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Assault count reaches six

By JEFF WALSH
Beacon News Editor

The recent attacks on Wilkes students have continued.

What had been three reported attacks is now six attacks. Five that took place on or near the Wilkes University campus, and one near the King's College campus.

At approximately 11 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, six young women were accosted off-campus.

Four Wilkes students, one King's College student, and one visitor to the Wilkes campus were followed for a short distance on South Street and then on to Barnum Place.

"They knew they were being followed," said Jane Lampe-Groh, Dean of Student Affairs. "One assailant threw a bottle at the kids. The bottle smashed and the kids started to run."

"They grabbed the King's kid, hit her with something and then stole her purse."

The students ran to 301 S. Franklin St., and called the police at 11:02 p.m. The police were on the scene at 11:03 p.m.

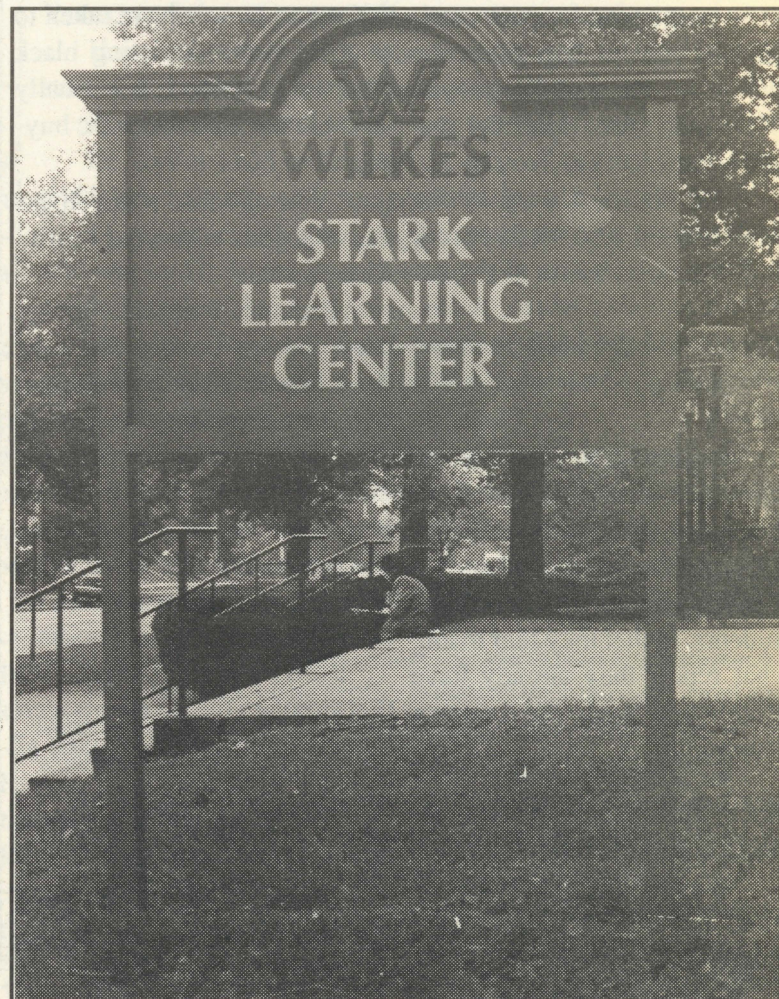
The King's student did not need to go to a hospital.

It is unknown whether or not the assailants were the same from the three previous reported attacks on the campus.

"The descriptions are different," said Lampe-Groh. "The assailants were shorter and perhaps younger."

The victims describe their assailants as two black males, 5'6" to 5'7" tall with a thin build. One was wearing a white B.U.M. T-shirt. The third assailant was a black female, approximately 5'2" tall, who had a ponytail and may have been wearing a dark baseball cap. All the assailants were otherwise dressed in dark clothing and believed to be in their mid to late teens.

The victims have stated that the assailants were not Wilkes (See Assault, Page 2)



ALONE AND VULNERABLE -- A student studies in front of the Stark Learning Center Wednesday. It is no longer safe for students to be alone after dark on campus.

Black students deal with case of mistaken identity

By JEFF WALSH
Beacon News Editor

The first campus attack occurred on Friday, September 4.

The next day, notices describing the assailants as several black males between 19 to 22 years old were placed on campus.

As the notices were being taped up, Wilkes University's black male students were still unaware that they would soon be looked upon as suspects by many of their peers.

"It's subconscious stereotyping," said Kermit Douglas, a junior studying Criminal Justice and Sociology. "As soon as you put the word 'black' in there, it's the first thing they thought."

All the students that were

attacked have said that their attackers were not Wilkes students.

Some black students feel
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Wilkes junior Kermit Douglas walks around the campus.

First student assaulted on campus tells his story

Ed. Note: The first student attacked on campus was a Beacon reporter. Here is his account of what happened.

Most of you may not know who I am, but as one of the victims of the recent assaults throughout the campus, I feel that I should tell the true story of what happened to me and how I feel about it.

"Walk together in groups in order to lessen the chance of being mugged." For most university students, this is a rule that is first taught at Student Orientation. However, most students probably just toss this rule aside thinking that it's not important. That's what I did, and I wish now I hadn't. Oh, this is Wilkes-Barre, not Philadelphia. Nothing could happen here, I

thought. Well, I was wrong. Something could and did happen.

September 4, 12:00 a.m. It was a typical Friday night. I was coming back from my friend's apartment on Mallery Place, and I was approaching the corner of Terrace Avenue. I was alone, but I had walked past this corner alone hundreds of times, and

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Homecoming balloon launch raises environmental concerns

By WENDY RAUGHLEY
Beacon Staff Writer

The student government balloon launch to be held at the Homecoming football game on October 10 may not be as much fun as it seems—especially for the environment.

According to Hetty Baiz, Director of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council's (PEC) Northeast Office at Wilkes, "What goes up must come down, and you can't control where the balloons land, it's like littering."

Balloon launching is not il-

legal in Pennsylvania, nor does it require a permit, but, according to Dr. Pindzola of the GeoEnvironmental Sciences Department at Wilkes, "It's frowned upon, and is not good practice."

The balloons will eventually disintegrate, depending on the type. According to Dr. Nejib, Dean of the School of Science and Engineering, a latex balloon will take about one year to biodegrade. As a helium balloon rises, the ultra-violet rays from

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that these incidents have put undue pressure on this campus.

"It's tragic, because the people doing these crimes don't realize the pressure it puts on the black community," said Michael King, also a junior studying Criminal Justice and Sociology. "The black students on campus try to be positive forces in society, and now we have someone look at us and wonder 'maybe they're the ones.' Half the students don't trust us."

King related a story of one black student who was wearing an X hat (which one of the assailants had also worn). A student spotted the black student, turned around, ran and called security.

"Incidents like that let us know people only look at our skin color and not as individuals," said Douglas.

The assaults worried black students, in that they fear losing what reprieve they already have established with the campus community.

One problem is that many black students wear similar clothing to that of the assailants.

"We all have X hats and T-shirts and B.U.M. Gear," Douglas said.

Both King and Douglas say they will continue to dress the same, regardless of the threat that some people might perceive them as the assailants. "We're going to be ourselves," said

Douglas. "And hopefully faculty and the entire student body will be behind us, instead of second-guessing us."

Another contradiction exists between what the assailants wear and what the assailants do.

"They deal in violence and wear paraphenalia of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King," said King.

Douglas, who works at a local clothing store, also relayed that many people have taken to wearing items depicting black civil rights leaders, but usually fail to know what they are buying.

"You shouldn't buy it because it goes with your outfit," Douglas said.

Rumors of vigilante groups cropping up on campus have been heard. This is something that concerns King, because he said "it wouldn't be just violence, but racial violence... (and) if someone's going to come and touch me, I'm not going to be Martin Luther King and turn the other cheek."

Both King and Douglas felt that although the assailants were black, that should not make all blacks into targets.

"We're all black, but we're all different. Don't look at skin color, look at us. Get to know us," said Douglas.

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University students and that the attack was not provoked.

The incident has prompted Wilkes officials to meet this past Sunday with Wilkes-Barre Mayor Lee Namey, King's College officials and the Wilkes-Barre Police Department.

"Sunday's meeting dealt with some of the issues as far as what the colleges and the city are going to do about this incident," said Mayor Namey.

"The cooperation has been excellent," Namey said. "I think everyone's doing well with a problem they don't like to see and I hope we can put a stop to it."

"The city is not only sharing this concern, but also shows they're actively involved in trying to help the problem," said Lampe-Groh.

Regardless of what measures the campus administration may take, much of the concern still rests on the shoulders of the students.

"I really think they have to be very careful about shortcuts," said Gerald Cookus, Security Chief. "They're better off keeping to the main streets, continuing to travel in groups and using the escort service. And they still have to use common sense."

Other methods are still being used by some students.

"I've been parking on Terrace Avenue and never been bothered," said Sophomore Eric Nelson. "Now, I carry my keys in my fingers in between each knuckle."

"With my girlfriend I'm concerned," said Freshman Ray Talipski. "I'm worrying for her safety, that's why I bought mace."

"I carry mace and I avoid walking alone, just the common sense things," said Junior Heather Petruzelli. "I have to come on campus at night and recently I've been avoiding it."

"I definitely don't think enough is being done," Petruzelli continued. "Maybe they're trying, but it seems something else can be done."

In an effort to hear from the campus community, bring them up to date and also hear their feedback, two meetings were held on campus.

During the two sessions, roughly 150 students listened to campus officials, and then voiced their concerns about the situation. The administration is taking the students' ideas into con-

sideration.

"Everything that was expressed is being looked into," said Mark Davis, Director of University Relations. "Security is always re-evaluated. It's never over with. That's why we started Operation Alert three years ago, when there were no problems."

Many students have taken extra precautions since the initial string of attacks were reported. 87 more Operation Alert alarms have been distributed since last Wednesday.

Until the assailants are caught, and the campus can return to its previous level of safety, the Wilkes-Barre Police Department will continue to patrol regularly and the campus security will still be out in greater numbers than before.

Now, many students are realizing that they are living within a medium-sized city, and that the problems that can take place in a city take place on campus. It is also the reason that the city police, detectives and King's officials are also involved.

"We're all in this together," said Davis. "We're a community."

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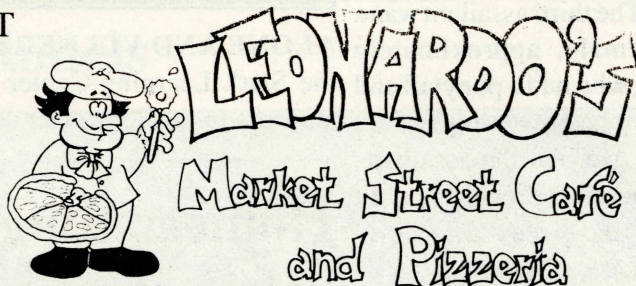
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Assault victim tells story

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nothing had happened. However, soon that would change.

Suddenly, three young black males in their 20s (They were not Wilkes students.) approached me. The male with a cast on his arm asked me if I had \$5 because he and his friends needed a taxi in order to get home. I told him that I had none, even though I did have \$10 in my wallet.

"Yeah, right!" his friend said. "He probably has more than \$5. He probably has \$10."

The third friend then joined in harassing me about how much money I had.

The male with the cast on his arm then said to me, "Hey, you've been drinking tonight. I can smell your breath, and I can tell you've been drinking. Well, I'm an undercover cop, and if you don't tell me whether you've been drinking or not, I'll have you arrested."

I had been drinking, but the guy did not flash any I.D. in front of me to prove that he in fact was an undercover cop. It was then that I started to fear for my life because he told me that if I didn't give him the money, he would hit me or do something worse.

However, I would soon find out that it wouldn't have mattered either way; I was still going to get hurt.

I pulled out my wallet, and proceeded to give him the money just so he would stop harassing me, when all of a sudden, I saw a fist come flying towards my face. I blacked out for 10 seconds, and when I came to, I realized that another fist was being directed towards the other side of my face.

I then dropped the wallet, and blacked out again. When I came to, I noticed that my wallet wasn't on the ground, and that the three black males had left.

Walking back to Evans, I noticed that my jaw was starting to feel sore. I realized that something had happened just a few minutes ago, but because I was drunk, I wasn't sure what. However, as I approached Evans Hall, I saw blood on my shirt and

I realized that something had happened just a few minutes ago ... I saw blood on my shirt and pants ... and I started putting the pieces together.

First assault victim

pants, and as I started putting the pieces together, I realized that I had been assaulted.

I went to the hospital that night, and the doctor told me that I had suffered a broken jaw and a fractured nose from the incident. He said that I would have to have my teeth wired shut for six weeks in order for it to heal. I would also have to be on a liquid diet for the six weeks that my wire was on.

A detective also came in that night, and I told him the same story I just told. I think it is important to mention the fact that these were not Wilkes students because I hear about how the black students are worried about what their peers will think. I think that it is unfortunate that they have to worry about this because I know for a fact that it was not students who attacked me, and I also think the other victims know that it was not students who attacked them.

I got out of the hospital on September 7, and began my long recovery which is still continuing right now. Fortunately for me, my pain has been more physical than psychological. However, not a day goes by when I don't think about the incident.

I also have a lot of "what if" questions going through my head like: What if I had not been drunk? Would I have seen the guys? and What if I fought back, what would have happened?

However, thinking about these questions has made me realize that it wouldn't have made any difference in the situation. I was just in the wrong place, at the wrong time, and it could have happened to anybody.

I hardly ever walk down that

street anymore, and if I do happen to go that way, I go by way of Academy. However, I don't have nightmares about the incident, which many people might have from a situation like this.

Since my attack, there have been three other similar attacks on other students. I sympathize a lot for these people, and hope that it's just a matter of time before the attackers are caught, and this whole problem is put to rest.

I don't know what's happening to Wilkes-Barre lately. I guess the real city life problems have finally come to Wilkes-Barre. Two or three years ago, I could have walked down that street alone, and nothing would have ever happened. Now I have a fear of walking down that street at all, even if I am with another person.

One thing I am going to do now is to carry mace. I urge students to do the same, so at least if you get attacked, you can maim your assailant for life. I am also going to take a self-defense class so if this ever happens again, I can feel confident to fight back. I am also going to carry Operation Alert, so I can alert security if I am in trouble.

Finally, from now on, if I go out at night at all, I am going to travel with five or six other people. I am never going to take the rule "Walk together in groups to remain safe" as a joke again. I also urge all students to take this rule seriously. Believe me, you don't want to find out the hard way that "Gee, I should have been walking with somebody down this street, or else I wouldn't have to have my jaw wired shut."

Exposing a gay myth

At one time, all people considered themselves to be "Bisexual" (A fairly recent term no older than the late 19th century).

People's lives cannot be separated from their myths, which are reflections of their lives. The myth cycle mirrors the life cycle. Sex and the supernatural are intertwined. Just listen to the Red Hot Chili Peppers' "Blood Sugar Sex Magik," which speaks of creating a state of sexual light and a union with the divine.

Carl Jung, a student of Freud, said that the mind, or psyche is intrinsically bisexual or twin-sexed. The gods and goddesses of the past were often veiled in the guises of the "opposite sex," such as the bearded Venus, the female Zeus and Dionysus in drag to name a few.

Here is a myth seldom related, which demonstrates how unrestricted the borders of sex and gender were in the past.

Zeus, the father of the Gods, was, in modern terms, horny.

He was inclined to have sexual relations with anything. Gods, goddesses, animals, etc. — the borders were, indeed, thin.

There was, according to the myth, a shepherd boy named Ganymede, who was said to be the most beautiful male mortal created. This boy caught the eye of Zeus' attraction.

One night, Ganymede was sleeping naked in the pasture among his goats. Zeus stared down upon him from heaven with great lust.

No one divine ever held his heart so.

He pronounced his will and transformed himself into the guise of an eagle. Out of the midnight heavens, Zeus shot down to Earth like a thunderbolt, and abducted Ganymede. Zeus took him back to heaven, and loved him so much that he made him his cup bearer.

Eventually, Zeus expressed his divine love for Ganymede by making him into a God.

We at the LGBA plan to offer Wilkes an open dialogue about gays, lesbians and bisexuals, and related issues. Every other issue, we will write a column about a relevant topic to the goals of the LGBA.

In the issues where we won't be writing a column, we would like the campus community to let us know how they feel about certain gay-related issues.

For this week, we would like to know how you feel about same-sex marriages.

What reasons do you have to oppose them? Is it religious? What are the repercussions on the rest of the community? Should gay "spouses" be allowed to adopt? Should most employers allow "spousal benefits" as they do to heterosexual spouses, as in cases of medical and financial benefits?

This dialogue will not work without your input. Do not wait to read what people will write next week. Let people read what you think. All correspondence will remain anonymous. Send all replies to ... the Beacon, ATTN: News Editor, Beacon Box in the mailroom.

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RUN DON'T STAND

A good run is better than a bad stand any day.

A young man told a friend and I exactly that while in a discussion about the recent attacks on our fellow students. This statement made a great deal of sense to me; that's why I chose to share it with all of you.

What this statement means is: run if you feel it is necessary to do so when (encountering) a bad situation. Do not stand there and fight; you may lose and that's a bad stand.

Our campus security department is making every possible effort to keep our students, staff and faculty safe. It's not that they have just begun to take these extra measures for the safety of our campus, they have always been here for us. We just have not had the need to utilize their services to the fullest extent until now.

Through the pages of this issue of *The Beacon*, you will find all sorts of safety measure messages from many people on our campus. Take heed to them, don't just read it and not let it sink in, take heed. You don't know; this can happen to anyone of you, and me too.

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The recent attacks have also made many of us aware of the fact that unemployment and crime are both on the rise.

More times than many these two socio-economic factors seem to go together wherever and whenever they occur. These factors usually happen in places other than in a small city like Wilkes-Barre. But, this is a national epidemic.

These types of incidents may not have happened in our own backyards before, but certainly they have happened on a huge scale in the big cities of our nation.

We must take into account the effects of unemployment. When people don't have jobs they usually try to make a way somehow without resorting to criminal activity. However, when people find that being honest doesn't work, sometimes they will almost undoubtedly resort to criminal acts to survive.

I hate to be the one to say this, but racism does come into play with the ills of our nation and locality. People of color have a more difficult time obtaining employment when the nation as a whole is suffering from an ailing economy. This group of people usually gets hit hard first and in the worst ways.

Needless to say that people of color in our area aren't obtaining jobs at a steady rate. They never have, but maybe someday they will be.

If these types of criminal acts continue in our area, many people will have to take a long, hard and serious look at themselves, their companies, their schools, their businesses, and their establishments.

We must also take a good long look at these factors ourselves, as students about to go into, or better said, go out from the safety of an educational situation and into the real world.



The phenomenon of Judy Fitch has come and gone.

While she may not have ranked in the top ten in the Miss America pageant, those of us who know Judy will always rank her first in our minds and hearts. But, a strange thing happened on the night of Saturday, September 19, 1992. For the first time in a long time, the name Wilkes University was spread across the country in one of the most positive public relations campaigns in our University's history. It is quite a contrast to our normal day to day dealings with the PR office at Wilkes, isn't it?

Even without the recent attacks on students, Wilkes has always received very negative press from the local newspapers, while our Stalinist neighbor, King's, seems to have the power to part the Red Sea. Why? Because our PR department doesn't have a clue as to what PR is all about. Instead of seeing opportunities to spread the good news about Wilkes' students among the heathens of Wilkes-Barre, they see themselves as gods, passing judgment on what is, as well as what is not self-aggrandizement. For, according to their faith, self-aggrandizement amounts to printing more than one news item per semester about and individual student or faculty member.

Almost anyone can name the statistics of the football team for the last three years off the top of their heads, not so much because single digits are easier to remember; but because PR at Wilkes is allied with the sports industry. We all remember the hullabaloo over our President's award from the scouts last year. And, no article on the PR office could be complete without mentioning the Earth Conservancy

The Scent In the Wind

by Al Mueller

Group. But, there are those of us who don't wear helmets, hold our fingers in aberrations of the peace symbol of the 1960's, and who don't run around worrying about every leaf in the greenhouse called earth. No, some of us are too busy doing things that other people can only dream about.

What's the matter? Does the idea of positive PR frighten our PR office? Or, maybe, the problem is that positive PR sounds too much like work.

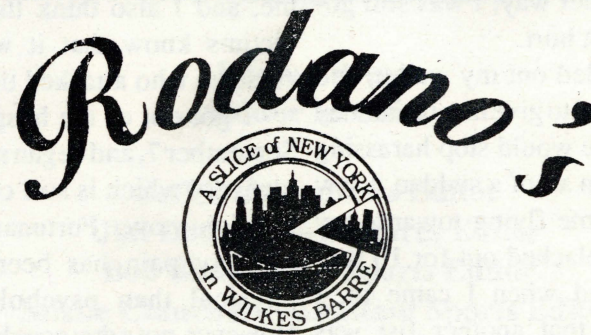
One article does not a university make, nor does an eight page piece of trash do much else, *The Intercom* may be a means to spread the word intra-campus, but it doesn't do much to spread the word off campus. Many faculty members were promoted last year and some even received their doctorates; but, do you think a word of this saw the light of day?

The PR office has recently been subjugated to Mr. Thomas Hadzor in the hopes that he can

turn it around. Unfortunately, it seems to late for that. Too many years of wasteful management and subservience to the Sophist of Hippo have created a permanent and malignant cancer that continues to spread. One wonders why the majority of students at Wilkes are apathetic to their studies. But, the reason is simply that doing something respectable around here is like wetting yourself in a dark suit; you get a warm feeling, but no one else notices.

Maybe the solution to the problem rests in the Miss America Pageant. Maybe Mr. Hadzor should offer the job of PR manager to Judy and send the current PR crew out to next year's pageant-not to cover it, but to see, once and for all, that they don't even rank in the top 50 let alone the top 10.

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The Da Ponte String Quartet gets ready to play String Quartet No. 2 in F major by Alexander Brodin.

Quartet gets standing ovation

BY JENNIFER JAMES
Beacon Staff Writer

The Da Ponte String Quartet brought the audience to their feet after an outstanding performance Monday evening in the CPA. The Quartet was founded in April, 1991, and is the only professional string quartet based in Pennsylvania. They are from Philadelphia, but recently moved to Northeastern Pennsylvania. They are affiliated with Wilkes University, and are trying to gain residence here.

Ferdinand Liva and Gabriel Gordon on violin, Mark Preston on viola, and cellist Myles Gordon, the Quartet intrigued the audience with its precision playing. The Quartet performed pieces like String Quartet No. 2

in F major, Op 92 by Sergey Prokofiev, String Quartet in B flat major, KV 589 by Mozart, and String Quartet No. 2 in D major by Alexander Brodin.

As a regional string quartet they will be involved in master classes at Wilkes, various children's, numerous radio and public concerts.

The quartet has gained acclaim from leading critics and some of the top chamber musicians of our time. There is not much more one can say about a group as phenomenal as these four men. If you ever get the chance to see and hear them perform, be there. You won't forget it.

10,000 Maniacs rock the Kirby

BY WENDY ZEWE
Beacon Staff Writer

As the lights dimmed, and the stage glowed, Natalie Merchant of the 10,000 Maniacs greeted the audience, "Wilkes-Bar, Wilkes-Barre, Wilkes-Baked." The 10,000 Maniacs began their concert on September 16, 1992 at the Kirby center with songs from earlier albums.

Fans fell in love as Merchant came into the audience and sang with them. Although the drummer, Jerome Augustwniak, was absent due to a broken collar bone, the

Mason makes 'em laugh on Parents Day at CPA

BY STEPHANIE KRAMER
Beacon Staff Writer

Parents Day activities officially came to a close Saturday at 8 p.m. in the CPA, with the performance of comedian Taylor Mason, a 1991 Star Search Champion.

Mason's comedy touched on a wide range of subjects, from the upcoming presidential election, to the battle of the sexes. The audience roared for over an hour; there was not a dull moment in the entire show. He used props such as a synthesizer, piano, and his puppets

10,000 Maniacs played a great concert.

Merchant introduced their new album, "Our Time in Eden," as she sat down behind her piano. The songs that followed, like "Circle Dream," and "These Days Are," gave the fans in the audience chills, and brought some to tears with Merchant's emotional lyrics and melodious voice.

Merchant, primary songwriter for the band, feels this album is a collection of songs which bring listeners close to the Garden of Eden. The album

Romeo and Juliet. With the exception of a small injury to Romeo's leg, the show went off without a hitch.

A female student described the comedian as "hysterical", especially Mason's rendition of the Flintstones theme, and his telephone calls to God and "the dark one."

Four students needed to work the concession stand for home football games.
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features Rob Buck's fascinating guitar solos, and a few funky back-ups by J.B. Horns.

After Merchant threw a bouquet of flowers-given to her by a loving fan-into the crowd while singing their last song of the show, I realized that the next 10,000 Maniac album, "Our Time in Eden," is a definite addition to any CD collection.

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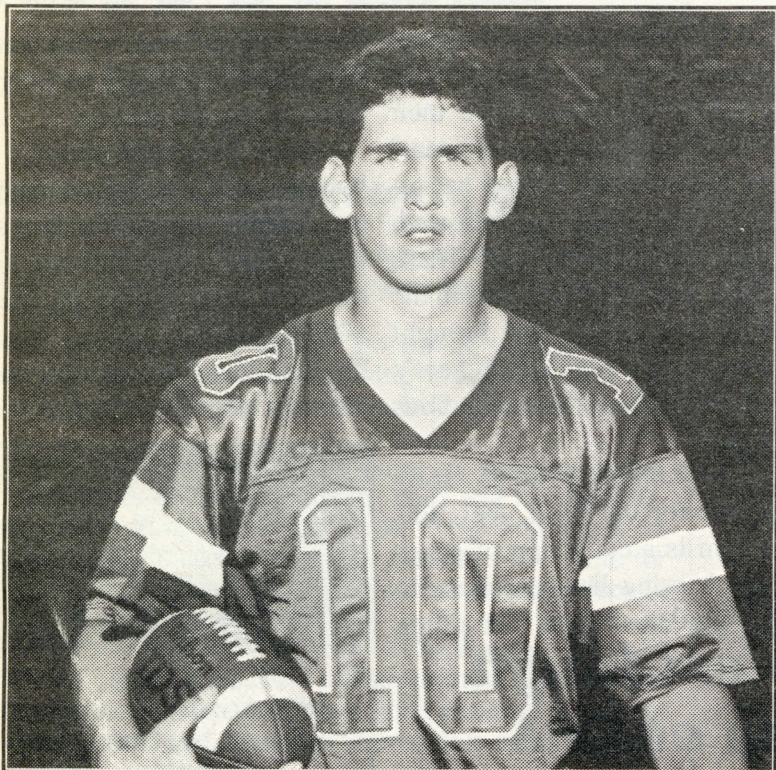
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SPORTS

Boo puts a scare into opponent



Making a name for himself

BY Bill Phillips
Beacon Staff Writer

Damon "Boo" Perry has made a name for himself at Wilkes. He is now the starting quarterback for the Colonels.

Perry played three years of football at Canton High School, sitting out his freshman year. He started varsity as a sophomore. Perry earned Second team, All-State Honors his junior and senior years at Canton. He also played shortstop and pitcher for his school's baseball team.

Now in his freshman year at Wilkes, Perry has run for four touchdowns and passed for two touchdowns in just two games. He is ranked third in the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) for total offensive yards.

Perry was attracted to Wilkes when he was recruited.

"It's not a big campus, and there's not a large number of students here. Everyone is very friendly," said Perry.

Wilkes is now 2-0 overall, and 1-0 in the MAC under Perry's command at quarterback. But he doesn't want all the credit.

"Our offensive line is unbelievable. I have all the time in the world to pass. You could drive a Volkswagon through some of the holes they create," noted Perry.

According to Perry, the defense plays an important role in the Colonels' success.

"You can't say enough about the defense. They're solid. They keep us in the game when the offense isn't clicking."

Perry and the Colonels will go on the road this Saturday to play at Susquehanna. Both teams are undefeated this season.

"I know we can win. We have to do everything right and make no mistakes," commented Perry about the game against Susquehanna.

Perry added, "I like playing for Wilkes a lot. We've turned some heads. We've caught some attention in the last two weeks."

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or tri-captain Toni Farinella
Colonels Field Hockey team

Field hockey team doing some soul searching

BY TOM NALLY
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes University field hockey team did a lot of soul searching last week after losing to Marywood College 1-0 on Saturday, September 12. What they realized was echoed this week by junior tri-captain Toni Farinella.

"Maybe we took them a little lightly," said Farinella.

Philosophy the discipline, examines and argues whether knowledge is gained through experience. The philosophy of coaching not only affirms this as a truth, but usually regards it as a key to winning.

Coach Addy Malatesta sat her team down before their cross-town battle with King's College last Tuesday, and urged the Lady Colonels to learn from what happened at Marywood.

"Coach reminded us about the difference between our two losses," said Farinella.

The ladies earlier lost to Division II power East Stroudsburg 2-0.

"We felt good with ourselves after the ESU game

because we knew we played well. But after the Marywood game, we were so disappointed because we played poorly and let one get away that we should have won," said Malatesta.

Apparently Coach Malatesta's words of wisdom were taken to heart by the ladies. The inspired Colonels responded by handing the lady Monarchs a 6-0 defeat.

Freshman Theresa Havel got Wilkes off to a great start by scoring two goals at the 3:30 mark. Farinella added a goal Wilkes took a dominant 3-0 lead into halftime.

Juniors Ali Adomiak and Justine Nemshick; and sophomore Stephi Hastings finished out the scoring as Wilkes recorded its third win of the season.

Parents Day amassed a crowd of 100 plus fans at Artillery Park last Saturday to witness the Colonels control play against Albright College en route to a 4-0 decision.

After a scoreless first half, the Lady Colonels pounded out four goals in the last 26 minutes of play.



Score the goal and celebrate

Nemshick started the scoring on a penalty corner play assisted by Adomiak at 26:14. Then with 15:07 left, right wing Kim Kaskel showed outstanding individual effort as she carried the ball from the 50 yard line, dodged three defenders, beat the keeper and drilled the ball into the left corner. Farinella

scored twice in the final 5:37 to close out the game.

Combining for four saves, goalies Paula Staples and Julie Crawford shared the shutout.

Albright's lone star was goalkeeper Ann Vero who turned away 31 of Wilkes' 39 shots on goal.

The Lady Colonels now move to 4-2 on the season,

and will begin preparing for tough Middle Atlantic Conference play. While the ladies are enjoying success, and showing confidence, Malatesta remains optimistic.

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Colonel of the Week



Senior tri-captain Toni Farinella, out of Middletown, NJ, leads the Lady Colonels Field Hockey team in scoring and goals.

Upcoming Sports Events

Thurs. Sept. 24

Field Hockey (A) at
Lebanon Valley...4pm

Fri. Sept. 26

Volleyball (A) at
King's...7pm

Sat. Sept. 12

Men's Soccer (A) at
FDU-Madison...12pm
Field Hockey (A) at Del
Valley...11pm
Women's Soccer (H) vs.
Haverford...2pm
Cross Country (A) at
Susq. Invite...TBA
Football (A) at
Susquehanna...1:30 pm

Mon. Sept. 28

Men's Soccer (H) vs
King's...4pm
Women's Soccer (A) at
King's...4pm

Tues. Sept. 29

Volleyball (A) at
Susquehanna...7pm
Field Hockey (H) vs.
Scranton...3:30

They're off and running

BY NICOLE SIMMONS
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes cross country team had a beautiful day to compete this past Saturday in Doylestown in their first meet of the 1992 season. Although the Wilkes cross country team was defeated by Delaware Valley College, 19-44, they still were able to overcome King's College 18-412.

By observing the Lebanon Valley Invitational, which was held on Saturday, September 12, coach Tim Tyson "knew where our kids were as to matching up the two teams."

Tyson was impressed by sophomore Jeff Crahalla, whose running continued to improve as the race progressed. Crahalla ran the course in 30:55, which was enough to award him second overall in the race, and first among the rest of the Colonel Harriers.

As for the other members of the Wilkes team, Jim Robinson came in second with a time of 34:37, Brad

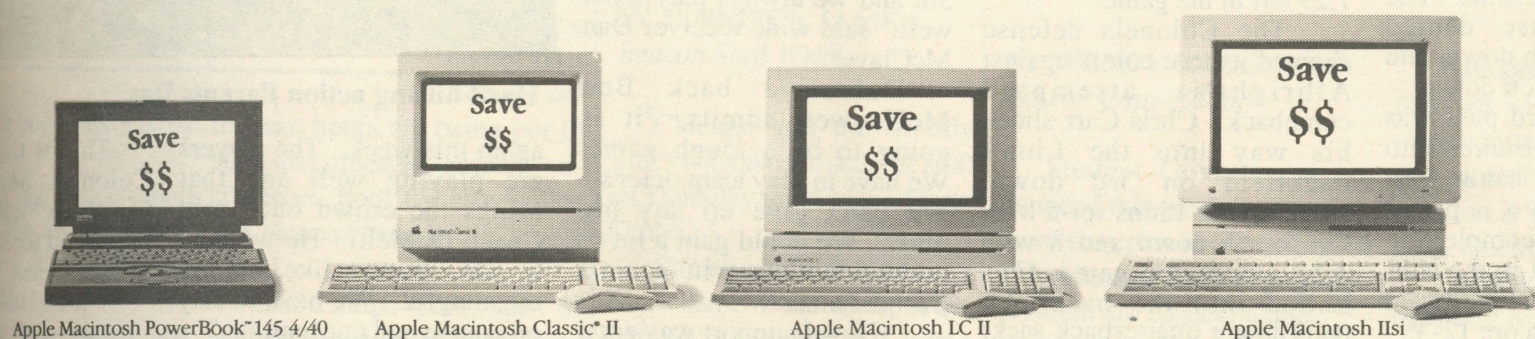
Smith was third with 34:59, Rich Bonning came in fourth with 35:05, and fifth was Dave Hines who came in with a time of 42:14.

Although Wilkes does not officially have a women's cross country team, two women did achieve recognition for their efforts on Saturday.

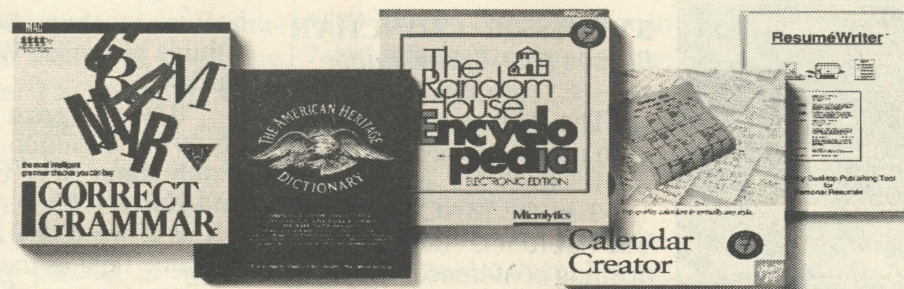
Shiela Bubba's run allowed her to come in third overall for the Lady Colonels with a time of 25:44. Suzanne Stanski also place for the Colonels with 26:44, putting her in the sixth slot.

This coming Saturday, September 26, the Wilkes Cross Country team will be engaging in an away meet at the Susquehanna Invitational. A time has yet to be announced for this upcoming meet.

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SPORTS

Colonels increase their record to 2-0

BY BILL PHILLIPS
Beacon Staff Writer

The Colonels football team increased their record to 2-0 Saturday with a 19-10 win over Albright College.

The win meant a lot to the team and the school. It was the Colonels' first Middle Atlantic Conference contest.

Wilkes forced Albright to punt on their opening drive of the game. The teams remained scoreless in the first quarter in front of a packed stadium.

Wilkes punted to Albright to begin the second quarter of play. Aaron Wilk recovered an Albright fumble on the Lion's 18 yard line. Boo Perry once again ran for the first score of the game. The point after attempt was blocked.

Albright answered with a 38 yard kickoff return to the Colonels' 47 yard line. The Colonels' defense denied Albright on fourth down, and Wilkes took over on downs.

Perry's 40 yard pass was tipped by Steve Endres into Chris Ghignone's hands. An attempted two point conversion was incomplete.

With 4:58 left in the half, Albright kicked a 31 yard field goal to make the score 12-3.

Perry connected with Ghignone in the opening drive of the second half, setting up a 28 yard field goal attempt. Albright took over on downs after the snap was bobbled. Albright was unsuccessful on a 31 yard field goal on their next possession.

Early in the fourth quarter, Jay Straigis picked off an Albright pass. Albright then intercepted Perry's pass. Albright closed the gap, scoring on a 19 yard pass to Brooks. The point after attempt was good, cutting the lead to 12-10.

Wilkes answered with an 11 play scoring drive. Endres caught a 12 yard pass from Perry to put the Colonels on the Lion's 3 yard line. Jason Smith burst through the line for the touchdown. Joel O'Donnell's point after attempt was good, giving the Colonels a 19-10 lead with 7:29 left in the game.

The Colonels' defense showed its true colors against Albright's attempted comeback. Chris Carr sliced his way into the Lion's backfield on 3rd down, stopping the Lions for a loss. On fourth down and 8 with 4:58 left in the game, Carr knifed into the backfield, recording a quarterback sack.

Albright's last possession of the game was once again denied by the tough Colonels' defense, giving Wilkes their first MAC win in 3 years.

"The defense played very well. Bob Brisk had a great game for us. It was nice to win a MAC game," said Coach DeMelfi. Jason Smith ran for over 100 yards for the second straight week.

"The offensive line and fullbacks are why I ran for those yards. Our defense played awesome," said Smith.

The Colonels take on Susquehanna University this Saturday on the road.

Susquehanna is ranked #5 in the nation.

"We're looking forward to this week. They're 2-0, and we're 2-0. It is a rivalry because our guys know their guys," added Coach DeMelfi.

"This is the biggest game of the year. They're ranked 5th and we always play them well," said wide receiver Dan McClave.

Defensive back Ben McKeowen admits, "it is going to be a tough game. We have to play team defense. We can't give up any big plays. We could gain a lot of respect with a win against Susquehanna."

"Crowd support was good



Hard hitting action Parents Day

again this week. The players are playing well and that brings the crowd out," said Coach DeMelfi. He went on to add, "games like this are meaningful. We have to stay on course and concentrate."

This is the best start the Colonels have had. Coach DeMelfi. Wilkes outscored their opponents in two games.

Booters' enthusiasm running high, tie Scranton



BY MISSIE CHINCHAR
Beacon Asst. Sports Editor

The Wilkes men's soccer team upped its record this past week to 3-2-1 overall and 1-0-1 in the MAC Northeast. The Colonels tied in their opening conference match last Wednesday against their biggest rivals, the Scranton Royals.

The Royals went into the match feeling they were playing on a higher level than Wilkes, but the Colonels quickly put a stop to their thinking.

Early in the first half, Chris Erb gave Wilkes a 1-0 lead off feeds from Russ Hiser and Mike Herb.

Tri-captain Tom Nally

believes that Scranton's attitude just made Wilkes play harder.

"It was a great feeling to go up on Scranton early and watch them play catch-up," said Nally. "They (Scranton) felt as if we didn't belong on the same field as them."

Scranton came back late in the second half of regulation and tied the match. The two overtime periods were scoreless, leaving the crucial MAC match in a tie.

Scranton outshot Wilkes 12-7 and had a 4-3 edge in the corners. Matt Haney had 10 saves for Wilkes.

The Colonels carried their enthusiasm over to Friday, defeating Upsala in another double-overtime battle.

Erb scored two over goals and senior Dan Haney got his first career goal in college ranks for the victory.

Haney, who is on sophomore, got his 10th shutout as well as his this season.

The Colonels are off Saturday, September 26, when they face FDU-Madison in another conference match.

But, Wilkes has proven the rest of the league that they are ready for the challenge ahead.

"Looking back, we're in a good position," stated Nally. "We know we didn't play that well against Scranton and came away with a tie."

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By BONNE
Beacon Editor

On Saturday at about midday, a male, an off-campus, assaulted a building on South Franklin. The Wilkes turning to his he was approaching.

"It was reported away,"

males, in their twenties.

He stated that one of the wearing a red one was of this.

No other available at present.

"Four males, description, were Barre police on South River Street in for questioning. Gerald Cookus, City Security.

"It was good reported the away," said Cookus.

The four males with curfew violation, under-age drinking from the Wilkes department.

Previous violations are being Wilkes-Barre police to try to identify.