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## Ralston to Wilkes with the greatest of ease

BY WENDY RAUGHLEY  
Beacon News Editor

In an effort to alleviate the parking problem at Wilkes University, the Luzerne County Transportation Authority (LCTA) is offering a shuttle service from Ralston Field, which has more than 40 parking spaces, to the cam-

According to Mark Davis, Director of University Relations, Wilkes was made part of an existing bus route so that students, faculty and staff can park at Ralston Field and be transported by bus to campus and back to Ralston at the end of the day.

The LCTA has negotiated a special price for the

three- to five- minute drive. The ride costs \$.40 each way, \$16 a month, \$55 a semester, \$100 an academic year or \$150 for a full calendar year with Wilkes I.D. Interested students should contact security if they want to sign up for the monthly or yearly plans.

According to Jodi Willison, President of the Commuter Council, the satellite parking is, "a very good idea, it will save students a lot of money, and it is another option for those who are not eligible for parking permits."

The ride is advantageous to many students not eligible for parking permits. The shuttle service is much cheaper than parking closer to campus. Currently meter parking costs \$.25 for 37

1/2 minutes, the Park and Lock charges \$2 a day. If a car is parked illegally and towed by campus security, it costs \$25.50.

Buses began running the new route the first day of classes and will continue everyday, beginning at 7:40 a.m. and running every 20 minutes until 6:35 p.m.

The bus drops off on South St. near the crosswalk and in front of Weckesser Hall. On the return route, the bus will pick up at the crosswalk and in front of Conyngham Hall.

John Pesta, Director of Campus Support Services assures students that the lot at Ralston will be regularly patrolled, just like the lots adjoining campus. If the program

picks up and many students use the service, Pesta explained, security will go a step further, with the possibility of a full-time guard.

Tom McGeehan, Transportation Consultant to the LCTA, says that plans are in the works for signs denoting the bus stops and shelters at these stops in case of inclement weather. If enough interest is generated, buses will run more frequently. Plans are also in the works for students to ride all LCTA buses at a special rate.

Eugene Manganello, Director of Human Resources Management, says Dean of Student Affairs, Jane Lampe-Groh is working on a letter to all students, faculty and staff announcing the new service.

### Prices

#### Park and Ride

**\$.80 per day**  
**\$16 per month**  
**\$55 per semester**  
**\$100 per academic year**  
**\$150 per calendar year**

#### Park and Lock

**\$2 per day**  
**\$24 per month**

#### Meters

(approx. cost for 8 hours)  
**\$4 per day**  
**\$20 per week**  
**\$80 per month**  
**\$300 per semester**

## Cowboys confirm Bills worst nightmare



Students have fun at the Super Bowl Party in Rumours-- More scores and highlights of the game on page 8.

## Outstanding students named in Who's Who

### WILKES-BARRE--

The 1993 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will include the names of 34 students from Wilkes University who have been selected as national outstanding leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from Wilkes University are: Diadra Bau, Brian Bohenek, Richard S. Bonning, Bonnee Lynette Breese, Eileen T. Callanan, Melissa A. Chinchar, John Comerford IV, Alisa Coviello, Melissa Ducceschi, Louis Emanuel, Ann M. Fallin, Sandy Frisbie, Jason Gani, Karen Lynn Gerlach, Darren Hack, Stacy M. Heck, Dan S. Hinkle, Heidi Hojnowski, Kimberly Karrott, Lori Kreinces, Lisa-Ann Madden, Michael John Mallis Jr., Frank Mitchell, Alfred G. Mueller II, Melanie O'Donnell, Rima Saad, Colette Simone, Jennifer Suma, Kimberly Thompson, Marla Vandermark, Jacqueline Wilson, Nicolette Yevich, Anthony Yu, and Brian Jeffrey Zupko.



# WHAT'S GOING ON...

The Scripps Howard Foundation is accepting entries through Feb. 8, 1993 for its **1992 National Journalism Awards**. The awards are offered annually to recognize outstanding work by newspaper, television, cable, and radio journalists. For more information write to: Scripps Howard Foundation, 312 Walnut Street, 28th Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

**CAREERS and the disabled Magazine** will host a **career fair and conference** on Feb. 25-26, 1993 at the Washington Hilton and Towers in Washington, D.C. For more information on attending or exhibiting write CMC, 200 Connecticut Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06856-4990, or call 203-853-0500.

Applications are now being accepted for **graduate fellowship programs** sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education. To be eligible, students must have received their undergraduate degrees in a science or engineering discipline by May/June 1992. Selection is based on academic performance, recommendations, and a statement of career goals by the applicant. For more information call Tom Richmond or Cheryl Terry at 615-576-2194 or 615-576-9558.

Applications are now being accepted for the annual **Miss Pennsylvania USA Pageant**, to be staged in Monroeville, Pennsylvania. The three-day event will be presented in the Grand Ballroom of the Palace Inn on March 12, 13, and 14, 1993. Entrants must be at least 18 years of age and under 27 years of age as of Feb. 1, 1994, never married, and a resident of Pennsylvania for at least six months. College dorm students are eligible. For more information, phone (412) 225-5343.

**Sigma Publishing** is now seeking, by invitation only, sub-

missions for their newest publication, *The Book of American Collegiate Poetry*. Those interested should write immediately: Sigma Publishing, 4217 Highland Rd., Suite 188, Waterford, MI 48328.

The **Pennsylvania Associated Press Managing Editors Association** is awarding a \$1,000 scholarship and a paid summer internship to the winner of their **Ralph Flamminio Memorial Scholarship**. Juniors who plan to pursue a career in journalism, have print experience and reside or attend college in Pennsylvania should send a cover letter, a college transcript and several of his/her favorite clippings to: Ralph Reichart, chairman, APME Scholarship Committee, c/o The Bradford Era, P.O. Box 365, Bradford, PA 16701.

February 7-14 is **Haiti Solidarity Week**. Vigils will be held on Public Square from noon until 1:00 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and at the corner of Market Street and River Street on Saturday from noon until 1:00 p.m. Also, an Ecumenical Worship Service will be held at the Unity Center for Positive Living on S. Washington St. on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. For information contact Ned Smith at ext. 5904 or Bob Witkowski at 824-4909.

**American Youth Hostels** is offering weekend, holiday and spring break trips to major U.S. cities, national and state parks and various other locations at greatly reduced rates. For more information, write to AYH, Delaware Valley Council, 624 South Third Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, or call (215) 925-6004 or (215) 925-6005.

Does your **dorm or apartment** have any interesting stories that you would want to be published in this year's *Amnicola*. If so, then we would like to hear about them. The dorm or apartment with the best story in the form of an article will have a special feature done on them. Please drop off all submissions at the *Amnicola* office on the 2nd floor of Hollenback Hall by Feb. 18th. Include your name and phone number where you can be reached.

**All clubs and organizations** must first prove that they have taken part in some type of community service before making

a fund request to Student Government. As well, a copy of each club's constitution must be sent to the Student Government Office, care of Gail Humphrey.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Wilkes-Barre's Young Leadership Program announces a special **lecture** by Israeli political scientist, journalist, and diplomat **Dr. Reuven Hazan** on Thursday, February 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. The lecture is free and open to the public.

The Adult and Children's Departments of the Jewish Community Center will sponsor a **craft show and children's workshop** on Sunday, February 21, at the Center. The craft show will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the gym; the children's workshop begins at 1 p.m. in the Weiss Auditorium. Both events are free and open to the public.

Boskov's and Bartikowsky Jewelers will sponsor the **11th Annual Wilkes-Barre Main Street 3.1 Mile Run** on Sunday, March 28, 1993 at 11 a.m. For entry forms call 824-4646.

Applications for the **James A. Finnegan Foundation Contest** are being accepted through February 12, 1993. All undergraduates attending accredited Pennsylvania colleges and universities and PA residents attending accredited colleges/universities elsewhere who have completed at least one semester are eligible. For more information, write to: Finnegan Foundation, Contest Coordinator, P.O. Box 591, Harrisburg, PA 17108-0591.

Tryouts for the **Miss Northeastern Pennsylvania** pageant are taking place on March 27 at Pittston Area. Winner will have a chance at the Miss Pennsylvania Pageant. **Call immediately 822-2726. Limited space!**

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**M U J**

Certainly, administration provides a platform for the betterment of everyone's lives, which every part (of course, I mean ideal).

One policy in this hope people can reach which time never, despite administration, is comfortable. This Clinton's decision as well as his govern.

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Aside from Clinton should be questioned.



# THE JUMPING FENCE

By LANCER BENSON

Beacon Columnist

Certain proposals of the Clinton administration promote feelings of excitement as we anticipate changes that will hopefully be for the better. For example, the idea of everyone assuming more responsibility for themselves seems like a noble prospect in which everyone should be willing to take part (of course this is a long standing Republican ideal).

One policy proposal by Clinton supporting this hope is the two-year maximum that people can receive welfare benefits, during which time recipients obtain education. However, despite such sparks of hope, the Clinton administration tends to make one uncomfortable. This is evident when considering Clinton's deception of the American people, as well as his and his cabinet's ability to govern.

Most prominent among Clinton's blunders is his reversals of campaign promises. On national television he debated with Bush and condemned him for his "Read my lips..." statement. He went on to tell Bush that one should not make promises just to get elected. Clinton explained to him that, in the presidency, one can often be confronted with extenuating circumstances which may undermine and force a reversal of such promises. Well, what has President Clinton done by tenfold?

His most disturbing reversal was his promise to raise taxes on only those who are productive enough to earn over \$200,000 yearly. Now his proposed capital gains tax will attack the middle class, as well as undermine their incentive to invest. For example, if someone buys a home for \$40,000 and it grows to a worth of \$80,000 upon that person's death, the government would take \$40,000 (all that was gained). Also, Clinton's proposal of a gasoline tax is a sure blow to the middle class. The hypocrisy in light of his campaign is evident in examples such as these.

Aside from broken promises, one should question just how equipped the Clinton administration is to govern. For example, Clinton avoided serving in Viet Nam. He justifies this by saying he did not fight because he was enlightened enough to oppose the Viet Nam war. Is he saying that all of those who did fight in Viet Nam supported the war, and that is what separated him from them? In any case, one of Clinton's roles is now Commander in Chief. How competent can he be at this job? In Desert Storm Bush did not send any young soldier to do something he himself did not do in World War II. However, Clinton can now send our nation's youth off to some strange land to die, something he himself was too good to do. Now he is in charge of the situations in Somalia and Iraq.

Aside from Clinton himself, his cabinet should be questioned as to how equipped

they are to govern. Clinton initially appointed Zoe Baird as attorney general, the highest law enforcement position in the land. She was to prevent people from breaking the law just as she did (remember that she could not afford legal employees since she only makes \$507,000 yearly as corporate lawyer). In other words, Clinton's cabinet was to, in a way, reflect himself as well as America. Just as Clinton was above the draft, Baird was to be above the law.

The appointment of Donna Shalala as head of Health and Human Services may especially illustrate Clinton's reckless manner in governing. He said that he did not even interview anyone else for the job and that he knew she was the best pick. How does he know that? Just how much farther do her credentials reach out of the bounds of pushing for excessive affirmative action and political correctness in speech? Note that "Founding Fathers" is no longer correct. Those men who signed the Declaration are now "Founding Persons" or something of the sort. This cannot be sufficient background to be in charge of a \$590 billion annual budget which is 40 percent of the total federal budget.

If anything, Shalala's appointment makes a mockery of any theory involving the good merits of affirmative action. This disgraces the very essence of what she preaches at the University of Wisconsin. This should be an *insult* to all hardworking minorities of this country, especially those with credentials and work ethic equal to, if not better than, Shalala's and were not even considered for an interview! Is Clinton implying that of all the nation's minorities, he can only find one who possessed the faculties for the job? This may have been a simple case of an administration hastily filling a promised quota just to be done with it.

Warren Christopher, a designate for Secretary of State, is also worth quick mention. As Carter's Deputy Secretary of State, he was a constant source of gridlock as he argued soft-line approaches, especially regarding Iran-hostage policy. This is the same man who supposedly insisted that Iranian terrorists should only be shot in the arm or leg in a hostage rescue attempt. Is Christopher the best choice for Secretary of State as the man who performed many of these duties in the Carter administration (since Ed Muskie was somewhat lost)? The Carter administration is supposedly just what the Clinton administration does not want to be.

Clinton's competency, honesty, governing ability and cabinet appointments (nine of which are millionaires, two more than was in Reagan's cabinet and three more than was in Bush's) all have reason to be considered. It is important to understand that Democratic philosophy, as opposed to Republican philosophy, favors more government control. With more government control, those in government have more power. With an administration that wants more control over our lives, it is reasonable to critique their credentials to have such power.



## The Scent In the Wind

by Al Mueller

A new semester has already come upon us, and this one, like its predecessor, has brought some changes with it. The most noteworthy change is the rearranging of the guard at the highest level of the campus hierarchy. No, President Breiseth has not moved on. Rather, he is on sabbatical. So, our Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Michael Lennon has taken the reigns of government in his absence.

Like most professors, Dr. Lennon is an enigmatic person. When one first encounters him, he casts a formidable, but not intimidating, presence. Although it is difficult, at times, to get an accurate read on the man, further investigation generally turns up positive evidence. For example, on one occasion—a meeting of the curriculum committee on October 22, 1992—I heard him say, "Let's try to make the core more helpful to students." Throughout the past semester, I have repeatedly heard him make similar statements. So, it is beyond doubt that he is firmly in the students' corner, looking out for our welfare with the utmost concern.

However, Dr. Lennon is not the panacea that some people are wont to believe he is. For, in some cases, his seeming naivete has been an unnecessary hindrance that has brought more problems onto his shoulders. He has formed a few alliances with certain nebulous faculty members. He does not yet know about the entrenched interests on this campus and of their power structures; so, while he starts actions with well-meant intentions, he'll never get anywhere with them until he breaks the back of these interests. The finest case in point is the recent core debacle. Certainly, if he knew of the structured interests and their motives, no major ruckus would have occurred.

However, Dr. Lennon's positive characteristics do outweigh the negatives that have arisen out of his lack of having spent a great deal of time at Wilkes. He is certainly, in my opinion, deserving of respect and admiration. Nevertheless, he would be wise to take some well-meant advice. First, continue acting on your own initiative—do not depend on a nod from the nebulous allies you have collected around you. Second, try different directions. The old ones that we have followed for the last four years have not worked. It is time for new styles of thinking. Finally, do not forget, respect must be constantly earned. For the moment, you have it. However, should you give up the fight for the students, you will just as easily lose it. Be warned! The wolf is watching.

**The Psychology Honor Society, Psi Chi, is seeking new members. To qualify you must meet these requirements:**

- 1) Be registered as a Psychology major or minor.
- 2) Have an overall GPA of 3.0, Psychology GPA of 3.25.
- 3) Have completed 3 psychology courses or have completed 2 psychology courses and are currently registered for another.

If you feel that you are qualified contact Dr. Bolander.

Dennis Finnell, the 1993 Allan Hamilton Dickson Poet-in-Residence will offer a poetry reading in the lobby of the DDD tonight at 8PM. The program will be followed by a book signing and reception sponsored by the Manuscript Society.



# FORUM

## EDITORIAL

### A NEW LOOK

While we, the students, were either busy with classes or work or lazily wasting away our break, there has obviously been a change in our country. A new president and first family, as well as a brand new entourage of policy makers and shakers, have taken up residence in our nation's capital and will be with us, for us or maybe even against us for the next four years. If you missed the inauguration you may want to find someone who taped it so that you can see and hear the tones and attitudes that will undoubtedly set the pace for our country. It seems that there will be a renewed sense of family, community, religion and self-worth.

Family has been said to be one of the most important entities in America both yesterday and today. President Clinton remarked that he would like to make family issues a top priority during his term. Clinton's speech also shed new light on the decreasing sense of community, a lost value in America. Also a focal point was individual self-worth and the fact that all people count.

To cap off the ceremony African-American poet Maya Angelou read a poem reflecting upon and rejoicing over the change of the powers that shall not be moved.

### AT WILKES

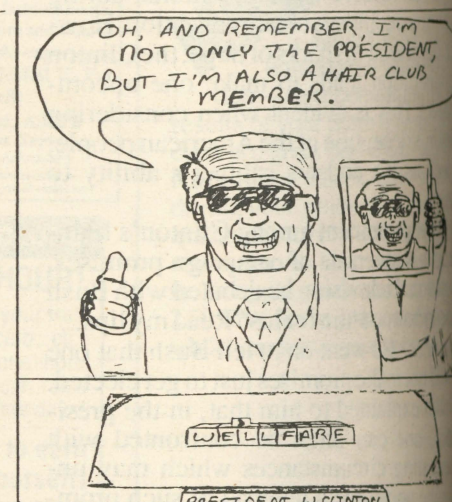
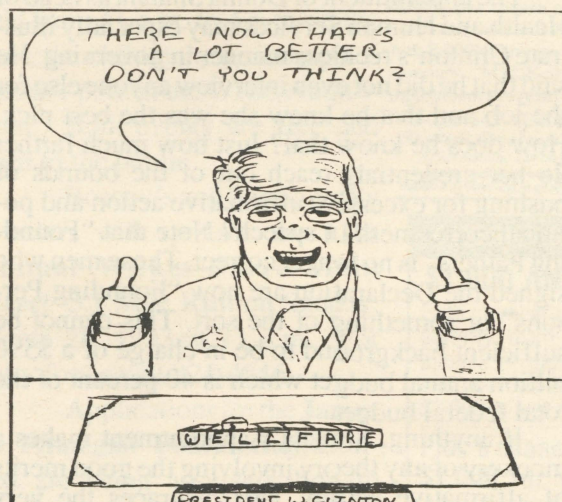
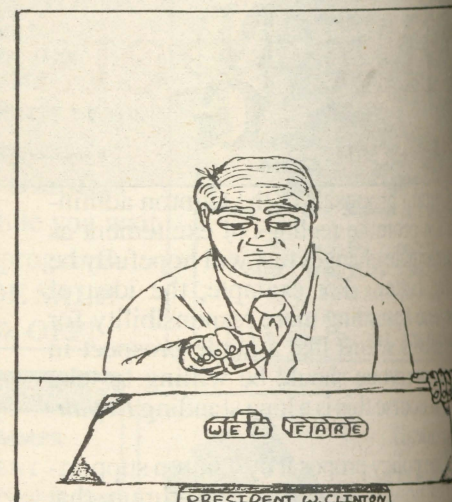
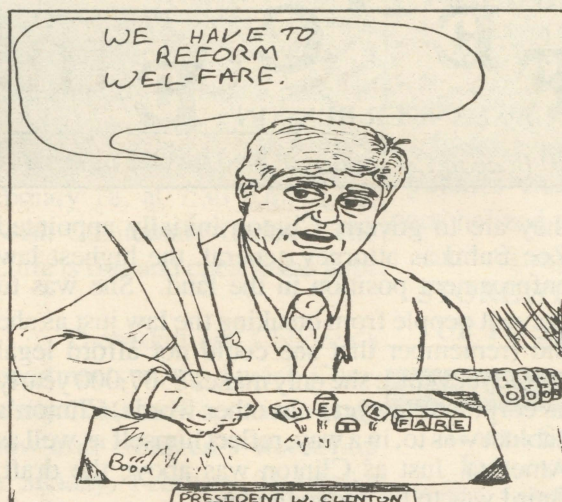
Many of you may not know that President Breiseth and his family have taken a sabbatical leave. They will return to Wilkes in May. While President Breiseth is away Dr. J. Michael Lennon is at the helm. Let's all give him the same support that we would give our president.

### LOCALLY

There's a feeling in the air in town. It feels like a renewal of communities working together for the common good of all within them. Wilkes-Barre and its surrounding towns are working hard to come together and stay together.

At the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. program, which took place in our own Darte Center, those who had the opportunity to be there all felt as one by the time they left. It was an absolutely fantastic afternoon.

There will be a forum held to consider student reactions to the curriculum at Wilkes University on Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 11 AM to 12 PM in SLC 380. The forum is sponsored by the committee on faculty-student relations, and all members of the student body are invited to attend.



Matt Hrabousky is a senior at Coughlin High School. His cartoons will appear weekly in *The Beacon*.

### Former Wilkes student, Joseph Krobert, dies

Former Wilkes University student Joseph Krobert, of St. Clair, died suddenly and unexpectedly Friday, December 18, 1992.

A first year medical student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Krobert had previously completed three years at Wilkes. Anyone wishing to contact his family may get the address from the Student Affairs office.

### Attention: Undergraduates, Graduates, & Alumni

Career Placement will be recruiting nannies in the Max Roth Center on Thurs. Feb. 11, 1p.m.-4p.m.

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# FEATURES

## Wilkes gets a case of the blues

BRIAN SMITH

Beacon Staff Writer

Kelly "Dr. Blues" James packed the house at the CPA Center for a crowd of 250 people. Dr. Blues opened his concert with hilarious songs including "The Breakfast Song." The crowd both groaned and laughed at Dr. Blue play on

The audience then begged for some lightning blues, and Dr. Blue was eager to please. He played some requests, heck-

led hecklers, played in the audience, and refused many requested favorites including "Everybody Must Get Stoned." The coffehouse crowd quickly got the blues as Dr. Blue explained, "You don't have to be poor to have the blues. My wife bought six fur coats, I wrecked my Rolls Royce, and I have the blues."

Dr. Blue's guitar and voice took the audience on a magical journey, painted a wondrous picture and filled in the blanks for words he couldn't say "due



to a young audience." Although this concert may not have been for everyone, the audience enjoyed every single moment of their bluesy evening.

### Top 10 Songs on Michael Bolton's Next Album

10. "I Steal the Songs That Make the Young Girls Cry"
9. "Makin' Love on a Bad Hair Day"
8. "When A Man Loves An Underage Girl"
7. "How Do You Talk to a Groupie?"
6. "I Fought The Critics and the Critics Won"
5. "White Men Can't Sing"
4. "Time, Love, and a Girl in a Body Glove"
3. "Love, Love, Love, Love and More Love"
2. "Stand By Me (Please, Someone, Anyone)"
1. "How Can We Be Lovers If You Don't Shave Your Legs?"

By Andy Gulden

## Kirby crowd rocks

BONNIE BREESE

Beacon Editor-In-Chief

"Thanks for sharing and being Puerto Rican for a day," said Juan Gutierrez, founder of Los Pleneros de la 21, Monday evening at the Kirby Center. The audience soared with applause at the end of Los Pleneros' performance.

Los Pleneros de la 21 was a band of four musical artists to perform during the African Heritage Tour. The band combines salsa music, most often associated with New York's Puerto Rican community, with African-American big band

The No Name Gospel Singers, a male chorus singing the "old-time" gospel sound, brought the packed house to their feet when they came off stage and sang their way to the exits of the auditorium. They performed "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and "Let My People Go," reminding the au-

dience of the trials and tribulations experienced by African-Americans during the slavery period in America.

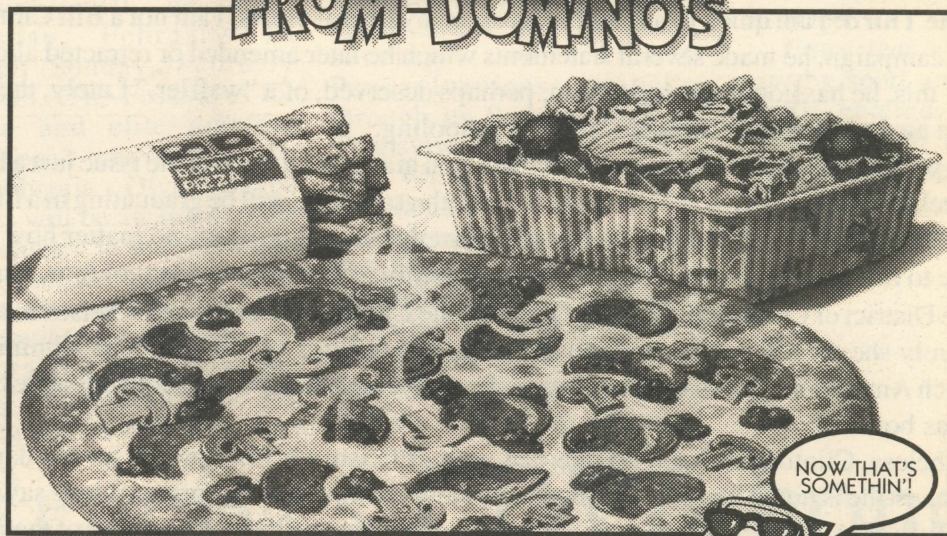
Representing the South African Zulu choral singing tradition was Thokoza, which means "happiness" in Zulu. Two African-American women and two South African women sang beautifully together while the audience gleefully joined in by clapping and tapping their feet to the beat of the drums.

Al Haji Papa Susso began the African show, giving the audience a taste of West African musical style. The distinct sound of his music warmed the audience for what was to follow.

The performance was underwritten by LCCC, King's College, Wilkes University, College Misericordia and *The Times Leader*. If this tour returns to the area next year, plan to attend. It was a great performance.

Join the Programming Board and relive the 70's with the films "GREASE" and "SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER" in the CPA on Friday, Feb. 5 at 7:30 PM and 10 PM. Come out and help us laugh at those wacky 70's!

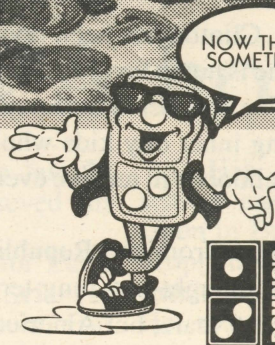
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# Letters from Wyoming

BY ANDY GULDEN

Co-Copy Editor

Those of you who have been following the epic saga of my travels will be thrilled to learn that I have finally reached Wyoming. However, the news is not all good. Zsa Zsa and I have realized that we are not meant to be together and have ended our short but steamy affair. Thus, I begin this week's letter with a heavy heart...

**Item the First:** I'm sure all of you know who Randall Terry is. For those of you who don't, he's the leader of Operation Rescue, one of those militant pro-life groups. Apparently, though, Mr. Terry has decided that a woman's uterus is not the only place over which he must have control. He has now decided that his next battle (since he's losing the one against abortion) will be against homosexuals in the military. Apparently, Mr. Terry objects to this proposal because, and I am NOT making this up, no one "would want to stick their hands in the blood, when it might have AIDS."

Have you finished laughing yet? If so, take a moment to dry your eyes, then seriously consider Mr. Terry's statement. Is it any wonder that a man so ignorant of the nature of the AIDS crisis, which is growing much faster in the heterosexual population than among homosexuals, has called homosexuality a "sick and perverse lifestyle?" Apparently, though, it's perfectly normal and acceptable to bomb abortion clinics.

**Item the Second:** As if there aren't enough problems in everyday life, the Roman Catholic Church recently released an amended list of sins to address the situations encountered in today's world. Among these sins is discrimination against one because of his or her sex or sexual preference.

Before I comment on this, I would like to state, for the record, that I have no qualm with those who choose to follow the Catholic religion. In fact, I have many close friends who are Catholic. However, the Vatican has committed a major piece of hypocrisy with this edict. Think about it - when's the last time you saw a female or homosexual priest? In fact, the Church just recently turned down a plea by women for the addition of female priests. This isn't discrimination?! Perhaps the Pope isn't "the real enemy," but this kind of blatant hypocrisy is.

**Item the Third:** I am quick to admit that, despite my liberal views, I am not a Bill Clinton fan. During his campaign, he made several statements which he later amended or retracted altogether. Because of this, he has gotten the reputation, perhaps deserved, of a "waffler." Lately, the attacks have begun again in light of Chelsea Clinton's schooling.

Before you jump on this bandwagon, however, you may want to look at the issue just a bit more closely. Chelsea Clinton is now (I believe) in the eighth grade. She will be graduating in a little over four years. I find it very difficult to believe that any educational reforms, no matter how drastic, will be able to raise our schools to a level of respectability in that short amount of time, especially those in the District of Columbia. With that in mind, the Clintons chose to send Chelsea to a private school. Surely she should not be made to suffer for the failings of a Republican administration (under which American schools were largely neglected) which took power about the same time that Chelsea was born.

Nevertheless, Clinton has been bombarded with criticism for his concern for his daughter's welfare because he is not in favor of the voucher system championed by former (I love saying that) President Bush. The voucher system pays parents to send their children to the school of their choice, thereby neglecting inner city kids who remain trapped in the prisons which pass for places of learning. These schools will receive even less funding than they currently do if the voucher system is passed.

It's time to veer from the Republican trend of throwing money at a problem instead of developing a well thought-out, long-term solution which will benefit this nation for generations to come. It will take years, but American schools can be rebuilt. In the meantime, though, Miss Clinton should continue her studies at the private school she currently attends so that she will be able to help in the rebuilding effort to which her father is so committed.

**Item the Fourth:** In our last issue Al Mueller asked you to submit your opinions on the core curriculum. Without using any four-letter words, I'll try to offer my opinion, because I think our curriculum is seriously lacking in one area: current events. Students are wandering around this campus oblivious to the happenings in Bosnia and Somalia. Meanwhile, we're all forced to endure courses like "History of Three-Legged Eucalyptus Tree Worshippers," which have little or no relevance to how we live our lives in the twentieth century.

What we need is a mandatory current events course. Each student would be required to take this course in order to graduate. If we're lucky, maybe they'll use it to replace Core Studies 101, which is the biggest waste of time since Super Bowl XXVII. This is my personal recommendation to the Faculty-Student Relations Committee. Do with it what you will.

# Talking about slavery

By STEPHANIE KRAMER  
Beacon Staff Writer

On Tuesday, February 2 Randall Miller presented a lecture entitled "Slavery and Origins of African-American Culture" in the CPA. The lecture focused on the various aspects of African culture in music, dance, art and architecture. The religious cultures of African-American people were also briefly discussed.

Miller's lecture was both interesting and informative. He enlightened his audience on the various means by which the slaves were "molded by the experience of bondage." Slave huts in the United States, for instance, greatly resembled the dwellings of their peoples in Africa, yet also took on strong characteristics of European society with the use of doors. Miller also emphasized the point that there was no single slave culture but rather

an amalgamation of separate subcultures in this country during various periods of slavery.

Although Miller's presentation itself was enlightening, his abilities as a public speaker are very poor. He spoke extremely fast during the majority of his speech, making it very difficult to follow him at times. He also used too many gestures, which seemed awkward and unnatural to the audience. His explanation of the cultures of Africa was also lengthy; he should have either narrowed his topic or delved less into specifics.

Miller himself is the author or editor of 13 books. In addition, he has written numerous articles on topics including immigration, media and the American South. A native of Chicago, he is currently a professor of history at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia.

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# SPORTS

## Cheers & Jeers From Bob Simmons

The Christmas trees have all disappeared and the party and noise makers are all packed away for next year, so it's time once again to return to the classroom and start reading the books.

I would like to welcome everyone back to school and hope that your Christmas was a merry one and your New Year's was equally enjoyable.

However, all good things must come to an end. The return to school for some is very easy. They are used to hearing their parents tell them what to do or they're used to their part-time job that they had to get or else they couldn't wait to get back together with their friends.

On the other hand, there are those for whom coming back to school is a little harder to do. They may not mind hearing their parents constantly telling them what to do or they may actually enjoy their part-time job or they're happy with the friends they have at home.

Finally, there are those students who had to stay up here most of the break because of a sport - basketball (both men's and women's) and wrestling. To these athletes the time they get to spend with their loved ones is short but meaningful. These athletes are fully aware that the commitment they make at the beginning of the year to their respective sport will take some things away from them but will give more than they could imagine back to them.

What will they get back that is so meaningful?

These athletes will first learn how to take care of themselves, for example, laundry and cooking. Secondly, they will learn how to get along with one another and work together, which any good coach will tell you is the key to a winning team. Third, they will enjoy the time they can spend with their loved ones. They won't take these things for granted.

You still don't understand how this can be so meaningful?

Look at it like this:

Some of these athletes will be graduating in May and will be entering the "REAL WORLD." They may have to leave home to find employment, and it may mean doing it on their own, starting a new life for themselves in a place where no one knows them. That is how the first part can help them. The second part will help them because they will have the ability to work with others for a common goal. Whatever that goal may be all depends on the people involved. Finally, the last thing can help them because they will measure whatever time they can get with family and friends.

One must realize that sports are not just for exercise or entertainment. Sports are also a learning experience, just like in the classroom.

You also must realize that sports are a big part of our society, and they can help people in so many ways. For some it may be to get an education, or it may be their job. For others it may be a way to relieve tension. For still others, it may be a way of life - the thing they do best.

To every athlete out there - you have to realize just how privileged you really are to have the opportunity to play a sport.

Enjoy whatever sport it is that you may play, and play it hard and respect it, because it will take care of you.

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## Winter Sports Festival

The sixth annual Keystone State Games Winter Sports Festival will be held Thursday, February 18 through Sunday, February 21, 1993. The Festival is for novice and elite amateur athletes residing in Pennsylvania. Olympic-type medals will be awarded to the best athletes in more than 60 skiing and ice skating events over a five-day period. The Montage Mountain Ski Resort in Scranton will host the skiing competition, and ice skating will be held at the Ice-

A-Rama in Wilkes-Barre.

The Keystone State Games are the largest multi-sport event in the state, serving over 20,000 Pennsylvanians annually through its Summer Games, Pennsylvanians Senior Games and Winter Sports Festival programs.

Opening Ceremonies for the Festival will be held at Montage Mountain on Friday, February 19. The celebration will include music, fireworks, special guests and a torch parade. Prior to Opening

Ceremonies, Lackawanna County will welcome athletes with a special reception at Montage.

Entry fees and deadlines vary by sport and number of events entered. For entry information or more details call Keystone State Games at 717-823-3164 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

## Receives EIWA honor

**WILKES-BARRE** -- Wilkes University's 150-pound wrestler Mike Evans came into his bout against nationally ranked Jason Hawk of Rutgers with a 12-1 record and no respect from the folks who do the EIWA rankings. He emerged with a decisive 8-4 upset win, and seems certain to be near the top of the new rankings list when it is released later this week.

Evans' win was the difference in the Rutgers meet, as Wilkes downed the Scarlet Knights by just 19-15, for Wilkes' 10th win of the season. It was the 17th straight year that Wilkes Coach John Reese has notched at least 10 victories,

and the 27th of the last 28 years that he has achieved this feat.

Evans is a junior Earth and Environmental Sciences major from Bethlehem, PA, where he placed third in the state championships as a senior at Liberty High School. He was also a regional and district champion in high school, where he was a four-time letter winner in wrestling.

Evans' career record at Wilkes is 33-18-4, and he is just hitting his stride. As a freshman two years ago, he was named Wilkes Freshman Wrestler of the Year, and this past summer he was a winner at the Keystone Games.

His only loss this season came in the Wilkes Open in December, where he dropped an 8-4 decision to finish third in the tournament. He may get a chance to avenge that loss this weekend, as the Wilkes wrestlers travel to Franklin & Marshall for a triangular meet which includes Pitt.

Previous winners of the Wrestler of the Week award were Tom Storey of Navy, Dave Warnick of Army and Nick Szerlip of Columbia.



# SPORTS

## The Boys are Back on Top

BY BOB SIMMONS  
Beacon Sports editor

Three years ago, the Dallas Cowboys were the worst team in the National Football League. However, they're now the Super Bowl champions.

That left the Buffalo Bills as the first team in history to lose three straight super Bowls and the NFC's supremacy intact.

Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman, the game's Most Valuable Player, threw for four touchdowns, and Charles Haley and Ken Norton led a defense that forced nine turnovers.

Two of Aikman's TD passes went to Michael Irvin, with one each to Jay Novacek and Alvin Harper.

Jimmy Johnson became the first coach to win both a national college title and a Super Bowl, the latter coming just three years after he began his professional coaching career.

The Cowboys won on both sides of the ball. Emmitt Smith, the league's leading rusher, ran for 108 yards on 22 carries, and Aikman completed 22 of 30 passes for 273 yards.

Frank Reich, who led the biggest comeback in NFL history when he brought the Bills back from a 35-3 deficit

against Houston in their AFC Wild Card game, entered the game when starter Jim Kelly went out injured with 6:52 left in the half. Reich moved the Bills down field, but on third and less than one yard to go at the 3-yard line the Bills were forced to settle for a field goal. That made the score 28-10 at the end of the half.

Within two minutes the 14-10 score changed to 21-10, and by the end of the third period the score was 28-10.

The final score was Dallas 52, Buffalo 17.

The Cowboys went from the cellar to the top within three seasons, and the Bills once again fell short of the their goal.

## One game at a time

By DAVID McCABE  
Beacon Sports Writer

While most Wilkes University students were home relaxing over break, the women's basketball team was busy playing games and winning most of them.

The Lady Colonels improved their record to 15-4 overall and 3-3 in the Middle Atlantic Conference with a 75-66 win over Lycoming College Saturday afternoon.

Coach Karen Haag stated that there is a good reason for the team's success.

"We have good players who work very hard as a team. It's that simple."

The Lady Colonels' trek began on January 6 with a tough 87-84, overtime win over Moravian College. Junior Stacy Boyer led the way with 26 points.

The King's College Tournament was next for Wilkes, and they responded by beating King's and Penn State University-Behrend to win the tourney.

Senior Colleen McGarry had 20 points and freshman Michelle Shaffer added 15 in the 70-58 win over King's. Senior Missie Chinchar threw in 25 points against PSU-Behrend.

Messiah College was the Lady Colonels' next MAC

Northwest opponent. Again it was Chinchar leading the way with 16 points in a 65-56 win.

Wilkes defeated Allentown College 74-63 in a non-conference game. McGarry and Chinchar led the way with 21 and 20 points, respectively.

The Lady Colonels suffered only their second loss of the season in a tough 71-69 contest against Dickinson College. Boyer scored 24 in the loss.

The Lady Colonels bounced back with a 70-64 win over Albright College. Boyer again led the way with 20 points.

Wilkes then suffered back-to-back MAC Northwest losses to Juniata College (74-64) and Elizabethtown College (86-70). Freshman Lee Ann Azarewicz scored 18 in the loss to Juniata.

The Lady Colonels responded with consecutive wins over King's and in Saturday's contest with Lycoming. The King's game came down to the wire with a 57-56 final score. Boyer again led the team with 25 points. Chinchar scored 19 in the win over Lycoming.

Coach Haag's plan for the remainder of the season is "to take one game at a time" with their five toughest games coming up.

Tonight the Lady Colonels play host to first place Susquehanna University, 5-1 in MAC Northwest. Tip-off is scheduled for 6 p.m.

Coach Haag would like to see a lot more support from students and faculty. "I'm a little disappointed on fan support for us, considering how successful we've been," stated Haag. "We're very exciting to watch."

### Correction

The men's basketball team will be play at 2 p.m. Saturday at King's College, and not 8 p.m., which was listed on the academic calendar. The women's basketball team will not play until Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Scranton.

There will be a sports staff meeting Sunday at 6:30 p.m. for old and new staff members.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

DR. KINNEY FOR BEING NAMED "COACH OF THE YEAR" AT THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGIATE FORENSICS COMPETITION THAT WAS HELD LAST WEEK IN MONTREAL, CANADA!

### WINTER WEEKEND!!!!

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## Grapplers win

TOM NALLY  
Beacon Staff Writer

In his 40th year at the helm, Coach John Reese (485 - 144 - 9) and his Wilkes University wrestling team upped their 1992-93 season record to 10-5 this past weekend. They won two out of three matches in New Jersey: Wagner 48-3, Rutgers 19-5, and Army -31.

In a rout over Wagner, Wilkes' John Klessinger (Fr., Lititz, Pa.) Ray Monzon (So., Hialeah, Fl.) and Heath Fleisher (Fr. Duncannon, Pa.) each recorded pins for the Colonels.

For Fleisher, now 13-3 this season, the pin was number nine in his career earning him the nickname "kingpin."

Chris Rickard (Sr. Lavella, Pa.) and Aaron Tufkjian (Sr., Cherry Hill, N.J.) also tasted victory in the Wagner match, each with hard-fought decisions.

In their win against Rutgers, Mike Evans (Sr., Bethlehem, Pa.) came up with the Colonels as he defeated nationally ranked Jason Hawk 8-4 in the 150 weight class.

In the victory, Evans moved to 13-1 on the season with two pins.

Delfino Ochoa (Jr., Ca.), Barry Van Scoten (Sr., Broadway, N.J.), Dan Habowski (Fr., Mechanicsburg, Pa.), Tufankjian and Fleisher scored points for Wilkes as they topped the Sea Knights.

In the loss to Army, Dan Fantine (Jr., Mt. Carmel, Pa.) and Ron Miller (Sr., La Ariel, Pa.) were the

bright spots for the Colonels as they both picked up wins in their matches.

The grapplers next match will be this Saturday, Feb. 6, away at Franklin & Marshall.

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By BRAD HAYS  
Beacon Staff Writer

The term "resident" conjures up many images about what RA's are: a person who is there during times of trouble, to help who is there to write you breaking the rules. Just an RA selected, and some of their duties?

Marc Garnet, Director of Residence Life, says that RA's are selected by first hand RA interest meeting in January. This is so that Residence Life Office can feel as to how many people are interested in the job.

Next, applications are handed out. The candidates then carefully read the application, which lists rules that the RA's must follow. The candidates must then fill out the application and submit it to the Residence Life Office no later than 4:30 p.m. on February 16.

Next, recommendations are sent out by the Residence Life Office. These recommendations can be in the form of a letter, a verbal administration, or current references.

Then, the current RA's are separated into two groups. There is a male group consisting of two males, one female, and a female group consisting of two females, one male. The male RA's then interview the male prospects, and the female RA's does the same with the female prospects. These interviews conclude by March 11.

After these interviews are conducted there are interviews with the professional Residence Life staff, which consists of Marc Garnet