

S.G. CANDIDATES PRESENT VIEWS

MAUREEN KORTBAWI

My purpose in presenting this platform is not to make promises, but to state my plans. My record will show that I have been an active member of Student Government for three years, but I believe that as president I will be able to contribute even more to the student body.

Student Government is supposed to be a coordinating agency. This encompasses a lot. I will not be content to be merely a presiding officer. I will work towards more student involvement and awareness. I will help ensure that the desires of the student community are not overlooked in favor of bureaucratic expediencies. As president I would like to see Student Government function as an organized and effective link between the students and the administration. I see a need for Student Government to move in a new direction.

My foremost priority will be the student body. I feel that an open communication system on all levels is one of the most important goals I will work towards. I enjoy a good working relationship with all of the administrators with whom I would be working with next year as Student Government President, but I am not a puppet on a string. I have the guts to speak out on behalf of the students. I will not subordinate the students' position to the needs of the administration.

I will work to get Wilkes involved with area colleges. This is an untapped source which could be effectively used to benefit many students.

In conclusion, all I can tell you, the students, is that I know what will be involved in undertaking the position of the Presidency. I have the experience needed, I am willing to work. I think these plans I have presented are feasible and sensible, and not at all idealistic. I have a lot of dedication and hope for next year, but I can only bring these dreams about in your vote.

STEWART FEENEY

In the space provided below I'm supposed to give a long written statement on my qualifications and campaign promises. However, I don't believe past accomplishments have anything to do with the future. What I do think is relevant to Student Government is student unity. Without a unified student body, Student Government can't work at its full potential. I believe that with a strong student body, Student Government will become a bigger factor in the school's policy making. This would mean a stronger student voice. So the time has come to close the gap between them and day students. Because of this split, Student Government has been working with a handicap all year.

For those students who don't know how many representatives sit on Student Government, there are 26. These 26 students dictate student policy on campus at present. However, outside ideas from concerned students are needed. With students taking an active part in Student Government it could become a very effective body. However, until this happens, Student Government will exist as only a figure head. So to reiterate a previous statement, it's time for students and Student Government to work together. Because without student support, Student Government will be nonexistent. So as the old cliché says, "United we stand, divided we fall." It's up to you.

JOHN BARRETT

Our Student Government has done a few good things in the past year. It formed the SUB, obtained trial library extension hours, funded numerous new clubs, increased class representation on SG, and managed a successful teacher evaluation. This is just a beginning.

A candidate should promise anything, for no candidate can assure those promises. As a member of the committee that tallied and analyzed the SG election poll and the corresponding secretary for SG in the past year, I have the opportunity to discover what the Wilkes student wants from SG. I would like to present some of the more significant ideas I wish to see implemented in the next year.

The potential for intercollege coordination of activities has not been realized. By joining efforts with other colleges in the area for select activities, the results may be better. Take for example the concerts. There have been several good concerts here, but every selection has met with criticism such as "who are they." By splitting the initial investment in the concert into two or three ways, the better known and obviously more expensive acts can be contracted.

One complaint that there are not enough activities on campus is not altogether true. Granted, some money was spent foolishly, but with an average of one activity per calendar day, the social life is far from dead. A problem arises from lack of advance planning and publicity (at least a week) of activities, in addition to overlapping (two or three a night) duplication of activities. To alleviate this problem I suggest two changes. The officers of SG, IDC and CC will meet with the class presidents to formulate an advanced calendar of events every two or three weeks. The

to innovate will remain SG's job, with the actual arrangements and the responsibility of the classes and organizations which have really cannot be manpowered.

The other half of this suggestion concerns publicity. Student Government is an efficient mouthpiece. With the details to be worked out later, the school could reserve a whole page or part of a page strictly for SG news. This would allow the publishing of the unabridged SG minutes, an advanced up-to-date calendar of events, the class representatives' attendance (which has been less than desirable) and the representatives' record. This will permit each class to see that it is fairly represented. Also, important information such as SG and organization

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S.G. CANDIDATES — Because the academic year is rapidly coming to a close at Wilkes College, many of the officers of the school's various clubs are stepping down from their former positions and new individuals are beginning to plan campaigns in order to fill the shoes of the previous officeholders. Such is the case with the Wilkes College Student Government.

The present officers who will relinquish their positions on May 2 are: Pete Jadelis, Kenilworth, New Jersey, president; John Barrett, Feasterville, corresponding secretary; Maureen Kortbawi, North Brunswick, New Jersey, recording secretary; Vince Splendido, Exeter, vice-president; and Bernie Fagnani, Jessup, treasurer.

These officers have accomplished many tasks such as the establishing of the Student Union Center.

Hoping to continue in the footsteps of Jadelis and the other members of the committee of officers are shown. Those aspiring for the positions are standing, left to right: John Barrett, Feasterville; Maureen Kortbawi, North Brunswick, New Jersey; and Stewart Feeney, Norwich, Connecticut. Brynley James had been a candidate, but announced his withdrawal. These individuals have recently been nominated by the nominating committee of the Student Government.

Election campaigns commenced Monday at noon and voting will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday in the College Commons.

The final results will be announced on Thursday, May 2, and the new president will be reinstated and will preside over a meeting to be held at 11 a.m. in the Board Room of Weckesser Hall.

Nominations and elections for the remaining offices of Student Government will be held at this meeting.

2 New Journalism Courses Ready For Fall Semester

Two additional courses have been added to the two already being offered in the field of Journalism at Wilkes College, according to an announcement by Dean of Academic Affairs Robert S. Capin.

The new courses will be "Copy Editing and Makeup" and a professional internship. These will be added to two courses, which have been offered at Wilkes College for the past six years — "Basic News Writing" and "Advanced News Writing."

Dr. Thomas Kaska, chairman of the English Department, stated that the four courses will be offered on an alternate basis. Journalism and Theater fall under the supervision of the English Department.

There is no plan to offer a major in Journalism or Communications at this time. Academic officials approved the addition of the two new courses as part of a special program that will allow an individual majoring in any field to take these courses as electives.

"With the emphasis that is being placed on communications in all fields today," Dr. Kaska stated, "we find that there is a distinct advantage to the individual who has a major in a particular field and is able to meet basis requirements as one who also is trained in the field of news writing, editing and makeup."

He pointed out that the four courses in Journalism may be developed further by taking three other courses which are currently being offered at Wilkes — "Advertising," "Photography I," and "Introduction to Broadcasting."

As for the professional internship, Dr. Kaska said the individuals will be placed in one-semester positions



THOMAS MORAN

in newspaper offices, radio or television newsrooms, or public relations and advertising offices.

The sequence of courses will

provide education students on the secondary level with sufficient training to teach journalism, serve as advisor to the school newspaper or yearbook, or handle public relations assignments on the school staff level.

The Basic News Writing Course will be offered in the evenings during the summer session and again in the fall. "Copy Editing and Makeup" will be offered in the fall semester in the evening division.

Journalism has been taught at Wilkes since 1969, when Thomas J. Moran, adjunct professor of Journalism, offered a course in basic news writing, while serving as managing editor of the Sunday Independent. A year later, a second course — advanced news writing — was offered.

Moran, now a full time faculty member and director of public relations, developed the two new courses over a year ago.

Editorially Speaking

It has not been unusual to hear both local students and dorm students comment on the lack of things to do in the area and the lack of cultural activities. It is true that we do have many fine institutions in the area which promote both popular and the "higher" cultural activities, but the area could use a boost in these areas.

Governor Milton Shapp has a proposal which could be of great benefit to the area both economically and culturally. The governor has proposed that a state center for the fine arts be constructed near the Francis E. Walter dam not far from Wilkes-Barre. The center would be constructed on state owned land along the Lehigh River and would be a tribute to all the fine arts, music, dance, painting, etc., and to the nation's Bicentennial. The proposed opening date of the center would be July Fourth, 1976.

The state center has been proposed as the future summer home of such talented institutions as the Philadelphia Orchestra and the Pittsburgh Ballet. This would open up new experiences to the people of not only the Wilkes-Barre-Scranton area, but to the people of all Northeastern Pennsylvania. The Pocono Mountain area is presently a national tourist attraction and Wyoming Valley receives its share of the profits. The arts center would also be an influence in drawing more of the tourism industry to the area and could help it economically.

But the center may never be built. There are many people in state government who are opposed to the construction of the center because it would cost the state over 35 million dollars. Opponents to the plan claim that the state is already spending too much of the taxpayers' money and that a cultural center is not needed. Because of such feelings, the bill authorizing the funding and construction of the center may never even leave committee and come up before the legislature for a vote.

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Cafeteria Food Elicits Concern

To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to make a few complaints about the cafeteria. The first is most important to me as a dorm student. The meals have been getting progressively worse lately, with all of the supposed food substitutes being put into them; and the question of dirty dishes. I, for one, have been suffering from diarrhea and upset stomach, regularly after eating cafe meals. I have had to miss classes due to this situation. If I had the choice, I would get off the food plan this fall, as it seems to be a waste of money. It might cost me more, but at least I would know what I was eating and that it was properly prepared. If there is no change, I will definitely approach the Board of Directors of Wilkes College, to

grant me permission to be taken off the food plan.

My second complaint, is that on Saturday, March 21, the lunch meal was interrupted by over 150 children and visiting adults, which made it difficult for us paying dorm students to find seats for ourselves to eat our own meal.

I suggest that some changes be

made in the cafe, especially checking that the dishes are washed properly, since the infirmary has expressed that our diarrhea could be due to unclean cafe dishes causing the intestinal virus. I have returned some dishes, myself, that I have found on occasions to be dirty. We students could start with the State Health Department to see that our food is clean and then see if we are actually getting balanced meals along with the nutritional value.

Sincerely,
Carol J. Reich



With the beginning of spring many individuals commence their hobbies of gardening and planting flowers to beautify the area's surroundings. Wilkes Community Effort is also expanding this notion of green-thumbs.

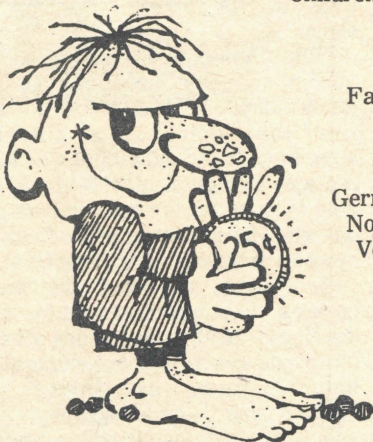
The WCE will donate 100 redwood planters to the tenants of East End Towers, located in Wilkes-Barre. Ms. Ann Kennedy, president of the Tenant Council, announced that the tenants, all senior citizens and 90 per cent being flood victims, will contribute to the project by purchasing petunias to be placed in the planters.

The planters will be delivered to the apartments on May 4.

Laureen Carney, a Wilkes Community Effort program assistant, in conjunction with Ms. Barbara Williams, Tenant Relations Director at East End Towers, planned the project.

Shown above are from left to right: Ann Kennedy, Barbara Williams, Laureen Carney, and Mrs. Jost, director of the Wilkes Community Effort.

Cheap Thrills



Thursday, April 25

Baseball — Albright (away)

Piano Concert — Robert DeGaetano, Irem Temple, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26

Golf — Moravian (away)

Student Government Film

Spring Weekend (through 27th)

Voice Recital — Ruth DeWitt, Department of Music, DDD Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Showcase Theatre — "Effect of Gamma Rays on Man in the Moon

Marigolds," 8:30 p.m. (Saturday at 8:30 p.m.)

Senior Art Exhibit — Mildred Cooney, Cecilia Hoyce and Patricia

Strempek; College Misericordia, Kennedy Lounge, Friday 7-10 p.m.;

Saturday and Sunday 2-5 p.m. and 7-10 p.m.

Saturday, April 27

Accounting Club Car Wash, Parrish Hall Parking Lot, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Baseball (DH) — Juniata (home)

Tennis — Elizabethtown (away)

Lacrosse — Muhlenberg (home)

Wilkes Faculty Women's Dinner Dance

Baritone Recital — Fred Pacolitch, DDD Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Junior High School Music Workshop, CPA, 9 a.m.

Children's Show — King's College Players, King's College Auditorium

Saturday, 1:30 p.m., Sunday, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 28

Faculty Recital — Herbert Garber, Painist and Enzo Liva, Cellist; CPA, 3:30 p.m.

Spring Weekend Concert

Beacon Meeting — 1 p.m. Shawnee Hall

German Study Group Car Wash — Hoggarth's Arco, corner of

Northampton and Wyoming Ave., Kingston; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Voice Recital — Karen Kmietowicz, DDD Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, April 29

Baseball — Usinus (home)

Tennis — Scranton (away)

Tuesday, April 30

Student Government Meeting

Wednesday, May 1

Tennis — Lycoming (home)

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Fifth Student Symposium Held In Virginia

Editor's Note: Frank Baran, a sophomore political science major at Wilkes College and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Baran, 666 Tioga Avenue, Kingston, was one of 200 students selected from among the nation's colleges and universities to attend the Fifth Annual National Student Symposium on the Presidency, held recently at Reston, Va. He recorded his impressions of the

elite gathering and national personalities who addressed the group.

BY FRANK BARAN

The fifth annual student symposium conducted by the Center for the Study of the Presidency, was held recently at the Reston, Virginia, Sheraton Inn. The Center is an association of academic institutions established several years ago

through the urgings of former President Eisenhower. It is headed by Dr. R. Gordon Hoxie and is headquartered in New York City. The symposium was attended by approximately 200 college students from practically every state of the union and over 120 participants and observers from various college faculties, the federal government, and the news media.

On the first evening, the entire group heard from Vice President Gerald Ford, following a reception and dinner in his honor. The Vice President stressed the need for student involvement in the political processes at all levels of American government. If young people are dissatisfied with the quality of government, they should not become apathetic or give up in disgust. Instead, they should commit themselves fully to its improvement. This can be best accomplished by working in election campaigns for candidates of their choice or even becoming candidates for office themselves. He cautioned, however, not to expect dramatic improvements overnight. Any meaningful change in government can only

come after lengthy and diligent efforts. Ford's speech was very effective and was well received by the students, as indicated by the standing ovations which they gave him.

I agree wholeheartedly with Vice President Ford's views on this subject. With the passage of the Twenty-Sixth Amendment to the Constitution permitting those over eighteen to vote in all elections, young people now more than ever before have an opportunity to involve themselves in political activity. The first and foremost step they can take is to register to vote and then exercise their right to do so each and every election. It is surprising how few have done this, inasmuch as registration is easy and voting itself takes perhaps only thirty minutes out of an entire year. Mere criticism of the current political situation is not enough. Such criticism must be backed up by a commitment to improve the political environment; voting is the best means to do that.

We also heard from several panel discussions and participated in question and answer sessions. The

first of these was on the Presidency as viewed by educators and the media. Most noteworthy was the contrasting opinions of two members of the panel, Bruce Herschensohn, a White House assistant, and Robert Semple, a deputy national news editor of the New York Times. Herschensohn declared emphatically that a considerable bias exists on the part of the reporters who cover the Washington scene. This bias, favoring liberals and Democrats, prevails in the news media. To obtain greater objectivity in the face of this bias, he suggested that each television newscast offer two opposing viewpoints in reporting the news, much like the William Buckley - John K. Galbraith debates at the 1972 Presidential conventions. Semple disagreed completely with Herschensohn's analysis, an opinion in which I concur. He acknowledged that there was some biased reporting, but on the whole, most newsmen were generally successful in their attempts at objectivity.

The next panel discussion considered the formulation of U.S. foreign policy. A wide range of American foreign policy positions were discussed.

The final panel addressed itself to the relations between the President and Congress. Included in this group was Rep. John Anderson of Illinois.

Averbach And IDC

Probably the quietest Lee Averbach has ever been was when he stepped down as IDC president a few weeks back.

Averbach was loud and pushy as a president. Many people disagreed with his actions and mannerisms. Nevertheless, he was a worker, a hard worker in fact. His knowledge on the happenings and affairs of this college were unequalled by any one student. He was more involved in college activities, probably more than anyone in his class. He liked to disagree and wasn't hurt by criticism. He was a leader, a loud one though, but an effective one. Those were his ways.

In last year's IDC presidential election, opponent Bob Dwyer devised the slogan, "Get Lee Off Averbach" which was true in part and unsuccessful in the end. Averbach won and as a senior tried to work IDC into an effective service for the dorm students.

He will tell you that the Council is a service organization for dorm students who desire a way and place to discuss campus problems. He will also say that students attendance and cooperation at meetings and in activities is a prerequisite for a successful Council. He will encourage you to go to the meetings rather than sit in your rooms.

He admits there was only a nucleus of hard workers this year, maybe less than ten who made IDC work. Advisor Steve Placko made it known he didn't care to attend the meetings every week when he saw enthusiasm, desire and work generated by only a few. Yes, the IDC representatives were ineffective. They didn't care to tell many dorms IDC plans when many dorms didn't care to listen.

Those who did work produced a very successful spring weekend, which Averbach proposed four years past, an attempt at 24 hour housing but received 24 hour lounges, interdormitory phones, changes in the food services and an immense pile of records, minutes and notes for future IDC officers to draw from. They can be considered this year's highlights in part at just might be the stepping stones for next year's IDC.

Averbach states, "If I've stepped on anyone's toes, I'm tired too!" That is Lee Averbach. He might not win a popularity contest here but who says he is running for one. IDC president is one demanding job of constant work, conference, dedication, frustration and complaints. That is what Averbach did win, the job that is accompanied by a nice scholarship. He earned every penny.

When people remember IDC, they will remember Averbach because he made a lasting impression of a position filled to its highest degree.

To the likes of many, Lee Averbach's sharp, quick, powerful and intelligent mouth will be gone next year but his successors will try to follow his hard work, dedication, and his goals to make something out of the Interdormitory Council.

Averbach has nothing but praise for newly elected President, Bob Howes. "Bob Howes will make one of the most dynamic IDC presidents ever." He noted that next years officers are a new but experienced group and is sure that they will be effective and hard working.

He thanks this year's Vice President, Leslie Cook, and the remaining officers and members. All should thank Lee Averbach for his dedication and devotion to his job.

FAINT FACTS

1. How many United States Presidents were actually born in a hospital?
2. What American daily newspaper has the nation's largest circulation?
3. Who is pictured on the face of a two dollar bill?
4. What is pro-wrestling champion Bruno Sammartino's excurtiating old called?
5. Name the actor who has been in the following TV shows, "The Good Guys," "Gilligans Island" and "Dobie Gillis."
6. What are the three leading causes of death among Americans?
7. Who are third and fourth on the list of baseball's all time home run kings?
8. What was the name of the New York Jets football team before the present name?
9. Name three pro basketball stars who attended Princeton University.
10. What are the names of the children of Gomez and Morticia Adams in "The Adams Family?"

- ANSWERS
1. None
 2. New York Daily News
 3. Thomas Jefferson
 4. Backbreaker
 5. Bob Denver
 6. Heart disease, cancer and stroke
 7. Willie Mays, Frank Robinson
 8. Titans
 9. Brian Taylor, Jeff Petrie, Bill Bradley
 10. Pugsley, Wednesday

'Recycling' Junk Autos

Recycling junk cars appears more economical with a way to change the polyurethane foam in seats and other parts of the automobile into a liquid for easy disposal or reclamation, according to a report in "Environmental Science and Technology," published by the American Chemical Society.

The method will help cope with solid waste disposal problems arising at junk car shredders as the amount of foam and other plastic material in cars continues to increase, three chemists on the Scientific Research Staff at Ford Motor Co., Dearborn, Mich., reported.

In addition, the method could serve to recover valuable materials from the foam that could eventually be recycled to make more foam or other plastic products, said Dr. Lee Mahoney, Dr. Steven Weiner and Fred Harris.

Today, a late-model car generates about two pounds of polyurethane foam material when put through a shredder. By 1980, however, the three scientists estimate more than 23 pounds of material will be produced.

In their experiments, the scientists found that when polyurethane foam is reacted with superheated water (water heated on 200 degrees Centigrade while under pressure) for 15 minutes, the foam is converted to a liquid more dense than water. The dense liquid, now reduced in volume by a factor of 30 from the original foam, can then be added to other wastes from the shredder for disposal by landfill.

Another alternative, however, is to distill the liquid and recover two substances: toluene diamines and polyether. The diamines are organic compounds now used as an important intermediate material to make polyurethane foam and other elastomers. The polyethers, as polypropylene oxide, are used primarily as an intermediate material in making polyurethane and polyester resins.

From an auto shredder processing 200,000 cars a year, the method could potentially yield about 400,000 pounds of diamines and about 1.5 million pounds of polyether, based on estimates for 1978-79.

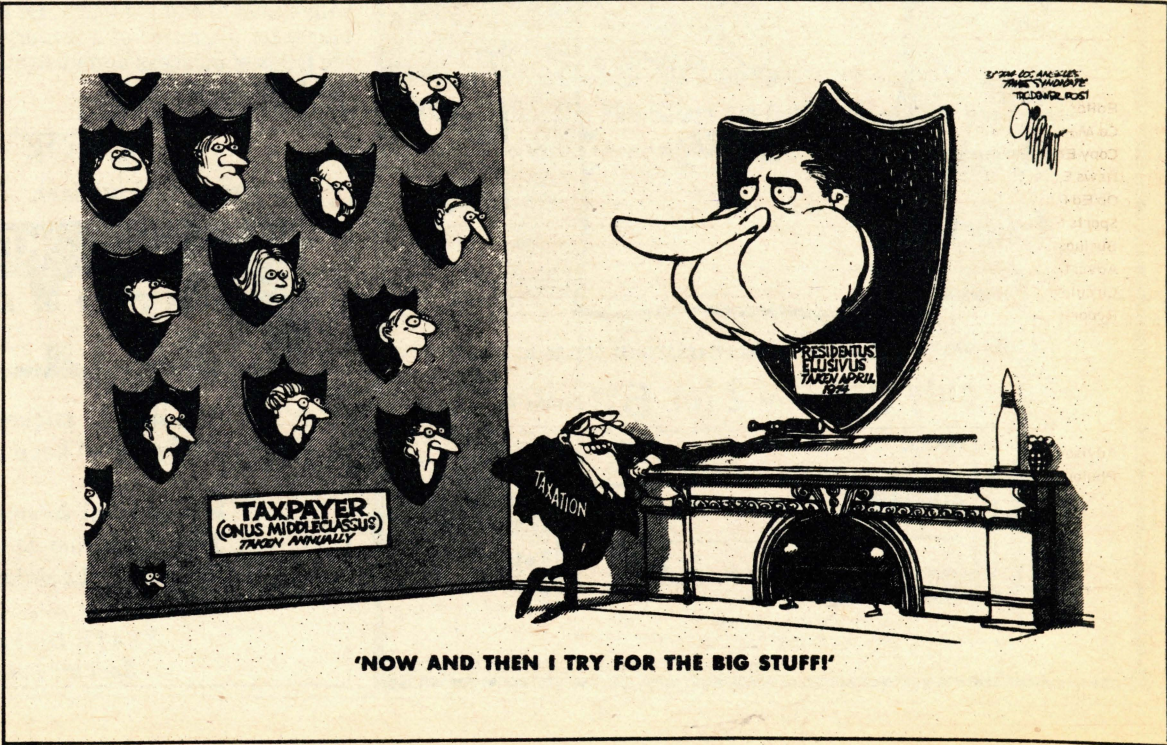
"It is possible that part or all of the expense of a full-scale application of the process at the auto shredder site could be accounted for by the reclamation of the toluene diamines and polyether," they concluded.

Spanish Club Has Festival This Sunday

The Spanish 208 (Spanish-American Culture) classes of Wilkes College, along with members of the Spanish club will sponsor a Spanish-American festival on Sunday, April 28. The festival will be held in the Student Union building from 2 to 6 in the afternoon.

Dr. Hilda Marban, assistant professor of Spanish and director of the festival has invited students from area high school Spanish classes to participate along with Wilkes students in experiencing Spanish culture.

Tickets are \$1 and those participating are asked to come in costume of some Spanish-speaking country. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Refreshments and music will also be provided.



Stevens Sets Art Exhibit

Linda Stevens, a senior in the Wilkes College Department of Art, is shown working on one of her string constructions, which she will exhibit with other works at Conyngham Gallery from Sunday, April 28 to May 3.

Miss Stevens is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stevens, 381 Tioga Avenue, Kingston.

After completing her studies at Wilkes, she plans to obtain a degree in Art Librarianship from either the University of Maryland or Simmons College in Boston, where she has been accepted for graduate study.

Included in the exhibit will be acrylic and oil paintings, pen and ink and pastel drawings, woodcut and linoleum block prints, plastic and metal plate intaglio prints, several of which are inkless, and ceramics. An unusual feature of the exhibit will be Miss Stevens' works in the area of geometric string construction.

In this art form, the ultimate design is created solely through the use of thread and nails and their strategic placement on a background or frame. The result is a highly intricate, colorful work. Included in the exhibit will be both two-dimensional and three-dimensional string constructions.



LINDA STEVENS

The exhibit will open Sunday, April 28, from 12 to 5. It will then run from Monday, April 29, through Friday, May 3, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The public is invited.

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budgets (to see where your activities fee goes), SG club funding, pending proposals, a student opinion section, committee reports, a series of explanations of what a confusing organization such as Judicial Council is, and reports of current administrative decisions — can all be presented.

Unfortunately, SG has not spent enough time in the area of academic improvements. This must become the primary target. Some of the more significant changes I will advocate is a SG sponsored statistical teacher evaluation to be published yearly to assist students in selecting a teacher; an all-night coed location for those students wishing to study in the "offbeat" night hours; limited final exemption on an individual teacher-class basis; restoration of the college used bookstore; and finally, an updated grading system. Adjusting the grading from the standard 4, 3, 2, 1, to a 4.0, 3.7, 3.3, 3.0, 2.7, 2.3, 2.0, etc. corresponding to the A, A-, B+, B-, etc., will allow a fairer representation of the students ability. This would also guard against the common "just missed this or that grade syndrome" which has been the cause of some student's academic failings.

The goals I have for SG are high — which they must be for any leader. No campus SG can work alone; the councils must work with SG to solve the specialized problems such as dorm problems or the parking problem. The classes must develop into the major sponsors of social activity. Student Government can only then become the vital link with faculty and administration it should be. Only then can SG readjust its priorities primarily as academic and secondarily to see that the activity fee is utilized to the maximum benefit of the students. I ask your support in bringing about these changes.



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Wilkes Assistant Professor Beats Astronaut's Mileage

Neil Armstrong used one Apollo rocket to propel his spacecraft 238,000 miles and become the first man to walk on the Moon.

A Wilkes College assistant professor of economics used four automobiles and took 16 years to travel the same distance on earth!

At least that's the way Assistant Professor George Gera, who travels a round-trip of 80 miles via Hazleton each day to the Wilkes College campus, figures his mileage from his home in Eckley, Pa.

Like the traditional postman, Gera has not allowed rain, snow, or dark of night — he occasionally had a weekly class or two during those 16 years — to deter him from faithful attendance at classes.

Only once, as George recalled, could he remember missing a class. And that time it wasn't his fault. It was an extremely icy night and road travel was virtually impossible.

Gera isn't trying to grab off any publicity from the Apollo space program or the astronauts. He stumbled upon the fact that he had something in common, at least mileage-wise, when he was discussing the number of times he has covered the roadways between the Wilkes campus and Eckley.

His department chairman, Dr. Robert Werner, was taken up by the terms 16 years — roundtrip five times a week — 80 miles total. Between the two of them they worked it out during a break in classes and discovered that Gera had covered slightly more miles than the first man to land on the Moon.

"There was the regular school year, sometimes coming back for evening classes, and then going right through the summer," Gera explained. "It all adds up on you."

The quiet, almost-shy professor did admit that he welcomes the change of seasons to provide at least "a little change in the routine." All in all, he confessed, he really doesn't mind it and has no plans to change the daily routine.

"I'm on my fourth car right now," he explained. "It's a 1973 and unfortunately, a real gas-burner."

Gera doesn't mind the kidding he has taken from colleagues in the Commerce and Finance Department about having surpassed the mileage feat of an astronaut on a Moon trip.

"With fuel prices going up, up and away," Gera joked, "I'd like some kind of an arrangement whereby I could be launched from a pad in Eckley and make a soft-land on the Wilkes campus."

There is a deeply serious side to this faculty member, despite his willingness to enjoy a laugh. He has taught for a quarter of a century in the fields of business administration and business education.



GEORGE GERA

Recently, he directed a mailing of an informational brochure, dealing with the opportunities in business education at Wilkes College.

He received his graduate training at Columbia University — where he was able to go underground subway travel — and in the years to follow has been a member of various state educational groups, a veteran of World War II, and worked from the military service as an instructor.

As to plans for the future — he admits that he wants to keep on doing just what he has been doing. There is, of course, always the possibility that Eckley will be known for the feats of George Gera, which could easily surpass the feat brought to that tiny town when it was used as the film site for the motion picture about the "Maguires."

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New Budget

BY SANDY AKROMAS

At Tuesday's Student Government meeting, Stew Feeney announced that only two groups will be playing at the Spring Concert to be held on Sunday at 8 p.m. in the school gym. Since the group, Home, cancelled last year, Climax Blues will play for an extra hour. Tickets will be on sale today and tomorrow in the Commons from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., and the New Men's Dorm from 5 to 7 p.m. Wilkes students will be charged \$2 and outsiders \$4. The price of the tickets at the door will be \$4 for all students.

The budget for the 1974-75 academic year was voted upon as follows:

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They are among the more than 100 student teachers, working under the direction of Prof. Edwin Johnson and other members of the Education Department, who received several weeks of briefings before moving into regional school districts to gain first-hand the experience they will need when they move into the professional teaching world.

Members of the Music Department, left to right, first row are: William Gasbarro, chairman of the Wilkes College Department of Music; Molly McDowells, Shavertown; Pamela Fink, Shickshinny; Karen Kmiotowicz, Glen Lyon; Janice Woolf, Briarcliff Manor, N.Y.; Jean Vandeboncoeur, Glencoe, Ill.

Second row — Christopher Unger, Coplay, Pa.; James R. Frable, Scranton; Roman Ziegler, Plymouth; Joseph Gurka, Nanticoke.

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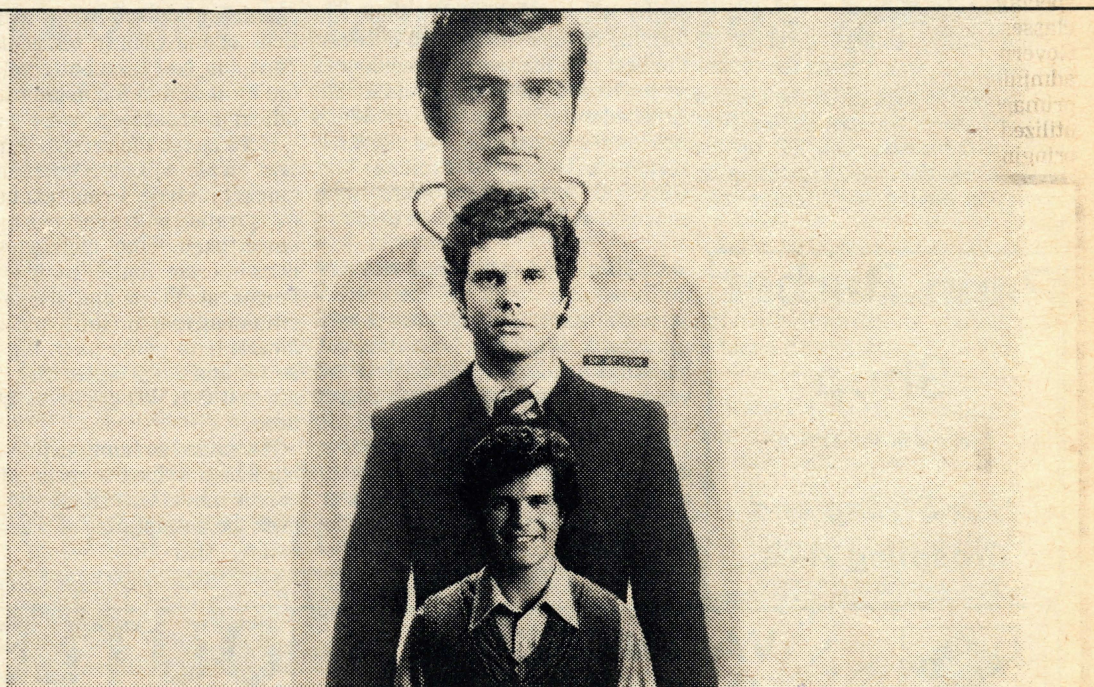
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Netmen And Duffers In Reverse Role

quite some time since the college tennis team has been on their season record sense of pride and commitment. And it's also been since the Blue and Gold were headed for their second losing season.

It is the way of sport, and Tom Rokita couldn't be a prominent member of the help of the weather

(which caused the cancellation of the match against explosive Bloomsburg State), and the fact that the tougher conference opponents were not scheduled early in the year, the Blue and Gold stand undefeated with a 3-0 log not including Tuesday afternoon's match with Moravian.

But success can sometimes be shortlived, and if the Colonels hope to keep their unblemished chart in tact, they must ward off the evil

rackets of MAC powerhouses Elizabethtown on Saturday afternoon, away, and Lycoming, next Wednesday at the Ralston Field courts.

In addition, the Wilkesmen will face Scranton on enemy turf. The Blue and Gold netmen escaped with a hard fought 5-4 victory earlier this year against the Royals at home.

For the golfers of Coach Roland

Schmidt, the early weeks of the season have not exactly been blessed with happiness. Although he has some tremendous talent, his duffers haven't quite put it together yet.

All is not lost though. With the lack of an adequate pre-season practice in this area due to the weather, the Blue and Gold golfers have been known to start slowly, and peak in

time for the MAC tournament which is being held this coming Monday in Willow Grove, Penna.

Larry Gurnari and Mark Jarolen are proven veterans, although they are only sophomores. If Schmidt can get capable performances out of his duo, and find another adequate twosome to place in the upper half of the competition, the Colonels could surprise a lot of people.

Sports Chatter

By Paul Domowitch

time ago, when they were passing out sports cliché's for people to use for years to come, a wise man stated that the purpose of sports and sophomores on athletic units was to watch and learn.

Colonel athletic legends like Joe Zakowski, Ted Yeager, and Tom went on to bigger and better things, those close to the Wilkes diamond scene felt that their would be at least a three year demise Domzalski's squad would once again challenge for the Middle Conference title, which it last captured two years ago. But such is the case. Importing a bumper crop of local talent to go with a few veterans, Domzalski has quickly put together a championship team which has its sites set on an MAC title and a NCAA playoff

all of the young talent though, there stands out a proven veteran. Nicknames call him "the little fella," but his small stature has not hindered his extraordinary baseball talent. Marty Pobutkiewicz can do it all, play his second base position better than anyone around, and run like a fleet-footed puma. His mere presence has helped mold this diamond unit into a pack of winners.

years ago, Tony Schwab had only one thought in his mind when he came to face with Steve Leskiw and Dave Trethaway, and that was to win. While "T" was a hurler-third baseman for the Meyers, Wink and Jake were trying to keep Coughlin High School in the Wyoming Valley Baseball League title race. Now, the trio finds themselves on the outfield grass for the Wilkes nine.

Keller and Jimmy "the Hawk" Hoover were all-scholastic stars for Wyoming Valley West High School when they decided upon their collegiate ball at Wilkes. At West, Jack was a catcher, while Keller was a second baseman. Last season, Keller saw action in the Blue and Gold, while the Hawk split his playing time between second and the hot corner. Now, they seem to have at last found a place where they belong. Keller has moved to first, and Hoover will probably remain at third for the remainder of his collegiate career.

pair of sophomore performers for the Colonels are Nanticoke's Greg Snyder and Berwick High School alumnus Dave Paolinelli. This pair have in common is two great pair of arms. From his position, Snyder can go deep into the hole for a grounder, and rely on his arm to still get the runner by a stride. Paolinelli doesn't appear to be a threat, but he can hit the ball with authority, and when he cocks his arm and fires down to second to get a runner with time to spare, he is a force to be reckoned with.

"soph squad plus one" is really making a run for all of the marbles in the Atlantic Conference this season, and when you go to watch them play, you might as well get used to their faces. You're going to see them for quite a few years before it's time for them to hang up their



WILKES NETWOMEN — The Wilkes College women's tennis team will open their 1974 season tomorrow in the Middle Atlantic States tennis tournament. Team members are, first row — Pat Steele, Nancy Roberts, Carol Kester, Ellen Schwartz, Nancy Snee, Darlene Kishbaugh. Second row — Sue Ann Knight, Bev Martin, Diane Giovannini, J. Anne Englot, Chris Koterba, Nancy Cardillo, and Linda Holonia.

Women Netters To Participate In Middle Atlantic States Event

The Chrissie Everts of the Wilkes College net world will take rackets in hand and head for Princeton, New Jersey this weekend, to participate in the Middle Atlantic States tennis tournament.

The event, which is being held tomorrow and Saturday on the Princeton campus will open the second year of varsity competition for the girls of Coach Sandy Bloomberg. Last campaign, the Colonelettes finished with a 1-2-1 season log, downing Bloomsburg St. for their only win.

This year, the Blue and Gold netwomen have expanded their

schedule to five matches, in addition to the MAS confab. New additions to the '74 slate are College Misericordia and Keystone Junior College. The two opponents back from '73 are Bloomsburg and Marywood.

Coach Bloomberg will have four letterwomen returning to head her squad, in addition to a couple of talented freshmen. One major loss will be that of Stephanie Pufko Umbach who has graduated after a spectacular athletic career for Wilkes, which earned her Female Athlete of the Year honors last year.

Senior Darlene Kishbaugh heads the quartet of experienced girls

back, and she may be Bloomberg's number one hopeful. Battling her all the way though will be juniors Nancy Snee, Ellen Swartz, and Anne Tracey. Both Swartz and Tracey were backcourt stars for the Blue and Gold girls cage team this past winter.

The two yearlings that come to the team with impressive credentials are Joann Englot and Pat Steele.

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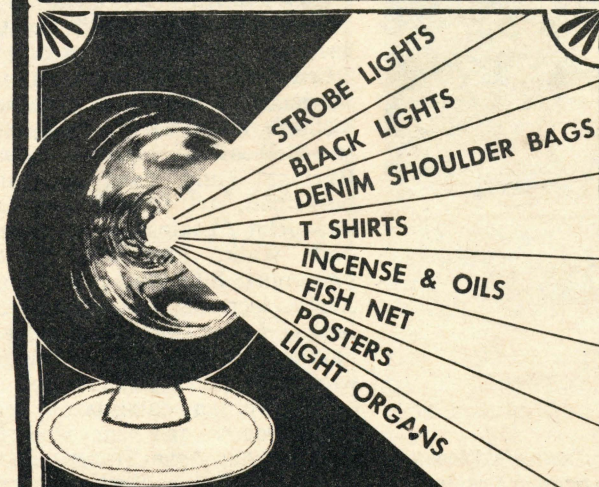
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Diamondmen Surging Skyward

Loss To Upsala Fails To Dampen Title Hopes; Colonels View Busy Week

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

With one of the busiest athletic schedules in baseball history staring them right in the face, the Blue and Gold diamondmen could use a few big victories this week to keep them at the top of the heap in the Middle Atlantic Conference standings.

It looked for a while as if the Colonels would breeze through their MAC rivals with very little trouble, in view of their early season performances against Stevens Tech, Delaware Valley, and Elizabethtown. But last year's league champion, Upsala had other plans, and outlasted freshman hurler Jim Stehle and the other Colonel diamondmen for a hard-fought 4-3 victory last Saturday afternoon at Artillery Park.

Stehle, who is probably the hardest throwing lefty in the college's history, limited the Vikings to a meager two hits, but experienced control problems in the early going, which accounted for the defeat.

He walked the leadoff batter in the game, and then saw the runner advance to third on two slowly hit ground balls. A pitch in the dirt to Upsala's cleanup hitter enabled the first Upsala run to cross the plate.

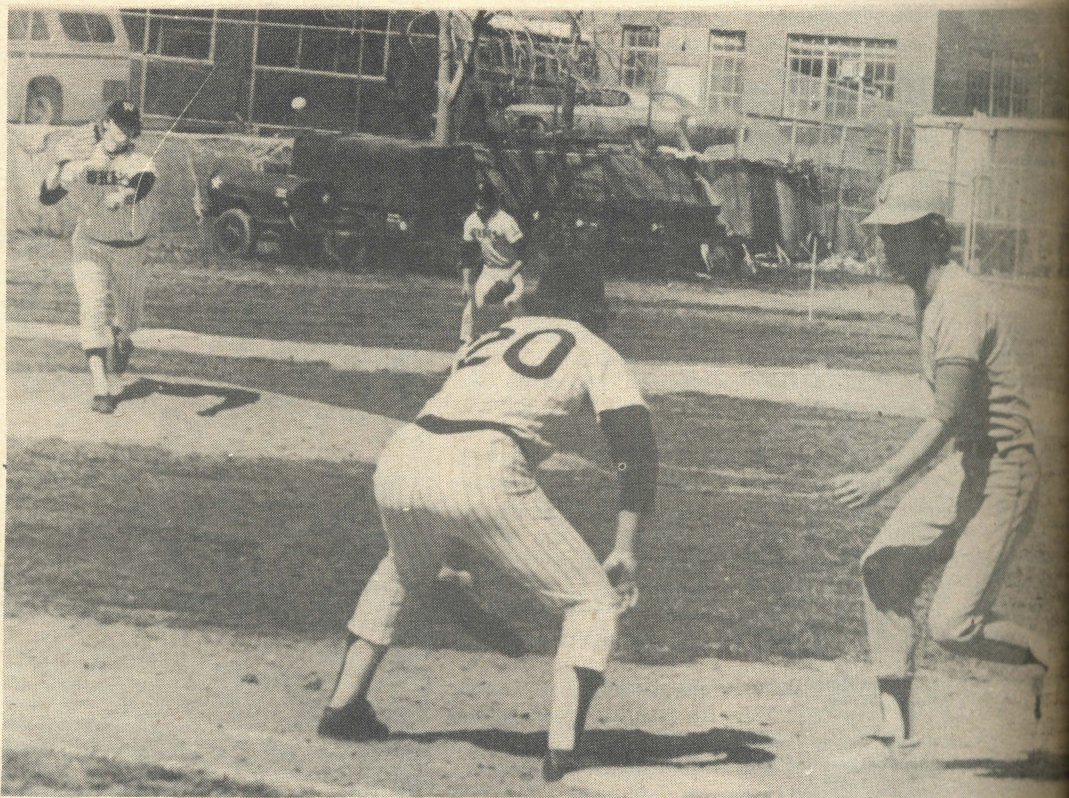
A few innings later, with runners on second and third and one out, Coach Domzalski signaled Stehle to walk the next batter intentionally in order to loan the bases and get the double play.

The Coughlin graduate struck out the next man he faced, but a sharp single up the middle past the outstretched glove of second sacker Marty Pobutkiewicz by the next Viking hitter scored two, and put Upsala in front for good, 3-1.

Local fans got their first opportunity to see Blue and Gold first baseman Jack Keller hit from the right side of the plate Saturday and he showed plenty of power. His first two times up to the plate, Keller drove the ball deep to center field for very long outs. Had they been over towards left another 20 feet, they would have been the Wyoming Valley West "alumnus" second and third home runs of the '74 campaign. Pobutkiewicz has been impressing a lot of people with his defensive

play now that he has made the move back to second base. "The little fella" will be the first person to admit that he doesn't have the type of shotgun arm a shortstop needs. But at second, he's got tremendous lateral movement, and doesn't need that strong of an arm.

The next seven days are going to clear up a lot of questions as far as the MAC title picture is concerned. The Colonels travel to Reading this afternoon to face darkhorse Albright College, entertain Juniata in a big doubleheader Saturday, host Ursinus on Monday, and close out the big week with a twin bill against Scranton at Artillery Park on Thursday.



BEATS THE TAG—An Upsala baserunner gets back to first a stride ahead of the throw on a pickoff attempt by Blue and Gold hurler Jimmy Stehle. Holding the runner on is Jack Keller. Stehle held the Vikings to two hits, but was sacked with a 4-3 loss.

Lacrossemen Can Do No Wrong

It may very well be spring, but the only this that Wilkes lacrosse opposition has been seeing is Winter! Billy Winter, that is, and he has been everywhere.

Lehigh was his first victim when he hit for five solo goals, and assisted on three others, as the Blue and Gold stickmen crushed the Engineers 16-3.

Lowly Dickinson College is still seeing apparitions of Billy, after his four goal, six assist performance against them, which led to their embarrassing 20-6 demise.

Florida will not quite be the same either, as Winter snowed St. Mary's College, and the University of Miami nets for a total of 10 goals and six assists.

But as you can obviously see from the scores, it hasn't completely been

a one-man operation. There have been others. Craig Austin, who played on the same high school team as Winter in Boonton, New Jersey, has not done all that bad, rifling in 14 goals thus far this season, and complementing them with six assists. His six goals in the Miami win tied him with teammate Gary Geischen for the single game high on the Wilkes team.

Geischen, who has never been short of self-confidence, had his six goal game against the St. Mary's stickmen, to give him 16 goals and two assists on the campaign, not including yesterday's contest with Haverford.

Along with Winter and Geischen, junior Bob Armstrong has given Coach Chuch Mattei one of the most

impressive starting attacks in the entire Middle Atlantic Conference. Armstrong, a West Caldwell, New Jersey resident, has six goals and five assists to his credit, which is quite impressive considering the outstanding play of his other two front line teammates.

Last season's leading scorer for the Blue and Gold was midfielder Vinnie Krill, but the scoring burden has been taken off of his shoulders this year and he has been able to play a better all-round game. Still, his four goals and two assists in the team's MAC contests is nothing to laugh at; he is tenth in the conference in scoring.

Speaking of league leaders, Winter is pacing the Middle Atlantic Conference in scoring with 27 points

on nine goals and nine assists, while Austin and Geischen are tied fourth with 14 points; Krill, eighth with 11; and Armstrong with 10.

With the Wilkes lacrossemen playing such a wide open style of game, much like that of a running basketball team, you'd expect them to be burned a little more than usual defensively. But such is not the case thanks to the truly outstanding play of defensemen Jeff Grandinetti, Rich Lorenzen, Rich Lack, Paul Lohman, and goalie Don Mock. Mock's backup, Bill Harris has exactly been sleeping, averaging almost eight saves a contest.

The Colonels will have a real tussle when they entertain unbeaten Muhlenberg at Ralston Field this Saturday afternoon, but the contest will probably decide the Middle Atlantic Conference title will come the following Saturday, when they face off against a very talented Western Maryland aggregation.

In '73, the Wilkesmen went into the contest with their Southern opponents undefeated in conference play, but Western Maryland put an end to that, drubbing the local 16-7.

Blue and Gold lacrosse enthusiasts are hoping that the Colonels will again go into the WM encounter with an unblemished record, but this time, hopefully different results at the end.

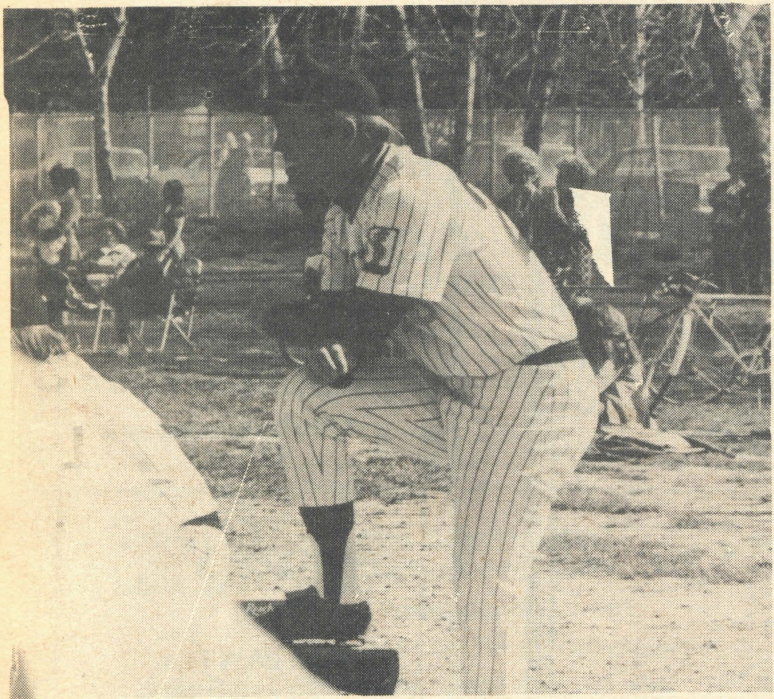
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LUCAS RETIRING

Jerry Lucas, the 33-year-old substitute frontcourt man for the New York Knickerbockers, recently announced that he will retire at the conclusion of the 1974 season. The former Ohio State all-American, who was a teammate of Boston's John Havlicek at the Big 10 school, will join Dave DeBusschre, and Bill Bradley, who also are calling it quits this season.

Zavoy Places Fourth

Wilkes College Synderman, Mark Zavoy, placed fourth in the mile at a recent track and field meet in the Watness Armory in Scranton.



DEEP IN THOUGHT—Colonel baseball coach Gene Domzalski looks on as his team tried to keep its undefeated record in tact against Upsala. The Wilkesmen lost, but still dwell as the favorite to cop conference laurels.

Nominees Chosen For Top Athlete

All-American football star Jeff Grandinetti and national grappling champions Art Trovei, Mike Lee, and John Chakmakas highlight the list of nominees for Wilkes College's Male Athlete of the Year, which was released earlier this week by the BEACON sports department.

Prime candidates for the Outstanding Woman Athlete Award are field hockey star Donna Doncses, and three-sport performer Anne Tracey.

Complete list of the men's nominees are: Jeff Grandinetti, Fred Marianacci, and Rich Lorenzen, football; Mark Zavoy, cross-country; Stellos Patsiokas, soccer; Greg Buzinski, and Jack Brabant, basketball; Art Trovei, Mike Lee, and John Chakmakas, wrestling; Jeff Walk, and Joe Abate, swimming; Billy Winter, and Craig Austin, lacrosse; Dave Meckbach, tennis; Larry Gurnari, and Mark Jarolen, golf; and Marty Pobutkiewicz, and Paul Hughes, baseball.

The women candidates are: Donna Doncses and Nancy Roberts, field hockey; Anne Tracey, Diane Jones, and Dottie Martin, basketball; and Darlene Kishbaugh, and

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CC Elections Released

Next year's eighteen from the junior, sophomore. Newly elected CC representatives, Joe Suckhodan, Joe Suckhodan, and Mike Star. Sophomore class CC representatives are Jackie Picquillina, Leonard Shames, and Mary Zaboron. Freshmen CC representatives are Willis Hapeman, Wal Dave Cherundalo, Barbey, and Dave Shelby. Most of those currently CC were re-elected. Shamus, Doug Jones and the sophomore class Council for the first time freshmen class Walter Hall and David Ney are members.

Commuter Council elections will be held from 1 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Encumbent Mike Star. Joe Aquilina were no Friday at the CC meeting. Weckesser Board Room results will be posted tomorrow. CC meets tomorrow. Favorable results were at a recent meeting with Hoover, CC President Lambaugh, and the authority at the Pennsylvania. The \$12 million.