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## Research by students

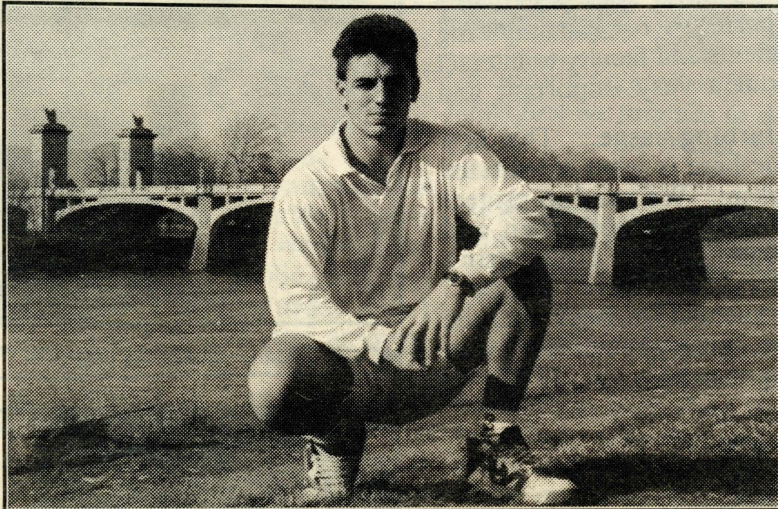
By MISSY MARGIS  
Beacon News Editor

Dearon Tufankjian and Matt Haley, Wilkes senior biology students, have spent the past several weeks completing individual independent research on the 12 acre plot of foliage in Kirby Park.

Tufankjian cataloged the trees located in the section of Kirby Park and identified each tree by species, sizes and location. He used a computer grid system to complete the most difficult aspect of the project, finding the exact location of the tree in the park.

"I was interested in doing some sort of independent research and Dr. Klemow suggested this project. It was an excellent choice because in the future the trees growth will be monitored and it was something I really enjoyed," said Tufankjian.

Haley researched the medicinal value of two plants, the Jewel Weed and the Stinging Nettle. Both of these



plants are used currently for medicinal purposes.

"I did an extensive literary search on both the plants and read through thirty years of research to find similarities on both of the plants. It was time consuming but rewarding," said Haley.

Haley and Tufankjian will be attending Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in the fall.

Both students research will be used in a future

brochure on parks in the state of Pennsylvania.

In addition to the student's research projects, faculty are also investigating other aspects of Kirby Park. Dr. Bruns, chair of the Earth and Environmental Science (EES) Department, along with Dr. Case, EES associate professor, are conducting a

water quality analysis. Dr. Steele, an assistant professor of biology, is studying the animal life in the area.

## Appointed Editor

Bonnee L. Breese, junior, has been appointed as Editor of *The Beacon* for the 1992-93 school year.

Breese has served as Co-editor, with Andrea M. Silvi for the spring semester and will assume responsibilities in the fall semester.

"Bonnee's appointment is an asset to *The Beacon*," commented Thomas Moran, professor of Communications and faculty advisor to *The Beacon*.

"She is an experienced journalist and is well-versed in the technical aspects of print media."

Breese is a graduate of Luzerne County Community College where she served as a reporter, columnist and managing editor for *The Outlook*. She was a founding member and chairperson of the Culturally Organized Rainbow Exchange, a member of the Adult Learners Association and part-time representative for Student Government.

At Wilkes, Breese is member of the Multicultural Student Coalition, the Communications Club, the Adult Learners Club, and

participated in the ACT 101 program. In addition to her work with *The Beacon* Breese has served as an anchor for Wilkes Today.

Breese is a member of the Interfaith Resource Center for Peace and Justice and the Wilkes-Barre Chapter of the NAACP. She is also a tutoring coordinator, choir member and soloist and co-chairperson of the Youth Celebration committee for the Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Andrea Silvi, current co-editor, has been a member of *The Beacon* staff since 1990, starting as a copy editor. She received the Naperstack Award for Writing in 1991 and is listed in *Who's Who Among American College and University Students*.

## Dr. Brazelton to speak at Max Rosenn Lecture

Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, M.D., a renowned pediatrician, author and child care expert, will be the guest speaker for the eleventh annual Max Rosenn Lecture in Law and Humanities on Wednesday, April 29th at 7:45 p.m. The lecture is free and open to the public and will be held in Dorothy Dickson Darte Center.

Brazelton's award-winning cable television show, "What Every Baby Knows" has been broadcast on *Lifetime* for six years. A recently produced "Toughpoints Video Series" chronicles the lives of twelve families during the first three years of their children's lives. These home videos are a

helpful tool for parents to recognize predictable periods of disorganization in their child's behavior and make choices as to how they can

best handle them. Dr. Brazelton contributes regularly to *Family Circle* magazine. He also writes a weekly column syndicated by the *New York Times*.

In recent years, Brazelton's growing concern about the pressures and stresses on families in the 1990's has led to his frequent appearance before Congressional committees in support of parental and medical leave bills. He is also working with the Alliance for Better child

Care for a more comprehensive day care bill. He is co-founder of Parent Action, a parent advocacy organization, and serves on the National Commission on Children, focusing his attentions on particularly disadvantaged children.

Over the years, Dr. Brazelton has published more than 180 scientific papers. His research has focused on individual differences among newborns and the contribution of the neonate to the parent-infant dyad; the

development of attachment over the first four months between parent and infant cross-cultural studies of infant

behavior and of early parenting practices; the importance of early intervention with at-risk infants and their parents; and the opportunities presented in early infancy for strengthening families.

Since 1988, Dr. Brazelton has held appointments as Clinical Professor of Pediatrics Emeritus at Harvard Medical School, and Professor of Psychiatry and

Human Development at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. He is also an active member of the Child Development Unit at Boston's Children's Hospital, where he continues

his research, clinical, and teaching activities.

In 1980, the Honorable Max Rosenn celebrated his 10th anniversary as Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. That year, in recognition of the anniversary and in appreciation for his many contributions to the field of Law, to the United States judiciary system and to the quality of life in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Rosenn's family, former law clerks and other friends initiated "The Max Rosenn Lecture Series in Law and Humanities" at Wilkes University. Each year the series brings speakers of international reputation to the Wyoming Valley.



# Students on trial for date rape

By LYNNE KRUTZ  
Beacon Staff Writer

"Not guilty", was the verdict handed down by a majority of the 47 students and faculty attending Tuesday's mock trial.

The mock trial, presented under the auspices of the President's Committee on Faculty-Student Interaction (FSI), addressed the issue of date rape.

The committee chose date rape because of the highly visible cases like Willie Kennedy Smith and Mike Tyson. "We decided to take the issue right to the students," stated Al Mueller, student chairman of the President's committee.

Dr. Brad Kinney, chair of the communications department and one of the committee members agreed.

We decided to do something active, something besides just talking."

Student Dave McCabe, the defendant in the case, was accused of raping a college acquaintance. Dr. Christina Beck of the communications department served as defense attorney. Wayne McDonnell was an expert witness for the defense.

Senior Andrea Silvi portrayed the rape victim. Prosecuting attorney was student Larry Socci. Sophomore Lynne Krutz served as a prosecution witness.

Dr. Anthony Liuzzo of the business department, but was unable to attend because of health reasons. Al Mueller served as judge in his place.

Audience members served as the jury in the trial.

The Faculty Student Interaction Committee is headed by Dr. Brad Kinney, Dr. James Merryman, and Dr. Henry Jacoby.

The event was co-sponsored by the Circle K Club, Communications Club,

Debate Union, Inter Residence Hall Council, and the Pre-Law Association.

"This is a very valuable experience for participating students and faculty to interact about a very important and

disturbing issue. The key issue here is what constitutes consent. We need to protect the rights of both men and women when considering possible date rape," commented Dr. Beck after the "not guilty" verdict was announced.



MOCK TRIAL--Students take the witness stand

## S.G. elections

By BONNEE BREESE  
Beacon Co-Editor

The Student Government will hold elections for SG president on Thursday, April 23. The two candidates will go head-to-head while on the campaign trails.

Marla Vandermark from Dunellen, New Jersey, Junior, majoring in History and Spanish.

Kevin Barno from Sussex, New Jersey, also a Junior, majoring in Psychology and Physical Therapy.

In a telephone interview, both candidates were given the same questions to answer to let the campus know where they stand on issues important to students at Wilkes.

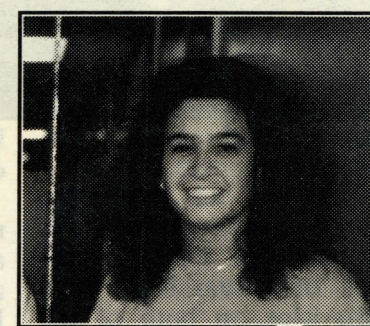
**Q:** How will you try to better advertise events occurring on campus in conjunction with the programming board?

Vandermark said, "I would like to initiate the idea for SG to have a bulletin board in one designated area of the SLC lobby, so everyone can go there and get information on scheduled events."

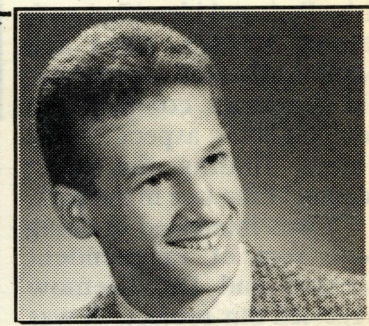
Barno answered, "Clubs, organizations, and all others may utilize the electronic billboards already installed. SG also has bulletin boards in the SLC lobby, Evans Hall, and the Residence Life office. These can and should be used for all to see to get information on events happening on campus."

**Q:** Will you try to work with IRHC and the Commuter Council on criteria for issuance of parking permits?

Barno answered, "I think that maybe the SG president should oversee the committee while selection of students for permits is going on."



Vandermark



Barno

Vandermark replied, "I think commuters, seniors and juniors should have first

priority to the issuance of permits. As president, I will try to work closely with IRHC and CC to maybe revamp existing criteria."

**Q:** Will you try to better link students to the administration while you are in office?

Barno said, "I feel that open forums have worked well in the past. But, on big administrative decisions, I would like to see referendum ballots held for students on some of their issues."

Vandermark said, "I would like to organize meetings to be held with administration, so that they can be held when it is convenient for President Breiseth and the Vice-Presidents at the University."

**Q:** Will you try to stimulate student interests in attending campus sporting events and other activities?

Vandermark said, "I would try to emphasize involvement of SG representatives themselves.

This will encourage others to attend more functions."

Barno said, "I would like to see the campus get bigger and better activities that are more exciting to a large number of students on campus."

**Q:** How will you try to promote multiculturalism throughout the campus?

Vandermark said, "I know there is prejudice wherever you go--yet, students don't take time to learn about or even understand people unlike themselves before making hasty remarks. I would like to enforce SG attendance to cultural events. This will also help increase school spirit."

Barno said, "Multicultural awareness is growing--maybe slowly with students but, more rapidly in the curriculum. I would like to see more minority students

## Poli-Sci dept. hosts lecture

The Wilkes University Department of Political Science and International Studies will host a lecture on "The Problem of the Middle East and South Asia" and "Is a Policy of Nuclear Non-Proliferation Still Feasible?" by Dr. Craig Baxter, Ph. D., on Tuesday, April 21st at 7:30 p.m. in room 214 of the Marts Center. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

Currently a Professor of Politics and History at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Baxter has a diverse background in foreign politics and history with an emphasis on the Middle East and Asia. Baxter served as a lecturer in

South Asian Studies at Mount Vernon College in Washington, D.C. after spending two years as the Officer-in-Charge for International Scientific Relations for the Near East, South Asia, and Africa.

Baxter was also a Political Counselor in Bangladesh and Ghana, a senior Political Officer for Pakistan and Afghanistan, an analyst for India, and a political officer in New Delhi, India.

Author of dozens of essays and articles, Baxter has written several books, including Pakistan Under the Military: Eleven Years of Zia ul-Haq, published in 1990.

Baxter has also served as

a consultant to the Department of State, the U.S. Information Agency, the National Foreign Estimate Center, the Development Committee of the American Institute of Indian Studies and the Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies, among others. He is a member of the American Foreign Service Association, the Association for Asian Studies, the Bengal Studies Conference, and the Middle East Institute.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania with B.S. and A.M. degrees, Baxter also received his Ph. D. in history from the school in 1967.



# FORUM

Many people might think that it would be hard to put a dollar amount on loyalty, truthfulness, accuracy and integrity.

But on the Wilkes campus, this can be bought at the student discount rate of \$250. (Must present college ID).

On Tuesday, students were barred from attending a meeting at which the publications committee faculty met to discuss problems between its students and its faculty. This insensitive and unjust practice is not something I hope is considered the norm at Wilkes.

The higher-ups met to discuss whether Thomas Moran, *The Beacon* advisor, was within his rights to lawfully reduce the former Editor-in-Chief Andrea Silvi's scholarship grant by \$250, one sixteenth of her initial half scholarship grant. Silvi is now a co-editor.

Prior to the meeting, it was announced to students that Silvi's \$250 was restored. The higher-ups then met behind closed doors.

The higher-ups were meeting to discuss slanderist and racist remarks allegedly made by Silvi, in reference to myself as being appointed co-editor, and also whether Moran was within his boundaries to appoint me as next semester's editor.

The final verdict, Silvi was granted the \$250 dollar, and the editorial appointment of myself by Moran is lawful and still stands.

It was once said that people who do not know history are condemned to repeat it. So in an effort to prevent this from happening, I

am writing this.

Usually I like that my column is specifically set aside for cultural issues, but I feel that recent problems will unfortunately have to take precedence.

The problems I am referring to are the inner conflicts between members of *The Beacon* staff. I feel it is both timely and wise to express my viewpoint on this unattractive situation.

Normal journalism procedures wouldn't have room for these views to be placed in a publication, but normal procedures aren't being followed here anyway. Due to the fact that our staff consists of four graduating seniors, all of whom hold editorial positions, I feel it is important to air these issues and to "let it all hang out."

First, a newspaper staff is supposed to be similar to a family structure. Each component of a family interlocks to form a unit that is greater than the sum of its parts.

The members of a newspaper staff should be the same -- where every member supports, criticizes, cries and laughs for the frame of the structure to be sound. That doesn't exist at *The Beacon*.

Second, it is necessary for the staff to uphold and believe in the concept of unity. Unification is a vital and necessary entity for a staff, so that when outsiders try to attack, accuse, and even point a blaming finger at the staff, the members can stand together on solid ground. This does not exist at *The Beacon*.

Third, despite individual beliefs and backgrounds, which most times brings cultural, ethnic, religious and racial diversity into play at a



## Shades of Culture

Bonnee Breese

*Oh, what a tangled web we weave,  
When first we practice to deceive!*  
--Sir Walter Scott

newspaper, the publication should still be able to stand on common ground. *The Beacon* doesn't.

Fourth, once people are a part of a student news publication staff, they should be able to take their talents, skills and the understanding of the practices of journalism anywhere they go in the professional world. I don't feel that some of our *Beacon* graduates are really capable of doing that.

The problems began when I was named Co-editor of *The Beacon*. Many of the staff felt that I was not a good choice for this position.

Silvi apparently felt that Moran was overstepping his authority in granting me this position, which resulted in her new title (co-editor), and a \$250 reduction in her scholarship grant.

Silvi apparently feels that I am unable to carry out the duties that will come with being editor in the fall.

Silvi is wrong.

I will be the first to admit that I do not know everything that is involved with the weekly assembling of a newspaper. If I did, there would be little point in me taking the role of editor.

The reason I am at the newspaper is so I will learn

more about journalism. And yes, there is a good chance I will make mistakes, just like the previous editor did. I will learn from mine, as I'm sure she did from some of hers.

I have learned a lot this semester, good and bad. And although I can't say I will really miss most of the outgoing staff, I know I won't forget them.

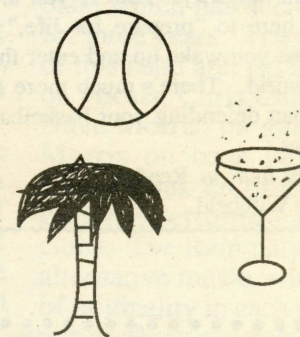
The past two weeks have been sad ones for those in the staff and even for those close to it.

*The Beacon* has been built like a house of cards -- sturdy, capable, but also temporary.

It's time to start from square one, with solid ground, a solid staff, and a common understanding for what we wish and what we know we can accomplish. And that is exactly what I plan to do.

We owe the campus populace, the readers, that much.

## COUNT DOWN TO SPRING BREAK 2 DAYS!



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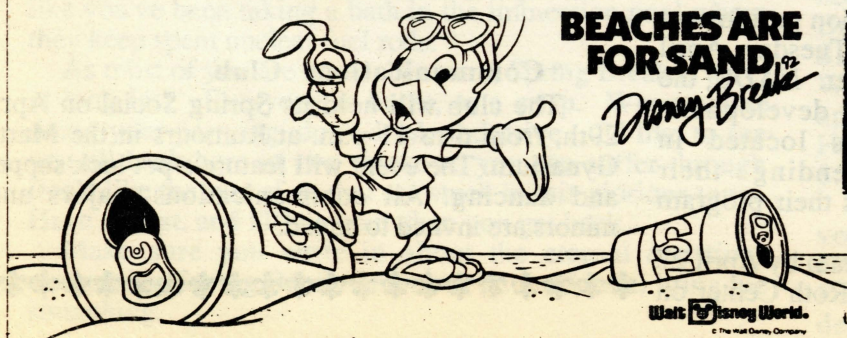
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# Beacon Mailbox

Dear Editors:

I read the *Beacon* every week and I regret to say that the March 26 issue was a disappointment.

First of all, I was not able to hear the famous Dr. Paul Sherman of Cornell speak. That was the first of the annual Kimball lectures I missed and I looked forward to reading the *Beacon* article on the mole rat. Why was the announcement to the lecture published and not the lecture itself? Every other event on campus gets an article. Why not this one?

Another thing, I realize that MS is a very serious disease, but what does the Super Cities Walk have to do with Wilkes, besides the fact that a few students help out?

And finally, 'Rainey-gate,' who cares! Administrative changes occur all of the time. The university does what it feels is best for the majority. And if you are truly here to "prepare for life," I suggest you wake up and enter the real world. There's much more to life than defending your basketball buddies.

Former *Beacon* Reader,  
Name Withheld

Dear Editors:

What has happened on this campus since the spring of 1989? In 1989, our seniors' and many underclassmen fought the school administration, "tooth and nail" for an outdoor graduation.

After our common display of civil disobedience, we won (or so we thought) a major compromise.

The so-called "fair weather compromise" said that as long as the weather agreed we would have an outdoor graduation. Well, in three years since this agreement has been made, graduation has been in the stuffy Marts Center gymnasium.

The 1989 graduation was okay, it was raining. The 1990 graduation was a poor excuse. It drizzled in the morning. It was beautiful by the afternoon. I'm not sure what the reasoning was last year (I believe it was weather related).

This year is an absolute farce.

I love jazz. I love Dizzy (two of my favorite things with "Z's", incidentally) however, I do not see what he has to do with a

Wilkes University graduation. He could not have been the best choice for a graduation speaker.

Yes, as a musical guest, he is wonderful, but to speak to our graduates in an election year? This is ridiculous.

As a graduating the class of 1992 I feel it is a travesty that we are stuck inside the Marts Center, again. I was there in 1989 when

President Breiseth promised we would be outside, weather permitting. Weather has permitted and we were still inside. Now the speaker won't permit.

Was your plan to string us along until we forgot what was promised to us? Did you think we would forget?

I haven't.

With more than five tickets needed...  
Lee Scott Morrell  
Senior

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Letters to the Editors  
in care of  
The Beacon  
Hollenback Hall  
2nd floor

## News you can use

The Student Community Service Council is asking for student participation in a program they are planning for the end of the semester.

The SCSC asks that all of the Wilkes community collect any left over food items such as soup, noodles and other canned goods; clothing including, shrunken sweatshirts or clothes your little brothers and sisters have out grown as well as any left over toothpaste, shampoo, unused soap etc.

Boxes will be placed in all dorms and also in several buildings on campus including Stark lobby, the

library, cafeteria, the SUB and Weckesser Hall. The boxes will be out on Saturday, May 2 and will be collected on both Saturday, May 16 and again on Monday, May 18.

The SCSC is asking for your help in encouraging other students to participate in this collection.

If you are interested in helping or would like more information contact the SCSC office at 831-4685, Monday through Friday from 1-3 p.m., Lori Fuller at 823-0540, or Michele Corbett at 825-6992.

Don't make an effort over spring break to remember anything except three words: slip, slop, slap.

No, those aren't beer-gurgling noises. They're three words that can prevent you from getting skin cancer. While you're having fun in the sun, be sure to slip on a shirt, slop on some sunscreen, and slap on a hat. The Wyoming Valley Unit of the American Cancer Society, located in the Kirby Health Center, may not be able help you with the hats or shirts, but they do have a limited supply of free sunscreen available just for the asking.

Over 600,000 cases of skin cancer are reported annually. Although skin cancer is highly curable, prevention, early detection and proper treatment are essential. Warning signals of skin cancer are changes in moles or the appearance of new skin growths. If you think you see a warning signal, call your doctor immediately.

For more information on skin cancer or to pick up your free sunscreen, stop by the Wyoming Valley Unit of the American Cancer Society, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, or call the office at 825-7763.

## Campus announcements

### ° Campus Employment

All students interested in campus employment for next year (June 92 to May 93) must register with the student employment office during April. Jobs are not guaranteed unless requirements are met. In order to work on campus, students must fill out the PHEAA and Wilkes Aid applications. Do not start working without a referral form from the campus employment office. Jobs are referred on a first come first serve basis.

### ° Education Club

The Education Club is selling T-shirts and sweatshirts. Anyone interested in purchasing one should contact Mrs. Chase in Sturdevant Hall or any Education Club member.

### ° The History We Missed

On Thursday, April 9, the Interfaith Resource Center for Peace and Justice will sponsor a Quincentenary Lecture, "1492-1992: The History We Missed." The event will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the SLC 101. The lecture will be given by Dr. Howard Zinn.

### ° Amnesty International

The Wilkes Chapter of Amnesty International meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 11:00 a.m. in Room 209 of Stark.

All interested students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend.

### Just a reminder...

All announcements must be received by 6 p.m. each Tuesday in order to appear in Thursday's issue.

### ° For Sale

— Used Personal Computer equipment for sale. If interested, contact Peter Bailey in the Wilkes Small Business Development Center at extension 4339.

— Apple Image Writer printer in excellent condition. \$150 or best offer. Call 824-8470.

### ° Earth Day Set

Residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania will have the chance to celebrate the earth at a special Earth Day Festival set for the River Commons on Wednesday, April 22. The festival will feature food vendors, environmental and educational displays, and entertainment specifically designed to celebrate the earth.

The events will begin at noon and continue until 6 p.m. directly across from Wilkes on the river commons. For further information call extension 4770.

### ° Co-op Presentation

Sophomore, junior, and graduate student electrical engineering majors are invited to a presentation on Cooperative Education positions at the Naval Development Center on Tuesday, April 28 at 11 a.m. in the Max Roth Center. NADC, the Navy's principal research and development laboratory for aircraft systems located in Warminster, Pa., will be sending their representative to Wilkes to discuss their program with students.

You must sign up for this program by April 27 at the registration area of the Max Roth Center on the first floor.

### ° Conservatory

The Wilkes Community Conservatory will present Alan Berman, classical guitarist, in its 1992 Guest Artist Series on Saturday, April 11 at 8 p.m. in Gies Recital Hall. Berman has performed duo and solo guitar concerts throughout Europe and California. He has appeared in California with his ensemble "Signs of Life," emphasizing new and unusual works involving the guitar.

Berman will also give a masterclass for Wilkes University and Wilkes Community Conservatory guitar students on Friday, April 10, at noon.

The concert and masterclass are free and open to the public. For more information call extension 4425.

### ° Make-A-Wish Game

Anyone interested in attending the Make-A-Wish charity basketball game featuring the Philadelphia Eagles can purchase tickets from Cheryl Gibson in Sturdevant Hall. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. The game will be in the Marts Center on Sunday, April 12 at 1 p.m. with a sports auction afterward.

### ° Communications Club

The club will hold its Spring Social on April 29th, from 6 to 11 p.m. at Rumours in the Marts Gynasium. The event will feature a pot luck supper and dancing. All communications majors and minors are invited to attend.

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# FEATURES

## The Bottom Line Saturated Fat good for you

by Jarrod Norton

### COLUMNIST DISCOVERS 11TH-HOUR SOLUTION TO GLOBAL ENERGY CRISIS

I've got it. I'm sure you've heard the various studies and opinions pointing toward a severe energy crunch before 2020 A.D. Well, I think I've got a solution. Have you ever noticed that the 400 level of SLC becomes a pressure cooker whenever the sun is shining? This effect lasts well into the evening hours. It seems to me that we're overlooking a potentially valuable energy source. Perhaps we should stop all this tedious mucking about with solar cells and take a new look at creative energy-generating architecture. Imagine, the entire city of Wilkes-Barre powered by Stark. The mind reels.

I've read articles concerning vast arrays of mirrors which concentrate sunlight on a tower, heating a spot on it to a temperature on the order of 20,000 degrees. We've got that on Stark 400 with no effort at all! No tracking devices, no hi-tech construction. No paved-over Massachusetts real estate. Everyone would be happy. Here we are, looking far and wide for energy alternatives, and we've overlooked one right under our collective nose.

### THE SWARM II: THE FLIGHT OF THE GNAT

One warm day. That's all it took. Strolling down by the bell tower, you can once again be assaulted by the swarm of little black vaguely insectish gnat things. If it's not one thing, it's another. I guess I'll have to research a tried-and-true proven gnat killer. Gnats serve no useful function other than to get stuck in bicyclists' teeth and get smeared on motorcyclists' faceguards. That, and they have that amazingly long lifespan, all of, what, thirty-seven seconds? It's enough to make you want to start killing them in microwaves.

If you remember this from the last time around, if the Killer Gnats have arrived, can the Mutant Cherries be far behind? Riverside Drive has already started to generate that pleasurable aroma that we all know and love. Mercifully, we don't have to endure it during the summer.

### DEMOCRATS SCREW UP ROYALLY, OH WHAT A SURPRISE

Guess what? Mr. Gaseous Plant has un-quit. Clinton is toast, because Bush will skewer him on the "Gary Hart Syndrome." Jerry Brown made the intelligent move of announcing that he'd like Jesse Jackson as a running mate. I might as well toss the ol' hat in the ring and announce... oh... how about Larouche as a running mate. I'd have about an equal chance of winning. They're so badly split now that Bush would have to commit something thoroughly heinous to lose.

### SPRING BREAK, FINALLY!

For those of you going to Tahiti, the Bahamas, or some exotic land in Mexico, may you be burned to a crisp like I was in Virginia Beach last summer while some of us are forced to stay in this charming area. You know what I mean, that particularly tortuous kind of burn that prevents you from sleeping for half a week. Yes, the one that feels like you've been taking a bath in the immersion pool where they keep spent nuclear fuel rods.

As most of you are no doubt aware, Spring Break is here, at long last. Everyone is burnt, to a crisp. When you're doing your partying, don't drink and drive... I'd like to see you all back here in two weeks so you can suffer through finals like the rest of us that are stuck in this glorious town. Have a blast, and I'll see you when you get back.

Make sure you write in about the eternal questions concerning Spring Break when you get back, and bring me something.

By BRAD HAYS  
Special to the Beacon

Saturated Fat, a group that had been practicing their music for a few days, won first place at the Battle of the Bands.

A full crowd was on hand for the performance which took place on April 4 in Rumors.

Saturated Fat won the first place prize of \$150, in second in was Caught In The Whole collecting a prize of \$100, and in third it was The Rain collecting \$50.

The first band to perform was Mother Ship. The members include Vince Merceuri; vocals, Mark Trakes and Mike McCree on background vocals, Mike Krista and Jim Sylvester on guitar, Ryan Kofon; keyboards, and Bob Wargo on drums.

The group opened up the Battle of the Bands with a solo of the Star-Spangled Banner the got the crowd going. The group also performed the Beach Boys' "Wipe-Out" and "Johnny B. Goode" by Chuck Berry. The next band to perform was Saturated Fat. The group consists of Jeff Russo as lead singer, sophomore Jim Robinson on lead guitar, and sophomore Matt Knebl on bass. The other two members of the band were Neil, on drums, and Chris on rhythm guitar.

Saturated Fat played "Ring of Fire" by Social Distortion, and "Suck My Kiss" by the Red Hot Chili Peppers.

Next up was Caught in the Whole, a band that has been together for three and a half years. The band members include Gingo, Rog, Pat the Freshman, on drums, and

Michael Kiz. The band played original songs.

Stage Fright, a band in which three of the members are music majors, played next. Darryl Cordone sang lead vocals and played lead guitar. John Gaffney was the other vocalist, and he also played bass. Chris Schuster was on drums, and Joe Fazio was on rhythm guitar.

The band played "Falling to Pieces" by Faith No More, and some original music.

The last band to perform was The Rain, an acoustic band which has been together for three years. The members of this band are: Ed Dorrance, on vocals; Chris Chapple and Dave Morris, on guitar; Dale Morris on bass guitar; and John Ursiak on drums. This band has performed at various clubs. The Rain plays mostly alternative music, with a twist of originality in each piece.

## Magical Strings at Chicory

Once public radio's "A Prairie Home Companion," host Garrison Keillor just couldn't get the audience to stop applauding an act that had just finished so he could carry on with the show.

It took three tries to get things started again. So great was the crowd's enthusiasm for Magical Strings, Philip and Pam Boulding of Seattle, who play Celtic harp, hammered dulcimer and an assortment of other instruments with a lyrical intensity, grace and rhythmic gymnasium that has made them Flying Fish Records' top-selling artists.

Now with their enchanting original compositions and traditional tunes, inspired by or directly from the musical heritage of Ireland, Scotland, Brittany and Wales, Magical Strings is coming to Wilkes-Barre.. They'll be appearing at the Chicory House, on Friday, April 10 at 8:30 p.m.

The nonprofit, volunteer-operated Chicory House, Northeastern Pennsylvania's only venue dedicated to presenting folk

music, holds its coffeehouse concerts in the Community Room of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, South Franklin Street, across from Boscov's. Doors will open for the Magical Strings concert at 8 p.m.

With their recordings found as often as in "New Age" as in folk sections of record stores, magical Strings appears to many musical tastes, but the duo's inspiration is firmly within the Celtic tradition. Much of the Bouldings' own music has been deeply inspired by their travels in Ireland, a land to which they feel deeply connected.

In their repertoire are set dances, reels, jigs and horn pipes, Irish laments, the music of the great harper O'Crolan, and pieces that sound like fairy dances or mystical, haunting dreams. Reflecting the various moods of the Gaelic world, their music may be gossamer and atmospheric or dynamic and imbued with an irresistible dance-ability.

The Bouldings have toured as Magical Strings since

1979, playing to capacity crowds throughout North America and the British Isles. At home in the Seattle area, they are known for their festive Celtic Yuletide concert, which they perform with their five children, ages 8-19.

They have appeared frequently on TV and radio and have been the subject of a CNN documentary. Their music was recently used to launch General Motors' television advertising campaign for the Saturn automobile.

Magical Strings has released six albums, one on their own Glass Horse label, the other five on Flying Fish. "On the Burren," "Crossing to Skellig" and other Flying Fish albums have been consistent best sellers for the label. Magical Strings recordings will be available at their Chicory House concert.

Admission to the April 10 concert will be \$6 at the door.

Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis. For further information about this and other Chicory House presentations call 675-8843.



# SPORTS

## Lady Colonels face five games in three days

By BOB SIMMONS

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After having a lengthy lay off due to the inclement weather, the Lady Colonels found themselves faced with five games in three days. They met Kings College on Thursday, April 2, two days later took on divisional rivals Juniata, April 4, and then three days later traveled to Scranton, April 7.

The game against Kings saw mother nature throw a curve to both teams. A cold, gloomy day got worse once the game got started because the white stuff (snow) began to fall.

Never the less the Lady colonels proved their toughness once again when they defeated their cross-town rivals, the Lady Monarchs, by a score of 2-1.

The Lady Colonels scored their two runs on four hits, which came from Sue Moran who had a triple, Hillary Blake, Denise Carson and Dawn Hosler all having singles.

Sandie Warntz, Blake, and Carson all showed their aggressiveness on the base pads by each stealing a base.

The Lady Colonels had just one day to prepare for a division, doubleheader, against the Lady Indians of Juniata.

The Lady Colonels walked away with a split. They won the first game 1-0, but were ten runned in the second game in five innings.

Cory Schwoyer, the Lady Colonel's ace pitcher (5-0), gave up just two hits and one walk while helping herself out at the plate with a triple. That proved to be the game winning run when Hosler hit a single to bring Schwoyer across the plate for the win.

"Our defense did a great job for us once again," said Coach Addy Malatesta.

In the second game of the day, the Lady Colonels had some serious control problems with their pitching.

Blake started the game but was knocked out of the box early. Blake gave up five runs on five walks and four wild pitches.

It didn't get any better once Blake left the game.

Jennifer Sebastianelli worked two and a third innings, giving up nine runs on eight walks and three hits.

Finally Gia Andrejko worked the last two and two thirds innings, giving up one run while recording the only strikeout for the Lady Colonels.

"We had a series of walks and wild pitches which left our defense defenseless," said Coach Malatesta.

Coach Malatesta added, "our defense is greedy and selfish. They are not responsible for giving up many runs."

The Lady Colonels only had three runs on just four hits in the second game. The four hits were all singles contributed by Kathy Moran, Sue Moran, Carson and Hosler.

Carson once again showed her aggressive style of play by stealing three more bases in the this game. Stacey Boyer and K. Moran each added a stolen base.

The lady Indians won the game 14-3.

Finally, the Lady Colonels traveled to Scranton. The Lady Royals are currently fourth in the region and twenty-first in the country.

In the first game of the doubleheader the Lady Colonels scored two runs on eight hits.

"We got exceptional play today from Hosler who started us off on the right foot," said Coach Malatesta.

Hosler led off the game with a home run and later had a single.

Boyer had a double, while Blake and Warntz both contributed two singles apiece and S. Moran added a single.

Schwoyer pitched well once again giving up seven hits, while only allowing one run. She also picked up two strikeouts.

The second game saw the Lady Colonels lose by one run, 5-4, on a close play at the plate in the seventh.

Hosler continued her hitting clinic by adding a single and a double with S. Moran racking up two more singles while Carson hit two singles and Becky Simon adding a single.

Freshman pitcher, Gia Andrejko, went six innings giving up five runs on eight hits while recording one strikeout.

"Gia, for only being a freshman, went the distance for us today and did a great job for us," said Coach Malatesta.



LEADERSHIP--(L- R) tri-captains Dawn Hosler, Hillary Blake, Denise Carson,

## Women's tennis 1-2 in Mac

MISSIE CHINCHAR

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The women's tennis team ended play this week with an overall record of 1-2, as well as 1-2 in the MAC Northwest.

On Monday Wilkes traveled to the University of Scranton to take on the Lady Royals. But Wilkes dropped their first six matches and later ended the match with a 6-3 loss.

Wilkes, with only three wins in doubles matches, hoped to net their fourth

victory of the season.

Wilkes's number one doubles team which consists of Gina Taylor, sophomore, and Karen Beling, freshman, dropped their first set, but poured it on to win the next two sets, 6-4 and 6-1.

Denise Motts and Gina Viccaro put away their opponents in two sets 6-4 and 6-3 to up their overall doubles record to 1-1.

The senior doubles team of Deb Erdner and Lyndsey Krivenko toughed out a three set match, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6.

On Saturday the Lady

Colonels were on the road again, this time to take on Juniata. Wilkes came home with a 5-4 win.

The women's team started off strong winning their first three singles matches.

Both Taylor and Motts won decisively in two sets. However, Beling had to work a little harder for her win where she dropped her middle set, but then came back to win 7-5, 3-6, 6-0.

Freshman Liz Schaff won her match in two sets 6-4 and 6-4.

Unfortunately, Juniata

fought back to tie the score at four apiece putting the pressure on the doubles team of Erdner and Krivenko. The duo once again came out on top and still remain undefeated at 2-0.

Conversely, the men's tennis teams dropped both of their matches over this past week.

On Friday, Kings soundly put away the Colonels by winning eight of their nine matches.

The only win was in the final match of the afternoon with the doubles team of winning 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

Darren Michael and Rob Karch.

Wilkes dropped the match to the Monarchs 8-1.

On Monday, Albright arrived at Ralston Field ready to play when they defeated Wilkes 6-3. Albright seemed to be invincible winning the first four matches until Karch won for the Colonels in two sets.

Michael also won easily in two sets. Michael and Karch were the only winners for Wilkes in the doubles match with the doubles team of winning 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.



# Preparing for life: The reason we are here



From  
the  
Bleachers

J. R.  
Rupp

Preparing for life. That is what we are all here for, in college that is. Yet some people believe that instead of getting ready for what is to come, we must be shielded, censored, and questioned.

Let me start with a letter to the editor that the Beacon received. A portion of the letter read: *'Rainey-gate,' who cares! Administrative changes occur all of the time. The university does what it feels is best for the majority. And if you are truly here to "prepare for life," I suggest you wake up and enter the real world. There's much more to life then defending your basketball buddies.*

First off, this is a column, I can write anything I damn well please. If the letter writer wanted to express his/her opinions weekly they could have joined the staff. Staff openings were advertised throughout the year.

Second, I am not defending my basketball buddies. I consider Coach Rainey a friend and a fine individual. What I was trying to do was bring out into the open the great injustice that was done to Coach Rainey by the administration. He is a class act, it will be our loss and certainly someone else's gain.

Third, I know that things are not perfect and the Wilkes Administration is no exception. Things are not always done for the majority, sometimes the minority gets too greedy.

Fourth, I was taught to stand up for what I believe in. I am by no means someone who could just stand by. I was not harping on the firing of Coach Rainey, but the way the administration went about it. I thought the school could have a little more CLASS on the way they handled the so-called "resignation." Come on we were not born yesterday, people do know what really happened.

Quoting a line from a late '70's Billy Joel song, "honesty it's such a lonely word." That word would stand desolate in certain circles here at Wilkes.

As a communications major here at Wilkes I have come to learn the word a little better than some. In my writing courses, I was taught to report the truth. Be honest when reporting, report both sides of a story and cut through the fluff. A writer owes his readers an accurate story, but I have had some trouble doing that. When you do a story, sometimes you are given the ever popular press release. The release is sort of a staged interview that tells only surface details. Grant it, a reporter has to dig for information, but the digging is not always easy when you hit a brick wall or a staged interview. The staged interview: no answers to your questions, no comments, the only thing I have to say is "it's in the release." Why do these sort of things take place? Because some people may be afraid to let the "outside" world in on what is really going on.

Now and then people will talk to you about a certain circumstance, sometimes it will be for public consumption while other times it will be "off the record." Well maybe someone feels threatened, so they place a "gag" order on any individuals that are involved in the subject at hand.

Tell me what the problem is, are there people out there afraid of the TRUTH!!!

In the excerpt of the letter, the author says that we must prepare for the real world. You have a good point. I only wish that the people who need to see it do see it.

There will not always be someone around to pick up the pieces or to make everything "nice nice" for you. It's time to start living in the real world. A perfect world it is not, a real world it is.

A local paper reported on the impending hiring of a new AD and basketball coach. The paper even personally talked to the individual who was being considered. Yet the school would not answer any questions as to how progress was going.

Why must the administration keep the students (who pay tuition that goes toward administrative salaries) in the dark. The student body has a right to know, but then again why tell anyone about two major decisions

that will affect many students on campus. Logical? Not here.

Well, I have done it again. Where is the column pertaining to sports? Once I get up on my soap box there is no stopping me.

A little sports for you, Major League Baseball opened Monday. And, the Yankees are 1-0, time to measure for the rings.

Well, you can't always get what you want, and it appears that some are more greedy then ever.

AH! Lessons in honesty, loyalty, compassion, and openness, where did you go to school &#x26;#x2013;@?.

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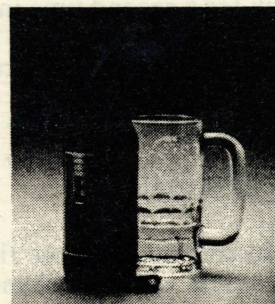
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The winner of the 1992 Beacon March Madness contest is, **Andy Gulden** of Johnson City, New York. Andy is a resident of Sterling Hall. Andy, you can pick up your prize in the Communications Office inside Capin Hall. Congratulations from the Beacon Staff.

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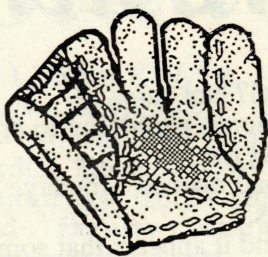
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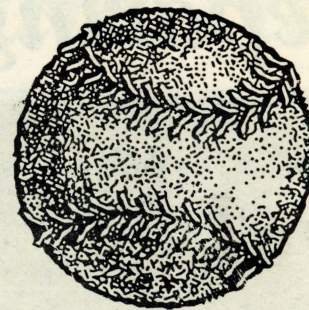
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# Sports



## Men's baseball improves record to 7-4

By JERRY HOFFMAN  
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The Wilkes University Baseball Team improved their record to 7-4 as they faced Scranton University, Susquehanna University, and Muhlenberg College.

On Thursday Wilkes braved the weather and beat the Royals of Scranton 17-9 despite two snow delays.

In this game the Colonels combined for 18 hits and 4 errors, while the Royals combined for 8 hits and 2 errors.

The Royals jumped out to an early 1-0 lead when Kenney scored on a sacrifice fly by Zambory.

The Colonels regained the lead 4-1 in the bottom of the first inning. Lead-off man Steve Klem scored first for the Colonels on Dave Kaschak's single. Then Kaschak scored on Dave Wesoloskie's triple, and Wesoloskie scored on a double by Tom Whille. Whille later scored on Joe Balay's single.

Wilkes carried this momentum into the second inning to boost their lead to 9-1. When Scranton's pitcher Wasak walked a batter with bases loaded, Rob Michaels was able to score. Kaschak and Wesoloskie both scored on Whille's double, and Chris Imperiale's double enabled Kaschak and Whille to score.

The Colonels boosted their lead to 13-1 in the bottom of the fourth inning when Wesoloskie and Whille scored on Lou Salterelli's hit. Later, Michaels' triple allowed Klem and Michaels to score.

In the top of the fifth inning the Royals tried to come back, but their three runs left Scranton still trailing the Colonels 13-4. Vince Lamendola hit a two-run homer, and Zambory also scored in that inning.

Not to be outdone, the Colonels scored two more runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. Wesoloskie scored on Imperiale's single, and Whille scored on Balay's sacrifice fly.

The Colonels also scored two more runs in the bottom of the sixth inning when Michaels scored on Kaschak's double and when Kaschak scored on Wesoloskie's double. The Colonels still led at this point 17-4.

The Royals tried to come back for a second time in the top of the seventh inning when Szarius hit a three-run homer. The Royals continued the scoring in the eighth inning when O'Neill hit a two-run home run. It wasn't enough as Wilkes went on to win the game 17-9.

Middle reliever Gil Hoak recorded the win for the Colonels. Hoak's record for the season is 1-0.

Tunney recorded the loss for the Royals.

Wilkes could not carry this momentum into the first game of Saturday's doubleheader against the Crusaders of Susquehanna University, but the Colonels bounced back in the second game for the win.

The Crusaders started the scoring in the bottom of the first inning when Gregg Mills scored on John Macko's single. Susquehanna led Wilkes 1-0.

The Crusaders increased their lead to 2-0 when C.J. Hoffman scored on Frank Kiwak's single.

Wilkes cut the Crusader's lead to 2-1 in the fifth inning when Chris Imperiale scored on an error by Susquehanna's right fielder Chris Rembisz.

Wilkes took the lead 4-2 in the top of the sixth inning when Wesoloskie scored on Whille's single and when Whille scored on Salterelli's double. Salterelli also scored in that inning on Steve Klem's single. Wilkes would score no more runs in this game.

Susquehanna started a comeback in the bottom of the sixth inning when Rembisz hit a home run. Wilkes still led 4-3 at this point, but the Crusaders continued to rally late in the game.

Susquehanna tied the game 4-4 when Jamie Ott scored on Gregg Mills' sacrifice fly.

The Crusaders took the lead 5-4 and won the game in the bottom of the ninth when Ian Law scored on Jamie Ott's single.

Crusader reliever John Walter recorded the win. He only gave up 2 hits and no runs in 2 innings of play.

Dirk Heberle recorded the loss for the Colonels. His record for the season is 3-1.

Wilkes came back with a vengeance in the second game.

Wilkes started the scoring in the top of the second inning when Wesoloskie scored on Balay's single. Wilkes led 1-0.

This scoring continued in the third inning when Michaels scored on Endres' single and when Endres scored on Kaschak's double. Wilkes would go on to win the game 3-0.

Wilkes starting pitcher Billy Noone recorded the win. He had three strikeouts in nine innings, but he held the Crusaders to no runs. Billy Noone's record for the season is 2-0.

Crusaders starting pitcher Mark Mussina recorded the loss. He gave up six hits in 7 innings of play.

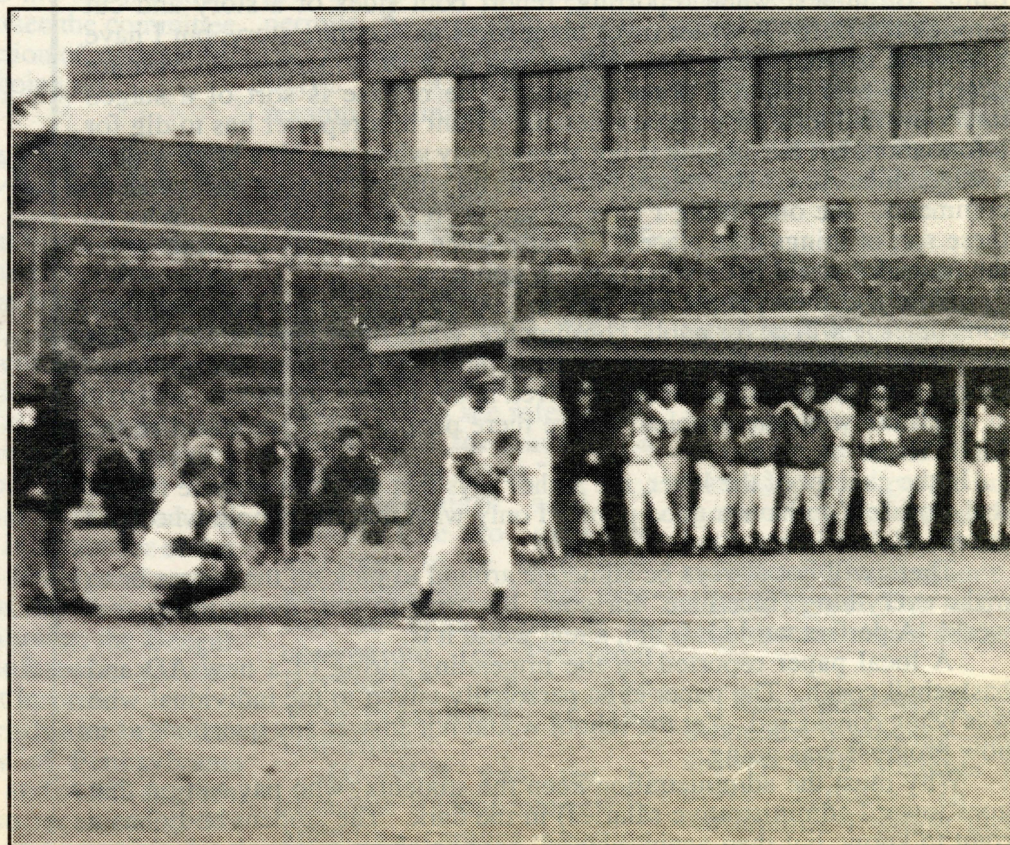
The Colonels hosted the Mules of Muhlenberg College on Monday, but Wilkes lost 15-11.

Klem and Wesoloskie had 2 hits apiece. Whille hit a home run, and Endres had 3 R.B.I.'s.

Muhlenberg only had 7 hits, but they converted them into 15 runs.

Mules' pitcher Hageman recorded the win. He pitched 5 innings, had 6 strikeouts, and walked 5 Colonels.

Colonels' pitcher Wesoloskie pitched 4 innings, had 1 strikeout, and walked 5 batters. Wesoloskie's record for the season is 0-2.



DIAMOND ACTION--The Colonels are 7-4 so far this season