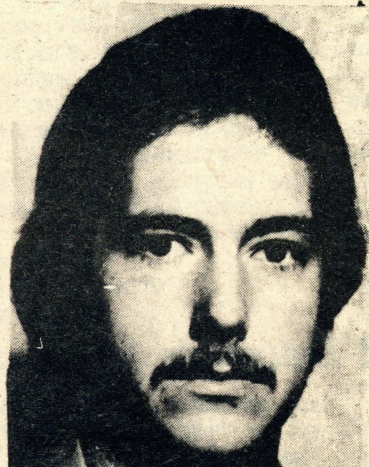
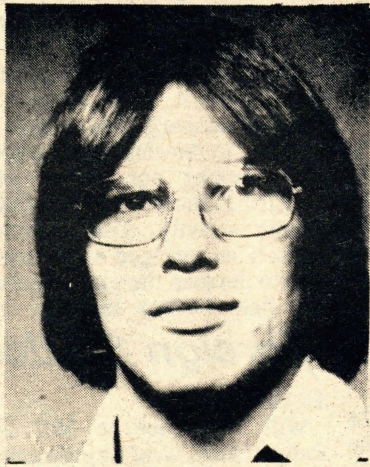


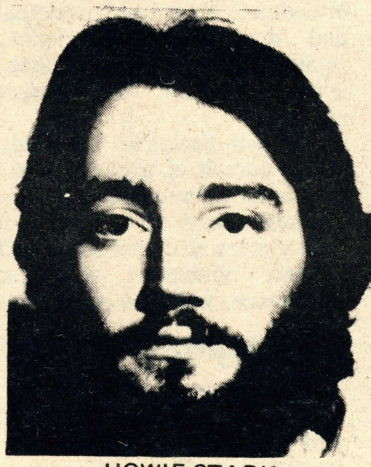
Student Government Heads Picked



ZEKE ZABORNEY



CHARLIE MUNSON



HOWIE STARK

Zaborney In Top Position, Outlines SG Intentions

BY MARK GREENBERG

Just call him Zeke. That's what Ed Zaborney, the newly elected Student Government president wants to be called. This relaxed attitude will prove very effective when Zeke has to deal with people in his important role of representing the student body of Wilkes.

A sociology-psychology major, Zeke hails from Mocanaqua, Pa. A one-time biology major, he tried his hand at football for two years, but dropped out to give more of his time to Student Government.

When asked about his plans for next year Zeke stated, "First I would like to mention the members of the Executive Council. They are Charlie Munson, vice-president, Howard Stark, treasurer; Gina O'Brien, recording secretary; and Liz Kwiecinski, corresponding secretary. This will probably be one of the best Executive Councils SG ever has had. We complement each other. One of us can pick up where the other left off and this makes everybody look good."

Working on next year's budget, Zeke noted, "We have a proposed budget of \$65,000. We will try to use these funds the best way we can to benefit the students."

"I have some other ideas I would like to put into effect. I am going to talk to Dean Capin about pass-fail grading. The student would have a choice of either having the course as pass-fail or keeping it as a decimal grade. Many grad schools don't accept pass-fail so we could have the decimal grade on the bottom of the grade transcript. Why hassle with a course when it is only an elective? Use the pass-fail."

"I am also working with Fang Productions, trying to bring some big name groups to the campus for concerts, Zeke mentioned.

This summer we will try and make up a course description booklet. In it would be the course, the teacher, an outline of the course to let the

student know the requirements of the course and what the tests are like."

"I have my own ideas, but we work for the students. SG is representative of the student body. We must work in the best interest of the students."

Reflecting on the SG elections, he said, "I am very surprised at the apathy on this campus. When only

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RA Staff For 1975-76 Announced

BY DONNA M. GEFFERT

Twenty-two new resident assistants have been chosen from a long list of student applications received by Assistant Deans for Residence Hall Life Lynn Jansky and Al Foderaro.

Before beginning their new duties on campus in the fall, the R.A.'s will participate in a week-long orientation workshop during the summer.

The main task of the new R.A.'s will be to reside in the dormitories on campus, to maintain the upkeep of the buildings, to inspire a social and academic atmosphere in the resident halls, to act as counselor and friend to all students, to organize educational programs in the halls and to provide for the well-being of the occupants.

The 11 women selected as resident assistants include: Holly Baab, a sophomore sociology major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren G. Baab, 434 Charles Street, New Milford, New Jersey and a 1973 graduate of New Milford High School.

Giacomina Ann Buzzelli is a sophomore music education major. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Buzzelli, 409 Kohler Avenue, Old Forge, she is a 1973 graduate of Old Forge High School.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ferral, 1 Lynnfield Drive, Morristown, N.J., Wendy Ferral is a sophomore accounting major and a 1973 graduate of Morristown High School.

Michele Ann LaRose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael LaRose, 635 Cleveland Street, Hazleton, is a sophomore business education major. She is a 1973 graduate of Hazleton High School.

A 1972 graduate of Calhoun High School, Leesburg, Virginia, Eileen C. Prendergast is majoring in

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Voting Today For Officers Of CC, IDC

Elections for Commuter Council president are being held today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Commons. Jackie Pickering, a junior history major is the only nominee. Joe Aquilina, Doug Jones and Len Shatkus were also nominated but declined.

Nominations were held last Thursday evening at the last CC meeting chaired by President Mike Stambaugh, who served for two years in the office.

Elections for next years Inter Dormitory Council officers will take place tonight in Pickering Hall from 5 to 7 p.m.

Running for office are Mike LoPresti and Floyd Miller president; Tom Trost, vice-president; Amy Santilli, Treasurer; Kerry McMahan, Recording Secretary; and Mindy Heyman, Corresponding Secretary. Results will be announced tomorrow at noon.



GINA O'BRIEN



LIZ KWIECINSKI

Inflation One Reason For Enrollment Drop

BY FRANK BARAN

Despite the current economic recession and changing attitudes of young people toward a college education, Wilkes College is "holding its own" in terms of applicants for admission to next year's freshman class. As Dean of Admissions John Whitby notes, "the number of applicants this year appears to be about the same as last year."

Whitby says there has been some decrease in the number of students applying to Wilkes in recent years, but this decrease is proportionately no greater than prevailing national trends for college admissions. "The top graduating class at Wilkes was about 575 students," he noted. "In the last few years, we have graduated around 525."

Inflation has been particularly hard on private educational institutions such as Wilkes, Whitby contends. Because of rising operating costs, especially for utilities and salaries, private colleges have had to raise tuitions. This puts them at a distinct disadvantage with publicly-subsidized state colleges and county community colleges. "There are many private colleges that will have to close down — but Wilkes will not be one of them," he stated emphatically.

"Because of the present economic situation, our financial aid package is of much concern to incoming students," noted Whitby. The effect of the recently-announced tuition increase will not be known for some time, however. Enrollment figures for the new freshman class will not be available until after May 1, the final date for submitting applications to Wilkes.

Although the number of applicants to Wilkes is remaining fairly constant, the qualifications and interests of the prospective students are changing perceptibly. In line

Services Held For Mrs. Richards

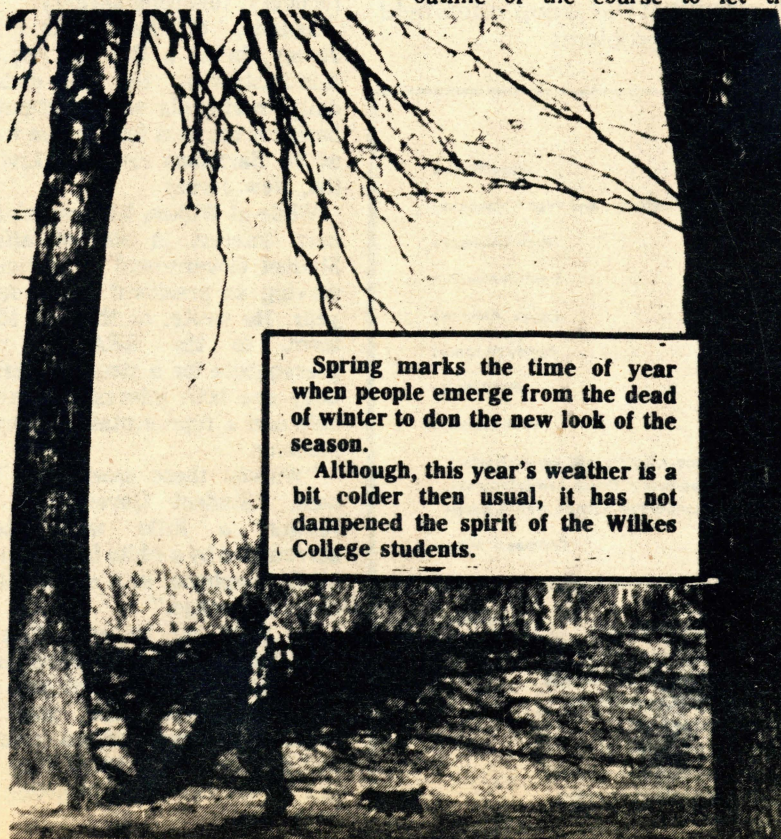
The student body of Wilkes College and the Beacon staff extend the deepest sympathy to Dr. J. Philip Richards and his family on the death of Mrs. Richards.

Funeral services were held last week for Mrs. Richards, wife of the Wilkes College associate professor of fine arts. She was pronounced dead on arrival April 9 at General Hospital.

Born in West Pittston, Mrs. Richards, the former Hilda Harris, resided at 802 Main Street, Moosic, and was active in Little Theater and Jewish Community Productions and played in several off-broadway shows and appeared in many CBS TV movies.

She was the co-owner of Number 9 Gift Shop located on Market Street, Wilkes-Barre. She and her husband were owners of Hillcrest Inn, Ogunquit, Maine.

Surviving besides her husband are: sons, David, Jackson, Mississippi; Phillip Robin, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; brothers, Richard and Thomas Harries, both of Hartford, Connecticut; a sister, Mrs. Rachel VanAuken, Tunkhannock and also five grandchildren.



Spring marks the time of year when people emerge from the dead of winter to don the new look of the season.

Although, this year's weather is a bit colder than usual, it has not dampened the spirit of the Wilkes College students.

A Final Word...

Commuter Council President Michael Stambaugh steps down from office this week after serving as its leader for the past two years in a most effective and proficient style.

We need not list the constructive changes that he has instituted during his tenure as president. His genuine concern and countless hours of hard work have brought the organization a long way.

It is certainly not easy to direct any type of student organization, whether it be at a community college, a small college, or a large university. But the need for these kind of student groups are always necessary and perhaps the greatest way for students to work out problems and correct the seemingly endless list of matters that pass the president's gavel.

Stambaugh has met the challenge of being president of a student organization. Both Commuter Council and the student body will miss his services.

We are sure CC will keep going in a positive direction, but first, congratulations to Mr. Stambaugh for a job done in the finest manner.

Student Government President Stewart W. Feeney has surely had his share of problems this year over problems we wouldn't wish on anyone. Stewart did say about this time last year, when he was elected SG chief, that he thought the year ahead would be an experimental one. He was right. We supported the fine way he started things rolling in September and thought Student Government would continue the fine workings that Peter Jadelis put out the year before. And, just a short while ago, we called for the resignation of Feeney at a time when it was too late, thinking he lost his ability to function.

If, to our readers, it looked as if we were out to "Washington Post" the group, we weren't. Differences did result, comments were made, and negative opinions were formed as we tried to present what we thought was student news concerning the elections and concert monies in the fairest way. But these instances are now remedied as we look ahead to next year. Communication is getting better.

However, the results and procedures concerning SG made the students and college view the type of problems and skirmishes that occurred among student organizations. Maybe it is fortunate to have experienced the difficulties, thus, sighting a new corrective path for the future.

We do indeed feel Feeney could have done a better job, if he had less confusion, more direction and additional help.

Inter-Dormitory Council President Bob Howes had a relatively stable and quiet year and yet a formidable one as president.

While the loud, watchful act of predecessor Lee Auerbach was absent, Howes ran a practical, concerned and problem solving type of Inter-Dormitory Council.

He was always aware of the situation, lending ears to all sides as critics of IDC, maintained that the group could have been disbanded at no cost to dorm life. Despite a few apathetic IDC representatives, the officers went about business of the evening in a most simplistic and organized way.

Often discussions covered everything from parties to the food presentation in the cafeteria.

Howes even spelled out in writing the functions and workings about certain aspects in IDC showing that the group often held lectures and campus chats to talk over problems.

Overall, Howes did a decent job.

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Winter Sports Participants Praised

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to address an open letter to the student athletes and their coaches who participated in the Winter Sports Program at the College.

It is unfortunate that so much attention is focused on the seeming lack of success expressed by losing a play-off game or achieving "only third place in the national wrestling titles." To me, the essence of inter-collegiate athletics in a college or university setting should be the opportunity for participation, both mental and physical, that is made available as part of the learning experience of young men and women. The sports programs, just as opportunities for activity in campus political organizations, journalism, and the performing arts, are intended to encourage participation and the unique experience of relationship with peers outside the normal family or classroom situation.

The self-discipline required for active pursuit of excellence in any field is the primary objective — not the subsequent victory or defeat. That victory or defeat simply offers a new dimension of personal experience — which no one can teach,

and which can be experienced only by those who make the sacrifices necessary to participate.

I have been extremely pleased by the productive efforts in our women's programs. The efforts of Mrs. Saracino, Mrs. Meyers, and Miss Bloomberg have been outstanding in developing an esprit de corps among our young women engaged in these emerging fields of college activity. They should be actively encouraged as we seek not only to develop the girls' basketball and field hockey but the tennis,

swimming and other activities still on the horizon, that can be added to our roster of opportunities.

Again, may I take this opportunity to commend all of the students, the teams, and their coaches for outstanding contributions to the life of the College, as well as for the guts and determination that it takes every individual who goes beyond the minimum limits of life to expand his experiences.

Sincerely yours,
Francis J. Michelini
President

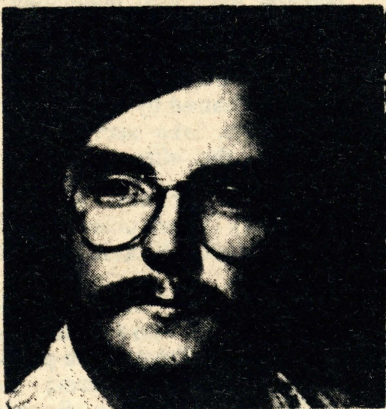
Hoagies Revived

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Mr. Abate and the housing office for the tremendous effort and accomplishment by bringing back the hoagie man. The hoagie man has a wide variety of hoagies, candies, and chips selling at fair prices. Students have no more reason to gripe about the "midnight munchies." Seeing results, due to letters sent into the BEACON, places some faith back into the administration's concern for their students.

Son of Softee

Pete Jadelis Recovering



A 1974 Wilkes graduate and former president of Student Government Peter Jadelis, is on the road to recovery, following surgery.

Jadelis, of Kenilworth, New Jersey, holds a B.S. in Business Administration. He will undergo daily treatments on an out-patient basis for the next four to five weeks at St. Barnabas Hospital, Livingston, New Jersey.

While at Wilkes, he maintained a keen interest in student affairs, Student Government in particular, serving as president in his senior year. He wrote, at the end of his term, to the BEACON "The prerequisite for a strong governing body are both interested constituents and a representative group of students."

"Without these essentials," he said, "Student Government will remain a little white house surrounded by a white fence, using a black telephone, in a small suburb named average."

He went on to say, "As an organization, Student Government is driving a car without any gas. Student Government and its subordinate organizations, councils and publications, even if they had gas in the car have forgotten the road map."

Foreign Student Defends Himself

To the Editor:

With reference to Mr. Joseph Bennett and David Bujno's article in the last BEACON, I agreed unanimously with him about foreign students requiring to take the SAT.

Nevertheless, they must realize that even some of the foreign students who have successfully passed the SAT with flying colors in English, still find some difficulty in understanding the American English. An example is that labour, neighbour, harbour and endeavour are spelled labor, neighbor, harbor

COLONEL GOLF (From Page 8)

This year once again, Schmidt's hope rests in those two. But depth is an essential quality in every sport, and golf is no exception.

Schmidt has used lettermen Al Mastalski and Len Malshefski very sparingly thus far, and letterman Bob Dwyer, along with frosh Kenny Dunlavage, and Carl Holsberger, Dave Deluise, and Mike Mercencavage, have been less than impressive in their first few matches.

Thus far, Wilkes has lost only one mat by a large margin; that being a 16-point deficit to Muhlenberg. A difference of six or seven strokes

and endeavor. A further example can be illustrated in conversation. The Americans tend to speak faster with a strong American accent. As such, it takes time for the foreign students to adapt and adjust themselves to the unique American way of life, culture and language.

One cannot expect the foreign students to learn everything overnight. Give us a breathing space! Even the finest architect cannot build Rome in one day!

A Foreign Observer

could easily show the Wilkesmen sporting a 3-1 log, and a multitude of optimism.

For the moment, coach Schmidt is not too concerned. He is counting on his team peaking for the MAC tourney, which will be held April 28, and until then, will probably continue looking for the right combination that might form the nucleus of an MAC champion.

NOTICE

Women's basketball and tennis coach Sandy Bloomberg is planning to teach a three week course on taping if enough people are interested in taking it.

What's Happening?

Thursday, April 17

Junior Registration — Student Union Building
CC Presidential Elections — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Commons
IDC Elections — 5 to 7 p.m. in Pickering Hall Lobby

Friday, April 18

Golf — Scranton (away)
Junior Registration — Student Union Building
Commuter Council Meeting — Weckesser Board Room — 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 19

Tennis — Susquehanna (Home)
Lacrosse — Lebanon Valley (Away)
Sophomore Class Movie — "Walking Tall" at 7 p.m. and "The Last Detail" at 9 p.m. in Stark Lecture Hall

Sunday, April 20

IDC Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in the Commons
Beacon Meeting — 1:30 p.m. in Shawnee Hall

Monday, April 21

Baseball — Upsala (Away)
Preregistration for Sophomore Class

Tuesday, April 22

Theta Delta Rho Bake Sale
Tennis — Moravian (Away)
Preregistration for Sophomore Class
Student Government Meeting — 6:30 p.m. — Weckesser Board Room

Wednesday, April 23

Golf — Muhlenberg (Away)

NEWS... VIEWS... THINGS...

Just For Kicks

'A Bit Of Mediterranean...'

BY PATTI REILLY

The III Guys Pub and Pizzeria, 231 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, is a relatively new establishment in the area. Although they have only been open for business since November, they have acquired "quite a following from the college students," commented one of the three owners (one of the three guys).

The III Guys offers a variety of Italian sandwiches along with Italian dinners. All the food on the menu, except the dinners, is available for take out orders. Five types of beer are on tap, and mixed drinks are available. All the cooking is done by the owners.

The III Guys is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. The mediterranean decor contributes to the overall relaxing atmosphere.

The Pub and Pizzeria also happens to be one of the few places in the Wilkes-Barre area where one can find a submarine sandwich of some size and magnitude at a reasonable price. All the food is priced reasonably and from what we tasted, it all was very good.

Experimental Program Set For Incoming Freshmen

BY CHRIS PANTELAKOS

Freshman Orientation Week, normally scheduled in the fall preceding the first days of class, has been replaced with a two-session summer orientation program, according to Linda Hobrock, dean of women.

The two day program will be conducted on June 19 and 20 and June 26 and 27.

Mrs. Hobrock stated that the shift was made for two main reasons. First, by rescheduling the program for the summer the school will now be able to devote all its energies toward orientation, thus reducing the confusion with returning upperclassmen and conflicting activities.

Second, the change is intended to bring a better response by the freshmen who in recent years have not been very enthusiastic when it comes to orientation.

Another facet of the program will be the inclusion of registration before each session. By combining registration and orientation, both the college and the student will be saving time and it should greatly reduce the amount of confusion which takes place in the fall, according to Mrs. Hobrock.

Besides the procedural activities there will be a number of social activities for both the students and parents. Both will have the opportunity to live on campus during the weekend for a small fee, which has not yet been determined.

Parents will have more time to visit and talk with Administrative personnel and department heads than would be possible during the fall. Students, if they desire, will have the same opportunity.

According to Mrs. Hobrock there will still be the annual fall picnic when all new students can get together. There will also be time set aside when Student Government and other campus leaders can meet with the freshmen.

Mrs. Hobrock stated that she and

other members of the administration are enthusiastic about the new orientation program. However, she added that the program is experimental, and its survival depends on its success.

Presently the schedule is tentative, but Mrs. Hobrock said that as it stands it gives the new students an excellent opportunity to orientate themselves with the college. The problem, as in the past, will be to get the students to participate.

AFROTC Captain To Speak Today

Air Force Captain Herklotz will speak to Wilkes College Air Force ROTC cadets today at 11 a.m. in the basement of the Wilkes College Library. Captain Herklotz, a flight instructor, will discuss the Air Force Undergraduate Pilot Training Program.

Captain Herklotz will tell the cadets about the general program and about the specialized types of flight training also possible under the program. He will also discuss what it is like to participate in the program and what the cadets can expect to get out of it.

The Air Force Flying Program trains airmen to fly different types of planes and permits them to earn their "wings." The airman must log at least 200 flying hours before he is awarded his Air Force wings. The

Photo Club Has Contest

A photo contest reflecting the positive aspects of our environment is being co-sponsored by the Wilkes College Photography Club and The Committee for a Clean Environment. Cash prizes of \$20, \$10 and \$5 are offered for the two categories of black and white and color. Winning photos will become the property of the contest committee and will be displayed during Cherry Blossom Festival, May 2, 3 and 4, 1975.

The deadline for entries is April 28, 1975. The size of entries is limited to a maximum of 11 x 14 inches and no more than five photographs may be submitted by the entrant. A single entry fee of \$1 is required along with the entrant's name, address, and phone number. Entries may be mailed to PHOTO CONTEST c/o PHOTO CLUB, WILKES COLLEGE WILKES-BARRE, PA. 18703 or carried to the Wilkes College bookstore.

What Did You Do Over Vacation?

BY SANDY AKROMAS

Every year college students look forward to the Spring break as a time to forget the woes of academic life and to enjoy the sun.

We recently asked a few members if Wilkes family just how they spent their vacation.

Shirley Mariani, Janice Stasik, Karen Manarski, Dave, and other students of the Psychology Club attended (?) the EPA Convention in New York City. Even though they described the weather as "real cold" it did not stop them from visiting the many night spots!

Carol Gusgegowsky "bumbled around," looked for a job in Trenton, and had frequent visits from Phil...

Herr Elwood Disque was feted at a surprise party given by several faculty members. Many of his long-time friends at the College attended this special function.

Craig Gorton, Jim, and Pete traveled extensively through Florida. They met up with Rick Nelson, Tony Couto, and Bill Ademsy in Tampa.

Lois Krokos has established herself as a renowned traveler as she hopped around Europe breaking hearts in several countries.

Mr. Art Hoover spent his vacation in Las Vegas, which was an Alumni sponsored trip. He won over \$125 on the slot machine. Carlo Saporito also went to Las Vegas, and won over \$400. Not bad...

Linda Kern visited her brother Lou in New York, and went to the circus at Kingston.

Ann Dysleski and Barbara Chandler attended a Ball at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York.

Gary Geishen "stuck around this dive battling the weather."

Noel Jorgensen applied for summer school at Fairleigh Dickinson.

Wendy Farrell visited relatives in Pittsburg, chugged around in her VW, and heard good news which really uplifted her vacation.

The discussion on the program is being sponsored by the Wilkes College Air Force ROTC program. All cadets and anyone interested in the ROTC program are invited to attend.

Very Interesting...



Herr Elwood Disque

BY SANDY AKROMAS

How does it feel to be an "original?"

Elwood Disque, language professor at Wilkes College, can answer the question since he began his career as one of the 14 original faculty members of Bucknell Junior College in 1935.

Disque, rendering 40 years of service to the Bucknell-Wilkes institution, will retire after the 1975 Spring Semester.

Herr Disque, as he is known to the Wilkes students, has watched with pride and admiration the growth of Wilkes College from one building on Northampton Street to the present size of the school.

"When I started to teach in 1935, all of us were uncertain about the future of the junior college. It was during the Depression and we did not know if the University (Bucknell) would continue to support us," reflected Herr Disque. "Many of the professors transferred out of fear of the closing of the college. But I stayed on. Wilkes-Barre is my hometown and I knew I couldn't leave it."

The proudest moment for the professor, who has taught German, English, and French during his career, was the acquisition in 1936 of Conyngham and Chase Halls — the first buildings of the junior college.

"We finally had a safe foothold. We knew the junior college was going to get somewhere," affirmed the Wilkes-Barre native. Herr Disque was proven right 12 years later when the junior college expanded and became a four-year, separate entity — namely, Wilkes College.

Herr Disque, who has done a great deal of traveling in Europe, also has traveled extensively on the Wilkes campus over the years.

"I had 14 different offices in every building on campus. It seems that every new building the college acquired, we moved. Language teachers are like gypsies to the extent that we can teach anywhere. So we picked up our tents and moved!"

The final move for the Language Department faculty was to Kirby Hall, donated by the Kirby family to Wilkes College. Occupying a spacious room on the third floor, Herr Disque often holds classes in his office, which at one time was the servants' quarters.

"It is good group therapy, both for the students and myself. I feel I get closer to the students by having classes in my office since I can do so much more with them," explained the professor, who had always the desire to be a psychology major in

"Today some professors strive too much to be more of a pal and a chum to the student. I think a student appreciates a psychological distance between himself and the professor," declared Herr Disque. Analyzing the relationship, Herr Disque feels that the student does not want to be smothered or mothered by the teacher. "This student attitude has prevailed ever since I started teaching," he said.

Disque also feels the educator should contribute to broaden the student's horizon. "It's the little things that help for a well-rounded student. The student will always remember the teacher who has done the most for him, and it's the 'fringe benefits' that the student can profit from," stated the Wilkes sentimentalist, who has always held a genuine interest in his students.

"If you treat students with kindness and courtesy, as human beings, they will respond to you."

Not only has Herr Disque rendered his services to the Wilkes family, but also to the community as well. "I have lived in this community for a long time, and I think I should return something to it. All of us should give some social service to our community and help those who are less fortunate than us," urges the educator.

In this respect, Herr Disque is true to his word. Once a week he travels to the Retreat State Hospital in Hunlock's Creek and helps the emotionally disturbed and mentally retarded children. "I started to teach them a foreign language and it gave them assurance and built up their egos and this is what they needed."

What are his future plans?

"I want to get to know my country better. I hope to travel to the northwest as soon as I wind up my affairs at school. After that, I really don't have anything specific in mind. Agnes has taught me never to make any permanent plans."

"I'm in good health and have no intention of vegetating. I will do something. Maybe I will buy a bicycle. I have never been an athlete, but exercise for good health. Then I'll join the 'Ralston Brigade'."

RESIDENT ASSISTANT SELECTION (From Page 1)

business education at Wilkes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Prendergast, Rt. 1, Box 830, Leesburg, Virginia.

A sophomore biology major, Donna L. Reese is a 1973 graduate of South River Senior High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Reese, 12 Brian Lane, Spotswood, N.J.

Patti T. Reilly, a sophomore English major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reilly, 141 Elm Street, Dover, N.J. She is a 1973 graduate of Morris Knolls High School and current business-advertising manager for the Wilkes Newspaper, BEACON.

Susan Rinehamer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rinehamer, 148 Brown Row, Wanamie, is a junior elementary education major. She is a 1972 graduate of John S. Fine Senior High School.

A junior biology major, Ann Marie Romanovich, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Romanovich, 825 Lincoln Avenue, Scranton. She is a 1972 graduate of Valley View High School and a co-chairman of the 1975 Cherry Blossom Festival at Wilkes.

Karen Snow is majoring in nursing and is a 1975 graduate of Whippany Park High School, N.J. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Edgar Snow, 17 Crescent Drive, Whippany, N.J.

Karen Yohn, a junior history major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Yohn, Porters Mill Road, Pottstown. She is a graduate of Owen J. Roberts High School and a member of the Wilkes College Concert and Lecture Series Committee.

The 10 men selected as resident assistants include: Paul Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Adams, 252 Robinson Street, Binghamton, N.Y. He is a sophomore elementary education major and a graduate of Binghamton North High School.

David Gregrow, a sophomore English major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gregrow, R.D. 2, Box 93, West Creek Road, Berkshire, N.Y. He is a graduate of Newark Valley High School, and a member of the Wilkes wrestling team.

A native of Greece, Pano Karalitis is a sophomore chemistry major. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodoros Karalitis, and a graduate of Corinth Gymnasium for Boys.

A junior biology major, Charles Munson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munson, 2635 Peoples Street, Chester. He is a 1972 graduate of Chester High School and Student Government treasurer.

A 1974 graduate of Wilkes College, Robert Singer received a bachelor's degree in commerce and finance. He will return to the Wilkes-Barre campus for the fall semester to resume graduate studies. He is the son of Mrs. Bernice Singer, 11017 North Kendall Drive, Miami, Florida.

Alan Yanku, a junior history major, is the son of Mrs. Esther Yanku, 52 Marion Avenue, Cranston,

R.I. He is a 1972 graduate of Tabor Academy.

Richard A. Bellacosa, a sophomore biology major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Bellacosa, 2705 Hickory Road, Union N.J. He is a 1973 graduate of Union High School.

Brian Bliem, son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bliem, 522 East Penn Street, Newtown, is a 1973 graduate of Council Rock High School. He is a sophomore biology major.

Gregory Borowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Borowski, Lake Ariel, is a 1973 graduate of Western Wayne High School. He is a sophomore biology major at Wilkes.

Michael Menichini, a history major, is a 1972 graduate of Lenape High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Menichini, 139 Ramblewood Park, Moorestown, N.J.

William B. Urosevich, a junior biology major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. DiLiberto, 410 West Broad Street, Hazleton. He is a 1972 graduate of MMI Preparatory School.

Returning R.A.'s include Meg Brunette, Karen Considine, Debbie Lataro, Mary Lou Murray, Paula Vecchio, Joseph Marchetti, Jon Metta, Richard Marchant, Tom Trost and Jim Weisenfluh.

In an attempt to help defray the costs of a college education, Wilkes will provide room and board without charge to these students because of the additional responsibilities of the resident assistants.

Dr. Rees Receives Award In Nationwide Contest

Dr. Richard T. Rees of the Education Department has been selected nationally as an "Outstanding Educator for 1975."

The announcement was made recently by Dr. Michelini; Rees was nominated for this distinction by Dr. Eugene Hammer, chairman of the Education Department.

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ZABORNEY (From Page 1)

400 students vote there is something wrong. Maybe the students don't care or maybe it's the way things have been done in the past. We are going to start an election committee which will be responsible for the entire election."

"I would like to see all-day elections so everyone has an opportunity to vote. I would also like to see a session for the candidates to meet with the administration and students for a question and answer period."

Zeke is looking forward to an outstanding year and expects to make great accomplishments. If any student has any ideas, drop by and talk to Zeke — he is always ready to listen.

ENROLLMENT (From Page 1)

with national trends, the Scholastic Aptitude Test scores of Wilkes applicants are declining. This decline is especially prominent on the verbal section of the SAT's. However, Whitby contends this is offset by the better classroom qualifications that high school seniors bring with them to Wilkes. "Unlike past years, we are now running across many applicants who had one year of calculus or two years of chemistry in high school," Whitby said.

Also, Whitby notes that incoming freshmen are more and more vocationally-minded in their selection of a major. "There is a great deal of interest in our Hahnemann program," he stated. "There is also much more interest in biology, medical technology, and nursing programs — in short, a focus on health and health-related fields. Accounting and engineering enrollments are experiencing a turnabout from a pattern of annual decreases to one of annual increases." New enrollments in the liberal arts majors will decline, although not too dramatically, Whitby forecasts.

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Publication Committee To Fund Publications

BY PATRICE STONE

A proposal for the student publications, The BEACON, Amnicola and Manuscript, to be funded by the Student Publications Committee rather than Student Government has been accepted by both Student Government and the College administration.

The plan for the Student Publications Committee to handle these funds was the second of three options considered by SG leaders in drafting next year's budget. Plan 1 called for a budget without an administrative grant and in Plan 3 all publications would be funded by Student Government as they presently are.

The funds that SG works with are made up of the \$25 student activity fee, an administrative grant, and \$7,500 for the Concert and Lecture Series. This year the total was \$84,375. The maximum for next year, including the administrative grant, is expected to be \$65,000.

With the Student Publications Committee now handling funds for the BEACON, Amnicola and Manuscript, the committee will now receive the administrative grant rather than SG. The committee will review the budget proposals and the sources of income and then make a budget recommendation to the administration.

Dr. Michelini feels that this new plan "is a positive step in the right direction. The potential was there for these publications to be forced to work under pressure, not to imply that successful pressure has ever been exerted. To avoid the possibility of this happening, the

Student Publications Committee will take over the funding operations."

Mrs. Gay Meyers, chairperson of the Student Publications Committee, believes the plan "may be a real benefit to the publications because they have to report to the committee anyway and the committee may be more aware of the problems faced by the publications."

Mrs. Meyers went on to say, "Student Government can only see that everyone is asking for more money. The publications work with the committee all year long. The people on the committee are in a position to make suggestions and keep better control on spending within the budgets."

Starting the year with deficit budgets is a problem that Mrs. Meyers believes acts like "a snowball." She believes it's essential to begin each year with a clean slate.

The reaction of the Student Publications Committee to the plan will be observed at a meeting on April 29.

Food Stamps: What About Them

BY MARIANNE MONTAGUE

Off-campus living is becoming increasingly popular with today's college students. They are attracted by the independence and freedom of living on their own but with the rising costs of college they are also interested in economizing. The food stamp program established by the United States Department of Agriculture is a help to the students in meeting the costs of cooking for themselves.

The food stamp program was established to aid the low-income in buying a greater variety of foods to improve their diets. Participants buy the stamps for an amount of money based on family size and monthly income. They

receive a larger value of food stamps for their money which they are able to spend like money at participating food stores.

The government sets up certain eligibility standards for food stamp applicants. Ben Maczuga, Intake Supervisor, and Paul Patrick, Income Maintenance Manager, explained the program in the Pennsylvania United Services Agency, Wilkes-Barre Center, located on Union Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, and pointed out the basic requirements which college students must meet to obtain the stamps.

The student's total income is taken into consideration. This includes employment, parents' contributions, and any loans, grants, or scholarships received for college. The student must establish residence and be assured of cooking privileges. Although many dorms



are furnished with kitchens the dorm fee usually includes meals in the cafeteria, so food stamps are not necessary for dorm students.

The applicant must contact the agency and make an appointment for an application interview. The applicant then meets with an agency worker who completes the application and determines eligibility. If the student is found eligible the amount is determined by income. The student receives a form which must be taken to a bank to buy stamps. The food stamps are issued twice monthly. All cases are considered on an individual basis with the circumstances of the individual

determining the amount of stamps and the length of time one can receive them.

One Wilkes College student who receives food stamps feels that the food stamp program is fair for a college student but can see room for reform in the area of family assistance. His own monthly allotment makes his living much more "pleasant."

On a larger scale, though he points out potential improvements in the food stamp program. He feels some families are faced with lack of money to purchase a not-large-enough amount of stamps. He also points out that the program should examine special nutritional foods needed by some people.

The food stamp program is a help to today's independent college student but like a lot of other things, there is room for improvement in the system.

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March Of Dimes Walk A Success

Walkers Fatigued After 20-Mile Course

Neither the idea of rising at 7:30 a.m. last Sunday morning to a chilly breeze, nor the thought of tracking 20 miles, starting at Public Square then journeying through various towns eventually back to the River Common, seemed to bother any of the enthusiastic 1,000 or so eager walkers who raised \$26,700 in pledge money from various sponsors in this year's March of Dimes Walkathon.

The Walkathon, which has become an annual event the past couple of years, was sponsored by the Wilkes College Human Services Committee. With Joe Marchetti, a junior biology major, from Nuremburg, and Dave Davies, also a junior biology major from Wilkes-Barre, serving as co-chairmen for the event, they managed to raise more than the \$22,000 received last year with less walkers. Marchetti, explained that 60 per cent of the total amount received will go to a national March of Dimes fund and the remainder to the local fund.

Scott Arthur, of WARM Radio, started things rolling as he led the way in his mobile flagship leading the procession of walkers, calling out instructions along the route, "I am really glad to be here. You people are walking 20 miles for people who can't walk 20 inches. That's great. You should applaud yourselves. Everybody walks the full 20 miles," said Arthur energetically.

Co-chairman Dave Davies offered his solemn advice. "You will be able to eat along the way. McDonald's will serve orange juice. Restrooms — that is a problem, he said, but noted, that's why we don't feed you much."

Following the ribbon cutting at Public Square by Mrs. Hopkins Rowlands Jr., mother of this year's March of Dimes poster child,

Claudia, who was in a Scranton hospital, the exodus was made from the Square down to North River Street toward Plains Township.

It was all downhill from then on, or was it? Apparently one young fellow, Steve Standiford, a freshman biology major, decided that he wouldn't waste any time walking 20 miles, so he ran — in just three hours. Not bad starting out at 9 a.m. and returning 12:30 p.m. Sophomores Jeff Metzger and Bill Manley did it that way only in a little more time, returning to the River Commons about 3:30 p.m.

However, the rest the walkers found what it felt like to haul themselves 20 miles on foot. The Wilkes College First Aid Team came to the aid of a few girls who fell along the way. Some walkers passed out, others developed sprained ankles, along with some blisters. But, to provide attention to the discomforted, on hand were the Plymouth Ambulance Service, Public Ambulance, Wilkes College First Aid Team, and the nurses from the Wilkes Infirmary. Also, Walkathon coordinators commented that the various town Police Departments were extremely helpful regulating traffic along the way.

As the group paraded across the Market Street Bridge at 6 p.m. for the final stretch, signs of fatigue and a feeling that what was just done the day of April 13, 1975 was a worthwhile cause.



'You people are walking 20 miles for people who can't walk 20 inches.'

Scott Arthur
WARM Radio

March Of Dimes poster child - Claudia Rowlands



McCarthy To Try As Independent

BY FRANK BARAN

Former U.S. Senator Eugene J. McCarthy, who unsuccessfully sought the Democratic Presidential nomination in 1968 and 1972, will try one more time for the Presidency — but this time as an independent.

Appearing on the Wilkes campus Monday night as the final speaker in this year's Concert and Lecture Series,

McCarthy assailed the Republican and Democratic parties for "failing to address themselves to the important issues of the nation."

"You can never expect much of the Republican Party," commented McCarthy. He sees his native Democratic Party in similar difficulty in 1976. "The Democrats will either come up with a wholly unacceptable candidate or a compromise

candidate not fully in touch with the nation's problems."

McCarthy summarized his views on the two parties this way: "If one party could nominate Nixon twice and the other party couldn't beat him, then that indicates that the two party system is not working right."

Rather than jump into the already-crowded field for the Democratic nomination and slug it out in a string of

primary elections, McCarthy will bide his time until the November election in 1976 and carry the banner of the Committee for a Constitutional Presidency. He hopes to have his independent party placed on the ballots of all 50 states.

From indications he gave Monday night, the 1976 McCarthy campaign will be somewhat unorthodox. For example, he will not have a

Vice Presidential running mate. "Vice Presidential candidates only clutter up the campaign and confuse the issues," he stated. He hopes to have the Electoral College pick his Vice President when it meets in December, 1976.

Although his campaign techniques are a little light-hearted, McCarthy is serious when it comes to the issues of the campaign.

The Doctor Is Hopeful

'Phibes' Feels Colonels Are Playoff Material

BY RICH COLANDREA

"I am hoping we're going to get picked somehow, but yeah, I think our chances are slim," says Bruce "Dr. Phibes" Davis, midfielder on this year's lacrosse squad talking about Wilkes' chance of being selected to the NCAA College-Division tournament next month.

Actually, this is the first year Davis can do something about that and he has already started stacking his personal statistics. He is in his third semester at Wilkes, transferring from Bowling Green University, and is determined to make Wilkes a better known name in lacrosse.

Says Davis, "We really don't have the name to be picked: we are a new power." Since last season, when the Colonels first fielded a team deserving of national collegiate competition, many of the players aimed for the NCAA's, feeling they were just as good or better than the other teams selected in their division.

And what hurts is that it is justified. But for a team such as Wilkes, just one loss could ruin any chance.

There is certainly no question that Davis, a high school All-American lacrosse player from Boonton, N.J., is fitting in nicely with his high school mates, most of whom are playing here now.

As of this writing, with four games played, "Phibes" has churned 11 goals and added three assists while playing tough teams. Davis explained, that although "the MAC North is 'lost,' referring to the calibre of play in our division which is regarded as an inferior quality by other national coaches." "But," says Davis, "This year we're starting to play a more impressive schedule. As the program improves so does the schedule."



BRUCE DAVIS: 'WE'RE A NEW POWER.'

For instance, the Franklin and Marshall coach, who is a member of the national college selection committee, was impressed with Wilkes play in the first game even though they lost. But one more loss could virtually kill the Blue and Gold's chances for an NCAA birth.

Wilkes handled FDU-Madison this past Saturday. FDU was ranked 15th in the USILA ratings and Wilkes came out on top, 10-7. "And yet," predicts Davis, "they have a good chance to make the NCAA's before us because they are a better known team and play a better schedule."

Davis and his fellow players are out to make people notice them. "We are improving with each game, especially on defense," notes Davis, "whose unexpected shots and stalking defense have caught the wave of

applause so far from the fans. He along with other midfielders like Kurt Franke, John Malatrus, Vince Krill, and Craig Austin, all from Boonton, play both ends of the field both offensively and defensively.

The Wilkesmen tangle with Lebanon Valley College this Saturday at Annville. The past encounters between these two have shown that a thriller is in store.

There will be 12 teams selected for the NCAA College Division tourney. Some of the teams likely to make it are, Franklin and Marshall, Hobart, Towson State, and Adelphi.

And hopefully, you can put all your blue chips on the Colonel 10, and you can be sure that Bruce Davis is out to draw national attention with his play.

Colonel Tennis Squads Face Busy Weekend Sports Calendar

The Colonel netmen will make their first home appearance of the season this Saturday afternoon at 2, when they play host to the Crusaders of Susquehanna University.

Excluding yesterday's scheduled confrontation with Bloomsburg State, coach Tom Rokita's squad are 1-1 on the campaign, opening with an impressive 6-3 victory over Ursinus, but suffering an 8-1 drubbing to a powerful Juniata College net unit last Saturday in Huntingdon.

Rokita had his work cut out for him this year, after losing three stars from last year's five 7-2 team. Gone are number one and two singles performers from 1974, Dave Meckbach, and John Durbin, along with the number five man and doubles standout Rich McQuire.

Back however are another trio of lettermen that includes senior Bob Dombrowski, junior Gary Paich, and sophomore Judd Davis. With Meckbach and Durbin gone, Davis has moved up to the number one singles position, while Dombrowski is playing in the second singles spot.

Paich, a Dover, N.J. resident played in the six slot in '74, but has moved up to four. Taking hold of the

number three spot is sophomore Mark Abbruzzese, while Fred Bohn of Wyoming and Bill Nardone are the five and six singles players.

Doubles play, which has always been one of the Colonels strong points, appears once again to be the most solid part of the Blue and Gold game. Dombrowski and Abbruzzese, Davis Nardone, and Paich-Bohr, make up the three combinations.

AND THE GIRLS

For the second straight year, the Wilkes women's tennis team of coach Sandy Bloomberg will participate in the Middle Atlantic States net tourney at Princeton University this Saturday and Sunday.

With a crop of experienced letterwomen returning, and a host of talented frosh and newcomers, the Colonelettes appear destined for a relatively successful campaign.

Currently, three girls are in a heated battle for the number one singles position, with seniors Nancy Snee, and Anne Tracy, and sophomore JoAnne Englot displaying signs of brilliance. Miss Snee

appears to have the inside track on that top spot, with Englot and Tracy holding down two and three respectively.

Two freshmen, Molly Brozena, from Souderton, Pa., and JoAnne Pugliese, of Wyoming, possess a lot of talent, and should see a lot of action in singles before the year is out.

In doubles competition, Bloomberg will probably utilize the combinations of junior Nancy Roberts and Miss Pugliese, and Englot and Snee.

Depth is an added dimension to the 1975 team, with several girls possessing the talent to step into a varsity berth. Included in that group are Diane Polachek, freshman, Kingston; Joan Colognato, junior, Clinton, N.J.; Linda Holonia, sr., Pittston; Carol Kester, so., Luzerne; Sue Ann Knight, so., Port Jervis, N.Y.; Chris Koterba, so., Berwick; Donna Pape, fr., Wilkes-Barre; Ellen Schwartz, sr., Dover, N.J.; Sandra Seekford, fr., Upper Marlboro, Md.; Freida Skaff, fr., Wilkes-Barre; Pat Steele, so., Dallas; Sally Steele, fr., Tunkhannock; and Janis Wilson, fr., Wyoming.

Sports Chatter

By Paul Domowitch

The Middle Atlantic Conference continues to wallow in its pool of ineptitude, which has marked its operation the last several years. Our newest gripe with the MAC, which is only one of many that we have had with the league, involves its setup for the 1975 collegiate baseball season. The MAC "Northern Division," like the "Southern Division," has been broken down into two sections; the Northeast and the Northwest section. Wilkes has been placed in the Northwest section along with Albright, Juniata, Susquehanna, and Elizabethtown. The respective teams in this section will play a round-robin type schedule. That is to say every team in the Northwest section will play each other once. That means four games — four measly contests out of an entire season, which for a team like Upsala includes 36 games, will be counted towards the league championship. The two winners of the Northeast and Northwest sections would then face off in a one-game playoff for the title, and a probable NCAA playoff berth at the end of the regular season.

We were dead set against this ridiculous "sudden death" type setup even before the Colonels lost to E-town, but that game is a glaring example of the absurdity of the MAC's way of thinking. As far as Wilkes is concerned, opening day against the Blue Jays may just as well have been closing day for them. E-town has merely to place all of its concentration on the three remaining tilts with Juniata, Albright, and Susquehanna, and boom, it's in the playoffs. The fact that they lost to Scranton 5-4 two days after beating Wilkes, means nothing, except that they have only one pitcher worth his weight; that one being Bill Cooley, a New York Met draftee, who faced the Colonels. They can glide into the playoffs on the arm of that one single hurler, who should be rested up pretty well with almost two weeks in between each of those key conference matchups.

As for the Colonels. Well, if E-town doesn't lose AT LEAST two of those three games with Juniata, Susquehanna and Albright, they can probably go 16-2 on the season, and that one defeat to The Blue Jays on opening day will prevent them from getting their first shot at an NCAA tournament bid. It's sad; very sad. These guys have worked their tails off preparing for this season, and one lousy loss may have dashed their hopes of any permanent glory.

Don Williams, the 6-5 junior forward from Juniata College, who has been an All-MAC first team selection the past two years, and led the Indians into the conference playoffs more than a month ago, has dropped out of school. His withdrawal has been attributed to personal reasons, but in an interview with the sports editor of the campus newspaper, the JUNIATIAN, the black collegian told the reporter he was dropping out because of a racial conflict at the central Pennsylvania institution. "They try to pretend the black student here is just like everyone else," he stated, "but at a school like this, he isn't and you can't treat him as such." Specific examples were not released in the story that followed the interview, but it seems quite obvious that Don Williams has played his last basketball game for Juniata.

Tom Pugliese, who coached the Lehigh quintet to a 1-23 won-lost record this season, resigns and explains: "They don't want another sport here competing with wrestling. We were promised financial help. We were promised backup by the administration. We were promised a lot of things. But when it got down to it, they (athletic administration) got panicky."

Rodger Bearde, head basketball coach at Wilkes, would like to express the appreciation felt by both he and his cage squad toward the cheerleaders and one dedicated fans, who backed them during the 1974-75 season. It was a campaign filled with both elation and disappointment, and regardless of the outcome, the support of both cheerleaders and fans was greatly appreciated.

Cindermen Impressive In Early Competition

Despite its club status, the Wilkes College track team has made a great accounting of itself in its first season of organized competition.

The Colonel thinclads competed in the Wyoming Valley Track Coaches Association Meet at the Wilkes-Barre Memorial Stadium on March 22 and copped a total of seven place ribbons.

Wilkes best-showing came in the 16-pound shot as freshman Ed Finn and sophomores Ken Geary and Don Williams posted a one-two-three sweep. Finn's winning distance was 39-6.

Ed Murray placed third in the 100-yard dash. The Colonels got 4:37 and 4:40 clockings from Paul Boris and Mark Zavoy in the mile, but could only pick up third place. The distance duo later captured second and third respectively in the two-mile with 10:17 and 10:37 efforts.

The Wilkesmen dumped Wyoming Seminary, 69-48, in their first dual meet last Wednesday. Registering firsts for the Colonels were Dane Drasher, :17.6, 120-yard high hurdles; Ed Murray, :25.0, 220-yard run; Paul Boris and Mark Zavoy, 5:23, one-mile run; Zavoy, 2:10.7, half mile run; Dave Sheridan, :56.5, 440-yard run; Boris and Zavoy, 11:39, two-mile run; Ken Geary, 47-1, 12-pound shot; Geary, 133-6 discus; and the mile relay team of Boris, Zavoy, Dave Kowalek and Sheridan, 4:03.

NOTICE

Wrestling Coach John Reese has announced that there will be an important wrestling meeting this afternoon at 5 in the gymnasium. All members of the squad are asked to attend this meeting.

BEACON SPORTS

Tangle With Del Val At 3

Diamondmen Home Today

Colonel second basemen Dave Trethaway is hitting ... and hitting ... and hitting ... and hitting. In fact, it's a surprise when the 5-8 junior isn't. "It's unbelievable," teammate Jim Michaels commented. "Nobody even hits that well in slo-pitch softball, and he's doing it here."

Unbelievable isn't the only word for Dave's five game statistics, which include 12 hits, six runs scored, six runs batted in, and a whopping .667 batting average. In addition to that, he is chasing the Wilkes College stolen base record of 22, set in 1970 by the legendary "Catawissa Flash," Ted Yeager. Dave currently has been successful on six of eight theft attempts.

Stehle Overwhelming

While Trethaway's performance may be unbelievable, southpaw hurler Jim Stehle's was overwhelming last Saturday against Susquehanna in the opening game of a twin bill, when he struck out 16 Crusaders on his way to an important conference-counting three hit victory. The sixteen K's in one game, broke the old record held by both Stehle and Ted Sokoloski, at 15.

After shelling Susquehanna 10-1 in the opener however, the Colonels just couldn't put it all together in the nightcap, and lost 10-2. The good news of course is that only the first game counted in the Middle Atlantic Conference "Northern Division," Northwest Section standings, where the Blue and Gold trail leader Elizabethtown by one full game in the four game round-robin schedule.

E-town, MAC champs a year ago, beat the Wilkesmen on opening day last Tuesday 8-6.

Still ahead for the Colonels are important Northwest Section clashes with Albright (at home) next Thursday, and Juniata (away) on the 26th of April. If they manage to win them both, then all they can do is hope that someone ... either Susquehanna, Albright, or Juniata knocks E-town from the undefeated ranks, giving coach Domzalski's team another chance.

The Colonels will play host Delaware Valley this afternoon, in a contest originally scheduled for Apr. 3. Rain postponed it then. Starting time for the Aggie-Colonel tilt is 3:15.

DIAMOND DUST—The five game statistics show Trethaway sporting the highest average on the team (surprise!) at .667, Jake and frosh Mike Supzynski lead in runs scored (6); Steve Leskiw, home runs (2); and Trethaway, runs batted in (6)...frosh pitchers Andy Kresky and Barry Harcharufka did a tremendous job in the Colonel's twin bill sweep vs. Bloom last Thursday. Both went the distance and recorded their first collegiate wins...As a team, the Blue and Gold recorded 20 stolen bases in the first five contests, with Trethaway picking up six, Supzynski four, Greg Snyder three, Jim Michaels and Jack Keller two apiece, and Don McDermott, Chuck Suppon, and Mark "wheels" Omolecki one ... the veterans on the Colonel squad put most of the freshman on the "hot seat" during the bus trip back from Susquehanna.



BEFORE AND AFTER—Bloomsburg State College catcher Dave Hower probably wishes he didn't get in Steve Leskiw's way, after the Colonel outfielder barreled him over during a close play at the plate in last week's twin bill between the Wilkesmen and the Huskies. Winky was safe, and Hower was hurting.

'Winning, Waiting' Is Stickmen's Song

The sit and wait tune is one song that athletic teams don't like to listen to, but after dropping their season opener to Franklin & Marshall College, the Colonel lacrossemen are willing to hum a few bars.

"If we hope to have any chance of grabbing a piece of the MAC title," coach John Holbrook stated recently, "then F&M is going to have to lose."

There appears very little chance of that, but we'll just have to wait, see and hope. Anything can happen."

Anything can happen indeed, as the Blue and Gold enter the second portion of the 1975 campaign Saturday at Lebanon Valley, with a 4-1 record, and the aspiring hope that just one more win will enable the Colonels to surge into the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association's national rankings.

Pacing the stickmen in the scoring department once again is junior attackman Billy Winter, whose four games stats have 11 goals and 11 assists to his credit. While the Boonton, N.J. native isn't averaging the nation pacing 8.5 points a game that he did as a soph, the Colonels are not hurting. A host of other players, including freshman sensation Bruce Davis have been laying a

heavy barrage of shots on the opposing nets, giving them a much more balanced unit than they had a season ago, when the team went 9-1.

Davis has 11 goals and three assists in his first four varsity encounters, while seasoned veterans Gary Geischen, (11G-1A), Vinnie Krill (5G-5A), and Craig Austin (3G-7A) have also been enjoying very successful seasons.

Gone unheralded in the last few games has been the fine play of the Wilkes defense, which includes a line of Don Nash, Bob Mazzitelli and Fred Lohman, and goalie Don Mock. After taking their lumps against F&M, the quartet has turned things around. Lehigh has been the only team to get more than 12 shots off at Mock, and in that contest Mock's last second heroics, which included two sensational stick saves, won the ball game.

Board Accepts Athletic Budget

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

The executive committee of the college's Board of Trustees approved Thursday, the athletic department's proposed budget for the coming fiscal year.

The new budget calls for a sorely needed \$4,000 increase over the previous fiscal year's budget, but John G. Reese, director of athletics at the college, is still very much concerned over the skyrocketing costs in college athletics, and anticipates monetary cuts in the athletic program in order to comply with the new budget.

The school's Board of Trustees granted \$83,950 to athletics during the past fiscal year, which ends May 31, 1975, and the speculation is that it will probably be exceeded by approximately \$5,000. The new budget for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1975 grants \$88,000 to the athletic program, with the most significant raise being a \$3,000 increase in the football budget (from \$20,000 to \$23,000).

Other significant increases are: a \$1,000 hike in the allotted budget to pay the salaries of non-faculty coaches; \$200, supplies and equipment (\$1,600 to \$1,800); \$200, banquets and awards (\$3,000 to \$3,200); \$100, dues and conferences (\$1,500 to \$1,600); and \$100 lacrosse (\$4,400 to \$4,500).

Besides lacrosse, the other sports will receive the identical amount given them this past year. They include wrestling (\$8,000), basketball (\$7,500), soccer (\$5,000), baseball (\$4,750), swimming (\$2,800), golf (\$2,000), tennis (\$1,800), girl's field hockey (\$1,500), girl's basketball (\$1,500), and cross-country (\$1,000). Of the \$2,800 allotted swimming, most of it is used as rental fee for use of the Wilkes-Barre Aquadome facilities.

Reese's main concern presently is finding ways to stay within the boundaries of the budget in the near future. "Costs are soaring in all aspects of athletics," he explained, "from the price of equipment right down to traveling costs."

He cited the costs of trophies as a prime example. "Two years ago, the trophies we presented to members of a championship team at the annual awards banquet amounted to about \$5 apiece. Now two years later, that identical trophy sells for \$8.50 or even \$9."

Dr. Francis J. Michelini was sympathetic with the problems of funding a sound athletic program also, and compared Wilkes with other schools the same size. "\$88,000 may appear to be a lot of money to give towards athletics," he said. "But it isn't, and compared to other colleges our size, it's practically peanuts. But as a small liberal arts school, we cannot afford to favor athletics any more than we do any other aspect of college life."

"Look at the cost of traveling," Dr. Mike added, in citing the problems of meeting athletic costs. "You can't rent a bus for away games for anything under \$400 and that is a minimal approximation."

So, we come back to Reese, who must find ways to handle the problem. "A few methods for saving money are to cut back the number of players on a traveling squad for away games," Reese stated, "decrease the amount allotted for the athletes meal money, and cut down on the scheduling of away trips (which is difficult in many cases) would be just a few, but we will have to find other areas to cut down in as well. It is not going to be easy."

The economic pinch and soaring prices are displaying their infamous presence in almost every aspect of American life, and as you can see, athletics are certainly no exception. Other schools have been forced to terminate several sports in their respective athletic programs, just to "feed" the others. But at Wilkes, it hasn't quite come down to that yet. In a few years, it may, but for now, fewer trophies, smaller traveling squads and the like should make ends meet — hopefully.

Lack Of Depth Hurting Golfers In Early Going

The unseasonably cold spring weather in Northeastern Pennsylvania is not exactly what the doctor ordered for coach Rollie Schmidt and his golf troops. It has kept Irem Temple Country Club, the Colonel's home course, closed indefinitely, and the results have been less than promising.

With five lettermen returning, and a host of experienced non-lettermen, the outlook for 1975 was optimistic after last campaign's putrid 1-11 log, and a 13th place finish in the MAC tourney. But its two weeks into the season, and they stand at a meager 1-3, not including Tuesday's triangular with Lycoming and Upsala.

Why? The weather is one reason, and depth is another. Unable to practice on Irem's course, the squad has had to make do with chipping and driving on the football field and the field hockey pitch at Ralston

Field. There is quite a difference between that and a golf course, and nobody knows that more than Schmidt.

Junior co-captains Larry Gurnari and Mark Jarolen have been the stalwarts on the Blue and Gold team since their emergence into the collegiate ranks two seasons ago

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