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Learning in life's classroom

WILKES-BARRE — Four Wilkes University students spent the summer putting their textbook knowledge to work in the real world, through internships with a number of prestigious organizations throughout the United States.

Melany Kalmanowicz, senior, materials engineering major, Forty Fort, Pa., was selected for the Langley Aerospace Research Summer Scholars program with NASA in Hampton, Virginia. She was one of only 125 perspective interns selected nationally for this program.

While on base at Langley, Kalmanowicz worked with a senior engineer mentor to develop electrically-conducting, thermally-insulating, wind tunnel test models.

"That was one of my easier assignments," said Kalmanowicz, who plans to attend graduate school for biomedical engineering at either Boston University or Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. "Working on base and being a part of something as massive as the NASA program was just amazing," Kalmanowicz said.



Photo courtesy of University Relations

Summer interns gain valuable experience.

Kalmanowicz's collegiate honors include induction into Sigma Pi Sigma National Physics Honor Society, recipient of the Wilkes Presidential Scholarship, named to the dean's list, member of the Society of Women Engineers, member of the East Coast Athletic Conference All-Academic Team and captain of the women's field hockey team.

Christine Tondrick, Larksville, Pa., entered the political arena through an internship with democratic Governor, Lincoln Almond of Rhode Island. She worked in the state house in Providence keeping a video clip file along with coordinating and attending press conferences and bill signings with the governor.

"Seeing these events, the bill

signings and the press conferences, from start to finish was exciting. I was able to be a part of the political process and see it in action," said Tondrick.

Tondrick graduated cum laude from Wilkes in May 1998 with a bachelor of arts degree in communications.

She is currently student teaching at Dodson and Flood Elementary Schools, Wilkes-Barre, and will receive her elementary education teaching certification from Wilkes in January, 1999.

She is also fielding job offers from the governor's office and the state department in Rhode Island.

Lara Lukesh, an English and communications major, interned for Arnold Public Relations, Boston, Mass., a division of Arnold Communications and the largest advertising agency in New England.

Lukesh worked with their client, Fleet Financial Group, Inc., Moosic, Pa., to promote

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Now playing on Residence Life Cinema...

By JENNIFER KLAIPS
Beacon Staff Writer

Looking for something different to do on week nights? Residence Life Cinema has provided an answer to that question through a new means of entertainment.

Residence Life Cinema is a company that owns videos and sends them out to colleges. The entertainment they provide consists of videotapes of movies, accompanied with program guides. The program guides explain the emotional problems and social issues depicted in the movies. They are meant to offer educational value, as well as entertainment.

The residence life office at Wilkes was offered a free four-week trial from Residence Life Cinema.

"They (Residence Life Cinema) approached us. We thought we'd give it a shot since we

had the capability to," said Gretchen Yeager, assistant director, residence life.

Carl Brigido, telecommunications department, is responsible for transmitting these tapes over the airways. Through the campus television station students can see these movies on channel 67.

"He's (Brigido) been a big help with the technical end of things," said Yeager.

The movies, which began airing on September 21, are scheduled to run Monday through Friday evenings at 7 p.m., until October 16. Each of the eleven movies will be played once, followed by a rotation, allowing most movies to air twice.

"We've gotten some positive feedback so far, but it's early to tell," explained Yeager.

Jarred Max, a resident assistant, Evans-Hall, believes Residence Life Cinema is a good idea.

"This is a great opportunity for students to conveniently see movies in the limited hours of college life," said Max.

Nathan R. Lipton, resident assistant, Fortinsky 229, sees positive, as well as negative results.

"I think it's a wonderful idea, but it needs to be thought out a little bit better in terms of when the movies are shown.

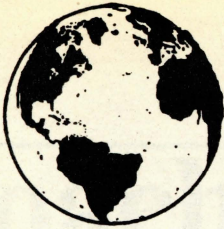
"It has good intentions because it puts something new on TV for the students, but it might cause students to be distracted from their work," said Lipton.

Many students have mixed views on the movies, such as the times shown and the selection available. The students' responses will have an effect on whether or not Residence Life Cinema will be available in the future.

"We're waiting to see how it goes and how students react to it," said Yeager.

Movie Schedule:

- Oct. 1- "The Black Cauldron"
- Oct. 2- "Good Will Hunting"
- Oct. 5- "Desperate Measures"
- Oct. 6- "Dangerous Minds"
- Oct. 7- "Forrest Gump"
- Oct. 8- "Billy Madison"
- Oct. 9- "When a Man Loves a Woman"
- Oct. 12- "Good Will Hunting"
- Oct. 13- "U. S. Marshalls"
- Oct. 14- "As Good as it Gets"
- Oct. 15- "Hard Rain"
- Oct. 16- "The Black Cauldron"



News



Let's celebrate diversity

WILKES-BARRE--Wilkes University's Multicultural Student Coalition (MSC) will commemorate Multicultural Awareness Week, October 4-10, with a series of educational and recreational activities designed to celebrate diversity both on campus and within the community.

Wilkes student Harris Ahmad will present a speech entitled, "An Introduction to Islam," on Monday, October 5, at 5 p.m. in room 107 of the Classroom/Office Building (COB), South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre.

Dr. James Merryman, director, international studies and chairman/associate professor sociology and anthropology at Wilkes, will share his accounts of recent trips to Saudi Arabia and Africa in room 107 of COB on Tuesday, October 6, at 11 a.m.

Fleet Pennsylvania Services, Moosic, Pa., a subsidiary of the Fleet Financial Group, is sponsoring

"Intervention Theater" on Tuesday, October 6, at 7 p.m., at the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

The Metamorphosis Performing Company, Lewisburg, Pa., will perform "Strange Like Me," a 90-minute interactive play that encourages an open dialogue between the audience and the actors on such topics as sexual boundaries, peer acceptance, alcohol consumption and diversity.

On Wednesday, October 7, at 3:30 p.m., the MSC will lead a "Roundtable on Inclusion" discussion, where community and campus members are welcome to discuss issues of inclusion relating to the Wilkes campus.

The MSC will sponsor a "Charity Shoot-Out" at 7 p.m. on Thursday evening in the Henry Gymnasium of the Arnaud C. Marts Sports and Conference Center. Students will "shoot hoops," with proceeds benefiting a local charity.

Wilkes University and King's College will co-sponsor a "Fall Dance Party," Friday, October 9 from 10 p.m.-1 a.m., in *Rumours*, admission is \$3.

"Multicultural Awareness Week is a wonderful Wilkes tradition that gives our campus community the opportunity to enjoy and celebrate the differences among us and the options that such diversity offers.

"It also helps connect our students to the community outside of school, since so many local individuals attend the events," said Gina Morrison, coordinator, multicultural affairs, at Wilkes.

Plans are currently underway for the second annual International Fashion Show on Saturday, October 24, at 8 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. The MSC welcomes models, talent and ethnic outfits from the community.

For more information, contact the MSC at 408-4731.

Traveling far far away

WILKES-BARRE--Wilkes University students who are interested in spending a semester, a year or a summer studying in a foreign country are invited to explore the programs available through the study abroad office.

All study abroad applicants are also able to apply for the *Peking Chef Scholarship for International Understanding*.

The scholarship, in the sum of \$650, is awarded yearly to a student, Pennsylvania residents receive first preference, who meets the following criteria:

- participation in an academic study abroad program for a summer, a semester or a year (all other applications for the scholarship will be considered on an individual, and on the availability of funds, basis);
- 2.5 GPA or higher;
- submission of a thoughtful essay, about 500 words, on the benefits the applicant hopes to derive from

the study abroad experience. This is due to the study abroad coordinator by October 31 and/or March 31, for committee review;

- proof of acceptance into a study abroad program by the specified due date.

Essays of applicants who meet the above stated criteria will be evaluated by a faculty committee and the finalist is chosen on the basis of the student's expressed need and the most effective use of the study abroad grant.

Students who wish to use financial aid to help meet the educational costs associated with study abroad should meet with the director of financial aid to review applicable procedure.

All recipients of the *Peking Chef Scholarship for International Understanding* are recognized at the annual Student Awards Ceremony following their study abroad experience.

In addition to the above grant, the Institute of International Education, through the National Security Education Program (NSEP), provides study

abroad scholarships for U.S. undergraduate students.

Under the program, scholarship assistance will be available for overseas study in regions of the world outside of Western Europe and Canada.

The NSEP scholarship awards are for a minimum of one academic term; however, sophomores and upper class students are encouraged to submit applications for a full academic year.

Students who have never studied abroad before are especially encouraged to apply.

The study abroad office has a library of brochures, catalogues and flyers providing general information on study abroad opportunities and programs throughout the world.

For further information, please contact Dr. Walter Karpnich, coordinator, study abroad, at Ext. 4524, or stop by room 204 in the Classroom/Office Building.

Symposium has "Great Expectations"

By LARA LUKESH
Beacon Staff Writer

Hey all you "Great Expectations" lovers, here's your chance to see some truly academic work at its finest.

The third annual Dickens Symposium will be held on campus October 2 through 4. Academic scholars from around the world will attend this three day conference to present papers and other related Dickens material. This is the first international conference hosted by Wilkes University.

"The purpose of this symposium is to exchange ideas on current readings of Dickens, for intellectual stimulation, not to mention good cheer and good food," said Dr. Robert Heaman, associate professor, English and secretary/treasurer, Dickens Society.

The first session, "Narrative Strategy in *Bleak House*," begins Friday, October 2 with registration from 1-2:50 p.m. and the moderator begins promptly at 3 p.m. A reception will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Sordoni Art Gallery following the session. Saturday's session "Dickens

and Society Reconsidered," lasts from 9:30-11:30 a.m., followed by an afternoon session, "Dickens and Women Revisited" from 2:45 p.m. and a final evening session from 3-5 p.m. entitled "Directions in Research and Scholarship in Dickens."

The day's presenters are from the University of Southern California, the University of Kent, University of Amherst, Mass., Northwestern University, Cornell University, as well as The Queen's University of Belfast.

The final session will be held on Sunday from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., "Dickens, Performance, and Illustration." Presenters at this session are from Illinois University, Saint Anselm College and National University of Uruguay, South America.

All students are encouraged and welcome to attend. Student volunteers are needed to help with registration and other tasks.

Any students interested in more information and/or volunteering should contact Dr. Robert Heaman at Ext. 4533.

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The new R.N. will accelerate program meeting the master's through reduction in level requirements full-time study by academic year.

Each program will individualize the curriculum required. The length of program completion by prior earned credit number of credits semester.

Clinical practice is arranged based upon history, as well as

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"Working for a ranked advertising agency, Arnold Communications corporation like Fleet, tremendous experience opportunities were said Lukesh.

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WILKES-BARRE—Wilkes University's nursing department has begun a new program that allows registered nurses with an associate's degree or a nursing diploma to by-pass the bachelor's degree and earn a master's degree (R.N.-M.S.) in pursuit of a career in advanced practice nursing.

The new R.N.-M.S. program will accelerate progress in meeting the master's goal through reduction of bachelor level requirements, reducing full-time study by at least one academic year.

Each program is planned to individualize the components required. The length of time for program completion is affected by prior earned credits and the number of credits taken in any semester.

Clinical practice will be arranged based upon career history, as well as professional

and personal goals. Each student will meet program requirements.

These requirements include prerequisite and core courses and the students will gain advanced placement using the Pennsylvania Articulation Plan for Nursing Education.

Should a student decide not to pursue the master's degree, arrangements will be made to complete the requirements of the traditional bachelor's degree.

Most courses will be offered on campus, but distance learning with courses offered away from campus will be considered to respond to professional community needs.

For more information, contact Dr. Sharon Telban, director, master's program in nursing, (717) 408-4076 or the nursing department at Wilkes, (717) 408-4071.

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Lukesh also works as a communications assistant for the university relations office, serving as a campus reporter and writer.

William Taylor, a junior

telecommunications major from Oradell, N.J., was chosen from a pool of 400 applicants to work as a production assistant for the National Basketball Association (NBA).

Taylor's main focus was the show "Inside Stuff." He assisted producers by packaging video clips, obtaining player information and packaging player highlight shots.

Taylor also had the opportunity to be part of the field crew production and covered three Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) games.

His coverage of one game aired nationally.

"I learned so many real world skills that I brought back to Wilkes that I can now teach to others." Working on a nationally-televised show, I had a specific job to do and I was expected to do that job well," said Taylor.

Taylor directs three programs at the Wilkes Shelburne television studio including "The Colonel's Edge," "Colonel's Corner" and "Wilkes Today."

Taylor is a recipient of the Wilkes Achievement Scholarship and a member of the football team.

Police blotter...

Here are some incidents that occurred right here in Wilkes-Barre:



• Between September 19 and 26, 1998, criminal mischief occurred at an unknown time at 226 South Washington Street. An unknown person(s) slashed the soft top roof of the victim's 1993 Geo Tracker.

• On September 24, 1998 into September 25, 1998, a theft occurred between 9 p.m. and 7:50 a.m. at 1018 Scott Street. An unknown person(s) entered victim's 1990 Buick Century and removed a purse.

• On September 25, 1998, a burglary occurred at an unknown time at 290 South Pennsylvania Avenue. An unknown person(s) gained entry to the above location and removed a PCK computer and a color printer. The stolen value was \$2609.

• On September 25, 1998, a burglary occurred between 1:30 a.m. and 5:45 a.m. on 226 East Northampton Street. An unknown person(s) gained entry to above location and broke into a jukebox. An undetermined

amount of money was taken.

• On September 26, 1998, a theft occurred between 12:01 a.m. and 1:58 p.m. at 406 Scott Street. An unknown person(s) removed a Pa. registration plate, XF71669, from the victim's boat trailer.

• On September 26, 1998 into September 27, 1998, criminal mischief occurred between 5:30 p.m. and 10:10 a.m. at 152 Matson Avenue. An unknown person(s) poured an unknown type liquid on victim's car damaging the paint and stripping.

• On September 26, 1998 into September 27, 1998, a burglary occurred between 10:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. at 227 Stucker Avenue. An unknown person(s) entered the victim's residence and removed a purse containing approximately \$100.

• On September 26, 1998 into September 27, 1998, criminal mischief occurred between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. at 68 Gildersleeve Street. An unknown person(s) smashed a window at the above

location.

• On September 27, 1998, a theft occurred between 12 a.m. and 7 a.m. at Bennett Place. An unknown person(s) smashed the passenger side window on the victim's 1986 Volkswagen and removed approximately 100 compact discs and \$5 in loose change. The stolen value was \$1205.

• On September 27, 1998 into September 28, 1998, criminal mischief occurred at an unknown time at North Pennsylvania Avenue and East Market Street. An unknown person(s) entered the victim's 1985 Plymouth Turismo and damaged the glove box and removed several spark plug wires.

• On September 29, 1998, criminal mischief occurred at 12:30 a.m. at 328 North Empire Street. An unknown person(s) threw a bicycle through the victim's sliding door window.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS:

The Beacon is currently looking for writers to write about news related issues on campus. We are also looking for any newsworthy story ideas that pertain to the Wilkes community. If you are interested please call The Beacon office at Ext. 5903 or stop in for our general staff meeting on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. You can also e-mail us at: beacon@wilkes1.wilkes.edu

"The Time of Your Life"

By ALYSSA KASLAVAGE
Beacon News Editor

The Wilkes Theater department will be performing "The Time of Your Life" this weekend at the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

The play was originally performed in 1939 on Broadway in New York City. The original play cast Eddie Dowling as Joe and Gene Kelly as Harry.

San Francisco is the setting for this performance. The era portrayed is the period between the Great Depression and World War II.

"This play has some of the most interesting characters I have ever seen portrayed," said Rachel Bouman, junior, who plays the character Elsie.

Adam Hill is the play's director. "He has an amazing coaching style. I followed Adam to Wilkes from California. I was a psychology major

originally, but once I saw Adam's technique when he worked with my brother, I was won over," said Sean Bexton, senior, who plays the character Tom.

The story is based on Joe, played by Robb Brown, who is searching for a reason to keep living. He feels that by helping others, he will therefore help himself.

Joe does find a friend, champagne. The bubbles give it life, therefore, by drinking the champagne the bubbles will give life to Joe.

The cast of "The Time of Your Life" has been rehearsing for approximately one month.

The play, written by William Saroyan, will be performed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and a matinee performance will be held on Sunday at 2 p.m.

Cost of admission is \$10 for the general public and \$5 for senior citizens and students.

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Opinion

Letters to the Editor

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We have agencies that warn us of impending danger from hurricanes, earthquakes and other "natural" disasters. Thousands of lives and billions of property damage dollars are saved each year by these warning systems. Ignoring these warnings can result in physical injury or even the loss of life.

This penalty, however, may be much less severe than the penalty or consequences of ignoring the guidance and warnings in our creator's "Book of the Living Word." Let us now consider one warning that has a very broad application potential and the possible penalty of one losing both the physical and spiritual life.

It is found in Gal. 6:7 "Do not be deceived! God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit will, from the Spirit will reap eternal life."

I will now apply this Scriptural warning and instruction guideline to four serious contributing causes of our plunge into almost total apostasy.

A. Is a minister sowing to the Spirit when he does not warn his audience of the "wolves" in today's world such as commercial TV, radio, movies and many others that are "herding" many Christians through the wide gate to destruction.

B. Is a minister sowing to the Spirit when he uses lies and deception to convince blind followers that they are "robbing God" if they do not give the church 10% of their income? Is he not more sinful than each of the "den of thieves" our Lord rebuked? For he is also contributing to the nullifying of the benefits of grace under the New Covenant.

C. Is a minister sowing to the Spirit when he uses deception-which can only be of Satan, to convince his audience that Christmas and Easter are Christian holy days and that they should be observe or celebrate them as such? Can he claim to be a "preacher of righteousness" when Apostle Paul instructed his pastoral student Timothy "to have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives tales?"

D. Is a parent sowing in the Spirit when he trains a child in the way he should not go? An absurd question? Yes, but tens of millions of parents are blindly following the blind leaders in most of the churches today. They are making themselves and their children into victims in one of the most destructive snares that Satan ever devised-see our Lord's warning in Mat. 15:13-"If a blind man leads a blind man, both will fall into a pit."

Can I end this "hard message" with a message of hope? Yes, but much Scripture study, meditation and prayer must precede and accompany the journey to reach this blessing of hope. Across our nation a modern "exodus" is occurring.

True children of God are seeking an escape from the bondage of deep apostasy of many churches and are establishing home churches that exclude "hireling shepherds," tithing and other doctrines and practices not practiced in the First Church generation. Purity, love and holiness are emphasized.

The doctrines of the New Covenant Scriptures along with the divine guidance of the Holy Spirit is totally sufficient for one to return to God's perfect way to being one of the wise virgins with ample oil in her lamp. I pray that our Lord's love, peace and grace be your companion until we meet him in the sky!

Your brother in Christ, Raymont Senn

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Under the table and thinking with Matthew Sowcik

This week's article is about one of the most important organizations on campus. Although at times you may hear people say "Oh no your not one of them," or even say "it's too bad, it seems like we lost a good friend."

The truth of the matter is these individuals deserve a sense of respect from all of us. These gentlemen and ladies who make up this organization are often the one's who, at times do a thankless job only to be repaid by having to miss or are just plainly uninformed about the many fun things college students do.

Instead of being able to go out and celebrate a long hard week of schoolwork, they are in turn invited to deal with many different crisis' that may happen on campus. We all deal with these individuals and in one way or another, all of us have a great admiration for them.

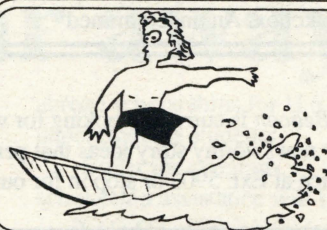
I realized in my two years here, being a Resident Assistant, RA, is an extremely difficult job that I believe very few people can handle and those who can have something special.

So, this week I am writing to try and offer a little advice to two RA's in particular, but to the organization as a whole. No matter what people may tell you remember two things:

First, remember these are the "best years of your life" and no responsibility or person can take that away from you. Secondly, the only one who can ever truly decide if you are doing a good job is yourself. Nobody is going to be there to yell if you decide not to deal with the student.

So my point is to do the job for the reason you applied and because you are the best person for it. My other point, which was inspired by the *Dave Matthews Band* is whatever you do decide to do "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die."

I want to end this by thanking the individuals in this organization for all they have done to better Wilkes, but more importantly for being the friends they are to so many of us.



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Editorial

Are you scared of the dark?

An editorial

In case you aren't aware of the crimes which have been occurring both on and off campus, here is some information which may shock you. It seems that living and studying on the Wilkes campus is not as safe as we, the students, would like it to be. In fact many of us tend to take our safety and security for granted. It is important that everyone, students, faculty and staff, both male and female, take the proper precautions for personal safety.

Many priority notifications have been issued, based on the break-ins, trespassing issues and muggings which have occurred both on the Wilkes campus and in the neighboring off-campus housing. Since the community has been notified, it is now important for everyone to become aware.

There are many different options available to secure safety on and off campus. When walking, anytime of the day or night, it is important to be alert of your surroundings. It is also a good idea to carry mace, but remember it is considered a lethal weapon, so when using it make sure you have read the instructions.

Wilkes security also offers an escort service. Security will escort any Wilkes student to any location on campus. They will also escort students to off campus residents up to approximately three blocks. The escort service is in effect everyday after 6 p.m. If you are planning on walking to and from your house or class it is important that you walk in groups of three or more people.

It is important to be careful at all times, but especially when it is dark. Between night classes, working and "going out" all of us are on the streets in the black of night. The escort service is offered as a convenience to Wilkes students, take advantage of this safety program.

Another safety program that is offered at Wilkes is "Safe Ride." "Safe Ride" transports students from local bars, by taxi, to their residence, free of charge. So, for those of you who are of the legal age to consume alcohol, don't drink and drive. It is better to utilize this service, than endanger your life and the lives of others.

Another important aspect of personal safety is keeping your doors and windows locked in your residence. You should keep them locked while you are out and more importantly when you are home. Also, if you are a resident in one of the on campus venues, do not prop your doors open. Because of the burglaries near campus, it is better to be safe than sorry.

Remember, safety does not pertain only to women, men are just as susceptible to crime as women. Everyone has to take the precautions necessary to ensure personal safety. Be safe, live long and everything will be just fine.

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A public service message provided by SAWE (Suicide Awareness/Voices of Education)

Multicultural Awareness Week

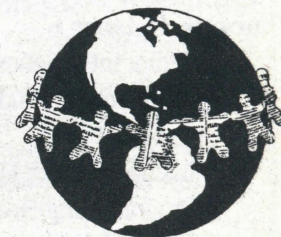
A week full of info and options sponsored by the MSC

"Introduction to Islam"

Find out facts of this much misunderstood religion. A talk by

Wilkes student Harris Ahmad.

Monday, October 5, 5 p.m. in COB 107



"Reflections on Africa"

Dr. James Merryman, director, international studies, talks of his recent trip at the time of the bombing in Kenya.

Tuesday, October 6, 11 a.m. in COB 107

METAMORPHOSIS

Intervention Theatre presents "Strange Like Me" an interactive performance on differences.

Tuesday, October 6, 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Theater

"Roundtable Discussion"

Feel left out? Want to be heard? Trying to figure things out? Come to the table as an equal and discuss issues of inclusion.

Wednesday, October 7, 3:30 p.m. in Marts 213

Women's Studies Student Group Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 1

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Schiowitz Lounge

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Schedule of Events

Thursday, October 1

- Senior information forms due to Amnicola
- Multicultural Student Coalition Meeting, Alumni House, 11 a.m.
- Inter-Residence Hall Council, SUB basement, 11 a.m.
- Programming Board Meeting, COB 106, 11:30 a.m.
- Weight Management Group Meeting, Health Services Waiting Room, 12 p.m.
- Student AIDS Awareness Meeting, COB 209, 12 p.m.
- "The Time of Your Life," Center for Performing Arts, 8 p.m.

Friday, October 2

- "Time of Your Life," Center for Performing Arts, 8 p.m.
- "The Truman Show," SLC 101, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 3

- Football fan bus to Lebanon Valley College, Marts Center, 10 a.m.
- "Time of Your Life," Center for Performing Arts, 8 p.m.

Sunday, October 4

- "Time of Your Life," Center for Performing Arts, 2 p.m.

Monday, October 5

- "Introduction to Islam," COB 107, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 6

- The Beacon*, general meeting, *The Beacon* office, 11 a.m.
- Off-Campus Council Meeting, SUB Basement, 11 a.m.
- "Reflections on Africa," COB 107, 11 a.m.
- Commuter Council Meeting, SUB Basement, 12:15 p.m.
- Circle K Meeting, Alumni House, 5:30 p.m.
- Metamorphosis, DDD theater, 7 p.m.
- Amnicola Editor's Meeting, Chase Hall, 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 7

- Roundtable Discussion, Marts 213, 3:30 p.m.
- "Talk it Out," Alumni House, 5-6 p.m.
- Student Government Meeting, Marts 214, 6:30 p.m.
- Scripture Study, Alumni House, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Martial Arts Club Meeting, Wrestling Room, 6:45 p.m.

Study Abroad Fair

Stark Learning Center, lobby

Talk with study abroad representatives!

Thursday, October 8, 1998
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Learn about living and studying in a foreign country for a summer, a semester or a year. Internships for academic credit are also available.

For more information contact
Dr. Karpinich, study abroad coordinator, Ext. 4524

Volunteer Services/Campus Interfaith

Wilkes walks for local charities

By: GREG COLLINS

Wilkes University students and faculty will be taking part in several walks to benefit charities over the next two weekends.

On Sunday, October 4, a few members of the Wilkes community will be participating in America's Walk for Diabetes. The walk begins at Grotto Pizza in Harvey's Lake at 9 a.m. Also, on October 4, students will be taking part in the Memory Walk for Alzheimer's at Kirby Park, in Wilkes-Barre, at 10 a.m.

The following Sunday, October 11, students and faculty will walk to fight hunger with the Crop Walk. The walk leaves from Kirby Park at 1 p.m.

Mike Figueirido, a member of the Student Community Service Council (SCSC), said, "We have a number of people lined up to walk, but more would definitely be welcome."

The SCSC also organizes many other volunteer services. Youth tutoring, Adopt-a-Grandparent and Habitat for Humanity are just some of the ongoing activities. Anyone who is interested in getting involved with the walks or other events should contact Mary Hession at extension 5904.

Student Government

Building for the future

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Freshmen Election Results:

President- Mark Gunkel
Vice President- Brandee Richardson
Treasurer- Jaya Nemani
Secretary- Puja Bhowmick
Representatives-
 Adam Araujo
 John Bosha
 Beth Danner
 Adeline Groblewski
 Brittany Richardson
 Kristin Yarrish

Fan Bus

Saturday's football fan bus for Lebanon Valley leaves from the Marts Center at 10 a.m. It's FREE, come out and support the Colonels!!

Tired of going out and partying every night? Stop down and visit *Rumours* for a nice relaxing evening. Open every Sunday-Thursday night 8-11 p.m. and now during club hours, Tuesday & Thursday 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Student government holds their meetings every Wednesday night @ 6:30 p.m. in Marts 214. The meetings are open to all students, feel free to attend or stop by the student government office located on the third floor of Conyngham Hall.

Information compiled by Jeff Reichl

Homecoming Tickets!!

Homecoming tickets are now on sale!

Tickets on sale Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in SLC lobby and 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the cafe. Last day to buy tickets is October 26. Tickets are \$20 each. The dinner dance is Friday, October 30 at Genetti's.

Lif Surviv

By MEL MOYER
Beacon Staff Writer

Many of us spend the summer at the pool and at the beach. Very few have had the opportunity to form, train for a camp.

Cadet College junior Wilkes AF had surgery performed two months prior to camp.

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Surviving AFROTC Boot Camp

By MEL MOYER
Beacon Staff Writer

Many of us spend our summers by the pool and at the beach but very few have had surgery performed, train for and attend boot camp.

Cadet Colleen Pastewait, a junior Wilkes AFROTC student, had surgery performed on her foot two months prior to attending boot camp.

"Camp is not something anyone would want to go through...and by the time you get there it takes a certain mental strength to stay," Pastewait said.

According to Pastewait while at boot camp your day would begin at 4:30 a.m. and by the time your eyes peeled open someone was yelling at you until you fell asleep that night.

She also stated that you couldn't just walk into a four-week camp. This is an event that you must train for. Since Pastewait's foot was operated on in May of '98, her training time was decreased to one month, which significantly decreased the usual amount of time a cadet would spend preparing for such a task.

In preparation for camp she was to do weight training, push-ups, sit-ups and run as best she could with the nagging pain in her foot. Pastewait said the pain continued to bother her throughout camp, especially during the 1.5 mile run that is a required test in the first few days of camp.

Pastewait flew through the test in 12 minutes and 30 seconds, which is strikingly better than the 14 minutes and 25 seconds allotted for the course.

Pastewait also scored 437 points

out of 500 on the overall physical fitness tests. This is a phenomenal score because most of the cadets barely break or come close to 400 points, while Pastewait surpassed that mark easily.

For all of Pastewait's efforts and hard work she was presented with two awards at the end of August. First, she was given the Athletic Award for ranking in the top 10% of all the 250 cadets that attended the camp.

Secondly, she was presented with the superior performance award. To achieve this award a cadet must rank in the top 20% of the 250 participants in the categories of leadership, fitness, fellowship and the ability to handle stress.

Pastewait also received the American Legion Award for scholarly excellence along with eight other prestigious awards last March.

Successful career planning

By ANGELINA CARDOSO
Beacon Staff Writer

Wilkes Alumni Tania Karpinich, of Shavertown, Pa., recently joined the 99% of her classmates who were successfully placed into employment or graduate school within six months after graduation.

Karpinich accepted the position of sales, marketing and public relations coordinator for the Lion Brewery.

"At Wilkes the opportunity is there if you have the motivation and the willingness to work hard.

"The various organizations, classroom experience and extracurricular activities Wilkes offers helps students develop a certain pride and confidence in themselves," said Karpinich.

Karpinich did just that, she was motivated and willing enough to get an internship with the Lion Brewery in her final semester at Wilkes.

An excellent resource Wilkes has is the career planning office. This office provides help for any student looking for a job.

The planning should begin in the first year of college. A student should take personal responsibility for finding a career which suits them and set guidelines to meet this goal.

A good way for students to



Photo courtesy of University Relations

Tania Karpinich, one of Wilkes University's successful graduates.

to identify the skills needed. Then find the extracurricular activities that will aid in the development of those skills.

By planning a course of action, students can also arrange to work in the career field of choice over the summer or during breaks.

An internship not only expands your mind but also reassures that you are in the right career field.

Junior year,

set these guidelines is to examine their personal skills, interests and values that each may wish to develop.

An important course one can enroll in is Education 150- Life/Career Planning. This will only help a student take a step in the right direction toward his/her long time career goal.

During the second year college students need to begin drawing together their first year exploration efforts to form tentative career plans.

A way students can direct themselves in the right direction is

the decision whether graduate school or a career is for you should be decided.

This year is for building career skills. Students can do this through many of the various workshops that are offered through the career planning office at Wilkes.

Re-examine your career choice and make sure your interests are compatible with the courses you took and the activities you are involved in.

You need to, if you have not already, build a resume and begin the application process.

Students find that fun learning conquers boredom; young entrepreneurs bring life to tough subjects using videos

FALLS CHURCH, Va.- Hundreds of thousands of students are looking for another way to battle boredom and conquer the urge to oversleep through their important classes, according to a 1998 survey conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute and the American Council on Education.

A dynamic young company offers a learning solution for students for the 1998-99 school year by teaching high school and college level material on video, using humor and enthusiasm as the foundation to convey complex concepts.

The expanding 48-title *Standard Deviants* video series breaks down subjects ranging from accounting to Spanish into an easy-to-understand format.

"These videos present material in a novel format, using the amazing power of laughter while maintaining the integrity and importance of the subject matter," says Cerebellum Co-President Chip Paucek.

Subjects like economics and organic chemistry, often dry in the classroom, come to life on the award-winning *Standard Deviants* series with offbeat skits, clever mnemonic devices and state-of-the-art-graphics. Personalities like Dr. Ruth Westheimer and Don Most (of "Happy Days" fame) also appear in the tapes and help make the material more approachable.

Hundreds of educators nationwide recommend that their students use the *Standard Deviants* series for review or exam preparation and some show the videos in class.

At \$19.99, the two-hour videos are far cheaper than hiring a personal tutor and are easier to squeeze into an already tight study schedule. The tapes have also won 15 Telly Awards (the non-broadcast equivalent of the Emmy) for Best Educational Video.

"While reminiscing about college one night, a friend and I wondered how we could bottle all the great qualities of our favorite professors," Paucek said.

Multimedia, and more specifically, "Videos were the obvious answer and we were stunned to find out that no one had done it before," Paucek said.

The tapes are available at 3,000 retail outlets nationwide, including Follett College Stores and Barnes & Nobles College Stores and also popular chains like Borders Books & Music, Store of Knowledge and Hastings.

This fall, Cerebellum will also be launching the *No-Brainers*, the first comprehensive, practical how-to video series for the mass market. Utilizing the same whimsical approach to teaching as its flagship series, *No-Brainers* subjects will include using the Internet, buying a new car, quick and easy cooking, dating with Dr. John Gray, and writing a resume, among many others.

If you are interested in reviewing a copy of Cerebellum's videos, call (703) 848-0856. More information is also available at www.cerebellum.com.

When that last year comes around you should have made a clear decision on what you want to do, graduate school or enter the work force.

This is the year in which your life can make a drastic change. Revising and refining your final resume and completing the application process are key steps at this time.

Improving your interviewing skills is key. By mid-year the interview process should begin and you should be well on your way.

With Wilkes on your side and the excellent resources offered you too can be a part of that 99%, like Tania Karpinich.

A year by year look at career planning

Freshman- find a career that suits you, set guidelines to meet this goal

Sophomore- draw together efforts to form tentative plans

Junior- graduate school or work? build career skills

Senior- have a clear decision, revise and complete your resume, complete the application process, refine interviewing skills, begin interview process

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Critic's Corner
with Dan Lavelle
"Urban Legends"

Hello fellow movie viewers. Well, we're just about one month away from Halloween. I thought it would be appropriate to go and see a horror film. I do prefer a good scary movie once in a while, something so terrifying that it would make me jump out of my seat. The film which caught my interest was "Urban Legends."

In the film, a serial killer is terrorizing a college campus. The murders are based on urban legends. You know, the stories you used to tell at summer camp.

Some examples include, a killer hiding in the backseat of a car, how mixing pop rocks in soda will make you explode and even trying to dry your dog off in the microwave. It seemed like a good idea for a horror film, but it had me screaming...for my money back!

Although the beginning and middle of the film seemed to have a nice flow, when the end came around, things just fell apart. It felt like the writers were in a hurry to finish the script and jumbled up the storyline in the process. I felt dizzy just watching it.

Don't expect any big names in this film. The only person I knew was Robert Englund, a.k.a "Freddy Kruger".

Although he had a small part, he does have the potential to be a good actor. One thing I noticed is that he can only get parts in horror films. I can't help but feel sorry for the guy.

In conclusion, I am giving this film **ONE STAR**. Don't expect this to become a classic. It is mainly a teeny-bopper-slasher film with a very bad ending. Avoid it as best as you can.



ALIGNING THE PLANETS
WITH
MADAME ZELDA

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) This week is great for business deals. Working with others will open new doors of success for you.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) This is your week for hot-headed debates. Remember, you don't know as much as you think and things will ease by the start of the weekend.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Get your mind back in the work mode. Your slacking off period is over and it is time to crack down on the important stuff.

Leo (July 22 - August 22) Your week starts off kind of slow but by the end of the week you will have a surprise romance awaiting you, so be prepared.

Virgo (August 23) - This is your week to relax at home. You have been running around for the past couple of weeks. Take time to slow life down.

Libra (September 23 - October 23) Watch your spending this week. You need to start saving the bucks for something important that is not too far ahead.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 21) Opportunities only knock once. Don't think twice this week. Act on your instinct and don't hold back because you will miss out.

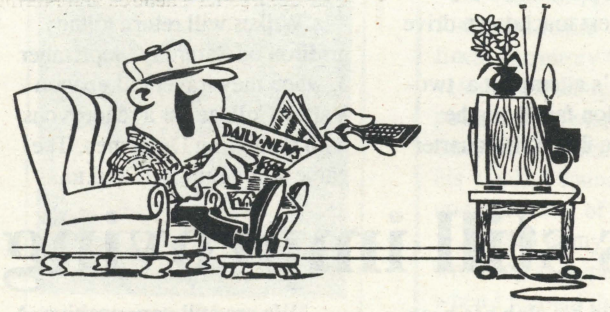
Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) Stay optimistic this week. Set goals for the weekend and you will be happy with what you accomplish.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19) Put others before yourself this week. They will repay you for your kindness.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) Others are watching you closely this week. Don't let the stress get you all worked up. Just be yourself and things will settle themselves.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20) You're on a roll this week. Push yourself past your normal limits and you will find that success comes easy.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) You will find yourself going through all sorts of challenging situations this week. Don't worry. The overall outcome will be positive. Just sit tight and be patient.



TV Timeout
with Derek Bleiler

Bad TV will rot your brain.

Jerry Springer, Sally Jesse, Jenny Jones and Ricki Lake are just some of the talk shows that grace the air waves on today's televisions. Most of these shows are pointless and most of the time aren't even fun to watch, but there are always exceptions to the rule.

Jenny Jones and Ricki Lake can just be put into the same category. These two talk shows always seem to end up having their show on the same topic, either overweight people, the popular, "I was a geek then, but baby look at me now!!" or my favorite, "Teen Makeover." No matter when I turn on either one of these programs it is one of these three subjects.

By the way, the show is never ever any fun to watch. The best part of these two garbage shows is some stupid bands we never heard of out dancing the jig, just wasting even more show time.

Sally Jesse is in a world by herself. Her show has been on the air for, I don't know, one hundred years and she always had those terrible glasses.

Now Sally has a great knack for making people cry. Anytime I am flipping through the channels and I stop on the Sally Jesse show, there is always somebody crying. Her show is not as bad as the aforementioned programs, but it is still not fun to watch, in fact it is just painful to view.

Jerry Springer is one of the most popular television shows at Wilkes University. All the fights and curse words make the show fun to watch and Springer at least has different topics every now and then.

Now you do get the frequent, "You stole my man" or "I am really a man" but they are still funny. The thing about his show is if you've seen one, then you've seen them all. Every show has a fight and hicks yelling at each other. At least it is better than freaky teenagers getting a stupid makeover.

Now not every show is like the ones that I have talked about but most are. Oprah and Montel are some of the different type of shows that are out there; they often have famous guests.

So if you are sitting around and have nothing to do, don't watch any of the talk shows out there. I am sure that you can find something else better on the boob tube.

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Sports

Football blows away Devils

By **ROBERT MORCOM, JR.**
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes University football team finally got the balanced scoring attack they were looking for this season.

The Colonels were running and passing the ball all over the field against the Jersey Devils of Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU)-Madison.

Senior quarterback Neil Rine threw for 291 yards and Mike Hankins had 72 yards on the ground as the Colonels defeated the Jersey Devils by a score of 26-14.

Wilkes got on the board early in the first quarter as they capitalized on an FDU-Madison botched punt attempt.

Hankins broke free on the first play of the drive after the turnover for a 13-yard touchdown scamper. Matt Diltz added the point after to give the Colonels an early 7-0 lead.

Until midway through the second half, the game appeared to be evenly matched. Then Wilkes broke free for another score when Rine marched his team 75 yards down the field and threw a 33-yard strike to sophomore receiver Ryan James for the touchdown.

Diltz's extra point was good once more giving the Colonels a

14-0 lead.

Wilkes would again add to their lead before the half, as they went on a six play, 80-yard scoring drive.

Hankins started things off as he trampled over people for a tough 20-yard gain. Next, Rine would connect with junior wide receiver Jason Phillips on two consecutive passes for another score, putting the Colonels ahead by a score of 20-0. A bad snap on the extra point prevented the Colonels from expanding their lead. Wilkes would take the 20 point lead into halftime, but they wouldn't stop there.

Wilkes came out of the lockerroom fired up and ready to do some more damage. They proved this by dominating the line of scrimmage in the third quarter.

To start the second half, Rine found James on a 40-yard pass play and then ended things by hitting James on a 16-yard scoring strike for his second of the game. The scoring drive went 10 plays for 87 yards. This marked the Colonels longest touchdown drive of the night.

The team's attempt at a two-point conversion failed, so the Colonels had a 26-0 third quarter lead.

FDU-Madison then put together a pair of scoring drives late in the contest against the Wilkes reserves. FDU-Madison scored on a 15 play, 80-yard drive that ended with a two-yard run by Julio Carigga. Place kicker Rick Dwyer added the point after to give the Devils momentum.

FDU-Madison added another score late in the fourth quarter ending the game 26-14 in favor of Wilkes.

Wilkes' defense was lead by senior linebacker Chris Shannon, who ended the game with a game-high nine tackles. Wilkes turned the tables on their opponent this week, allowing FDU-Madison to only two-yards rushing the whole game.

James was Rine's top target that evening as he hauled in four balls totaling 116 yards and two scores.

Hankins, who has not put up the numbers that Colonel fans are used to seeing from the junior tailback in previous years, ended with 72 yards on only 17 carries.

Wilkes will return to the gridiron on Saturday, September 3, when they travel to Lebanon Valley College for a rendezvous with the Flying Dutchmen. The game will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Lady Colonels still improving

By **MATT REITNOUR**
Beacon Staff Writer

Last week the Wilkes University Lady Colonels soccer team was all about winning their final 11 games of the season.

This week, the focus is on winning the next nine.

On September 24 the Lady Colonels exploded on the Eastern College Eagles and beat them 6-0. The Eagles came in 5-2 overall with both losses coming in overtime.

Wilkes knows too well about tough losses. With their 3-6 overall record, all six losses have come by one goal. On September 26 the blue and gold suffered another one goal set back in a 3-2 loss to Lycoming College in an Middle American Conference Freedom League battle.

But heads are still held high on coach Kevin Vrabel's squad. And the players know things are going to get better.

"Coach was proud of us all because we all gave real good efforts," said junior Alyson Joralemon.

Vrabel said his club has been playing extremely well at times. Mistakes that were made are quickly corrected to keep the team competitive on the field in every game.

"We've done a good job at addressing issues during the game," said Vrabel.

Changes are all around the Lady Colonel squad. Freshman Darby Wolfe is currently in the net for the squad and has done an outstanding job so far, with her goals against average at a minute 0.76.

With Wolfe's move to the cage, sophomore Donna Rothrock has helped the team in the field as Vrabel thought she would. In just two games seeing significant field time Rothrock has also netted two goals and four assists for eight overall points. This has occurred in only five games as an attacker.

Things are coming together for the Lady Colonels. Now they just need the wins to prove they are the quality soccer team that they would like to be viewed as.

"We are still very positive. A few wins and we'll be over the hump. That's all we really need now," said senior captain Laurie Labbe.

Wilkes will get a chance to get over that proverbial "hump" on October 1 when the club plays host to Marywood at 4 p.m.

Then Wilkes has two big Freedom League games with FDU-Madison on October 3 and Delaware Valley College at home on October 6.

Lady Colonel Kicks

Wilkes is lead by freshman goal scorer Larissa Giza, who has hit the back of the net five times in her first nine collegiate games.

The Lady Colonels are just 1-2 at home so far, but have fared well on the road with a record of two wins and three losses. With the clubs offensive explosion last week, the Lady Colonels have now outscored opponents 19-14 so far. The squad hopes to continue this output for their final eight regular season games.

Tennis falls again

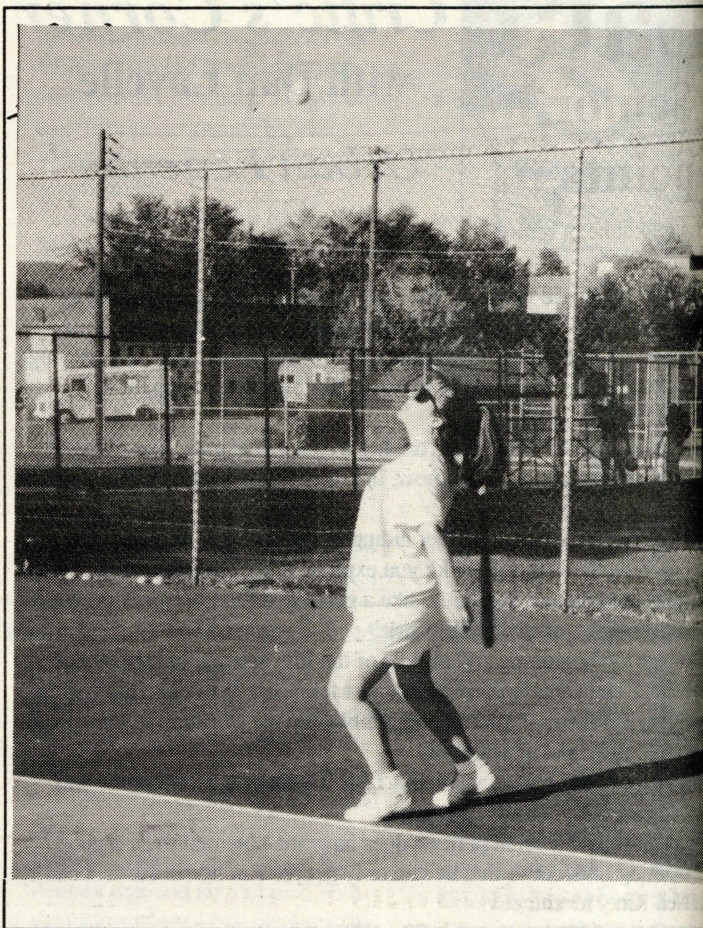


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Nicole Weiss serves up a winner against FDU-Madison at Ralston Field.

By **GREG COLLINS**
Beacon Staff Writer

While the women's tennis team dropped three matches this week, the Lady Colonels began showing progress.

Following a 9-0 loss to Lebanon Valley, Wilkes took a big step forward in Saturday's match versus FDU-Madison. The final score of 9-0 masked how close the match actually was. FDU-Madison took one, two, and three singles in straight sets.

Wilkes' Jozica Vodlan, however, battled to a third set in her singles match. Her opponent, Amanda Leiber, then hit a hot streak and took the match 6-2, 3-6, 6-2. Vodlan showed vast improvement from her previous matches, often placing her shots deep in the corners.

"I was more aggressive. I played it point by point," Vodlan explained.

In the remainder of the singles matches, Lori DeMarco lost 6-1, 6-2 to FDU-Madison's Erin Murphy, while Cathy Donlin dropped her match to Jessica Beachemin 7-5, 6-3.

Vildana Harba and Nicole Weiss took to the doubles court

and used effective teamwork to set up shots for each other. However, they dropped the match 8-6. Vodlan and DeMarco teamed up at number two doubles, losing the match 8-2. Their match was closer than the score showed, and so was the match at number three doubles.

Amee Mehta and Angie Cardoso lost 8-1, but seven of their games went to deuce, and several of them went to deuce more than once.

Wilkes followed the FDU-Madison match with a match against Scranton on Tuesday. Due to a late start, the match was suspended after the singles matches were finished with Scranton leading 6-0. Weiss stood out for the Colonels, fighting back from an early deficit to tie the match at one set a piece. However Scranton's Colleen Natrass responded to Weiss' surge, winning the match 6-4, 4-6, 6-1. Mehta and Cardoso also played well for Wilkes before succumbing to injuries.

The Lady Colonels will take on Lycoming College this afternoon at Ralston Field.

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Beacon Athletes of the Month

The Beacon Athletes of the Month is a decision-making process that has been implemented by this year's Beacon staff. The athletes considered for Athlete of the Month honor are recommended to the editorial staff by Beacon staff writers, editors, photographers and correspondents.

The ultimate decision of who earns the Athlete of the Month award is decided upon by Scott Veith, Beacon Sports Editor and the Wilkes University sports information department.

All statistics are courtesy of John Seitszinger, director, sports information.

Laurie Labbe: Soccer

Senior booter needs six more points to reach century mark

Laurie Labbe, a senior member of the women's soccer team, has been a steady contributor to the Lady Colonels this season. She has earned three goals and an assist through the squad's nine games in the month of September.

Although Labbe is not the top scorer on the team this season, she has earned the dubious distinction of being the school's all-time leader in goals, points and assists. Labbe's current point total for her career stands at 94. Three more goals will earn her the century mark.

Prior to this season, Labbe found herself tied for the lead in career goals with current Lady Colonels assistant coach Megan Haddad. Labbe has gone above and beyond the call of duty in the first half of the season by eclipsing all of the current career scoring marks.

Other females athletes that were considered for the Athlete of the Month for September include soccer players Donna Rothrock and Larissa Giza, field hockey standout Lisa Werkheiser and volleyball player Shanna Henninger.



Photo by J.J. Fadden

Laurie Labbe earned *The Beacon* female Athlete of the Month for September, 1998.

Neil Rine: Football

Senior slinger throws for 923 yards and 8 touchdowns in three games

Neil Rine, a senior quarterback for the Colonels football team has found receivers at an unprecedented rate this season. This accuracy and efficiency has earned Rine *The Beacon* male Athlete of the Month for September.

In the team's three contests in September, Rine amassed 923 passing yards and eight touchdowns.

In the Colonels opener, Rine broke his own school record by throwing for 382 yards against the Widener Pioneers.

Rine has overcome the arrival of an unfamiliar offensive coordinator, the departure of the school's all-time leading receiver for tight ends and the implementation of a brand new offense to throw touchdown passes to four different receivers. Three of Rine's touchdown catches had never previously scored a touchdown as Colonels.

Others receiving consideration for the male Athlete of the Month include football player Mark Hendry and soccer player Dave Reinert.

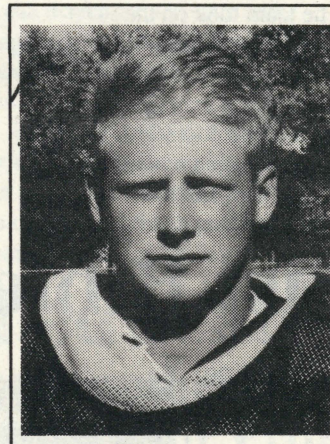


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Neil Rine earned *The Beacon* male Athlete of the Month for September, 1998.

That's what I say



with SCOTT VEITH

Nineteen hundred and ninety-eight has been the best year for baseball since Ted Williams and Joe DiMaggio put on hitting displays in 1941. Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa have excited so many people that baseball has received more attention this year than they have since the 1950's. Still, the eyes of teenagers and college students of the male persuasion have been glued to the images spit out of their television sets by professional wrestlers.

A Monday night stroll through any male dormitory on campus will earn an innocent traveler an earful of screams and cheers for overgrown actors pretending to be athletes. One could expect to hear terms such as "Degeneration-X" and "New World Order." These terms may mean absolutely nothing to the average passerby, but some loyal professional wrestling fans actually view these terms as symbols of loyalty.

Although baseball has been respected as "America's favorite pastime" for over a century, the kind and thoughtful people at the World Wrestling Federation (WWF) and World Championship Wrestling (WCW) would beg to differ. Not only does the time slot that these two organizations have been granted to air their quality programming compete with popular programs such as "Monday Night Football," and "Ally McBeal," it beats them in the ratings.

The people in Major League Baseball, in their wildest dreams, wouldn't even imagine competing with such programming. Many local broadcasting stations would not even consider airing their local team's game on Monday night.

As a stranger to the professional wrestling scene since the death of "Andre the Giant," I ventured into this terribly intimidating world for a few minutes to see just what all the noise was all about. Armed with the knowledge of the recent death of my all-time personal favorite wrestler, "The Junkyard Dog," I proceed with caution when I entered this forbidden realm. I tiptoed through the halls of Wilkes University's finest dormitory (Pickering Hall) and I stumbled upon a grizzled old veteran wrestling fan who explained the "ins and outs" of his favorite pastime. The man, best known in his own regard as "Stolp" kindly took the time to explain the phenomenon we call professional wrestling. In his words, I found many tips and pointers that aided in the understanding of such a complex and entertaining business.

Much to my chagrin, "Stolp" never referred to professional wrestling as a sport. Never before have I been so delighted as I was when I learned that this well-versed fanatic didn't mistake his favorite television characters for athletes. Although any viewer would clearly see that many of these professional wrestlers sport substantial athletic ability, these individuals are not athletes, and professional wrestling is not a sport. Some of the absent-minded viewers of these fiascoes have never even taken part in a serious game of wiffle ball and they wouldn't know a true athlete if they tripped over one. They to have the right to pass judgement on whomever they wish and they mistake these buffoons for athletes.

Much like Major League Baseball however, the businessmen involved in professional wrestling, including media mogul Ted Turner, have created divisions and allegiances. Perhaps coincidentally, the expansion of Major League Baseball to a six division format was followed by division among the professional wrestling organizations. These people have gone even further with their divisions by creating divisions among their allegiances including something that is known as the Black and White division and the Black and Red Division. These two divisions are part of an allegiance known as "New World Order" which is part of WCW. So, in actuality, professional wrestling is more complex (obviously), and possibly more entertaining than baseball.

Wilkes sophomore Keith Bader said, "It's not like the old school wrestling. That stuff was too low budget. I know it's all fake, but it's still cool."

Bill Rowe, another Wilkes sophomore basically summed up the whole scene of professional wrestling by saying, "It's like a soap opera for guys."

If the whole world of wrestling fans had similar attitudes to that of Rowe, the world would be a better place. Unfortunately, some people can't see the world of entertainment for what it really is and they insist on assuming that these people are actually athletes.

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Sports

Men trounce Centaurs, get physical with Devils

By JOHN MURPHY
Beacon Staff Writer

Last week, Phil Wingert, the head coach of the men's soccer team, stated that he felt the defense needed to help lower the number of goals allowed. The Colonels certainly showed their ability to do that this week.

Wilkes traveled to Allentown for their second Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League showdown.

The Colonels went into this game feeling it was a must win situation.

After taking an early lead, thanks to a goal by sophomore, Lucas Markelon. Wilkes' defense held off Allentown's offensive attacks throughout the first half. Going into half time, Wilkes held a 1-0 lead.

In the second half, the Colonels continued their offensive domination. Their constant pressure paid off again with 15:15 left in the game when Matt Jagursak footed one past Allentown goalie, with an assist going to freshman, Matt Bieber.

Melvin Moyer's goal

hammered the final nail in Allentown's coffin with 9:20 left in the game, assists going to Jeff Steelman and Kyle Mastellar. This sealed Allentown's fate as the game ended 3-0. This was the Colonels first shutout of the season.

Coach Wingert said he was pleased with the way the team played and complemented the relief players for picking up the play after they came in, which resulted in the scoring of the final two goals.

On September 26, the Colonels beat Albright College. In the past several meetings between these two teams Albright has been the dominating force. This was not so this time, as the Colonels took it to Albright throughout the entire match.

During the first half Wilkes kept the pressure on, but could not manage to convert any of their shots. At halftime the score was tied at zero.

Things looked to be turning sour early in the second half, as Albright put one past goalie Seth Nye. This seemed to be what the Wilkes offense needed to get themselves fired up, as the Colonels came back to score four

unanswered goals. The first coming with 20:18 remaining in the game, as Jarred Max got the ball on a breakaway and managed to place it in the net. Assists came from Tim Seymour and Bill Smith.

Dave Reinert scored another with an assist going to Max. Less than two minutes later, Max and Seymour both picked up another assist on the goal scored by Jagursak. The Colonels weren't through with the defense of Albright.

Bill Schneider made sure of another one on the board for Wilkes with 3:50 remaining in the game. Albright could not manage to comeback in the final minutes, ending the game with a 4-1 victory for Wilkes.

The team took on the FDU-Madison Jersey Devils. After only 1:58 had expired in this game, Lucas Markelon managed to score a goal on a corner kick. This was the only goal managed by either team throughout the game.

The match began to get violent

after Markelon's tally. Two yellow cards were issued in the first half for intentional contact. Through all this, Wilkes managed to keep the offensive threat throughout most of the first half. This was mainly due to solid play of the Colonel defense

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-Charles Dunn

that stopped several offensive attacks by FDU-Madison and slowed their momentum.

Nye also made several important saves which helped keep the Colonels in the lead. Even though Wilkes had placed several good shots on goal, the Devils keeper stopped them all.

Wilkes took charge of the ball in the beginning of the second half when Seymour took off on a breakaway only to nail the cross bar on an otherwise good shot.

But the rough play from FDU-

Madison would continue.

Dave Richardson from the Devils was penalized with a yellow card with about 36:00 remaining. His play would continue to get rougher throughout the final half.

With about 30 minutes remaining the Devils started an impressive drive toward the goal, which was saved by Nye.

This started a shift in offensive power, as the Devils began to work their way past the tired Wilkes players. Then with about 26:00 minutes left the Devils charged the goal once more. Hammering the shot at the goalkeeper, the ball bounced loose and was luckily cleared by the defense.

A Devil took a swing at Seymour. This swing went unnoticed by the officials.

The Devils played with all they could muster until the last seconds of the game, ending the game on an offensive drive.

In the end, both the players and the coach agreed, it was an ugly game.

"It was a tough match, they came at us and played hard. We got an early goal, even though it wasn't pretty," said senior Charles Dunn.

Volleyball falls to Baptist Bible and FDU-Madison

By SCOTT VEITH
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University Lady Colonels volleyball team has struggled throughout the course of the season, but have managed to pull through with victories in key situations. In their home opener against Baptist Bible College on September 12, the Lady Colonels fell in three consecutive matches by scores of 15-3, 15-13 and 15-13.

In this contest, the Lady Colonels were led by Carin Smurl and Shanna Henninger. This match marked the team's second loss to Baptist Bible College this season.

Smurl and Henninger, the team's most stable contributors throughout the course of the season, each had impressive statistics in the

match. Smurl registered 10 kills to lead the squad. Henninger was the team's top scorer, coming up with nine service points.

The team also dropped a heartbreaking match to Fairleigh Dickinson University-Madison on Wednesday, September 23, in a Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League game. This contest was the longest match of the season. The match took five games to decide a winner.

Wilkes freshman Courtney Tindal of State College, Pennsylvania led the Lady Colonels with 29 assists and 21 service points.

Fellow freshman Deanna Roulinavage, a Wilkes-Barre native, contributed to the Lady Colonel attack with 18 assists. Smurl and Henninger again led the squad

offensively with 20 points between them.

Also contributing to the Lady Colonel efforts was freshman outside hitter Mandy Kehler who recorded nine kills in her most productive effort of her career.

The Lady Colonels also dropped a match to Allentown College in a Freedom League match on September 29.

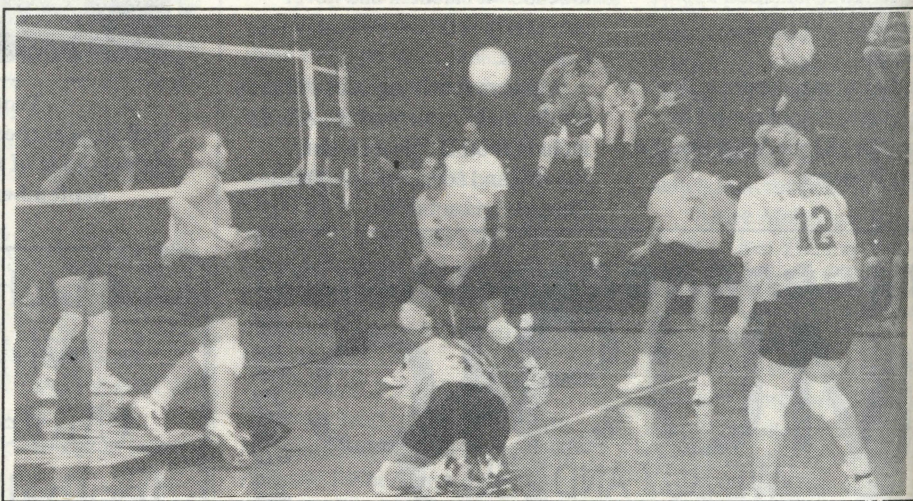


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The Lady Colonels have struggled their way to a 3-8 record overall and an 0-3 record in the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League.

October 1

- * Womens Tennis vs. Lycoming, 4:00 p.m.
- * Womens Soccer vs. Marywood, 4:00 p.m.

October 3

- *Volleyball @ Dickinson W/ Albright, 11:00 a.m.
- *Football @ Lebanon Valley, 1:30 p.m.
- *Womens Soccer @ FDU-Madison, 1:00 p.m.

October 4

- *Field Hockey @ Juniata, 1:00 p.m.
- *Mens Soccer vs. Elmira, 2:00 p.m.

October 5

- *Volleyball vs. Misericordia, 7:30 p.m.

October 6

- *Field Hockey @ King's, 4:00 p.m.
- *Womens Soccer vs. Delaware Valley, 4:00 p.m.

October 7

- *Mens Soccer @ Baptist Bible, 4:00 p.m.
- *Volleyball vs. King's, 7:00 p.m.
- *Tennis @ Allentown, 3:00 p.m.

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