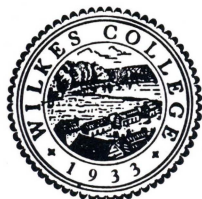


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# Fire Safety On Wilkes Campus Reviewed

## Rittenhouse Brass Quintet Performing At Wilkes CPA

On Monday, March 23, the Concert and Lecture Series will sponsor an appearance by the Rittenhouse Brass Quintet. The concert is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. in the CPA.

The Rittenhouse Brass Quintet is comprised of five talented musicians from the Curtis Institute of Music. The group is presently enjoying its third season and has performed many concerts throughout the state.

Larry Weeks, a trumpeter, is a student of Gilbert Johnson and has attended The Interlocken Arts Academy and The New England Conservatory of Music. He appeared as principal trumpeter and soloist with the Colorado Philharmonic Orchestra for two seasons.

John McElroy, also a trumpeter and a student of Gilbert Johnson, has appeared with both the Atlanta Symphony and the Atlanta Pops. Both Weeks and McElroy are members of 16 Concerto Soloists and Young Audiences, Inc.

Gregory Hustis plays the French horn and is a student of Mason Jones. He has spent three seasons with the Richmond Symphony. A member of the 16 Concerto Soloists, Young Audiences, Inc., Hustis has also performed with the Philadelphia Orchestra. He has also done extensive work in educational television.

Mark Lawrence, trombonist, was formerly a student of Allen Chase of the Detroit Symphony and currently of M. Dee Stewart of the Philadelphia Orchestra. He has performed with 16 Concerto Soloists, Young Audiences, Inc. and is affiliated with the Eastern Arts Festival.

Tim Bryson, playing the tuba, is a student of Abe Torchinsky and has performed with the Philadelphia Orchestra, also recording with the Philadelphia Brass Ensemble and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. He has served on the faculty of the Eastern Arts Festival and most recently has performed at the Grand Teton Music Festival in Jackson, Wyoming. In addition, Bryson has performed with the Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philharmonic Orchestra, 16 Concerto Soloists, and Young Audiences, Inc.

All Wilkes College students will be admitted free to the concert.

## Team Receives Gift Donation Of Camera

The Wilkes College Parents of the Football Team Club held its annual dinner Wednesday, March 18. The affair was held at the American Legion in honor of the football team coaches. The coaches, their wives and members of the club attended.

Each year the club's main goal is to present the football team with a gift which can be used for the team as a whole. To raise funds for its project the clubs sell 50-50 tickets and ads in the football game programs.

Last year the club furnished six whirlpool baths for the team. At the dinner, Mr. Zakowski, the club president, presented Coach Roland Schmidt with a check with which to buy cameras.



The Rittenhouse Brass Quintet, scheduled to appear at the Wilkes CPA, Monday, in concert.

## Community Plans Made By Project Reach-out

Project Reach-Out, sponsored by Student Government, held a meeting recently to discuss plans for this semester.

The purpose of this group is to promote student interest in the community and to bring a little happiness into the lives of deserving persons who otherwise would not have the opportunity to go places and see things that we take for granted.

On past projects, the program has worked with children from St. Stanislaus' Institute and St. Michael's School for Boys. Children were taken to football game, Christmas parties held, and picnics sponsored. It is planned in the future to work with senior citizens as well as the children.

The first project for this semester will be a trip to Hershey. Scheduled to go are about 50 children from a Wilkes-Barre Commission on Economic Opportunity Community Center for low income families. The unit also is planning to tour the chocolate factory, the amusement park and the zoo. This bus trip will be on either a Saturday or Sunday; tentative dates are April 18 or 19 or April 25 or 26. Insurance will be provided for the children.

Students who are interested in helping to give these children a memorable day are asked to attend a meeting on March 24 at 11 a.m. in Stark 109 (signs will be posted) and to sign up so that final details can be worked out.

If you cannot attend, please give your name and phone number to a friend who can attend or to Wilhelmina Quinn or Jack Blannet. After Easter, on April 7, the first Tuesday after vacation, there will be another meeting.

The second project for the semester will be a picnic for a group of children in May before the semester ends. Plans for this picnic will be discussed at a future meeting.

## Board Considers College Policies

Topics of discussion at today's Board of Trustees' meeting include: the impact of taxes on independent colleges, student visitation, and the character of the college.

It has been brought to the attention of the Administrators at the college that independent colleges may be taxed. There is great consternation concerning what impact these taxes will have on the status of independent colleges. If enacted, public institutions would receive between \$1,000 and \$2,000 a year from the tax monies of independent colleges. Dr. Eugene S. Farley feels that it is important that the independent colleges remain independent.

In addition, the Board of Trustees will consider the dormitory visitation and governance plan. Even though the plan has been approved by the Administration, it must be approved by the Board of Trustees before a policy change can be made.

The Board of Trustees will also continue its discussion as to the character of the college. It is felt that the college must establish and maintain a peculiar character of its own in this time of "ferment." Not only is character important for distinguishing a school, but it is equally important for the students, faculty, Administration and trustees to identify and commit themselves to the character of a school.

## Beacon Reporter Conducts Probe To Uncover Weak Spots In System

by Ronnie Lustig

In recent months, Wilkes has been plagued by bomb scares, arson attempts, and actual fires. It seems like it all began with the Conyngham fire, December, 1968. Ever since, places like Stark Hall have been the scenes of numerous attempts at arson. Last month, someone set fire to trash cans outside the library. Our most recent incident was a fire in Sturdevant Hall, a girls' dorm.

The above had prompted this writer to conduct an independent survey of the condition of fire extinguishers in campus buildings. Only then did I find that the maintenance department, headed by Nelson Carle, was conducting its own inspection on behalf of the college.

The maintenance department, under constant pressure from the city, has sole charge of keeping the extinguishers in an operable condition. They had all been inspected in January 1968 and 1969. The department got bogged down with extra work after the Christmas recess and, consequently, is about one month behind with the 1970 inspection. A detailed inspection takes about one month to complete.

It should be stressed that the work is being done and that the department is not negligent of its responsibility. According to Mr. Carle, "I have been fire-conscious ever since the Conyngham fire."

Fire extinguishers used on campus cost an average of \$60 each. Eliminating theft and providing there are no air or pressure leaks, the water and air type extinguishers can last four to five years without inspection. But this is not an excuse for an intentional oversight.

I found Parrish Hall to be in poor condition. According to Mr. Carle, it is the worst building on campus concerning fire extinguishers, which isn't a very comfortable thought considering the number of people that use the building. Some extinguishers have been inspected as recently as March 10, 1970 (one had already developed a leak and was registering "discharged"). The fifth floor had one with no tag and the other was dated April 22, 1966. The first and second floor each had one checked on January 14, 1969 and both were on the borderline of being charged and discharged (closer to the latter).

### Fire Exits Unmarked

Another dangerous aspect of Parrish Hall is that none of the fire exits are marked as such. As a matter of fact, they look like closet doors. This isn't very encouraging because it requires a great deal of daring to take the elevator in Parrish. The hamsters that operate it might be affected by the smoke. Actually, the proper signs have been ordered. One wonders why they are just being ordered.

In the event that you are trapped in Miner Hall, it is strongly suggested that you use the windows or escapes. The doors in that building open inward.

In reference to Sturdevant Hall, there were supposed to be two extinguishers within 20 feet of the fire, yet no one thought to use them. The girls later complained that they are too heavy to lift off the walls, which may very well be true for a girl. This has prompted the college to inquire about a smaller type fire extinguisher for a housemother or a girl to use.

All in all, have no fear. If a fire breaks out in your building (and let's pray the plague is over), you will be safe. For those of you who find the two hidden extinguishers in the Commons dated April 14, 1966 — don't panic, their inspection will be brought up to date this month, providing anyone finds them. Also, the ancient date doesn't mean it is an antique. Chances are it works.

In the event of an actual fire, don't panic, rather follow the basic procedures we learned from fire drills in grade school, and maybe even try an extinguisher. You may be in for a surprise, one way or the other. Let's face it, it's either going to drip out or spray out, but something has to happen!



Charred remains of Conyngham Hall after fire.



## Brew, Farnetti and Kubricki

Since I have become one of the co-editors of *The Beacon*, this is without a doubt the most difficult editorial I have had to write. As a co-editor I believe that students have a right to be heard, they have the right to know the goings on of the campus, and they have the right to read and interpret things as they please.

They also have the right to have an editor who is honest not only with her self but with others.

It is easy to write an editorial supporting proposals and policy changes that are best for the students. It is more difficult to find errors and then make constructive recommendations.

And, it is most difficult to choose a candidate to support all students when you must be honest with yourself as well as all the students.

Next Tuesday, each student has the privilege to vote for the next president of SG — a privilege in the respect that each student's vote is recognized, counted, and appreciated. Each student has the right to be heard and he is going to be heard.

Before you are three capable people. They must be capable or else they wouldn't have been elected to the offices they now have.

Before you are three experienced people. Aldo Farnetti has been president and vice-president of his class. Danny Brew and Stephen Kubricki have been members of SG.

What kind of criteria do you set up to evaluate three capable, experienced people?

This year has been marked by much change and controversy, yet some things remained stable — honesty, trust, and understanding.

These are the criteria on which these three people must be evaluated. Each student must evaluate the candidates not on promises or experience, but on something more — a subjective value. The value is who **you** think is the most honest, the most trustworthy, and the most understanding of your needs, the students' needs.

## Simple Suggestions

We understand that the College has "solved" the problem of how to handle the no-curfew proposal. Girls coming in after the freshman and sophomore curfew hours are expected to go to the New Men's Dorm to sign in and out and be escorted back to each dorm by a security guard.

Before we state our reasons for disapproving of this decision — we would at least like to congratulate the person who came up with this suggestion — not for his intelligence, but for his ingenuity! We hope he has a vast store of it, because as we anticipate the complications that may arise from this way of handling the problem, we realize that it will take ingenuity to wend one's way through the complicated maze.

In the first place, it seems absurd to make a girl walk to the New Men's Dorm if she lives several blocks in another direction. It is not merely a matter of inconvenience, it is dangerous. We also pity the poor security guard who may be confronted with 10 girls from 10 different dorms all at once. We do not know if he will act as Pied Piper leading the entire group from dorm to dorm, or whether he will make 10 separate trips from the men's dorm to the women's dorms.

Even though it sounds humorous, we also wonder how it will be when a girl returns to the campus in less than a stable state of mind and must ask the guard to escort her home! We also anticipate the slightly embarrassing sight of a girl, her date, and the noble security guard walking down the street in a cozy threesome. We wonder who kisses the girl good-night, and if the guard will be enough of a psychologist to turn away rather than embarrass the couple. Of course, this could provide the greatest hand-shaking epidemic this campus has ever seen!

We cannot help but wonder if this bright solution to a problem is not part of a conspiracy (perhaps subconscious) to make the no-curfew as inconvenient and difficult as possible. Indeed, several coeds have commented that it would be easier to get in on time rather than go through the silly routine of marching to the men's dorm.

We cannot understand why each dorm is not issued several keys which could be signed out, and returned the following day. A lost key would result in a \$10 fine — surely enough to prod anyone into being careful with it!

## Letters to Editor

### Loftus Reminds Biologist

To the Editors:

It appears, at least in this "politician's" mind, that our Biology expert cannot "see the forest for the trees." May I respectfully remind him that it wasn't long ago when another "incipient politician" sought representation on Wilkes-Barre City Council. Without a doubt, there were campaign posters "back in them days." Perhaps they were not as colorful as our own, but undoubtedly just as flagrant and just as unlawful. If our fair city had enforced said fines in that campaign, maybe we would not be burdened with the high taxes we are now paying. BIOLOGIST — HEAL THYSELF!

Jim Loftus

### Due Process For Them?

To the Editors:

That Walter and Mike were found were found "guilty until proven innocent" in the eyes of the college should be sufficient reason to instigate an immediate reordering of priorities with respect to the college Administration and its students.

The dissembled paper policies of this college cannot continue to outweigh human deference on issues of individual freedom. No college has the right to play games with the lives and futures of its students. The teleology of this college should (re)orient itself toward the best interest of its students, and as is now clearly the case with Walter and Mike, it did not do so.

Respectfully,  
Frank McCourt

### \$300 Scholarship Offer!

To the Editors:

The Association of Pennsylvania Municipal Managers awards each year a modest scholarship in the amount of \$300 to a student interested in pursuing a career in local government.

This year the scholarship will be awarded to a student who intends to do graduate work in Public Administration and who presently attends one of the following schools: Temple University, Lafayette College, Wilkes College, Lehigh University. The winner will be announced at the annual conference of the association to be held in Allentown April 22-24, 1970.

The association would appreciate your kind assistance; three seniors in your department who may qualify for this scholarship will be selected.

Please see Hugo Mailey if you are interested.

Very truly yours,  
George R. Kupchynski

### 'Peace Fast' Scheduled

To the Editors:

After many months of low-key, grass-roots organizing against the war, we feel it is again time for a dramatic protest. Therefore, on April 13-15 there will be a three-day "Peace Fast" to demonstrate our deep moral commitment against the Vietnam War.

Fasting has long been associated with distress and mourning. This is one of the purposes of the Fast — to recall all those who have died, North and South, American and Vietnamese — and to admit our complicity in the immorality of the war and in their dying.

The Fast is also a time of purification and rededication — to the peace movement, to one's personal beliefs and actions, for the justice of the cause without being self-righteous, and for non-violent social change in the tradition of Ghandi.

We need your endorsement to make this a major event in the effort to bring all our troops home

Wilma Wilkes - by McNISH



### Apathie Praises Lecture Urges Faculty Response

To the Editors:

Last Monday, March 16, I had a pleasant experience by attending the program sponsored by the New Concert-Lecture Series. Alex Haley was fascinating, interesting, and enlightening. He held his audience captive.

I can't help but be disappointed from Southeast Asia.

The Fast will culminate on April 15 when we will again stop "business as usual" by having rallies across the country on how the war affects people at home vis-a-vis taxes, cost of living, national priorities, etc.

We are asking that the money normally spent for meals during these three days be sent to aid the victims of the war — in Vietnam and at home. Checks should be made payable to "Peace Fast Fund" from Vietnam Relief Committee, The National Welfare Rights Organization and the United Farm Workers. Many students are already asking their cafeterias and dormitories for reimbursements for their meals during those three days.

Peace,  
Sam Brown  
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Vietnam Moratorium  
Committee

in the respect that only about three fourths of the auditorium was full. It seems to me that with a lecture of that quality there would be standing room only. I was also disappointed that so few members of the faculty could pull themselves away from their busy schedules and attend the lecture.

This brings me to another point, faculty evaluation and unlimited cuts. Perhaps the faculty should take heed. Here was a man who talked about his book, many faculty members discuss the book for their courses, and had a captivated audience. Even as he strayed from the subject of his book, his audience remained intrigued.

If the unlimited cut proposal and the faculty evaluation suggestion were enacted maybe the faculty would take it upon themselves to make their lectures more interesting. The effect could be two-fold: not only would the students get more out of the lecture but the faculty would also get the response that many classes lack.

The concert-lecture series committee deserves a pat on the back for its fine selection of a speaker. But, more than that, maybe a lesson was learned in lecture techniques.

C. R. Apathie

Last week, *The Beacon* printed that the college "does feel it necessary to subsidize student parking." This is completely erroneous; the college does not feel it necessary to subsidize student parking.



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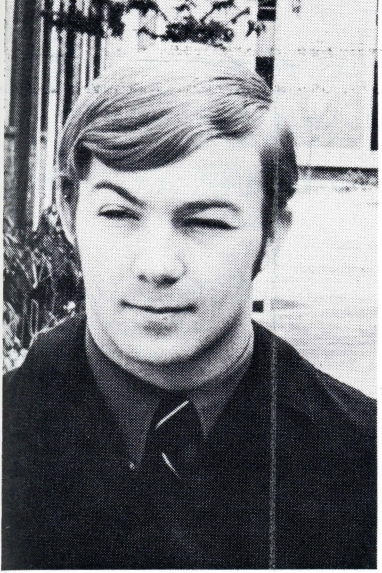


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# SG Candidates Speak-out

It seems with every passing academic year that students gain an ever-increasing "voice" in their own affairs. Evidence of this is the student representation on faculty committees initiated last semester and the system of self-governance by students of the Visitation Hours Program put into effect just a short time ago. Furthermore, there is the great possibility of having a student Judicial Court established in the near future for the purpose of adjudicating decisions in the area of student affairs. There is, therefore a very tremendous and growing need for both day and dorm students to take an active interest in not only their academic affairs, but also their social affairs.

The need has also become increasingly evident for capable and knowledgeable leadership to direct, formulate, and channel student opinion and activism. Recent student opinion and activism displayed itself in the meetings held in the gymnasium and in the New Men's Dormitory concerning the proposals presented to the Administrative Council last month. Student opinion and activism is just now being heard over the issues concerning the increase in the Student Activities Fee from \$10 to \$25. It is clearly evident that the positions of leadership are now and will continue to become increasingly important on this campus. Hence, there is now a very tremendous and



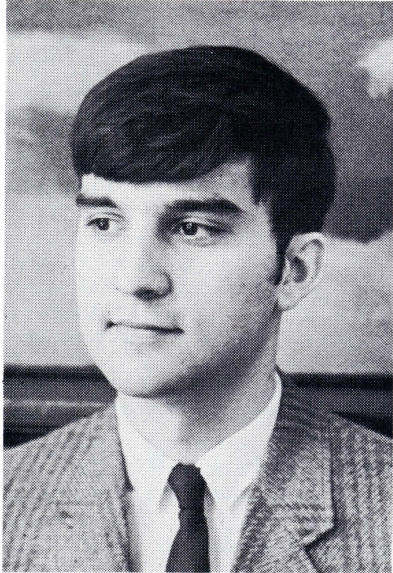
by Denny Brew

growing need for able and responsible leadership in the position of president of Student Government.

It is not the purpose of this article to state wondrous campaign promises which, as a candidate, I may find very difficult or even impossible to fulfill at a later date. Nor is it the purpose of this article to state or to expound upon the capabilities which I may have for the office of president of Student Government. The purpose is rather to help to make you aware of the importance of this election and of the importance of placing a trustworthy and responsible person in this position of leadership.

In the light of all the activism and interest in this area of student affairs and position of leadership, I am not so naive as to think that of the people who do vote in this election that they do not already know the candidates and the positions for which they run. The voters need only to re-

flect upon the past and present actions of the candidates in regard to student affairs. I would only add to my present platform that it is one of truthful and informative representation of the student body in all student affairs which will inevitably face Student Government in the coming year. Henceforth, it is the final purpose of this article to merely ask for your faith in me as a trustworthy and responsible candidate for the office of president of Student Government.



by Stephen Kubricki

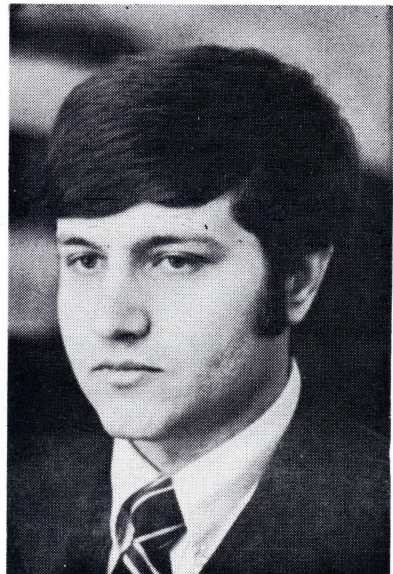
Student Government cannot be effective if it deals with worn-out axioms, nor with the worldly dreams of those who can find no place in their Utopias for the facts of human nature. Student Government can only be effective if it deals with actualities. What are these actualities that must be faced? The one of prime importance deals with our relationship to change. More often than not, we find ourselves concerned with the effects of a proposed change; instead of being concerned about the reasons why this change has not come about, or why it has taken so long to occur.

The process of change at Wilkes has been slow. Is it because our institution is producing such a satisfactory brand of citizen that it can afford to let well enough alone? I think not. Is it because we have been conditioned so that great changes are not expected? This also is untrue, because anyone who has a deep respect for Wilkes College can see a static institution as one which exists but does not function. The answer then must be that all concerns, students, faculty and Administration, have not developed the degree of understanding necessary for true communication. This lack of understanding is the result of a lack of confidence of the students in their student leaders, of the students in the Administration and faculty, and of the faculty and Administration in the students. Also, this lack of understanding is due to an unawareness of the prejudices and biases inherent in each person incurred through his environment and background. Only if we can understand, recognize, take confidence in, and respect each other can we progress in a rapid and beneficial manner. This is my main concern, to initiate human respect and total awareness of the situation and the individual, thereby dealing with the cause instead of

merely the effect of possible conflict.

I feel, my own personal views to situations that exist at Wilkes are relatively unimportant. I, as an elected official, have as my prime duty the representation of those who have elected me in accordance with their wishes, even if it is in direct conflict with my prejudices and interests. When the wishes of my electorate are in no clear way known, or when they are divided, I then would react upon the advice of the other elected representatives in a manner I felt was in the best interest, taking sole responsibility and ramification from the students for my actions.

My platform as a candidate for the office of Student Government president rests on the two points I have tried to stress. The first being a measure of confidence, understanding, and respect for those we come in contact with, and an awareness of all our petty prejudices, which hinders the constructive progress that can be made here at Wilkes College. The second point being the attitude of any elected official to serve those who have elected him by their wishes and in their interests.



by Aldo Farnetti

As this year's Student Government presidential election draws near, the students of Wilkes should stop and reflect on not only the candidates, but also the institution that we have as our recognized body to represent the interests of the students. Let us first examine Student Government. This year is the first year in my matriculation at Wilkes that Student Government has come to demonstrate support for the students of Wilkes, and this is the first year that the students have demonstrated a support for Student Government. This is a mutual support, that has enabled Student Government to become the legitimate forum for the representation of student goals. This mutual support must be continued. I have declared my candidacy for Student Government president because I feel I can effectively moderate the broad spectrum of diverse opinion and ideas which must be channelled into Student Government in order to keep up the new-found rapport between the students and their representatives.

I have come to the decision, not out of a belief in any personality cult or charisma, but be-

## Staffer on Campus Newspaper Shares Thrill of Mardi Gras

(Ronnie Lustig, advertising manager of The Beacon and frequently a contributor to the editorial side of the newspaper, was among the fortunate who attended the Mardi Gras this year. The following is an account of his experiences and impressions of this colorful pageant.)

by Ronnie Lustig

Tomorrow, at some specified hour, the world will cease to exist. Enjoy yourselves while you can.

This horrifying statement describes the chaotic conditions in New Orleans during the Mardi Gras festivities.

The crowds along the parade routes and especially those along the delightfully sinful, carefree Bourbon Street in the French Quarter, seem to be celebrating as if there were no tomorrow.

During the first weekend in February, this writer had the opportunity to visit New Orleans during the Mardi Gras season. It was truly a unique experience.

cause I have examined the format and guidelines under which Student Government has operated, and would probably continue to operate under, if the principle of a strong leader which has embedded itself in Student Government is allowed to continue.

It is pointed out by my opponents that I lack experience in Student Government. I do not lack experience in the administration of a representative body, as I have served as class president. You realize it is sometimes a virtue to be removed from an organization in order to assist its operation.

I seek to avoid what seems to be a situation where there has been a concentration of power in the hands of the president, which has motivated some people to seek the Student Government presidency. A Student Government president can no longer have as his primary function the organization and minute-to-minute planning of the Student Government, as have previous Student Government Presidents. Rather, he must concern himself with guiding the students of Wilkes along the course of action which will lead to achievements of our primary goals.

The president acts as a liaison between the students and the Administration. He must speak only because he has the trust of all of the students of Wilkes. He must be sincere in his desire to represent the interests of the students and not simply use the office as a means to an end. The future of Wilkes' Student Government will in a large part be determined in the next year. Will it revert to that distant disoriented form of the past, or will it continue to grow in strength in order to assert the rights and accept the responsibilities that the students of Wilkes are now groping for? My reason for declaring my candidacy is to offer the students a candidate who feels that the way to nurture the existence of Student Government is to reinforce the communications between the students and the Administration, by presenting a democratic governing body utilizing the proper channels through a president who speaks with and only because of student support.

It all began in Atlanta, when I boarded a connecting flight to New Orleans. The stewardess would ask how far you were going and everyone said, "Mardi Gras." The flight was full of students, who came from both coasts and both borders. I firmly believe that Mardi Gras would fold up if it was not for students. They stay anywhere: in the city parks, on the banks of the Mississippi or Lake Pontchartrain.

If you wish to escape possible arrest, the dorms, fraternities and sororities of Tulane University provide a shelter to a ghastly amount of students. My sister's dorm had over 100 guests several nights before the big day.

The carnival season begins the last week of December and ends with Mardi Gras day or "Fat Tuesday."

One to four balls a night are held all through January and until the end of Mardi Gras. Most balls are for upper and middle class whites, Anglo and French, although some carnival organizations are black. A columnist from the **New Orleans States-Item** says 60 or more balls are given each year at an estimated average cost of \$25,000.

Social prestige is measured by one's carnival organization or krewe. The city has about 14 top krewes. These krewes all have their own parades and balls with the biggest and best before and on Mardi Gras day.

Floats range from very simple to ones that are extremely ornate and animated. Members of the krewes stand on the floats and throw strands of colorful beads and coins called doubloons. These people are all in costumes and must not reveal their identity until the ball that night. The object for the spectators is to catch these beads and coins.

It is a status symbol to walk around the French Quarter after the parade with all your beads around your neck. As a result, people try to catch these at any cost. This comprises the fun and chaos of the parade. If a bead or coin drops to the ground, one has to be brave or at least strong to pick it up. Again, adding to the status of wearing them. You would be surprised how many strong old men there are!

After the parades, crowds converge on the trolleys which run the length of Saint Charles Avenue. They head for the French Quarter for an evening of crowd-pushing, drinking (the legal age is 18 in Louisiana) and sheer amazement that so many people can fit on one of the narrowest and most famous streets in the world.

New Orleans, somehow, survives the Mardi Gras season, and tries to preserve its uniqueness. It is a city where a local call on a public telephone is only 5¢ and where bus and trolley fares recently rose from 10¢ to 15¢. The trolleys are always clean and have polished wooden seats. The seats still have holes in the backs where signs used to be placed which said "black only." The trolley runs through a grass-covered, flower-laden median strip in the middle of Saint Charles Avenue. Unfortunately, one does not

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Viewpoint

Campus Group Formed To Battle Pollution

by Jack Blannett

Pollution is a problem in the lives of many people today. It's too bad it isn't also in their minds. How easy to point a finger at industries, manufacturers, etc., and shout, "Stop, you vile polluters!" How much more difficult to look inside oneself and say the same thing. We are all producers of pollution and as we multiply our numbers we add still more producers who in turn multiply and so on and so on and so on . . .

We are faced with two alternatives. First, we can ignore the whole problem of over-population and consequent pollution (this has been the prevalent attitude). If man is, in essence, an animal like unto all other animals, this attitude should lead to some form of self destruction (plague, war, increased suicide—the variations are many) which would return the population to the level the environment can support.

Or, we can begin (1) some kind of national birth regulation and (2) some form of environmental awareness program which would acquaint individuals with their responsibility to their environment.

Rational birth control is a topic which needs much investigation and discussion. It is also a topic which inflames the emotions of advocates of free expression. Since this article has as its main goal the presentation of a new organization here at Wilkes, such discussion will be tabled for further articles.

This organization is the Wilkes College Student Committee for a Clean Environment. Its main purpose will be to provide a channel through which interested persons can unite in their efforts to arouse the more apathetic element of the population. (Mr. Agnew's "silent majority" may be substituted here). In the first two weeks of its existence, this organization has succeeded in (1) generating enough interest in Tinicum Marsh to obtain a temporary injunction halting work; (2) been invited to help organize a raft race with King's College during the Cherry Blossom Festival; (3) formulated plans to involve Wilkes on April 22, Earth Day.

The Tinicum Marsh action was based primarily on the efforts of two students, Dave Brandon and Tom Selecky. Motivated by an announcement by Dr. Harold Cox in

one of his classes, they began to enlist political figures ranging from the crossing guard at the Wilkes-Barre Court House to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior. Walter Cronkite, in a national newscast, credited the committee with initiating interest which halted the dredging. Tom, Dave, Russ Williams and I attended a court hearing in Philadelphia on Tuesday to see if a permanent injunction can be issued to save this migratory pathway.

King's College is also showing interest in the environment. Students have planned a raft race down the scenic Susquehanna which will terminate (hopefully) just below the Market St. Bridge. Wilkes students will be asking interested individuals, dorms, and clubs to build rafts and join the flotilla.

The third and major area of interest concerns April 22, Earth Day. Dr. Robert Heaman of the English Department and I have approached members of the Administration and faculty concerning Wilkes' involvement in the nation-wide program. Initial plans call for a "pollution parade" through beautiful downtown Wilkes-Barre, followed by a program on environmental concern at the CPA. National and state figures and members of Wilkes faculty are interested in participating. A short student-produced film on local pollution is being readied and it is hoped to involve the dorms and clubs in making floats or displays.

The above is just a brief discussion of some of the ideas and programs. The initial organization was composed of Dr. Heaman and me and an idea which we discussed with Dr. Francis J. Michelini, Tom and Dave gave us our first community centered project—the Tinicum Marsh. We are now ready to establish a permanent, open organization which needs activated people to activate others.



America the Beautiful? ??

New Exhibit At Conyngham 'Best Of Year'

by Bill Kern

This past week, Conyngham Annex housed what was perhaps the most outstanding art exhibit of the year. The seniors responsible for this achievement are Karen Nasevick and Rosemary D'Elia.

The quality of the individual works was not what made this show outstanding. The presentation, which used contrasts between traditional and contemporary styles, did.

Miss Nasevick's versatility must be mentioned, as she not only produced good still life watercolors, but original assemblages as well, something which has not been seen in past student exhibits.

Russian Club Aids UNICEF In Campaign

The Wilkes College Russian Club has been presented a Certificate of Appreciation by the United States Committee for UNICEF for its participation in the 1969 Greeting Card campaign.

The club sold these cards for UNICEF before Christmas and did not receive a profit from the sales. The entire income of the campaign will be used to help fight hunger, disease, and ignorance among children in the developing areas of the world.

Though the detailed final report on consignment returns is not complete as yet, the UNICEF director of the Greeting Card Program, Harry J. Cooper, stated that "we are expecting an overall increase of \$500,000 over the 1968 returns which were \$38 million." Therefore, any assistance given in the campaign contributes to the overall service program of UNICEF.

The members of the Russian Club, with the aid of their advisor, Mr. Serzan, have planned activities such as bake sales, a New York trip, and they have sponsored the Russian Chorus program presented last week.

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Music Dept. To Present Poem By P. Hindemith

The Wilkes College Chorus, under the direction of Richard Probert, will be performing the "Requiem of Those We Love" by Paul Hindemith on Tuesday, March 24, 8:30 p.m. in the CPA.

Richard Chapline, faculty baritone, and Marlene Atherholt, student soprano, will be the featured soloists.

The Requiem is a musical setting of the Walt Whitman elegy: "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd". The poem, written on the death of Abraham Lincoln, was a most fitting text for a requiem composed to express mankind's mourning for the many war dead of W.W. I and indeed for the death of the American leader and symbol of the war efforts of Franklin Roosevelt.

Hindemith's Requiem was finished in New Haven on April 20, 1946 and received its first performance on May 14, 1946 with Robert Shaw conducting. It was not until April 1963 that the work received a second performance, this time conducted by the composer himself. Paul Hindemith died shortly thereafter.

The Wilkes Chorus, 83 students, is proud to present such a master work to the campus and community. Indeed, the 83 student members have been working diligently musically.

Mr. Probert, the conductor of the chorus, feels that the work is indeed relevant to the time and artistically expresses mankind's distaste for war.

Hindemith once suggested that "instead of the United States solitarily playing the piano in Washington and the ruler of Russia strumming his balalaika (or whatever he strums) in Moscow, could they not, together with their respective governments, join once a week in an orchestra or chorus? . . . People who make music together (or listen for that matter), cannot be enemies, at least not while the music lasts."

Wilkes students are invited to attend this concert—the poem will be presented so that you may follow the poem word for word. It is for the students that the performance takes place, and it is free of charge.

WHAT • WHERE • WHEN

Friday, March 20

Dance — All-College Dance, "The Glass Prism," sponsored by SG, 9-12 midnight.

Film — Manuscript film, CPA.

Concert — Misericordia and Villa Nova Glee Club Concert, Walsh Auditorium, College Misericordia, 8 p.m. (through March 22)

Saturday, March 21

Junior-Senior Dinner Dance — Smorgasbord, Treadway Inn, 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Sunday, March 22

Art Exhibit—Claire Roan, Conyngham Gallery (through March 28)

Monday, March 23

Concert — Rittenhouse Brass Quintet from Curtis Institute of Music, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24

Concert — Wilkes College Chorus, **Requiem for Those We Love** by Paul Hindemith, CPA, 8:30 p.m.

Special Film — **King (a man of peace)**, a documentary on the life of Martin Luther King; contribution \$5.00, one night only, 8 p.m. Tickets now on sale at Comerford Theatre box office.

Wednesday, March 23

Easter Recess — Classes end 5 p.m.

Monday, March 30

Easter Dance — SG.

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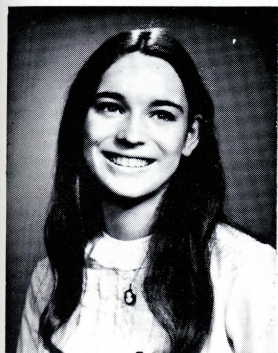
## REPORTER AT LARGE

by Maureen Klaproth

I could not possibly let this column go to press without belatedly mentioning my favorite holiday — so I hope you had a happy St. Patrick's Day!

All those who know me, know that on this particular day I go wild — lavishly throwing around green carnations, shamrocks, and humming "It's a Great Day for the Irish!" (That's all without the benefit of Irish whiskey, too!)

It's a curious phenomenon — this matter of being an Irish-American. Native sons of Erin call us professional Irishmen, which I suppose we are. But there's a glory in it all, as if we are defying the times we have been downtrodden, told "Irish needn't apply," starved through potato famines, or fought off the English — again and again! We make a cause of being Irish — and if that's not cause enough for some of us, we are always willing to pick up the banners for another.



Whether one is shanty or lace curtain Irish doesn't really matter — for we have got to be one of the most clannish groups on God's green earth (and the proudest — believing God made the earth green just to suit our tastes!). The Irish love of music, song, and laughter makes it the happiest nationality — though that Irish whiskey helps, too!

It's fun being Irish, as Maureen O'Hara is fond of saying: "There are two kinds of people in this world: the Irish, and those who wish they were." I have one friend who maintains he goes around with a sad face every March 17 — he feels so sorry for everyone who isn't Irish! Of course, we've been the butt of many a joke, long before the Poles and Italians got their jibes. But the man was right who said that the only thing that ever got ahead of an Irishman was a wheelbarrow!

There is also the gloomy, morbid side of the Irish — though we don't always admit it. As someone once said, "There's no sense in being Irish unless you know the world will break your heart someday."

Back to the matter of being professional Irish — I confess that perhaps I am. Although one-fourth of me is honestly Irish (the Kellys and Morrisseys from County Kerry), I am also English (Woods), German (Klaproth and Uttrodt), Welsh (Evans), Austrian (Hodick), and even a bit of Dutch. I guess that makes me a full-fledged American who can easily celebrate St. George and St. David's days, and still believe in either Kris Kringle or Santa Claus; And I try to explain that I am so mixed up because the Irish, Welsh and English sides of me are constantly bickering, while the German, Austrian and Dutch are trying to fight it out...

But the one-fourth of Irish in me passes along to all of you my favorite Irish blessing:

"May the road rise before you,  
May the wind be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
May the rain fall soft upon your fields, and  
Until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand."

### FROM HERE AND THERE:

— It seems that the Wilkes-Barre annual monsoon season is upon us again (in-between blizzards). Those of us who have survived them before now know that it is unwise to put down your umbrella from now until May. Someone remarked the other day that if Noah were living in Wilkes-Barre, he'd have half an ark built by now. (Right!)

— My brother Jerry, who's 11, thinks he's a real wit. The other day my sister Mindy was brushing her hair and complaining about split-ends. Jerry asked if she had any quarterbacks!

— Speaking of Mindy, she sent along some bits of philosophy, and though they are simple, I found them quite profound for a 14-year-old:

My Star —  
It isn't even a star.  
But I've got to call it something.  
And some people don't believe in God.

God is not dead —  
Maybe He's only afraid  
and ashamed to be living,  
just like people.

From a blind someone —  
In my eyes, everything is black.  
It takes more than one color  
to make a rainbow.

Gettysburg —  
But it's hard to find the meaning.  
Especially nowadays  
when people don't care.

Love —  
Camelot and Guinevere, Romeo and Juliet.  
You don't hear much about love  
these days.

(Maybe the kid's got something there...)

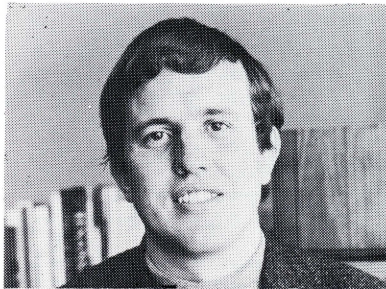
## The Last Eye

Mirror show;  
Inclement minds that  
Keep ourselves suppressed;  
Ever seeking, probing,  
finding  
Answers to yourselves;  
Never demand their respect.  
Destroy your fear with  
knowledge;  
Allow the truth to shine;  
Survival is not the aim.  
How long must we wait?  
(J.F.)

## Drug Discussion Set For CPA On April 6

Dr. David E. Smith, the Medical Director of the Haight-Ashbury Medical Clinic in San Francisco, the hippie capital of the world, comes to Wilkes on April 6 to speak before the student body.

Dr. Smith not only has a professional knowledge of drugs and sickness, he knows how to listen and he believes in education as an effective cure. A sign on the door of his seven-room clinic reads: "Haight-Ashbury Medical Clinic Loves You."



In addition to controlling therapeutic policy at the non-profit clinic, Dr. Smith is Consultant on Drug Abuse for the Department of Psychiatry, San Francisco General Hospital, as well as Assistant Clinical Professor of Toxicology at the University of California Medical Center and Lecturer in Criminology at the University of California at Berkeley.

LOOK and other national magazines, as well as nationwide television, including an appearance on the William Buckley television show, have made Dr. Smith and his work known throughout the country, and the clinic has been written about in many magazines around the world. Born in 1939, he was a Phi Beta Kappa at the University of California, receiving his M.D. as well as his M.S. in Pharmacology in 1964. He had a post-doctoral fellowship at the university in 1965-67.

His writings have appeared in leading medical journals, and he has two books underway for forthcoming publication. They are "Current Marijuana Issues" (Prentice-Hall) and "The Haight-Ashbury Clinic" (Little Brown & Co.).

Dr. Smith is the editor of the Journal of Psychedelic Drugs. He sees the hippie movement as a product of the communications gap, and one that can be bridged only when constructional educational and medical programs are established. "Programs that young people can believe in."

## Colson Displays Original Works At 'Little Galley' Art Exhibit

Chester E. Colson, chairman, Wilkes College Department of Art, is holding a one-man exhibit of his work in the Little Gallery of Wyoming Valley Arts League, 29 North Main St., through March 28.

A native of Boston, Mass., Colson came to Wilkes College as an assistant professor in 1958, and since then has established himself as a painter of repute and has exhibited extensively in the area and elsewhere, having won numerous awards. He is married to the former Sara Lee Cohen; they reside in Kingston.

A graduate of East Boston High School, the chairman of the Wilkes College Art Department began to study art privately in 1937; later he was graduated from Massachusetts School of Art with a B.S. degree. In 1950, he received his master's degree from Columbia University.

During his career, he has been associated as instructor of art and/or supervisor with Springfield, Vt., schools; Chicago Teachers College; Brookline, Mass., schools; Meredith College, Newark State Teachers College, and Burlington, Vt., schools.

Colson is a member of the Philadelphia Watercolor Club, North Carolina Art Association, N.E.A., and Northern Permont Art Association.



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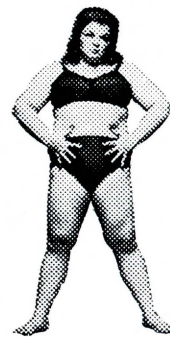
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# Marfia Places Second In Nation

## Matviak Finishes Third as Team is Ranked 9th

## Domzalski Cites Ballclub's "Great Attitude" — No Depth

"We had a good shot at fifth place," commented wrestling coach John Reese, after the Colonel matmen had captured ninth place in the NCAA College Division Wrestling Tournament held at Ashland, Ohio, last weekend.

John Marfia paced the squad with a second-place finish while Andy Matviak placed third. Marfia and Matviak, the only Wilkes wrestlers to place in the top four, will wrestle in the NCAA University Division March 26, 27, 28, and 29 at Northwestern University.

Colonels Dennis Verzera and Al Zelter were injured in the competition. Their injuries cost the team at least 10 points which would have put the squad in the top five. Springfield finished one point ahead of the Reesemen in eighth place as Cal Poly won first place.

At 118 pounds, Matviak was "really great" in the words of his coach as he wrestled to third place. He was defeated by Greg Schmidt of North Dakota State 19-6 in the semi-finals. Marfia continued what he started in the MAC Tournament a week earlier by handling every wrestler he faced until the final round. He defeated the second and third seeded players of the tourney before bowing to Larry Wagner of Colorado State. Wagner wrestled on his feet most of the time, thus taking the edge from Marfia. Wagner won the bout on two take-downs in the final period, 8-4.

Tom Morris did not wrestle at 134 pounds because of an injury. At 142 pounds, Dennis Verzera won two bouts to put him in the quarter-finals. However, he hurt his shoulder in that round and lost, 5-3, to the ultimate winner of the tournament. It was the closest bout the champion had wrestled since he won his other bouts by 15-2 and 12-2 scores.

Steve Kaschenbach lost in the first round at 150 pounds. Zelter pinned his first opponent but was injured in that bout. In his second bout, "Snake" came back from a 7-0 deficit to tie the score at 11-11 but went on to lose due to his injured wrist.

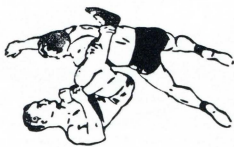
Gerry Willets wrestled the fifth-place finisher of a year ago but lost in overtime by a takedown. Rich Ceccoli, wrestling at 177 pounds, lost in the first round.

Ron Fritts pinned his first opponent at 190 pounds but was defeated by his foe from Amherst in the second round. Leo Roan advanced to the second round via a bye and won an 8-2 decision. He then opposed a 240-pound heavyweight and was pinned in his third round.

The only other teams which finished in the top ten from the East were New York Maritime, third; Springfield, eighth; and Wilkes. Coach Reese commented, "We could have picked up a few more team points had everyone stayed healthy and we would have been right up there, maybe in the top five. But a ninth-place national ranking is pretty good."

Both Marfia and Matviak will receive 1970 All-American certificates for finishing in the top four, as did the other top wrestlers.

Rich Schumacher of East Stroudsburg State College captured honors in the heavyweight class by defeating Ron Fandrich of North Michigan. It marked the first time a wrestler from East Stroudsburg had won a national tournament.



In his first year as head baseball coach, Gene Domzalski is faced with a serious conflict. That is, inexperience and a lack of depth versus what he calls "a great attitude" on the part of his ballplayers.

Lack of depth is a serious problem. Since it cannot use freshmen, due to MAC rules, the coaching staff is forced to use only upperclassmen. This is significant, since in past years at least two or three frosh have held regular positions on the varsity.

Coach Domzalski maintained that all positions are open, but the following players will probably be starters at one position or another. Sophomore Ted Sokolowski and southpaw Joe Zakowski will rotate as starting pitchers. Zak is also one of three captains. John Baronoski will man the bullpen for relief work and also be a spot starter.

Tri-captain Charlie Fick is also working out with the pitchers but could also play first base. "We'd like to see his bat in the line-up," observed the coach. Sophomore Dave Bright will be given a good look on the mound and could also see some action in the infield.

The only infielder assured of his position is second baseman Tom Higgins. Higgins has played the position for two years and has also batted well. Mike Bergbauer is the probable choice at third, while Don

Lewis and Dennis Brew are fighting for the shortstop position. Lewis has been back-up shortstop for the past two seasons.



Gene Domzalski

Coach Domzalski has two seasoned players at catcher: Dave Kaschek and Bob Vignoli. The outfield seems pretty well set with tri-captain Carl Cook in left field and Ted Yeager roaming centerfield. Right field, however, is still vacant.

Al Bologna, Don Reese, and Glenn Labosh are the other returnees from last year and will be

given "every opportunity" to play, according to Domzalski.

Domzalski, a former professional player himself in Triple-A ball, is joined on the coaching staff by assistant coach Jonah Gubeck. Former St. Louis Cardinal pitcher Bob Diliba will be helping out for a week, as he does every year. Domzalski commented:

"I'm looking forward to the season. If the boys show the same attitude here as they did for football, we should do OK. We don't have a good deal of depth, but we'll go with what we have and hope for the best."

### Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
April 2—R.I.T.		H	3:30 p.m.
April 4—Delaware Valley (DH)		A	1:00 p.m.
April 8—Scranton		A	3:30 p.m.
April 11—Juniata (DH)		H	1:00 p.m.
April 15—East Stroudsburg		A	3:00 p.m.
April 18—Upsala		H	2:00 p.m.
April 22—Harpur		A	3:30 p.m.
April 25—Kutztown		A	2:00 p.m.
April 27—Muhlenberg		A	3:00 p.m.
April 30—Albright		A	3:30 p.m.
May 2—Stevens		H	2:00 p.m.
May 4—Ursinus		A	3:00 p.m.
May 7—Scranton		H	3:30 p.m.
May 9—Philadelphia Textile		A	2:00 p.m.
May 11—Bloomsburg		H	3:30 p.m.
May 12—Susquehanna		H	3:30 p.m.
May 14—Lycoming		H	3:30 p.m.
May 16—Alumni Game			2:00 p.m.

# H-Glass IBA Champs

by Bob Ockenfuss

On March 16, the Hourglass concluded what it started two months ago as it trounced the Faculty, 76-42, in the IBA championship game. Both teams were undefeated before the game, but only champion Hourglass finished that way.

It was a game that was expected when the season started and when it finally came, youth versus age was the major conflict. Playing on the regulation basketball court, the Glass amassed an 18-4 lead at the end of the first quarter as its fast-break, tough rebounding game was too much for the defense-minded and deliberate Faculty.

come to the Glass. The score at halftime was 37-22 but the Glass poured it on in the final two periods to run the teachers ragged and won, 76-42. The combination of Carl Cook's 22 points and Dave Cheeseman's 24 was too much.

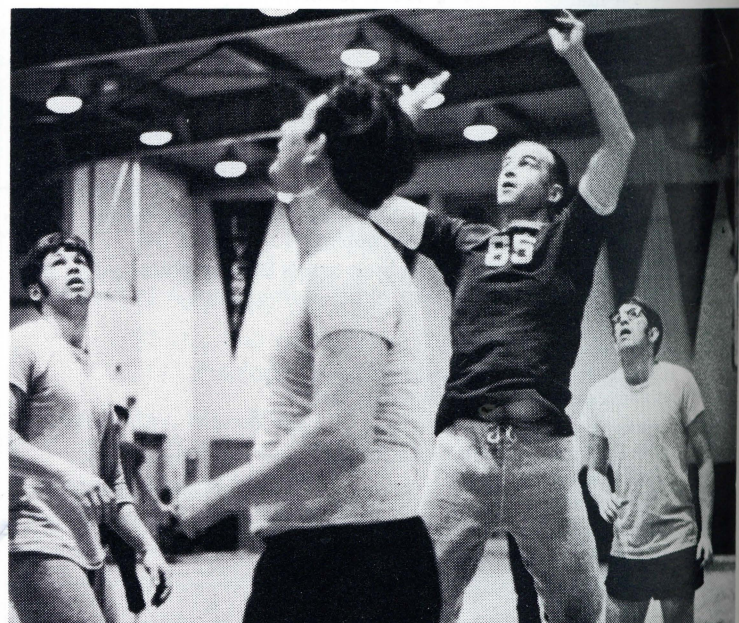
The first quarter was an indication of things to come as 15 points was the closest the Faculty could

Dean Joel Rome kept his team in the ball game by popping 24 points and was responsible for putting the Faculty in the playoffs.

To get to the final game, the Glass crushed the Fick 'Ems, 70-44. The Faculty defeated the Tizzles, 61-52, to set up the title tilt.

Director Glenn Arenson recently announced the 1970 All-Star squad. Representing the East Conference are: **National**—Joel Rome, captain (Faculty), Bob Ferris (Faculty), Ed Rupard and Bob Bradshaw (Bar), Gary Sinacore (Priapus), Harry Hoover (Rinky Dinks). **American**—Dan Walters (Tizzles), Rich Combellack (Roosevelt), Joe Yurko (Bohemians), Chuck Yearseley (Diaz), Joe Mentyka (Tizzles), Steve Parashac (Tizzles).

Representing the West Conference are: **Continental**—Charles Cook, captain, and Dave Cheese-



MARY POPPINS MAYBE? Faculty Jim Ferris makes like Miss Poppins with other Faculty teammates and Hourglassman Carl Cook looking on. Hourglass went on to win the championship, 76-42. Supercalafragilistic?

man (Hourglass), Walt Anushko (Circle K), Skip Fazio and Dave Bright (Cogs), and Tom Page (YMC). **Central**—Bob Kern and Bill Lazor (Warner), Joe Zakowski (Fick 'Ems), Ron Pryor (Bombers) and Aldo Farnetti (Warner).

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Cheeseman	8	8 24	Rome	9	6 24
Miller	1	4 6	Ferris	4	1 9
Soboleski	2	4 8	Meyers	0	0 0
Kocielek	6	0 12	Toluba	2	0 4
Graziano	2	0 4	Labows	0	0 0
			Domzalski	1	1 3
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Hourglass	18	19 16		23	76
Faculty	4	18 11		9	42

The league would like to thank all the officials who performed the thankless task of refing college games. Good luck next year.

## Coach Rainey's Tennis Team Is "Off and Running"

The tennis team is running more this year. With two new coaches and some new faces, the netmen will attempt to improve last year's mark of 7-4.

Having concluded a successful season as basketball coach, Ron Rainey moves over to the tennis court to try to do the same there. He will be aided by Tom Rokita, a 1968 Wilkes graduate who captained the tennis squad that year.

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## The Sportsfolio

by Pete Herbst

"The little brother of war" is upon us again for the second time. Lacrosse, which originated with the Comanche Indians as a preparation for battle, is a relatively new sport in terms of popularity and a young sport in terms of the number of schools which feature lacrosse as a varsity sport. Wilkes is one of no more than 150 schools throughout the United States does have a team.

Under the direction of Jon Hobrock, some 40 players started practice two weeks ago in preparation for the second year of lacrosse at Wilkes. Last year the team played only three games but won two, both against Kutztown State College. This season, however, there are seven contests, four at home.



Lacrosse was a strange sport to most of the players, and perhaps still is. This reporter hadn't seen an official game until he played in one. To clear up the matter, Coach Hobrock called a team meeting a while ago to explain the fundamentals of the game.

Lacrosse, he said, was a battle with rules. It combines the skills of football, soccer, and basketball, and takes as much skill to play as does tennis, which is a great deal. There are 10 men on a side, each armed with a stick with a leather webbing on top, called the crosse, with which the player can throw, catch, and shoot the ball. He can also hit his opponent with the stick, which is done frequently.

There are four positions: midfield, attack, defense, and goalie. The midfielders transport the ball from the defensive half of the field to the offensive, so their team can score. The attackers do the shooting, with help from the middies. If they miss and the opposing middies get the ball to their attackers, it is up to the defensemen to halt their progress and prevent a goal. The goalie protects the goal, which is a six-foot square.

Coach Hobrock then got down to specifics. "We're probably the most physical team any team we play will face." With this, cheers broke out from the assembled players. "However, we'll practice fundamental skills more this year (laughter) since we won't be able to out-physical everyone." Our mood turned a bit uneasy when he continued:

"Last year we outscored our opponents 13-3 in the final quarter. This means we were in better shape than they were. Gentlemen, this year will be no different." And suddenly every returning player thought of one thing — the dike. The dike is the route the coach makes us run daily around Kirby Park, but it isn't quite as bad as we make it seem.

With the dike in mind, the guys reported for practice March 3. The atmosphere in the locker room was subdued, probably the last time it will be so quiet. The lacrosse team is a little different from most other teams, as you'll find out for yourself, in the sense that a player's appearance is not related to his playing ability.

Ability is measured on what one does on the field and is not based on what one looks like. The coach has provided a loose atmosphere for the players where joking around is common, but so is hard work. The players know what they have to do, and do it.

The first week of practice went by with the usual muscle soreness and complaints, and enthusiasm. But the first hint of what was to come was when we "hit" for the first time. Going "one on one" brought home the "physical" thing the coach had spoken of before. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

After two weeks of practice the team is at the same place it was when the last season ended. We are passing and shooting better and just as confident. Co-captains Tom Selecky and Mike Kennedy are both looking good and the defense hasn't forgotten what it means to hit. With our first game on April 8 against friendly Kutztown, the guys are anxious for the season to start.

Also anxious for the season to start is Gene Domzalski, new baseball coach. He is replacing Rollie Schmidt, who will take over the golfing chores. Coach Domzalski is approaching the season with a lot of enthusiasm, as are his players. Ron Rainey is also a new face in the spring. After a successful season at basketball, Rainey is assuming the tennis coaching chores for the first time. He will be aided by Tom Rokita.

If the weather is any indication of the type of seasons the teams are in for, forget about it. But I think the lacrosse, baseball, tennis and golf teams are in for better seasons than the weather might have us think.

# 1968 Grad Tom Rokita To Coach Soccer in '70

Athletic Director John Reese recently announced the hiring of former Wilkesman Tom Rokita as the new soccer coach and assistant tennis coach. Rokita replaces Jim Nedoff as coach for the booters, who was dismissed at the conclusion of this past season.

Rokita brings with him plenty of spirit and know-how but not much experience. A 1968 Wilkes graduate, Tom played varsity soccer for four years and captained the squad in his senior year. The new booter coach also captained the tennis team while he roamed the courts in his sophomore, junior, and senior years.

His only coaching experience, however, came at the Wyoming Seminary Day School where he coached fifth and sixth grade basketball. But those who know him have faith. Mr. Reese commented, "He's a real good man to have on the staff. The most trouble he'll have is to set up the entire soccer program but we'll help him along with that."

Rokita himself felt, "I'm pretty enthusiastic about next season and I'm sure the boys are. With Chip Eaton, Rich Combellack and Bill Murphy, we have a good nucleus so we don't foresee too many problems."

The reasons for Nedoff's dismissal centered around his inability to get along with the rest of the coaching staff, the maintenance staff, and in some degree, his players. The athletic department felt his dismissal was in the better interests of athletics at Wilkes.

Coaching for four seasons, Nedoff's teams accumulated a 32-11-5 record. In a season when they forfeited all MAC games, 1969's team finished with a 7-4-1 card.

Nedoff's finest season came in his initial campaign in 1966 as his booters ran to 10 wins against only two losses, which still stands as the school record for most wins in a season. It was in 1966 that the Colonel booters gained the MAC Northern Division co-championship. In that season the squad booted its way to nine consecutive victories.

Rokita was a former player for Nedoff at the goalie position and holds the school record for most shutouts in a season with six. Rokita will assume his duties as assistant tennis coach this spring under the direction of Ron Rainey. Next fall, Mr. Rokita will make his debut as head soccer coach.



Athletic director John Reese (right) congratulates Tom Rokita on his recent appointment as new soccer coach. Tom will also work with the tennis team this spring.

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ride the buses this time of year. They are dangerous and are nicknamed the "vomit comets." As a result people take to the trolleys. Consequently, getting on the trolley around midnight was like getting into registration at Wilkes!

Mardi Gras is truly an experience, one that is offered in New Orleans, Rio de Janeiro, and Paris during the pre-Lenten season. It is crazy, a madhouse, requires money to really enjoy the famous places, a strong desire to fight the crowds, and plane reservations a month in advance. Yet, it is a one-of-a-kind event and has been for the past 89 years. If you want some fun, in a unique way, the Mardi Gras offers it . . . try it sometime! You will be glad you did.

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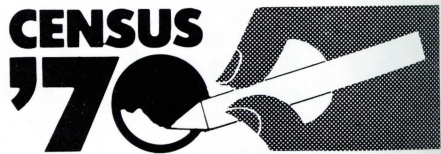
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The squad is bolstered by five returning players: Bill Tarbet, Doug Valentine, John Schiffman, Bruce Rankins, and Harry Lukish. Other returnees are Dave Reel, and Dave Verdura. Seven freshmen are prac-

ticing with the team this year for the largest turnout in recent seasons.

The coaches have instituted a conditioning program this year that is more strenuous than in the past. The results of the program will be on display April 4 when the netmen take on Scranton University for the

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