

First, Wilkes is a city campus, located just a stone's throw away from Public Square. Consequently, the lack of parking spaces is endemic to the geographic location of the campus. But, you might ask, why does King's have more parking than Wilkes? The reason is they are located near the courthouse. The difference in locations and parking space has everything to do with money. That is, rich lawyers and judges work in the courthouse. But, who do you find on Public Square? Homeless people who beg you for money. If you were the municipal planners, where would you build parking garages?

The second implication deals with the economic side of the coin. If one looks at the record of the administration carefully enough, one finds that, for the past several years, they have actually added an average of 25 spaces per year. So, why hasn't this produced a positive effect? The reason is that, as more spaces are added, more students drive to school. As more spaces are needed, more money is needed to develop new spaces. Where does this money come from? Tuition. The overall number of students on Wilkes' campus dropped dramatically in the last academic term. Consequently, the money just isn't there to effect major change. The result, a vicious cycle.

Several proposals have been put forward by the administration in the last few years to deal with the situation. However, they have been shot down by the very people who need the parking spaces, the commuters and the faculty. Yes, faculty have the same problems as the commuters. Why else do you think many of them have office hours in the morning? As for the commuter council, anyone who has been involved on campus for the past three years can tell you that Jadi Willison is probably the best hop for change the commuter council has offered us. What we need now is not the rhetoric of agitation, but simple, honest discussion of the issues by all parties concerned. So, instead of being quick to point the finger at the commuter council or the administration, look up the facts. In this instance, you will find that the facts mirror Shakespeare's oft-misquoted line, "The fault lies not in our stars, but in ourselves."

FORUM

EDITORIAL

WILKES WORKS

Let's get busy.

Busy doing what, some might ask. Of course by now you no longer are patiently waiting in lines at every office you have to go to around here. You are now at the point in which you have to take an active part in your education. So I know you must be busy. It's the time when we all do our own part busy working on whatever our professors have deemed necessary for us to do to get that degree.

So let's get busy.

WE NEED YOU

We need you as a new recruit.

That's right, any student, in any major can join *The Beacon* staff. All you have to do is stop in our office or simply give us a call. We welcome all to come experience journalism at its best. We're here to help those students who have an interest in writing and/or reporting but have never served on any news publication. It's great experience and loads of fun, we all learn a lot from each other as well as from others. So, put every worry you may have aside and come on to Hollenback Hall 2nd floor, and join your University's student news publication family.

We need writers, reporters, photographers, artists (for our own in-house comic strips) in every section of the paper. We welcome new ideas and old ones, too. So come join us every Thursday at noon during our regular meeting time.

WELCOME ONE AND ALL

How one can put out a first issue without welcoming everyone old and new to Wilkes I'll never know. So welcome everybody.

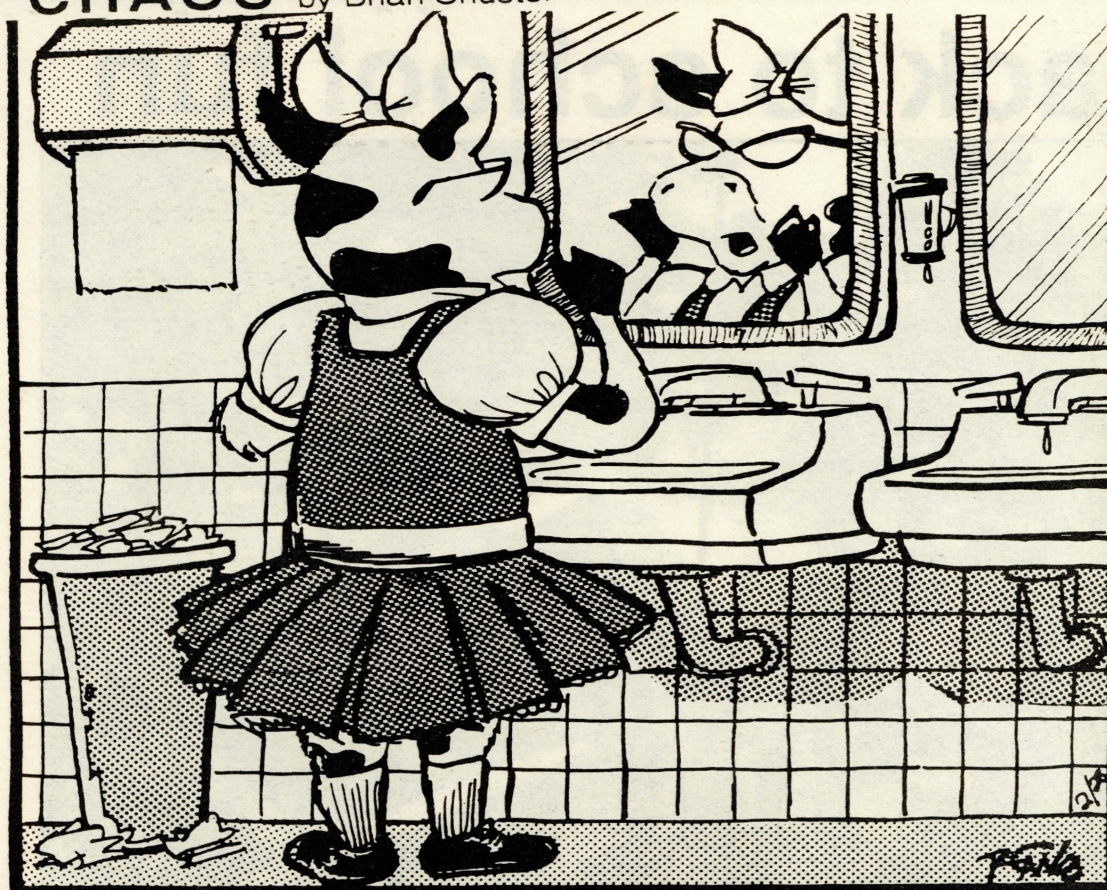
OUR REPORTER

Someone has assaulted one of our reporters. The incident occurred on Friday evening. If anyone has any information that will help the police and campus security find the assailants, we would greatly appreciate it. We are truly saddened by the news. We hope that he will recover quickly.

UP AND COMING

In our upcoming issues look for new and innovative ideas that are sure to please the discriminating palate. We have added a few new columnist to our staff, as well as an LGBA column. We will take you through a microscopic view of history with the History Club column. Campus security will also be a new feature to us in their Security Alert section. Book reviews, movie, video and record reviews will all incorporate the pages of your news source. We hope that some of these changes will help all of us to fully become a part of the Wilkes experience.

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



As she gazed into the mirror, Sally realized that the kids at school weren't teasing . . . she was, indeed, a cow.

A Week in History

Compiled by Wilkes
University's History Club

Sept. 7, 1992:

Labor Day and first vacation of the semester.

Sept. 8, 1492:

Columbus' 3 ship fleet the Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria loses sight of land. Columbus is blamed for deliberately underestimating the distance.

Sept. 9, 1776:

The Continental Congress passes a resolution creating the official name of the new nation; The United States of America.

Sept. 11, 1941:

President Franklin D. Roosevelt orders a shoot-on-sight policy to warn Axis ships away from U.S. waters.

Sept. 14, 1814:

Francis Scott Key composes "The Star Spangled Banner."

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FEATURES

Campus group "comes out" with column to help others

Ed. Note: The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Association will be writing a column in every other issue of *The Beacon*, which will address issues relating to, and about, gay life, in an effort to offer a different perspective to the campus community.

"I met another lesbian at Wilkes four days into the Spring Semester of 1991 when I moved into Evans Hall.

One night, we were caught asleep and embracing each other in bed. It was not sexual. Although, the campus community was led to believe it was.

While we were asleep, her roommate entered, and quite rapidly the incident was exploited by the illegal use of a recorder. The act of cuddling was twisted by a rumor throughout campus.

My roommate moved out that night, the next morning the girl I was with left school, but I stayed.

I would not allow myself to be intimidated by what happened. I opted to continue my education at all costs.

Even before this happened, my cousin and I were thinking that a group like ours was needed. What occurred at Evans Hall helped spark the flame which began the group. Now, no one on campus has to feel as isolated as I once did."

FIGHT ISOLATION

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Association (LGBA) of Wilkes University is now a student organization. Our purposes are to foster understanding of the diversity of human sexuality; to provide a network of support for lesbian, gay and bisexual students; and to work for the equality of all by forging links with other progressive groups on campus.

Ten percent of the population is gay or lesbian, and more than that is bisexual. We want to foster respect and acceptance within the university community.

Many people grow up feeling isolated and lonely. The existence of a group like the LGBA can allow students to find others like them. Somewhere they can fit in, belong, and maybe for the first time in their lives, find acceptance, support and respect.

FOSTER DIVERSITY

We meet every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the Alumni House. Our meetings are open to all who support our goals, regardless of sexual preference. Sometimes just having somebody to talk to can make all the difference in the world.

The LGBA has decided to open up our discussions and topics to the whole campus. We will have a column written by members of the group published here in *The Beacon*, so everyone can gain a better understanding of what we are about. If anyone wishes to learn more about our group, we will be happy to respond with an article, or on a more personal basis, if requested. We hope by doing this, we can all grow to become a more aware campus and to grow as a society together.

Feel free to write to us at the address below, giving us a box number, a phone number, or some other way to contact you, and we'll set something up. All correspondence is guaranteed confidential.

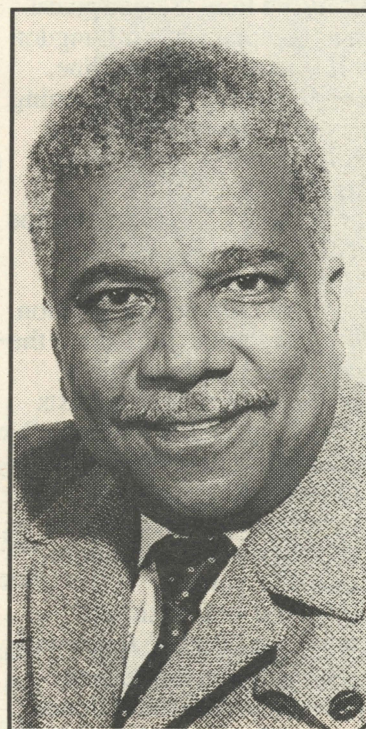
LGBA - Box 1291, Wilkes University
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Mazrui to lecture tonight in the CPA

Wilkes University will host Dr. Ali Mazrui on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. The noted professor, author and United Nations consultant will discuss "African and World Culture: Past Contributions and Future Trends" in the first event of the Wilkes University Concert and Lecture Series. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

Born in Mombasa, Kenya, Mazrui is widely consulted on many issues including constitutional change and educational reform. He has been involved in a number of United Nations projects ranging from human rights to nuclear proliferation.

Dr. Mazrui is currently the Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and Director of the Institute of Global



Cultural Studies at State University of New York at Binghamton.

Voter registration to be held Sept. 16

The League of Women Voters of Wilkes-Barre, Wilkes' Student Government and the campus chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) will hold a voter registration drive on campus on Wednesday, September 16, in the lobby of Stark Learning Center and the Marts Center as a part of National Voter Awareness Week.

The tables in both lobbies will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. In addition, a table will be set up in the cafeteria from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Any student or faculty member who has been a resident of Pennsylvania for at least 30 days, and who is 18 years old, is eligible to vote in the November election is October 5.

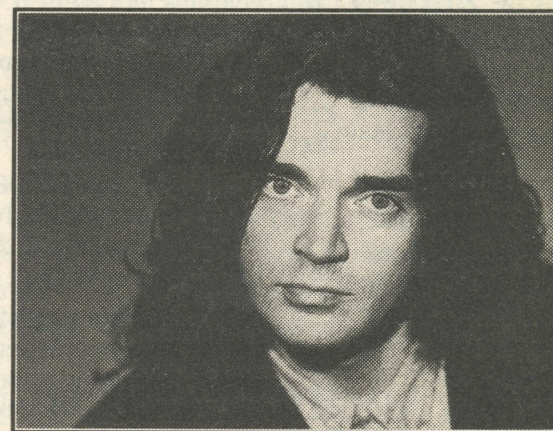
Exercise your power, register and vote in November.

Opening reception for Faculty Art Exhibit

Wilkes Art Faculty Biennial exhibit at the Sordani Art Gallery is scheduled to hold the opening reception on Friday, September 11 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Open now, the exhibit will be on display through September 27.

Featured work will include: Jean Adams, ceramics; Sharon Bowar, prints; Mark Cohen, photography; Richard Fuller, fabric; Kevin O'Toole, sculpture and wall relief; Michael Stanford, graphics; and William Sterling, painting. The artists will be at the reception to discuss their works.

The gallery is open daily from 12 noon until 5 p.m. and Thursdays until 9 p.m. The exhibit is free and open to the public. For more information call the gallery at 831-4325.



Gillen at Rumours

On Saturday, September 12 at 8 p.m., the Wilkes University Programming Board will present a Coffeehouse in Rumours featuring Irish singer/songwriter Roger Gillen.

Gillen's musical style intermingles acoustic-folk with progressive rhythms while focusing on political and social issues of his native land.

At the age of 19 Gillen won the National Talent Search of Ireland by

performing one of his original songs. His credits include showcases at the New Music Seminar and the College Music Journal convention in New York City. He has also been featured on BMI Live, a nationally televised program for new artists. In addition, Gillen has received mention in Rolling Stone magazine, the definitive publication on rock music in the United States.

SPORTS

Confidence, Experience Keys to Colonels' Success

BY BILL PHILLIPS
Beacon Staff Writer

Playing in the Middle Atlantic Conference is not an everyday stroll in the park.

Head coach Joe DeMelfi and the Colonels have found that out over the past two years. But after a couple of hard years, the Colonels are right on track. Coach DeMelfi feels he has the ingredients of a very competitive football team.

Coach DeMelfi started his coaching career at Wilkes with a young but eager to learn football team. Now starting his third year as head coach at Wilkes, coach DeMelfi is ready with a strong, experienced squad. "After two years of struggling with a fairly young team, I feel we'll be very competitive," said DeMelfi.

The bulk of the experience lies in the offensive line. Senior guard and co-captain Jason Langdon will lead the offensive line, which consists of all returning players: senior Brian Hnat; juniors Brian Coloiaro and Brian Lipinski; and sophomores Jeff Costello, Joe Schlagel, and Keith Fox.

Returning Jack Swearhart, junior, and Damon Perry, freshmen, will share the quarterback responsibility.

The backfield consists of two respectable rushers. Jason Smith, junior, ran for 422 yards, scoring 6 touchdowns last season, while Larry Yudiski, junior, added 151 yards.

First year assistant coach Lyle "Butch" Jones will coach the quarterbacks and wide receivers. Coach Jones joins the Colonels after coaching at Rutgers

University. The Colonels wide receivers will fall nicely into his system.

Pre-season All-American Steve Endres, junior, has caught 84 catches in two years for a total of 1,090 yards. Dan McClave, senior, returns with a 10.5 yard receiving average.

Defensive coordinator Coach Frank Sheptock returns with a tough, experienced defense. Coach DeMelfi adds, "We have great depth on defense with a lot of experience."

Co-captain Mike McCree, a junior linebacker, led the Colonels defense last season with 104 tackles. The Colonels defense consists of: juniors Ben McKeown, Jason Feese, Steve Koutch, Chris Carr, and Larry Trakes; and sophomores Mark Buss, Jake Cole, and Bob Brish. McCree, Brish, and Larry

Trakes combined for 235 tackles, 6 sacks, and 3 interceptions as linebackers. On the defensive line, Cole, Carr and Koutch added 120 tackles and 8 sacks. McKeown harnessed 42 tackles and 1 interception in the secondary.

The Colonels will open the season with Plymouth State of New Hampshire at Ralston Field this Saturday at 1:30.

"Student support will be a key to the Colonels success this season," according to DeMelfi. "We must be confident with a lead," added

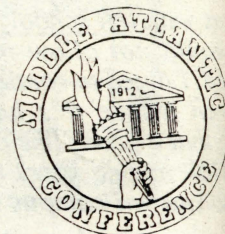
DeMelfi. Crowd support ignites confidence in a football team. A strong, experienced Colonels team backed by student body, family, and friends can lead to only one result: an exciting season of Wilkes Football.

Schedule for 1992 Football Season

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE
Sat.	Sept. 12	Plymouth (NH) State	H 1:30
Sat.	Sept. 19	Albright College*	H 1:30
Sat.	Sept. 26	Susquehanna University*	A 1:30
Sat.	Oct. 3	Moravian College	A 1:30
Sat.	Oct. 10	Lebanon Valley College*	H 1:30
(Homecoming)			
Sat.	Oct. 17	Delaware Valley College*	A 1:30
Sat.	Oct. 24	Upsala College	H 1:30
@ Lackawanna County Stadium, Moosic, PA			
Sat.	Oct. 31	Widener University*	A 1:30
Sat.	Nov. 7	Juniata College*	H 1:30
Sat.	Nov. 14	Lycorning College*	H 1:30

* MAC Game

Home Field: Ralston Field



Team Has Chemistry

BY MISSIE CHINCHAR
Beacon Assistant Sports Editor

Team chemistry is what the men's soccer team will need this season considering its losses and gains on the roster list.

For the past three years Wilkes has earned ECAC playoff births and came away with the South Region championship in 1990.

Gone are five seniors who lead the Colonels to these playoff appearances. Waiting on the sidelines however is a younger squad who has been patiently waiting its turn.

The up and coming Colonels will learn from the best this season as they look for leadership from all-time leading scorer, Paul Jellen.

Over the past three seasons, Jellen has solidified his name in Wilkes soccer history by setting marks for the most goals scored in a season with 20 and in a career with 39.

Jellen's supporting cast is comprised of seasoned

veterans like himself. Senior Phil Joyce and junior Tom Nally make up the remaining two thirds of the captain trio and will be heavily depended upon for leadership.

Joyce is a three year starter in the midfield while Nally is a three year defensive specialist for Wilkes.

Sophomore Matt Haney returns this season as goalie after taking over the job early last year. Haney answered the call by posting eight shutouts last season and

allowing only eight goals over the last fourteen games.

Head Coach Phil Wingert is entering his eleventh season for the Colonels. Wingert is concerned with how well his team will blend together, but he has other aspects to worry about as well.

"Other factors that will determine the success of our season is staying free of injury. Our depth is limited at key positions and we can't afford injuries to quality players," stated Wingert.

Upcoming Sports Events

Thurs. Sept. 10

Field Hockey (A) at East Stroudsburg...4pm

Sat. Sept. 12

Men's Soccer (H) vs. Messiah...2pm

Volleyball (A) at Luz. Co. Tourney...11am

Field Hockey (A) at Marywood...12pm

Women's Soccer (A) at W. Maryland...1pm

Cross Country (A) at Leb. Vall Invite...12pm

Tues. Sept. 15

Volleyball (H) vs Etown/Albright...6pm

Field Hockey (A) at King's...4pm

Wed. Sept. 16

Men's Soccer (A) at Scranton...4pm

Women's Soccer (A) at Muhlenberg...4pm

GO
GET 'EM
COLONELS

Our Leaders Return

BY BOB SIMMONS
Beacon Sports Editor

Coach Addy Malatesta will be looking to five returning players to lead her 1992 squad to victory.

The bulk of the leadership will come from Alison Adomiak, Toni Farinella and Justine Nemshick, all of whom are junior members of the team.

On offense, the leading returnee is Farinella, forward, who was the second leading scorer on last year's squad with five goals and one assist.

Also returning on the offensive side of the field is forward Adomiak who scored four goals last season.

On the defensive end of the field, coach Malatesta will look to Nemshick, center halfback, and Kim Tremel, a sophomore at sweeperback, to halt the offensive attack of their opponents.

"All the other defensive positions will be rebuilt with freshmen and sophomores. We have a

complete new look defensively," said Malatesta.

Malatesta went on to say, "with so many new starters on the field, I imagine we could struggle in the beginning until the new talent with our experienced players."

Some of the newcomers to watch are Angie Polny, a Division I transfer; Phoung Bui, who played on a PA State Championship team last year and Kim Kaskel, who played

on a PA State Championship team in her junior year.

"We believe we have a recruiting class of multi-talented freshmen and transfers to take the place of the eight players we lost in our '91 squad," said Malatesta.

The Lady Colonels will play another tough schedule this season consisting of games against three Division II schools, five Division III schools, and will be ranked nationally when the season gets underway.