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Celebrating 25 years of nursing expertise at Wilkes

By LISA RUGGIERO
Beacon Staff Writer

Sunday, May 3, 1998 will be a momentous day for Wilkes University's nursing department. At 1 p.m., in room 107 of the Classroom/Office Building (COB), a celebration commemorating the 25th anniversary of the department will be held. The celebration will mark 25 graduating classes that have completed the program since 1972.

All students, alumni and

community members are invited to attend the celebration.

The topic of the celebration is "Public Policy and Nursing."

The affair will feature remarks from Dr. Ann Kolanowski, chair of the nursing department, Dr.

Christopher Breiseth, president of Wilkes University, Bill Goldsworthy, president of the Alumni Association and Robert Banko, president of the Nursing

Student Organization. Dr. Sharon Telban,



Photo by J.J. Fadden

Nursing students are continuing the nursing tradition.

associate professor of nursing, will also speak. Telban will talk about the history of the nursing department.

A reception in Weckesser Hall will follow the keynote address.

Lucille Joel, RN, EdD, is the featured anniversary

speaker. Joel is a professor of nursing at Rutgers University in New Jersey.

She is a former president of the American Nurses Association (ANA) and the first vice-president of the International Council of Nurses, which is located in Geneva, Switzerland.

Joel is currently the editor of The American Journal of Nursing. She also co-authored Dimensions of Professional Nursing and the Nursing Experience.

"Our department is extremely proud of the 25 graduated classes it has produced and we anticipate the next 25 will be just as wonderful," said Kolanowski.

Student Government elections times two

By MARY TAMBASCO
Beacon Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 2 and Friday April 3, Student Government held their elections for the 1998-99 school term.

Unlike previous years, when the election was held in the cafeteria, this year was spanned out over two days. Another distinguishable factor of this year's election was the increase in the number of candidates running.

"There's a lot of competition which makes it exciting and unpredictable

race," said Jeff Reichl, a current sophomore representative running for re-election.

Before the whole election process can take full affect, all the nominees must be made aware of and are obligated to follow certain campaigning and election rules.

Any student who chooses to be a candidate for any Student Government office must provide the election committee with a petition for election.

The petition must bear their signature, along with 25-200 signatures, their

student identification numbers, and phone numbers of members of his/her class, depending on the position they are running for.

Candidates must follow budget guidelines for campaigning. After campaigning, the voting process begins.

This regulated voting process involves the individuals voting to present an official Wilkes University identification card.

The ballots are then placed in a secure box and are counted by the Election Committee only.

After the votes were counted this year, signs

announcing a re-election were posted instead of the election results.

According to members of the Election Committee the primary cause for the re-election was a greater amount of ballots than voters.

Tricia Petrucelli, Tara Wilson and Amy Jancouskas, three senior class members of the Election Committee all agreed that it was unfortunate that the Election Committee had to step in and police the elections because other Student Government members performed an inadequate job

Election Results

Senior Class

President: Erica Michaliga
Vice President: Quinn Kirk
Treasurer: Raymond Wascavage
Representatives: Brandon Berretta, Steff Follmer, Amy Gutowski, Jeff Moisey and Maria Shahda; tie between Mike Rosh and Beth-Ann Witkowski

Junior Class

President: Floyd Allen
Vice President: Erica Trowbridge
Treasurer: Jason Philips
Secretary: Ritu Chandel
Representatives: Matthew Jagusak, Jeff Reichl, Kari Smith, Matthew Sowcik, Donna Talarico and Philip Tochelli

Sophomore Class

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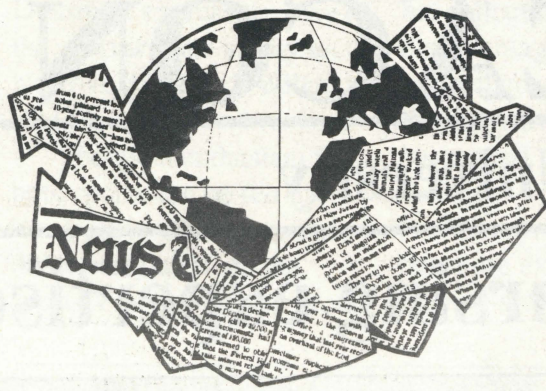
Around the world . . .

Paraguay speaks out about execution

ASUNCION, PARAGUAY (AP)--

Paraguay said it "deeply regrets" the execution of a Paraguayan man in Virginia.

A statement from the Paraguayan government said Virginia authorities did not comply with International agreements



The World Court intervened for the first time in a death penalty case last week when it asked the United States to spare Breard's life.

when they put Angel Francisco Breard to death.

He was executed by lethal injection last night for the 1992 murder and attempted rape of an Arlington, Virginia woman.

Paraguay argued that Breard had been denied his right to seek legal assistance from his country.

People calling radio shows in Paraguay said the execution is an affront to their country.

Domenico's continues to serve community

By MARY TAMBASCO
Beacon Staff Writer

Recently, a local pizza place within the vicinity of Wilkes University has changed hands.

Domenico's Pizza and Deli recently bought out Rodano's pizza place located at 10 West Northampton Street.

Domenico's was previously located in the Midtown Village Plaza.

This family who owns the business sought an opportunity for expansion.

At the same time Rodano's was looking to sell its establishment to a prospective buyer.

Domenico's, which has served the Wyoming Valley area for approximately 20 years, believes this move will allow it to attract a wider range of customers.

By moving to a more noticeable location and closer to the Wilkes University campus, one of the managers, who wishes to remain anonymous, sees it as a business opportunity with local students who crave a little variety in their dinner.

The menu consists of



Photo by J.J. Fadden
Domenico's is serving pizza at a new location.

daily specials along with pizza, stromboli, calzones, salads, soups, hoagies and burgers.

Orders can be picked up, delivered or eaten in the restaurant.

Domenico's is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Domenico's is closed on the weekends.

According to the manager, one major disadvantage with their previous location was the limited parking.

"Domenico's now has more spaces for customers to leave their cars without having to walk far," the manager said.

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Pickering Hall, Evans Hall, Essoff Hall, a Holy Cross Hall will compete as separate floors. Some small dorms might be combined. See your R/A for details.

Ten total prizes will be awarded. Five at Wilkes University and five at Kings College.

The Rules:

1. Contest begins on 4/1/98 and ends at 3:00 am on 5/1/98.

2. Your Dorm/Floor will receive one point for each \$1.00 spent during the contest period.

3. The winner is the group that accumulates the most points per resident. Larger groups DO NOT have an advantage over smaller groups.

4. Winners will be notified through their R.

5. The location and times of the parties will be convenient to both the winners and Domino's Pizza.

School Wars:

The ultimate Dorm challenge between Wilkes University and Kings College for the Pizza Eating title.

During Dorm Wars, the school that accumulates the most points, per resident will win the challenge.

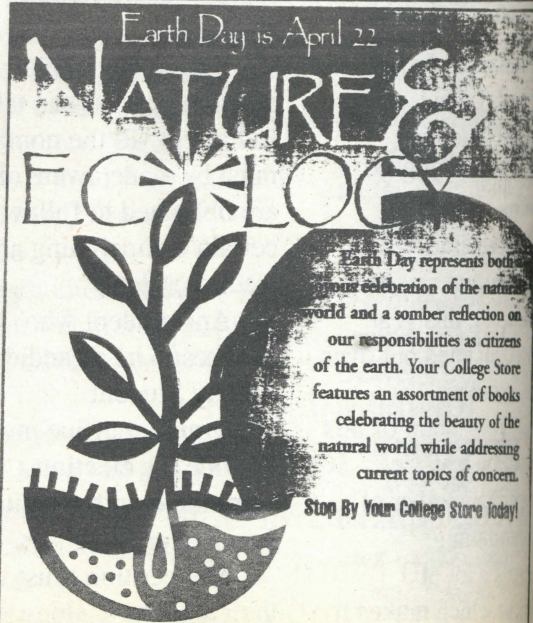
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Dear Editor:

The most important force in recent world history is not recognized in the U.S. media or academia as existing. That force is imperialism. One can talk of 19th century British imperialism and Soviet imperialism, but not of U.S. or western imperialism. That is a stunning achievement of the propaganda system in this country!

Naturally, this requires a rewriting of history, emphasizing certain things and ignoring others. Columbus is treated as a great explorer, but little or nothing is said about the enslavement of Indians or the torture and deaths that occurred if they didn't bring back enough gold to the Spaniards. Then, there occurred the enslavement of Africans and the millions of slaves who suffered and died in the holds of ships or on plantations. The Indians were decimated by disease and military action. Whole tribes were made extinct.

Fast forward to the present day. Indigenous people are still under attack. Shell oil company has caused great environmental damage to the land of the Ogoni people in Nigeria. Unocal is using forced labor from indigenous people on its pipeline in Burma. Freeport McMoran is using its own police and Indonesian troops to take land from indigenous people in New Guinea. The United Fruit Company was deeply involved along with the CIA in the 1954 coup in Guatemala that led to the torture and deaths of tens of thousands of Mayan Indians.

Fast forward to the present again and the deplorable conditions, child labor and starvation wages in sweatshops used by multinational corporations in Third World countries. Fast forward to the death squads that kill union organizers, peasant leaders, intellectuals, priests, progressive students and anyone else who advocates better conditions for the poor. Fast forward to the place where death squad leaders are trained- the School of the Americas at Fort Benning, Georgia. Fast forward to the massacres of peasants in Mexico and Colombia as part of the strategy of low-intensity warfare, promulgated by the United States throughout the world after Vietnam.

The American people are horribly shocked to learn of these things, but they shouldn't be. It is a continuation of 500 years of imperialism. It is not the fault of the Cold War or of communism. The exploitative economic systems haven't changed, so why should the results? It would be illogical to think

The U.S. media treats sweatshops, police and military aggression, death squads, torture, etc. as aberrations with no historical context or precedents. In other words, it is not imperialism, but a few misguided or evil people to blame. That is dysfunctional. Either force or deception must be used so the multinational corporations can continue to profit at the expense of the majority of the world's population.

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Roundtable Discussion on Inclusion

"What can we do to promote a multicultural College town community?"

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It's 8 p.m. on a Sunday evening. You are just lounging on your couch trying to catch up on some serious relaxation time. Because you are an R.A., your door is open whenever you are in the house.

A weak knock raps on your door. When you look up you are greeted by your newest resident, an international student who just finished moving into her room. When you take a closer look, you realize that her eyes are filled with tears. Slowly and steadily the few drops become a flood of tears. She is clutching a photo album close to her heart. You immediately urge her to take a seat next to you as you attempt to calm her pain and slow her crying.

Within a few minutes you find out that she is a middle aged student who misses her family, all of whom live half way around the world. She feels completely alone and as though she has no one with whom she can share her feelings. Can you imagine feeling this way?

We would expect for international students to miss the lives they have left behind them. Many of us missed home when we left for college. The cure for that was to get involved within the university. Easy enough, right? What if there is no group or club that is geared towards your particular situation, your experience as an international student?

This is overt neglect on the part of the university. We welcome these students into our classrooms and their tuition into our coffers, but what is being done to welcome them into life outside of the classroom.

My question is who is supposed to be helping these students adjust to our university, our community and our country? Why isn't more effective planning being done to place these students, in residence halls? Why aren't we fulfilling their personal needs, not just those caused by the cultural differences, but also their needs as adult learners?

Perhaps it is the multicultural sensitivity I have gained from my international studies major or my own experience abroad that has opened my eyes, but we have a problem here. No one should feel so alienated or lonely that they feel hopeless, especially if Wilkes has made special agreements with institutions in other countries to accept these students.

For a university that claims to strive for diversity, we must learn to not only welcome these students upon their arrival at Wilkes and not turn our back on them, but continue to make them feel welcome in our community.

Wilkes needs to learn that it is not only the welcome mat at the university's door that aids in the transformation of visitor to member, but the invitation to the table to join in on the feast and the fruits of education and all the riches that abound in the experience, both social and educational, at American universities.

The Beacon would like to recognize that Keri Anne Geist was misquoted in the March 26 issue in an article concerning the softball coach Kevin Vrabel. The article should have read, "It is important for coaches to get to know and understand each player, no matter what their sex is." We apologize any inconvenience this may have caused Keri Anne Geist and Coach Kevin Vrabel.

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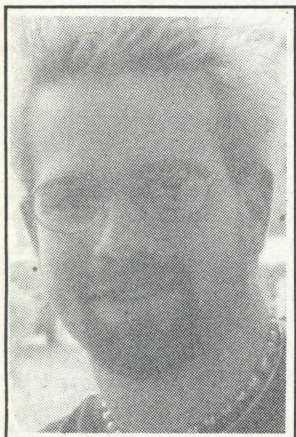
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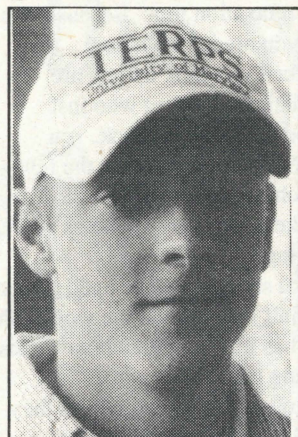
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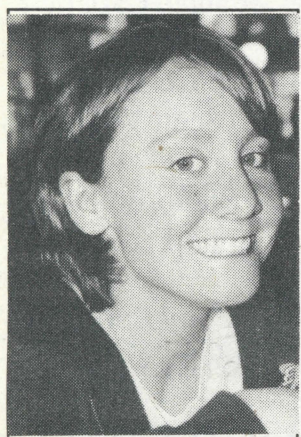
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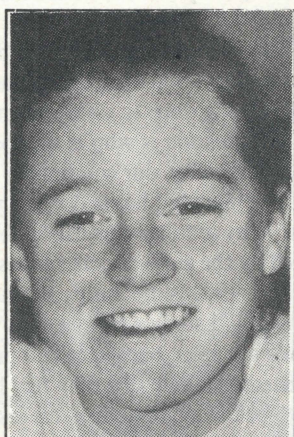
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Steel Cage Match: The Niefs vs. the world

We know it is a little late to be writing about this South Park, but we're really pissed. If anyone watches the show you know that they were supposed to announce Cartman's father two weeks ago. They aired what could quite possibly be the dumbest episode of any T.V. show ever produced. It was worse than any episode of Victoria's Closet. That's pretty damn bad. It was some sort of Terrence and Phillip spectacular that really wasn't funny at all. We saw an advertisement saying that next time they really reveal Eric's dad. At the end of the commercial in big words it said "We promise." If they don't show it this time we'll kill Trey Parker and Matt Stone (creators of South Park).

Usually South Park is one of the funniest damn shows on the air. We don't know of anyone who has seen the show and not loved it. Other episode topics run from alien abduction to a gay dog running way to the big gay animal sanctuary. If someone were to simply look at the animation, they would see bad drawings with oversized heads. That just adds to the comedy. Seeing these simple drawings talking about the things they do is hilarious. Another part of the show that draws people is the language. The most common phrase beeped out is from Stan saying "This is pretty #@*\$ed here."

Some people say that South Park is too vulgar to be a successful TV show. But who are these critics to tell us what is vulgar? What may be vulgar to them is funny and entertaining to us. It seems to be a popular trend in society, to petition anything they don't like, and try to get it off the air. If people don't like what the program shows, why do they watch it? Just because they don't like it doesn't mean they should be able to stop other people from watching them.

The funny thing is that the critics were saying the same thing about The Simpsons eight years ago. People thought that Bart Simpson was rude when he said, "I'm Bart Simpson. Who the hell are you?" Last year The Simpsons were called a witty satire of American Society. That's a large step from their first season. Now, we're not saying that South Park will turn out as good as The Simpsons, nothing possibly could. The Simpsons is the funniest thing out there, but South Park should do okay. If you want to get a hold of either of us E-mail us at niedma@wilkes1.wilkes.edu or niedmb@wilkes1.wilkes.edu. Hurry up, because you don't have much more time.

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A breath for a second chance at life

By CAROLE MANCUSO
Beacon Staff Writer

During a cardiac arrest, the heart stops pumping blood. The blood pressure falls to zero and the pulse disappears.

Within 10 seconds of cardiac arrest the person loses consciousness and will die within about 15 minutes. This could happen to someone you love. What would you do? How could you handle this situation?

The answer is Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR); it is a proven lifesaver. Performing CPR on a victim allows much needed extra time for professional help to arrive.

A doctor at the University of Washington Health Sciences Center,

David Eisenberg, has provided six simple steps that instruct how to perform CPR. These steps can be learned in any basic CPR class.

One step provides the student with the basic technique on how they can check the victim for unresponsiveness.

Next, the students learn how to properly position the victim so they can perform CPR correctly.

Other steps include checking for pulse, proper hand positioning and breath counts.

In most cases, CPR is performed on a friend or a loved one. However, in some instances it may be necessary to perform CPR on a stranger.

The American Heart

"I feel more confident knowing that I can help my residents in an emergency situation."

Natalie Miller
Resident Assistant

person's life and the best way to do that is with good mouth-to-mouth ventilations and good chest compressions."

The AHA is trying to find a new way of performing CPR where mouth-to-mouth ventilation is not necessary.

Lance Becker, M.D. and a member of AHA who studies the role of mouth-to-mouth breathing and CPR, said, "We know that CPR saves lives, and we are looking into anything that may help simplify it so that more people will do it."

On campus there are many students who are already certified.

It is a requirement for all Resident Assistants to become certified so they can provide assistance, in case something happens to one of their residents.

"I feel more confident knowing that I can help my residents in an emergency situation," said Natalie Miller, Resident Assistant of Chesapeake Hall. "I suggest that others become certified so there is always somebody there in case of an emergency."

For more information on CPR, call the National Center of the American Heart Association at (214) 706-1152. To register for CPR classes you can contact the local American Red Cross at 823-7161. It only takes a short time to help save someone's life.

Will the sun shine tomorrow?

By CAROLE MANCUSO
Beacon Staff Writer

No more long pants, sweatshirt and sweaters... wait a second, never mind.

The record breaking 80 degree weather we had before the break has very quickly returned to the 40s and 50s.

Before the break, parks were filled with people who were taking long walks. Sun bathers caught some rays while others played frisbee and roller blades rolled down the paved paths of the park.

Amy Drobish, a sophomore, said, "It was so nice out, I spent all weekend outside tanning."

Some people hit their backyards to do some long awaited yard work.

John Marconi, a sales person for Rave Garden Center and a student at Wilkes, said,

"The Center was packed. It was really busy for this time of year. When people see the weather get nice they always want to rush to their backyards."

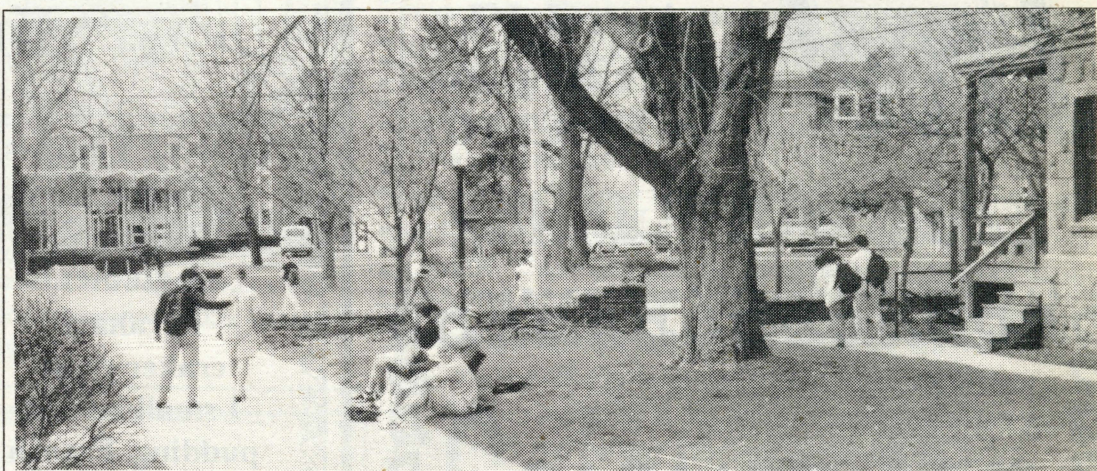
Sadly enough, this week we were all forced to return to the indoor scene.

Why the abrupt weather changes?

Vince Sweeney, the meteorologist for WBRE-TV, said during his forecast, "The unusual hot weather that we experienced was due to the jet stream going much further north than usual for this time of year."

"We also got a lot of hot air in from the south. Now the weather is back at normal levels with the usual amount of cold air coming from Canada," Sweeney concluded.

So, when will that beautiful weather finally be



Beacon File Photo

Students spend time outdoors during the sunny days of spring.

here to stay?

Probably not for a while since nothing but rain has been lingering in Wilkes-Barre lately. The 70 and 80 degree weather is still a few days away.

This weather is usual for early Spring. According to the Farmer's Almanac, the average high temperature for

the month of March is 44 degrees and 58 degrees for April.

It isn't until May that the really beautiful weather we were teased with is going to really hit us. Prepare yourself for the good weather to come and go.

In May you can expect weather to be in the high 70's,

although the average is usually 69 degrees.

Hopefully by the time final exams arrive students can venture back outdoors. The nice weather is a definite spiritual booster.

Remember the sun will come out tomorrow, let's just hope there will be no clouds covering it.



Critic's Corner with Dan Lavelle "Lost In Space"

Hello fellow movie viewers.

Do you remember seeing re-runs of the T.V. show "Lost In Space?" To refresh your memory, it was a science fiction show during the late 1960's. The show's plot saw the Robinson family sent to a far off planet to help build a new world. But nothing comes easy for the Robinsons. Along the way a stowaway named Dr. Smith sabotages the family's plans leaving them traveling into parts unknown. Today, "Lost In Space" has been transformed from a prime-time television series to a major motion picture. After seeing this movie, I was lost for words.

First, I must point out the film had great special effects. Everything from the spaceships to the killer spiders was very stimulating to see. I tip my hat to the special effects crew.

Two actors who grasped my attention were Gary Oldman and Matt LeBlanc. Oldman has always been one of my favorite actors. Some of his films include, "Sid & Nancy," "Dracula" and "The Professional." Oldman plays the role of Dr. Smith, the stowaway who is responsible for misguiding the ship. Oldman gives an evil twist to his already villainous character making his role very interesting.

LeBlanc is the captain of the ship, Don West. I must say this is a big improvement from his last film "Ed." It's good to see that LeBlanc is now choosing more suitable roles. Putting forth an arrogant attitude, LeBlanc fits this character like a glove. I hope his good sense can help him find more entertaining films along the way.

My only problem is the story seemed to go too fast. Sometimes it was hard for me to keep track of what was happening to whom. The director needs to learn to slow down a bit so the audience can understand what is going on.

I'm giving this film **FOUR STARS**. This is a true must see for any sci-fi fan. Although the story seemed to go too fast, the special effects will hypnotize you. You will see an intriguing performance by Oldman and an improvement in LeBlanc's career. Check it out when you get a chance and look out for some of the original members from the TV series.



ALIGNING THE PLANETS WITH MADAME ZELDA

Aries (March 21 - April 19) A friend you haven't seen in a while promised they'd call over break so you could get together. You never heard from them! Don't take it personally, they probably got wrapped up in family things, catch them over the summer.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Someone said long distance relationships never work, you laughed at them and set out to prove them wrong. Now it's been a while and it's all starting to fall apart. Don't let it get to the point where you can't be friends, leave it on a good note.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Never say, "It wasn't meant to be!" The minute you give up will be the instant someone comes through for you. If you want something bad enough it will find you.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) This year has flown by for you. It seems like it was yesterday that you were moving in and going to your first class. Now we only have a few weeks left and you couldn't be more thrilled to get out of here. Keep busy though because the last few days could drag if you don't do anything.

Leo (July 22 - August 22) A drastic change in your appearance makes for an attitude change. Be more forward and outgoing. It becomes you and it's a change for the better.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22) It seems all your professors are cramming all your work into the last two weeks of classes. Don't freak. If you budget your time between the papers, labs, projects and tests you will be fine. Just don't procrastinate!

Libra (September 23 - October 23) The summer job hunt didn't start off well when you were looking over break. Don't get discouraged, keep looking in the want ads and for help wanted signs. Something will come along soon!

Scorpio (October 24 - November 21) An acquaintance has been putting the moves on you even though you made it very clear you were taken. If things make you uncomfortable, make it clear now that you don't want it before it gets out of hand.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) Overall, you haven't felt your best the past few weeks. You're just run-down from this semester and of all its stress and work. In a few weeks it will all be over and you will be back to your well energized self.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19) You just found out you're not doing as well as you thought in a certain class. You still have time. See about extra credit and cram for that final like you never have before.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) It's beginning to look more and more like spring every day. It's so tempting to cut all your classes and hang out with friends. There will be more than enough time for that when school is out, so resist temptation as much as possible.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20) Neither you nor your friends can afford a big vacation this summer. Get creative and think of other things to do. Day trips or a friend or a relative's house at the shore always works well as a substitute.

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This week's recipes...

Busy Day Cheesecake Ingredients:

- 1 graham cracker crust
- 1 small instant pudding, French vanilla or lemon
- 1 (8oz.) pkg. cream cheese
- 2 cups milk

Soften and cream the cream cheese. Beat with 1/2 cup milk until smooth. Add pudding and the rest of milk; beat well. Spread into crust. Put canned cherries or blueberries on top (or fresh if you would like). Refrigerate.

On the lighter side...

Sweet Banana Shake

Ingredients:

- 1 cup nonfat dry milk
- 2 cups cold water
- 3 tablespoons of honey
- 3 ripe bananas, mashed

Stir dry milk into water in a jar with a tight fitting lid. Stir in honey and bananas; cover and shake vigorously until well-blended.

Busy Day Cheesecake courtesy of Lois Young and Sweet Banana Shake courtesy of Betty Rae Frandsen, Kathryn J. Frandsen and Kent P. Frandsen.

ATTENTION EATERS!

Each week we will be featuring a new recipe for all of our readers to try out.

However, we are not sure what you like to eat. Submissions are being taken of recipes and recipe ideas outside of *The Beacon* office in Hollenback Hall.

On your way to class drop off your ideas in the box and you may be featured in next week's paper. If you cannot drop them off send them to castellj@wilkes1.wilkes.edu.

Red Barons start season slow

By **FRANK TOMASZEWSKI**
Beacon Business Manager

If you enjoy watching good baseball at low prices, then Minor League Baseball games are for you. The Red Barons were established in 1989 and are the AAA affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies. The

Red Barons kicked off the 1998 season on the road last week in Ottawa, Canada against the Ottawa Lynx, the AAA affiliate of the Montreal Expos. The team came home with a record of three wins and one loss. Scranton/Wilkes-Barre's star catcher

Bobby Estellela struggled through the first series and saw his batting average fall below .200 in the first four games.

The Barons lost their home opener on Monday by a score of 9-8 to the Syracuse SkyChiefs. The game took place at Lackawanna County Multi-Purpose Stadium on Monday afternoon and tickets for the event were sold out. The Barons faced the SkyChiefs in the second game

of the two-game series Tuesday night and were unsuccessful. They lost by a score of 10-1. This dropped their season record to 3-3. The SkyChiefs, who are a Toronto BlueJays farm club, were powered by strong hitting first baseman Tom Evans. Evans was two for five at the



Photo By Frank Tomaszewski

Bobby Estellela takes a cut during batting practice on media day.

plate on the night including a two run home run, and a grand slam in the sixth inning giving him six runs batted in on the night.

The Red Barons have a large arsenal of players with big league experience. One of the top returners is fan-favorite Estellela.

Estellela saw action in 13 Phillies games in the 1997 season and 13

games in the 1996 season. Other players with big league experience include Tony Baron, Wendell Magee Jr., Marlon Anderson, and Jon Zuber. Baron has been a professional baseball player since 1987 and has seen action in the Dodgers farm system as well as the Expos chain.

One of the top prospects is 22 year old hurler Ryan Brannan. Brannan who was voted as the top relief pitcher in the Phillies organization last season will make his debut in AAA this season. He hopes to improve his pitching against the better batters in the league to prepare him for the majors.

Other prospects that hope to join the Philadelphia Phillies after they put their time in at Scranton/Wilkes-Barre include catcher Gary Bennett, first baseman Dan Held, infielders Jon Zuber, David Doster and pitchers Carlton Loewer and Bronson Heflin.

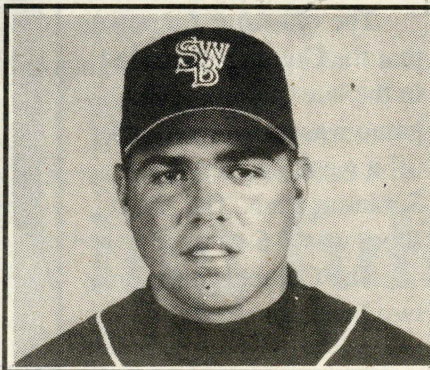


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Ryan Brannan hopes to lead Red Baron relief troops.

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We true sportsfans know the value of a backup quarterback who's responsibility is to warm up the starting receivers and starting quarterback or the career minor leaguer who doesn't get the chance to showcase his talents on the fields of the big leagues, but the average fans doesn't know about these guys. These individuals are almost never displayed for the public eye to see how hard the individuals work or exactly what roles they play on their team or within their organization. Many of these individuals go their entire professional athletic career without even the slightest recognition when individuals with similar or less athletic ability find the spotlight because they are part of a more successful franchise or they have better luck.

Once in a great while, these guys get a chance to capture the spotlight. They come out from behind the shadows that have been casted upon their faces by the big stars and the players who are friendly to the eye of the television watching audience.

This month, we have been blessed with the opportunity to see the success of relatively obscure sports personalities who are not recognizable by the eye of an average sportsfan or a weekend warrior who turns on the television on Saturday afternoon to see the heroics of the big name moneymakers like Tiger Woods and Mark McGwire.

Mark O'Meara won the Masters. He is about as obscure as they come. I know that he has been a successful golfer on the PGA tour for several years and is more than capable of being a superstar as far as ability goes, but America is not used to seeing an overweight, balding forty-something in the spotlight of the world's biggest golf tournament for the first time in his career. These heroics would be more socially acceptable if O'Meara was once a good looking child golf prodigy with an unmistakable swing. O'Meara is a far cry from Tiger Woods or Arnold Palmer as far as marketability and recognition are concerned, but he is the reigning Masters champion nevertheless.

Along the same line comes the success of Jeremy Burnitz and Dante Bichette in Major League Baseball's National League. These two athletes have played second fiddle to guys like Robin Yount, Darryl Strawberry and Andres Gallaraga with their respective teams for almost ten seasons. These guys finally have the chance to excell in their profession by being at the tops of the National League in homeruns and batting average, respectively.

Also, this past weekend, Wilkes-Barre residents saw a scantily clad Bobby Estellela, the star catcher of the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Red Barons, on the cover of the *Weekender* accompanied by an article featuring his likes, dislikes, hobbies and highlights of Bobby's personal life. This is yet another instance where a minor star gets major recognition (if you can call the *Weekender* major). Estellela has only spent a short portion of his career in the major leagues, but he caught the *Weekender's* eye anyway.

These individuals work just as hard as the superstars like Michael Jordan and Wayne Gretzky do, but have not recieved the breaks or achieved the superstar status that the media bestows upon the greats, and they are finally receiving the credit they deserve.

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Baseball exacts revenge on Scranton for early season loss

By **SCOTT VEITH**
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University Colonels men's baseball team went into Tuesday afternoon's game against the University of Scranton Royals with a score to settle because of an early season come from behind upset that the Royals pulled out against the Colonels at Lackawanna County Multi-Purpose Stadium.

The Colonels came into the game with an overall record of 16 wins and 10 losses and a 5-4 record in the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) Freedom League. The Royals came into the match managing only six wins and 13 losses overall and a 1-5 record in the MAC Freedom League.

The Colonels jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first inning on a RBI single from the hot bat of James Sadaro, the Colonels' leader in home runs this season.

The Royals spirited in the sixth inning for six runs off of Wilkes starter Nate Lipton and reliever Joey Doran. This was Lipton's first start since he was sidelined earlier this season with a shoulder injury. He

came into the game on a pitch count of just 85-90 total pitches. On the way back into the line-up Lipton saw some action on the mound with some relief appearances. He even picked up a save against Neuman this past weekend.

Doran came in to the

Sadaro took the task of regaining the lead for the Colonels into his own hands when he added to his home run total in the bottom of the sixth. Sadaro currently leads the MAC Freedom League in home runs with eleven.

Also homering for the Colonels was sophomore

each of their last six games including today's game at Marywood College to remain in the MAC playoff hunt. The Colonels also need Drew University to lose at least one more game if they plan on making any post season appearances this season. The MAC playoffs are going to

be held at Lakawanna Multi-Purpose Stadium on Wednesday April 29. The original plan was to have the first games of the MAC playoffs at the stadium on May 1, but due to a Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Red Barons game on that Friday night, the games have been moved. The other games will be played at King's College if necessary.

The Colonels have two remaining home games, April 20 and April 26 at Artillery Park in Edwardsville.

(Left) - The Colonels pose for a team picture before Tuesday's game against the University of Scranton. (bottom) - Joey Doran, Tuesday's winning pitcher, makes contact on an outside pitch in recent action at Artillery park.

Photos By J.J. Fadden



game and had control trouble for the two thirds of an inning that he performed. He walked three batters and also hit a batter in the leg with a fastball. The Royals finally grounded into a double play turned by Colonel infielders Jim Domszalski, Sadro and Augie Mitchke. The Colonels now found themselves in a tie ballgame with a chance to recapture he lead in their half of the sixth.

thirdbaseman Nick D'Amico. D'Amico is tied for second on the team with eight round trippers on the season.

The offensive firepower that the Colonels provided in the late innings of the game was enough to hold off a weak University of Scranton team. The final score was 8-6.

The Colonels have only two home games left this season. Wilkes needs to win



Lady Colonels go on without Fisher; beat Hounds

By **COREY YANOSHACK**
Beacon Staff Writer

Entering her second season as the Lady Colonels first baseman, Suzanne Fisher had high expectations of her performance for her sophomore year. The Dallas, Pennsylvania native started at first base in her freshman year at Wilkes, and Fisher expected to be there again in 1998. Unfortunately, a shoulder injury has ended Fisher's season, forcing her to take a medical redshirt.

"Watching the team out there playing and having fun; seeing them excel and knowing that I could have been on the field if I didn't get hurt," Fisher said is the hardest part of being injured.

Fisher hurt her shoulder during the second week of practice.

"I thought I would be able to play in a week or so, but the doctor said I'd be in a sling for two weeks," said Fisher.

Even though Fisher ended her season, the Lady

Colonels continued their season this past Tuesday against the Moravian College Greyhounds who were ranked second in the region coming into the double header.

The Lady Colonels managed to defeat the Lady Greyhounds in the first game of the double dip despite the strong pitching and defense of the Middle Atlantic Conference leading Greyhounds by a score of 2-1 behind the magic of freshman pitcher Alice Fink.

The second game of the double header ended in the eleventh inning when Moravian managed to advance a single run across the plate for a 5-4 victory.

Despite the victory over the Lady Greyhounds and their tough play in the second game, the Lady Colonels are still not ranked in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Middle Atlantic Region top ten. They have a 16-7 overall record and a 9-1 Freedom League record.



Photo by J.J. Fadden
Freshman pitcher Alice Fink delivers to the plate against the Moravian Lady Greyhounds.

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