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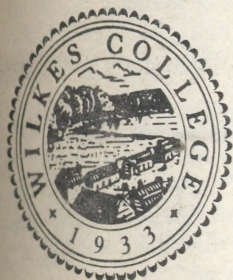
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CC/IRHC change parking policy

by Kathy Harris
Beacon News Editor

WILKES-BARRE--At most colleges, parking seems to be an important issue. But at an inner-city school such as Wilkes, parking problems seem to be more prevalent. To help alleviate some of the problems, Commuter Council and Inter-Residence Hall Council have printed an on-campus student parking brochure.

The new brochure has information about applying for parking decals, what to do once you get a sticker (and what not to do), location of lots, and the regulations governing the lots. Brochures were given out during the registration period last Monday and Tuesday, and there are still some available. They can be picked up at the Commuter Council office on the third floor of the SUB or the Information Desk in Stark Lobby.

A questionnaire that dealt with parking at Wagner lot, which is adjacent to the football field, was also distributed during the registration process. The questionnaire stated that adequate lighting would be installed and a shuttle bus would pick up students on an hourly basis. Unofficial results were

highly favorable. Wagner lot has approximately 300 spaces.

Several changes regarding parking have taken place:

One commuter lot, Gore, was eliminated and is now a faculty/staff parking lot. However, commuters may park in the spaces surrounding the basketball court behind Pickering Hall and in the spaces above the loading area of Pickering. This change has added two spaces for commuters, bringing the total number of spaces to 89.

While Commuter Council gained two spaces, IRHC lost four spaces. There are now 60 resident parking spaces. Students who park in the Chesapeake/Delaware lot were issued magnetic cards to operate the gate near Sturdevant Hall. The students must give a \$50 deposit to receive the card, which will be refunded if the card is returned by December 21.

The evaluation for parking stickers has also been changed. Applications are evaluated on a point system. Students are given points for hours on campus, involvement in activities, and special circumstances, such as off campus jobs, clinical duty, and internships.

"We knew there would be complaints, but this was a

way to cut down on special treatment," says Zoka. "We only looked at the points and the social security numbers. We did not look at the names."

Another change is the hours for parking. Quoting the parking brochure, "The South Franklin Street lots and Evans lot have controlled access from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Open hours in College Parking lots are from 9:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. weekdays and from 4:30 p.m. Friday to 7:30 a.m. Monday." Part time and evening students will be issued cards verifying their status. They must present the card to security between 5:15 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. to receive access to park in the Stark parking lot. Commuter students attending night classes must park in the assigned lots.

As always, no cars will be permitted to park in driveways, fire lanes, or loading zones, and violators will be immediately towed.

The changes in parking policy were meant to alleviate problems and better serve the parking students of Wilkes College. "We are hoping that it will be better now," says Zoka.

First fall commencement/convocation held at Marts Center last Thursday

by Kathy Harris
Beacon News Editor

For the first time, the fall ceremonies of convocation and graduation were held in the Arnaud C. Marts Center. In previous years, the ceremonies were conducted in the Dorothy Dickson Dart Center. Approximately 400 people attended the ceremonies.

Greetings were given by Mr. Richard M. Ross, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the First Eastern Bank, representing Board of Trustees, Marcie Kreinces, Student Government President, and Christine A. Dodds, a member of the graduating class.

Keynote speaker for the ceremonies was Dr. Harry Ausprich, the President of Bloomsburg University.

Here is a list of the graduates:

Bachelor's of Arts: Christine A. Dodds (*Cum Laude*); Sharon A. Biglin; Eric M. Chase; Michele A. Doyle; Kyle E. Goynes; Wendy A. Harvey; Lisa M. Kalinoski; Karen E. Kaufer; Laura Kelley; Gina Longo; Gerard T. Lynott; Karen M.T. Marryshow; Michelle S. McCarroll; David E. Paveletz; Sarita Penugonda; Roseann M. Petrovich; Nadine Pohowsky; Walter J. Smith; Kimberly A.

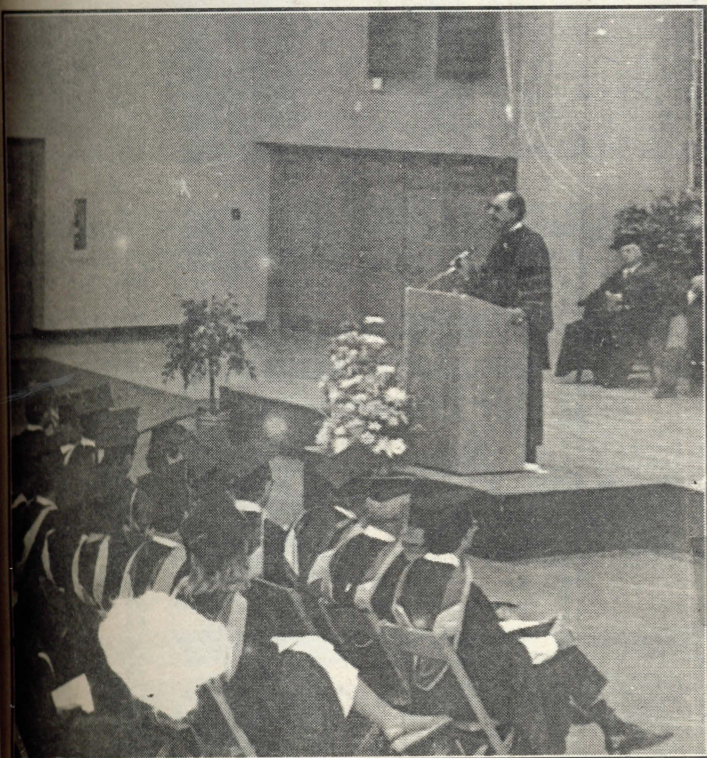
Bachelor of Science: Linda M. Bailey; Jacelyn Beynon; Peggy M. Blum; Thomas R. Burkhart; Roberta A. Canaan; Paul A. Clapps; Paul A. Engelhardt; Frederick W. Etzel; Patrick J. Galli; Ann M. Gifford; Richard J. Gould; Marc E. Graves; Charles R.

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Wilkes College- Pennsylvania College of Optometry Program: Michelle A. Krasucki (*Cum Laude*); Carl J. Urbanski.

Master of Business Administration: Kevin P. Brocius;

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Dr. Harry Ausprich addresses audience at convocation/graduation

WELCOME BACK

Welcome new Wilkes staff members

by Kathy Harris
Beacon News Editor

News Editor's note: Several new people have joined the Wilkes family. This week we profile a few of them. The profile will continue next week.

If you're a resident of Northeastern Pennsylvania, you probably recognize Wilkes' new assistant public relations director from his work as a television reporter. Mark Davis is now covering

a new beat—Wilkes College.

However, this is not Davis' first encounter with Wilkes. As Luzerne County bureau chief for WNEP-16, he covered many stories dealing with Wilkes. He left Channel 16 at the end of June to take the position of assistant public relations director here. He says he left WNEP because "Wilkes offered a great opportunity."

Davis' office is located on the third floor of Weckesser Hall, and his extension is 4772.



Mark Davis



Diane O'Brien

Diane O'Brien wanted a change. After eight years in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital's emergency room, she wanted to treat a different kind of patient. As Wilkes' new coordinator of health services, O'Brien will get that opportunity.

O'Brien, a graduate of Wilkes College, said she came to Wilkes because "it sounded like a lot of fun. The whole idea of being of young people and wellness teaching appealed to me."

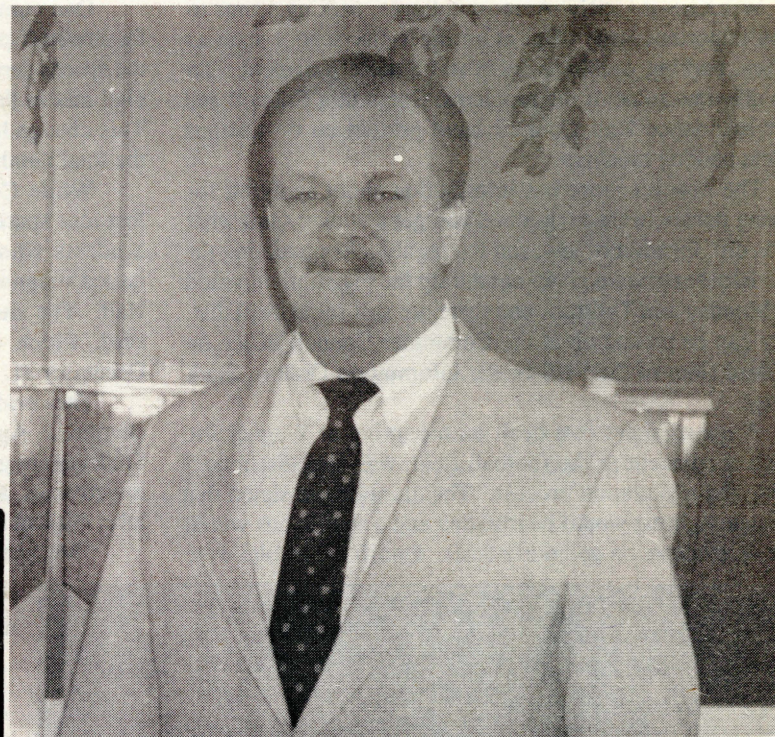
When asked what she expected from her new position, she says that she hopes to be a "central point to the students and the faculty if they have medical questions. I would like to be the first one they come to if they have a health problem."

Her office is located on the first floor of Evans Hall, and her extension is 4734.

What do you want to eat? Denny Drezek wants to know. The new director of dining services stresses student feedback, and says he will implement the changes that the students suggest (but lobster every night is not possible!).

For nine years, he has worked for Morrison's Custom Management. His previous collegiate assignment with Morrison's was at Allegheny College.

Drezek wants to hear your ideas. His office is located behind the cafeteria, and his extension is 4991.



Denny Drezek

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The sky's the limit with co-op ed

by Heidi Hojnowski
Beacon Staff Writer

If you seek to define your career goals before graduation, Carol Bosack is the person to find. Bosack, the coordinator of Cooperative Education, can arrange a preview of what it will be like to work in a particular field. These previews come through the Cooperative Education Office in the form of internships.

An internship forms a working partnership between the student, employer, and faculty of the college. Cooperative education provides a better and broader educational experience away from the structures of academia.

Yet good academic standing is

a prerequisite for qualification. Sophomores, juniors and seniors who have completed at least 30 credits while attending college full-time are eligible.

Interested students talk with Bosack about their career goals and interests. By weighing the pros and cons of available positions, the best options are discovered.

The Co-op office, along with a faculty evaluator, monitors the internships. This action helps to assure the program's effectiveness and aids in ultimately determining a grade.

Schedules, a journal of weekly experiences, an employer's evaluation, as well as a term project constitute the assignments. The 12

to 14 week programs offer an unlimited number of opportunities in and out of the Wyoming Valley area. Bosack says, "The sky's the limit!"

Co-op education gives more to the student than hands-on experience. According to Bosack,

Graduates

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Richard Cintron; Michelle J. Connors; Donald W. Eckert; Kathleen C. Egert; Bruce C. Jones; Evan C. Jones; Susan S. Kovacs; Randall S. Miller; Suzanne K. Moser; Theresa W. Prykowski; Kathy M. Ragard; Patrick C. Reed; David E. Reiss; Harry Salavantis; Randy J. Scheirer; George J. Seiger; Sean N. Smith; Sandra L. Stewart; Anthony F. Student; Renee M. Swider; Joseph G. Szakal; Edwin U. Umstead.

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Master of Science in Education—Educational Computing: Mary L. Adams; Karen J. Kuryloski; Sharon M. Olsommer; Winifred Reap; Steven W. Traver.

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students gain "connections in their chosen field, clarified goals, confidence, and self-esteem." Internships also yield foresight—a necessary edge to the future.

If you are interested in cooperative education, contact Carol Bosack, Extension 4645.

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Master of Science in Electrical Engineering: San Gao; Ronald S. Kielb; Timothy J. Sichler.

Workshops Announced

The Career Services Center has released the fall schedule of career development workshops for seniors. The weekly workshops, which are given in sets of two, deal with resume preparation, interviewing skills, and job search techniques. Most sessions are held in the Career Center Library beginning at 11:00 a.m. Seniors are encouraged to attend these informative sessions. Interested students can register for the workshops at the Max Roth Center on the corner of South and Franklin Streets (across from the library).

Tuesdays	AND	Thursdays
Sept. 12	&	Sept. 14
Sept. 19	&	Sept. 21
Sept. 26	&	Sept. 28
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Thunderbirds Visit

by Chris Augustine
Beacon Assistant News Editor

WILKES-BARRE—For a select few men in our country, the ability to fly faster and better than anyone else is not a dream—it's a way of life. These men are pilots of one of the most sophisticated planes in the world, F-16's, and they are the epitome of the phrase "razor sharp." They are the Thunderbirds of the United States Air Force.

On Thursday, August 31, 1989, one pilot and one crew chief from the world famous flying team made an appearance at Wilkes College to give a overview about the job that most of us can only dream about.

Major Dana Atkins, pilot of Thunderbird number 2, and Sergeant Lynda Mayfield, crew chief for Major Atkins, arrived at the Stark Learning Center. Wilkes-

Barre Mayor Lee Namey was on hand to greet Atkins and the rest of the team with a proclamation from the city. The Proclamation stated that "Saturday, September 2, 1989 was to be considered Thunderbird Day in the city of Wilkes-Barre."

Wilkes' President Christopher Brieseth was also on hand to greet the flyer and offered his own words of praise about the Thunderbirds.

Entertainment in the air is not the only area in which the pilots excel. Together they form one of the most impressive recruiting teams in the U.S. Major Atkins brought up the fact that forty five percent of all men in the Air Force are there at least in part due to the Thunderbirds.

The final duties of the afternoon for Atkins included swearing in three members of the Air Force ROTC and signing autographs.

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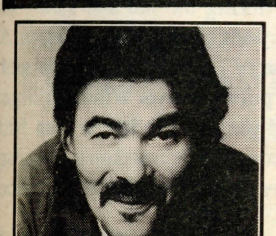
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9 Saturday

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10 Sunday

11 Monday

Notetaking Workshop-Kirby 202
4:30 p.m.

12 Tuesday

OC meeting-11:45 a.m.
Biological Society meeting-11:00 a.m.
Career Center Workshop-11:00 a.m.
SHAC meeting-12 noon
Notetaking Workshop-Kirby 202
4:30 p.m.
Nominations for SG replacement
representatives
End of 80% withdrawal refund period
Academic Standards Faculty Committee meeting
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13 Wednesday

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9 a.m.-4 p.m.
How to study for a test-Kirby 202
4:30 p.m.
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14 Thursday

BACCHUS meeting-11:00 a.m.
Career Center Workshop-11:00 a.m.
How to study for a test-Kirby 202
4:30 p.m.
WCLH General Staff meeting
DDD 101-11:15 a.m.
Programming Board meeting-
11:30 a.m.
Beacon Editorial Board meeting-
3:30 p.m.
Beacon General Staff meeting-
4:00 p.m.

Opinion/Editorial

... pot filled the air

Woodstock: Peace and music, mud and acid

"The important thing you've proven to the world is that a half-million young people can get together and have three days of fun and music, and have nothing but fun and music. And ... God bless you for it." — Dairy farmer Max Yaggur from the stage at the Woodstock Music and Art Fair, August 17, 1969.

Woodstock: rock concert, counterculture convention, orgy, drug trip, traffic jam, mud bath.

Woodstock — where Jimi Hendrix played "The Star-Spangled Banner" at dawn, where The Who's Pete Townshend slugged activist Abbie Hoffman with his guitar, where Country Joe McDonald (Country Joe and the Fish) shouted, "Gimme a F ...," and got it.

Today, the festival's only physical remains are some concrete state footings, hidden in a sumac patch. And at the corner of Hurd and West Shore Roads, on a rise about 100 yards from the stage site, is a six-foot plaque set in concrete and surrounded by flowers.

Last month, five friends and I traveled to Bethel, NY, a small town

of 3,500 about 50 miles from the real town of Woodstock where the festival was to be held, to the field where Woodstock was held 20 years ago.

Ed Gashi, Jeff "Creamy" Jacobs, Brian "Hughesy" Hughes, Pete "Porky" Morgantini, Keith "The Duke" Irace and I made the 72-mile, 1 1/2 hour trip on Wednesday, August 16.

OPINION by Tom Obrzut

When we reached our destination, it looked like a huge refugee camp, fires and people everywhere. We arrived at 9 p.m.

Within an hour, the moon started to dim, and the smell of pot filled the field.

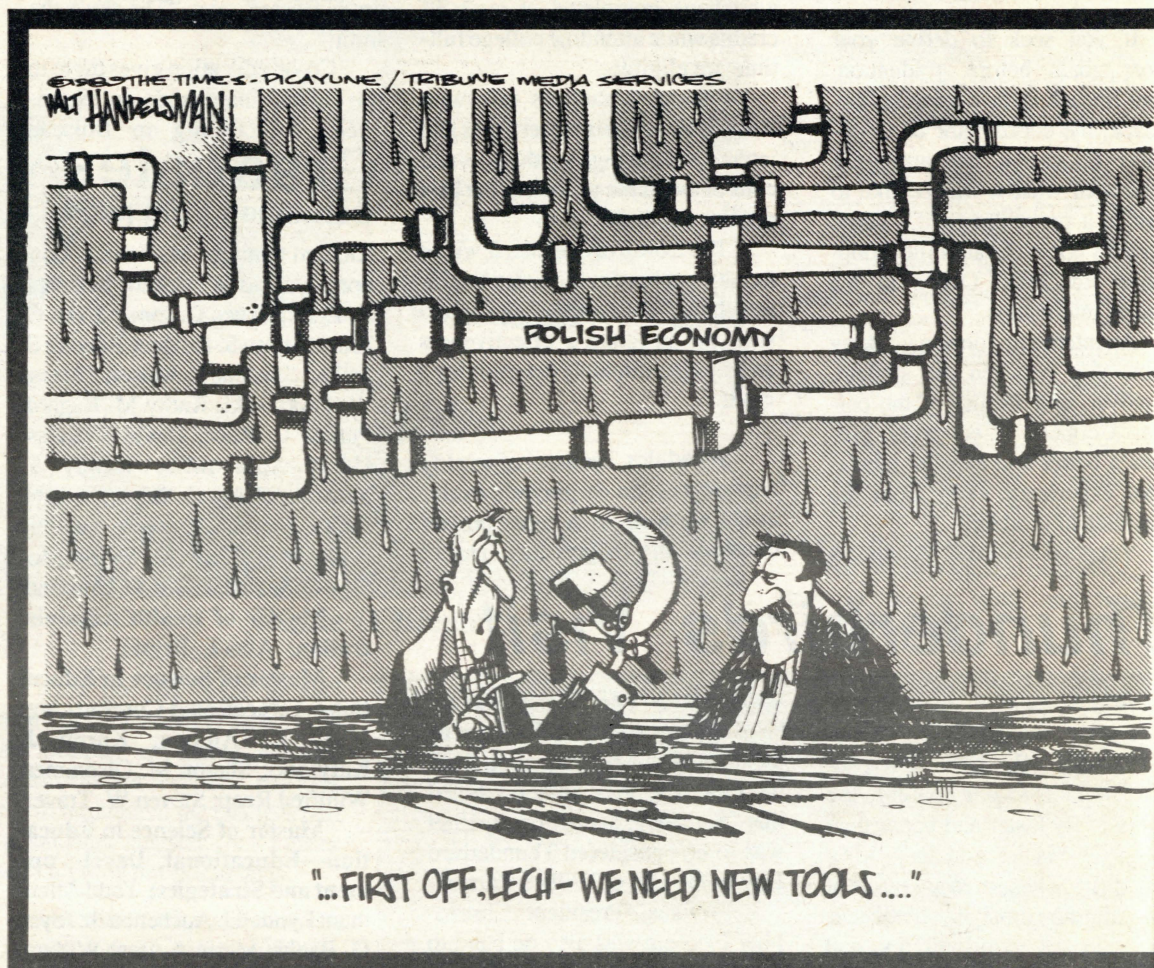
While we were walking through the field we came across a joint smoking hippie, so we stopped to talk to him.

We found out he lives in California and hitchhiked all the way across America just to be at the reunion. It took him three weeks.

One thing I think we'll all remember from that August night was the how everyone was so friendly.

The happening will be one we'll never forget.

The smell of the fires, the pot and the thought that 20 years ago on that very field more than 400,000 young people stood up and asserted themselves, defining a generation whose ideals seem lost in 1989.



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Land of the free; home of the dead

The Orange Hornet, though a bit sluggish, was back on its feet. My vintage Volkswagen had taken a beating in the accident that caused Thad, my houseboy and condom discarder, a terrible case of castration anxiety. My faithful ferret feeder was by my side now, delicately patting Fido's balding head. We were headed for the summer vacation spot common to all college students. Maryland and the companionship of my relatives were minutes away.

I flattened a few garbage cans and perhaps the family pet as I pulled into the shallow driveway of a two story colonial fiberglass house. We were met at the door with a friendly welcome of a skeptical eye and a knife at the throat. Once I assured the hefty ten year old that I was indeed his relative, and that my personal servant and corn shucker was neither gay nor communist, we were allowed entrance.

His father surely wouldn't believe that I was a long lost relative from down south. He was surely wise enough to know that there are insane people in this world who would pick a name out of a phone book and go to visit them. I was one of those types of people. So, as I shook his firm hand, I said, "Damn. I haven't seen you since Nam, bud."

He was sporting a pair of tight, unfaded jeans which produced an uplifting effect, raising his bulging beer belly to the point where it looked like he had a large, sagging pair of breasts not unlike those of my late, grossly overweight grandmother. His plaid, imitation pearl buttoned shirt, complete with cigar box rolled up in one sleeve, produced the image of a farmer turned homosexual hair-dresser.

All in all, he was the type of person who would try to recreate the

One man's view . . .

Tony Veatch

famed superglue commercials by affixing his hardhat to any animal, vegetable, or mineral in sight. At this very moment, a fifty dollar lady of the night in a major metropolis has one attached uncomfortably to her inside thigh. Needless to say, business has picked up greatly, and many members of the world's oldest profession are installing these stainless plastic headrests. They are tax deductible and keep the customer happy at the same time.

The wife sat on the opposite side of a crude picnic table in the dining room with her husband. In her one piece tent-like outfit she was a walking rummage sale. She was said to view undergarments as a luxury, and award them to friends and family as gifts on special occasions. If anything, I would at least get a pair of boxer shorts out of the whole adventure.

Meanwhile, Thad was playing with the small boy. Thad had mail ordered a switchblade comb last week, only to receive a real one, and was showing the boy the point on his head where he accidentally scalped himself. The boy had his own wounds, for his father had sent him up on the roof during a thunderstorm to spraypaint the family home's lightning rod.

Letters to the Editor are encouraged from all. Please keep them under 500 words. Letter writers may remain anonymous, however, all letters must be signed to assure validity.

In the midst of venison and vittles, our gun control conversation got a bit out of hand. They seemed to feel that each and every citizen should have the undeniable right to riddle the random gopher with as many accelerating lead projectiles as said citizen deems necessary. A semi-automatic weapon would solve all family extermination problems.

What with putting in twelve hours a day in the asbestos factory, the sportsman must learn to kill as much as possible in as short a period

of time. He can relax, lean back on his courderoy lawn chair, chug a fraction of a five dollar case of Bohemian Ale, push his soiled farm-machinery cap above his sweaty brow, remove a stray particle of manly chew from his lip, and without aiming take down any and all roaming forest creatures with the instantaneous spray of some fifty spiraling bullets.

And with the threat of sexually repressed rapists, psychotic muggers, televangelists, and suspicious looking non-anglo-saxons, the female of the species can not survive with the traditional six-shooter. Strap a semi-automatic on her side. Send her off on a Friday night. Would-be romantics would get the idea that when a woman says no, she means no.

I suppose it is a matter of freedom. Are we free to buy a semi-automatic weapon or not? I really don't think man is reasonable or rational enough to handle certain freedoms. This is one of them.

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Flag burning: Betsy Ross or Gregory Johnson

The Supreme Court of the United States made what can be looked at as one of the most controversial decisions in its history this past summer.

The landmark decision made about the constitutionality of flag burning still brings about heated debates from both sides of the issue. It invokes the age-old questions of patriotism versus freedom of speech as guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution.

The decision, unless turned over by Constitutional amendment or new law, stands to give the American people the right to burn the American flag as symbolic speech. It does not, however, allow people to walk around and burn a flag for lack of anything better to do.

For that reason, among others, this is a good decision and should not be overturned by a bunch of politicians who would rather be wrapped in the flag than stand for what it represents.

To understand the political rhetoric that is being spewed out about this case, it must be examined from a logical standpoint.

We must decide whether our forefathers fought for the material that Betsy Ross designed or for what she had in her mind when she decided on 13 stars to represent the states and white and red stripes to symbolize purity and the blood spilled in the Revolutionary War.

The freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution should not be taken lightly. They are the basis of the greatness that other countries aspire to attain.

When Chinese students massed on Tiananmen Square they were hoping to attain the freedoms that we, as a country, already have.

When their government decided that the students were taking their own steps towards democratization, they decided to nip this atrocity in the bud. Their style of stopping the uprising was to open fire on the students.

Imagine if the American government reacted the same way to flag-burners.

The Chinese students were, in a similar way, protesting their government's actions.

What is more important, a piece of cloth that is mass produced everyday in plants all over the nation or the ideals that it represents?

--LSM

For those of you who were unaware, Barre Hall was "officially" declared livable on August 25 when the school hosted a number of "neighbors" to see the results of the final refurbishing.

Do you know how many "neighbors" were invited?

Ninety, according to Jane Lampe-Groh, Dean of Student Affairs.

Do you know how many of those invitations were mailed to students?

Zero, zilch, nada, none, goose egg . . . , you get the point.

Does this sound familiar to anyone?

Yeah, it does sound like the Arnaud C. Marts Center dedication all over again. I guess no one's learned.

Oh yeah, welcome back to Wilkes.

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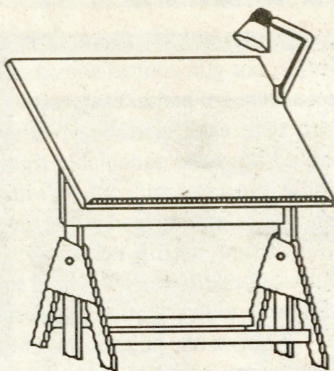
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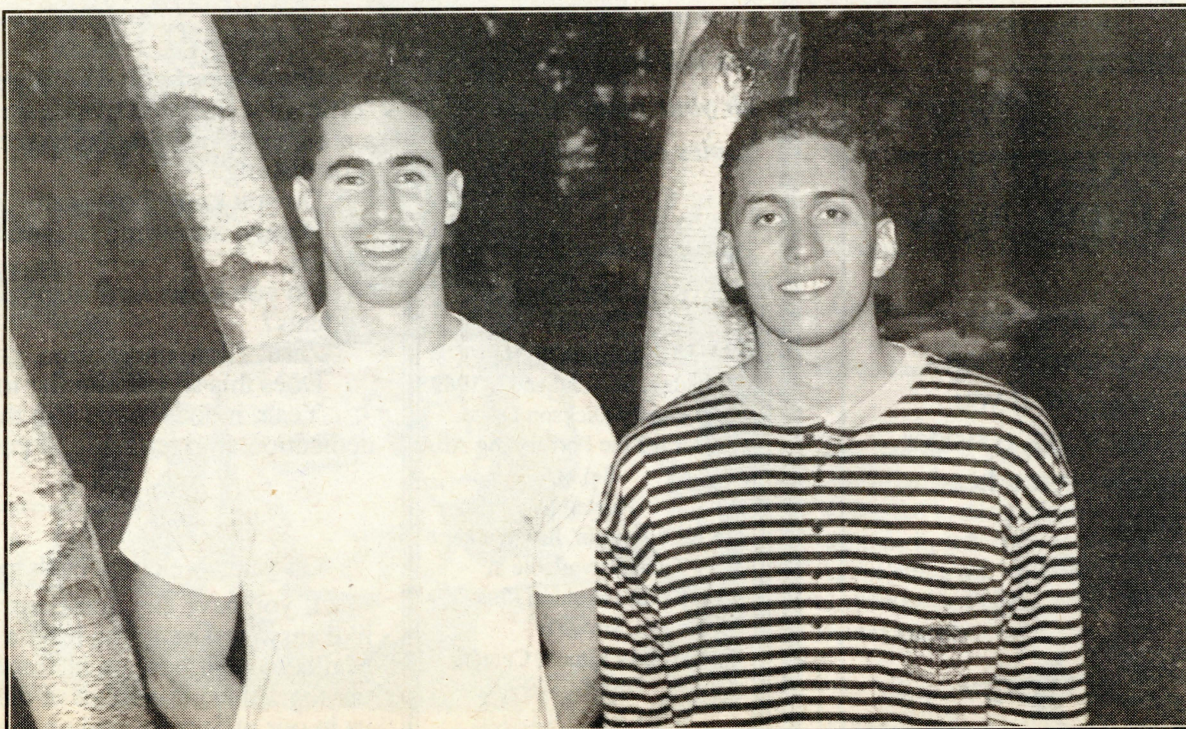
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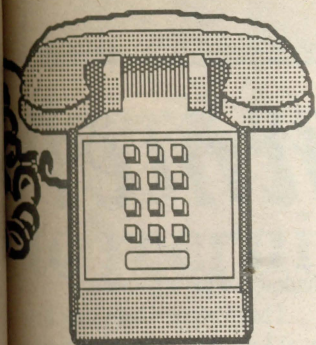
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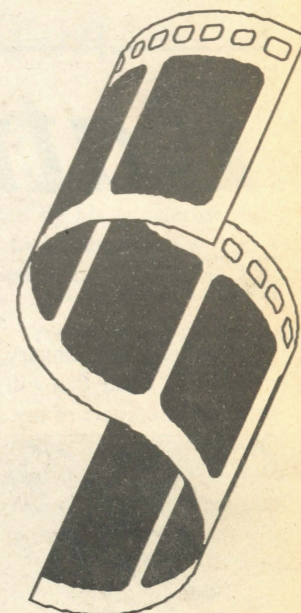




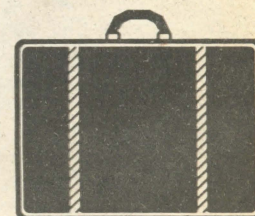
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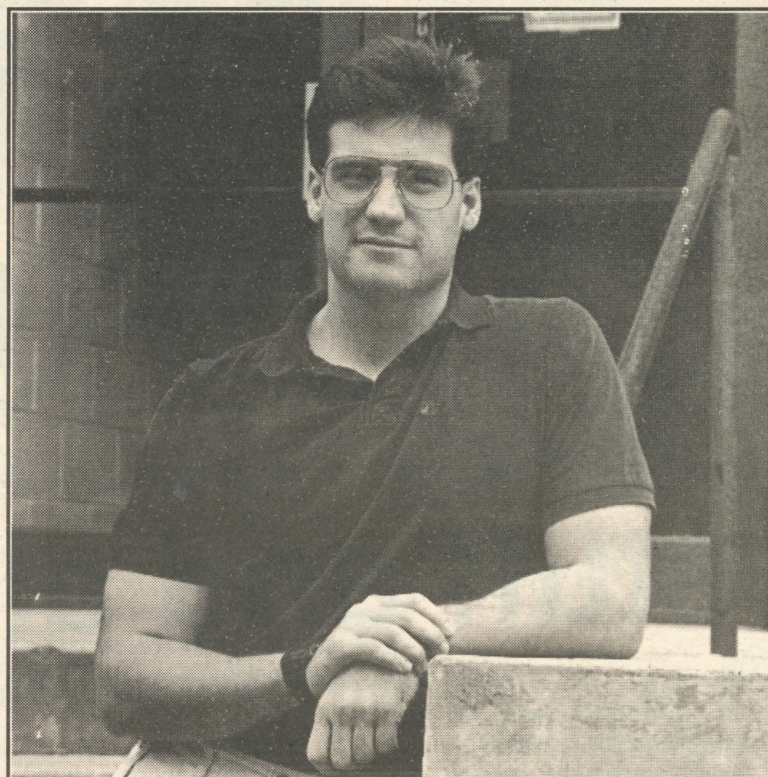


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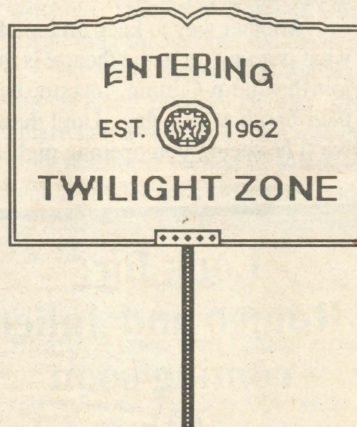


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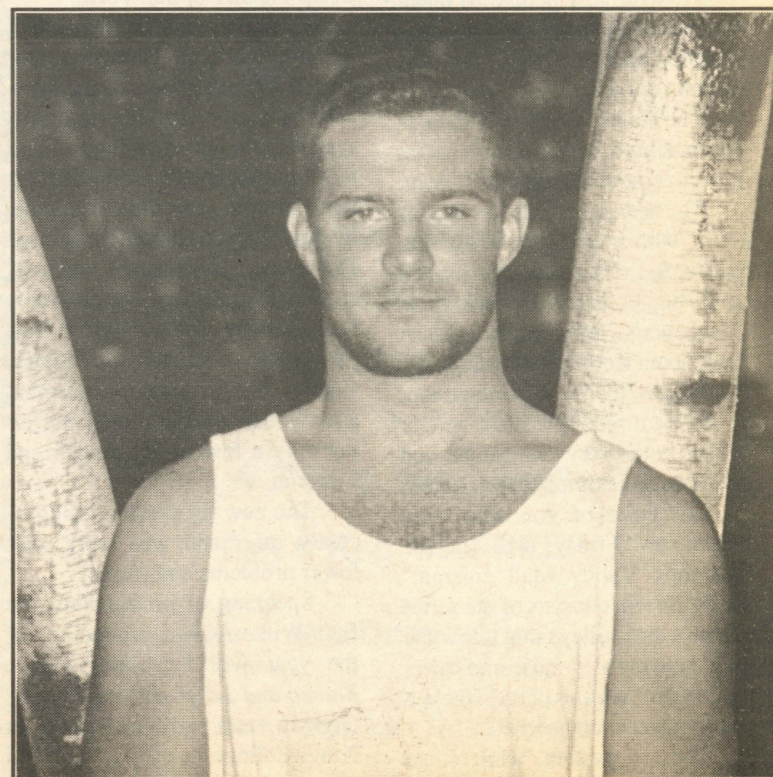
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Batman blazed the summer

by John Gordon
Beacon Feature Editor

BAT-DATE: January, 1989

This is a date that will live in the darkest corners of my soul till the day I die. It was an ominous *Dark Knight* when I became enthralled in the adventures of possibly the greatest superhero of all time, Batman.

1989 marked the Fiftieth Anniversary of the caped crusader. It also marked the premiere of the first serious look at the man in black on the wide screen. Since I am a movie fanatic, I became interested in knowing everything there was to know about the Dark Knight.

A friend of mine, swooped down on me like a great bird of prey, and overwhelmed me with some fascinating insight into the mind of the Dark Knight, Batman. Everything about this summer's phenom captured my innermost interests. I went on a Bat-shopping spree.

From January to the present I have indulged myself in Bat-items,

spending between three to four hundred dollars. There were Batman comic books, posters, t-shirts, trading cards, and a variety of other bat-memorabilia. However, if you think the amount I spent was a large sum, think again! In the comic shop where I normally purchased my Bat-stuff, the owner informed me that some customers were spending in excess of \$1000.

If you're wondering what to be for Halloween, wonder no more! Check out the local comic shops for the official Batman costume. It is currently selling for \$260 on the average, and it includes the mask, the gloves, the body armour, and the cape.

Batman was a box office blast this past summer. It has currently grossed over 220 million dollars and is still climbing, setting numerous records along the way. Tim Burton, who was the director, is already gearing up to do the sequel.

There has been a lot of speculation on the plot of this guaranteed follow-up. Names such as Danny Devito and Robert DeNiro have



been rumored as possibilities to portray the Penguin. Cher and

Madonna have been mentioned to play the Catwoman. And Robin Williams was even suggested in the role of the Riddler.

But do not hold your breath on these predictions! Unless you firmly believe the National Enquirer, the source of this wonderful wisdom.

Look for Billy Dee Williams to be the next foe to tangle with the Dark Knight as the arch villain Two-Face.

Jack Nicholson, who reportedly has made in the area of 60 million on Batman, has supposedly signed a contract to do the third Bat-film. Once again he will portray the psychotic villain, the Joker.

Holy introduction, Batman! Robin will probably be introduced in the next film. Many Bat-fans were dissatisfied in the absence of the boy wonder from the current flick.

Those same fans probably expected Adam West and Burt Ward to pop up as well. Fortunately they did not, and the true, dark image of Batman appeared in the

shadows of the big screen.

I have become batty over Batman! I am now waiting for him to return to that same Bat-theater same Bat-time! Until then, I will have to be satisfied with those same Bat-comic books!

The Bat-realm of comic books is a field that only true Bat-fans should plunge into. It will take mega Bat-bucks to support the addiction once you become hooked. If it's possible you should try to stick with purchasing only new issues. Older *Batman* and *Detective Comic* (the second *Batman* title) issues will run you pretty penny.

However, this past year has produced possibly the best line of Batman stories in recent memory. Some of the titles include *The Killing Joke*, *A Death In the Family*, and *The Cult*. If you become gulped in the Bat-stream these titles will be hard to surpass.

Batman will be a POW!! ZOWIE!! for at least the next few years. It has already been called the movie of the decade in the 80's.

Stage stuff and all

by Michele Broton
Beacon Feature Editor

Here it is, again, a new semester, with new people to meet, new names to remember, and new insurmountable tasks for the students to face.

The Wilkes College Theatre is new and improved also, with both a new director and a new fly system.

The new director is Mr. Walter Kelly, who is taking over for Dr. Martha S. LoMonaco, who moved on to bigger and better things in Connecticut. While more will be heard about Kelly in future issues of the *Beacon*, it should be noted that he will be directing a show here at Wilkes in the very near future, and everyone is encouraged to audition.

For those of you who view theatre as "Friday night at the Wyoming Valley Mall cinema," the fly system consists of the series of ropes and pulleys that allow the backstage crew to raise and lower the curtains, various parts of the set, and at times even people.

The old system, while functional, was somewhat worn, and that could be considered danger-

ous. There are some of us who were very personally aware of this danger, after being cast in the final show of the 1988-89 semester, *The Great Theatre of the World*.

Christine Brunnock, Chris Collins, Rebecca Haywood, and myself were members of the heavenly host, who floated, via the fly system, to heights ranging from six feet to somewhere around fifteen feet. Despite constant assurances by Karl Ruling, Chris Brush, Jason Delcampe, and Mark Maxwell, certain members of the heavenly host (namely me), refused to trust the very thin wires that were used to support us. Fortunately, we managed to survive the ordeal, suffering only a few fits of temper and hysteria.

The new fly system is significantly safer and will work with fewer problems and panics.

Speaking of productions, the first Wilkes/Kings production of the year will be Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, directed by Mr. Godwin, and will take place at Kings College in mid-October. At present, there is no definite cast list, but we will keep you informed as to

the shows status. Be sure to look for it!

So that's what's new in the Wilkes College Theatre. We hope to see all of you at the shows, and would certainly appreciate any and all assistance backstage, onstage, and ushering. Anyone interested in helping with the shows can call either Karl Ruling or Walter Kelly at 824-4651, ext. 4543.

Another way to keep on top of what is going on in the theatre is to join the Cue-n-Curtain. Just stop by their booth at club day. Until then we'll be seeing you opening night.

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coming soon
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Programming Board opens new season

John Bizarre and Dan Wilson:

a true comic Tour de Force

Board uses club day to recruit members

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As students begin to settle into their new class schedule and routines, many divert their attention to Club Day.

This day is of particular interest to the new students on campus. All of the campus organizations are present to seek new members and orient them with their particular roles on campus.

The Wilkes College Programming Board is one such organization which plays a vital role on campus. This group provides educational and social entertainment for the Wilkes College community.

The Programming Board is a close-knit network of students with diverse majors

and experiences. This group of students selects, promotes and prepares all of the entertainment on campus. Including weekly movies, the Battle of the Bands and comedians, the Programming Board selects a variety of entertainment for the differing interests of Wilkes students.

If you have an interest in movies, solo performers, comedians, bands, advertising or technical set up, the Programming Board has a committee for you. Each and every member of the organization has a voice in the performers who come to the college. Your voice is needed.

If you are interested in joining the Wilkes College Programming Board, come visit us on Club Day!

by Lee Morrell
Beacon Editor

WILKES-BARRE — They say that opposites attract.

Have you ever noticed how they make each other just a little better as well?

This was definitely the case with the Programming Board's first comic *Tour de Force*.

In the first show of the Board's season, travelling funny men Dan Wilson and John Bizarre made what is becoming an annual visit to Wilkes.

And, if audience reaction is any guideline, it was a successful one.

Wilson opened the show claiming that the then-thin crowd obviously indicated that the show was not mandatory.

He commented, "If I was a keg, this place would be packed."

Wilson was a very funny guy, but this sense of humor and timing was thrown off by a definite lack of enthusiasm.

Some of the funnier material that Wilson presented involved dragging up quality memories from an obviously hilarious childhood.

He pointed out that a child's funniest laugh usually comes long before a real sense of humor develops. He added that the best laugh is usually one that includes the lunchtime ritual of milk jettisoning itself from the nose.

Both of the comedians used audience response to make for some funny material.

Once again the ever-present Jaws of Wilkes, Ken "Flounder" Ettinger, surfaced at this show and attempted to cover both showmen with his own brand of humor.

This time he was joined by Michele "The Siren" Bannon, whose laugh rang throughout the theater.

The more memorable quotes of the Wilson portion of the show referred to a necktie as "the roadmap to the business section of town" and waiting in line for a lottery ticket to "a Czechoslovakian woman waiting in line for bread."

Following the slow humor of Wilson were the fast paced jibes of Bizarre, a three-time Wilkes visitor.

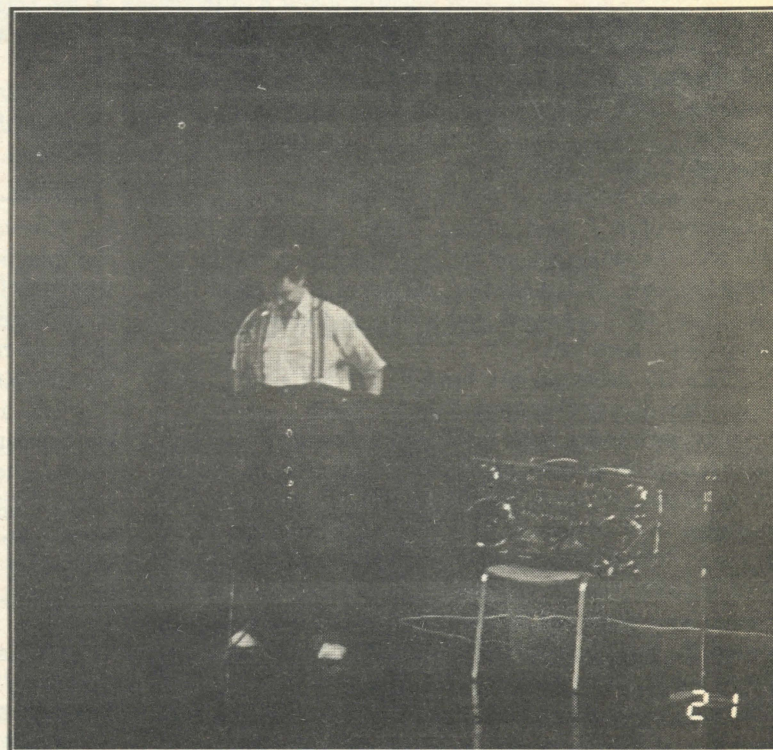
He pulled the crowd into his odd mind on the first joke when he began to fart with his hands. From that moment, he owned the crowd.

Bizarre did an entire segment revolving around music, something that was obviously important in his life as evidenced by the 18-wheeler sized "box" he carries.

His discussion on music went from the soft tones of Mozart to the rough sounds of Iron Maiden and Guns N' Roses. At one point, he used a talent for sound effects to emulate a guitar solo that sounded vaguely like just about any Iron Maiden solo.

Bizarre's comedy was highlighted by his wonderful ability to use facial expressions and body motion to raise humor to a higher level.

Yet another good show from these two funny guys and the Programming Board.



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Sports

Dungan keeping Colonels loose

Football placekickers are a different breed of animal. Their eccentricities are amusing, sometimes floating on the edge of what is labeled sanity. Types of their sort are a necessity to encourage a loose atmosphere when a bunch of guys spend nearly 15 weeks of their lives together.

The Colonels' Mick Dungan is the proverbial square peg in a round hole. He wears moose slippers at bedtime, watches cartoons intently and introduces his girlfriend Tina to showering dorm mates. All actions are carried out with a contagious grin borrowed from an Irish leprechaun. The sophomore kicker from Perkasio, PA not only fills his prescribed role, he relishes it.

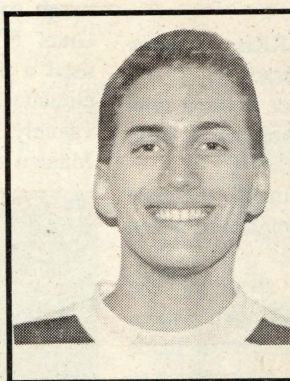
"I guess clubhouse clown would be an accurate description of me," Dungan said. "A lot of times the other guys will be running around the field practicing, and I'll be taking my pads off and tanning. Kickers have a lot of free time. They tend to keep the team light and keep everyone happy for the most part."

"We do drive people crazy. I'll bet you Coach Unsworth probably wants to kill me by now."

Dungan's antics aren't the reason he means so much to the Colonels. In an outstanding freshman season, he tied the school record with six field goals (in 10 attempts) and converted 16 of 18 extra points. New years bring new fears, however. The NCAA has abolished the use of the kicking block in 1989. Dungan has also decided to kick barefoot this season, so a stark contrast will exist when the ball flies toward the goalposts against Cortland State on Saturday. Yet no apprehension permeates Dungan's psyche.

"I like the new rule," he said. "I've been playing soccer since I was five years old, so kicking off the ground is nothing new. Being barefoot will increase my leg speed. The block is only two inches thick, but that makes about a one or two foot difference in my approach. The ball comes off the ground lower, so you're striving for height. I also grew a half-inch over the summer, so that makes me readjust my steps."

Dungan also enjoyed the company of some tutors over the preceding months. "I worked a lot with Dean Meyers, a kicker at Kutztown State University," he said. "He's awesome. It helped me just to watch his form. I also worked with Steve Willis, my pro coach. He went to Kansas State University and played with the Cincinnati Bengals and some other NFL teams. He taught me everything I know."



The
LOCKER ROOM

Jim
Clark

Unsworth allows Dungan the freedom to determine his own practice agenda. He's almost forced to. "I can't be around Mick all the time," Unsworth said. "He's very knowledgeable as far as kicking goes. Earlier in my coaching career, soccer style kicking wasn't that prevalent. He's teaching me as we go along."

The autonomy is much appreciated by Dungan. "I know what works for me, so basically I serve as my own coach," he said. "If, as a coach, you know exactly what works for a player, that's a perfect relationship. That's an advantage. One disadvantage is if I'm having an off day, sometimes I just can't look at myself and say 'You're doing this wrong.'"

"It's funny. Coach Unsworth will say to me 'Unofficial Coach Dungan, come here and critique this.' There are some young kickers who are getting used to kicking without the block. I'm helping them."

Problems were present despite Dungan's success last season. His kickoffs were inconsistent and his leg strength waned as the season progressed. Those shortcomings look to be a thing of the past.

"In high school, they always told me to kick the ball as hard as I could anywhere down the field on kickoffs," Dungan said. "At Wilkes, we have certain types of kickoffs and I have to place the ball. I had a hard time adjusting to that. And, I'm not making excuses, but my leg was kicked out. I'm booming kickoffs in practice now, so I hope I can get it in the games."

"I talked to a kicking coach from Pitt," Unsworth said. "I asked him why Mick's leg would get weaker and he told me that he did too much kicking. We're pacing him this year. He strained his groin a few weeks ago, so we are

taking it slowly."

The pressure a kicker shoulders is constant. Each attempt determines the emotional tilt of the team for a series or two. Some decide the whole enchilada. Dungan chooses to deny the stress and just physically perform. "You have to ignore it," he said. "You have to set yourself into a psychological state where you don't get emotionally high or low. You have to keep an even keel at all times. I might make a 50-yarder in practice or miss a 20-yarder."

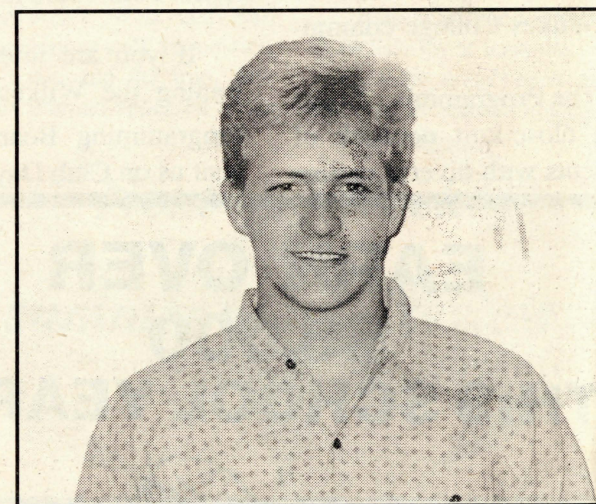
One thing that helps Dungan cope is that wry personality. He is clearly a cutup. "I have no problem going up to one of our huge players and saying 'Hey, big boy' in my most effeminate voice. I'll go up to one of the coaches when he's in a violent mood and tell him that he should really drink decaffeinated coffee. It's just to drive them crazy."

It works. "Mick's real enthusiastic," Unsworth said. "He keeps things loose. Things are that way around here. There is a thin red line that you shouldn't cross, though. Mick has to learn that."

Dungan still has a fuzzy view of that line. "I say things that other players would be afraid to say," he said. "The coaches treat me differently and I think the players respect that. I don't tread on the players' space either."

"I know when to stop...usually."

Sure, Mick. That kicker's grin is tough to trust.



Mick "The Kick" Dungan sets a loose mood.

Beacon Spread Sheet

Ray

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Rams -6 over Falcons
Bills -4 over Dolphins
Eagles -5 over Seahawks
Browns -2.5 over Steelers

Bengals +3 over Bears
Steelers +2.5 over Browns
Eagles -5 over Seahawks
Giants +3.5 over 'Skins

Lee

John

Cowboys +5 over Saints
Bengals +3 over Bears
Bucs +3 over Packers
Bills -4 over Dolphins

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Browns -2.5 over Steelers

Home Team in Bold

Intramural schedule is set

Quad Volleyball (M, W, Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Sept. 7 (at gym)
Play begins: Sept. 12
Games on Tue & Th at 4:30/5:30
Season: 3 weeks

Aerobics (Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Sept. 8
Session begins: Sept. 11
Mon., Wed. & Fri.

7-person Soccer (M, Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Oct. 6
Play begins: Oct. 12
Games on Thu. at 4:15/5:15
Season: 4 weeks

Flag Football (M, Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Sept. 7
Play begins: Sept. 10
Games on Sun. at 1:00/2:00
Season: 5 weeks

Tennis Tournament
Singles (M, W)
Doubles (M, W, Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Sept. 8
Play begins: Sept. 11

3-on-3 Basketball (M)
Sign-ups: until Oct. 13
Play begins: Oct. 17
Games on Tue., Wed. & Thu.
Season: 3 weeks

Weight Room Orientation
(M, W) Sign-ups: until Sept. 8
See intramural bulletin board
for individual appointment
3:00-5:30 pm

Big Ball Softball Tourney
(Co-ed)
Sign-ups: until Sept. 15
Play begins: Sept. 22
Games on Fri. at 4:15/5:30
Season: 3 weeks

Basketball Tourney (M, W)
Sign-ups: until Nov. 6
Play begins: Nov. 9
Games on Tue., Wed. & Thu.
Season: 3 weeks

Lenczycki will pace Wingert's Colonels

In the summer between Mike Lenczycki's junior and senior year of high school, the Baltimore, MD native had a friendly conversation with Phil Wingert, the Colonels' head soccer coach, at Townson State soccer camp. Now, three years later, the two will be the chief driving forces behind this year's soccer team.

"I talked to Coach Wingert at soccer camp and he stayed in touch with me throughout my senior year," said Lenczycki, a junior striker. "I had a lot of offers from two-year schools but I wanted to go to a four-year school. I came up to Wilkes for a visit and decided to come."

And that decision has made Wingert, who in his eighth year has a 58-57-12 record, a very happy camper.

Lenczycki is the team's leading returning scorer and this year will be the squad's captain. He feels no pressure for the upcoming season and thinks the team should better last year's 7-9-2 mark, their first losing campaign in five years.

"I think we can finish better than .500 this year," Lenczycki said. "We only lost one starter from last year, so we have basically the same team and our freshmen also look pretty good."

And according to Wingert, Lenczycki has been looking a little more than good.

"Mike has been playing very well," he said. "He has led the team in scoring for the last two years. He is very accurate around the goal and is one of our steadiest performers. His work ethic is a very good influence for the younger players."

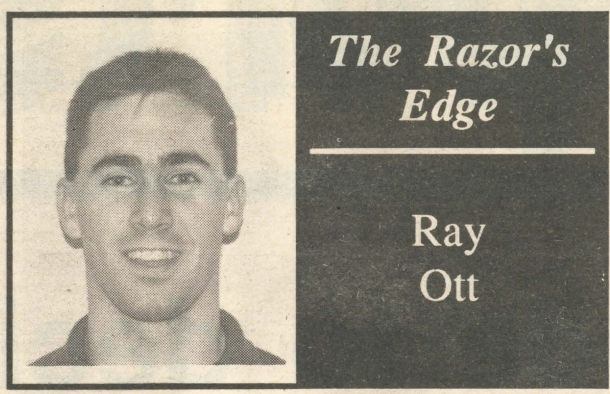
Lenczycki is good, but he will not be able to do it all himself. He won't have to. He will be blessed with a talented supporting cast on offense. Key returnees from last year's unit include sophomore outside midfielder Steve Maloney, junior striker Tom Horbacz, and junior outside midfielder Chris Shenefield.

"Maloney is a quick player who creates an up tempo," said Wingert. "He has a good throw-in and has a lot of energy. Right now, he has a knee injury but we will be looking for good things from him. He was last year's second leading scorer."

"Horbacz was our third leading scorer last year with five goals and five assists. He is a very quick player who can really create some scoring opportunities for us."

Also returning to bolster the offense is Shenefield, who Wingert calls "the team's best one-on-one player" although he only played in seven games last year due to a knee injury.

While the offense should create pleasant dreams for Wingert, the defense could be his nightmare. They will be playing together as a unit for the first time despite the fact



The Razor's Edge

Ray Ott

that each player has some experience.

Craig Larimer will be back at sweeper after sitting out the last two years with a serious knee injury. Larimer's job will be to orchestrate the defense.

"Craig, being the sweeper, runs our defense," Wingert said. "All the other defenders will have to play off him. Right now, he is not on top of his game but that is expected after a two-year layoff. I look for him to be back to normal real soon."

The most experienced member of the defense will be senior and three-year letterman Andy Renner, who will man the stopper position. Sophomore Chris Dahm will hold down one outside back while senior "Smoking" Joe Lannon and junior Doug Albertson will alternate at the other outside back.

The goaltending unit has been keeping Wilkes-Barre General Hospital on its toes. Current starter Kevin Tronkowski, a junior, sat out his freshmen year due to a knee injury. Then last year, as a sophomore, he injured his other knee. And he is now in the process of rehabing his original knee injury which was worsened at the beginning of this year.

"Kevin is a good goaltender who has battled back," Wingert said. "At times he is hesitant when coming out for balls because of his knees, but he should overcome that and do a good job for us."

Backing up Tronkowski will be senior Chris Arabis. When he returns in about ten days from a concussion, that is. The rest of the goaltending unit will consist of three freshmen, Christopher Law, Pat Miller, and Doug Rafeld.

Wingert also speaks very highly of his freshman class and newcomers. He feels they have given the team very good depth and will make this year's squad one the most

skilled from top to bottom in recent Wilkes history. Among the newcomers are junior Ron Rainey and freshman Paul Jellen.

"Rainey and Jellen both have good size and a knack for the ball," said Wingert. "They should help us a lot this year."

Another freshman who Wingert has high hopes for is Phil Joyce, who showed flashes of potential with a goal in the Millersville tournament this weekend.

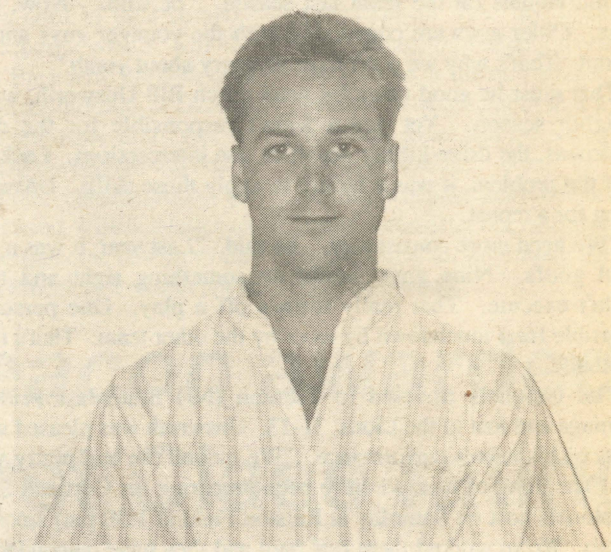
In that tournament, the Colonels took on Rutgers-Newark in their opening contest of the season. They had a lot of scoring opportunities but were stung by first game jitters and lost, 1-0.

In the second game they took on Division II Millersville, a much stronger team than Rutgers-Newark. The Colonels took a 2-1 lead in the second half but couldn't hold on, dropping a 3-2 decision in overtime.

The upcoming schedule resembles a land mine in a war zone. The Colonels will be taking on five of the top 10 teams in the Middle Atlantic Region, including third-ranked Messiah this Saturday. But none of this discourages Wingert's outlook for the upcoming season.

"I am confident we can play with the big boys," Wingert said. "I think we can contend for the title."

Maybe in a few months, Wingert and Lenczycki will be having a friendly conversation about their Middle Atlantic Conference championship.



Junior Mike Lenczycki leads the Colonel booters.

Cross Country '89

Colonel runners looking to build on success

by Ray Ott
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Last year produced a first for the Colonels' cross country team under their third year head man Tom McGuire.

A win. And not just a single victory. After losing their first four matches, the Colonels turned on the jets in a late season flurry and managed to win two of their last three matches. That victory march has McGuire looking to the upcoming season with a great deal of optimism.

But don't look for them to turn into worldbeaters just yet. McGuire feels a 5-7 mark would great.

"I think we can do better than we did last year," McGuire said. "I would like to see us beat King's and do well at the Drew Invitational. A 5-7 record would be realistic and a sign that we have the program back on track, but it's hard to tell because you never really know what the other teams have."

The reason for McGuire's optimism can be found in the numbers. The twelve runners he has out for the team is his largest turnout as head coach.

"We had a great turnout, which should really give us some depth," McGuire said. "This year if someone gets hurt, our runners will not have to run with injuries. Someone will be able to step in and take their place. This year, we will be a stronger team because of our seven through twelve runners."

The four returning lettermen are senior Jon Kline, junior Tom Devine, and sophomores Mike "Slick" Fontinell and Scott Mann.

"Kline and Fontinell should battle it out to be our top two runners," said McGuire. "They really did a good job for us last year and started to come into their own at the end of the season."

The roster will also be bolstered by three transfers, junior Pat O'Connell, and sophomores Jeff Gayeski and Chris Tryon.

"Gayeski comes to us from Lehigh," McGuire said. "He was a high jumper for them and he hasn't run since his

senior year in high school, but he and our other two transfers should be fine additions."

McGuire's five freshmen, Rich Bonning, Ben McKeown, Brad Post, Rich Vahey, and Jim Evans should push the upperclassmen for a spot in the top seven.

The season kicks off this Saturday at the Lebanon Valley Invitational.

"This is just like an exhibition race," said McGuire. "We are not going down there to look for a win. We're going to get all of our runners some action and we are going to see what we have. Hopefully we will be able to establish who our top seven runners are with this race."

"We're going to work hard this year and see what happens. Hopefully we will be able to establish ourselves as a program. We're in a position where we can resurrect a tradition and build a following if we can be in a position of competitiveness."

Every journey requires a small step.

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Football '89

Youth, attitude to decide season

by Jim Clark
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — One of the easiest things to forget is the team aspect of football. A field of individuals can fail miserably. The Colonels were forced to absorb a 2-8 record as a result of their shortcomings and lack of cohesion last season.

"There's a different attitude this year," said senior wide receiver Craig Stevens, who has been named a preseason All-America by *College Football Preview '89*. "A lot of the seniors didn't care last year. We're not thinking about last season. It's in the hands of the seniors because the younger players look up to us. We have to show leadership."

Sophomore strong safety Tom Mooney, one of the Colonels' many young components, clearly sees the difference in atmosphere. "There were a lot of individuals on the team last season," he said. "Now, there are leaders. Older guys are conversing with the younger guys and helping them out. That's why we don't have to worry about youth."

That must be good news for head coach Bill Unsworth, who enters his eighth season. Yet youth wasn't responsible for the defensive breakdowns, the drive-killing penalties, the interceptions. Lack of talent wasn't the problem, it was a failure to apply those skills. Unsworth isn't looking for a repeat.

"We need more consistency," he said. "Last year, it was a matter of mental goofs. Nine guys would do something right and two guys wouldn't execute. That really throws off a play. One person can be responsible for a touchdown by us or by the other team. That's the nature of football."

The Colonels traveled to Trenton (NJ) State last Friday for a scrimmage and lost to the Lions, 31-13. Unsworth was pleased with some aspects of his team's performance. "We moved the ball pretty well," he said. "The thing of it is, we have been preparing for Cortland State (who the Colonels host on Saturday at Ralston Field at 1:30 pm) since day one of camp. We've worked them real hard and they have responded. I think we're ready to go."

The responsibility of directing the run-and shoot offense will fall on the shoulders of sophomore quarterback Joe Lucas. Unsworth is confident in the abilities of the green signal-caller. "Joe's got real good mechanics," he said. "He's releasing the ball quickly, which is what we like. We're not asking him to be great, just to be good and do his job."

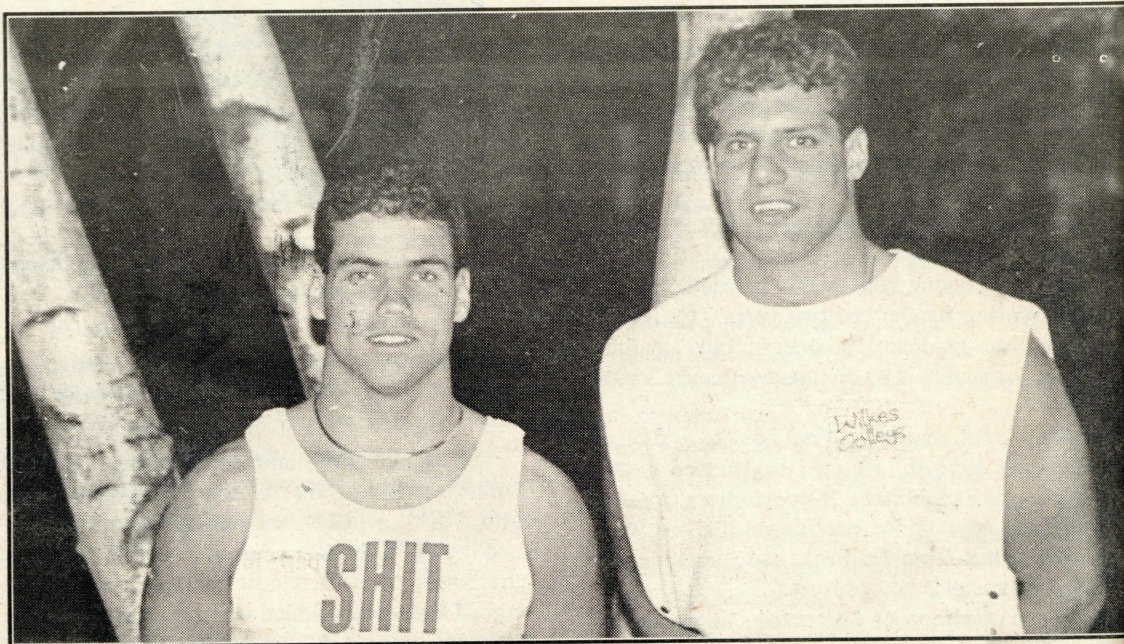


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Seniors Jim Farrell and Keith Maiorano will serve as the Colonels' co-captains for the 1989 season.

Lucas, who will have just one true audible at his disposal on Saturday for simplicity's sake, is approaching his position with serenity. "I'm not going to try and do too much," he said. "I'm going to let the other guys carry me, just get them the ball and do what they know how to do."

Stevens, who caught 42 balls for 696 yards and five touchdowns, is quick to defend Lucas when the subject of his inexperience is mentioned. "Everyone thinks because Joe's a sophomore that we're not going to do anything this year, that he's not going to be able to get me the ball. That's not true. I've been practicing with Joe all summer and I know he can get me the ball."

Lucas's other targets will be senior wingbacks Jim Farrell and Bill George, and senior tight end Mike Harrison. Sophomore Darin Heilman will spell Harrison and classmate Tony Giardina will see plenty of time at wideout.

The majority of the running will be done by senior Dean Ambosie, who needs just 867 yards to become the Colonels' all-time leading rusher. He has 2,002 career yards. "Dean has gotten a lot bigger and stronger over the summer," Unsworth said. "He's a great back. We're looking to Dean to do some great things for us. He had 81 yards against Trenton in just over two quarters. We're happy with his progress."

The offensive line will be much improved. Sophomore John Ferrara returns after a year's absence to claim the right tackle spot. Senior Kyle Sheckler will start at left tackle. Senior Dale Cargin will anchor the line from the center slot, sophomore Dan Lefchak is the right guard, while left guard is still a tossup between senior John Colarusso and sophomore Dan Malec.

Defensively, the Colonels will be trying to eradicate the mistakes that allowed opponents an average of 39 points per game last season. "We're

changing some things," Unsworth said. "We have Opponents are going to be surprised by some of the things they see this year."

Mooney agrees. "In the secondary, we're combining a couple of the zones to tighten things up," he said. "The changes are going to make it easier to guard against the run and the pass at the same time."

Mooney will share his spot with junior Tom Wiegard. The free safety will be junior Tom McFadden, who will call the coverages. Senior Tom Grobinski and sophomore Carl Dunn will man the corners.

The linebacking corps will be led by junior Chris Grochowski from the inside, who will be joined by either senior Steve Tehansky or junior Rob Sebastianelli. Scott Trauger or Jason Kraack, both juniors, will claim the outside spot.

The defensive line will feature senior Keith Maiorano and sophomore Eric Smith at ends with junior Rob Sebastianelli and sophomore Aubin Severson at tackles.

Sophomore Mick Dungan returns to do the placekicking, with fellow sophomore Bill Crimmins assuming the punting chores.

Cortland State, ranked fifth in the nation, is the first obstacle on a murderous schedule. The Colonels are picked to finish eighth in the MAC. The gloomy forecast hasn't suffocated the competitive adrenaline of the players, however.

"We, especially the younger guys, sat back and watched us get beat last year," Mooney said. "That made us hungry. That won't happen again."

"A lot of people, the students, the administration and the community, have written us off," Stevens said. "That's really disappointing. We're going to show them well this year."

Compared to last season, that attitude is a breath of fresh air.

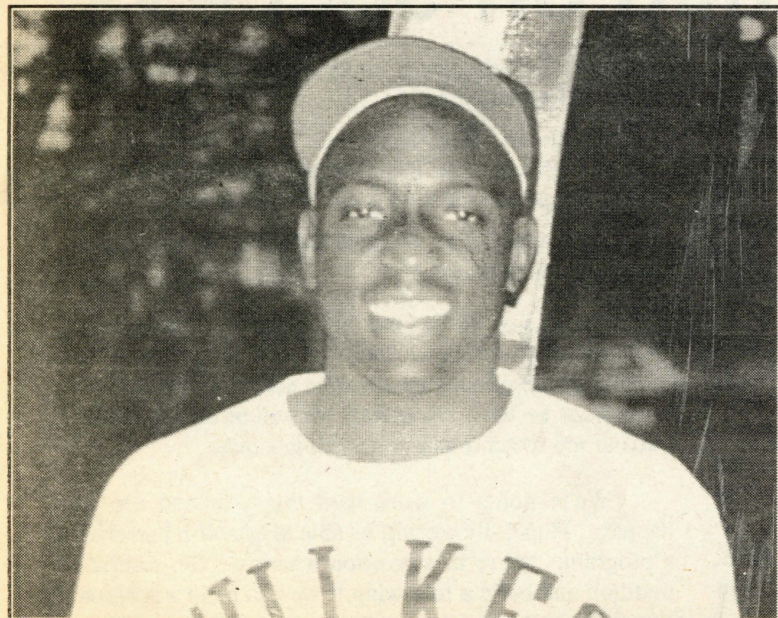


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