

February 29, 1998

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scheduled for 7:30 p.m.
The Wilkes/Scranton
match will take place on
February 24th, which is
a day of time for the

Colonel
to plan
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Royal
reception
for the
boys in
purple.
Don't
forget
about
the
Wilkes
pre-
game
party in
Rumors
this
Saturday.
Photo by J.J. Fadden
Staff Colonel

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WVCLH
for all of
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is 2-8. On
day, January 28th
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College at

on Saturday
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come for their match
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Franklin and
the same day at

BATTLING CRIME ON OUR STREETS...

Prevent yourself from
being a victim.

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STUDENTS HELP SAVE LIVES...

Wilkes students donate blood
in a time of emergency.

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Women's basketball improves
record to 9-8.

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"Sex Awareness & AIDS" arrives on campus

by ELIZABETH PISANO
Beacon Staff Writer

On Monday, February
the Student AIDS
Awareness Committee is
welcoming Marie
Falzone.
At 7 p.m. in room 101
of the Stark Learning
Center, Falzone will
present "Sex Awareness
& AIDS."

Her speech will cover
topics such as date rape,
STD's, safe sex and
sexual harassment.
Falzone majored in
Education at Suffolk
University in Boston
before getting her start in
stand-up comedy. Falzone
has performed with
comedians including



Photo courtesy University Relations
Maria Falzone to present "Sex
Awareness & AIDS."

Paula Poundstone and Gary
Shandling.
Falzone trained under

Suzi Landolphi to
deliver the Hot, Sexy
and Safer message to
over 1,000 college
campuses nationwide.
Besides delivering
her message to over
1,000 college
campuses around the
country, she has also
made many television
appearances.

She has appeared
on A & E's "An
Evening at the
Improv," Showtimes'
"Full Frontal
Comedy" and NBC's
"Friday Night
Videos."

Falzone has
performed at the Special
Olympics, The Angel
Foundation and The Shanti

Project.

She also served as the
first female host of the San
Francisco International
Comedy Competition in
1994.

The student AIDS
Awareness Committee will
sponsor the event in hopes
of promoting knowledge
about safe sex and AIDS to
the Wilkes community.

Denise Popeck, a junior
at Wilkes, said, "I feel that
the lecture will discuss
important issues about
AIDS awareness and safe
sex but I don't think there
will be a large turnout
because not enough people
think that AIDS can affect
them. Hopefully the lecture
will change this."

The Student AIDS

Awareness Committee, in
conjunction with the
Nursing Club and Planned
Parenthood, will be
distributing information
about AIDS and safe sex
to students throughout the
week.

The packets will
contain information from
Planned Parenthood on
safe sex and free condoms.

These packets will be
distributed in the lobby of
the Stark Learning Center
throughout AIDS
Awareness Week.

For more information
contact Ted Hall,
President of the Wilkes
University Student AIDS
Awareness Committee at
826-3024.

Chi Alpha Epsilon honors Wilkes students

by LISA RUGGIERO
Beacon Staff Writer

Six Wilkes students
have recently been
inducted into an honor
society called Chi Alpha
Epsilon.

Chi Alpha Epsilon
recognizes the academic
achievements of Act 101
students.

Inductees must attain
at least a 3.0 GPA for
two consecutive
semesters.

Act 101 is a state-
mandated program that
assists residents who
meet certain financial and
academic requirements.

Many Act 101
students are people who

have been out of school
for a while and are
returning to college, while
others are students fresh
out of high school who
need extra preparation
because they weren't
planning on attending
college.

Chi Alpha Epsilon was
formed at West Chester
University in 1990.
Wilkes began its chapter
in 1993.

Wilkes was the first
local school to implement
such a program and the
5th chapter in the state to
be formed.

Currently there are
about 20 chapters in
Pennsylvania.

The letters in Chi

Alpha Epsilon were chosen
because they correlate to the
"Center for Academic
Excellence."

Wilkes' ceremony is
held in the fall of every
year, and only former
inductees are invited to
attend.

Chi Alpha Epsilon is
now a national honor
society with chapters in
Texas and Illinois.

Wilkes currently has 29
members in the society. Act
101 pays for the students'
initiation fees to prevent
them from turning down the
opportunity due to financial
restrictions.

Chi Alpha Epsilon has
an honor roll each semester
to acknowledge those

students who have attained
a 3.0.

This often encourages
students to achieve a 3.0
consecutively in order to be
inducted into the society.

The National Board of
Directors has recently
decided that inductees
should continue to be
recognized for their
accomplishments after they
have been inducted.

Members of the society
receive their honor cord
and pin, but they now have
the opportunity to be
acknowledged further.

Inductees who achieve
a 3.5 to a 3.9 may trade in
their pins for pins with a
ruby chip in them.

There are four Wilkes

students who were
honored for this
accomplishment. Barbara
Hoffman, Beth Micklo,
Patrick Smith and Ernard
Santos all received their
ruby pin.

Any member who
attains a 4.0 may
exchange their pin for one
with a diamond.

Mellissa Bahara
received this distinction
and her diamond pin.

Ms. Patricia Staskiel,
who works with Act 101
students, said, "Chi Alpha
Epsilon honors students
who have succeeded in
the classroom as well as
others areas in their
lives."



Around the world . . .

Reagan International Airport, coming soon?

CAPITOL HILL (AP)--

Two days before Ronald Reagan's 87th birthday Congress has wrapped up a gift for the former president.

Air travelers to Washington D.C. could soon fly into Reagan airport.

The house, following the Senate, has approved renaming Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

The house vote was 240-186.

Many democrats battled the measure arguing that it honors Reagan at the expense of George Washington but President Clinton said he'll sign it into law.

Clinton gives Iraq "bottom line"

WHITE HOUSE (AP)--

President Clinton is sticking to his "bottom line" on Iraq.

He insists the U.S. will deny Iraq the capacity to develop weapons of mass destruction and the missiles to deliver them and Clinton adds the U.S. will do that "one way or the other."

His spokesman insists that Clinton has not yet made a decision to stage a military attack on Iraq. Mike McCurry said Iraq "should not breathe easy."

He also said the U.S. is



not satisfied with Iraq's latest compromise offer. McCurry said it still falls short of the goal, providing inspectors with free and unfettered access to any possible weapons site.

Survival of burn victims predicted

BOSTON (AP)--A recent study said that there is a way to predict the survival chances of burn victims.

This method is based on age, lung damage and the extent of the burns.

Boston doctors said their simple formula can help doctors predict quickly which patients will live and which will die.

Three critical factors are burns covering more than 40 percent of the body, being over age 60 and lung damage from inhaling smoke and heat.

If the victim has none of these conditions the chances of death are well under one percent. With all three chances of survival is 90 percent.

The study is in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Rapist contacts victim

SEATTLE (AP)--A teacher caught with the boy

she was convicted of raping got back together with him at his request.

That's according to the lawyers for Mary Kay LeTourneau and the teenager who fathered her child.

The 35 year-old teacher was found with the boy early Tuesday in a parked car in Seattle.

She's been under a court order to stay away from him.

LeTourneau now faces up to seven and a half years in prison.

She pleaded guilty in August to two counts of second-degree child rape.

When she got out of prison last month, she was told she'd face more time if she had contact with the boy or any other minor.

LeTourneau's lawyer said the boy asked her to meet with him because he was having trouble at school and needed someone to talk to.

Wilkes University Bookstore



25% OFF SALE*

February 9-14

ONLY!

Stock up on Valentine's gifts for your friends, sweetheart, brothers, sisters, mom & dad!

***in-stock merchandise only; excluding textbooks, computer software & hardware and previously discounted items.**

How do you know if you're a victim?

WILKES-BARRE--

You dated him for about a year. At this stage, the both of you are about as serious as serious can get.

You used to spend all of your free time with one another but back then you liked it that way.

Now, it's becoming somewhat of a hassle. He needs you around or so he says. He can't live without you so he claims. If you refuse him... he hits you.

Wilkes University's International Association of Business

Communicators (IABC) along with Luzerne County's Domestic

Violence Center have joined forces to present,

"They break More than Hearts," on Wednesday,

February 11 in hopes of

making students and

members of the

community aware of a

growing epidemic-

domestic violence.

"IABC contributes

many things to the

community of Wilkes-

Barre. Last spring, IABC

took part in 'Bowl-For-

Kids-Sake" sponsored by

Big Brothers-Big Sisters of

Wilkes-Barre," said Kerri

Gosling, Wilkes University

IABC president. "The fact

that we volunteer our for the community all the group to work together to make where we live better, safer place," Gosling added.

The F.B.I. has estimated that a woman battered in the United States every 15 seconds and more than 4,000 women in the United States are murdered each year their husbands or boyfriends.

Pat Kwetkauskis, a counselor/educator for Luzerne County's

Domestic Violence

Resource Center will

hand to address the

following: who is an

abuser? how do you

know if you are a victim

or abuser?

Students from Wilkes

University will perform

a variety of skits to draw

attention to this serious

issue.

"They break more

Hearts" will be held

Wednesday, February

at 7 p.m., in room 101

the Arnaud C. Martin

and Conference Center

South Franklin Street

For more information

contact IABC at 408

Freshmen Class Sale
Valentine's Day Carnation Sale
 When: February 2-6, 1998
 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Stark Lobby
 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria
 Pick-up is on February 13 in the Stark Lobby
 There are three colors available.
 Buy them for your friends and other special people.
 Cost: \$1.00 each

Get on task at the Learning Center

By MICHAEL BLAIR

Blair Staff Writer

Do you feel that you are not quite prepared for that upcoming math test? Are you not doing as well in your English class as you had hoped?

If so, you might want to take advantage of what the learning center at Wilkes University has to offer.

Located on the third floor of the Student Union Building since 1991, the learning center offers a number of programs that benefit Wilkes students.

According to Judith Freemont, director of the learning center, it is really an umbrella for several programs.

The most well known program that is offered is peer tutoring which is available to all students.

Freemont claims that signing up to receive peer tutoring is really easy.

Students simply fill out an



Photo by J.J. Fadden

The learning center offers students a chance to get academic support.

application and turn it in to Sandra Redina, the tutor coordinator.

Once that is done, the phone number of a peer tutor for that subject will be given out.

It is up to the student to set up an appointment.

Freemont stresses that the student can meet with the tutor as often as needed, but most meet about three

hours per week.

Wilkes University funds this project, offering work wages to each peer tutor.

Freemont also notes that almost all freshman and sophomore courses have tutors available.

Other than free peer tutoring, the learning center helps students by offering numerous other

programs.

One happens to be helpful workshops that are offered at the beginning and the end of each semester. They feature topics such as note taking, time management and studying for finals.

Another program that is offered is professional tutoring with professors from the biology, chemistry and math departments holding study sessions each

week.

Also the learning center staff meets with students twice a week to help with time management and organization.

According to Freemont, some of these students are on academic probation and are required to participate, while others choose to take advantage of the free help on their own.

The learning center also provides assistance for students with learning disabilities.

Letters are written to the faculty, asking for recommendations for certain students, such as extra time for tests and lectures on tape.

So if you feel that you shouldn't have waited until the night before your physics exam to start studying or that you shouldn't have put off writing your final speech until the morning it was due, you might want to look into what the learning center has to offer.

For more information on peer tutoring, professional tutoring, workshops or any other service that is offered by the learning center you can stop by or contact Judith Freemont at 831-4150.

Be street smart, stay safe

By KAREN COOK

Cook News Editor

How many times have you walked home from a class or the library at night? Do you utilize a buddy system?

Many students feel a sense of security walking around the Wilkes campus.

However, there is an opportunity for crime on all streets.

There are ways that you can protect yourself against crime.

According to Sergeant Patrick Rushton of the Wilkes-Barre Police Department, if you think someone is following you, change direction or walk away from the street.

When walking on the street you should dress

appropriately.

It is recommended that you avoid flashy clothing and dress so that you can walk or run easily to avoid an attack.

You should walk confidently at a steady pace on the side of the street facing traffic. This way you can see all approaching traffic.

Walking close to the curb, avoiding doorways, bushes and alleys is also key to crime prevention.

Using the buddy system is the best way to prevent crime when walking on the street.

However, if you must walk alone it is important to walk confidently and plan the safest route to your destination.

Chief of Wilkes Security Gerald Cookus said, "trust

your instincts and know your limitations."

When walking at night avoid isolated areas, parks and parking lots.

It is important to know your neighbors and neighborhood.

Rushton said, "You have to be aware of what's going on around you."

If you think you are being followed, you should act suspicious, change directions or go into a public place.

Rushton also suggests making eye contact. "Let them know I've looked at you and I'll remember you," Rushton added.

Wilkes Security offers an escort service to Wilkes students.

Security offers both automobile escorts and walking escorts.

Escorts are available after 7 p.m. and take students within a three block radius of campus.

If you need an escort before 7 p.m. contact the security office to make arrangements.

If you are in need of an escort call 408-4999. It is important that students are patient when calling.

Wilkes University Security also has information on crime prevention, crime statistics and a crime watch bulletin available on their web page. The security home page can be reached from the Wilkes home page or at

<http://wilkes1.wilkes.edu/~security/>

For more information on crime prevention contact Chief Rushton at 826-8105 or stop in the Community Policing Office located on Main Street.

Safety tips

- Stay alert. Be aware of your surroundings.
- Stand tall and walk with confidence.
- Trust your instincts.
- Choose busy streets and avoid going through vacant lots, alleys or other deserted areas.
- Do not walk alone.
- Have your car or house key in your hand as you approach your vehicle or home.
- Know where the police and fire stations are located.
- Carry your purse close to your body and keep a firm grip on it.
- Try to use Automatic Teller Machines during the day.
- Don't wear shoes or clothing that restrict movements.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor guidelines:

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

Dear Editor:

There are a couple of things happening within the next few weeks that students should be aware of concerning the 1998 yearbook.

The Amnicola staff has decided to cancel the Club Photo Night on February 8 since most clubs opted to sign up for February 15. February 15 will still be on for clubs to have their pictures taken for the 1998 yearbook. We'd like to thank all clubs for signing up and we look forward to seeing everyone on February 15 in Marts 214. Clubs should be aware that if they are not photographed on Club Photo night, it may exclude them from the 1998 yearbook. If you have questions, club officers should also make the Amnicola at extension 2955. Clubs should also make the Amnicola aware of all of your events to insure that we can assign a photographer and writer to cover your event.

Senior photos will be taken next week, February 10-12. Please be aware that this is the last opportunity for seniors to be photographed for the 1998 yearbook. Due to a low turn out in November, the Amnicola expects to see all seniors next week. Photos will be taken in color and will appear in color in the yearbook. Seniors can call 1-800-836-0558 this week to schedule an appointment.

Faculty photos will also be taken next week from February 10 to 11. All faculty and staff are encouraged to have their photograph taken.

If you have any questions, please call the Amnicola at extension 2955.

Sincerely,
Michael Beachem

P.S. The 1997 yearbook has been submitted to the publisher this week. Now that it is in their hands, we expect the book to be available on campus by mid-March to April. Keep your fingers crossed!

1998 Amnicola

**Class of 1998 Senior Portraits
will be taken for the yearbook
Starting Tuesday, February 10th**

Annette Evans Alumni House

Please Call

1-800-836-0558

during the week of February 2nd
to schedule your appointment

DAVOR
PHOTOGRAPHY

Broken promises

It is 2 a.m. and I have just completed another chapter, worksheet or discussion paper. As I go through my bedtime ritual of washing my face and brushing my teeth, I give myself the same pep talk every night. "You are going to get up, go to the gym and get in a good workout, and then have a healthy breakfast all before you even get ready for class," I repeat to myself.

After what seems like 15 minutes, the alarm rings and with one eye open I reach for the snooze button. 10 minutes later, it is the same thing. This process continues until I gather enough energy to turn the switch to its off position. I might as well give up the fight and face the fact that I am not getting up every morning to work out. I don't know how many of you have made grand plans to get your body in motion, but I know that I am failing miserably.

I do not believe in dieting, for there is no good reason to deny yourself of anything, especially the foods you adore. I can't even say I am an advocate for only allowing yourself "small doses" of anything, because more times than not, I succumb to cravings. I often find myself grabbing for the chocolate cake while on line at the cafeteria, reaching deep into a bag of Dorito's or making midnight runs to Taco Bell. I do believe, though, that there are just as many physical benefits from a workout as there are mental benefits. It is here that I am letting myself down.

I am sure that I wouldn't need the occasional "power nap", wouldn't suffer from anxiety headaches, and would have a much better attitude about myself and the world around me if I were to follow through with the promise I try to make myself every night. In essence, this is my declaration to get myself in gear and start moving. I hope not only to break a sweat, but to kill some stress, as well.

I encourage all of you who have tried to make similar deals with yourself to make time in your busy schedule and join me by trying to hit the weight room, get out that *Abs of Steel* tape or take a walk over to Ralston Field. It may not be an easy habit to get into, but it is one your body and mind will both thank you for.

You're Invited!
February 12th*

ASK APPLE DAY

Stark Learning Center Lobby
10:00 A.M. Until 2:00 P.M.

Please stop by to say "Hi" to Barbara Jamelli-Sefchik as she returns to the Wilkes campus as Systems Engineer representing Educational Technology Associates.

* Yes, Lincoln's Birthday.
Bet you didn't get an invitation for that!

She and Kathy Toal-Philipsen will be available to demonstrate one of the exciting new generation **Power Macintosh G3's** and to discuss the **MAC ADVANTAGE** and how it can provide you with the best possible solutions to your computing needs.

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Mike Rosh

"Bomb the bastard"

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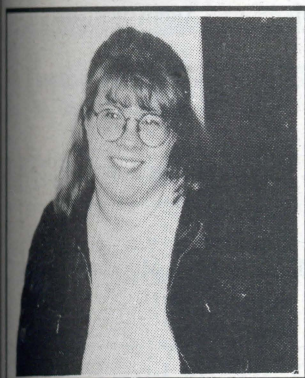
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The Beacon calling ...



Jennifer Bullock resides in Pittston, PA. She received her bachelor's degree from Lebanon Valley College in 1994. Bullock currently serves as the Assistant Director for Alumni Programs.

What is the best way alumni can benefit Wilkes University?

"They should support the school in all aspects, particularly with admissions, volunteering and donations. They do so by passing the word letting others know about their wonderful experience and their useful degree."

Are Wilkes alumni responsive?

"Yes, We have a good group, but it's always a challenge to get more people on board."

What is the most successful alumni event?

"Homecoming is probably the event that alumni get most excited for."

What is the best thing about your position?

"I meet so many people who love the university. There are so many stories to hear."

The Beacon is looking for staff writers and photographers. You can gain a credit and add a potential 4.0 to your G.P.A. If you are interested in writing for news, sports or features call extension 5903 or 2962.

Steel Cage Match: The Niefs vs. the world

Somewhere around a year ago, we were watching TV and we happened to see the video for "Wannabe." The world would never be the same. Five scantily clad women running around in a noticeably cold hotel (If you've seen the video, you know what we mean) obviously got our attention. After listening to the song for about twenty or thirty seconds, we decided to mute the sound. At the end of the week, neither of us were bothered by their immediate popularity. There was no way that these girls could last. I mean, c'mon; they can't even sing in harmony. After a month of hearing "Wannabe", the fear set in. What if these no-talent Brits don't disappear? So far they haven't, and it looks like we are going to have to put up with another Year of the Spice.

GOD, do we HATE the Spice Girls. Good Lord, do they suck! There is no other band out there that bothers us as much as the Spice Girls do (with the exception of Hanson). Maybe, if there was something more to their music than just one or two lines repeating over and over for three-and-a-half minutes, it would be different. Too bad it's not! They were somewhat entertaining the first week we heard them, but after a summer long marathon of Spice, they are worse than "The Macarena".

As if the Spice Girls weren't annoying enough to hear, now we can all see them in their upcoming motion picture, *Spiceworld*. WOW, what a bad idea! Instead of making people want to throw up, now they will wish these girls were dead. Of all of the bands to rush out and make a movie, why does it have to be the Spice Girls? If a British musician is going to make a movie, why not Clapton or Townsend? Maybe even Oasis ... (We'll take that last one back). What gives the Spice Girls the right to shove this crap down our throats? OK, they make a truckload of money. It still doesn't make their music any better or less annoying.

We have a running theory about why the Spice Girls are so popular. It could be possible that they are pure evil. Unlike Hanson who are evil but they just don't know it, the Spice Girls know they are evil, and they chose to continue on their one-way track to hell. They have some kind of deal with the Devil whereby they sell their souls in exchange for the ability to actually make people sick with their music. Hopefully, the Devil will collect before their next album, but, as the song goes, "Only the good die young."

If you have any comments, suggestions, complaints, come-ons, or criticisms, please feel free to keep them to yourselves. We don't care. (except for the come-ons) We're just kidding. If you really think you have something important to say to either of us, you are welcome to e-mail Mark at niedma@wilkes1.wilkes.edu and Matt at niedmb@wilkes1.wilkes.edu.

Useful Tip: If running around Pickering at night, watch where you are going. You could pull a Jimmy.

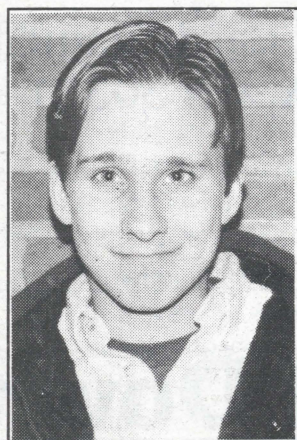
Roving Reporter by J.J. Fadden

"What do you think of the possibility of the U.S. bombing Iraq?"



Mike Rosh

"Bomb the bastards."



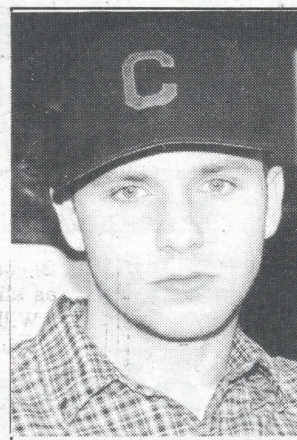
Jeff Moisey

"We should amke a parking lot out of them."



Autumn Perkins

"I think war is wrong, but it has come to the point where that's the only option."



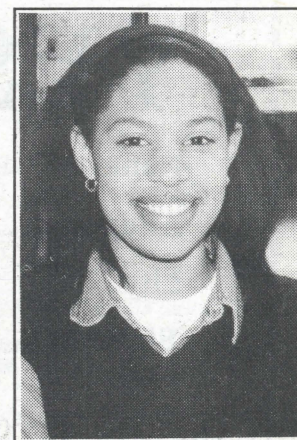
Brian McGrane

"We need to take into account the 18 and 19 year olds that are in the mix of things."



Angellique Satrisno

"Unfortunately America thrives on this."



Tila Paris Ansley

"I believe in world peace."

DAY BY

DAY

A student's guide to
Wilkes University
Activities

Sunday, Feb. 8

- AIDS Awareness Week
- Law School Admissions Test
- Club Photo Night, 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Marts Center



W I N T E R

Thursday, Feb. 5

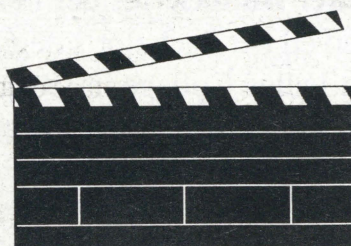
- IRHC meeting, basement of SUB 11 a.m.
- Programming Board General Meeting, 11:30 a.m., Marts 214
- Manuscript Meeting, 12 p.m., 3rd floor, Chase Hall
- Scripture Study, 6:15 p.m., Alumni House

Monday, Feb. 9

- VISION Homeless Shelter, SUB Basement
- Student Community Service Council Meeting, 3rd floor SUB
- Maria Falzone speaks on Sex Awareness and AIDS, SLC 101, 7 p.m.
- Jason Sieminski's "African Excursion", Marts 214, 7 p.m.
- Men's Basketball vs. Lebanon Valley, 7:30 p.m. (Away)

Friday, Feb. 6

- MSC's Africa-American Story Telling REACH Party, RUMOURS
- "Seven Years in Tibet" 7:30 p.m., SLC 101



Tuesday, Feb. 10

- VISION Homeless Shelter, SUB Basement
- Beacon staff writer meeting, 11:30 a.m.
- Ammicola Meeting 11:15 a.m., 3rd floor Chase Hall
- Commuter Council Meeting, 12:15 p.m., SUB Basement
- Circle K Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Alumni House

Saturday, Feb. 7

- Optometry Admissions Test
- Wrestling at Scranton with Lycoming and Ursinus (Away)
- Women's Basketball vs. Moravian, 2 p.m. (Away)
- Men's Basketball vs. Moravian, 7:30 p.m. (Home)

Wednesday, Feb. 11

- VISION Homeless Shelter, SUB Basement
- Campus Interfaith Talk-It-Out, 5 p.m., Alumni House
- Women's Basketball vs. King's, 6 p.m. (Away)
- Student Government Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Marts Center
- Men's Basketball vs. King's, 8 p.m. (Away)

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It only takes ten minutes of your time, yet its rewards can last a lifetime.

On February 3, 93 Wilkes students found out just how rewarding giving the gift of life can be when they donated blood for the Red Cross's first blood drive of the semester. Held in the Marts Center, this particular blood drive was extremely important because the American Red Cross has notified the public of an ongoing shortage in most regions of the United States.

Factors such as inclement weather, especially in the New England area, as well as outbreaks of influenza have taken their tolls on local blood banks. Our area proves to be no exception as the list of donors volunteering to give blood has dropped dramatically. With that in mind, The Red Cross in connection with Volunteer Services here at Wilkes held the first of two drives this semester.

Diana Pribula, the head nurse with The Red Cross says that the turnout was better than expected.

Pribula said, "Our target was 80 donors and we reached over 90."

However, she was quick to point out that years ago volunteers exceeded over 200.

"I don't know the reason of our decrease or why so many students are apathetic,"

Pribula says, "maybe students aren't as community minded anymore."

Amy Mazur, coordinator of Wilkes' volunteer services also notices the decline, she explains, "we used to have a goal of 100 donors but recently that's become unrealistic...it's

more like 80 now."

One of the factors Mazur attributes the decline to is the

good for someone else."

To most such a reward is enough pay especially when thinking about what far reaching effects donating a pint of blood can have.

Today, blood can be saved for future use or sent to blood banks experiencing a shortage through the Red Cross' National Inventory Management System. Blood is also heavily used in hospital emergency

rooms, on ambulances for accident victims, and now with an increase in modern procedures, blood is in greater demand during surgery.

Giving blood only takes a small amount of time and the steps donors must go through before the extracting of blood

are relatively simple.

First, the volunteer must fill out a form with general information and have their weight and iron levels checked.

Next, they are asked brief questions dealing with past sexual behavior, health and medical history. If the donor has not eaten they are treated to snacks and refreshments before going to the privacy booth. Here, the volunteer makes a decision whether or not the Red Cross should use their blood by placing coded stickers on their form.

Finally, the donor is off to actually give blood which only takes about ten minutes. During this short time a volunteer will only feel a slight pinch when the needle is inserted and will donate one unit, which is a little less than a pint.

Since everyone has 10 to 12 pints in their body, this blood may be considered excess to you but to a person bleeding it may be the
See Blood donors pg. 8

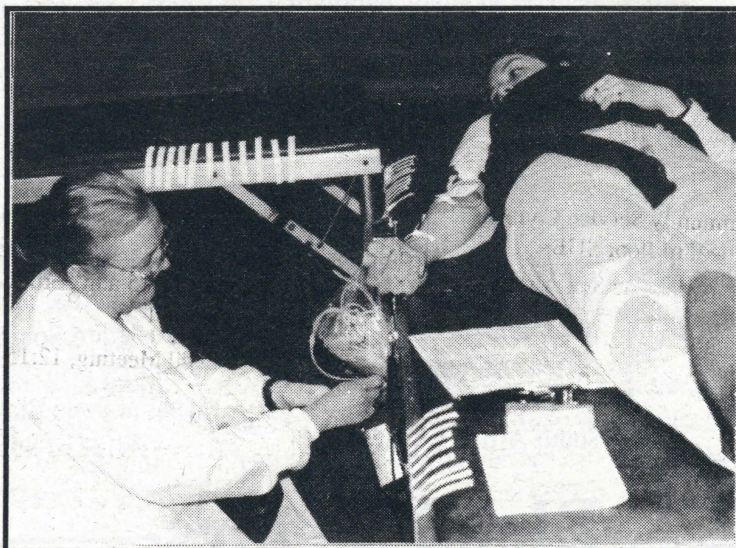


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Student giving time to a needy cause.

recent opening of a local plasma center.

"The plasma center pays people for their donation," Mazur explains, "whereas donating blood is strictly voluntary without any financial reward...just the reward of knowing they did something

Spring Breakers going the distance

WILKES-BARRE --

When the public thinks of spring break and college students, an image of hundreds of young adults creating havoc on the streets of a resort come to mind. Most likely this image is a fair assessment of what will go on throughout the week.

However, eight Wilkes University students will be taking part in a totally different experience than that of the average college student.

These students are participating in the Alternative Spring Break Trip which is offered through the office of Volunteer Services at Wilkes University. The students will be staying at the Tecolote Youth Center in

Tijuana, Mexico. While in Tijuana, they will be assisting children with arts, crafts, sports, education, and sewing.

Also, they will be doing minor repairs on a youth center such as painting and carpentry.

"I decided to get involved with the Alternative Spring Break trip because I enjoy working with children and what better way to make a difference in a child's life than through this spring break trip," said Leigh Sabol, a sophomore Elementary Education and English major from Trucksville, PA.

Marc Eakin, a junior psychology and sociology

"... what better way to make a difference in a child's life than through this trip."

Leigh Sabol

major has been heavily involved with the community service programs on campus.

"I consider the Alternative Spring Break trip to be the next level in increasing my service,"

said Eakin.

The Tecolote Youth Center is a project of Baja Outreach. Their goal is to help poor and disadvantaged Mexican youth succeed in school and prepare them for the future.

The Wilkes students who will be spending the week at the youth center not only hope to gain valuable experiences from the trip but contribute something of value to the lives of the disadvantaged.

Amy Musto of Dallas, PA, hopes to gain knowledge about a different culture. "Not only do I hope to learn about their way of life, but hopefully I can offer them insight about my

culture and way of life," said Musto.

"I plan on helping them it with whatever I can whether be physical or emotional," said Nicole Erich, a freshman psychology major from Binghamton, NY.

The group will be holding a bake sale at Walmart on Sunday, February 8, starting at 11 a.m. Also, they are collecting spare change. Deposits can be found at various sites on campus.

The volunteers are very appreciative for any contributions students are willing to give. If you want to find out how you can contribute, contact Amy Mazur at ext. 5904.

Holy Condoms, Trojan Man!

By SHAWN KELLY

Special to the Beacon

Ironically, it was only two weeks ago that I was in my car, on my way to the offices of Planned Parenthood of North East Pennsylvania (PPNEP), and I was chuckling at the commercial on the radio which starred, "Trojan Man," the superhero of condoms. Little did I know that I would all but steal his spotlight working as an intern for PPNEP.

First off, I am letting you know that I won't stifle you with morbid, mind-boggling statistics or "sexually responsible" lectures about condom use and/or its results...but what I will tell you is that, aside from abstinence, condoms are an effective means against pregnancy and the most effective means of protection against sexually transmitted diseases, such as HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

Now, I'm all for morals that declare, "I wanna wait until I'm married," or "I'm saving myself for someone special," but honestly, how many really do?

Authority figures, role models and celebrities from all walks of life can stand in front of podiums and preach abstinence until they are blue in the face, but the fact remains that people are having sex.

Something to the tune of 66 percent of high school seniors have engaged in sexual intercourse by the time they have graduated. Until 1991, the decision to have sex was being made by younger and younger individuals every year, but has since been secured at around age 16 for boys and 17 for girls.

The use of condoms among sexually active high school students decreases from 63 percent in 9th grade

to 50 percent in 12th grade, as age and sexual experience increases, the use of condoms decreases.

That seem right, does it?

Well it shouldn't. The fact that condom use decreases with age and experience syllogistically implies that teens and young adults are idiots.

Nevertheless, it is true. The first part of the syllogism, I mean. Condom use *does* decrease with age and sexual experience. This is partly due to the increasing regularity of a particular sex partner or use of an effective pregnancy prevention method, such as the birth control pill.

But when was the last time you flipped through the channels and *didn't* come across a talk show with the subtitle, "He's a low-down, cheatin' dog?" My point is that indefinitely isn't a particular branch of a bank or something that only occurs among adults.

Remember, contraceptives such as the birth control pill or Depo-Provera only protect against pregnancies, not STDs. Besides, you should consistently use two methods of protection anyway, such as the birth control pill and a condom for maximum effectiveness...oops! I told you I wasn't going to turn this into an advice column.

Both teens and adults are inconsistent with their use of condoms and contraceptives, limiting the effectiveness of both. Don't let being unprepared for a sexual encounter be your excuse for not using a condom...O.K., I won't lecture. But I will leave you with a simple task; let's all do *our* parts to refute the second part of the aforementioned syllogism; "JUST WEAR IT," it's a matter of condom sense.

Call 1-800-PLAN for more information.

Out of Africa, into Marts

WILKES-BARRE -- In recognition of February as Black History Month, Wilkes University welcomes Jason Sieminski who will give a presentation entitled "African Excursions."

The presentation will be held on Monday, February 9, in room 214 of the Arnaud C. Marts Sports & Conference Center, on South Franklin Street.

Sieminski is a native of Wilkes-Barre and currently resides in State College, PA. In September, he will either begin law school or return to South Africa as a Fullbright Scholar.

Sieminski's interest in South Africa began as a

student at Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School. As a political science major with a photography minor at Pennsylvania State University, he had many opportunities to focus on this interests.

In order to accurately gather research for this honors thesis paper entitled, **OUR LAND, An Analysis of South Africa's Restitution of Land Rights Program**, which was awarded the Phi Beta Kappa Senior Honors Theseis Research Prize for the College of Liberal Arts, Sieminski traveled to South Africa in the summer prior to his senior year at Penn State.

While in South Africa, he

had the opportunity to work as a participant observer in land rights workshops with communities reclaiming land from which they were removed during apartheid.

Through photographs, he documented the plight of claimant communities as well as their struggle to regain their ancestral homelands. Also, he had an opportunity to interview many government officials, non-government officials and property lawyers working in the restitution process.

For information about the presentation, call 1-800-WILKES-U, ext. 4770.

Blood donors

difference between life and death.

Most individuals are eligible to donate just as long as you are healthy, at least 17 years of age, and weigh at least 105 pounds. You can still donate even if you are diabetic, have nasal stuffiness, allergies, smoker's cough or hay fever.

You can donate blood a few times a year, every 56 days volunteers are eligible again. Of course all blood types are welcome, but donors with type O blood are particularly encouraged, since this blood type is universal and can be given to patients with any kind of blood, especially in an emergency.

It's important to note that modern technology is aiding in the shortage of blood. New

techniques such as the use of salines and blood expanders are slowly eliminating the use of blood donations.

Each year, thousands of lives are saved using non-blood transfusions for reasons as varied as a fear of contracting AIDS to strict religious beliefs. In the future, donors and blood banks may be obsolete and a person bleeding to death may be saved without blood!

However, at the moment many are not willing to risk their lives on these new procedures which still keeps blood in high demand.

So remember, it only takes ten minutes to donate yet, in the few minutes students spare out of their daily schedules, they may have spared

something far more important than time, they may have saved a life.

You are eligible to donate blood:

- if you are at least 17 years old.

- if you take medications, but it is important to tell what type of medication you are on and why.

- if you are diabetic and on oral or injectable insulin.

If you would like to volunteer or if you missed the campus blood drive on February 3, you can call the local chapter of The Red Cross to schedule an appointment. Do not despair, there will be another drive on April 14, for more details contact Amy Mazur at ext.5904.

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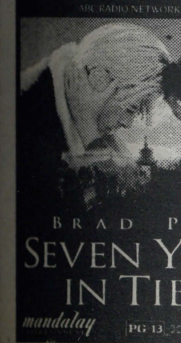
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Critic's Corner

with Dan Lavelle

"Desperate Measures"

Hello fellow movie viewers.
This weekend, I almost didn't

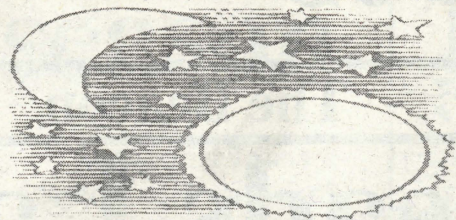
make it to the movies. I've had a really bad cold and when Friday came around I was tempted to stay in bed. But for some reason I just couldn't do it, and I went out anyway. I saw "Desperate Measures."

In it, FBI agent Frank Conner (Andy Garcia) has a son who is stricken with leukemia. His only hope is a bone marrow transplant. The good news, though is that they were able to find a donor. The bad news is that it belongs to Peter McCabe (Michael Keaton), a serial killer with an unusually high I.Q. When the first transplant occurs, McCabe escapes. Now the question remains: can Conner find him before time runs out?

I must say this was a pretty good suspense flick. Mostly because of Michael Keaton's acting abilities. This man really knows how to play the bad guy. I'm use to seeing him in comedies such as "Multiplicity," and "Mr. Mom," or a drama like "My Life". This movie convinced me that Keaton is a very talented actor.

Next, there is Andy Garcia, the FBI agent. He handles this part very well. After doing some research, I've noticed that Garcia is no stranger to cop films. Some of his films include "Jennifer Eight" and "The Untouchables." In both movies he played someone in law enforcement. I guess with all of his experience playing this part was no problem.

In conclusion, I give this movie three and half stars (***/2). Michael Keaton makes this a movie worth seeing. So if you have some time on your hands and money in your pocket, check it out.



ALIGNING THE PLANETS WITH MADAME ZELDA

Aquarius (January 20-February 18) Feeling a bit under the weather lately? Start taking better care of your body. Go to the gym a couple times a week and add a little green to your diet. The energy will kick in soon.

Pisces (February 19-March 20) With Valentine's Day on the way you are thinking it's going to be another night alone with a VCR and some popcorn. Take a good friend up on a night out, it may be a good Valentine's Day after all!

Aries (March 21-April 19) Your hard work is paying off. You have been getting good grades on your assignments so far. Don't let this go to your head. If you want the grades to stay up there you have to keep working.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Your relationship is a bit on the rocks. Think about whether it is a good situation for you right now. Sometimes all you need is some time by yourself.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) You keep putting off something important. Keep in mind it has a due date, called a deadline! If you keep putting it off you will miss a huge opportunity.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Better days are on the way. Good luck and fortune are soon to be yours. The winter blues are sure to pass soon.

Leo (July 22-August 22) Love is in the air. The Valentine bug is going to be biting soon! Keep your eyes peeled for that cupid in disguise!

Virgo (August 23-September 22) Stay in bed this week! The rest and relaxation will help in the busy weeks ahead.

Libra (September 23-October 23) A test you have worried about will surely surprise you! You thought you bombed, when you really blew them away!

Scorpio (October 24-November 21) Lately you have been a bit of a home body. Put the type A personality aside, close the books and put on your dancin' shoes! Get out there and have fun!

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21) It's the week for change! Rearrange your room and borrow and outfit from your friend. The change will attract a lot of good attention!

Capricorn (December 22-January 19) Brighten someone's day with a simple act of kindness. Open a door, smile or say hello. Take it even farther by doing a favor that you normally wouldn't do.

That's Entertainment

Oprah Winfrey: Takes stand in Mad Cow- Related suit

AMARILLO (AP) -- It was Oprah Winfrey's turn to get "Oprah-Ed" in a turnaround from her work as a talk show host. Winfrey was peppered with questions as she took the stand for the first time in a ten-point-three million-dollar lawsuit filed against her by Texas cattlemen. She says she believes her show has the power to influence, but she believes her audience is smart enough to make up their own minds about what they see on the show. Even though she was in a courtroom, Winfrey maintained her ability to relate to her audience. Winfrey drew laughter from jurors several times. Joining Oprah in court was her friend, Maya Angelou. She sat in the second row.

Bill Cosby: A year later

UNDATED (AP) -- On this date a year ago, Los Angeles County officials decided to

withdraw their offer of a reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction on the Ennis Cosby murder case. The move came after Cosby asked that no taxpayer money be used to provide a reward. An arrest has been made in the case and the suspect's trial is to begin later this year.

Grateful Dead: No Bill Kreutzmann

KAUAI (AP) -- The Grateful Dead might be planning a reunion, but drummer Bill Kreutzmann says thanks but no thanks. Kreutzmann says he got a call from his former bandmates about joining them for a tour, but he turned them down. He says anyone who standing where he is would "totally understand" why he doesn't want to leave. Kreutzmann says he is not sad or jealous and is still friendly with his former bandmates. He's just not interested. He also says he doubts they would be touring as the Grateful Dead, but possibly under a different name.

Backbone's debut album, featuring Kreutzmann on drums, is in stores now.

Today's Birthdays

Comedian/Actor **Red Buttons** is 79.
Country singer **Claude King** is 65.
Actor **Stuart Damon** is 61.
Writer/Producer **Stephen J. Cannell** is 57.
Singer/Songwriter **Barrett Strong** is 57.
Actor **David Selby** ("Dark Shadows," "Falcon Crest") is 57.
Singer **Cory Wells** of Three Dog Night is 56.
Singer **Al Kooper** is 54.
Actress **Charlotte Rampling** is 52.
Actress **Barabara Hershey** is 50.
Actress **Jennifer Jason Leigh** is 36.
Bassist **Duff McKagan** of Guns N' Roses is 34.
Singer **Bobby Brown** is 29.

ATTENTION STUDENTS!

Wilkes University Programming Board is looking for students to help plan and coordinate events for the spring and fall semesters. This is your chance to voice your opinion about which novelty events, entertainment, concerts and movies to bring to campus.

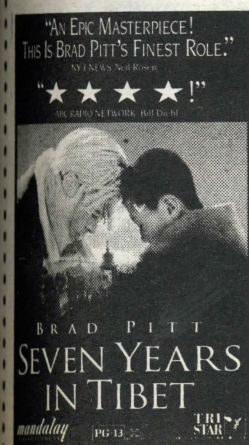
Meetings are held every Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in Marts 214.

All students are welcome to attend meetings and bring their ideas and suggestions! Remember, it's your activity fee money; help us spend it wisely! We look forward to seeing new faces at our next meeting.

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Baker still leads Lady Colonels

By **JOHN LONG**
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes Lady Colonels won their last game of the week after two consecutive losses. Their overall record now stands at 7-8. In the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League, they maintain a record of 4-5.

In their home game with Lycoming College on Wednesday, the Lady Colonels were defeated by a score of 59-57. Wilkes maintained a 33-30 lead at halftime with Jill Ronkowski getting 3 three-point field goals and 13 points overall in the first half.

Rebecca Baker and Katie Watkins contributed 11 and seven points respectively in the first half. Erica Weaver of Lycoming took away the Wilkes lead in the second half with a pair of free throws.

The Lady Warriors took the game and Weaver led all scorers with 26 points. Baker and Ronkowski led Wilkes scorers with 17 points each.

On Thursday night, the Lady Colonels hosted

Allentown to face the Lady Centaurs where they picked up another loss. This would be the third straight

defeat for Wilkes. The final score was 64-57. In the opening period, the Lady Colonels gained a ten point advantage but by half-time, the

game was tied at 30.

In the final two minutes, Janelle Ganci of Allentown College gained six free throws which drove the Lady Centaurs to victory.

Allentown's Kate Baxter led her team with 16 points and 17 rebounds. Watkins led Wilkes with 14 points and had six rebounds

and four assists. Baker finished with 11 points and 12 rebounds.

Saturday's game at

rebounds. This was Baker's highest scoring game of the season. Ronkowski finished the game with 19

points including 3 three pointers. This was also Ronkowski's highest scoring game this season. Heidi Kindel of the Jersey Devils led her team's scorers

their losing record as they spanked Misericordia 63-43. This set the Lady Colonels' record at eight and eight overall and five and five in the conference.

Watkins dominated the boards as she managed to pull down a season high of 11 rebounds.

Watkins is second on the team with 87 total rebounds behind Baker's 158 rebounds.

Watkins is also behind Baker in points with 201 and an average of 12.6 points per game. Baker has 230 points this season with an average of 14.4 points per game.

Cookus came off of the bench to pull through with 15 points.

Watkins and Baker both checked in with 10 points.

On Wednesday night, the Lady Colonels once again upped their record with a win to pull them a winning record; the first time since their Delaware Valley match-up.

The efforts of the Lady Colonels made up for the loss to the Lady Centaurs that they suffered last week.

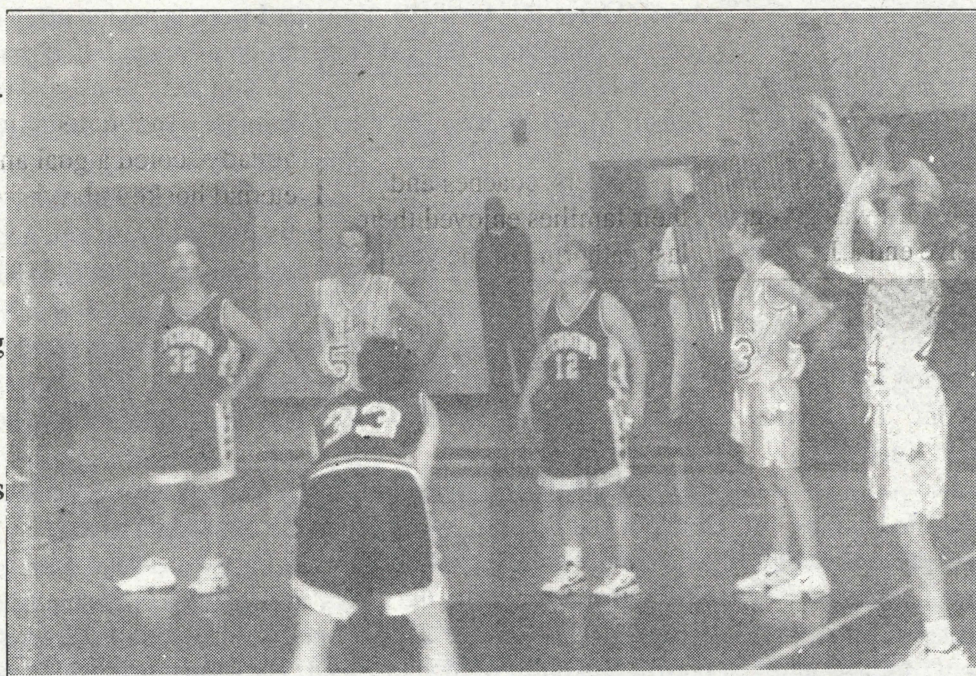


Photo courtesy of Mrs. Cookus

Tracy Zaykoski shoots from the foul line in their losing effort against Lycoming.

FDU - Madison in New Jersey proved to be the turning point for the Lady Colonels who gained an 84-81 victory over the Jersey Devils. This was Wilkes' highest scoring game this year.

Baker was the game's highest scorer finishing with 28 points and also adding 9

with 26 points.

On Monday, Wilkes faced off against the College Misericordia in the Henry Gymnasium. That night strengthened the team's overall record and boosted their ego to go into their double-header at Allentown College last night.

The Lady Colonels broke

Wilkes men's volleyball club picks up first three

By **RICHARD PENCEK**
Special to the Beacon

For those of you who did not know that Wilkes has a men's volleyball club, and even for those of you who did know, you will be happy to learn that Wilkes picked up three consecutive wins in their first three matches of the season.

The volleyball club has been in existence for some time now, but sees this year

as one of the best composed squads in the past five years. Wilkes belongs to the MAC-VC League and is part of the Northern Division.

Tri-captains Jim Calciano, Richard Pehncek and Scott Vanvalkenburgh all see the team as having the potential to do very well this year. The only problem they see is that they need for the

club to get publicized and recruit more players.



The Wilkes Volleyball club began their season by sweeping a quad meet at Seton Hall. The Colonels defeated Seton Hall, Montclair State, and Rowan College by the scores of 3-0, 3-1, and 3-0.

Matthias Sidney's 44 kills and 19 blocks led the Colonels

offense while Calciano's 11 kills and 15 blocks, and Pencek's 16 kills and 11 blocks provided an offensive and defensive threat. Vanvalkenburgh served up five service aces and John Uscilowicz was the offensive catalyst with 60 assists on the day.

The next tri-match will be held this Saturday at Lehigh University where we will be taking on York College and Lehigh University.

Banquet ends season

By REBECCA LANDIS
Beacon Sports Editor

Football has, at last, come to an end. Things were put to rest this past Saturday as the 1997 squad held their annual banquet at Gennetti's.

This year was a year of both rejoicing and sadness as five players were recognized for their efforts this season.

Good-byes were also said to all of the seniors and to Coach Ron Miller who will be moving on from the Wilkes University football

program.

The Offensive Player of the Year Award was given to tailback Mike Hankins. No one came close to his never-ending efforts which helped pull the team through hard times.

Hankins finished with the most yards rushing in a season in the history of Wilkes University as well as the Middle Atlantic Conference.

The Defensive Player of the Year Award was given to defensive end J.J.

Fadden.

The Special Teams Player of the Year Award went to Eric Garrecht.

The Craig Piatt Memorial Award for Freshman of the Year was given to defensive back Justin Holmes.

Lastly, the Colonel Award for the athlete who best exemplifies a Wilkes Colonel was given to Chris "Stump" Shannon.

Players, coaches and their families enjoyed their last gathering of the year.

That's what I say With SCOTT VEITH



Is there a special award given for the biggest goon in the world of sports that no one ever told me about? Do coaches give out special awards for the guy who gives the cheapest cheapshot of the game? Has the entire world of sports turned into boxers and wrestlers right before my eyes?

Dino Ciccarelli scored his 600th career NHL goal yesterday to become the ninth all-time leading scorer in the history of the game of hockey, and nobody cares. Why? Because Gary Suter of the Chicago Blackhawks decided to knock Mighty Duck star Paul Kariya into the middle of next week after Kariya had already scored a goal and the play was over. Suter, being the eternal hockey player from a hockey family in which he and five of his brothers have played in the NHL, could only muster up the common courtesy to say, "I didn't think I hit him so high." Granted, hockey is known for an excessive amount of violence and contact, but the hit that Suter exacted on Kariya was just vicious. I have nothing against collision hockey, but there is no need for an established NHL player to ruthlessly hit an NHL star.

This epidemic has spread into the college and high school ranks. Over the winter break, I had the misfortune of attending a junior college hockey alumni game in which three fights broke out! Yes, at an alumni game. This was the first time in all of my years of attending sporting events that I witnessed an ejection in a charity event.

The very next day, I attended a youth hockey game between two teams in the mite division (the mite division is for players that have not yet reached their 10th birthday). I saw three more fights in this game. Not only were the players fighting, but the coaches fought, too! Now, if that is the kind of message that coaches want to send to their players who are only eight or nine years old, I want to distance myself as far away from the world of sports as possible.

Enough about hockey. We all know that hockey is a violent game, and always will be. How about basketball? Can somebody explain to me why P.J. Brown of the Miami Heat needs to prove his manhood to the world through fisticuffs every time he has the national spotlight? Keep in mind that Brown was the NBA Man of the Year just a few years ago. He just doesn't strike me as someone that I would want my little cousin to grow up to be like.

As is the case with pro basketball, college basketball has gotten into the swing of things as well. Just a few weeks ago, Wilkes' own Brian Gryboski found a better way to express himself than through his basketball skills against the University of Scranton. If Gryboski and Brown would let their basketball abilities talk instead of letting their fists and elbows talk, they would be better off.

Not to be left out, the NFL has become a victim of the violence epidemic just a week ago. At the Pro Bowl, of all places, Kansas City Chiefs defensive end Neil Smith and San Francisco 49ers offensive lineman Kevin Gogan found themselves slapping each other on the back of the head like little girls who just stole each others Cabbage Patch Kids. Then, Gogan saw it proper to approach Smith at a party after the Pro Bowl to solve all of their problem with a peaceful little brawl. Smith, being the NFL veteran that he is, decided to take the high road. He told Gogan that he was not worth his time, and he avoided further confrontation. Maybe there is hope for athletes as human beings yet.

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Super Sophomore soars to new heights

By JASON SARREY
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Dave Jannuzzi's career at Wilkes started off with a bang. He came to Wilkes University last year as a freshman and was immediately pushed into the starting line-up.

He capped off his freshman season by receiving three major awards. He was awarded the Middle Atlantic Conference Rookie of the Year Award and the Mid-Atlantic Region Rookie of the Year. He was also awarded the Newcomer of

the Year award by *The Sporting News*.

Jannuzzi started this season in the same manner he ended last season. He is currently averaging 16.7 points per game along with 3.3 assists per game and 3.8 rebounds per game. His 16.7 points per game makes the Colonels second leading scorer, and his assist average is tied for the best on the team.

Jannuzzi feels his biggest contribution to the team is his leadership and he also sees the importance of doing whatever it takes for the team to win games. Although he plays an

important role in leading the Colonels, he is quick to state that it's the team's effort that could make a championship possible this season. He added that the seniors have played a huge role in the Colonels success so far this season.

When asked what he thought was his best game this season, he replied, "Probably Lebanon Valley because it was my best all around game, but its hard to say you had your best game in a losing effort." He feels no intimidation starting as a sophomore simply because if

he were to play intimidated, he couldn't play his best.

Jannuzzi is not afraid to work hard in the off season. Running and lifting weights was part of his training schedule to prepare him for the upcoming season. His biggest goal before each season is to try and gel the team so they can win as many games and championships as possible.

The major differences he noticed in making the transition from high school basketball to college basketball was the agility and the speed of all of the players. Instead of having a handful of good players, each player that steps onto the court

can hold his own.

When asked which NBA player he would try to model his game after he said, "Well if there was any player I would try to model my game after, it would probably be Ervin 'Magic' Johnson."

Jannuzzi's great play, along with the the efforts of his fellow teammates, has earned the Colonels a 15-1 record so far this season.

If all goes as Jannuzzi expects, he could lead the Colonels to a twenty win season along with a Middle Atlantic Conference championship.

Looking for # 15

By ROBERT MORCOM JR.
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Scott Cleveland's first game back after receiving seven stitches and losing two of his teeth proved to be his best as a college basketball player.

Cleveland, a junior forward for the Colonels, came off the bench against FDU-Madison and sparked the Colonels with 20 points and 11 rebounds. This was Cleveland's highest point total for the season. His efforts helped the Colonels improve their overall record to 14-1.

Wilkes was in control for the whole first half as they built a 30-19 halftime lead. It seemed as though the Colonels were going to blow out the Jersey Devils.

However, FDU-Madison came out of the locker room firing in the second half and shot 61.8 percent from the field the rest of the way. The Jersey devils were six of 10 from beyond the 3-point arc.

Harry Vega helped the FDU-Madison cause with four 3 pointers. Byron Dunk tallied 22 points. The Colonels proved to be

superior once again as they withstood the Jersey Devils fire power and won the game 81-75.

Senior point guard Jay Williams ran the offense to perfection and even managed to total 20 points, a season high. He was six of seven from the floor and dished out four assists. Williams upped his scoring average to 8.2 and scored his 123 point of the season.

Dave Jannuzzi chipped in 18 points while Brian Gryboski grabbed nine rebounds. Freshman Artie Gotzmer ended up with 10 points and is now tied with Williams for overall points.

Unfortunately, the Colonels were upset by Allentown College last night. The Colonels fell by a score of 99-86 in the loosing effort.

Wilkes was down going into the second half, but led by Gryboski's endless efforts, they staged a comeback. This comeback was to no avail.

Allentown proved to be the stronger of the two teams especially in the area of rebounds. Allentown outrebounded the Colonels

both offensively and defensively.

Wilkes suffered adevistating loss, and were outplayed in every aspect of the game despite their win over Allentown College the first time the two teams matched up.

"We gave a poor defensive effort. We dug ourselves too big of a hole in the first half," said Scott Cleveland about last night's game.

Allentown College gained the lead on the Colonels by hitting the majority of their outside shots and three point shots. This is something that the Colonels failed to do last night.

The Colonels fell to 14-2 overall and 7-2 in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

They will look to improve their win total on Saturday, February 7 when they take on the Moravian College Greyhounds at the Marts Center at 7:30 p.m.

By then, the Colonels will have had enough time to refine their rebounding ability and get on the ball.

Wilkes drops two

By JOSH BURGESS
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The Wilkes University wrestling team dropped two heartbreakers on Saturday to Boston College and Franklin and Marshall College. In the opener, the Colonels lost a 25-19 decision to Boston College.

In their second match of the day, the Colonels did not fair much better, falling by a score of 25-9 to Franklin and Marshall College. Franklin and Marshall topped Boston College, 36-15, to conclude the tri-match.

The winning grapplers for the Colonels against Boston College were John Conte, Matt Moreleno, and Jeremy Hoagland. Also picking up wins off of forfeits were John Laudenslager and Ryan George.

George was the only two-time winner for the Colonels on the day after winning a hard-fought decision over Bobby Crick at 142 pounds in the loss to Franklin and Marshall.

In the Franklin and Marshall match, George, Morellino and Hoagland were the only three Wilkes wrestlers who managed to

pick up wins. Morellino won by decision against Jason Tanner and Hoagland beat Gilespeie by a decision.

What hurt the Colonels the most was the number of wrestlers on the team. Because they don't have enough wrestlers to fill the weight catagories, they had once again forfeit matches. They gave up a total of 18 points due to forfeits.

Wilkes will return to the mats next Saturday when they travel to the University of Scranton to compete with the University of Scranton Reddies, and the Lycoming College Warriors. The University of Scranton wrestling team will also be involved in the quarter meet. This meet will begin at 12 p.m. Wilkes' record now stands at 2-11. This is not the way the Colonels hoped to start this season, but they still have plenty of time to win some key matches.

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