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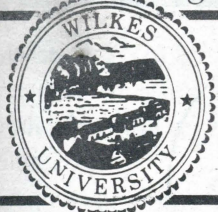
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FUNDRAISERS COMING
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•ABC t-shirts sure to be a big hit
around campus.

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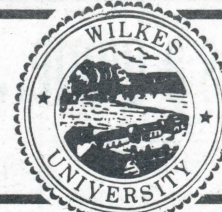
•Prevent Wilkes from being the
next victim.

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COLONELS OPEN MAC
PLAYOFFS WITH WIN

•Wilkes looks to repeat as MAC
champion.

Sports...page 8



THE BEACON

Wilkes University

February 27, 1997

Tuition woes addressed

COLLEEN HERRON
Beacon News Editor



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students,
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University officials gathered
uesday to hear Wilkes
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Next Friday, it will be

**"We can't sustain
Wilkes at the current
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-Christopher N. Breiseth
Wilkes University President

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y is ranked among
st priced institutions

similar in size, and is best as far
as student to teacher ratio which
is currently 13:1. This ratio can
be expected to change to 15:1
in the upcoming years.

Breiseth ensured the
audience that these cuts will
not effect student scholarships,
but rather stated that the changes
will be felt by those coming to
Wilkes next fall.

Other alternatives consisted
of a supportive resignation plan,
pay cuts, cuts in personnel, as
well as cuts in academic
programs which showed little
to no enrollment over the past
few years.

In
contrast
to the
cuts,
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junior
faculty
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to be
affected.
Strike

will be present in other areas of
staffing as early as this fall.

"To maintain high quality,
we must get the tuition up in a
range with our competition,"
said Breiseth. "We can't sustain
Wilkes at the current tuition
rate."

Wilkes University Student
Government is planning another
forum following the February
27 and 28 Board of Trustees
meetings. Immediately
following the meetings, a
release will be made available
stating the increased tuition rate.

Possible hike outrages students

By COLLEEN HERRON
Beacon News Editor

As the noon hour
approached, students
concerned with rising tuition
rates began to fill Stark
Learning Center's room 101
w i t h m i x e d
emotions.

A quiet crowd
sat content, awaiting the
question and answer
forum set up by Wilkes
University Student
Government in hopes of
putting to rest some recent
misconceptions.

Following a short
introduction by Student
Government President Paula
Van Fossen, Wilkes
University President
Christopher N. Breiseth
addressed the audience. Most
were hopeful that this would
help stabilize a growing
concern while others said that
they were more worried now
than ever.

"I feel pretty aggravated,"
said one Wilkes junior
telecommunications major. "I
am aware that as a resident

student, I have to pay an extra
dorm fee; however, if the tuition
goes up I'm not sure if I'll be
able to pay it."

President Breiseth asked
students to hold off if they are
considering transferring.

"Wait to see your financial
aid package," said Breiseth.
"There was great sensitivity in
the financial aid office."

Other students showed

secret," said Dr. Lennon as
he explained to students in
the pharmacy program that
during the last two years of
their education they are
considered graduate
students and are no longer
able to receive financial aid.

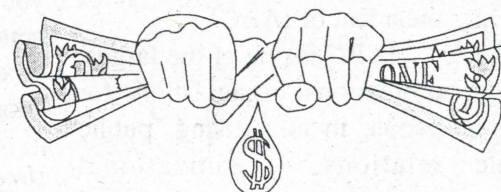
As the hour drew to a
close, the crowd's
uneasiness began to show.

Questions ranging from
where the money
would be spent, and
how additional money
would help the students
directly, arose. Issues
dealing with whether
the University leases or
buys automobiles, and

if fundraisers would be be
considered as a possible
alternative, were also
tackled by students.

"We have to respond to
what you think Wilkes
ought to be," said Breiseth.
"Your feedback is crucial
and I encourage it."

Students interested in
voicing their opinion about
Wilkes can send e-mail to
suggest@wilkes1.wilkes.edu.



discontent for the future that
they originally planned to spend
at Wilkes.

"Why weren't we told?"
asked a pharmacy major in
response to President Breiseth's
speech during which he stated
that the institution knew for
two years that tuition could be
on the rise. "It's already too
late. We're stuck here paying
the tuition and we really don't
have a choice."

"There was never any

Students attend conference

WILKES- BARRE — Three
Wilkes University students
attended the Pennsylvania
Black Conference on Higher
Education held at Split Rock
Resort in the Poconos.

Beverly Olds, of
Philadelphia, Aldith Campbell,
of Bladensburg, MD and Lester
Jones of Lawnside, NJ, all
members of the Multicultural

Student Coalition at Wilkes,
were among those selected to
attend the conference on the
basis of their leadership
abilities.

Gina Z. Morrison, of Forty
Fort, coordinator of
Multicultural Affairs at Wilkes,
also attended as the students'
advisor.

The conference, which

consisted of workshops
designed to enhance the
students' leadership skills,
was sponsored by the Robert
D. Lynch Leadership
Development Institution and
is attended by minority
students throughout the entire
state.

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College is a game...life's a chance

By KERRI GOSLING
Beacon Staff Writer

This semester the International Association of Business Communicators chapter (IABC) is very busy turning good fund raising ideas into reality.

IABC adopted the idea of a monopoly board for a T-shirt fund raiser. With members of the "Wilkes Today" television program, IABC members went to local businesses, bars, restaurants, television studios, banks and many other places well known to Wilkes students, to buy spots on the "Wilkes" board. The board is located on the back of the T-shirt with the Wilkes logo in the center. On the front of the shirt, there is a "chance" card that reads "College is a game...Life is a chance." Shirts go on sale before spring break, and cost \$12 for L and XL and \$14 for XXL.

The money raised from selling the T-shirts will be divided between the Communications Department Scholarship and the Thomas Shelburne Television Studio

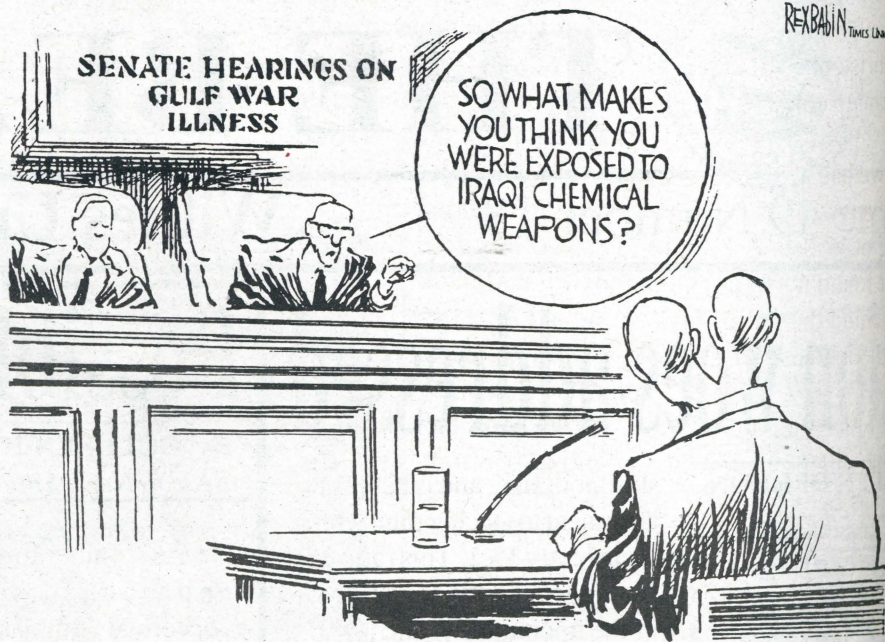
operating budget.

Also, IABC is sponsoring a Big Brother, Big Sister Bowl-a-Thon team on March 22. This is an excellent opportunity for students of the University to show the community what we can do for them. Last year's Big Brother, Big Sister Bowl-a-Thon had a good turnout, but IABC has surpassed the amount that was raised last year by getting 35 Wilkes students to participate.

"The Bowl-a-Thon is a great way for communication students to have fun, raising money for a good cause and watch Dr. Kinney and Dr. Elmes-Crahall try to show off their bowling talents," said Melissa Matuszkiewicz, president of IABC.

IABC is one of the largest professional organizations for people in advertising, public relations, organizational communications and marketing. Wilkes established its student chapter in 1990.

If you are interested in participating in this event or would like information regarding the Monopoly Board T-shirts, please call Dr. Elmes-Crahall at 831-4162.



American Red Cross vs. Plasma Center

WILKES-BARRE--Have you been confused lately about who to donate your blood to. Maybe you're just not sure what the better choice would be... Just in case here are a few facts about donating.

Why should I donate blood through the ARC? Blood collected by the American Red Cross can be divided into: red blood cells, blood platelets, frozen blood plasma and cryoprecipitate in order to supply the specific therapy needed by each individual patient. Plasma donations only

harvest plasma.

What are the uses for plasma?

Plasma is processed into derivatives by large manufacturing plants. Typically, pools of plasma from 5,000 or 10,000 donations are sterilized and purified into albumin solutions, or other products called derivatives. The albumin solutions can be used for emergency transfusions to provide a boost to the blood volume of the patient, perhaps for trauma victims who need an emergency transfusion to

restore their blood circulation. Most often this provides only a temporary improvement, and red blood cell transfusions are necessary to transport oxygen to the patients' organs. Some patients in surgery may be able to tolerate slow blood loss without red blood cell transfusions if their blood volume can be returned to normal by the use of intravenous salt solutions and albumin.

Volunteer donor versus paid donor? The financial reward is the major advantage in donating at the plasma center, in addition to the possible benefit to a patient in need of albumin. Donations at the Red Cross carry no financial reward, only the sense of giving an incredible gift to someone in need of a fragile, delicate, living tissue necessary for life itself. It is truly a vital gift to a patient bleeding to death, who may rely on the generosity of an unknown donor, who can't even give blood, not plasma. Many studies indicate paid donors are more likely to test positive for hepatitis, HIV and syphilis than blood donors. For this reason, blood donors are prohibited from receiving money.

BEYOND CAMPUS

THIS

WEEK

A worldly view...

Scientists everywhere turned to a sheep named Dolly in Scotland, due to a new scientific advancement that will allow for cloning amongst living organisms. Most sources say that it's too early to tell if it can safely be performed on human beings.

a national look...

Washington prepares for possible scandal. Sources report that President Bill Clinton was selling time spent in the White House for his campaign. Fundraising on federal property is against the law.

& a local peek

Local police departments group together to stop the closing of a state police lab.



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Where's this money coming from and where's it going?

Tuesday afternoon I met with Wilkes University's President Christopher Breiseth for what I thought would be a very informative meeting regarding the proposed tuition increase.

Instead we had a very enlightening conversation discussing everything from the coal region, to College town, to the future of Wilkes University. And the outcome was surprising. I found myself almost understanding the principles behind the tuition hike. Notice, I did not say I agree with the increase, but rather I'm now seeing it from the other side.

In terms of technology and specific educational programs offered, Wilkes could very well be compared to a prestigious college such as Lehigh University. One major difference, other than the number of students attending, is that Wilkes is \$3,000 to \$5,000 less, which puts, as stated by Breiseth, "financial pressures on Wilkes."

"Students at Wilkes deserve quality programs," he added. "While we're struggling to keep the prices as low as can be, we also need some breathing room to feel secure."

As most students do, I wondered where the thousands of dollars we're now spending to attend Wilkes are going, but interestingly enough, I did come to realize that the money is being dispersed in the appropriate manner.

To put it in simple terms, as of last year, the Board of Trustees allowed Wilkes to borrow \$2 million dollars from the reserve account, without having to pay back the funds. In order to do so, Wilkes had to come up with a revised budget plan for the 1998 school year. Money was tightened and squeezed from all areas possible to save enough funds. Also we have the shrinkage of personnel also known as "supportive resignation plan." Any senior faculty and/or member 55 years or older or those employed at Wilkes more than 15 years, were given a "generous offer." As of January 1, 16 faculty and staff members accepted a net total of about \$450,000, which included one and a half times their salary, health care benefits and a \$500 bonus for every year over the 15 they worked.

This money is borrowed from the endowment, which includes all stocks, bonds and investments in property. It is paid back to the endowment, which now stands at 10 million dollars. While these figures seem extreme to the average person, as far as running a university goes, this is not near enough to cover the adequate costs.

So where does our money go? For starters, as of late early summer, the proposed Student Union building is under construction. In addition, talk of the Pickering building is still being considered. In its place, a new building complex, as well as a main parking lot, will be built. Aside from these projects, the library is due for much renovation, as well as an equipment expansion in the Marts weight room.

Though this does not make it any easier on us to pay the increased tuition, these are the facts folks, stated here in black and white. Our opinion counts regardless of what you think. Show the University you have a voice. Speak out and be heard about what you want your money spent on.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor guidelines:

Letters should include your name and phone number. They should be no longer than 250 words and must be signed in order to be printed. Letters will be printed in the order they are received and must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to publication.

To the Editor,

I am writing this letter in response to paragraph four of "The Near Side with Rick Tym" published in the February 20 issue of *The Beacon*.

First let me say that the Academic Computing Department is located in Sturdevant Hall rooms 103 and 104, not on the fourth floor of the Stark Learning Center. We can be reached by telephone at extension 4458 or 4459. Students, faculty and staff can call or stop by during regular working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. General information about Academic Computing at Wilkes University is also accessible via the World Wide Web at the following location: <http://wilkes1.wilkes.edu/~acd>. Our web page contains information on the Wilkes University Computing Policy; Academic Computing Department personnel, both full-time staff and work-study students; information on the campus data network; computing facilities located on campus; special services available to students, faculty and staff; training and seminar schedules, as well as where to call for computing help.

With regard to the problems with the FoolProof security software. This software was installed to safeguard the integrity of the desktop and the disk drive on those systems located in open access and general access computer facilities on campus. It was found that the FoolProof software and the Microsoft Office software did not work together. The problem occurred when a file was saved to diskette and the diskette was changed — the disk drive would no longer be a valid drive on the system. Quite a few solutions were tried but did not work. During the week of February 17th, FoolProof was removed from the systems in COB 006 and replaced by a program called WinLock. We have not received any negative reports from the COB 006 lab attendants since that time.

The Academic Computing Department can be reached by telephone at 831-4458 or 831-4459, by stopping by our offices in Sturdevant Hall or by e-mail at acd@wilkes1.wilkes.edu.

Sincerely,

Gustav J. Stangline

Academic Computing Coordinator

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This week in History

On February 28-29, 1704: Indians attacked settlers in Deerfield, Mass., killing 40 people and carrying off 100.

March 1, 1784: Thomas Jefferson's proposal to ban slavery in new territories after 1802 was narrowly defeated.

March 1, 1790: Congress passed the Census Act.

February 24, 1803: For the first time, in its *Marbury v. Madison* case, the Supreme Court overturned a U.S. law.

March 2, 1836: Texas declared its independence from Mexico.

February 28, 1854: The Republican Party was formed in Ripon, Wis., in opposition to the Kansas-Nebraska Act which left the issue of slavery to a vote of settlers; Republicans opposed slavery.

February 24, 1868: President Andrew Johnson was impeached by the House of Representatives for violation of the Tenure of Office Act because he tried to remove Edwin M. Stanton as Secretary of War (Johnson was later acquitted in the Senate).

March 1, 1875: Congress passed a Civil Rights Act, giving equal rights to African Americans in public accommodations and jury duty (the act was invalidated in 1883 by the Supreme Court).

March 1, 1932: Charles Lindbergh, Jr. was kidnapped.

February 28, 1951: Senator Estes Kefauver's Senate investigation into organized crime said in a preliminary report that the gambling take was more than \$20 billion a year.

March 1, 1954: Five members of Congress were wounded in the House of Representatives by four Puerto Rican independence supporters who fired at random from a spectators' gallery.

March 1, 1961: The Peace Corps was created by executive order.

March 1, 1967: Congressman Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.) was denied his seat in Congress because of charges that he misused government funds.

February 24, 1991: In a ground war in Kuwait beginning on this date that lasted just 100 hours, the U.S.-led attackers killed and captured many thousands of Iraqi soldiers and sent the rest into retreat.

February 27, 1991: President Bush ordered a ceasefire.

February 26, 1993: A powerful bomb exploded in a parking garage beneath the World Trade Center in New York City, killing six people; more than 1,000 people suffered injuries.

February 26, 1994: Eleven members of the Branch Davidian religious cult were found not guilty of murder and conspiracy charges in the deaths of four federal agents in a 1993 shootout at the cult's compound near Waco, Texas.

The Near Side

with Rick Tym

Hello there, friends and neighbors. How's everyone doing? Don't worry... only a few more days until break... and so the countdown has begun.

Surprise, surprise, I actually have something on my mind this week. More of a question, actually, but let me give everyone a little background first.

Those of you that follow my column know that I opened the semester with an article about the \$35 million campaign about to take place at Wilkes. During this article, I made a smart-ass remark about my dorm steps not having enough rock salt on them. Lo and behold, the next day I couldn't even open my front door due to the mountain of rock salt on my steps. Not that I'm complaining; neither myself nor my residents have to worry about slipping on ice outside my dorm until the next Ice Age hits.

For my next trick, I wrote a little piece on how you can't move in the weight room if more than 30 people are there. Remember the operative word here is 30. The next week, someone who shall remain anonymous told me to go down to the weight room and look at the maximum capacity sign. Lo and behold (sorry, but I don't get to use that phrase often), a new sign had been put up, proclaiming MAXIMUM CAPACITY 30. Pretty funny, huh? Well, I thought so.

But I only have one question. I address this to the person responsible for either of the above incidents: were you being sarcastic, as I often am, or were you actually paying attention to what I was saying? Obviously, I am more interested in whether or not the sign in the weight room was a gag or a serious evaluation of how many people can fit in there. Rock salt doesn't really concern me... only when I can't open my front door because it's piled so high.

If whoever did either of these things is reading this, I invite you to write a letter to the editor in response to my questions. I really am curious as to the real reason why the sign went up in the weight room. You can even write it anonymously — make sure you still put your name on it (we can't publish it without a name) and request that the letter be printed without the name. Don't worry, it'll get printed, more likely than not. So, whoever you are, whether it be a disgruntled facilities worker (a lot better than a disgruntled postal worker, isn't it?) or the gym's director, I ask you kindly to respond. If it's just going to be a sarcastic exchange of words (or actions) that's fine. No one likes a joke better than me. But if you are (and this goes for anyone else "in charge" out there) taking me seriously, let me know. A lot of students have a lot of things on their minds, and I believe they would use my column as a forum for their concerns if they knew that I was actually being listened to.

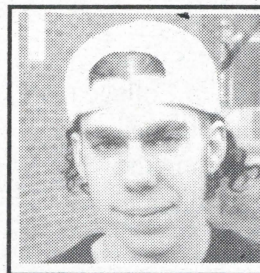
Well, have fun during break, everyone. All the midterms are done, all the papers are printed. Take a break, be careful, enjoy yourself (at least until you pass out from the combination of intoxication and heat exhaustion). I'm starting to sound like an advertisement. Maybe I'm studying the wrong profession. Not like I could do anything about it now. Spring commencement is only 79 days away. Can you tell I'm a little excited?

That's all for now Wilkes University. We'll talk again soon. Have a good week!

Roving Reporter

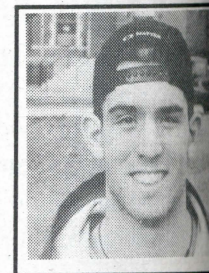
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What do you plan to do over Spring Break?



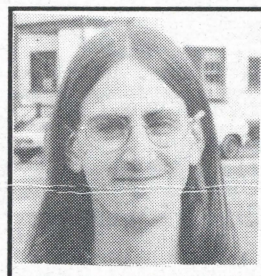
Dan McKenna

"I plan to visit George Mason University because of the tuition hike and maybe something else."



Brad Panichella

"Wrestle and visit a few friends."



Matt Eldred

"Hang out with my friends from high school."



Renee Kolosinsky

"Relax from studying."



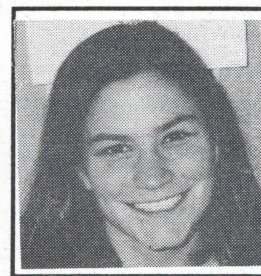
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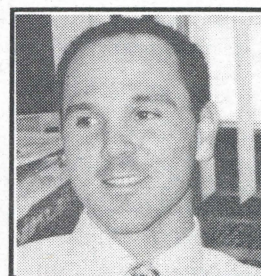
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"Playing in the intercollegiate band."



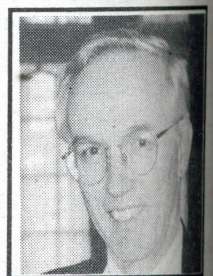
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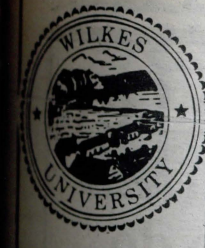
Aaron Menapace,
Assistant Football Coach

"I'm going to the Pro Football Hall of Fame."



President Christopher Breiseth

"To get prepared for the NCAA men's playoffs in basketball."



Bew

By DIANA DAVIS
Beacon Staff Writer

One Saturday night, too long ago, an attractive young college student at a fraternity party with a friend of her college friend.

Shortly after she arrived there, a member of the fraternity asked if he could fill her drink. She accepted his offer and waited for his return. Fifteen minutes after she finished her drink, she began to feel dizzy, lightheaded and disoriented. More so than she would if she were drunk. The man who filled her drink asked if she would like to step outside for some fresh air. Unknowingly, she agreed.

Twenty minutes later, she was raped and she never spoke of it again.

Spring

By CHRISTINE GA
Beacon Features Editor

While many students struggle to find the perfect internship to further their education, one communications class is gaining such an experience in the classroom.

Wilkes is offering a course titled "Meet the Press" this semester. "Meet the Press" intends to introduce students to professional work in varying capacities in the fields of print and electronic media.

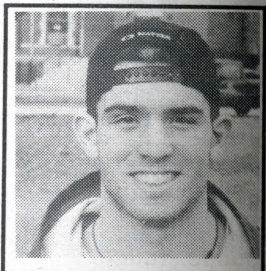
"This is the first time this course is being offered and it was so popular that we had to have the registrar stop enrollment because it was up so quickly," said Alexander Nolf, assistant professor of communication. The course allows



Beware of "Roofies-related rape"

DIANA DAVIS

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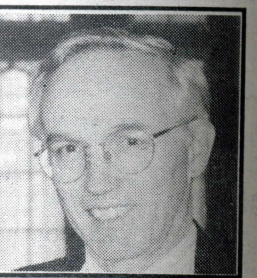
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One Saturday night, not long ago, an attractive college student entered an fraternity party with a few college friends. Shortly after she got there, a member of the fraternity asked if he could buy her a drink. She accepted the offer and waited patiently for his return. Fifteen minutes later she finished her beer she began to feel dizzy, unsteady and disoriented. More so than she would have if she were drunk. The young man who filled her drink asked if she would like to go outside for some air. Not knowing, she agreed. Twenty minutes later he returned and she never

returned to the party.

Although that particular story is not true, the scenario is more than realistic.

Drinking on a college campus is about as common as eating in a diner. There are few students who don't in some way abuse alcohol, which is exactly why the following information is important.

There is a new drug on the street. It is a sedative ten times more powerful than the average sleeping pill and is used in some countries for major surgery; however, it is still illegal in the United States.

Its medical name is Rohypnol (ro-hip-nol), but is more commonly known as "roofies" or the "rape drug".

It dissolves quickly in

liquid.

It is tasteless. It is odorless. It is colorless and thus can be easily slipped directly into someone's drink.

Most victims will feel its effects in 15 minutes; although it takes a full hour to feel the total impact.

The drug causes amnesia, unexplained drowsiness, dizziness and confusion. Therefore victims have difficulty remembering what happened while they were "high".

Its effects can last up to 10 hours, but is not traceable after 24 hours.

Since it is illegal in the United States most buyers get it on the streets for \$1.50 to \$3.00 per pill.

What is most alarming about this drug is that most

people who take it do it involuntarily. Most who purchase it do it with the intention of rape.

To reduce the risk of "substance related rape," crisis centers advise taking the following precautions:

- Never leave a beverage unattended.
- Never take any beverages, especially alcohol, from persons you don't know or trust.
- Never accept open containers at parties.
- Only accept drinks from bartenders, waiters and waitresses.

There have never been any "roofie-related" rapes at Wilkes or King's.

"I've worked in the emergency room at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and

I've never seen any cases of it," said Diane O'Brien, coordinator of Health Services.

Mark Sowcik, director of Campus Counseling said, "I've never seen any cases in Wilkes-Barre or on campus."

Most students on campus are not even aware of this drug. When asked what their reactions to "roofies" were, both males and females were appalled with the idea. One male student even called it disgusting.

While it is comforting to think that it isn't as common at Wilkes as it is at larger universities, students should still be aware of Rohypnol.

If you or one of your friends think they have been drugged, call for medical assistance immediately.

Spring semester addition is a success

CHRISTINE GAYDOS

Beacon Features Editor

While many students struggle to find the perfect internship to further their education, one communications class is offering such an experience in the classroom.

Wilkes is offering a course titled "Meet the Press" this semester. "Meet the Press" intends to introduce students to professionals who work in varying capacities in the fields of print and electronic media.

"This is the first semester this course is being offered, and it was so popular I had to have the registrar stop enrollment because it filled up so quickly," said Dana Alexander Nolf, assistant professor of communications. The course allows

students to analyze the professionals' style of journalism or management and to discover how they got where they are today.

"I took a class similar to this when I was in graduate school," said Nolf, "I wanted to give the students a clearer understanding of what the media field is really like. The 'hands on approach' is more effective than the traditional textbook course.

Students in the class definitely agree with Nolf's approach.

"I thought it was going to be a very difficult course, but it has turned out to be one of the most informative classes that I've taken. I would suggest that all communications majors take this class for all of the important knowledge you

can gain on careers in the business," said Gary Spears, junior communications major.

"The course offers a candid overview of what the business is like, agrees Amy Ellis, freshman

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*-Dana Alexander Nolf
Assistant professor of communications*

communications major, "You get the 'behind the scenes' look of t.v., radio and newspapers."

Ellis also said she liked that, "local celebrities become real people. It gives us the

opportunity to get personal with them."

In addition to class field trips to such places as *The Times Leader* and WBRE-TV Channel 28, each week the class has a new speaker from a different realm of the media.

When asked who their favorite speaker has been so far, those students interviewed unanimously said they enjoyed Tom Tidey, sportscaster from WNEP Channel 16.

"Tom Tidey was the best not only because he represented my field of interest, but because he was very personable," said Rich Williams, sophomore communications major, "He gave us insider information on the field and what competition is really like."

"I didn't think a sportscaster would impress me, but he was

down-to-earth and entertaining to listen to," said Ellis.

Through offering this class, Nolf has provided her students with the invaluable experience of interacting with mentors.

The opportunity of a question and answer period with someone in a career of interest to students is indeed of a higher quality than a dry textbook based class.

Nolf herself has a lot to add from her own personal experiences.

Before joining the Wilkes faculty, Nolf was a member of the ABC News 20/20 and *Good Morning America* production staffs in New York. She also served as assistant manager and a *World News Tonight* publicist for ABC News.

Soap Updates

ALL MY CHILDREN: Erica found pieces of Skye's letter which Opal tried to burn, and later found documents on blood disorders in Maria's briefcase. After confronting Skye, who said to ask Dimitri for the truth, Erica deduced Dimitri is the father of Maria's baby. Trevor told Janet she must be a part of Amanda's life. Tanner lied to Hayley about the bum being his father. Adam blamed Laura for taking artwork that was actually stolen by Tanner. Later, Adam and Liza finally kissed. **Wait To See:** Erica confronts Dimitri.

ANOTHER WORLD: Gabe was shot and killed. Daniel told Carl Vicky and Bobby are alive but Vicky needed medical attention. Cindy's confession about her ties to Grant caused Joe to suspect Jake had been set up. Nick learned Grant bribed a judge to take custody of Kirkland. When he couldn't find Kirkland, Grant assumed Carl took the children. Rachel told Amanda she's considering telling Carl of her pregnancy. **Wait To See:** Nick and Sofia face danger.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Diego was shot dead. Lily was overjoyed to see Lucinda, but surprised to see Holden with her. Later, Lily asked Holden to be part of Luke's life if she has to be sent to prison for Diego's murder. Meanwhile, as Emily pointed an imaginary pistol at Diego's photo, Margo learned the bullet could be from her missing gun, and Pilar vowed vengeance against Lily for killing her brother. As he left the funeral home, Mike heard Piler talking to Diego, and was stunned to hear Diego's voice. **Wait To See:** Margo makes a disturbing discovery.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL: Claudia agreed to go along with Stephanie's suggestion of pursuing Thorne who was still vulnerable after his breakup with Macy. But she told him she can't go through with their lovemaking because she knows of his feelings for Taylor. Maggie went to London to see Jessica and warned Sheila to keep away from James. Grant told Clarke it was useless to fantasize about Lauren because she's not available. Meanwhile, Lauren was stunned when Ridge confirmed Stephanie's interest in Eric. Thorne asked Taylor to go to Tahiti with him. **Wait To See:** Ridge gets shocking news about Grant.

THE CITY: Tess and Buck wed the day before her surgery. **OUT ON A LIMB** by GARY KOPERVAS

Meanwhile, Carla was too late to stop Tracy's wedding to Gino, and Tony was jolted out of his daydream of marrying Ally when she told him to get on with his life without her. Anxious to avoid Gino on their wedding night, Tracy pretended to have measles, only to have him come back later to find her spots were gone. Angie came out of the operating room with news for Buck. **Wait To See:** Jacob's decision about the surrogacy could create a problem.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Bo learned that J.L. King, the drug czar, videotaped him pocketing the wad of money. While Marlena wondered who was calling on Kristen's cell phone, (it was Susan), a nurse tried to tell John his wife was in labor, but Kristen intercepted the message, and then dashed to the hospital. Hope was devastated when Bo told her he needed time alone. Disguised as Susan's nurse, Kristen realized Marlena saw Susan (still posing as Kristen) marry John in the delivery room, with Vivian as a witness. Later, Kristen panicked when she learned Susan may have to have a C-Section. **Wait To See:** Marlena faces a dilemma.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Ned told the Quartermaines about Lois' decision to take their daughter away from Port Charles. Despite the revelation of her long-ago affair with Alan, Monica was reassured by his romantic attentions. Jax tried to get Sonny to admit he was sending gifts to Brenda. Carly became insecure as Tony and Bobbie smoothed out their post-divorce differences. **Wait To See:** Katherine wrestles with a decision involving Luke and Stefan.

GUIDING LIGHT: Blake and the twins were victims of a car accident, forcing Rick to make a confession as he prepared to operate on Kevin. Josh balked at Reva's request about keeping their distance from one another. Ross reacted sadly to the news about Rick being Kevin's father, and realized his life had changed. Later, Blake told a shocked Annie she no longer has a hold on her. Meanwhile, Jenna realized she'll have to tell Buzz the truth about their son. **Wait To See:** The real world comes crashing down for Jenna and Buzz.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: At Antonio's trial, Andy was forced to give damaging testimony. Tea got set to destroy her credibility. In Rio, Farinho told R.J. of Cassie and Kevin's visit to the bank. Later, after



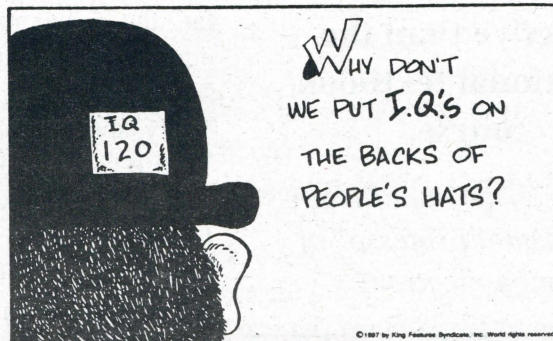
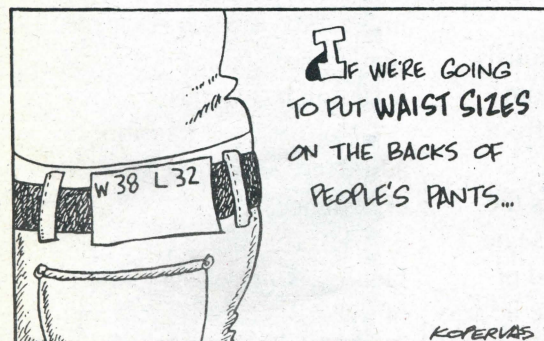
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stealing a file from Farinho, the two were caught in a crowd of Carnivale revelers, and later became targets of a gun-holding stranger. Maggie's father lied about not having Eleanor's locket. Todd and Blair learned Starr has a rare blood disease. **Wait To See:** Cassie and Kevin confront a shocking discovery.

SUNSET BEACH: Ben protected Annie by allowing Meg to believe she'd seen another woman in his bathroom. Eddie was upset that Paula agreed to marry Ricardo, and followed the couple home. He later kidnapped Paula. Bette and Olivia realized Del had stolen the Deschanel jewels. Annie intercepted Meg's Internet message to Ben about being "Dorothy from Kansas." After Meg found Annie very much alive, Ben said they'll all have to work together to clear her of murder charges. **Wait To See:** Cole makes a decision about Olivia.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Chris was stunned to hear Nina voice doubts about her love for Ryan. Grace fumed as she watched Tony and Victoria trying to make her jealous. Later, Cole told Victoria that he wanted more out of their marriage than sex. Sasha vowed vengeance on Phyllis. Victor was crushed when Nick told him not to visit Sharon in the hospital, and Josh took Nick's side. Dru was furious when she learned Neil told Sid she wanted fewer assignments. **Wait To See:** Kurt has mixed feelings for a suggestion from Ashley.

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With Carrie Nepa

Libra (September 24 - October 23) Team sports play an important role in giving your social life a boost. Your lucky numbers are 3 and 34.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22) You will attract lots of attention from all the right people with your upbeat attitude this week. Enjoy it! Your lucky numbers are 6 and 11.

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21) This week the ball is in your end of the court and you'll score big with the right moves. Your lucky numbers are 9 and 18.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20) The crush you have on that significant other takes a turn for the best. You will be surprised. Your lucky numbers are 16 and 21.

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19) You may experience conflict with a classmate this week. Put your foot down and rewards will be waiting for you. Your lucky numbers are 4 and 22.

Virgo (August 24 - September 23) Let go of your negative thoughts and let the positive ones come through. Your lucky numbers are 6 and 9.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20) Your high ideals set the tone for this week and you feel great about all the work you've done. Your lucky numbers are 2 and 25.

Aries (March 21 - April 20) You've been patient this week for the answer to a certain question. Demand it soon. Your lucky numbers are 8 and 29.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21) Your confidence gets a boost this week and you may feel like making yourself known. Your lucky numbers are 3 and 13.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21) There is a trip in your near future. Things will be a bit different when you return. Your lucky numbers are 7 and 17.

Cancer (June 22 - July 23) Your energy and level of excitement will be exaggerated this week so prepare yourself and calm down. Your lucky numbers are 4 and 7.

Leo (July 24 - August 23) This week was hectic for you but this weekend will bring a sigh of relief. Your lucky numbers are 4 and 7.

80's trivia with Donna Talarico

Music: What hit from *Survivor* came from the *Rocky III* soundtrack?

Television: What were the names of the crazy cousins on *Perfect Strangers*?

Movies: What actor played Richie Valens in *La Bamba*?

News: In 1988, a cease-fire began, ending an eight-year war between these two countries.

Grab Bag: What was the name of Debbie Gibson's fragrance of the 1980's?

(Answers to last week's trivia: Bonnie Tyler, The Joshua Tree, Richard Dean Anderson, *Press Your Luck*, The labyrinth, a telephone booth, *anorexia-nervosa*, Burma, Q-bert and M*A*S*H)

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Beacon Sports

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Lady Colonels lose playoff opener

By MICHAEL NOONE
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University Lady Colonels dropped their final regular season game of the year at Scranton 78-49 on Saturday.

The Lady Royals used Jennifer Nish's 20 points to make their record 21-3 on the year. The Lady Colonels fell to 12-12 on the year with the loss. Katie Watkins led Wilkes with 15 points while Kristen Cookus added 9.

The Lady Colonels finished the regular season strong, winning 11 of their last 17 games after a 1-6 start. Wilkes' record was good enough to earn them a berth in the Middle Atlantic Conference playoffs against the Elizabethtown College Lady Blue Jays.

This is the third consecutive year that the Lady Colonels faced Elizabethtown in the opening

round of the playoffs. Last season the Lady Colonels lost in overtime, 67-53, to the Lady Blue Jays.

Wilkes lost for the third straight year at Elizabethtown's Thompson Gym 69-61 on Tuesday night. The Lady Colonels were slow coming out of the gate, trailing 36-24 at halftime.

However, Wilkes comeback to lead 61-57 in the second half before Elizabethtown put together a 12-point run in the final two minutes of the game to pull out the win.

Brenda Wessel hit a 10-foot jumper to start the Elizabethtown run. Wessel also hit two foul shots with 42.6 seconds remaining to give Elizabethtown a 65-61 lead. Jodi Hillegass added four points during the run including a layup that tied the game at 61-61 with 1:43 left. Kim Boback's fall-away jumper gave the Lady Blue Jays a 63-61 lead with 56

seconds remaining.

Hillegass was the Lady Blue Jays' leading scorer with 17 while Shaunate Stancil added 13. The Lady Colonels were led by Rebecca Baker and Watkins with 17 points each while Lee Ann Azarewicz added 16.

Elizabethtown, 19-6 overall, will host Lycoming tonight in the MAC women's semifinal round while the Lady Colonels will have to wait for a possible bid to the ECAC tournament.

Wilkes had a number of impressive wins this season including three over ranked opponents, a season sweep over King's and a thrilling comeback victory over Susquehanna.

For the season, coach Karen Haag's squad was led by junior forward Rebecca Baker, averaging a team-high 16.2 points per game and 10.8 rebounds. Freshman forward Katie Watkins was second on the team with 11.6 while

forward Lee Ann Azarewicz, the team's lone senior, was third with 9.9.

Freshman guard Jill

Ronkowski emerged as a three-point threat for Wilkes hitting 39 on the year and averaging 8.2 points per game.

Ronkowski for three!



Photo by Dave Parfitt

Freshman Jill Ronkowski is one of the young players who has contributed to the Lady Colonels' success.

Wilkes wrestlers win one of final three matches

By MICHAEL NOONE
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University wrestling team won one match and dropped two on Sunday at the Old Dominion Quad Meet in Norfolk, Virginia.

Wilkes defeated Norfolk State, 33-27, but fell to Old Dominion, 37-9, and Howard University 36-30.

Freshman Don Morgan recorded three wins for the Colonels, including two pins. Morgan and Duane Ritter recorded pins for the Colonels against Norfolk

State while Mike Morellino won by decision.

In the match with Howard, Morgan and Brad Panichella recorded pins for the Colonels.

Against Old Dominion, Morgan, Panichella and Ritter each posted wins by decision.

The Colonels finish their final season of Division I competition with a record of 4-20. Next season Wilkes will compete at the Division III level.

The EIWA Championships will be held Thursday, March 6, to Saturday, March 8, at the University of Pennsylvania.

Wilkes basketball programs earn recognition

By MICHAEL NOONE
Beacon Sports Editor

A number of Wilkes University basketball stars were recognized for their accomplishments this week when the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League named its all-star teams, rookie of the year and coach of the year.

The Colonels' Mike Barrouk was named to the Freedom League First Team. Freshman Dave Jannuzzi was named the Freedom League's Rookie of the Year and joined fellow Wilkes guard Jay Williams on the Freedom League Second Team. Wilkes head coach Jerry Rickrode was also named Coach of the Year in the Freedom League.

The Lady Colonels' Rebecca Baker was named to the Freedom

League First Team for the second consecutive season. The junior led coach Karen Haag's squad in scoring and rebounding and was among the nation's best in field goal percentage. Baker averaged a double-double for the year with 16.2 points per game and 10.8 rebounds while shooting 59.6 percent from the floor.

This season Baker also became the sixth player in school history to reach the 1,000 point plateau. She is Wilkes' fifth all-time leading scorer with 1,118 points for her career.

Although the Wilkes men's team was honored in a variety of categories there appears to be one glaring oversight. For the second consecutive season Wilkes is not the home of the official Freedom League MVP. Lycoming's Andy Rutherford

was named MVP over the Colonels' Mike Barrouk.

Barrouk averaged 16.7 points compared to Rutherford's 14.9. Barrouk's hard-nosed defense also makes him deserving of the Freedom League MVP. In the head-to-head matchups between Wilkes and Lycoming Barrouk effectively shutdown Rutherford on the way to a Wilkes season sweep of the Warriors.

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Colonels open MAC playoffs with win

By **MICHAEL NOONE**
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University Colonels began their defense of the Middle Atlantic Conference championship with a 67-50 victory over Moravian College Tuesday night at the Marts Center.

The Colonels final regular season game of the year was a 75-67 victory over the University of Scranton at the John Long Center. The Colonels entered the game with the Royals with the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League title in hand, but any matchup with the Royals is always an intense battle.

A stomach virus that afflicted the Colonels did not make the season finale any easier. Senior center Tim Burlew was dressed but ill and reserve Scott Cleveland did not even suit up for the game. To compensate for the effects of the illnesses, Wilkes coach Jerry Rickrode started a small lineup without anyone over 6-foot-5 and used full court pressure from the beginning of the game.

The Colonels used some easy early buckets and a Jay Williams three-pointer at the 12:51 mark of the first half to open up a 21-13 lead. The Royals kept it close however and trailed by only five points at halftime.

Wilkes had a ten point lead, 48-38 with 14:32 remaining in the game when Scranton's freshman point guard Mike Reno, who finished with a game-high 22 points, led a Scranton comeback. A pair of Reno

free throws brought Scranton to within three at 66-63.

After a pair of Williams free throws extended the Wilkes lead to five, Scranton's Jason Fisher cut the Colonels' lead back down to three, 68-65, with 1:14 remaining in the game.

Wilkes senior Dave Clancy hit the glass to end the Royals' hopes of an upset. Clancy's rebound and bucket gave Wilkes a five point lead

and Jannuzzi with 16. Freshman Jason Sheakoski also came up big filling in for the ailing Burlew, scoring six points in 14 minutes.

The Colonels ended the regular season 19-4 overall, 11-1 in the Freedom League.

Wilkes opened their defense of the MAC championship with an impressive win over the Greyhounds of Moravian College at the Marts Center on Tuesday. The win was the Colonels' tenth consecutive playoff victory at the Marts Center and their fifth consecutive over Moravian. The win also secured Wilkes' fourth consecutive 20 victory season.

The Greyhounds gave Wilkes an early test as senior forward Scott Stevens exploded for 14 of Moravian's first 21 points. Stevens, who only averaged nine points in 23 regular season games, stepped it up in the playoffs to finish with a game-high 21 points. Stevens' three-point shooting gave Moravian a 21-14 lead 9:26 into the game.

Coach Rickrode made the necessary defensive adjustments to counter Moravian's hot outside shooting. Wilkes switched from a zone to a man-to-man defense and implemented its full court pressure.

The Colonels were led by Barrouk with 18 points, four assists, two steals and two blocked shots. He also stepped up his defense on Stevens and held him to seven second-half points.

Wilkes also had stellar play from freshman Chad Fabian and senior Tim Burlew.

Fabian spurred Wilkes' comeback in the first half by scoring five straight points.

With the Colonels down 23-21 with just over seven minutes remaining in the first half, Fabian rebounded his missed jumper with a driving shot through the lane that tied the game. Fourteen seconds later, Fabian hit a three-pointer from the top of the key to make the score 26-23, giving Wilkes a lead they would never surrender.

Burlew stepped it up for the Colonels in the second half finishing with 15 points on six-for-nine shooting and pulling down 12 rebounds. Moravian's forwards played well in their first matchup of the year with the Colonels, a 75-63 Wilkes win, but Burlew, Brian Gryboski and Clancy held Moravian's starting big men to a combined 12 points.

Burlew started the second half with two straight buckets to extend Wilkes' 33-30 halftime lead to seven points. Moravian was able to trim

Wilkes' lead to one minutes later but Burlew answered the challenge by scoring off a rebound, drawing a foul and hitting his free throw to give Wilkes a 43-39 lead. Barrouk followed with a

three-pointer and a layup off a steal to give the Colonels a 48-39 advantage that Moravian could not cut into.

The Colonels, 20-4, will host Lebanon Valley, 16-9, at 7:30 p.m. in Thursday's MAC semifinals at the Marts Center. Lebanon Valley advanced to the semifinals by squeaking past Drew 80-79 on Tuesday.

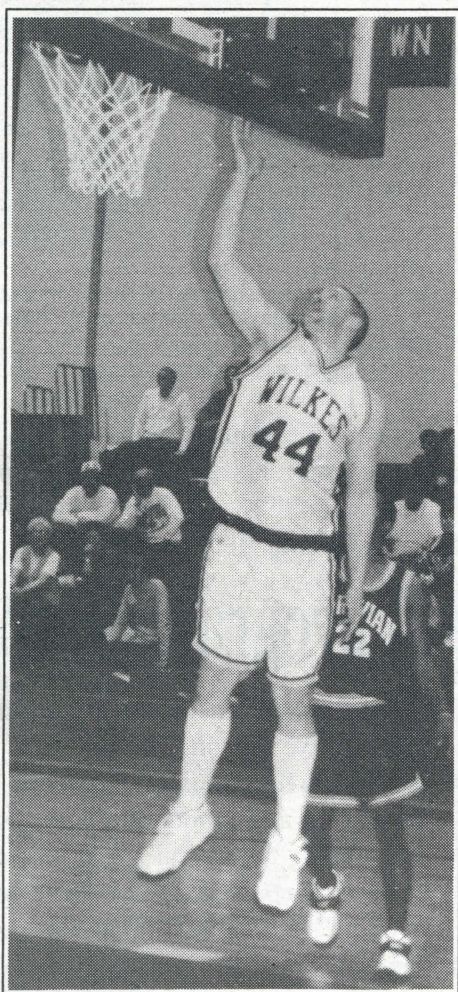


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Dave Jannuzzi (44), the MAC Freedom League Rookie of the Year, scored 12 points against Moravian.

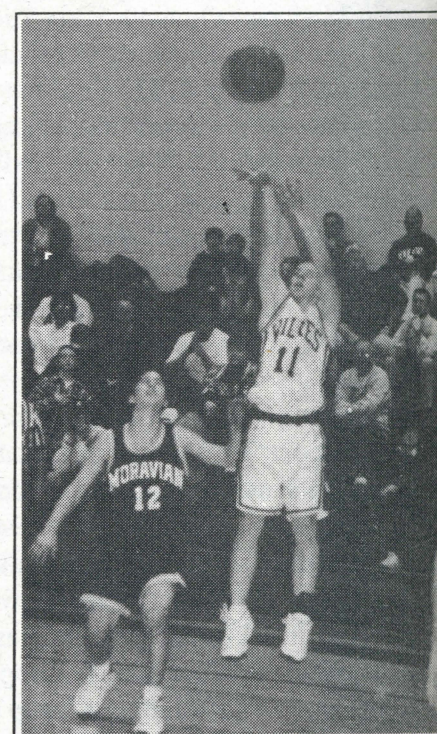


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Jay Williams (11) hit a pair of three-pointers against Moravian.

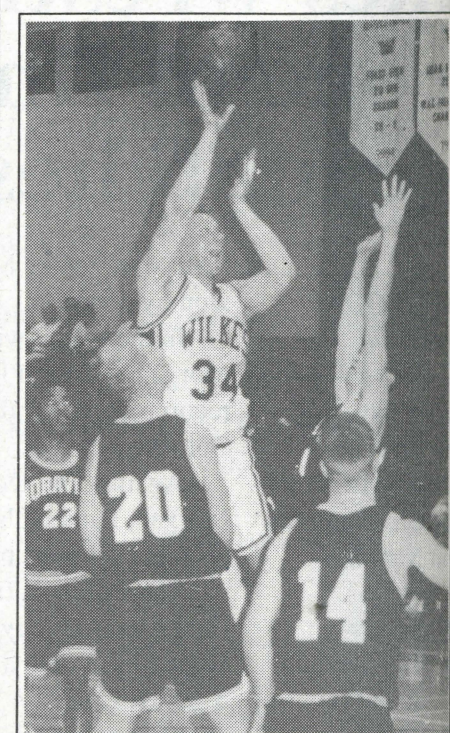


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Brian Gryboski (34), the Colonels' leading rebounder scored five points against Moravian.

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By **CHRISTOPHER
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Beacon Staff Writer

Since 1993, Wilkes University and Wilkes have been joined to write and produce educational television program for kids and show, has reached a plateau with taping of its 50th anniversary.

The special was filmed at the Academy of

Tuition

By **COLLEEN**
Beacon News

Wilkes University Board of Trustees Friday, February 27, decide upon an increase for the academic year.

"We have a rate of increase period of any or university in Pennsylvania between \$3,000 below most competitors in Atlantic Conference don't offer the sophisticated academic program. Wilkes University Christopher N. release sent to their families break.

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