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The year-long search for provost has come to an end

Wilkes President Leahy has named new provost for next year

By Christine Lee
Senior News Editor

Anne Skleder from Cabrini College has been selected as Wilkes' next provost and senior vice president after a year-long national search.

On Jan. 3, Wilkes President Patrick Leahy announced Skleder's selection as the university's second in command in an email to the campus community. He said "her long knowledge in higher education and personality" made her stand out.

"She has a significant amount of experience in higher education both as a full professor of psychology and in a number of academic and administrative jobs," Leahy said. "I think she's a very good listener, a very personable person."

Leahy said he liked that Skleder also demonstrates an ability to get things done combined with her experience and personality.

Skleder currently serves as provost and vice president for academic affairs and professor of psychology at Cabrini College in Radnor, Pa. Prior to joining Cabrini, she served as dean of Chatham College for Women at Chatham University in Pittsburgh.

She also held a variety of administrative positions at Alvernia University in Reading, Pa. including vice provost, associate vice president for academic affairs and enrollment management, and department chair of psychology.

In her role, Skleder will be responsible for overseeing Wilkes' academic programs and initiatives, working with the deans of each of the five schools and colleges and their faculty. However, she said one of her biggest objectives is the role she has with the university's strategic plan.

"One of my big goals is to help in the implementation of the strategic plan and work with the whole campus on that," Skleder said.



Courtesy of Marketing Communications
Anne Skleder will assume her new position on June 1.

Skleder's appointment comes after a second search committee was formed after the first search committee, did not produce an ideal candidate for the position.

Leahy attributes the second search committee's success in his involvement in the search and the university being in a better

position this year than it was a year ago.

"We've had a couple good operating years. I hope that some of the new individuals that are here, myself included, have brought some excitement to the place, so we presented better to a pool of candidates as a university than we did 12 to 18 months ago," Leahy said.

"Last year I got involved (with the search committee) at the very end, this year I was involved from the beginning, so I was able to dialogue with that advisory group throughout the process and we agreed on candidates that we ought to bring to campus."

Having been familiar with Wilkes, growing up in the area and attending Leahy's installation in the fall of 2012

as a representative from Cabrini College, she said Wilkes' emphasis on mentoring played a huge part in her decision to apply for the position.

"It is really something that really resonates with me," Skleder said. "I'm really interested in how mentoring can work best in the 21st century with students of today."

Skleder said she is interested in learning from students what kind of mentoring work best for them. As for making herself visible to the campus community, she said she plans on attending campus events to get to know as students, faculty and staff.

"I love campus events so I will use those as opportunities to get to meet students, faculty, staff, alumnae, trustees, administrators, friends of the university," Skleder said. "I definitely want to leverage all those activities that are already happening."

She said she also plans to set up informal meetings and use student and formal meetings to get to know members of the campus community.

Leahy said Skleder's experience with initiatives the university is interested in advancing, such as an honors college program, online graduate programs, and growing research capabilities of faculty will help her advance Wilkes' mission.

"We just felt that her experience lined up with our vision for the university better than the other candidates that we identified and I think she's going to be very positive for Wilkes," Leahy said.

Skleder said she is eager to begin her new role on campus and expresses much of her gratitude toward the search committee.

"I'm exceedingly eager to begin to serve Wilkes," Skleder said. "I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve and so thankful to everybody who was involved in the search process. It was the most professional, collegial and warm process that I've ever gone through."

She will assume her position on June 1 but will be on campus multiple times prior. Interim Provost Therese Wignot will continue this semester in her current role.

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University provides students with opportunity to enhance resumes

By Sara Davis
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Students at Wilkes University are taking the opportunity to enhance their resumes with Merit pages and co-curricular transcripts.

A Merit page is an online platform that uses social, print and online media to help record and promote a student's various academic and extracurricular achievements in order to attain their academic and career goals.

Senior communications major Ian Foley claimed his Merit page and said that both the students and the university benefit from these pages.

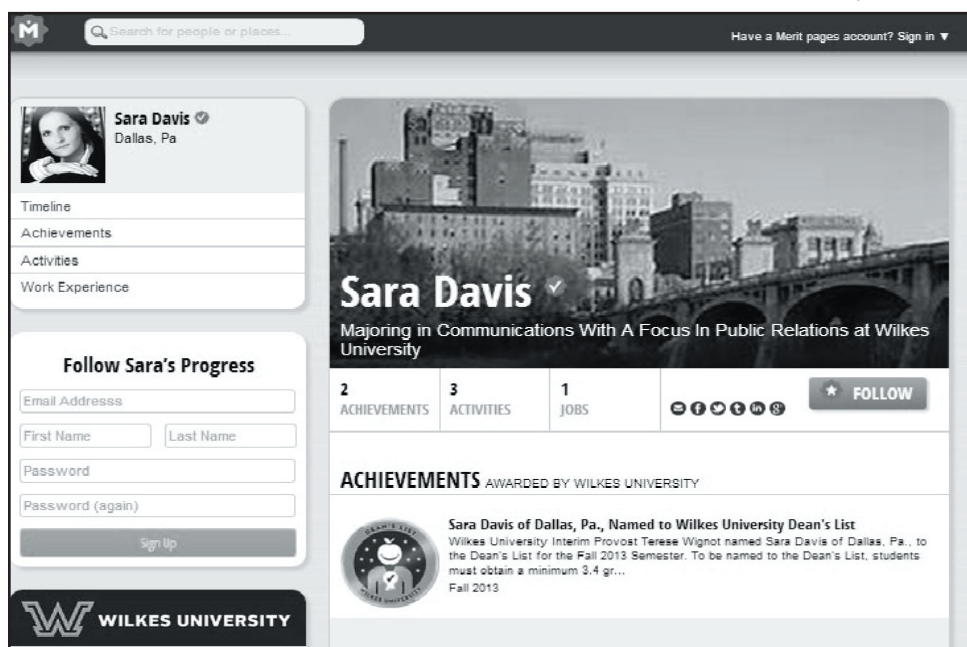
"I think Merit pages are a great benefit to students and the Marketing Communications Office at Wilkes. For students, it gives us a collection area for our web presence. When someone Googles your name, Merit pages is a high search result," Foley said.

"It is also promotable via social media. So, if I am proud of my accomplishments, I can share the news on my Facebook, or Twitter. For the Marketing Communications Office, it increases Wilkes's online presence. When someone searches for the student, a university-sponsored page comes up."

Wilkes subscribes to the Merit pages' service to help recognize students' achievements while at Wilkes.

"The pages are based upon news releases to promote or honor students," said Vicki Mayk, director of public relations at Wilkes. "Students can add activities that they participate in outside of the university as well."

An "achievement" is an accomplishment that Wilkes endorses and releases to the news media via Merit. Merit will then send a copy of the story to the student's hometown news-



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Merit pages allows student's to record their various academic and extracurricular achievements.

paper and records the event on the student's Merit page.

Each student at the university is set up with a Merit page.

"I strongly encourage students to 'claim' and set up their pages," Mayk said. "It shows a student's accomplishments in a way that is 'more official' than Facebook."

To claim a Merit page, Wilkes sends students an email with a link to claim their Merit page. The achievements granted by Wilkes will be posted, and students will have the option to add their own achievements outside the university.

"So far we have had about 500 students claim their pages," Mayk said. "We have had

over 100 press releases."

Mayk said that her goal is to share student's achievements with social media and to help promote Wilkes as a whole.

In addition to the Merit pages, students have the opportunity to complete a co-curricular transcript.

"The purpose of the co-curricular transcript is to help students complete the 'what's missing' factor on their resumes," said Sharon Castano, internship coordinator at Wilkes.

A standard transcript focuses on academic performance, and the co-curricular transcripts are used as an additional source to show potential employers or universities what achieve-

ments the student has completed during their time at Wilkes.

"The activities that a student posts on their transcript will be approved by the leader of that organization," said Melissa Howells, internship coordinator at Wilkes. "Doing this will allow future employees and universities to see that these documents, in fact, are official."

"As an individual who hires interns, I would definitely be interested in seeing a co-curricular transcript," said Attorney Edward Ciarimboli. "It would definitely make a student stand out over someone who did not have one."

"Another benefit is that these transcripts will allow students to promote themselves for awards," Castano said. "For example, if I am nominating a student for an award, I can look at the transcripts to see who best qualifies for this award. I may not know this person, but seeing their transcript allows me to recognize them."

The transcripts are broken down into categories, such as leadership or sports, and are completed by the students.

"It is up to the students to complete these themselves," Howells said.

A website is being created for the students to complete their transcripts. When completed, it will show a step-by-step process as to how the document should be created.

Students may print free copies of their merit page from Student Development.

Official transcripts can be printed upon request for a cost that has not yet been determined.

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Beacon Briefs

A World Apart: The Legacy of George Gabin

Opened Jan. 14 through May 11 in the Sordoni Art Gallery will be a gallery showing titled A World Apart: The Legacy of George Gabin. The Sordoni Art Gallery is open to the public and is located at 150 South River Street in the Stark Learning Center on the Wilkes University campus. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday, from noon to 4:30 p.m. The gallery follows the university schedule and is closed during holidays and university breaks, admission is free. For more information, call 570-408-4325.

E-mentor Applications Available

If any students want to assist first year students in their transition to becoming Colonel, Ementor applications for summer and fall 2014 are due on Jan. 31 before 4 p.m. To pick up an application go to the Information desk, Henry Student Center, 1st floor.

International Business Experience

Students interested in traveling for spring 2015 semester could explore business strategies and cultures in eastern Europe with the 3-credit International Business Experience. The course includes travel to Krakow, Poland; Berlin, Germany; Prague, Czech Republic and Budapest, Hungary. The travel company has extended their \$200 discount until the end of January and there will be a smaller discount until the end of February. For additional information, please contact Dr. Wagiha Taylor, 570-408-4712, Breiseth 112.

Multicultural Awards

The Center for Global Education and Diversity accepts nominations once a year for students, faculty, staff and board members demonstrating significant contributions toward raising multicultural awareness at Wilkes University. The nominations started Jan. 20 and are open through Feb. 21. Go to The Center for Global Education and Diversity for more information.

Alumni Association Scholarship

If one of your parents or grandparents graduate from Wilkes, you are eligible to

apply for the Alumni Association Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded annually to a current freshman, sophomore or junior with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. The deadline to apply is Feb. 7. The scholarship committee will pick the top three candidates to interview.

NYC Trip - Platanos and Collard Green

Platanos Y Collard Greens is a hilarious romantic tale which asks if love between Blacks and Latinos can survive. The trip is scheduled for Feb 15. The bus will depart from Wilkes at 11 a.m. and the show start at 3 p.m. If interest deadline to sign up is Feb. 3 and there is a \$20 fee. For more information contact the Office of Diversity Initiatives (ODI), Erica Acosta.

Student Government Winter Weekend Information

Winter Weekend, sponsored by Student Government, is just around the corner. This year's theme will be Decades (20s, 30s, etc.). Winter Weekend is the annual competitive team event at Wilkes University where students form teams under a specific theme and compete in feats of creativity, thought, and strength to win prizes. Winter Weekend will be held on February 21 and 22 this year.

Please contact taylor.moyer@wilkes.edu if you are interested in being a team captain and with the decade of your choice!

Intramural Volleyball Sign-Ups

Sign ups are now open to play intramural volleyball. students can sign up as a individually or on a team. Sign ups end Feb 2 and game play begins Feb 3 at 8:30 p.m. in the Marts Center gym.

Sexual Jeopardy Program

The BACCHUS Club is sponsoring a program called "Sexual Jeopardy" on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 9 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. in the Henry Student Center Ballroom. The event is an hour of fun and education. Interested student, staff and faculty can participate in four teams with four participants per team. There will be a question/answer exchange. This program is a game show format designed to educate students about sexual issues and concepts. Its purpose is to encourage students to continue to seek information and realize that no one is more important than themselves. Contact Health Services at ext. 4730 to participate. Prizes will be distributed to the winning team.

To celebrate National Hug Day Student Development held a free hugs event. The event took place in the Henry Student Center.

Donate blood on Feb. 6

By Carl Soprano
Correspondent

Think about how you would feel knowing that a loved one could be helped to health by a unit of blood. Now think about the helpless feeling you would have sitting in the emergency room wishing there was something you could to help.

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Blood donations help save lives every day. One pint of blood can save up to three lives. Donations help people in accidents, suffering from severe illness, and even sol-



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diers fighting for our country. The donation process does not take long but the gratification of knowing you helped someone can last a lifetime.

Wilkes University will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, in the Henry Student Center.

Red Cross professionals will analyze your donation and mail you information on your blood type.

For more information on blood types and donations visit www.redcrossblood.com. For any questions

about the blood drive at the Henry Student Center contact Megan Valkenburg at megan.boone@wilkes.edu.



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Stay 'cool' Polar Vortex



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Even though the Polar Vortex has claimed many on Wilkes University Campus, sophomore's Ethan Fritz (left), and Zac Lehr (right) brave the frigid weather to get across campus. For Fritz, the single digit temperatures did not stop him from showing some skin.

SG Notes: Funds allotted Vagina Monologues; Winter Weekend

By Nick Durdan
Staff Writer

After light debate Wilkes University Student Government voted to allocate the necessary funds to the Vagina Monologues and the Winter Weekend event.

SG member Caitlyn Sofio spoke to allocate SG funds to pay for tickets for both days so Wilkes' students may attend carte blanche. The request was for \$1,000.

"Despite a snowstorm last year we had a really good turnout, and I think it would be nice if students could go for free," Sofio said.

Last year, 177 tickets were sold; the snowstorm was the primary cause of the low attendance.

Caitlyn Sofio could not be happier when the vote were passed.

"I'm so very pleased, because now some Wilkes students can actually get in for free," said Sofio.

The funds allocated were for \$1,000 to compensate for the \$5 asking price for tickets. Now the first two hundred Wilkes students can get in for free, provided they come equipped with their Wilkes ID.

The votes were tallied at 36-0-1.

Winter Weekend is also up and coming. The annual event is scheduled for Feb. 21 and 22.

Winter Weekend had its budget earmarked. The price was set at \$3,998 for various items including: food, prizes, t-shirts, and other expenses including \$300 set aside for any miscellaneous costs.

Student Government voted in favor of the budget allocating \$4,000 to the Winter Weekend budget. The budget passed with end vote at: 35-0-3.

Wilkes' food service representatives from Sodexo joined the meeting to ask for the opinion of Student Government about some potential changes to increase foot traffic and revenue at two university eateries.

SG members suggested promotions or other incentives to increase foot traffic at Gambini's and Stark Cart, two lesser known eateries at Wilkes University located within University Center on Main and Stark Learning Center, respectively.

Gambini's typically serves residents of University Towers across the street, and those having classes inside UCOM.

Stark Cart serves people who have classes within SLC, oftentimes students grab a quick bite to eat before and after labs.

One popular suggestion was for Stark Cart is to accept more than Flex Dollars.

Also, another student survey via Sodexo will be going around before spring break for feedback purposes.

Dean of students Mark Allan has proposed new student housing for the next year of schooling.

Barre Hall, vacant now for many years will open in the near future, as will Pearsall Hall, which previously was the nursing center at Wilkes.

The possibility of utilizing a third building was also discussed.

The budget for Student Government is as follows: All College: \$24,244.11, Conference: \$6,141.64, Spirit: \$3,410, General: \$22,509.08, giving SG a total of: \$56,304.83.

Student Government meets every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Miller Room in Henry Student Center.



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Work study: Doing the work to stay on top

By Alyssa Stencavage
L&A&E Editor

There's a way to keep your bank account alive and well while at college. It's work study, and it comes in a couple different forms.

Federal Work Study is a program funded by the federal government and awarded to students with financial need to help defray some of the costs of education. The funding level for each school is determined by the US Department of Education.

"I look at it as an opportunity for students to earn money to defray costs and an opportunity to learn job skills while they're at it," Executive Director of Student Services Dr. Janine Becker said.

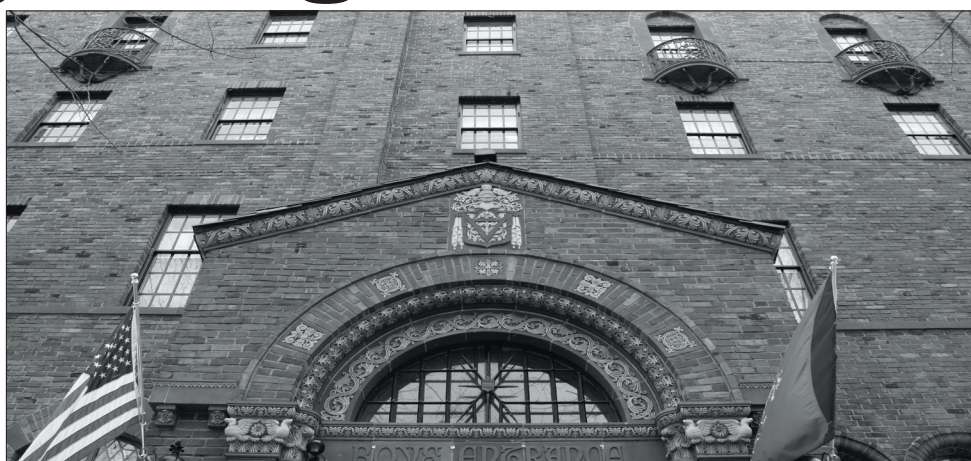
Outside of the Federal Work Study Program, Institutional Work Study funding is provided by the university to allow some departments to hire students. The amount available is determined by the university and there is no financial need requirement. The jobs offered remain the same; the difference is where the funding comes from.

Both types provide a way for students to pick up some extra money while also learning skills for on the job.

The application process begins with a simple visit to the portal, where job listings are available for both programs. The legal and HR paperwork required to secure a position is available at the Student Services front desk in UCOM.

In order to obtain a work study position, you must be eligible. Becker said eligibility is a function of FAFSA form information that will determine what financial aid is appropriate to a given student, and work study is one of those. Again, it is important to remember that a basic component of work study is that it is "need" based, and therefore requires some type of financial need. Also keep in mind, as Becker said, that the financial aid aspect of the deal won't come without following the rules.

There's another type of work study available to students as well, one that involves place-



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With its proximity and need for volunteers, the Wilkes-Barre YMCA is the No. 1 place students choose for Work Study in the community.

ments in the community. Again, this also acts much like a real job in that an interview is arranged with an off-campus agency, which then decides who will get the job.

Coordinator of Student Development Megan Boone said she also has to make sure that the funds she has correspond with the number of students she is taking on. Before they can actually start the job, students are also required to get two signatures, from Boone and the agency they will be working with.

Boone said the nice part about a community service work study job is that it allows students to work through breaks. The flexibility of off-campus work study funding and the opportunity it gives students to shine doing what they do best is another benefit of working in the community. It enables them to disperse their talents throughout the community, and then bring those efforts and funding back to school. For example, a students working with the Red Cross can organize a blood drive back at Wilkes.

"Students can really gain that extra part of what makes them a student," Boone said. "It gives them the opportunity to earn money that

they need toward education and to study."

With the number of work study jobs in the area, allowing students to get involved is the most logical approach and also gives them an edge, although Boone said academics come first.

"Since we have so many agencies we work so closely with off campus, it only makes to have a student help promote those programs," Boone said.

In fact, Boone said the YMCA is the number one place students opt to give their time, especially considering it's close and always looking for volunteers.

"There are so many things students can do here on campus," Boone said. "Agencies really rely on our students." "Students can really gain extra part of what makes them a student."

Another positive aspect of off-campus work study are the relationships that are built.

"Even if we don't already have a partnership with an agency, we can create one with an organization that students are passionate about," Boone said.

While off-campus work study and the corresponding funds can be good on all sides, those

funds do run out and Boone said having to tell an agency they can't continue constitutes the most difficult obstacle for students.

"It's a little bit challenging to have that financial element to it," she said. "I wish we had unlimited funding."

Work study isn't restricted to those who live on campus; Becker said she's had residents, commuters and off-campus applicants.

Another aspect of work study that can be advantageous for students is the flexibility that every administrative and academic department offers because each understands that most students have full agendas.

For students alone, Becker said work study is an integral part of the college facilitation process.

"A lot of students really count on that piece of their financial aid to make ends meet," Becker said.

Even though college can be tough, students also see the light at the end of the tunnel.


Senior second year pharmacy major Corinne Aucker holds small group tutoring sessions for students in both General and Organic Chemistry as well as Freshman Biology, where they go over book problems and homework. Sometimes students are given made-up questions to try to solve themselves. These sessions are for any skill level and do not require any prior sign-ups.

"I think work study is important because it gives students the opportunity to make money without leaving campus," Aucker said. "I particularly like my work study position because it enables me to not only help other students, but keep old coursework fresh in my mind to build off of in future courses."

Aucker feels that the impact is felt all around.

"Work study jobs benefit the entire student body, not only the students filling that position," she said.

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Late artist George Gabin currently showcased on campus

By James Jaskolka
Assistant L&A&E Editor

The Sordoni Art Gallery will be exhibiting the work of the late painter and teacher George Gabin until May 11.

Gabin, who died in 2012, was born in 1931 in the Coney Island section of Brooklyn and had been painting since the time he was in high school, according to his widow, Martha Stone.

Stone said that she and Gabin spent much of their time in Italy, where many of the landscape portraits were painted. According to Stone, Gabin was bedridden due to sickness as a child and missed out on many youthful activities. He found new inspiration in Italy.

"He was fascinated with the way the youth gathered together in the summertime," she said. "I think he found his Coney Island there."

Stone also stated that Gabin was concerned with humanism and people, and described Gabin as "a very political person."

"He was always concerned with equality and equal rights," she said. "He had a great respect for the worker."

These themes are prevalent in Gabin's paintings such as the Bathers, featuring two nude characters gazing at a third in the distance, and Early Spring at Lamole, which Stone said was the view of two workers from their house in Italy.

Carol Gabin, George's daughter, said the artist was heavily involved in both the civil rights and the antiwar movements. His political involvement also comes across in his art, such as in his paintings The Fallen Tower (I and II), both of which were inspired by Sept. 11th, according to Stone.

Carol Gabin said her father would have been happy with the legacy he had left behind -- as a teacher of art, he often took students to museums. She said he would have been particularly happy that his art is being showcased in a Uni-



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This quote in the Sordoni Gallery's George Gabin exhibit was reportedly made the night before Gabin died.

versity.

"Teaching was very important to him," she said. "The fact that his art is being used as a teaching tool is wonderful."

Gabin taught at the New England school of art until 1970, when he co-founded the Montserrat College of Art, where he taught until 1998. He also spent summers teaching in Italy.

This exhibit is different from others showcased at the university because it will span until the end of the semester, rather than for just a few weeks.

"Hosting this exhibition for an entire semester will provide ample time to get many students, individuals as well as classes throughout the university, into the gallery for a close-up study of the exhibition and for professors to

work it into their curriculum," said gallery Assistant Director Brittany Kramer DeBalko.

For more information, readers can visit <http://stonegabinstudios.com/ggabin.html>.

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'Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit' gives new life to Clancy character, CIA

By Bill Amos
Staff Writer

Tom Clancy's famous clandestine operative for the CIA, Jack Ryan gets a new face and a fresh treatment in the latest of a series of films based on the American super-spy, "*Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit*."

Chris Pine ("*Star Trek Into Darkness*" and "*Unstoppable*") takes over for Harrison Ford ("*Clear and Present Danger*"), Alec Baldwin ("*Hunt for Red October*") and Ben Affleck ("*The Sum of All Fears*") as Jack Ryan in the latest installment to the Jack Ryan film series.

Like all spy movies, this one is teeming with espionage, false identities, high-octane action sequences, the classic damsel in distress, close-calls, kill counts, and the heart-pounding race against the clock in the pursuit of liberty.

Pine has always been a favorite for me, ever since I watched "*Smokin' Aces*" wherein he played Darwin Tremor, one of three assassin brothers who are hired to collect a hit on Ace, a magician turned mobster played by Jeremy Piven. Pine has a great stage presence and brings a strong performance to the character Jack Ryan.

It's refreshing to see someone breath life into America's favorite spy, and though the film

suffers a few stereotypical shortcomings, overall, it's entertaining and engaging if you like this sort of thing.

Pine is joined by Kevin Costner ("*Mr. Brooks*" and "*Man of Steel*") and Keira Knightley ("*Pirates of the Caribbean*" and "*A Dangerous Method*"). Costner plays Commander Thomas Harper who recruits Jack Ryan to go undercover on the New York stock exchange to uncover a plot to overthrow the American economy by the Russians.

Knightley plays Ryan's girlfriend, Cathy Muller, who begins to have doubts when she believes that Ryan's sneaking around is due to an affair.

Costner plays Harper with a cool and stoic face, never losing his composure and always sticking to his guns even at the climax of the film when all may be lost.

This is one of those roles, like Earl Brooks in "*Mr. Brooks*," that proves Kevin Costner has value as an actor and that when given a truly good role, he is well-suited as an actor. Costner gives a great supporting perfor-

“It’s refreshing to see someone breath life into America’s favorite spy.”

mance as Thomas Harper, and I dare say he is worth going to see the film.

Knightley holds her own as Jack Ryan's girlfriend, but unfortunately is nothing more than a plot device. Her character really serves no other purpose than the female distraction for the bad guy while the heroes attempt to crack the villain's firewalls to obtain information that may help them save the United States.

She also plays the typical damsel whom Jack Ryan races to rescue from the clutches of the evil Russian spy, Viktor Cherevin, played by Kenneth Branagh ("*Hamlet*" and "*Valkyrie*"), who also directed the film.

Branagh plays the villain well. In fact, I'd go as far as to say that he overshadows Costner a bit in a supporting role.

The only disappointing thing about his role is that it's just cliché. Even though the film

takes place shortly after the events of 9/11, which in my opinion just feels like an exhausted plot device to stir up American sympathies, the dispute between the American CIA and the Russians makes me feel like I'm watching another James Bond, Cold War-era spy flick.

Whether it's the CIA or MI6, I'm just tired of the same old battles. But really, how much can you really do with a spy movie?

"*Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit*" does a fine job keeping you on your toes and doesn't struggle to keep your attention.

If you can put aside the fact that it's a little old-hat, it still succeeds as an entertaining action film with some promising action sequences, including a few good car chases and a well-done hand-to-hand, knock-down, drag-out fight between Jack Ryan and an assassin.

I say check it out while it's in theaters. Pine does a great job along with Costner, Branagh and Knightley.

And, maybe, well, just maybe, an old-fashioned spy movie is all you really need.

Kudos on a fun film to kick off 2014. This film gets four stars.

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Multi-genre band tour comes through Wyoming Valley in February

By James Jaskolka

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On Feb. 13 in Nanticoke, bands from a multitude of genres will converge to play a show at West Side Park.

Less than 10 miles from campus, the show is one date of a tour that features Turnstile (Reaper Records) and Diamond Youth (Run For Cover Records), with support from Angel Dust and Blind Justice, and local support from Shorthand and Noise Pet.

Featuring hardcore, indie, punk and rock, those involved spoke positively about the variety of bands on the bill.

"We're very excited for the show," JT Turner, guitarist for Scranton-based pop-punk band Shorthand said.

"The fact that shows with different bands that play different genres of music happen so often now says a lot about the scene as a whole. We're thankful for the opportunity to be a part of that."

After permanent area venues like Redwood Art Space and Café Metropolis closed down, shows have been held at several different locations, including the VFW Hall in Nanticoke. Local show attendees, however, do not seem to mind the temporary spot.

"I think West Side Park is a great venue. The shows there can get pretty packed and it's always great to see friends," Daniel Schultz, vocalist of Take Control and venue frequenter said.

"Obviously Redwood will always be missed, but as of right now I'm happy there is a place I can go to and watch a bunch of really cool bands. I'm glad that the scene around here isn't dying and won't die anytime soon."

"It's great to have somewhere to call our



Courtesy of Kate Freese

Shorthand, a pop-punk band from just outside Scranton, will soon be releasing their EP. In the meantime, fans can enjoy a performance on Feb. 13, when the band will play with Turnstile, a hardcore band from Baltimore/D.C. area.

temporary home," Kaitlyn Kishbaugh, local photographer, said. "Turnstile has played before and it was really fun, and I'm sure it'll be a great show."

Even with main venues being closed, those involved in the area's music community seem to show their support now more than ever. Perhaps, as the members of Shorthand explained,

the dedication comes from the fact that the area itself is home to a community of people who truly care.

"Everyone's really supportive and it's really cool," Adam Wallitsch, drummer of Shorthand, said. "It's just cool being from an area where so many people are in to the same thing."

Shorthand released a demo in 2012 and plan

on releasing their EP within the next month. Until then, readers can see them play on Feb. 13 with Turnstile and Diamond Youth at 389 West Grand St. in Nanticoke. The show starts at 5:30 p.m., and admission is \$5.



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Work study: Doing the work to stay on top

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Without these jobs, the libraries could not function as smoothly, there would be no peer tutoring or writing center and food services would have to hire more full-time employees to keep everyone fed. I think that if any student has an extra couple hours to fill in his or her schedule, work study is a very easy way to impact others' lives, meet new people and stay connected within the campus. It can be a rewarding experience if you put your heart into it, and it doesn't hurt to earn a little extra cash in return when living on a strict college budget."

Sophomore psychology major Allyson Spak has been working in Student Services since her freshman year and sees her position as an enlightening one.

"I think it's an important job because it allows me to gain a better understanding of how records of students are kept as well as the initial application process for freshmen, transfers and graduates," she said. "A lot of behind the scenes work happens in Student Services and not all students get the opportunity to witness that. I think by working at Student Services I have achieved a greater appreciation for the employees of Wilkes University."

Work study can be a worthwhile endeavor, and it shouldn't be overlooked.

Becker said "one of the biggest misconceptions that both students and parents do not understand is that this is not a dollar amount paid to students. Rather, it represents an opportunity for a student to find a job, work at that job and then earn the money in the form of a monthly paycheck."

Although most students who participate in work study have prior work experience, this is especially true for some that haven't had a job previously are surprised at the responsibilities attached to getting the position.

"Work study gives them the opportunity to understand how that part of the world works," Becker said. "It is a real job – you can be hired and fired. I can't emphasize that part of it enough."

Students might be surprised at what goes along with having a working position, they might also not realize that just because a job is available, doesn't make it guaranteed. Becker said another major misunderstanding is the belief that every student can have a job.

"People think we can hire everyone who wants a job, but that's just not the case," Becker said.

Becker said in terms of the federally-funded work study program, funds are limited. Work

study jobs are available to those who qualify. The "first-come, first-serve" concept comes into play when securing those jobs.

If a student is concerned about not being quick enough in acquiring position, that's where the institutional side can save them, as Becker said it makes up for some of the gap in the federal work study program and is able to provide for more opportunity than just on the federal level.

Considering the mistakes made regarding work study, some advice from those who see issues first-hand might be helpful.

There's always talk about finding a work-life balance, so that little things with easy fixes don't turn into big messes, and the same goes for work study. Becker said students have to be realistic about how many hours they can handle while also being a full-time student.

Another useful and essential tip is both students and parents taking the time to ensure that all necessary paperwork is complete before a student starts working. Otherwise, problems will arise.

Last, but certainly not least, is students remembering why they are here and factoring that into the overall equation.

"One of the other misconceptions is that students will be able to work a greater number of hours at their work study job, but because

the Wilkes curriculum is challenging, they are often not able to work more than eight to 10 hours per week. Because of this, work study can help defray some expenses, but will usually not be able to cover a large portion of tuition," Becker said. "They have to factor that in when looking at how they're going to cover costs. We want them to do well, even though working through school is a good thing, they have to be realistic."

Work study can provide an outlet away from studying. However, they do fill up, which makes immediate contact that much more important.

"There are only so many positions across campus and so much funding allotted, so the sooner the better," Boone said.

Even if you're not approved, don't lose hope. Boone said there are still easy-to-find community service scholarship opportunities available.

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Eight decades of covering the campus

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When one flips through an old issue of The Beacon, it is like taking a step back in time. Within the pages, one can find volumes of history on the development and growth of Wilkes as a college and university. This year, The Beacon marks 80 years of historical contribution to the university. First published as The Bison Stampede in 1934, the award-winning student-run newspaper was originally published twice a month by students of Bucknell University Junior College. In 1936, the paper was re-named The Bucknell Beacon and with the re-naming of Bucknell University Junior College to Wilkes College, it became the Wilkes College Beacon. The earliest edition of the paper with its current title is from Oct. 1957.

University Archivist Harold Cox said The Beacon has served as a historical reference at Wilkes for those interested in Wilkes' early history and how it has evolved as an institution.

"It shows the evolution of how the college runs, how the students think and how they do things," he said.

Cox said The Beacon shows how trends change over time, most notably with the advertising of cigarettes in

early issues.

"Times have changed," Cox said. "If you compare a college magazine as a standard and if you follow one college through the issues, you can see how the thinking at that college has changed."

Cox said the changes in headlines and formatting of the paper reflects the passage of time. However, he adds that what makes The Beacon unique is its ability to document events taking place as they are taking place.

"A newspaper is what is happening," Cox said.

Some of the most memorable events covered include the construction and opening of the Farley Library, Stark Learning Center and the Cohen Science Center, the installation of Presidents Christopher Breiseth and Patrick Leahy, the introduction of the WIN number and the death of first President Eugene Farley.

Although the passage of time has meant a variety of changes in the layout, type, stories and staff, the one thing that remains constant is the paper's ability to document the lives and happenings of Wilkes University.



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Ford GPS used for more than driver's navigation

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No day is really complete without opening the news on your preferred app, paper, television and reading about your lack of privacy. Nothing says "rise and shine!" like "we know what you're doing at all times."

This week's mini-fit will be thrown over Ford executive Jim Farley's statement made at a panel discussion on privacy in Las Vegas just a few weeks ago.

Farley announced, "We know everyone who breaks the law, we know when you're doing it. We have GPS in your car, so we know what you're doing," according to Business Insider.

I feel great about your vehicles now that I know I will be personally accounted for.

The honest executive offered reassurance in his next statement: "By the way, we don't supply that data to anyone."

Don't even worry about it.

As it turns out, the GPS system installed in Ford's vehicles that are designed to assist drivers with navigation and emergency contact are doing just that, and more. Both of these on-board services are nothing without global positioning. Your whereabouts are necessary for them to work.

This technology has been around for quite some time. We could have probably assumed that somebody out there would have information irrelevant to location due to the nature of the technology. It does a lot.

Knowing the location of a vehicle gives away a mess of information all at once. Of course GPS would know how fast you're going if it is tracking where you are. GPS would also know, by default, when you are at that specific location. It only makes sense.

As for Jim Farley, Vice-President of Marketing and Sales, he may want to look at some new positions. I'm not sure he worded his statement correctly. He did retract it though.

"We don't monitor, aggregate data on how people drive. I've given people the wrong impression, I regret that."

Farley apparently was describing a hypothetical situation in which the information could be used to solve problems such as traffic congestion.

Right now, automakers do have information on driver's habits. The real issue would be if they decide to share this information with a third party.

This opens up a whole new box of cereal, and it is not the fun kind with the marshmallows.

Having all this advanced technology comes with some costs and concerns. The law simply hasn't kept up with technology; apparent in more than just our cars. Nobody's policies line up. We just don't have them yet. Companies are sure to have disagreements on what information to keep, how long to keep it, and where the information should be stored.

But if we want GPS in our cars telling us exactly when to turn left then we may have to make some sacrifices.

If you don't mind the fact that Ford knew exactly when you went through the McDonald's drive-thru this morning at 1 mile per hour, then you should be fine.

If you do mind, well, you can still buy a map. Maybe even read some signs if you're feeling a little crazy.



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In addition to the driver's personal use, Ford vehicles that have a GPS installed inside may be monitored by Ford employees for reasons outside of navigation.

Governor's 'silly plan' may lead to loss in republican campaign



The Beacon/Archives

Due to the George Washington Bridge scandal, Gov. Christie's chances for holding a Republican position in the 2016 presidential election may be at risk.

By Lyndsie Yamrus
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Gov. Chris Christie was sworn in for a second term last Tuesday, but not without the looming shadow of his wrongdoings in the not so distant past.

The George Washington Bridge scandal consisted of Christie's top aide and some allies orchestrating lane closures at the mouth of the bridge connecting New Jersey and New York City, which turned out to be for political retaliation purposes. Baby games.

The Democratic mayor of Fort Lee, Mark Sokolich, had declined to endorse Christie for re-election, so naturally the only mature, logical option would be to wreck havoc on the commuters of New Jersey, as if they don't have enough driving problems already.

Another theory was that the closures were targeted at the state Senator, Loretta Weinberg, but it really only comes down to stupidity, rash decisions and carelessness.

The lane closures caused severe traffic jams in Fort Lee, also delaying EMS responders from attending to medical emergencies in a timely fashion. Drivers were stuck in the jam, barely moving, for about four hours. Most of us can barely tolerate 30 or 45 minutes of traffic, let alone four hours.

Despite Port Authority's claims that the lane closures were a traffic study, the incident led officials to sniff around into more details once this explanation failed. The investigation ultimately revealed that Christie's administration was behind it.

Christie, the victim, was not only "stunned," "heartbroken" and "horrified" about the incident, but completely in the dark about the whole situation, too.

Fascinating, that someone with such power could have not an ounce of an idea as to what his own administration was up to. It is highly

doubtful that Christie's admin were the masterminds behind this attack.

I am not familiar with the extent to which Christie "bullies" people, as many say he does. His "I am not a bully" claims are frequent and persistent these days. But if this is the case, how easy it would be to coax the aides into initiating three harmless little lane closures.

It was a silly plan from the get-go and may have even started out as a mild joke. Noone purposely destroys their entire careers. The only people that the incident directly affected were those who inched their cars toward the bridge for four hours.

The funny thing about it is that there was no backup plan and no cover-up. The extent of planning ended with an email from Christie's aide saying, "Time for some traffic problems in Fort Lee," and an OK from Port Authority.

In the days and weeks following the bridge scandal reveal, many opinions were voiced. Popular attitudes suggest that the scandal will damage his chance as a republican candidate in the 2016 presidential elections.

Although it may not last long, Christie's latest "bullying" stunt has Americans talking, for now.

It is likely that within the next few months, opinions on the Nj governor's scandal will dissipate, granted he cleans up his act. People have short-term memories for this kind of knowledge, especially by the time 2016 rolls around.

Good news for Christie; he's still a hot candidate and his approval ratings remain up. His job approval ratings might have fallen, but he definitely still has a chance as long as he focuses on the health of Nj and its people, many of which are still recovering from Superstorm Sandy.



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Colonel Critiques

“Wolf of Wall Street” left its readers shocked

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I’ve read some interesting autobiographical stories. Rock stars, drug users, former prostitutes – they all end up writing books about their escapades for the public to read. What I had never heard before was a story from a stock broker (one that wasn’t in the “get rich quickly” financial section). This summer I picked up Jordan Belmont’s *The Wolf of Wall Street* and it was absolutely outrageous.

Belmont prefaces the story by telling the reader that these are the events as he best recalls them due to intoxication and drug use. No mincing of words there. The story that follows is appalling, one that is certainly not for those with a weak constitution.

Belmont presents his life as lavish, and then lists all the problems that can accompany said lifestyle. This isn’t as much a “poor little rich boy” story as it is a tale where you watch a man lose everything that he had worked for.

Not many details were spared. Belmont describes his drug use, sexual encounters, and dangerous stunts in detail, not leaving much to the imagination.

His inner monologue is often cold and certainly selfish.

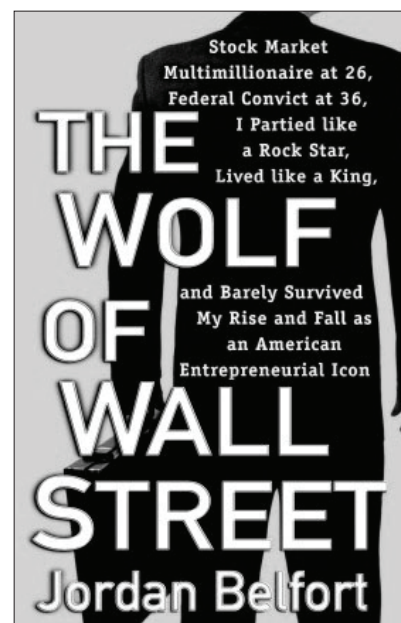
What makes this different than many other autobiographies is that Belmont just lays it out on the table.

You know from the beginning that he regrets the decision but he manages to describe his lowest points while using the voice of reason

guiding him at the time. Therefore, many of these actions take place seemingly with no remorse or guilt.

The story was almost so unbelievable that I went online and looked this up, thinking that he couldn’t possibly be telling the truth about breaking so many federal laws. It turns out that he is telling the truth, right down to chop stocks and midget tossing.

The book is long, and could have benefited from a more skilled editor, but otherwise it’s a wild ride through the fast paced, dysfunctional life of a man who practically self-implodes. Due to the violence, sex, drug use, numerous federal and SEC violations I would once again remind reader that this isn’t a “clean” story, no matter how interesting it was to read.



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“I, Frankenstein” movie left its viewers “I, Bored”

By William Amos
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Gargoyles and demons wage centuries-old war over who claim rights to the world and who’s trapped in the middle of it all? Frankenstein’s Monster, played by Aaron Eckhart (“*The Dark Knight*” & “*The Rum Diary*”) who gives a new vigilante twist to the classic character created by Mary Shelley in the early 19th century.

Frankenstein has received plenty of treatments over the years since the book’s first publication. It’s been staged as plays, transformed into graphic novels and adapted for hundreds of films, but no film approaches the idea quite like this one and I wish I could say that it was enjoyable, but in reality “*I, Frankenstein*” was predictable, hammy, and overloaded with flashy special effects.

The one detail I liked about this film is that Aaron Eckhart’s character is named Adam, and for those who might not know, when Mary Shelley wrote the story she felt that creature was more than just a mindless monster so she gave

him the name Adam, though he is never referred to by name in the book. Eckhart does as a fine a job as he can, but fails to shine in a movie that’s really just lackluster to begin with.

It’s like finding a gold coin only to peel away the surface to find that it’s chocolate underneath. But, who wouldn’t be happy with chocolate? Well, in the case of “*I, Frankenstein*,” when you bite into the tasty milk chocolate you find that it’s just wax.



Bill Nighy (“*Pirates of the Caribbean*” & “*About Time*”) plays Prince Nabarius, leader of the demons and villain of our story. Now, if I were going to cast anyone as an ancient evil super villain, you better believe that actor is going to have European accent of some kind, and Bill Nighy plays a good bad guy, but if only he could have a better vehicle than this. I imagine he got this role because of his involvement with the “*Underworld*” franchise which was produced by the same company that produced “*I, Frankenstein*.”

“*I, Frankenstein*,” I’m sorry to say, just doesn’t hold up for me and it’s unfortunate because with a pretty good cast of talented actors and utilizing one of the most iconic monsters of motion picture history, “*I, Frankenstein*” had a lot of potential that just went wasted.

If I had to give it a rating, I couldn’t give it more than 1.5 stars. Going into the movie, I expected to be able to give it a much higher rating of at least 3.5 stars.

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Album appeals to audiences of all decades

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Fitz and The Tantrums have only been around since 2009, but they sound like they’ve been around since the ‘80s. Their sound is quite different from anything on the radio today. They’re the type of band that can not only just appeal to teens, but also their parents and even grandparents.

They now have a second record out titled “*More Than Just A Dream*” that was released last May, but I’ve finally gotten around to listening to the whole thing.

You’ve probably heard their song “Out of My League” in a TV show or commercial a few months ago while it was burning up the Alternative Songs chart which made it’s way to No.1 in September. It was when I finally heard it on a Top 40 radio station a week ago that I decided to give the album a full listen.

Despite what some critics have said, I think this is stronger than their 2010 debut *Pickin’ Up the Pieces*. Sure, many might know their other well known songs “*MoneyGrabber*” and “*Don’t Gotta Work It Out*,” which both peaked at No.34 on the Adult Pop Songs chart in 2011, but their new album

has filler songs that are actually better than some bands hit singles. On this album there is an even split of ‘60s soul and Motown with ‘80s pop, but also incorporating modern lyrics and sounds. The whole vibe off this record is something a lot of artist’s are trying to bring



back into their music, and it seems to be working. Just look at Capital Cities, Justin Timberlake, and John Newman using “big band” era sounds. Even the incredible fraud that is Flo Rida incorporating old samples into new hip hop beats.

The second single “*The Walker*” has been recently featured in commercials like the one in which Ellen Degeneres and a large backup crew danced to in just one take for an Oscars promo. If you played FIFA 13 then you probably heard their spunky hand clapping fuzzed out hip shaking song “*Spark*”. Halfway through the album “*Fools Gold*” changes pace temporarily because of its modern indie pop sound as compared to the other songs.

If there are any “fillers” then those would have to be “6 a.m.”, “*Last Raindrop*”, and “*The End*”, but they aren’t bad. The album ends perfectly with “*MerryGoRound*”.

The main singer Michael Fitzpatrick is 43, but it doesn’t show in his stage presence and looks.

Before creating his own band he spent many years as a sound engineer for producer Mickey Petralia.

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the 101

By Jake Cochran
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Now that the school year is picking back up, signaling the end to syllabus week, and the biggest joy in life is back to regular production, The Beacon's 101, it is time to give a crash course to what is about to become the biggest part of anyone's study habits, social networking.

Thinking that, "Hey I already know how to social network, I've been on Facebook since it was Myspace, since it was Friendster, since it was AIM."

That's great but, there's a huge chance that maybe there are still some growing pains, that just like a taller 14 year-old, because those pants on are from the adult section doesn't mean anyone is going to give you a license.

So the easy thing to keep in mind on social networking sites is, am I annoying? This is basically a great jumping point for any decision on any site or pretty much anything in life. Just run through a couple scenarios, and see how easy this works out.



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You might think that you know a lot about social media but I've got the linkedin endorsements to prove it, so listen up nerds.

Every week, Editor-In-Chief Jake Cochran and Opinion Editor Sara Davis, or a guest writer give an informative crash-course on the most random subject they can think of that week. Their views do not reflect those of The Beacon, its staff or Wilkes University. This week Jake Cochran guides your online experience...

Social Media Etiquette 101

Should I post every time I acquire a new album? Probably not, not everyone cares that the J. Giels Band "Centerfold" Single was only 3 bucks at the Salvation Army, but hey if by some miracle you stumbled across a first run of "Dark Side of the Moon" in Mint condition, fire away with that mouse because that probably cost a ton of money and it's good to let everyone know that you've got that money and have no better way to spend 2500 dollars.

I just got to the gym, should I check-in and let everyone know what the basic Monday Routine I'm following is? Again, probably not, while health and fitness are important in a modern lifestyle. That amazing routine found on bodybuilding.com is there for everyone else to enjoy, and just because you've got a ton of extra down time in the gym now that everyone is on the same Monday Chest-Triiceps-Biceps plan, don't think it's time to snap a selfie in that brand new under armor gear. Sure the time will come when you hit a goal and rejoice, but until then, putting up the bar isn't time to click the mouse.

I'm on vacation, everyone should know this right? Wrong, the only thing I care less about than baby pictures are vacation pictures.

I am aware the food will be better somewhere else, but every meal, every room change, every day with your feet in the water will not help anyone share the experience.

Throw up one or four of these and you're in the clear. The thing that you can get away with is the photo album because if I can just drop a big 'like' on the whole album. That's great for me, and great for you, so everyone wins.

But, break the 2-a-day rule with an album and you're going into the 'out of the newsfeed' file and never ever going to be seen again.

Hopefully with this knowledge in tact, the social networking experience is much better by this time next week for everyone involved, but it probably won't be because I'm so #cursed.

Where to browse when browsing

This little sheet is a little like the 10 commandments of social networking, sure it's been done before, that Moses guy put down some ground rules but he didn't really mention what to do when a boss starts sending game requests or how many selfies are to many selfies. That's what this is here for:

Thou shalt not send game requests: Personally and the rest of humanity can attest to the fact that as a whole no one wants to give you a ticket to feed that candy crush habit. No one wants to fertilize crops on Farmville, if anyone even still plays Farmville in 2014 and no one certainly wants to come play a sketchy facebook casino, ask yourself if no one wants to do this, why am I?

Limit thine self to 2 Facebook statuses a day, maximum: No one cares if someone just cured the common cold today anyone, you frittered away the status limit on a picture of a dog with pants on and complained about traffic on 81. No matter what gets said after that is far too excessive.

Thou shalt not be conduct surveys: Everyone on your friend list is NOT waiting to tell you what to do about any life choice, let alone qualified to dictate this type of thing. There are much less public ways to decide, "Hey I need to form an opinion on something but don't want to read anything from a qualified writer and/or news source, let me see what my friend's think about Benghazi."

Thou shalt not link accounts: Sure this seems like great idea, more followers, more friends, more connections, more double-taps, but in the end it just sucks because the only thing

worse than shitty instagram photos, is seeing them on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and burned in the back of my mind when I'm trying to sleep at night. It was great that you had pudding with sprinkles but did the whole world need to know?

Thou shalt not become DJ Facebook: While not the most terrible of social media sins, it can get annoying, when someone goes off blows their 2-a-day up to a 7-in-a-row of songs by Breaking Benjamin, 3 Doors Down and Hinder. That all can wait man stuck in 2005, that all can wait.

Thou shalt not blame the media: These are the absolute worst types of complaints, "It's all because of the coverage," "Look at how stupid Skip Bayless is," "I can't believe they call that fair and unbiased reporting," in a world where serenity is just a click away, there is no need to spread stupidity about an outlet that isn't pandering to your ideas, because they aren't pandering to your ideas.

Don't be annoying: This could easily be the first, last, middle, penultimate, and only commandment, but it wouldn't be much of an article if that happened. So just think like Socrates in PHL 101, social networking is a type of vice and virtue balance. So if 20 selfies a day seems like a good plan, it's probably not.



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Despite past records offensive athletes may bring home a win

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Even though the defensive line has been known to win championships, this year's superbowl win may be credited to the offensive line.

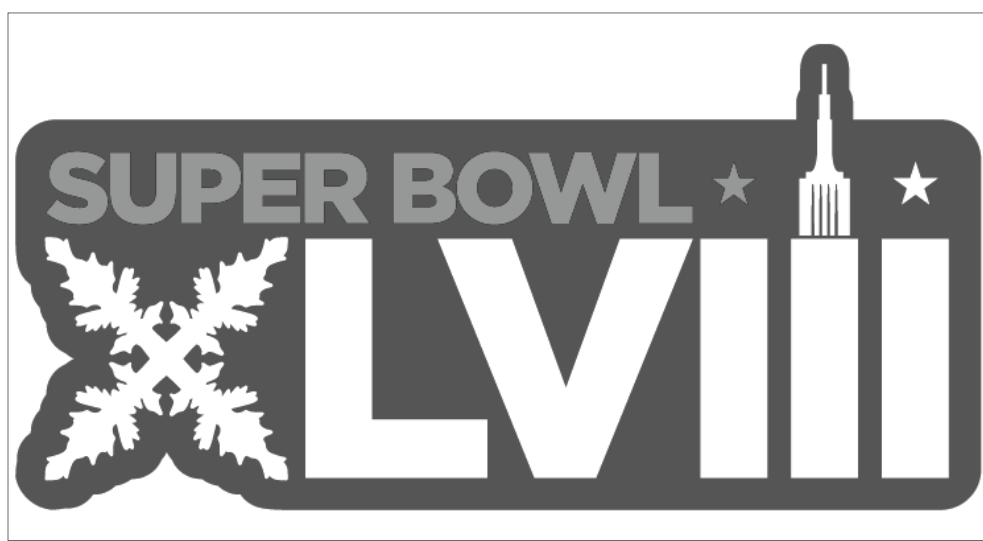
For the past couple of years, NFL teams have been racking up more yards and points than ever before as teams move away from the traditional "ground and pound" style of offense in favor of the Spread and West Coast schemes.

This Sunday, Feb. 2, the Seattle Seahawks will have the chance to prove the old saying as their No. 1 defense goes head-to-head against the No. 1 offense of the Denver Broncos at MetLife stadium in Super Bowl XVIII.

This is the fifth Super Bowl since the AFL-NFL merger in which the No. 1 scoring offense has been matched up against the No. 1 scoring defense. So far, the defenses have been bringing home the Lombardi trophy, with wins by the 1990 Giants, '84 49ers and '78 Steelers. Only the 1989 49ers, led by Joe Montana and Jerry Rice (and boasting the No. 3 defense themselves), have beaten the trend, besting the Broncos 55-10.

But then there's Peyton Manning.

Simply put, the man is on fire. He broke the two biggest league passing records in his 2013 campaign, throwing for 5,477 yards and 55 touchdowns with a QB rating of 115.1.



Courtesy of Instagram

As the Seattle Seahawks take on the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XVIII, this year's win may be credited to the offense instead of the usual defensive credit.

Denver scored 606 points in its 16 regular-season games; coming in at a far-off second is Chicago's offense, at 445 points.

What makes the Broncos so dangerous is that their offense is the complete package. Take Manning out of the equation and you've got Knowshon Moreno with over 1500 yards from scrimmage and 13 TDs, and the best receiving core in the NFL, consisting of Demaryius


Thomas, Eric Decker, Wes Welker, and tight end Julius Thomas. I don't care if Richard Sherman is the best corner in the NFL, he can only cover one guy, and whoever it turns out to be (I'm guessing either Decker or Demaryius) will not be as "sorry a receiver" as Michael Crabtree, to put it in Sherman's own words.

The closest comparison Seattle can draw from in prepping for what they'll see on Sun-

day lies in the New Orleans offense. Twice this season, the Seahawks held Drew Brees to under 25 completions and allowed only one touchdown in each of their two matchups. That said, New Orleans' offense, talented as it was did not even come close to matching the Broncos point-for-point during the regular season.

Seattle actually faced the three worst offenses (Tampa Bay, Houston and Jacksonville) during the regular season this year (along with a plethora of average offenses). Opposing offenses did manage to find success running on the Seahawks, who allowed 100 or more yards on the ground 11 times and finished behind six other defenses in overall rushing yards allowed.

But on Sunday, the ball will be in Manning's hands. I'll be the first person to tell you that the statistics don't matter and that the worst team in the NFL can beat the best on any given Sunday. While I love watching a defensive line Seattle's play ball; in this league, a championship caliber team is built from the offense out. My prediction for Sunday will be Denver 31, Seattle 27. And for the record, I hope Peyton Manning throws the game-winning touchdown pass right over Richard Sherman's head.

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Colonels predict a close score for Super Bowl XVIII



Nick Pandelios
Senior Biology
"I predict that Denver will win 27-17."



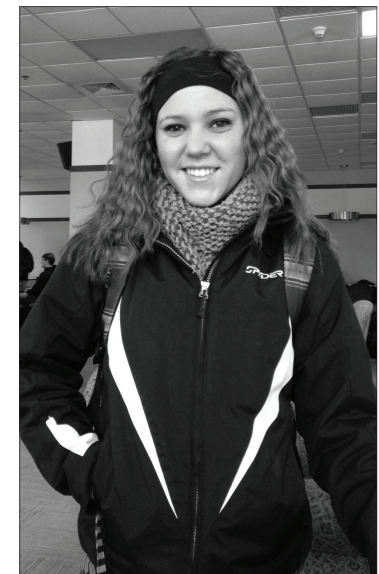
Rachel Hohol
Freshman Chemistry
"I think that the Denver Broncos will win."



Adam Wychowanec
Sophomore Business Administration
"I'm going to have to go with Seattle with a score of 31-24."



Emma Leach
Freshman Political Science/International Studies
"I'm going to go with the Broncos . I'm not sure what the score will be."



Jennifer Magnotta
Sophomore Communications
"I'm definitely choosing Denver to win. I think they can pull it off with a score on 27-24."

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Football Head Coach Frank Sheptock steps down

By Alex Fahnestock

Sports Co-Editor

The Sheptock era has ended at Wilkes University. After 23 years at Wilkes, including 18 seasons as head football coach, Sheptock resigned to become director of athletics at Berwick Area School District.

“Wilkes has had such a huge impact on me both personally and professionally and I have the utmost respect for the administration at the University who gave me the chance to be a part of it all,” Sheptock said. “The amount of student-athletes and families that have come through this football program means a tremendous amount to me as I have forged some relationships that I will cherish for the rest of my life.”

But Sheptock, a Berwick native, couldn’t pass up the opportunity to work within his hometown community.

Sheptock had a distinguished playing career as a linebacker at Bloomsburg University, where he was a three-time first team Associated Press All-American and a four-time All-PSAC selection. He was voted to the NCAA Division II Team of the Quarter Century in 1997 and in 2007 he was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

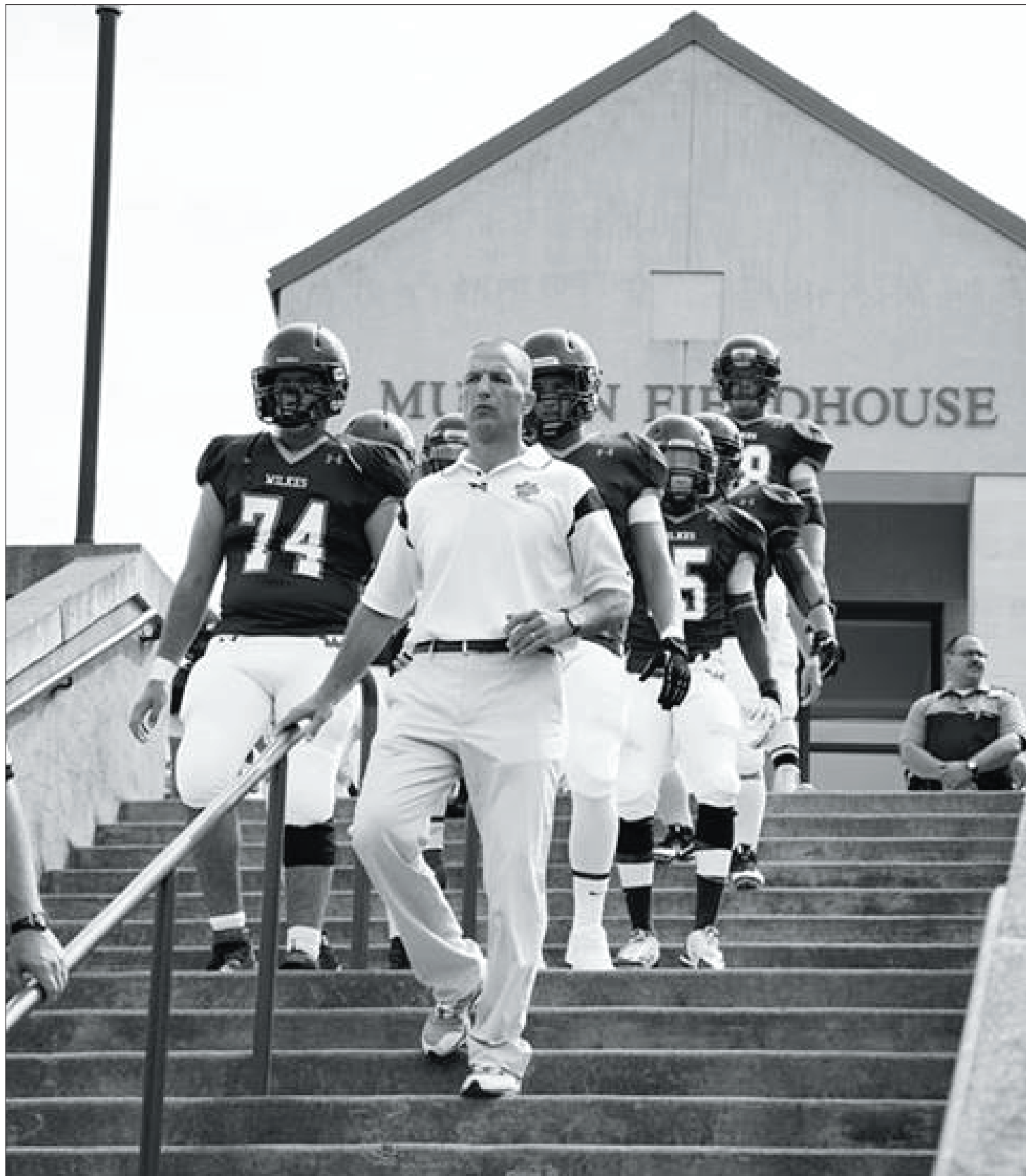
Sheptock graduated from Bloomsburg in 1986 with a degree in Business Administration/Accounting, and came to Wilkes in 1990, serving as defensive coordinator and assistant head coach for the Colonels from 1992 to 1995. In four seasons, he turned the colonels into one of the top defenses in the MAC.

Sheptock was given the reins in 1996, becoming just the seventh head coach in the program’s history. Under his leadership, the team has 107-81 record, including two NCAA and seven ECAC postseason berths during his tenure, culminating with a Middle Atlantic Conference championship win in 2006. The 2006 team finished a school-best 11-1. He leaves as the school’s all-time winningest coach, surpassing the Rollie Schmidt who was 90-73-1 from 1962-1981.

“I will miss the University and the kids, but I am excited for the new challenges ahead at Berwick where I plan on introducing new ideas and initiatives in my new position,” Sheptock added. “Wilkes is a very special place to me; I have made so many great friends and experiences during my time at Wilkes that will remain with me forever”.

Sheptock has coached over 120 all-MAC players during his time as head coach, including two players of the year and eight All-Americans.

Wilkes has already begun work on finding his replacement.



The Beacon/David Lee

Frank Sheptock steps down from the head football coaching position at Wilkes University to move onto become the Director of Athletics at Berwick Area School District. Sheptock is a native of the Berwick Area, an area nationally recognized for its football team which experienced success on a national level during the mid 90s.

Jim McNally cont...

by Frank Passalacqua

Sports Co-Editor

10 years down the road from now, where do you see yourself?

I see myself living out West somewhere in the country in a decent sized home on a lake or in the mountains somewhere with a dog and one lucky woman. Maybe even a couple friends. I like to ask myself every once in a while, am I living my life the way I would if I were able to write my own story? I just like to live life with the least amount of care as possible without being lazy. Everything that happens happens for a reason, and I don't like to stress over uncontrollable things in life.

What are any goals you want to accomplish before the end of the season?

As the season comes to an end, I would definitely like to finish strong and stay on track to my ultimate goals of being an All-American and National Champion, but my goal for the end of this season is to get a 1st place finish in the upcoming tournaments.

What is one moment during a match that you will never forget?

It was my junior year of high school, at the district tournament. I was not very good but I had a lot of potential, my confidence just wasn't all there yet. It was my first match, I was unseeded with a losing record, and I was up to wrestle

the #2 seed. I wrestled this kid the week prior and he beat me up pretty badly, something like 10-2, so I knew there was nothing to lose. My coach kept telling me to just go out there and wrestle your stuff, so I told myself that he was no different than any other wrestler at the tournament. I went out and won the match 4-2. The one moment I will not forget is the sound of the crowd when my hand was raised and right at the end of the match as I walked up the bleachers, I could hear the whispers of the audience, "who is that kid?" Those are two things I will never forget because ever since that match, I wrestle with that confidence that I always needed.

How do you balance school work and being a collegiate athlete?

It's really not as hard as some people might think. The sport almost keeps you on track in school, because having practice every day and being on a tight schedule leaves no room to really get lazy. I usually try and stay on top of my school work during any free time that I have outside school and practice, then the only other thing I want to do when I finish all of my work is sleep. Another reason it's not too bad is that Coach Laudenslager is always on his game with us staying on top of our school work, so he is understanding with the practice schedule and the school schedule.

Who on the team do you look up to and who would you pick to have them take you under

their wing as a freshman?

I would definitely not be able to pick just one person to look up to because there are so many awesome guys on the team and they treat every kid that shows up and works hard every day with the same respect. Each kid adds their own unique trait to the family, and I look up to each upper classman equally because they have each taught me something different that has gone on and help me become a better wrestler all around, but just to give a shout out to the 174 pounders Lynch, Chase, and Diesel you guys are pretty cool.

Which professional athletes do you look up to?

I always admired Walter Payton's work ethic, and dedication to his sport of football. The will he had to win and succeed resembles the work ethic a wrestler needs to be the best. I also admire Coleman Scott's double leg and Tiger Woods because he's the man.

If you could pick one meal to eat for the rest of your life, what would it be?

I would have to say Taco Bell with some Baja blast, because nothing tastes better in the world after a tournament than these two things.

What are some other hobbies you have?

Some other hobbies I like to do are fishing with my friends on a nice summer day. I also hunt back at home, my uncle built a cabin out in the woods near Scranton, and I go out with him a few times a year. A couple other small hobbies I have are, shredding the gnar, baking specialty cakes, and building things.

Lady Colonels look to shock Conference

by Brandon Gubitosa

Staff Writer

Entering his 14th season at Wilkes University, woman's softball coach Frank Matthews is looking forward to this upcoming season. With 240 wins, Matthews is the all time winningest coach in school history.

In his tenure here, he has made the postseason six times, including a berth in the NCAA tournament in 2006.

Wilkes plans to bounce back from last season after going 17-23. Matthews said he is looking forward to the challenge after losing both of his starting pitchers, second baseman, shortstop and centerfielder.

"We are young up the middle this season," said Matthews when referring to the losses.

Seven players from last season are returning to the team, and this year's team is well-coming in nine freshman.

"The returners are fine, we know what we are getting from them," Matthews said. "It is going to be an adjustment for freshman to get used to. They are going to have to walk before they run. We are going to have to find the position that is best for them."

Though the pre-season power rankings have not yet been released, Matthews expects them to possibly be ranked sixth or seventh.

"The players know where we stand," he said. "They understand that not a lot of teams respect them. We have to do a lot of rebuilding to get back to where we were."

The team officially began practice on Monday, and it plays its first game Feb. 28 in Virginia Beach.

The Virginia Wesleyan College Beach Blast tournament is a three-day tournament and the Colonels will play six games. Last season, Wilkes went 3-3 with wins over York College, Rutgers-Camden and Shenandoah.

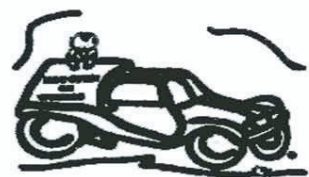
The Lady Colonels' home opener is March 12 when they square off against the University of Scranton in a double header. Wilkes won both matchups last season against the Royals.

The Lady Colonels begin Freedom Conference play on March 15 with a double header against Eastern University. Last season they went 5-9 in conference play and look to improve on that record this season.

On April 5 they square off against rival King's College in a double header at the Ralston Athletic Complex. Then, on April 26 they travel up to Dallas to take on Misericordia University.

To end the regular season they then travel to Scranton for a double header against Marywood University.

The team will be looking to make the postseason this season for the first time since 2009. The future is bright for the Lady Colonels as they will look to shock the conference this upcoming season.



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Getting to know...

Jim McNally

Freshman Wrestler

by Frank Passalacqua

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"I am currently an environmental engineering major. I won many awards in high school for wrestling, some of the bigger ones being Tunkhan-nock Kiwanis champion, Lackawanna league a runner-up, but my biggest achievement by far has to be PIAA District 2, 170-pound champion. It was a surreal feeling because all of high school being a district champion seemed to be so far away and not in the picture for me. So when I stood up on the top of that podium in first place, it was my greatest memory from high school. I went from a .500 record my junior year to an almost undefeated record my senior year of 32-4. Not finishing my high school wrestling career where I wanted to and not getting what I wanted to get done in high school was the major drive as to why I wanted to wrestle in college."

What does wrestling mean to you, beyond just a sport?

A wrestler is committed to winning for no other reason than having a drive to be the best. There are hundreds of hours of hard work, sweat, and sacrifice put in just to be as great as you can possibly be for those seven short minutes out on the mat. Being a wrestler is a life style that a very select few could handle. Wrestling teaches people what it really means to push your body to the limit, and it teaches people what self-discipline really means in the hardest of ways. Starving yourself during Thanksgiving while every other regular person on the planet is stuffed, weighing out your food before you put it in your body so that you don't get too heavy, working out until your body won't sweat anymore. This is why a wrestler is an original type of person there are very few like it. But I would say besides the wrestling aspect of it all, the most important thing about being a wrestler is that you become part of the greatest family in the world. No one could break the bond of a family of wrestlers. The friends made in wrestling are friends for life. This is what makes us wrestlers torture and push ourselves every day, because when it all comes to an end it is completely worth it.

Which one of the three best sums up your wrestling style and why: strength, finesse or strategy?

I would have to say strength. The reasons being most of the time the only strategy I have when out on the mat is to score points. When I'm out on the mat I'm always looking to score in every position I find myself in, whether it be a clean quick take-down, or a long exhausting scramble for two. Then when I want to slow a match down, that's where I feel like I am strong enough to control any opponent when I want.

What motivates you to make yourself better during a match?

Not giving any opponent even the slightest bit of respect is what makes me a better wrestler when wrestling during a match. If you just tell yourself that your opponent is just another wrestler, and nothing more than that, this is when I find myself wrestling my best. Some kids get too caught up in the hype and respect opponents too much, so when they go out on the mat they expect to lose and don't wrestle to their full potential, which is why they ultimately do lose. If you just convince yourself that every opponent is no better than the last one, then you will never change up your style of wrestling and will always stick to your best stuff, and this is when I wrestle my best.

Any pre-match rituals?

When I was in high school I use to have wear the same warm-ups every match, and tape my shoelaces the same way every time, and I would listen to Linkin Park before every match. But ever since I have been at Wilkes I haven't developed any pre-match rituals just yet.

What first got you involved in wrestling?

Well believe it or not I use to be a swimmer. My best friend wrestled since he was like 5 years old, so in seventh grade he started to teach me some moves and convinced me to wrestle for the middle school team. So, I quit swimming and joined the wrestling team because the seasons went on at the same time. Ever since then, I loved the sport. It was ironic too, because by the time we got to high school, I was tossing my best friend around the mat and beating him, resulting in him quitting the sport, which I feel a little guilty about but we are still best friends to this day, and I will always have to thank him for convincing me to wrestle way back in seventh



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Game of the Week

Wilkes vs. Kings



Top Performers:

Player	Pts.	Ast.	Reb.
S. Stravinski	19	1	7
A Wizar	18	2	6
S. Blish	7	3	2
N. Wilkins	5	1	7
T. Jackson	4	4	2

Team Stats:

Total Points: 60
FG% 18-50 36%
FT% 14-18 77.8%
11 Bench Points
20 Turnovers

By JT Keer
Staff writer

Frank Passalacqua
Sports Co-Editor

When Wilkes University and King's College get together, it's always a battle until the final whistle sounds.

Year in and year out, in every sport, the schools play highly competitive games against each other, where everything is left out on the court or field.

Over the past five years, the two schools' men's basketball teams prove this to be true, splitting the series five wins a piece. Back and forth, year to year, the teams always seem to get back at one another. The Feb. 22 contest was much like the series, a back-and-forth game of runs.

Blish sparks 10-2 run

The Colonels and Monarchs were knotted up at 10 about seven minutes into the first half when Wilkes went on a quick 10-2 run sparked by five points from senior guard Steve Blish.

Following the run, the Colonels went cold and King's capitalized by outscoring Wilkes a total of 22-6 over the final 9:57. The Monarchs hit four three-pointers and were 9-14 from the field over this stretch.

Down 34-26 to start the second half, the Colonels continued to struggle shooting the basketball and King's continued to score. The Monarchs went on an 11-0 run to start the half, extending their lead to 19 points at the 16:08 mark.

An unlikely comeback

The Colonels and Monarchs battled back and forth for about four minutes with King's getting the lead to a score of 52-32 with 13:04 left in the game.

But just as fans and students cleared out and



Stravinsky



Wizar

thought there was no hope for the Colonels to come back, Wilkes responded with a 17-0 run to bring the game to a score of 52-49 that started with 12:07 left and lasted until the 8:01 mark. This was sparked by lock down defense from the Colonels and the shooting of sophomore guard-forward Steve Stravinski and company.

Colonels can't close

Unfortunately for the Colonels, King's went on a 7-0 spurt to get the lead back up to 10. Wilkes could not close the gap further, as the lead for the Monarchs never came closer than

six points the rest of the way.

For the Colonels, Stravinski and sophomore guard Alec Wizar led the way with 19 and 18 points respectively, each connecting on four three-pointers.

'Starts with defense'

Wizar credited the loss to just making better decisions with the basketball and playing better on the defensive end.

"Making good decisions was the catalyst," the sophomore said. "When we were smart with the ball, we got good shots. But it all starts on the defensive end, especially on the defensive boards. When we box out, and limit second shots, we can get out into transition."

With the loss, the Colonels drop to a record of 6-9 and 1-4 in conference play. They take the court again for a conference battle at the Marts Center, Saturday at 2 p.m. against FDU-Florham.



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Top Performers:

Player	Pts.	Ast.	Reb.
D. Rutecki	14	3	6
K. Hammonds	18	2	6
J. Caffery	7	3	2
T. Heston	5	1	7
N. Oliver	4	4	2

Team Stats

Total Points: 67
FG% 23-59 39%
FT% 16-25 64%
14 Bench Points
9 Turnovers

Colonel Scoreboard

Games of Jan. 19-26

Women's Basketball
Jan. 20

Lady Colonels 53, PSU-Hazleton 51

Jan. 22

Lady Colonels 52, Kings 51

Jan. 25

Farleigh-Dickinson 71, Lady Colonels 59

Wrestling

Jan. 20

MAC Wrestling Championships
 Wilkes - 2nd place finish

Men's Basketball

Jan. 29

Eastern University
 Marts Center
 8 p.m.

Feb. 2

Delaware Valley College
 Doylestown, PA
 3 p.m.

Feb. 5

Misericordia University
 Dallas, PA
 8p.m.

Wrestling

Jan. 25

Middle Atlantic Conference
 Championships (Messiah)
 Grantham, Pa.

11 a.m.

Feb. 1

Trinity College (Conn.)
 Marts Center
 2 p.m.

Feb. 7

The College of New Jersey
 Ewing, N.J.
 7 p.m.



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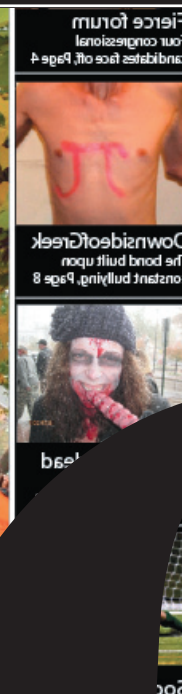
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