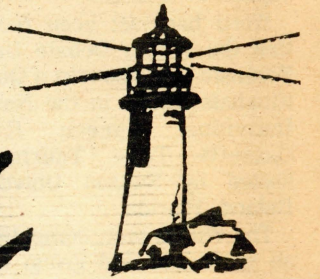


# The Beacon



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## Controversial Election Won By DeRobertis

By Patrice Stone

In an election marked by controversy, Louis DeRobertis, a junior English major from Old Forge, emerged as the victor to become the new Commuter Council president. DeRobertis defeated Stanley Korzeniewski and Diane Marcinko, receiving 104 votes to 47 and 12 respectively.

The first time the election was held (2 weeks ago), DeRobertis contested it citing illegal voting practices. Fifteen students were allowed to vote without showing student ID's. The elections were held once again last Thursday.

DeRobertis feels only relief, and a little disappointment. "I'm glad it's all over," he commented. "It's been dragging on too long. It was a hollow victory. Since it's been dragging on so long, people got disgusted. I would have rather seen a closer election."

The new president believes that Commuter Council has been "basically pretty good." His major goal for next year is to decrease student apathy by encouraging students to offer their ideas and express their wants. Specifically he would like to bring back movie festivals since, DeRobertis feels, they offer something for both the commuter and dorm student.

Along this line, DeRobertis will propose that the Commuter Council and Inter-Dormitory Council have joint meetings once a month.

The Old Forge resident hopes to generate more interest among his Council by holding meetings every week instead of bi-weekly as they have been held in the past two years. He acknowledged the fact that Council reps miss meetings often and reasoned that with meetings held every week, if

the reps miss a few they won't miss as much on the whole.

The problem of commuter on-campus parking will also be tackled by the newly elected officer. Citing the Temple Israel lot as the main problem area, he hopes to hire students on the Work-Study program to regulate parking there.

DeRobertis feels that Council activities are limited by their \$3,000 budget since annual CC activities such as the St. Patrick's Day party consume most of that amount. If the Council sees something worthwhile they would like to accomplish, however, DeRobertis stated he will propose fund-raising activities.

## 35 RA's Named To Staff Dorms For Next Year

The following people have been named resident assistants for the 1977-78 school year:

Fred Herrman, Bruce Lear, Dean Evans, Gary Toczykowski, Andy Contes.

Mary Jane Nulty, Jean Retter, Rosetta Chiavacci, Mary Ann Gazdick, Mary Ann Zeilinski, Helen Stubits, Sharon Wilkes, Karen Polomski, Cindy Glawe.

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Ellen Merten, Sheree Kessler, Ann Sharkey, Nancy Van Kuren, Nancy Mathers, Wendy Ferrall, Rosie Noone, Karen Olney, Deb Fortini.

## Hurst Editor-In-Chief

## New Beacon Editors Named

Appointments for the editorial, business and advertising staff of The Beacon were announced last week by Douglas J. Rubinstein, adviser.

Wilma Hurst, managing editor of the paper this year, will take over as editor-in-chief. Hurst, a sophomore chemistry major from Wilkes-Barre, will be in charge of overseeing all phases of The Beacon. Hurst has shown a high degree of expertise, over the past two years in newspaper production and will be ultimately responsible for the award-winning publication.

The managing editor's position will be filled by Janine Pokrinchak. The position of managing editor involves handling news assignments and assisting the editor in overseeing other staffers and will be adequately filled by the junior, biology major from Owego, New York.

This year the news and copy editor positions have been combined, to make the college weekly a more efficiently run operation. Jim Edwards, a business administration major from Ridgefield, Connecticut, will assume the diversified position, which involves everything from covering general news stories to being responsible for editing, headlining, and controlling the flow of the copy desk.

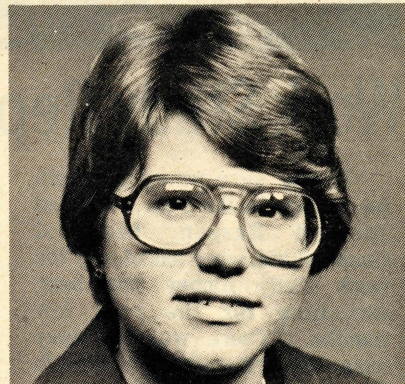
Mary Stencavage, a sophomore elementary education major from Wilkes-Barre will take over the feature page. Stencavage's duties will include gathering and writing stories, columns, and contributing articles for the page.

Stencavage will have an assistant in the newly-designed position of assistant feature editor. Pam Long, an English major from Kingston, and a relative newcomer to The Beacon staff will help Stencavage out in her duties, and hold the position of assistant feature editor. Long has shown in her brief term on the staff the necessary skill to handle the appointment.

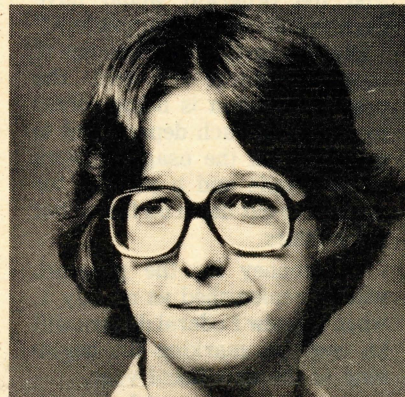
Jeff Acornley, a junior business major, will retain his position as sports editor. Acornley's much-talked about column will again appear in The Beacon.

Eddie White, a freshman sports writer, will become assistant sports editor. White, who shows considerable promise in the field of sports writing, is an English major from Wilkes-Barre. He will help Acornley in the job of covering all sports activities.

Business manager for next year will be Reenie Corbett, a sophomore English major from Wilkes-Barre. Corbett, another newcomer, has been circulation manager on this year's staff, and will be responsible for the financial operations of the paper including advertising billing,



Wilma Hurst



Janine Pokrinchak

subscriptions and production costs.

Donna Korba, this year's noteworthy cartoonist, will move into the position of advertising manager. A fine arts major from Wilkes-Barre, Korba will take over selling of advertisements to local merchants, and the designing and placement of ads. The multi-talented freshman will also continue her chores as cartoonist of the paper.

Applicants were required to undergo an interview session with a selection committee composed of Dr. Thomas Kaska, English Department Chairman, Dr. Lee Terry, Publications Committee Chairman, Mr. Art Hoover, Director of Alumni Affairs and Student Activities, Colonel Richard Wing, Journalism Professor, and George Pawlush, Director of News and Sports Information, Joseph Buckley, Copy Editor of The Beacon and Patrice Stone, News Editor. The positions have been submitted for approval to the Publications Committee.

## Commencement Format To Include 3 Speakers

This year's Commencement ceremonies will feature three speakers from within the College, rather than a "big name" speaker as featured in prior years. Each speech will be only five to eight minutes long.

Representing the College trustees will be Atty. Joseph J. Savitz, chairman of the board and alumnus of the College. Dr. Charles B. Reif, chairman of the Biology Department and a 25-year member of the College faculty, will represent the faculty. Margaret Walczyk, an accounting major from Endicott, New York will represent the graduating class.

According to President Robert Capin, the idea, which was his own, "might well be the beginning of a tradition." He added that a reassessment of the format will be made after the Commencement.

Both President Capin and Dean George Ralston believe that a more appropriate and meaningful message could be delivered by members of the College. Both also expressed the belief that there is a lot of talent within the College. In the words of Dean Ralston, "We have acres of diamonds."

Dean Ralston stated that the trend in higher education is along these lines. Because of the nature of the affair, he believes, any good speech is often lost. Unless an opportunity arises to obtain a very, very significant person for future Commencement ceremonies, Ralston

also sees this new format continuing.

As part of the Commencement ceremonies on May 22, Mrs. Ann Liva, a member of the Music Department since 1970, will receive the award of Professor Emeritus. Having developed a nation-wide reputation for piano instruction, Mrs. Liva will retire this year.

## SG Disapproves Of Elections Run By Circle K

At its Monday meeting, Student Government expressed disapproval of the way Circle K has handled this year's elections. The matter appeared to center around whether Circle K was dependable.

Several other service organizations, such as the History Club, Political Science Club, TDR, and the Lettermen's Club, were considered as possible replacements for Circle K next year.

The teacher evaluation forms have not yet been sent out. They should be mailed by the end of the week, according to SG President Carl Holsberger.

Two hundred dollars was granted to a group of biology students to attend a conference.

The Accounting Club received \$18.75 to purchase a bond to be presented to the graduating accounting student with the highest cumulative average.



Francis Balavage, a senior fine arts major from Luzerne, designed the winning logo for this year's Cherry Blossom Festival and was presented with a check by the Blossom Committee.

The contest, which was open to all area non-professionals, specified that the logo should "capture the spirit" of Cherry Blossom Time. The logo will be used for promotions and activities.



## Wilkes Forensics Wins Quarter Finalists Trophy

Word has just been received that the Wilkes Debate Union's Forensic Unit has won a Quarter Finalists trophy in the National Individual Speech Events Cassette Tape Tournament hosted by Stetson University, Deland, Florida.

The Wilkes unit, competing on an individual and group effort, had entered this national tournament two months ago by submitting cassette tapes of thirteen individual speech events.

More than 400 participants from throughout the United States competed for awards.

Wilkes advanced to one of the top 16 schools at the tournament before being eliminated from the Semi-Finals.

This is the third national award won this year by the Wilkes Debaters. Two weeks ago Wilkes won national recognition when Debater David W. Evans, Kingston, was honored as being the Third Best Overall Speaker in the Original Oratory competition and receiving a certificate of Excellence in Informative Speaking at the national Pi Kappa Delta Tournament held in Seattle, Washington.

The Wilkes Debate Union's Forensic Unit is directed and coached by Dr. Bradford L. Kinney, assistant professor of speech at the college. Those on the Forensic Unit representing Wilkes for this national award were: Terri Williams, Donna Korba, Marcia Stratton, Davida Roberts, Steve Jurewicz, Maryann Bartoszek, and David Evans.

The American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers to collect money door-to-door. Anyone interested may sign up in the SG office



## Work Study Replenished July 1

"People were worrying much too earlier in the year," replied Richard Raspen, head of financial aid, when asked why the work study money has been dwindling for the past few months. "There was a heavy usage of work study from June to February. If it had continued like that the program would have been out of money completely."

But the program is not out of money completely and the present problem is being solved by a plea to each department to cut down on the usage of work study people and a plea to the student to cut down on his or her work hours.

The money for the program will be replenished as of July 1, when the new Federal dollars will be sent in, marking the beginning of the new fiscal year.

The program, which is financed by 80 percent Federal

money and 20 percent Wilkes money, accommodates approximately 400 students. According to Raspen, work-study serves two purposes: to provide students with funds and to fulfill the work needs in different departments.

Each student in the program is given a maximum amount of dollars they may earn for the year at \$2.00 per hour. They are asked not to exceed 15 hours of work per week.

The amount of money from the Federal government coming in in July is expected to match last year's amount but if it does not, different procedures would be taken for the program. Less students would be accepted to the program, those demonstrating the most need for financial aid coming first. Also each participant would be given less hours.

## Biology Road Rally Set For Sunday, May 1

Being able to read directions and to answer questions from road signs are important qualifications for winning the Biology Club Road Rally.

The Road Rally will be held from 1 p.m. until all contestants are finished on Sunday, May 1. Sponsored by the Biology Club, the Rally will start and finish at the Wyoming Valley Mall.

The rally will consist of a driving course, designed by Rodney Rothwell and Rudy Kevak. The object of the Rally is not speed but being able to match a standard time and to answer correctly as many questions as possible.

Each contestant will be given directions and questions to be answered while driving the course.

The time that each contestant will be trying to match will be the time set prior to the Road Rally, by a person, who is unfamiliar

with the course. The person will follow the directions without answering any questions.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three cars that match the standard time and answer the most questions.

The entry fee is \$4 per car and the number of the people per car is not restricted to just a passenger and the driver.

Starting times for the cars will be staggered at one and a half minute intervals.

Included along the course will be four check points, where cars will be checked as they pass that spot.

The prizes are: \$30 for first place; \$20 for second and \$10 for third.

Tickets will be sold at the Road Rally and may also be purchased from Biology Club members or in the Biology Club Room, Room 363, Stark Learning Center.

## Students Present Papers

Eight Wilkes College student's and two faculty members recently participated in the 31st Annual Eastern Science Conference at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Rutherford, N.J.

The delegation was among 315 participants from 56 colleges including Boston University, Brown University, University of Pennsylvania, Penn State, Rutgers, and Villanova.

Five Wilkes students presented their undergraduate research that was conducted at Wilkes. Jeff Metzger and Louis Caputo presented a paper entitled "Effects of L-Ascorbic Acid on Human Chromosomes as

Determined by Karyotyping and Micronuclei Techniques." This research was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Lester Turoczi.

Deborah J. Kocher presented "Sound Production of the Mid-night Catfish (Centomochs Aulopygius)". Research conducted under the supervision of Dr. Louis Ridley.

From the Engineering Department, Linda Jamiolkowski presented "Hydrogen Reduction of Molybdenum Trioxide to Molybdenum Dioxide." This research was pursued under the direction of Dr. John Orehotzky.

Also, Tom Wahl presented "Electronic Transfer in SmHfCo Magnetic Alloys," research under Dr. Orehotzky.

According to Dr. Turoczi, faculty coordinator of the conference for the last four years, the conference gives students the opportunity to present research in a professional and scientific style such as used by working scientists and researchers.

"The students can see how much they were taught," said Turoczi, "and compare themselves academically and intellectually with other students."

Wilkes College hosted the conference twice - in 1958 and 1970. But it has also been hosted at Yale, Georgetown University and Boston University.

Turoczi stated, "I'm hopeful that in future years, Wilkes will again host the conference, especially since the acquisition of our new facilities."

Anyone conducting independent research in the sciences or social sciences who would like to plan for participation in next year's conference are asked to contact Dr. Lester Turoczi.

## Governor To Proclaim Foreign Language Week

The Governor of Pennsylvania is about to proclaim the first week of May (1-8) as Foreign Language Week in the State, in order that every year, this week will be dedicated to the activities of ethnic groups in the state.

The purpose of the governor's proclamation is to appeal to people in the state for their support of foreign language projects in schools, colleges, and universities. This emphasis is due to the fact that the Spanish

language is the largest foreign language in the state, after English. At the national level, there are more than twelve million Spanish-speaking people. By the year 1980, it is predicted that the Spanish-speaking population will be the largest minority group in the nation. Besides, Puerto Rico is an associate state of the Union, and there are also twenty-one countries South of the Border where Spanish is spoken.

In conjunction with the above, Wilkes College, under the direction of Dr. Hilda Marban and with the cooperation of the library director and the art department, will hold an exhibit in the Stark Learning Center Lounge and also in the library, beginning April 25. On display will be work done by students taking Spanish and Latin American civilization, and also other materials related to both cultures.

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The senior art exhibit of Judi Keats Hatcher will open Saturday, April 30 at 8 p.m. in the Conyngham Art Gallery. The show, which includes water colors and collages, will run until May 6. Hours are 1 to 8 p.m. daily. Mrs. Hatcher is a graduate of Coughlin High School.

# Blossom Spirit Comes Alive

By Pam Long

An amusing array of individuals turned out on Friday afternoon to welcome the start of the annual Wilkes College Cherry Blossom activities for 1977. Among those participating in the celebration of the trees were students and faculty alike. These formed teams which took active part in events such as marshmallow eating, balloon sitting, three-legged races, egg throwing, and a rather unusual manner of passing oranges by using one's chin, all of which produced unlimited enjoyment among spectators.

The humid 80 degree atmosphere provided very summerlike conditions just perfect for refreshing one's backside with a colorful water balloon. And refreshing it was indeed! Onlookers will undoubtedly never forget the joy of seeing teams with members ranging from deans to dormies competing against each other with an ultimate goal of bursting the balloons; and then that unforgettable SPLASH!

Another event found several students racing against the clock as they literally jammed their jaws full of marshmallows. Various spectators stood awestruck as contestants furiously mashed the mar-

shmallows in a most desperate attempt to be acclaimed winner.

Several relay teams slipped into a variety of clothing from lingerie to knitted caps in an event called "dress and strip." It was indeed a sight to watch both guys and girls tugging viciously at bras and pants at one end of the grounds, they then raced to the other end where they "stripped," strewing the items here and there in a "shameful" attempt to win the event.

The players also tried their luck at "keeping it up," a game requiring their ability to keep a ball in the air by passing it to and fro among team members. The event produced unlimited anxiety as spectators watched the groups striving to deny the ball access to the grass. Each team's dismay was evident by the disappointed groan and the frantic "Oh No!" that went up as the ball bounced out into the crowd.

A rather "intimate" group engaged themselves in an exhilarating orange-passing contest. Each contestant proceeded "neck and neck" in an effort to "get close" to winning the event.

Late afternoon brought with it the setting sun, and as it slipped beyond the horizon, various tug-o-war contestants found themselves slipping into a mud puddle. Competitors displayed painful expressions and exerted pitiless amounts of power in their efforts to win the contest. A roar arose from the crowd as the losers met their fate and were rather "absorbed" into the "middle of things!"

Friday afternoon's Special Olympics were won by the "Playmates" with second place going to "Legatto" and "Con-

nor's Cuties" winning third.

Other teams participating in the events were: "Stogies," "SDS," "Dynamics," "IDC," "Bullets," "Joan Pinson," "Circle K," "Conway's Twitties," "Nads," "Mario's Team," "Kaos," "Mix-ups," and "Barre Express."

## Physique Contest

Friday evening didn't bring with it any stars in the sky, but a number of stars did appear on stage for the Second Annual Mr. Wilkes Physique Contest. Twenty-one masculine figures directed their poses and postures toward a "full house" in the Student Union Building.

Each contestant after performing the necessary poses then proceeded with one of his "own" creations.

The Mr. Wilkes College Physique Contest was sponsored by the Cherry Blossom in conjunction with the AFROTC for the benefit of the American Heart Association.

The winner was Stephen Bailey, who also won a trophy for Most Muscular and certificates for Best Arms and Best Legs.

Second Place went to Charlie Steffanetti, who also won certificates for Best Abdominals.

Mark Zavoy was the third place winner.

A trophy was presented to Tony Shipula for Best Poser. Mark Arcure won a certificate for Best Back and Best Chest.

The Physique Contest collected over \$100 for the Heart Association. The first place trophy for the contest was donated by Mike Cognigni of Miller's Health Food Store.

Anyone who sponsored a contestant is asked to see Larry Assalita either at the Hotel Sterling or the SG Office, Weckesser Hall.

## Communication Expert Gives Views

By Patti Reilly

"Communication is going to become more and more important as our society continues to urbanize and become more impersonal," was the comment of Dr. Agnes G. Doody, one of the foremost experts on Speech-Communication in the United States and a recent visitor to Wilkes.

Dr. Doody reviewed the present speech communication program proposed at Wilkes and termed it, "very exciting." The Rhode Island resident sees speech-communication as a very important asset to seniors approaching the job market. She stated that the Wilkes proposed communication program was very sound, and quite similar to what many bigger schools are offering. Dr. Doody noted that one of the biggest pre-requisites demanded by the job market is someone who can think clearly and articulate.

Speech-Communication is not a field that is confined solely to English major, but a fine qualification for all majors. "It is very difficult to get a job in communications with just a communications background, because one must have something to articulate about," observed Dr. Doody. She also was happy to see that communications programs all over

the country are being strengthened and developed. The charming scholar said that she felt, "it was time that educators got out of their ivory towers, and started preparing students with marketable skills for the real world."

Dr. Doody did her undergraduate work at Emerson College and went on to gain her masters and Ph.D. in Speech Communications at Penn State. She is presently a professor in the Communications Department at the University of Rhode Island, which she finds very challenging. "The first lecture I ever gave I was terrified, I had 50 minutes of lecture notes, but let the students go after 12 minutes, and every semester when I face a new group of students I experience that same nervousness, but that's what it is all about. When I feel totally confident going into a class for the first time then it is time for me to give up teaching."

Dr. Doody is presently a member of the Commission of International and Intercultural Communication, has authored several publications and has been elected to both Who's Who in the East and Who's Who of American Women with World Notables.

The former President of the Eastern Communication Association commented that the

women's role in the American work force is becoming more important. Also a member of the National Organization for Women, she observed that about "53 percent of women are employed and with the rising cost of inflation women will have to become more aggressive to become successful in what was once classified a man's world."

And finally Dr. Doody commented that communication programs are supportive to every major and to every individual because without it, one is "rendered both ineffectual and possibly unemployed."

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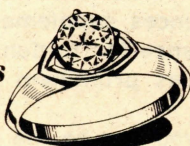
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# WeekendOf SoggyBlossoms

## —Wilkes Comes Through

Regardless of the damp humid weather, and the subsequent confusion about the location of the carnival, the first part of this year's cherry blossom weekend was very successful. The planning committee behind the Wilkes-based activities merits recognition.

The Special Olympics that were held Friday afternoon on the front lawn of the cafeteria were overwhelmingly attended. It was too bad that the time for those olympics had to coincide with labs for many students, but they boasted many participants. The well-executed games showed that they had been adequately planned and organized.

The physique contest on Friday also drew a large crowd. Although the contest itself lacked some of the organization from last year, the event did earn money for the Heart Fund.

Saturday morning's weather dampened the excitement of the annual carnival on the River Commons. Perhaps this weekend will make up for that. Confusions ensued about setting up the carnival in the gym because of Saturday night's concert. Pure Prairie League was a well attended concert and it should be noted that students can conduct themselves as adults.

The best part is that there is another weekend of Cherry Blossom Festivities on its way. Hopefully with the help of the Cherry Blossom Committee and other students this weekend will be bigger and better than last.

Time is slipping away and the fall semester will be here before anyone realizes that summer is over.

It is frightening for graduating seniors to think that they will soon be facing the ever-challenging job market, and that their whimsical college days have come to a close. Even more terrifying is the thought that no man is indispensable. Today's seniors will be tomorrow's alumni.

Very rarely are student leaders recognized for the time and effort they have put into their organizations. To Gina O'Brien, Bruce Lear, Dave Cherendolo, The Beacon would like to thank them for the dedication they have demonstrated over the past year to make Wilkes a changing institution. Wilkes has a bright future on its horizon, but it should never stand forgotten that many people have worked hard to make yesterday's dream today's reality.

The Beacon also would like to thank the Wilkes College family for assisting us whenever they could and for making this publication a reality.

On behalf of The Beacon's graduating seniors I would like to say that this has been a long and short four years. There were times when I never thought I would see my way out of it, and other times when a day couldn't be long enough. Somehow we saw, we learned, and we were challenged.

If I have any parting words as I terminate my last editorial they would be, that there are no indispensable men and I expect to see a better Wilkes College next year.

—Patti Reilly

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## Letters

### Graduation Plan Changes Aggravated Senior Gripes

To The Editor:

I am both disappointed and disgusted at the way I understand the graduation ceremony is being conducted this year. After four years at an institution I think we deserve a program that reflects some planning, not something thrown together at the last minute because plans fell through.

Depending on weather conditions, I understand we may cram parents, grand-parents, students, relatives, and friends into our gymnasium to sit on bleachers for three hours. Even better than that is the people that drive three or four hours to see their child graduate, only to be put in a Stark Learning Center to watch the ceremony on closed circuit television.

The thing that really appalls me is that we don't even have a commencement speaker. Every year the graduates look forward to having the opportunity of hearing a dignitary speak at graduation, but I understand through the grape-vine that there isn't a speaker. A member of the administration, faculty and student-body is supposed to address the graduating class. With all due credit to the student that is rumored to be speaking, where and how did she get elected? Hasn't the senior class elected a president for that purpose? One wonders where democracy ends and dictatorship takes over.

After four years, graduates deserve to be credited with the ability to have some say in the commencement ceremony, and not be treated as morons who wallow in indecision. We have been trained and cultivated for four years but now that the time comes to graduate from Wilkes we learn that our political science and government courses have been in vain.

I only hope that the appropriate parties realize what a faux pas they have made, and make every effort to send their apologies to the senior class. We deserve that much.

A graduating senior

### Concert Workers Thanked

Editor:

At this time we would like to express our thanks to all those who made the concert of the past weekend the success that it was. The time and effort put forth by ticket sellers, stage crew, security and maintenance was greatly appreciated and helped make our show come off without incident. Most of all, though, we would like to extend our thanks to the students of Wilkes College for their attendance and cooperation at the concert. Hope to see you next year with more of the same.

Sincerely,

Gregory Black  
Kevin F. McCall

### 1977 YEARBOOKS

Anyone wishing to purchase a 1977 yearbook can do so in the SUB office, in the cafeteria, Monday through Thursday from 5-6, or see any member of the staff. The cost is \$7.50 and \$8.50 for seniors who mailed to them.

## BEACON BITS

A block party in the Conyngham area will be held Saturday, April 30 from 9 p.m. to 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Bluegrass music will be provided by "Homestead."

Please return library books to the participating NEPIC College Libraries as soon as possible. These are the books checked out by direct borrowing from area colleges.

The French Club will hold a Coffeehouse on Sunday, May 1, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the SUB. Music will be provided by Just Passin' Thru and admission is \$1.00.

The following are the hours for the return of all linen:

Monday, May 9, 5-9 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10, 5-9 p.m.

Wednesday, May 11, 4-8 p.m.

Thursday, May 12, 12-4 p.m.

Friday, May 13, 9-12 noon and 2-5 p.m.

Saturday, May 19, 9 to 12 noon.

★ Seniors and R.As will be handed clean linen Monday and Tuesday, May 9 and May 10.

★ Seniors and R.A's should return their linen Thursday, May 19, 5 to 7 p.m., and Friday, May 20, 5 to 7 p.m.

The art exhibit of Falcone and Zavoy is presently being shown in the Conyngham Art Gallery. Gallery Hours are 1-8 p.m. daily.

There will be a Madrigal Singers Concert on Sunday, May 8, in the CPA.

Thursday, May 12 is the deadline for submitting 1977-78 calendar requests. They are to be made to A.J. Hoover in Weckesser Hall.

Friday, May 13 is the last day to sign N.D.S.L. and B.E.O.G. receipts for the spring semester at the Finance Office, Parish Hall.

Band Concert at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 30 in the CPA.

Sunday, May 1, is the deadline for filing Pennsylvania State Grant application to P.H.E.E.A. for 1977-78.

Faculty recital on Sunday, May 1, at 3:30 p.m. in the CPA.

Student Government meeting Monday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Weckesser Hall.

The last day of classes will be Tuesday, May 3. Students and faculty are to be reminded that a Friday schedule will be followed on this day.

An All-College movie will be shown on Tuesday, May 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the CPA. The movie presented will be "Lost Horizon (1937)."

Wednesday, May 4 is the Letterwomen Initiation, along with a volleyball game, and the Senior picnic.

Final exams begin on Friday, May 6 and end on Saturday, May 14.

Graduation rehearsal for the Senior Class will be on Friday, May 20. A class meeting will follow.

The 30th annual commencement of Wilkes College will take place on Sunday, May 22 at Ralston Field, at 2 p.m.

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# Operettas Provided Good Entertainment

The two Gilbert and Sullivan operettas performed this past weekend provided an entertaining but long evening.

Presented by the College Theater Department as part of Cherry Blossom activities, the operettas were "Trial By Jury," and "H.M.S. Pinafore."

The performances were enjoyable and well-done. All aspects of the productions, including scenery and costumes, added to the success of the

By Janine Pokrinchak

operettas.

The singing was excellent in both cases. Perhaps two of the outstanding voices of the evening were Sandy Shotwell as Angelina in "Trial by Jury," and Mike Smith as Ralph Rackstraw in "H.M.S. Pinafore." Vicki Moss as Josephine in "H.M.S. Pinafore" also had an outstanding voice.

"Trial By Jury" has no dialogue. At first, it was very hard to understand what was

being sung. Since the entire plot depended upon understanding the singing, the poor word enunciation detracted from the enjoyment of the beginning minutes of "Trial By Jury."

"H.M.S. Pinafore," on the other hand, had dialogue along with the singing.

The acting in "H.M.S. Pinafore" was good. Randy Smith was excellent as the First Lord of the Admiralty. He was very convincing in that role. Lee Thomas did a fine job as Dick Deadeye, the old-weathered sailor.

The spot light in "H.M.S. Pinafore" was distracting. It seemed to follow the actors around the stage before finding the right spot.

In general, the operettas were good. The music was very entertaining. The orchestra had a full sound, and yet did not overpower the performers on stage.

The combination of "Trial by Jury" and "H.M.S. Pinafore" created about two and a half hours of performance and intermissions. Although, the operettas were entertaining, the time element directly affected the enthusiasm for the performances.

## Chorus Concert Tonight

The Wilkes College Chorus will present its final concert of the year tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts. Director of the chorus is Richard Chapline, voice instructor at Wilkes.

Included in the program will be "A Song of Seasons" by Jean Berger which is a set of songs with poems for lyrics that deal with the seasons of the year. Soloists in this selection will be Michael Smith, Kathy Herpich, Nancy Tenneriello, Adele Tavella, and Lisa Waznik. It will also feature percussion and accompaniment by melodica.

"The Lark In the Morn" by Randall Thompson and "Just As

the Tide Was Flowing" will also be in the program. "The Turtle Dove" by Ralph Vaughn Williams is a familiar folk song and will feature a baritone solo by Frank McGrady.

Two Negro Spirituals are also part of the program. They are "Plenty Good Room" arranged by Henry Smith and "Sweet Canaan" arranged by Clifford Taylor and featuring a soprano solo by Kathy Herpich.

A Hebrew song, which will be sung in Hebrew, "Song of Galilee" written by Julius Chajes will be included. Also "Ikley Moor Baht 'At", a Yorkshire Folksong will feature Baritone Soloist Larry Vojtko.

## Madrigals To Perform On Saturday

The Wilkes College Madrigal Singers will present their Spring Concert on Sunday, May 8, at 3:30 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

A group of 12 voices, the Madrigals, are under the direction of Richard Chapline. This concert is the second that the group presents each year with the other being at Christmas time.

Included in this concert will be the "Missa Brevis" of Renaissance composer Palestrina. Following will be three madrigals of the 17th Century "Sweet Love, O Cease Thy Flying", "Sorrow Consumes

Me" both by George Kirbye and "All at Once Well Met Fair Ladies" by Thomas Weelkes.

Following will be a set of four Madrigals written by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and accompanied by three clarinets. The four Italian selections are "Se lontan, ben mio, tu sei", "Ecco, quel fiero istante", "Due pupille amabili", and "Piu non si trovano."

Concluding the program will be three more selection, "Sing We and Chant It," by Thomas Morley, "You Stole My Love" by Walter MacFarren, and "When Allen-A-Dale Went A-Hunting," by Robert de Pearsall.

## Band Concert

The Wilkes College Concert Band, under the direction of William Gasbarro, Chairman of The Music Department, will give their final concert of the year on Saturday, April 30, at 8:30 in the Center for the Performing Arts.

The program will include "Gloria" by F.H. Losey, "Loch Lomond" arranged by W.J. Dawson, "Chorale and Alleluia" by Howard Hanson and concluding the first portion of the program, "Fingal's Cove Overture" by Felix Mendelssohn arranged for concert band by J.S. Seredy.

Beginning the second portion of the concert will be Moussorgsky's famous "Pictures at an Exhibition" arranged by Erik Leidzen. Included will be the portions entitled "The Old Castle", "Tuleries," which are children disputing after play, "Bydlo," a Polish ox-card with enormous wheels, "The Ballet of the Unhatched Chickens." In between each will be the familiar "Promenade."

Concluding the program will be "Scene du Bal" by Eric Coates. The final selection will feature Marilyn Anderson at the piano in a rendition of Richard Rodgers' "Slaughter On Tenth Avenue" arranged by Philip J. Lang.

Nancy Evans is president of the band. The concert is free from admission charge.

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### NOTICE

A ring and key were found in the basement of the S.U.B. Friday night after the Mr. Physique Contest. Inquiries can be made to Larry Assalita or the SG office.

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### NOTICE

This is the final issue of The Beacon for the 1976-77 school year. Classes end Tuesday, May 3, and a Friday schedule will be followed.

## THE WIZARD OF WAZ

### Class Will

We, the Class of 1977, being of sound mind, hereby do bequeath the following:

Gina O'Brien leaves three bottles of aspirin, four boxes of Alka-Seltzer, and the Student Government Handbook to Carl Holsberger. John "Larry Las Vegas" Jastrem leaves his wardrobe to Fred Croop.

Vicki Moss and Linda Abbey leave Randy Smith to Jim McGraw.

Mark Abbruzzese leaves his quiet mannerisms to another quiet person, Len Vekkos.

Dotty Martin leaves Jane Manganella some peace and quiet. Gail Azain leaves "Lar" her essay on "Honchos, and Other Big Shots."

Brian Boston leaves a copy of the MANUSCRIPT in the library in the section marked "Great Literary Works."

Mary Lou Zawatski and Sandy Sabatini leave the Nursing Department with a tear in their eyes and a five finger salute.

Karen Snow leaves her dorm to Gary Toczylowski, along with a smile.

Mark Jacobs leaves his Vega, the snack bar, and a tape of him singing the alma mater to WCLH.

Patti Reilly leaves Wilma Hurst The Beacon and will also throw in a seat at the Publications Committee Meeting.

Dane Drasher leaves his body to me. (Yow!!)

Jim Stehle leaves his burp and his humility to Terry Schoen.

Joe Serrenti his manual on "How To Graduate With The Least Amount of Grief," the key to the library, and a few parking tickets to Ken McGraw. (Only thing is, someone tell Ken McGraw he doesn't graduate until next year.)

Donna Wasilewski leaves Wilkes to head election campaigns.

Donna Marchetti leaves her seat in Dr. Fall's night class to anyone who can withstand the pain.

Dave Cherundolo leaves Commuter Council with a snicker.

Patrice Stone leaves for New York with a trail of broken hearts behind her.

Rick Cronauer and Jeff Renoe leave arm in arm.

The Class of '77 leaves the Class of '78, or '79, or '80, Dave Gregrow, Jim Yosh, Nick Holgash, Frank Wengen, Mark Davis, Paul Niedzwiecki, Bill Manley, Gus Marini, and a host of other favorites.

Dave Orischak leaves the other half of his intramural sports staff to Mary Ellen Alu.

Mary Ellen Alu leaves me a few choice words for saying that.

Marcy Stern leaves her musical abilities to Gerald D'Albis.

Ned Evans leaves Wilkes to spend another exciting summer working for the best boss in town.

Sue Ann Knight leaves a list of puzzlers to Coach Meyers.

Sharon Sprechinni is leaving but doesn't realize it yet.

Bruce Lear isn't leaving, but leaves Tom Bazzini his spot on the wrestling team that meets Sundays in the Commons.

Mary Ann Toth leaves her volleyball skills to Mrs. Saracino.

The senior music majors leave Mr. Haberkorn a collection of hats, a box of cookies, a hunk of pepperoni, a pound of cheese, some peace and quiet, a bottle of wine, and an album titled "Aardvarks of the Nineteenth Century."

Panos Kalaritas leaves his job in the mail or male room to Debbie Stevens.

I leave this column to Eddie White, along with my autograph.

The senior accounting majors leave the underclassmen permission to call their professors by their proper names ("i.e." Zeus, Howie, Louie, etc.)

Rob Barber leaves a pair of unused gym shorts.

Steve Standiford leaves his winning attitude to Bob Assura.

Kurt Franke leaves his hair to Tony Grimaldia.

Jackie Buzzelli leaves her hair to Rich Karo.

The Senior Class leaves Wilkes behind.

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### NOTICE

The Wilkes College Polar Bear Club and Accounting Club are planning their annual spring outing. The outing will be held Sunday, May 15. You can purchase your tickets from Bert Katz, president of the Accounting Club, or Millie Wysocki, Mike Anger, and Steve Bailey from the Polar Bear Club. Cost of the tickets are \$2.50 for members of either club and \$3.50 for non-members.

## HORIZONS

The Feature Page

## Recital Corner

Spring is the season for baseball, flowers, showers and senior recitals. The Music Department will be busy in the next few weeks with senior recitals.

Austin McElwee will present his piano recital at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, April 29. Included in his program are compositions of Schubert, Chopin, Bartok, Prokofieff, Brahms, Chabrier, and Debussy.

Austin was recently piano accompanist for the two theater productions.

On Sunday night, May 1, at 8:30, there will be a joint effort in the presentation of Donna Marchetti and Joseph Serenti at the pianos. They will do solo works and combine for a few selections. Included will be selections by Bach, Handel, Scarlatti, Beethoven, Mozart, Grieg, Shostokovich, Lecuona and Gershwin.

Both are members of the chorus.

Friday evening, May 6, at 8:30 Giacomina Buzzelli will give her

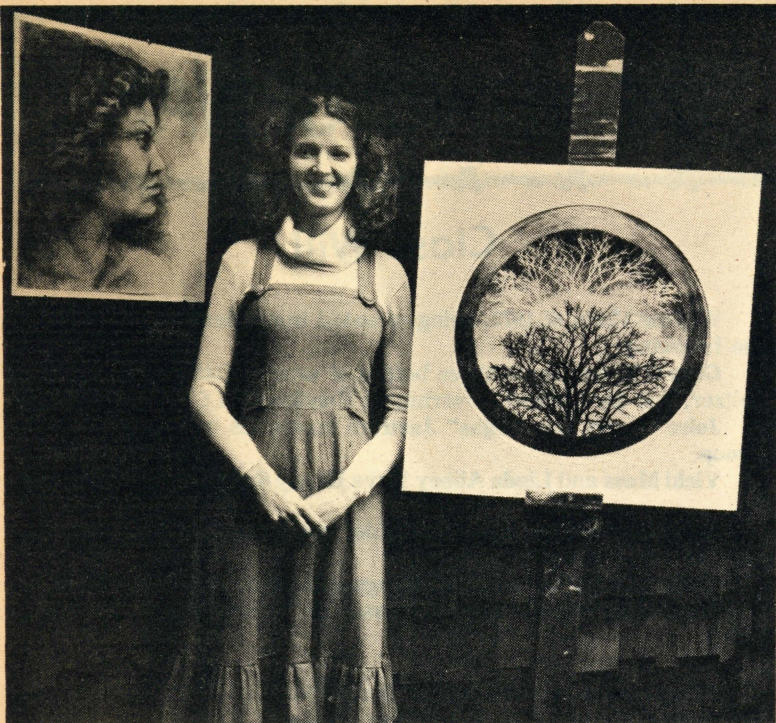
piano recital. She will perform the works of Couperin, Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, Lecuona, McKay and Kabalevsky. Jackie is also a member of the chorus.

At the end of the month will be the performances of two more seniors, Narda Sperazza, Saturday, May 7, at 8:30 and Debbie Shekletski, May 14, at 8:30.

All recitals are in Gies Recital Hall and are free.







Marilyn Swankowski will open her senior art exhibit Saturday, May 7 at 8 p.m. in the Conyngham Art Gallery. Her exhibit, which includes graphics and drawings, will run until Friday, May 13. Hours are 1 to 8 p.m. daily.

## Analysis

# IDC Proved Successful With Day-To-Day Work

By Jim Edwards

This past year the Inter-Dormitory Council has demonstrated itself effective in many areas. Bruce Lear, IDC president, has worked his best at trying to resolve any problems that arise at the weekly meetings. Through his leadership over the council and capability to work closely with Joe Marchetti, housing director, Lear and IDC have tried to make dormitory living comfortable and uncomplicated.

One of the first problems the council was confronted with was security. After an attempted rape in early September, the first three council meetings dealt extensively with improving and questioning the function of security. The end result was that a security guard was added to the force of three and a spot car was added to drive around campus at night. Rezoning of the campus security zones was also pushed by IDC.

Another major problem of the council's, one which lasted the full year, was the maintenance service. Complaints were constantly brought up at weekly meetings in which Lear usually referred them to Marchetti. IDC proved itself as the factor through which dormitory maintenance problems were resolved once brought to its attention.

Concerning the visitation policy, IDC formed a visitation committee early last semester to propose a less stringent policy. Letters were written to 14 colleges concerning their

policies. The feedback obtained from these colleges would be instrumental in proposing a new policy. It is now the end of April and the committee is still waiting for a response.

This can hardly be described as productive. Newly elected IDC president, Tom Bazzini, is promising a different approach on the issue which may be more productive. He plans to use the proposed summer school co-ed dormitory program as a jumping-off point.

The food committee, on the other hand has been the most productive committee under IDC. Chairman Sheree Kessler has worked closely with Mr. Fred Denion of the cafeteria staff to keep students satisfied. Most recently the committee is looking into the idea of another food service as well as another food plan. An overall improvement has been seen in the cafeteria and this is a result of IDC's food committee.

The parties, activities, and dinners which were sponsored by IDC this year were most successful, some say the best ever. Much of the credit goes to Kim Witherow and Sheree Kessler who put hard work and much dedication into each activity.

Even though this year's council did not complete any major accomplishments, it did take care of the day to day crisis, and offered several social activities. Next year's executive council of IDC seems to promise a little more than what this year's council accomplished but we will just have to sit back and wait.

## Analysis

# SG Acted To Better Wilkes, But Sometimes Fell Short

By Joseph Buckley

Motivation, interest and involvement were the forces which promoted this year's Student Government to action. Because of these activating forces, the 1976-77 SG accomplished far more than any previous Student Governments.

Gina O'Brien, only the second female to hold the SG president's office, has been one of the better SG presidents. She achieved this mainly by being a good referee.

Although she had some input into SG as far as new ideas are concerned, her highest accomplishment is that she worked in tandem with the entire body and not as a separate entity.

After a somewhat factious election last year, O'Brien mended SG back into a working whole. At times, however, the

seams began to strain. The only thing that kept the fabric of SG from ripping was O'Brien's skill at handling the gavel during a meeting. While she was not afraid to have opposing opinions voiced, she also did not allow the members to split into disinterested, isolated groups just because of a disagreement on one issue.

The major improvements to the college which were brought about, either partly or completely, by SG included: the placing of the bulletin board in the Common's area, a fairly successful film series, and a successful homecoming.

The innovative winter weekend which brought the celebration back to the campus was highly successful. Most of the credit for

that belongs to Rosetta Chiavacci and Norm Verhoog.

The most popular campus improvement, one that is greatly advantageous to the students, is the library's new five cent copier. Surprisingly, it was over that issue that SG had to fight the hardest. Without that strong sponsorship by SG, it is doubtful we would have a five cent copier.

Probably the most important accomplishments are the improvements to SG itself. Meetings were much more orderly than in past years. This is in large part because of the efforts of SG members to skill themselves in parliamentary procedure. With the help of Dr. Bradford Kinney of the English Department, SG took on the appearance of an organized governmental body.

The new constitution, carefully rewritten and revised, was recently ratified by the student body. It should help to eliminate many problems which occurred because of the inconsistencies in the previous constitution.

SG has not been without its problems, though. There are several areas where improvement is still greatly needed.

Even though more fund requests have been granted this year than in past years, the dispensing of funds has been inconsistent. This is probably SG's greatest fault because it is concerned with money received by SG from the student activity fee.

Some clubs or organizations, such as the Art Club, were treated as though they had committed a crime just by approaching SG. They were also subject to the most inane and ridiculous questioning.

Other requests, however, were granted by SG without the simplest questioning of the need for the funds. Many of these type requests were made by a member of a club who was also an SG rep. In the future, SG should not allow one of its own members to make a request for another club or organization.

Also concerning the funds, SG waited until the last six weeks of this semester before it realized it might be in financial trouble. A more careful watch on the treasury stability should be imposed by next year's officers.

The final improvement necessary to SG is an end to the apparent disinterest of some of its own members, several who are returning next year. These are the people, because of apathy or fear, who never voiced a single opinion all year. Because of them, SG did not achieve all it possibly could have achieved.

Their silence is the fault of both the students, for electing them, and of SG, for allowing them to be silent. The faith placed in them by those who elected them obligates those members to do more than vote. They must become actively involved in the decision making process.

Carl Holsberger, the new SG President, was one of the most outstanding and exemplary members of SG this year. He has worked very hard on several issues, most recently the decimal point grading proposal and the teacher evaluation project.

For this, Holsberger strongly deserves the support of the entire college throughout his

## Philosophy Club To Have Lecture

The Philosophy Club of Wilkes College will sponsor an introductory lecture on Eckankar, The Path of Total Awareness, on Thursday evening, April 28, 1977. The presentation will be held at Stark Learning Center in Lecture Hall 1 and will begin at 7:30 p.m. The program is open to the public with free admission.

According to the teachings of Eckankar, man is more than just a physical body; he is also spiritual essence. Under the guidance of the Living ECK Master, the chela (student) of Eckankar is brought into the awareness of his own true nature. He can learn the Riddle of Life, the "why" of injustices (karma), the reason for Being, workable

ways of overcoming the negative aspects of this plane and the fear of death, all in this lifetime, regardless of his age or life condition.

Eckankar is the science of total awareness, the path of spiritual endeavor that leads to the state of total consciousness and total responsibility which is the natural result of total freedom from all things.

It means "co-worker with God." The definition of Eckankar reads, "The all-embracing spiritual force of the Sugmad (God) which composes life and makes up all elemental substances, including the component parts of Soul. It is the audible life force that we can hear as Sound and see as Light."

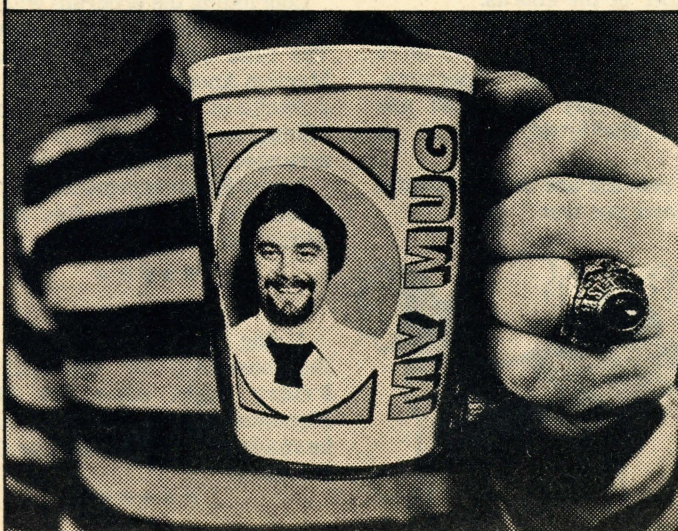
All life is Light and Sound, flowing out of the Godhead, the secret place of the most high, somewhere within oneself.

## EDITOR'S NOTE

A review of Commuter Council activities was not written this semester due to the number of CC meetings held this year and the fact that several Beacon members reported on the meetings. Because of this situation, we felt that we could not fairly evaluate the accomplishments of the council.

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# Stehle: Life Under Microscope

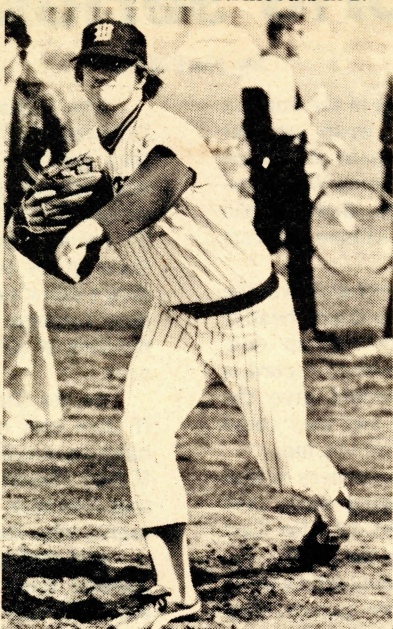
By Earl Monk

For the last two years, he's pitched under a microscope. Scouts watch every move he makes, even when he only warms up. The fans expect a near perfect performance with a lot of strikeouts every time he pitches. And yet, despite all this pressure, ace left-handed pitcher Jim Stehle maintains the same modest, easy to get along with attitude he's had all throughout his career here at Wilkes.

Jim, a 6-1, 190 pound senior from Coughlin, is a top-notch pro baseball prospect. Last year, he was drafted in the fourth round by the Chicago White Sox. But, an arm injury incurred in the NCAA regionals helped him decide to stay in school for his final year.

Whenever he pitches, anywhere from eight scouts or more will be on hand. They analyze every aspect of his performance, while trying to decide just how high they think he should be drafted. And, with his

showing this year (currently 4-0, a 1.33 ERA, and 41 strikeouts in 27



Jim Stehle - To Jim, the draft is more than a lot of wind.

## Softball Team Makes Campaign Debut

By Dotty Martin

The Wilkes College women's varsity softball team made history last week - they played a game. Wilkes met King's College at the latter's home field last week and made history by opening a new women's sport at the college.

The girls were not very lucky in their first outing, however, as they were defeated, 15-7, by the lady Monarchs. The fast ball pitching of much experienced Gemma Mehalchick was too much for the Colonelettes to handle.

Big hitters for the Blue and Gold in this game were junior Karen Olney who went two for three, both singles; freshman Sue Freda who had three singles for three times at bat; and sophomore Debbie Yedlock who went two for four with a single and a double.

When Wilkes took to the field for the first time ever, the girls were a little tight and nervous. After the first inning, however, they got down to playing good ball. Coach Gay Meyers commented, "I knew we would make some fielding errors because we hadn't had any game experience and King's had already played three games. I had counted on more hitting, but I think it will get better with each game."

In the second game of history,

the Colonelettes played host to the female Royals of Scranton University. This was the first home game for the Wilkes women and, just like they do in the "big leagues", President Capin was on hand to throw out the first ball.

Although the female Colonels lost this game, 10-5, they looked much better than they had against King's. Big bats during this contest were Anita Meehan, going three for four with three singles; Jackie Weindl, four for three, both singles; and Debbie Yedlock, two for two, both singles.

Junior Nancy VanKuren deserves much credit for pitching as well as she did in both of these games. Nancy was going to be used in relief at first, but injuries to other pitchers forced her to start the games.

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Hoynak trailed at 167 (85-82).

The key to the Colonel tournament hopes now appears to be success in the second half of their dual schedule. They have some very tough matches lying ahead. Two of the matches are against teams that finished in the top five in the MAC's.

Tomorrow is a triangular with Albright and Juniata while Monday brings a dual matchup with Susquehanna. On Thursday, the duffers finish their regular season with a triangular match with Lebanon Valley and Scranton, only the Colonels second home match of the year.

After the schedule is played out, the selection committee goes to work. If the Colonels can stay on the victory road, an 11-1 record with a second place finish in the MAC's will be hard to deny. Selection to the NCAA qualifying tourney will be almost assured. Then the Colonels' second season will begin. All of this, providing they keep winning. Acornley

innings) the feeling is he may go in one of the first three rounds of this year's draft.

Jim credits much of his success to pitching Coach Bob Duliba. "Ach," a former major leaguer himself, has helped make the transition from thrower to pitcher. His coaching and advice has helped Jim cut down on his walks, and still enables him to throw his overpowering fast ball for strikeouts.

Jim has "thoroughly enjoyed" his four years at Wilkes. He is best of friends with all his teammates, and as co-captain, has helped many of the seven freshmen on the team this year. He serves as the team funny man, and can take the needle from his teammates, as well as give it.

Coach Gene Domzalski will be sorry to see the big lefty leave. His current career record of 15-3 has been a big factor in the Colonels' record of 61-19 over the last four years. His service to the ball club has been greatly appreciated, and each and every player who ever went on the field with him, and many people in the college and community wish him the best, and hope to see him the majors in the future. It couldn't happen to a finer man.

## Netmen Shoot To Break Even

By Rich Scott

"We went up against a strong team and played well, but due to our lack of experience ..." were the words of tennis coach Tom Rokita, as Scranton defeated the Wilkes' netmen, 7-2, last Monday afternoon.

The loss leaves the team with a 4-5 record and with two matches left in the season, Wilkes will play Albright on Saturday and Muhlenberg on Wednesday. Rokita reflected on the upcoming matches and feels "if we play well and play the way we are capable of playing, we should have a winning season."

Even though the tennis team is out of the playoff picture, Rokita is very optimistic for next season. He said, "One could see that we were improving with each match. We were also allowing our underclassmen to gain valuable playing experience." It is in this regard that Rokita considers this a successful season.

Of the starting nine players, only seniors Judd Davis and Mark Abbruzzese will not be returning next spring.

Davis, who has been a standout at Wilkes for four years will be a difficult loss. His cohort, Abbruzzese, will also be missed from the starting lineup.

According to Rokita, "Mark is playing the best tennis of his life and it showed last Monday." Abbruzzese picked up one of the two points when he played doubles with Ricky Baran, who also gained the other point in a singles match. Mark has worked hard to improve his game and will be sorely missed next year.

Coach Rokita is looking forward to next year with great Anticipation, but he is more concerned with the present situation. If the team can come through with a couple of victories this week, it will be the first winning tennis team at Wilkes in four years. And with the team gaining this year's experience and being mostly veteran players next year, who knows how many winning seasons are in store for Coach Rokita and his netmen.

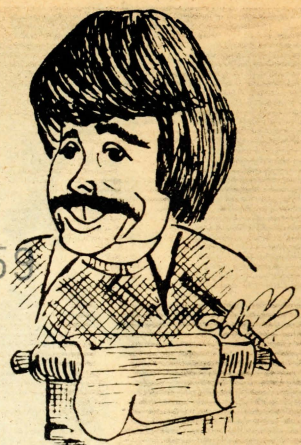
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"Kernels"



by jeff acornley

I found it interesting to read Lou Rauscher's column last Sunday in the Sunday Independent. But instead of any further mud slinging, let's stop clouding the issue and present the real issues that are at stake.

1) The real issue is not whether the act in question was actually committed, but rather whether there is documented proof of the incident. The role of the columnist is that of presenting facts, not glorified gossip. If there is proof of the incident, the men in question would have been arrested. I will not print in my column any rumors, especially when the consequences of a criminal offense are involved. I want documented facts.

2) The issue of anonymity is also of much importance here. Mr. Rauscher contradicts himself right in his own column. In one breath he states that he won't "betray a confidence by identifying 'our source'" but in his next breath criticizes that "it's the easiest thing in the world in this profession to hide behind a cloak of anonymity." The hypocrisy is difficult to understand.

3) The hypocrisy continues in this next issue. The story that was run in the Independent a few weeks ago concerning the resignation of Wilkes assistant basketball coach Jim Zardecki had a headline of ZARDECKI QUILTS WILKES. Now in last week's column Mr. Rauscher is changing horses in midstream by stating that "as far as we know, Zardecki is still going to leave Wilkes." There is quite a big difference between those two statements. Obviously the Independent checked the college payroll after they went to print and found that Mr. Zardecki is still on the Wilkes staff.

4) I feel perhaps the analogy of David and Goliath is somehow appropriate. If The Beacon is as insignificant as Mr. Rauscher seems to believe, why did Columbia Scholastic Press award us national first place honors for two years running? And more importantly, why is a large metropolitan newspaper with a circulation of 68,000 so worried about a school paper with an internal circulation of only 2,000? If our reporting is as superficial as Mr. Rauscher claims, why has he spent four weeks of his column space refuting us?

These are the real issues. And I defy Mr. Rauscher to stop smoke-screening them and answer the questions.

Well, Lou, I'm going on vacation for the summer. See you next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the graduating seniors on The Beacon sports staff for their much appreciated efforts.

**Earl Monk:** for your dependable and devoted reporting of Colonel wrestling and baseball.

**Dave Orishak:** for your wit and wisdom in covering all the Wilkes intramural activities.

**Dotty Martin:** for your straightforward approach in making female athletics equitable.

Thank you all.

## Volleyballers Invited To ESSC Tournament

After losing the first four games, the Colonelette volleyball team came back strong last week and defeated its two biggest arch-rivals. The Wilkes women beat King's College, 15-1 and 15-9; and College Misericordia, 15-3 and 15-11.

Credit for the big victories goes to seniors Sharon Clune who leads the team with 15 hit points; Sharon Wilkes with 15 saves; sophomore Karen Polomski who leads with 24 aces, followed by Sally Steele with 20 aces. Sally Steele also has nine assists.

Seniors Joan Chemntius and Barb Gorgas are doing a fine job of setting for the hit points and saves and senior Debbie Orbinati has been playing an extremely strong game lately.

After the final game of the 1976-77 season tomorrow with Misericordia at home, the Blue and Gold team will be losing seven seniors. They are Joan Chemntius, Sharon Clune, Barb Gorgas, Debbie Orbinati, Karen Snow, Mary Ann Toth, and Sharon Wilkes. Filling the positions these girls have held for the past year isn't going to be an easy one for Coach Doris Saracino.

The Wilkes netwomen will participate in a tournament on May 1 at East Stroudsburg State College and Coach Saracino expects to have as many girls as possible see action. Wilkes will meet Temple University at 9 a.m. to open the tourney.

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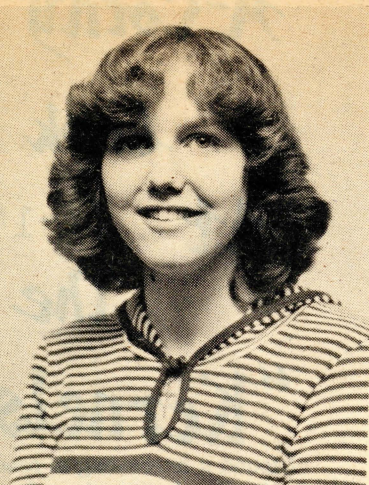
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## 1977 Beacon Athletes Of The Year



Don McDermott



Mary Jo Frail

By Jeff Acornley

An athlete: not necessarily the biggest or the strongest or the most talented. An athlete is one who gives of himself unselfishly to his teammates and uses his talents in the best way possible. In the opinion of the Wilkes College community, Don McDermott and Mary Jo Frail best exemplified this ideal during the past academic year, while competing in varsity athletics at Wilkes.

Balloting among 30 of the most respected sports analysts on the campus was conducted last week and it produced landslide victories for both McDermott and Frail. Coaches, writers, and administrators alike were almost unanimous in their approval.

Mary Jo Frail, a freshman from Wilkes-Barre, strutted onto the campus this fall and strutted right into the hearts of Colonel sports fans. Her fiery spirit and pixy smile has made her a well known figure on campus. If not for a broken finger, she would have undoubtedly garnered three varsity letters in her initial year and probably more if they had let her.

Hockey was the first field of endeavor for the sparky freshman. Under the tutelage of Gay Meyers, Mary Jo took over the right wing slot and with dazzling stickwork, received Honorable Mention to the Susquehanna Field Hockey Association Team.

As the playmaker guard on the Colonelette basketball team, she racked up 226 points for an average of 10.7 per game. She topped off the season by being named to the NPWIAA second team All-Star squad.

And finally she was all set to begin the softball season as the Colonelette starting pitcher before a broken finger shelved her for the year. Mary Jo was also a member of the championship IM volleyball team.

Jerry Ann Smith finished second in the voting with Sharon Wilkes, Joanne Englot, Doty Martin, and Cindy Glawe all bunched closely for the third slot.

Don McDermott, unlike Frail, has been around Wilkes athletics for quite a while. The voters were impressed with Don's leadership ability as well as his athletic prowess. The senior from West Pittston was co-captain of two varsity sports this year.

Don was the biggest offensive weapon for coach Rollie Schmidt's grid squad last fall. His bionic toe kept many opponents in the hole and his defensive play from the outside linebacker slot helped keep them there. He was voted the MAC "Punter of the Year."

Don is also a member of the famed "Lumber Company" in the spring. Playing a mean first base and swinging a potent and powerful bat, he is a key player in Gene Domzalski's drive to the MAC title and possibly beyond. Don was also a member of the championship IM basketball team during the winter.

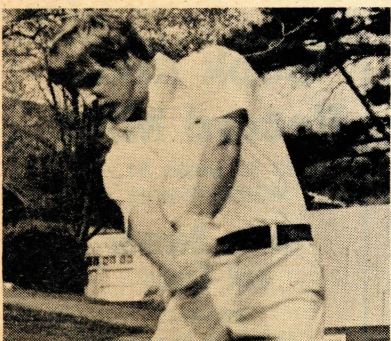
Jim Stehle was awarded second place with Lon Balum, Bruce Lear, Mike Supczynski, and Tom Donahue grouped at third.

The victors were presented trophies in honor of their accomplishment at the Student Awards Luncheon on Tuesday.

## Golfers Finish Second; Hoping For Invitation

Is finishing second something like kissing your sister? Well, the Colonel golfers are waiting to see if their fate is as bad as that. Their chances of gaining another trip to the NCAA Division III national tournament will hinge on their performance within the next week as well as the whims of the selection committee.

The Colonels, however, put themselves in fairly good position this past Monday when they finished a very respectable second in the MAC golf tournament. Held at Hidden Springs Golf Course in Horsham, Penn-



Kaptain Ken

sylvania, again this year the tourney was a success.

Last season the Colonels also finished second in the MAC tournament competition and coupling that with an outstanding 16-0 unblemished dual record, they ended up in the national tournament in Ohio. The current edition of the Colonel duffers are hoping to repeat that performance as an encore.

Gettysburg College captured the team championship honors by a whopping 15 stroke margin over the Wilkesmen. The Bullets shot a 36-hole total of 617. They were led by tournament medalist Dave Boynton who toured the courses with a low score of 147 (76-71).

Colonel captain, Ken Donlavage, spearheaded the Wilkes forces, posting a score of 151 (77-74). His excellent rounds as the Colonel leader were good enough to nail down third place, just 4 shots off the medalist pace.

Joe Skladany was the Wilkes runner-up, firing a 156 (80-76). John Petrosky followed closely with a 158 (79-79) and Bryan

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# Diamondmen Look For Return Trip To World Series Playoffs

By Earl Monk

With this being the last Beacon of the current school year, we will have to wrap up our coverage of the Wilkes baseball team in one article. But, at this point the MAC North West Conference crown has not yet been decided, and the Colonels still have seven regular season contests left.

First of all, the Colonels can probably win the MAC crown outright by sweeping a doubleheader at Juniata this Saturday. Their current conference record is 5-1 while their overall record is 13-2. A sweep against Juniata would give the Colonels a 7-1 final MAC record, and they could do no worse than tie for the championship.

However, the feeling in some corners is that if the Colonels continue their winning ways, they will make the return trip to the NCAA Mid East Regionals, even if they don't win the MAC.

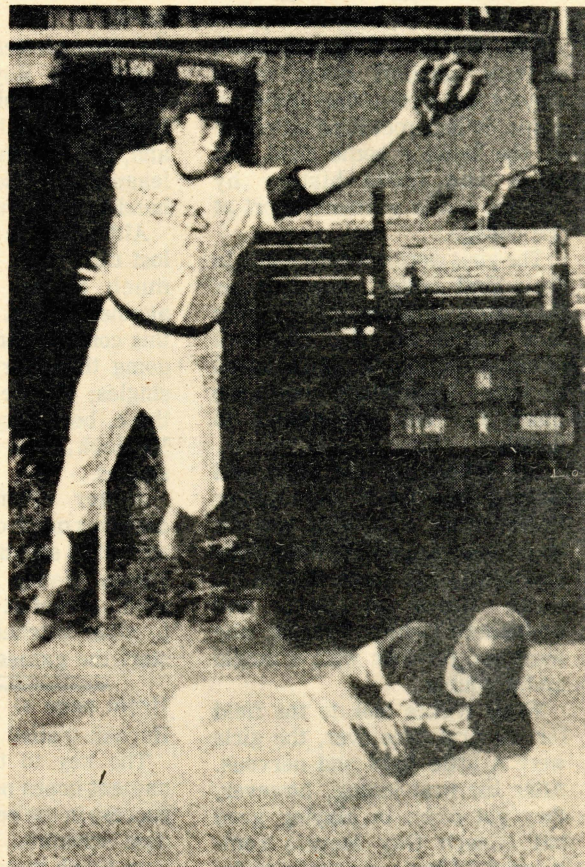
If the Colonels should lose a doubleheader to Juniata, by winning their other five games, they could still finish with a season record of 18-4. Last year they were invited to regionals with a 17-5 record, so a good record coupled with the success of last year's team would probably earn them another shot at the World Series.

Yesterday the Colonels were in Scranton for a doubleheader against the Royals. On Saturday they will play the big doubleheader against Juniata. Next week, they'll play their final home game against Kutztown on Tuesday, before finishing up on the road against Upsala and Scranton (for their fifth game of the year with the Royals).

Since the last Beacon, the Colonels have gone 5-1. They swept a conference doubleheader from Albright last Thursday by 16-2 and 8-0 scores. Left-handers Andy Kresky and Jim Stehle each picked up a win, as the "Lumber Company" exploded again.

Ken Suchoski had a home run in each game, while Mike Supczynski, George Kavulich, Don McDermott and Lou Elefante each also hit a home run. Many of the regulars sat out Friday's Allentown game as the Colonels won 10-1 behind the two hit pitching of Dan Pisarcik.

The Ursinus game on Monday was a laugh for the Colonels as they won 22-1. Manny Evans picked up his fourth win with Steve Grasley hurling four innings in relief. Terry Schoen and Bill Hockenbury each hit a grand slam, while Bill Polaha had a solo home run.



Phil Marino symbolizes the current Colonel baseball status. Spectacular but still up in the air.

## Stickmen Undefeated In MAC

By Eddie White

It is over for the Wilkes College lacrosse team. No, not their season, but their coverage by The Beacon, which ends with this issue.

The Colonel stickmen have three games remaining in their season. Before yesterday's encounter with Gettysburg, the Blue and Gold's record stood at 3-3 overall, with more importantly their mark being 3-0 in MAC competition. Of the three games remaining only one will be at home, the last contest of the year, a Saturday afternoon, May 7 date with Franklin & Marshall at 2 at Ralston Field. Take time out from exam studying and see these exciting Colonels.

Wilkes won both of their matches last week. They defeated Haverford, 13-11, in a thrilling overtime at Ralston Field, and totally crushed Muhlenberg, 17-1, on the road.

The overtime game was so exciting, even the intramural baseball players watched the contest while playing in their

After a 3-3 first quarter, the Colonels took a 6-3 lead at the half on goals by Joe Burnett, Tim Smith, and Dwight Beck. The third period saw the "Fords" score four goals, while Wilkes got one from Bill Adams to tie the score at 7-7. And at the end of four quarters of regulation play, it was knotted at 9-9.

Mark Davis scored on a pass from Adams at 2:30 to give the Colonels the lead in the first overtime. But that was short lived as Glenn Haw tallied for the "Fords," to end the first O.T. period at 10-10.

With it getting dark and the dorm students getting anxious for the cafeteria, Coach Chuck Mattei seemed to give the signal to the Colonels to end the game. Bob Taylor scored on a fantastic play at 0:36, Brian Blesi tallied a goal at 1:35 and Adams added his fourth goal of the day, before Haverford scored a goal to set the 13-11 final.

Fourteen Colonels scored at games.

least one point in the 17-1 victory over Muhlenberg. Tim Smith had six assists, while Adams tallied three goals and an assist, to lead Wilkes. The Colonels led 10-1 at the half in the romp.

**STICKING WITH IT:** Six game stats show freshman Tim Smith leading in the scoring department with six goals and 16 assists for 22 points, while Adams follows with 16 goals and three assists for 19 points ... Most excitable and noticeable fan at the Haverford game was Coach Hobrock's wife, Dean Linda Hobrock, who was cheering on the stickmen with everything she had ... If I can, I would like to thank everyone for making my first year on The Beacon an exciting one, especially the subjects I wrote about: the soccer team, Val Kaplan, Terry "Joe Morgan" Schoen, the lacrosse team, and most important, the queen of sports, Dorothy Hamill.