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## Don't Forget to Remember: Wilkes Celebrates MLK's Legacy

BY GABE LeDONNE  
Beacon News Editor

Dr. Martin Luther King died nearly thirty-five years ago, but his legacy has continued through those who have been moved by his message and inspired by his dream. In celebration of Dr. King's birthday, Wilkes' Multicultural Affairs and Community Service offices sponsored multiple events in Dr. King's memory.

Multicultural Affairs Coordinator, Andita N. Parker Lloyd, explained the concept behind the week long tribute. "We decided this year with community service not only to do a program, but do community service at various project areas to enhance students' understanding...of what Dr. King was all about," explained Lloyd.

What MLK was all about, as Lloyd explained was, "helping each other and thinking of others before yourself."

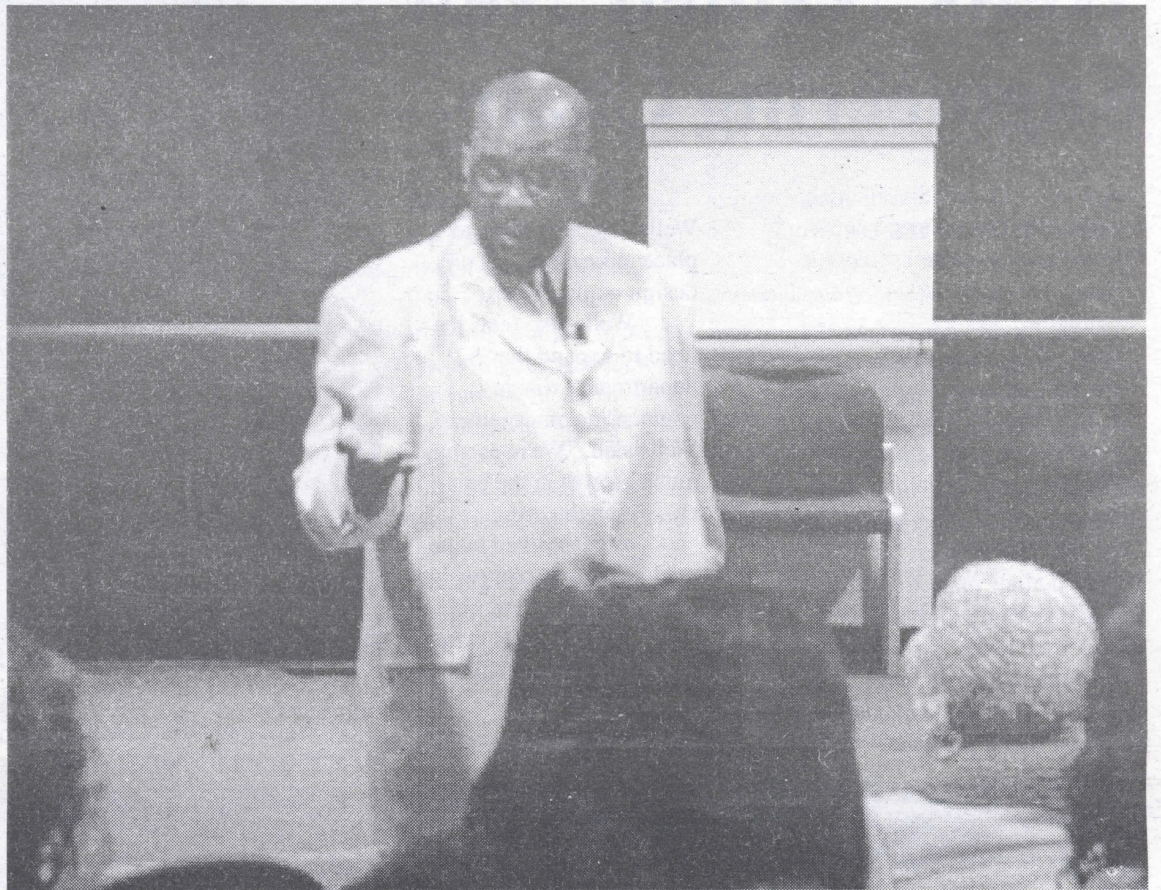
Part of the celebration

included the theme to take "a day on, not a day off" with several community service opportunities including tutoring, caring for the elderly, and feeding the needy.

In addition, the Martin Luther King Jr. Committee for Social Justice & Wilkes University presented its 23rd annual MLK Birthday celebration, this year featuring Brian Johnson, Director of Multicultural Affairs at Susquehanna University. Johnson also is the founder and owner of Mann Unlimited Motivations, which "specializes in motivational education."

Prior to delivering his keynote address, Johnson explained the nature of his speech, entitled, "Don't Forget to Remember."

"We're trying to bring Dr. King's life and legacy into 2003-kind of a renewed call to college students, and really everybody, to look ourselves



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Wilkes University celebrated Martin Luther King Day this past week.

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## President Visits NEPA

President Bush emerges from Air Force One to greet a capacity crowd in Avoca last Thursday. The President made a stop in NEPA to discuss the medical malpractice crisis.

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## Wilkes Survey Center Offers Work and Research Experience

BY GABRIELLE LAMB  
Beacon Assistant News Editor

The Wilkes University Survey Center, located in the basement of Weckesser Hall, is looking for students to conduct future surveys for clients such as WNEP and the *Times-Leader*.

The Survey Center has been operating for about seven years and has worked with clients such as The United Way, General Medical Services, and the *Times Leader*.

"The clients propose the topic; we're just hired guns," said co-director Dr. Tom Baldino. "We do have a

role in devising the questions, so they are properly worded."

The Survey Center uses Computer-assisted Telephone Interviews (CATI) to conduct surveys, in which a computer dials numbers at random and displays the survey questions to be asked. All the interviewer has to do is enter the answers they are provided.

"This (CATI) is a smaller version of what large

polling organizations, like Gallup, use," said co-director Dr. Mike Garr, Professor of Sociology. "We would like to get students more involved in administering the CATI system and in designing surveys using CATI."

Last semester, The Survey Center's

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## SG Happenings

The annual roundtable discussion will take place on March 11th. The topic will be increasing class size. The Student Government will change meeting time as follows: Executive Board will meet at 5:30 and General Board at 6:00, for the rest of the semester.

Dawn Atwater-Haight announced that campus maps should be seen by April.

Winter Weekend top three themes are Cartoons, Ice Cream Flavors, and Toys. There will be an on-line vote.

## Wells Named New Engineering Chair

BY JONATHAN DAVIES  
*Beacon Correspondent*

Dr. David Wells, a new addition to the Wilkes faculty, has been selected as the Chair of the Engineering Division. Wells arrived at Wilkes in November 2002, and brings with him nearly three decades of experience.

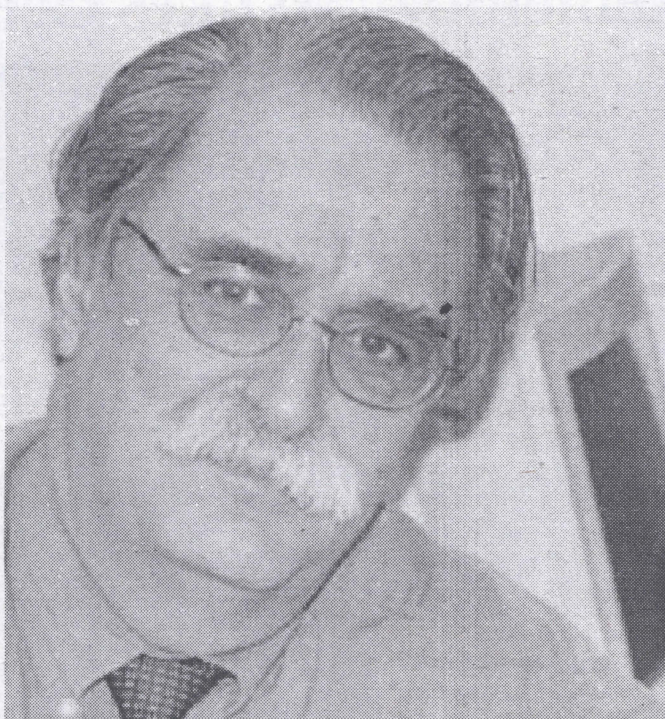
His new responsibilities at Wilkes include plans to expand the engineering program and infuse it with other disciplines. "We would like to include elements of biology and communications in our program," said

Wells. He also plans to place more emphasis on design competitions.

Wells also feels the need to expand the department's role in engineering management. Wells said, "We're seeing much growth in the business of engineering."

Wells worked in the nuclear industry for twelve years before setting his sights on academia. After teaching in Houston for four

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Dr. Wells has been selected as the Chair of the Engineering Division here at Wilkes.

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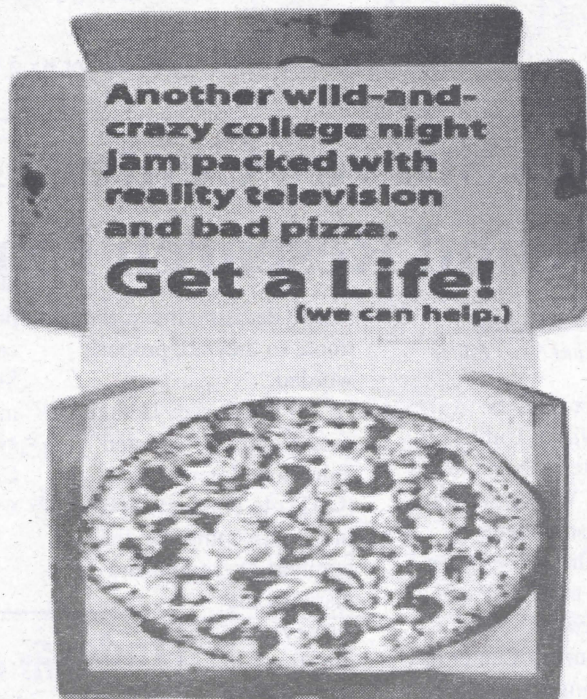
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## News Briefs

Courtesy of the Associated Press

### Rendell Urges Renewed Faith in Pennsylvania's Future

By Peter Jackson

Associated Press Writer

Ed Rendell took office Tuesday as the state's 45th governor, warning Pennsylvanians that they must expect the "short-term pain" of spending cuts and potential new taxes even as he challenged them to "begin believing in Pennsylvania's future again."

Rendell took the oath of office just after noon from his wife Midge, a judge on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, in a ceremony outside the Capitol. There he listed problems that include a budget shortfall that could approach \$2 billion, a school funding system "in desperate need of reform" and soaring local property taxes.

"We must find new sources of revenue, and at the same time make tough decisions to reduce spending and cut waste in government. We simply have no other choice," he said.

Rendell paraphrased a speech Robert F. Kennedy made during his 1968 presidential campaign as he stressed that the state must find creative ways to improve its 48th-place economic ranking nationally.

"Some claim that Pennsylvania's economy will not recover. They think our best days are behind us and they say, 'Why?'" he said. "But I see a Pennsylvania that can be the comeback story of the decade and say, 'Why not?'"

The ceremony kicked off a day of celebration that included a parade of more than 5,000 people, a fireworks display, a rock 'n' roll gala featuring Chuck Berry and Chubby Checker and an inaugural ball catered by dozens of restaurants from across the state.

Rendell's inaugural committee sold 9,500 tickets for a \$50-per-person concert and ball at the Pennsylvania Farm Show complex, but roughly 4,000 of the ticket-holders can only be admitted to the ball because there isn't enough room for them in the concert hall. The committee also distributed 4,000 free passes for the swearing-in ceremony, and another 3,000 free passes for an open house Wednesday at the governor's residence.

### Stocks Drop on War Fears That Overshadow Better-than-expected

By Amy Baldwin

Wall Street looked askance at earnings reports Tuesday, with investors bidding stocks sharply lower despite healthy profits at such companies as 3M and Ford. The Dow Jones industrials slid more than 143 points, giving the blue chips a drop of nearly 400 points over four straight losing sessions.

Analysts said a spate of disappointing corporate outlooks last week along with ongoing fears of war with Iraq caused investors to be skeptical of better-than-expected earnings.

"The reference that the economy might not have had a demonstrable turn yet is really setting people off," said Ned Riley, chief investment strategist at State Street Global Advisors.

Concerns about war increased after news that a gunman in Kuwait opened fire on an SUV carrying American civilians, killing one and wounding another. The U.S. Embassy labeled it a terrorist act.

"Despite the (earnings) data--and we have had some favorable data--this market is still focused on talk of war, the probability of war and the effects of war and much of that was exacerbated by the fatal shooting in Kuwait," said Alan Ackerman, executive vice president at Fahnestock & Co.

### Bible College Wants 666 Phone Exchange Dropped

By Roger Alford

Associated Press Writer

A small Appalachian Bible college is fighting to change its telephone number, saying the 666 prefix is disturbing to Christians who recognize it as the biblical mark of the beast.

"People say, 'You're a Bible college, and you have 666 in your phone number,'" said Carlene Light, an office worker at Kentucky Mountain Bible College. "It's the connotation. No one wants to be part of the mark of the beast."

Rob Roy MacGregor, vice president for business affairs, said staff and students at the 72-year-old institution want the number changed to a second prefix, 693, that recently was added after all the 666 numbers were taken.

In the biblical book of Revelation, 666, the mark of the beast, is stamped into people's foreheads or right hands during the last days, MacGregor said. Those who receive the mark, according to scripture, are damned to eternal punishment.

MacGregor said he asked Access Point, a North Carolina-based telephone company that serves the college, to change the number about six months ago.

Kaye Davis, general counsel for the company, said Friday that she would make every effort to get the phone number changed.

## Bush Renews Push for Medical Malpractice Caps

By Scott Lindlaw

Associated Press Writer

President Bush said Thursday his proposed nationwide ceilings on medical malpractice awards would drive down health care costs, but critics said he was siding with mismanaged insurance companies that pass inflated costs to patients.

Bush dusted off a proposal he made in July to cap the pain and suffering portions of malpractice awards at \$250,000.

Without the limit, Bush said, "excessive jury awards will continue to drive up insurance costs, will put good doctors out of business or run them out of your community and will hurt communities like Scranton, Pa. That's a fact."

Legislation he backed last year was approved in the House but was never brought for a vote in the Democratic-led Senate. Now the Republican Party controls both houses of Congress, and for the second time this week Bush revived a proposal that died last year. The other was welfare reform.

"The problem of those unnecessary costs don't start in the waiting room or the operating room. They're in the courtroom," Bush said. "Everybody's suing, it seems like. There are too many lawsuits in America, and there are too many lawsuits filed against doctors and hospitals without merit."

Pennsylvania, the state Bush chose for his speech, is important to his re-election, and he has visited it more than any other--18 times. It is one of 13 states that prohibit capping malpractice awards.

Pennsylvania is also the state with the highest rate in the nation of doctors who repeatedly commit medical malpractice, according to a report this week by a consumer group.

One out of every 10 doctors in the state has lost or settled at least two malpractice lawsuits, according to the study by Public Citizen, an advocacy group based in Washington.

Moreover, the report showed, half of all the money awarded in Pennsylvania medical malpractice cases were paid on behalf of doctors settling three or more complaints.

Public Citizen Counsel Jackson Williams said, "If you stop those doctors, you will have eliminated half of all the malpractice payoffs in the state which presumably would reduce insurance" rates.

In Pennsylvania, insurance costs

for doctors more than doubled last year for thousands of the state's physicians. An estimated 900 doctors have left the state since 2001 to avoid paying malpractice premiums as high as \$200,000 annually, said Dr. Edward Dench, a State College anesthesiologist who serves as president of the Pennsylvania Medical Society.

as a potentially formidable 2004 opponent, Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina.

Edwards made millions trying personal injury lawsuits against big companies, and is seeking the Democratic nomination.

The Senator said Thursday that Bush was "once again standing with his insider friends in the insurance industry and standing against seriously injured children and families."

"The truth is the insurance industry has done poorly in the market and is simply passing those costs on to doctors and patients," Edwards said. "Evidence from 30 years shows that the things President Bush is proposing will do nothing to reduce the premiums that doctors pay."

Edwards called for stopping frivolous lawsuits and cracking down on the small percentage of doctors responsible for the majority of malpractice cases.

Americans for Insurance Reform, a coalition of 100 consumer and public-interest groups, said the solution to rising health care costs is in changing the business practices of the insurance industry.

"Pennsylvania's insurance crisis has not been caused by the legal system or jury verdicts," the group said, citing a new study it conducted. "Rather, it is a self-inflicted phenomenon caused by the mismanaged underwriting practices of the insurance industry."

Sammy Aritz, 52, a University of Scranton carpenter working on the stage where Bush spoke, said he just wanted politicians to come up with a solution.

His wife, Karen, a nurse at Community Medical Center in Scranton, had her hours cut after doctors there threatened a walkout, she said.

"She is hoping they solve it. That's her livelihood," Aritz said. "We want to keep the good doctors here. Come up with a happy medium with the doctors, the lawyers and the insurance company."



# Hizny Named as New Director of Metz Food Services

## Halliday Leaves Wilkes to Become Catering Chief

BY JULIE MELF  
Beacon Staff Writer

The start of a new semester includes new classes, experiences, and meeting new people. This semester, Wilkes welcomes Jake Hizny, the new director of food services until Metz hires a permanent general manager. The former director, Malcom Halliday, left this position at Wilkes early this month because of a promotion to Director of Catering for Metz.

Hizny is no novice of culinary arts. He has been in the business over 25 years and was classified as a Civilian Instructor when he taught Navy Reserves how to cook after Desert Storm. Prior to this, Hizny worked at a bank, which gave him a finance background.

"My next door neighbor was a baker and after working at a high stress banking job during the week I helped her bake during the week-ends. This was something I really

enjoyed. I went in as a baker's helper and the chef began to notice me and started to teach me everything he had learned in forty years in a period of about three to four years," Hizny said.

Hizny is also no stranger to the Wilkes community. "I've seen it transform from the old cafeteria to the new Student Union Building. The transformation is amazing because it will help attract incoming students to the campus."

Wilkes will see a big difference in Metz. "You are going to see changes in less than two months that are going to dazzle the Wilkes campus," said Hizny.

For example, on Thursday evening Metz will feature T.G.I. Friday's appetizers and entrees in the Cuscela Dining Room along with prizes and giveaways.

Hizny also hopes to improve the atmosphere that Metz employees create.

"Customer service is all about

putting smiles on people's faces. You're going to see [me] and employees interact more with our clients," explained Hizny.

Other changes will include using more in-season vegetables, analyzing the menu selections and adjusting prices accordingly based on the market prices of ingredients, and having an action station for evening meals. An action station is where a chef will prepare the selected menu item to order.

"It's all about food and service. I love to watch people eat good food and when they eat good food and say 'wow, that tasted great,' it puts a smile to my face and I hope Metz will continue to do this for Wilkes in the future," Hizny said.



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Jake Hizny was named the new Director of Food Services at Wilkes.

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and where we are and where are future is going." Johnson said.

One of ways Johnson brought Dr. King's message into 2003 was in regards to President Bush's recent effort to dissolve Affirmative Action, calling it unconstitutional.

Johnson responded to the President's push, saying, "If we want to take race out of the admissions process. We need to make sure that each and every high school has the same resources that others have...if we're going to really level the playing field. But is the government going to invest the money it's going to take to do that?"

A large part of Johnson's message included the role that everyone plays in continuing the legacy of Dr. King, stating that our apathy towards awareness hinders our ability to move forward, calling us the "PlayStation Generation." He furthered his point, saying, "We're so pleasure focused, we're losing the core fabric of our society."

Johnson also commented, "We need

to learn how to talk to each other. We still have difficulty talking about race in this country."

But Johnson also offered simple suggestions to contribute to the cause.

"All you have to do is have a heart that lives for someone else...Find a cause that you can get involved in, recognize that individuals can and do make a difference. We don't have to agree about everything to live in a better society."

Johnson urged his audience to start small, in their immediate surroundings,

asking the audience, "When is the last time you did something for someone just because--just because it's the right thing to do at that moment?" He suggested that the audience start by trying to "better their circle of influence." Adding, "Let's begin a society of 'Pay it Forward.'"

Johnson stressed that we are all interconnected, "You cannot be the best you can be until I am the best I can be. And

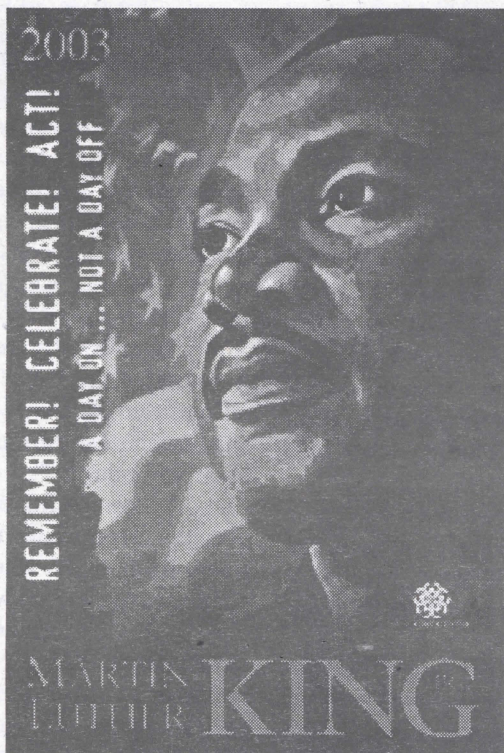
I cannot be the best I can be until you are the best you can be...So, live the dream, and be the dream."

Johnson's speech was followed by a prayer from Kevin Gaughenbaugh, Wilkes' Interfaith Coordinator, and concluded with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine" and "We Shall Overcome."

If you'd like to learn more about Multicultural Affairs on campus, call 408-4731. The learn more about Community Service opportunities, dial 408-5905.

*We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools.*

-Dr. Martin Luther King



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clients, the *Times-Leader* and WNEP, paid for a survey that assessed Luzerne County residents' opinions of the County Controller and Commissioners and their opinions of the form of government. The *Times-Leader* and WNEP are likely to be clients again this semester, and the student body can help.

"We employ students to conduct the telephone interviews. When we write the proposal to do these surveys, we estimate how many hours they will take, and how

many students we will need," said Baldino. "We believe that students should be fairly paid, so we build in an hourly wage of \$10.00/hour...Students who wish to do this can work as many hours as they can fit in their schedules."

Interested students can contact Dr. Tom Baldino or Dr. Mike Garr for more information.

For more information on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., please visit:

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## Winter Comencement held at Wilkes

BY GABE LeDONNE  
Beacon News Editor

Sunday, January 19 saw the graduation of 196 Wilkes students, composed of 135 undergraduates and 61 graduates.

Held in the Marts Sports and Conference Center, the graduates were offered well wishes by several speakers, among them University President Tim Gilmour, Alumnus Mary B. Rhoades, Chairperson and Professor of Pharmacy Dr. Ann Y.F. Lin, and graduating student Sarah Becker.

The Invocation and Benediction were offered by The Reverend Canon Donald J. Mueller of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and Monsignor Thomas V. Banick of St. Mary's of the Immaculate Conception respectively.

In his address, Gilmour gave his thoughts to the graduates, informing them that "each and every day, we face the challenges and uncertainties of a changing world as our...lives undergo unanticipated changes."

Gilmour continued into the core of his message, which was simply, "to affirm,

or reaffirm, your commitment to have civic engagement as a vital priority in your life."

Family and friends joined the new graduates in the Henry Student Center ballroom for a "informal reception" after the ceremony.



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years, he moved to upstate New York and taught at Clarkson University for an additional fifteen years. With experience in both the scholastic and professional aspects of engineering, Wells hopes to guide Wilkes students to a successful future.

"It's not a matter of averages," Wells said about students finding jobs in the field. "It is really an individual thing." Wells points out that more and more companies are looking for creative individuals, who can see different solutions to everyday problems.

"In the real world when people encounter a problem they run away and try to avoid it, but it's an engineer's job to solve such a problem."

Wells feels that people tend to ignorantly characterize the field of engineering as extremely technical, although it is actually a highly creative industry. For that reason, Wells thinks Wilkes is the perfect place to study engineering. "It (engineering) is meant to be viewed in a liberal sense."

When it comes to his life in the Wyoming Valley, Wells said, "I love it here." He enjoys the architecture and the people. Wells describes the valley as not much different from Ithaca, his hometown. "The people here are really genuine and friendly and the landscape is beautiful."

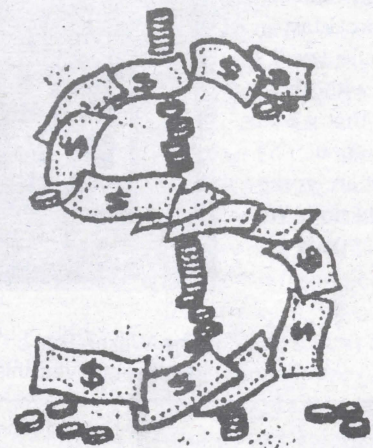
In his spare time, Wells is the editor of the IEEE Engineering Management Review. He also enjoys riding motorcycles and playing the guitar. "I prefer the electric guitar, but I'm not that good."

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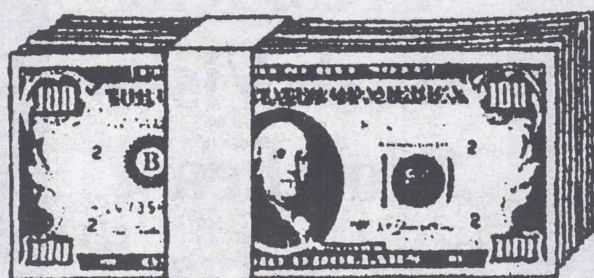
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# League of Women Voters Hosts Breakfast at Wilkes

BY GABE LeDONNE  
Beacon News Editor

Consistent with its mission to inform and encourage active participation of citizens in government, The Wilkes-Barre Chapter of the League of Women Voters hosted a breakfast with local state representatives on Saturday. The event was held in Wilkes' Henry Student Center Ballroom.

Jim Harrington, President of the League of Women Voters, Wilkes-Barre Chapter, explained the purpose of the breakfast. "The purpose of [Saturday's] breakfast is to meet with [the representatives], so that we can ask them questions about pertinent things that are going on in our region right now. We want to find out what their

issues are and how they plan to address various problems regarding the economy, and environment, how they are going to work with the new governor," he said.

Joining approximately 50 local constituents were several local state representatives including Kevin Blaum of the 121st District (D), Todd

Eachus of the 116th District (D), Phyllis Mundy of the 120th District (D), Thomas Tighe of the 118th District (D), and John T. Yudicak (D) of the 119th District.

Although the panel consisted exclusively of democrats, the League of Women Voters stressed that the organization

abstains from political opinion. "We don't support anyone; we're nonpartisan," Harrington said.

After conversing informally over a breakfast buffet the representatives participated in moderated Q & A. One hot topic in Pennsylvania covered by the Q & A was about the current malprac-

tice crisis in the state. Rep. Mundy pointed out that the solution to the problem lies in reducing error, stating, "Eighty-five percent of hospital error is caused by system error, not physician error." Mundy went on to explain that long work hours caused by hospital under staff problems heavily contribute to the problem.

Another topic discussed was the state of water supply, specifically the recent loss of protected watershed to private ownership. Along the same lines, the rising cost of water rates was also an issue addressed by the panel of representatives.

While the audience was mainly composed of LMV members, the event was completely open to the public, and several Wilkes students were in attendance.



The Beacon/Kristin Hake

The Wilkes-Barre Chapter of the League of Women Voters hosted a breakfast with local state representatives this past Saturday.



Air Force One touches down at the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport under the close watch of the Secret Service on Thursday, January 16. Secret Service agents, along with local law enforcement agencies, secured the area surrounding Avoca days before the President's arrival.

## President Bush Visits Northeast Pennsylvania

The Beacon/Gabe LeDonne



The President greets several local politicians before heading to Scranton. Among those to welcome him to NEPA were Congressmen Kanjorski and Sherwood, as well as Scranton Mayor, Chris Dougherty. Soon afterwards, Bush left for his engagements in Scranton.

## Vote for This Year's Winter Weekend Theme

Student Government encourages all students to help select this year's Winter Weekend theme by completing Student Government's new Online Survey. The Survey will be sent directly to all students Wilkes email later this week. All instructions to participate in the survey will be included in the email.

The theme nominations this year include: (1) Toys, (2) Cartoons, and (3) Ice Cream Flavors. The survey is available now through Monday, Jan. 27.

This survey marks the first for Student Government using their new online system through BarryWeb. SG voted to utilize the online provider in November, 2002

in hopes to alleviate previous problems associated with paper-ballot voting, including miscalculation due to human error and potential bias influence.

Any questions or comments can be directed to Student Government at [sg@wilkes.edu](mailto:sg@wilkes.edu) or by calling 408-2910

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## Do You Feel a Draft?

Lace up your boots and put on your fatigues, because if two House Democrats have their way we are going to war. Representatives Charles Rangel of New York and John Conyers of Michigan recently introduced legislation to reinstate the draft. The proposal would make all men and women ages 18-26 eligible for military service. The legislation also includes college or graduate students.

The initiative seems little more than an effort to counteract the saber rattling of the Bush administration. Rangel stated, "I believe that if those calling for war knew that their children were likely to be required to serve...there would be more caution and a greater willingness to work with the international community in dealing with Iraq."

Rangel and Conyers believe it is unfair that the United States armed services are disproportionately composed of minorities. The fact is that since minority kids don't have all the college opportunities young, white kids do, minorities join the military for college tuition money and job training. The two seem to think that if there is a war with Iraq it will be minorities who will be sitting in the cross hairs of the Republican Guard.

The two Democrats have found some opposition from across the aisle. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld has become an outspoken opponent. Rumsfeld believes that our all-volunteer armed services are far better than they were when conscripts were forced to serve.

Rumsfeld's criticisms have come under fire from many Veterans groups and prominent Democrats who feel that the Defense Secretary slighted draftees' contributions to the United States Armed Services in a January 7th response to the Congressman's efforts to reinstate the draft. The Defense Secretary said that the draftees added "no value, no advantage" to the US

military because they served for such short periods of time.

Despite the obvious differences in perspectives regarding this issue both sides have valid points. How would the American public feel if they knew their children were eligible to be right smack in harms way? What would be the effect on the professionalism of the United States military if every Tom, Dick, and Alison were brought into the military? Either way you look at it seems that a draft would not be good for the US Armed Services.

What if the draft were reinstated? Who would be serving and who would be buying a bus ticket to Canada? A study conducted by Harvard University's

if it were reinstated 44% said they would seek an alternative to service.

The Harvard survey brings forth-startling information. Would the United States government be prepared to arrest those who refused service? The government would be facing a situation that could be far worse than the civil disobedience surrounding the Vietnam War. American youths are by and large content with their way of life, and far less willing to go to war than generations before. In addition to the youth being anti-war the deaths of young people forced to serve against their will would most definitely stir the emotions of their parents who were the orchestrators of numerous demonstrations during the sixties and seventies.

Ask any military personnel you can find whether they support the draft and they will most definitely tell you no. Many of those currently in the military don't want draftees tarnishing the uniform that they hold dear to their hearts. The United States military is a professional organization that is comprised of people who want to be there by their own free will. If the government starts pumping in people against their will the moral and skill of the most highly trained military in the world will surely drop.

The United States military is not hurting for numbers, either. When fully mobilized with reservists and National Guard personnel called to active duty the military will number well over a million. The idea of reinstating the draft is an idea that should be put back into history where it belongs. The fact of the matter is that two democrats wanted some publicity for their anti-war campaign and decided to create a smokescreen of racial equality to give their argument worth. Despite their efforts the draft is a relic, and we are a long way from needing its reinstatement.

### Reinstating the Draft Beacon Editorial

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Institute polled 1,200 undergraduates to get a perspective of what students would do if the draft were reinstated. Ninety percent of the students described themselves as very or somewhat patriotic and said that the military is the most trusted governmental institution. But when asked whether the government should reinstate the draft, 67% opposed it and said that

## Hibernating with Anna Nicole Smith and Joe Millionaire



BY GARY FERENTINO  
Beacon Staff Writer

Bears are really smart animals--they just sleep through the winter.

Everyone has a favorite season and winter will never be mine. I love the summer! I can't get enough of the sun and never complain about the heat.

With sub-zero temperatures for the next few days and at least six or seven more weeks of this frigid season, I feel the next time I step outside may be the time I literally freeze in place. It's a horrible vision, one in which I can actually see the icicles hanging from my nose and arms as I am reaching for my car door, which will very likely be frozen shut.

So what is there to do for those of us in semi-hibernation, waiting for the eventual return of bearable temperatures? I've been watching a lot of television. With the Super Bowl this Sunday, millions around the nation and the world will be tuning in. While I'm still trying to cope with the fact that the Miami Dolphins didn't even make the playoffs this year, I will only be rooting for a good game this Sunday.

But in the meantime, I have to admit I have caught more than my share of reality television, or at least the previews of upcoming shows. With the success of 'Survivor' (a show I never really felt compelled to watch), reality television is becoming a national pastime. Although MTV should really get the credit for first introducing the concept with its show *The Real World* (Puck gave us many happy memories), the Internet wasn't far behind, inviting online viewers into the living rooms and personal lives of total strangers. The phenomenon may have seemed interesting at first, mainly because it is such a weird concept, but prime time television has taken it to oh so many

different levels, mostly low.

As if "Who Wants to Marry A Millionaire" and "The Bachelor" weren't enough, we now have "Joe Millionaire" who, in 'reality' is a construction worker who makes a meager \$19,000 a year. My first question would have to be, "What construction worker earns only \$19,000 a year? Does he only work on Tuesdays and Thursdays?"

I'd be negligent in my duties as a seasonal couch-potato if I didn't admit I've seen at least partial episodes of "Fear Factor," another reality show in which ordinary people confront their worst fears for cash prizes. This wouldn't be so bad if the show didn't monopolize on the 'gross' food factor of eating exotic bugs and monkey brains. It is obvious that these shows are cheap to make to begin with, but you would at least expect the producers to spend some money on talented writers who can devise more challenging ways of scaring the pants off the attention-getters who go on these shows.

I can even deal with a weak plot if the show is entertaining. But some of the more recent reality shows, especially those that center around a love interest, do not seem to be attracting the most refined women. Poor Joe Millionaire. He actually thinks that he may find a woman who doesn't care how much money he makes. Dude, the show is called, "Joe Millionaire", not "Joe the lame construction worker." Joe has the additional challenge of having to choose from several women who, when compared to Darva Conger, make her seem like a wholesome, warm, and sincere woman you'd be proud to bring home to mom.

For all of my criticism, it is obvious the networks have managed to hook me, or at least get me to tune in from time to time while I weather the

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# Who's Afraid of Affirmative Action?



BY J.J. HANSON  
Beacon Assistant Sports Editor

Hello folks. This week I'm grappling with a sticky issue: Affirmative Action, or the concept of gender and race-based quotas. I'm sure you are all asking yourselves, "What can this conservative, sexist, ignorant, dunce have to say about Affirmative Action?"

This may come as a shock, but I

support it 100%. This country needs protection against people like me, and Affirmative Action is a step in the right direction. Imagine if I were the head of a major corporation. To think a female would get a fair shot is silly. Unless she moonlights as a Playboy Playmate, I don't think so.

The United States government has tons of men exactly like Senator Trent Lott in many different positions of authority, and you don't think there is a need for race-based quotas? Just go down South. Do you really think those rednecks care about racial and ethnic equality? They can't spell equality, let alone practice it.

My savior and your's, George W. Bush made headlines this past week when

he jumped headfirst into this sensitive debate. The Supreme Court is hearing a case in which three white students are suing the University of Michigan for discrimination. The University's Affirmative Action policy grants minority students 20 points out of a possible 150 due to racial quotas. The President feels that all students should be held to the same standards--somewhat like the standards he was held to for his acceptance into Yale. Old Georgie boy was accepted solely on his impeccable academic ability (C+) and definitely not because his grandfather was a Trustee.

The impact of this court decision could be monumental. To get a peek at the possible effect, we can take a look at California and Texas, two states that have

dismantled their Affirmative Action policies. According to Marisa Demeo, regional counsel for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, minority college enrollment has seen a sharp decrease.

The fact of the matter is that although we have seen major advancements over the past 50 years in civil rights there is still a major advantage to being middle class, white, and male. When the world is a happy and shiny place with gum drops and rose petals falling from the sky, I will be more than happy to say goodbye to Affirmative Action. But until that time, it is a necessary policy so that women and racial minorities can get ahead in the white man's world.

## Nine Digits, One Big Risk



BY TIM MILLARD  
Beacon Staff Writer

What is nine digits long and the key to identity theft? The Social Security Number (SSN). You receive it at birth, and it follows you until your death. In that timeframe, your SSN will become tied to many important pieces of information, such as your bank accounts, credit reports, and medical records.

This has created a problem for many people who have been victims of identity theft, a crime that is growing more and more every day, according to the Social Security Administration and the Federal Trade Commission. Since the SSN is tied to you for life, it can be used by identity thieves to wreak havoc with your personal life. Your

bank account could be wiped out, your credit cards could be maxed out, and once the damage is done, you're the one left holding the bag. It doesn't take a tin foil hat to realize the potential risks associated with SSN disclosure.

In the land of academia, SSNs have been traditionally used as student ID numbers, and it didn't take long for the problem of identity theft to come knocking. Spurred in part by incidents at colleges in California, Illinois, and New York, many colleges are doing away with the use of SSNs as student ID numbers. Additionally, many states have passed laws regulating how public schools can use SSNs, further "encouraging" this change.

However, Wilkes University is not one of those schools. Here, your SSN is your student ID, and both are used interchangeably. Therein lies the problem.

Wilkes will ask for your SSN for some of the most trivial things. When I applied for a parking permit, there was a space on the form for my SSN. Somehow, I don't think my SSN will matter to the security guard who is writing me a ticket for parking in the Student Union lot. The bookstore also wanted to know my SSN, simply because I returned some coaxial cable I had bought a week earlier. In theory, Wilkes should only ask for your SSN if it involves

a financial matter that requires the notification of the IRS, such as financial aid. Unless that refund bumped me into the "BLING BLING" tax bracket, I doubt the IRS will care.

All humor aside, Wilkes does not score high on the "We protect our students' privacy" scorecard. This may surprise you, but with minimal work, you can easily find out the SSNs of your peers. I have been privy to many incidents in which this was the case.

Two years ago, one of my friends was involved with a SG presidential election. For those of you who remember, this was when SG was doing its Florida Elections Board impersonation. My friend had to review some ballots, and, for whatever reason, was given a roster of every student and corresponding SSN for the sophomore class. You heard me right, each student. He could've easily gone into the identity theft business with this information.

Last year, I was stuck in line at Rifkin Cafe, because the registers had decided it was time to malfunction. Since nobody could use their cards to pay for their meals, the staff decided it was a better idea to just have those students write their name and SSN on a sheet, so that their accounts could be properly charged. This alone was not bad, but when nobody needed to be rung out, they simply left that sheet by the register, completely unattended. One simple "yoink," and anyone could've assumed the identities of their friends with ease.

Most recently, I observed a professor using a class roster from the Registrar as a sign-in sheet, with SSNs and everything. Thankfully, this was done only once, but it only takes one instance for someone to use that SSN to permanently mess up your credit.

I have also witnessed similar behavior at the Registrar. Many clerks simply ask you to recite your SSN out loud, so they can access your records. If you're within

earshot, it doesn't take much effort to scribble that down on a piece of paper. I know, because I've done it numerous times, to show students how reciting their SSN in public isn't a good idea. For the record, I would rip up the paper in front of the student.

Not only are such disclosures a risk to your privacy, but they may also be a violation of federal law. The 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits the release of educational records and "personally identifiable information" without a student's consent (certain cases excepted). A 1992 court ruling (*Krebs v. Rutgers*) affirmed that a SSN is "personally identifiable information." Ask yourself, when was the last time you explicitly gave Wilkes the authority to disclose your SSN to someone?

There is a solution to this problem. After issues were raised over SSN use last semester, the Registrar stated that the office would issue alternate ID numbers to anyone who asked. I did, and so should you. Simply walk in and ask for a new number. It's surprisingly simple: none of that red tape that is so commonplace in the Wilkes bureaucracy.

But this is not enough. The administration must take immediate steps to curtail the needless disclosure of SSNs across campus, and to move away from the current system and use alternate numbers instead. The fact that students' SSNs can be so easily obtained shows that any current "safeguards" or policies regarding SSN usage that may be in place simply aren't working. The problem exists, and until the administration properly addresses it, the problem will only get worse.

It is also up to you; the student, to fully understand how problematic it can be to disclose your SSN. Ask the Registrar to assign you an alternate ID number, and refuse to disclose your SSN for anything that is not a major financial matter. It's not paranoia; it's common sense.

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cold. But if they claim this is "reality television," I beg to differ. Viewers watch these shows because they make them feel better about themselves or because they fail to find their own reality entertaining enough. This concept is what I really don't understand. It is entertaining, but it is *not* reality. Does anyone really think that Anna Nicole Smith even grasps the concept of "reality"?

I know that this is just a passing phase for me. When the temperature rises

and the bears come out of their caves, I will be spending my free time pursuing my own reality, not others'. My life is full, and although it may not always be pleasant, it is my own, and that is where I find my entertainment. The verdict is not yet in on reality television. It may just be a passing phase for the nation. But, television, nonetheless, will find new ways of entertaining us. I just hope next year the Dolphins are in the Super Bowl.





## New Year's Resolution

**Adam Skuba**

**Hometown:** Hazleton, PA  
**Major/Year:** Freshman, Communication Studies



**Q: What was your New Year's Resolution last year?**

A: I wanted to get out of high school and move onto something better. I think I have accomplished that.

**Q: Do you usually keep the resolutions you make?**

A: Sometimes I do. Sometimes I don't.

**Q: Do you typically make resolutions?**

A: It depends on what kind of year I had before.

**Q: What was your New Year's resolution this year?**

A: I plan to put others before myself.



**Kevin Gaughenbaugh**

**Hometown:** Scranton, PA.  
**Title at Wilkes:** Campus Interfaith Coordinator

**Q: What was your New Year's resolution last year?**

A: I did make a New Year's resolution, which was to get ahead of my school work. Sometimes I procrastinate.

**Q: Do you usually keep the resolutions you make?**

A: I remember that I didn't keep it. I guess I just work better under pressure.

**Q: Do you typically make resolutions?**

A: If I do make resolutions, I usually make them in the beginning of the year and during Lent.

**Q: What was your New Year's resolution this year?**

A: My New Year's resolution for this year is to go to the gym more often.

**Lori Grausa**

**Major/Year:** Junior (P1) Pharmacy  
**Hometown:** Danville, PA



**Q: What was your New Year's resolution last year?**

A: To watch what I eat.

**Q: Do you usually keep the resolutions you make?**

A: No

**Q: Do you typically make resolutions?**

A: I try but they only last for about a week.

**Q: What was your New Year's resolution this year?**

A: To exercise more and not to procrastinate.

## Ski Club Enjoys this Season's Winter Bliss

BY MELISSA JURGENSEN  
*Beacon Staff Writer*

With the recent snowstorms and the blast of frigid air, some Wilkes University students have found bliss in this season's snowy weather. Conditions are better than usual at local ski resorts this season and the Wilkes Ski Club is taking full advantage of the slopes.

A ski club can be a terrific way to increase aficionados' enjoyment of skiing as well as ensure an opportunity for skiers to spend time with those who mutually enjoy the thrill of the slopes.

"The purpose of the club is to join the Wilkes community together to ski and have fun," said Ski Club President, Mark Mittrick. The Wilkes Ski Club has been active for three years and operates from December to March. Although the purpose of the club is to ski during the winter, meetings are held on a year-round basis to discuss plans for upcoming ski trips and future events.

Students need not be a black diamond skiers to become members. The club consists of different skill levels ranging

from beginner to expert. Wilkes Ski Club advisor, Tom Weeks, encourages skiers and non-skiers to check out the club. "We see all skill levels in the club," said Weeks. "Getting to ski a lot with a good group of people is a great perk."

The advantage of skiing with the Ski Club is that lessons are included in each ticket price.

and will also be this year's destination of choice.

Weeks hopes to see the Ski Club get involved in competitions with other ski clubs in the future. "The club is currently evaluating racing events at various resorts with the hope of competing as an organized team somewhere down the road," said Weeks. In addition, the club is looking at

"Getting to ski a lot with a good group of people is a great perk."

- Tom Weeks

Beginners can take full advantage of this, as well as skiers who want to fine-tune their techniques.

In order for the club to function, Student Government provides an initial \$300 start up fee in the beginning of the year for the club's activities. But most of the money is earned by ski club members who hold different kinds of fundraisers during the year.

The club usually takes weekly night trips to Montage or Elk Mountain during the season as well as one major trip for a weekend or longer during the year. Last year, Smuggler's Notch in Vermont was the first extended trip

broadening its horizons to extend into spring, summer, and fall activities as well.

Although the activities are fun, Mittrick believes that what makes the Ski Club special is that it is a friendly atmosphere and everyone always has a great time. "My favorite part of the ski club is the camaraderie that exists between members and just having a good time skiing," said Mittrick.

Anyone who is a ski or snowboard enthusiast can get involved in the Wilkes Ski Club by sending an email to [skiclub@wilkes.edu](mailto:skiclub@wilkes.edu), or by visiting the website located at <http://skiclub.wilkes.edu>.



Courtesy of <http://skiclub.wilkes.edu/vermont/smuggs.html>

Members of the Wilkes University Ski Club enjoy the slopes on a recent trip to Smuggler's Notch, Vermont.



# Art and Biology: Colorful Synergy

BY ELVIRA ILLIANO  
Beacon Staff Writer

*This is the first article in a series of three that will examine the evolution of an original piece of art. The first article focuses on the teacher's perspective and looks at how one "coaches" artistic creativity. The second, to run later this semester, will examine the student artists' perspectives in the process of creation. And the third will look at the audience's reaction upon the unveiling of the finished product toward the end of the semester.*

What do bright, distinctive colors and microscopic slime cells have in common? How do abstract designs and hirsute creatures come together as one? This semester Wilkes University students Tom Craparo, Brittany Kramer, Bridget McHale, John Muscarella, Christiana Reed and Cassandra Vanlinder will investigate the answers to those very questions as they create a one of a kind art mural,

"The Diversity of Life."

Preceded by "Pleasure of Reading," located in the Farley Library, and "Multicultural Mural," located in the Wilkes University Multicultural Lounge, Wilkes art students will again create a 24-foot by 8-foot mural, this time located in the Wilkes University Biology Clubroom, located on the third floor of the Stark Learning Center.

"Diversity of Life" was designed by me," said Sharon Bowar, Associate Professor of Art at Wilkes University, "but the mural will have enough space for students to interpret designs with colors, painting techniques and shades."

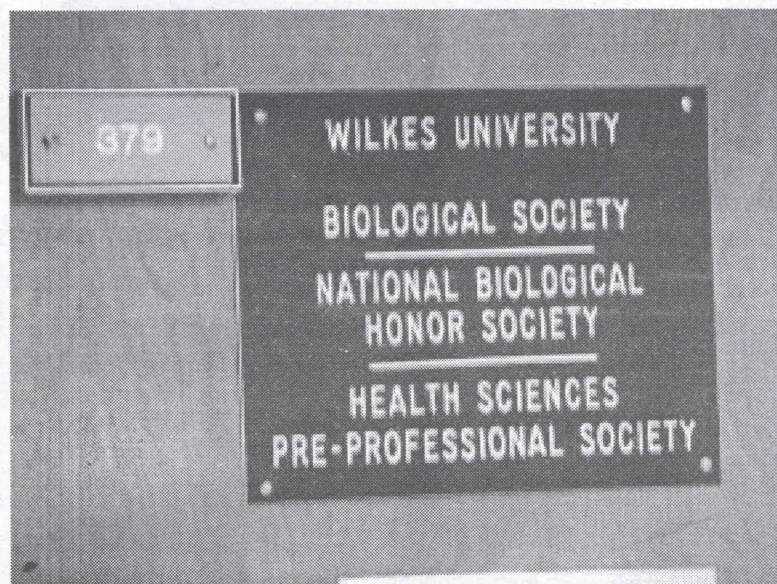
Bowar, who had the opportunity to both live and teach in Europe, describes the mural as a unique art design, "It (the mural) will be a variation of European art, a type of huge, bio-morphed, abstract, organic shape that will allude to biologic form."

She also noted that the mural will flow onto the wall by taking the shape of a huge double helix snake and then move into a ribbon-like form. "It will start out with

bacteria, single cell organisms, fungi and slime and then move into plant and animal life form."

The mural will be presented to the Wilkes University community in an unveiling ceremony during the week of final examinations. Bowar encouraged Wilkes community members to attend the ceremony to see this intriguing work of art and life.

"We are excited to see this mural (being) completed," said Dr. Michael



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Stark 379 is the future sight of the "Diversity of Life" mural.

Steele, Chair of Wilkes University's Biology Department.

## Was Johnny Appleseed Really a Squirrel? Steele, Terzaghi, and Students Study Squirrel Patterns of Behavior

BY MONICA CARDENAS  
Beacon Correspondent

They're everywhere.

It seems impossible to cross campus without running into dozens of squirrels. Dr. Michael Steele, Chair of the Wilkes University Department of Biology, Chemistry and Health Sciences finds their behavior fascinating. He has recently co-authored *North American Tree Squirrels*, with John Koprowski.

Although Steele has been studying squirrel behavior since he was an undergraduate, he has recently been conducting a study funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation. This \$850,000 grant has allowed Steele, Dr. William Terzaghi, Wilkes University Associate Professor of Biology, and a number of students and faculty from the University of Richmond and Penn State University to conduct a four-year study.



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Steele added, "The project also currently employs Dr. Amy McEuen, a recent doctoral graduate and expert on seed dispersal, from the University of Michigan, who now works at Wilkes coordinating several research projects all of which involve undergraduates."

According to Steele, "The study, which began in December 1999, tests

several predictions about how tree squirrels and other small mammals disperse seeds and how this behavior in turn affects forest structure."

In order to gather information, a number of behavioral studies are conducted. The animals are marked and observed over a period of time. Also, researchers use a captive colony, in which a number of squirrels are kept in captivity for a time in order to conduct experiments on food-hoarding.

A key element in this study involves identifying how far the seeds are carried from a parent tree. Those involved in this study measure seedling distribution in

relation to parent trees in several states in North America, including Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland and Indiana.

"This is one of the first studies in the world to begin to ask these questions via molecular techniques."

- Dr. Michael Steele

In order to match seedlings to parent trees, Terzaghi's lab conducts DNA fingerprinting of seedlings and adult trees to determine maternal sources of seeds. Dr. Steele noted, "This is one of the first studies in the world to begin to ask these questions via molecular techniques."

Steele pointed out that while squirrel behavior may seem unimportant, it directly determines where trees grow and thus the spatial and genetic structure of oak forests.

The fact that these trees are a large cash crop makes the study significant to many people. He also stressed the importance of

student involvement in this project.

"There have been about sixty to seventy-five students involved over the last three years. These

students are volunteers, interns, researchers--some paid--and a few are from other universities." In addition, many students co-authored conference papers and publications in science journals as a result of their participation in the project.

The four-year grant ends in December of 2003, but Steele, Terzaghi and McEuen plan to continue research beyond this date with additional funding.

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## Movie Posters Reflect Evolution in Society

BY JOE MILICIA  
Associated Press Writer

As race relations progressed over the past 80 years, Hollywood followed suit.

"America has a history of coming to terms with race. The film industry is no different," said Linda Mehr, director of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences' Margaret Herrick Library in Beverly Hills, California. "It's a reflection of what progress we have made and what progress we haven't made."

The evolution is reflected in a traveling exhibit of film posters, "Close Up in Black: African American Film Posters," that is making its debut at the Western Reserve Historical Society through April 6.

The library loaned 90 posters that range from 1920s and '30s films that advertised "an all-colored cast" to attract black audiences, to modern Hollywood blockbusters, such as 1997's "Men in Black" starring Will Smith, that appeal to moviegoers of all races.

As society changed, black actors evolved from playing bit roles into being featured stars, such as Halle Berry and Denzel Washington, who made movie history last year at the Academy Awards as the first black actors to win both lead-role honors.

"The posters reflect the changing role of African-Americans in the film industry, which in turn reflect the changes in social and civil life," said Suzanne Buchanan, chief curator of Western Reserve Historical Society.

The museum is the first of 10 locations where the exhibit will be shown in the next two and a half years. It was created by the Smithsonian Institution as part of its Traveling Exhibition Service.

"It is absolutely a delicious exhibition on so many levels," said Marquette Folley, a project director for the Smithsonian.

Each poster is like a portal into a period of film history. The Western Reserve Historical Society has neatly divided the poster exhibition among several rooms, allowing visitors to step from one era of film into the next.

The exhibition begins with movie posters from the 1920s and 30s-- lithographs in vivid reds, yellows and blues-- that were printed by independent film studios seeking to attract black audiences. The posters tend to tell viewers what they should expect to see, rather than promote a star or image.

They are typical of the movie art of that era with drawings of melodramatic women fawning over their love interests or heroic men posed with guns drawn.

For example, "The Flying Ace" (1926) features a plane going down in flames with a heart-shaped inset of the film's hero consoling the woman he has saved from disaster.

"The idea of trailers as we know them didn't exist, so those early posters had to be a narrative to attract an audience," Folley said. "They really are giving you the trailer on the poster."

Oscar Micheaux, among the first black film producers, was behind many of what are called "race movies" of the time.

Race movies gave black audiences a

chance to see themselves reflected on the big screen. The small, independent studios that made them did not limit black actors to supporting roles as servants or comic buffoons, the way major studios did.

"What the race movies say is that African-Americans are human," Folley said. "That we have heroes and are not just stereotypes."

One exception to the narrative poster is the eye-catching, three-color advertisement for the French film "Princess Tam Tam" (1935), which focuses on the fame of leading lady Josephine Baker. The poster bears no description of the plot, only a drawing of the smiling actress posed in an evening gown with her name printed larger than the film title.

After World War II, race movies faded and "message movies" were born. They

told stories that exposed racism and social injustice.

In the 1960s, filmmakers recognized black actors could be part of mainstream American stories that appealed to black and white audiences, Folley said.

"Sidney Poitier may have been the most critical figure in crossing over," Mehr said.

Posters from the 1970s so-called "blaxploitation" era reflect the power and cool of its characters. Blaxploitation films were an irreverent homage to black power with black heroes and white villains.

The tagline for "Shaft" (1971) says it all: "The mob wanted Harlem back. They got Shaft ... up to here."

The "Shaft" poster focuses on image rather than narrative: a photo of actor Richard Roundtree firing a handgun,

dressed in Shaft's trademark full-length black-leather coat.

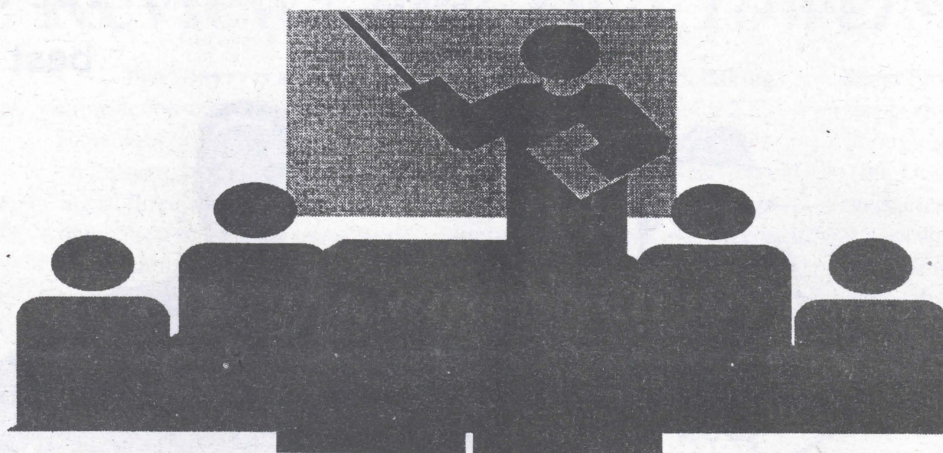
"You have a black force that's hip and urban and smart and he's the hero," Folley said. "It attracts people who are looking for a change. It says, 'I'm black and I'm proud.'"

Posters from the 1980s and 1990s often focus on the celebrity of actors such as Berry, Washington, Eddie Murphy and Samuel L. Jackson, who appeal to a multiracial audience.

The final two posters in the exhibition are Washington's "Training Day" (2001) and Berry's "Monster's Ball" (2001), which earned them Oscars. Berry's award was the first for a black lead actress.

Folley said it would have been unthinkable not to include those posters because of the historical importance of those awards.

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## R&J Offers a New Perspective on an Old Play

BY RAPHAEL COOPER  
Beacon Assistant Arts &  
Entertainment Editor

Thursday January 23, Wilkes University and the surrounding community will be treated to an evening of theater and culture when four actors from Towson University offer *R&J* an all-male adaptation of *Romeo and Juliet*.

The actors from Towson University in Maryland are travelling at no expense (save for meals and transportation) to spread their theatrical gifts and

devotion to their art, as well as a cultural experience for all members of the Wilkes-Barre and Wilkes University community.

Dr. Jim Harrington, who is a member of the Wilkes University Diversity Task Force headed by Provost Maravene Loeschke,

"Hopefully, the Wilkes-Barre community will attend out of appreciation as well as curiosity."

- Dr. Jim Harrington

explained how this play and opportunity came about.

"Our Provost spoke to me

about it and asked if I would help coordinate it. She received a call from one of the faculty members, Steve Satta, from Towson University and he asked if she might be interested in bringing it to Wilkes for display."

Satta, who is directing the *R&J* performance, equips himself with an accomplished cast that will be competing nationally in the American College Theater Festival.

*R&J* is based on the stories of four young, homosexual men in

a boarding school who delve into the roles of *Romeo and Juliet*. In a story that is both comical and sad, the characters move through major changes and challenges, forever altering them.

Harrington who hopes for a big student and faculty turnout from Wilkes, and also emphasizes that the surrounding community is welcome. His hope is that all audience members are open and willing to experience this play based around gay males.

"*R&J* has received a lot of publicity around our campus, so I feel the Wilkes students are very receptive towards theater as well as open to all diversities. Hope-

fully, the Wilkes-Barre community will attend out of appreciation as well as curiosity," Harrington said.

Harrington also pointed out how the *Times Leader's* projected preview which will display a shot of two of the males embracing, might heighten awareness and understanding about the play, and ultimately the gay community.

*R&J* will be a one-time performance held in the Henry Student Center Ballroom on the second floor. The show is Thursday, January 23 and is free and open to the public. Following the performance, an open discussion will be conducted as well as a small reception.

## Broody's Box Office Review: *The Two Towers*

BY JOHN BROODY  
Beacon Guest Writer

### Plot:

This is the second film of a \$270 million budget trilogy of movies based on the classic fantasy story *The Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien. This sequel is based on the middle two books of the series, known as *The Two Towers*. Set in the mystical world of Middle Earth, an alliance of nine rather unusual people has set out across the land to destroy the Ring of Power before the Dark Lord Sauron can obtain it. Along the way Gandalf, the wizard who set the young Hobbit Frodo Baggins out on his quest, fell while saving their lives - yet the quest continues in the face of tragedy; indeed, it has only just begun.

The Fellowship is split, torn apart by the decision of the ring bearer. Aragorn, Legolas and Gimli continue in pursuit of the Uruk-Hai orcs who've taken Merry and Pippin. As the chase begins through the vast fields of the kingdom of Rohan to retrieve them, they're joined by someone they thought they'd lost and continue on to visit Rohan's King Theoden to seek his help in stopping the traitorous wizard Saruman and his ever increasing army of Orcs heading in their direction.

It all comes to a head at Helm's Deep, an ancient fortress where the armies of Rohan try to hold the forces back. Merry and Pippin meanwhile escape their captors and end up in the ancient Fangorn Forest where they meet some unusual and magical allies to

help in the battle to help stop Saruman and regain control of the Tower of Isengard.

Meanwhile Frodo and Sam continue on their path toward Mordor - across the jagged peaks of Eryn Muil, through the deadly marshes and along the mountain sides of the wasteland. Their only guide is the scheming creature Gollum, who pledges to help them reach Mordor in exchange for his life, but continually plots to take back his Precious (the Ring) for himself. Along the way they'll encounter many horrific sites, visit the sinister Black Gates, be discovered by the men of Gondor and their General - the brother of the slain Boromir, and take a dire path into Mordor which leads only to tragedy, despair and death.

### Film Review:

*The Two Towers* proves that *Lord of the Rings* is not a trilogy, but rather one massive flick chopped into three parts. There's no "previously on..." and no hope for catching up if you skipped the first film, this three-hour epic starts right where we left off at the end of the first movie and consequently ends with surprisingly little fanfare or progression in terms of its characters or plot. Yet, it works and works superbly. Having the first film under their belts, Jackson & crew seem to have more confidence when it comes to taking major risks with the trilogy and overcoming minor problems such as pacing and hokey dialogue that cropped up in the first film.

*Two Towers* is a faster and more action-centric film on a larger scale, less convolution of characters, and a clever interweaving of three separate plots into one cohesive and engaging story. It's certainly more crowd-pleasing than the last film and those who found that 'Fellowship' failed to engage them or keep them awake will get into this a lot more.

That said, I personally enjoyed 'Fellowship' and its key moments somewhat more. 'Fellowship' was a road movie with a lustrous look and varied environments ranging from the green fields of The Shire and the red fire of Moria to the blue magic of Lothlorien.

'Towers,' on the other hand, is uniformly grey and flat green with a lot of desolate rock climbing or fights in grass fields/muddy fortresses giving the whole film a more monotonous look. It's more a linearly plotted medieval war movie that builds over two hours towards one big battle scene. When it finally arrives, it's impressive, but the close-up sword fighting gets tiresome and repetitive after a while. On the opposite side, the Merry & Pippin storyline, the weakest of the three subplots (the Frodo/Sam/Gollum stuff is the best), has the pair

pretty much sitting in a talking Tim Burton-esque tree for 2.5 hours until the last 20 minutes when it turns into the 'Ent attack' - an FX spectacle that had my jaw literally on the floor in amazement.

The highlight of the film is Gollum, a CG character wonder who looks a little hokey at times due to poor CG, but for the most part is just a wonder because it's

not just a flat visual creation but a true three-dimensional being that you both despise and pity. He's a character going through a major internal psychological struggle between his personalities and this is played out in the best scene in the film when he has a conversation

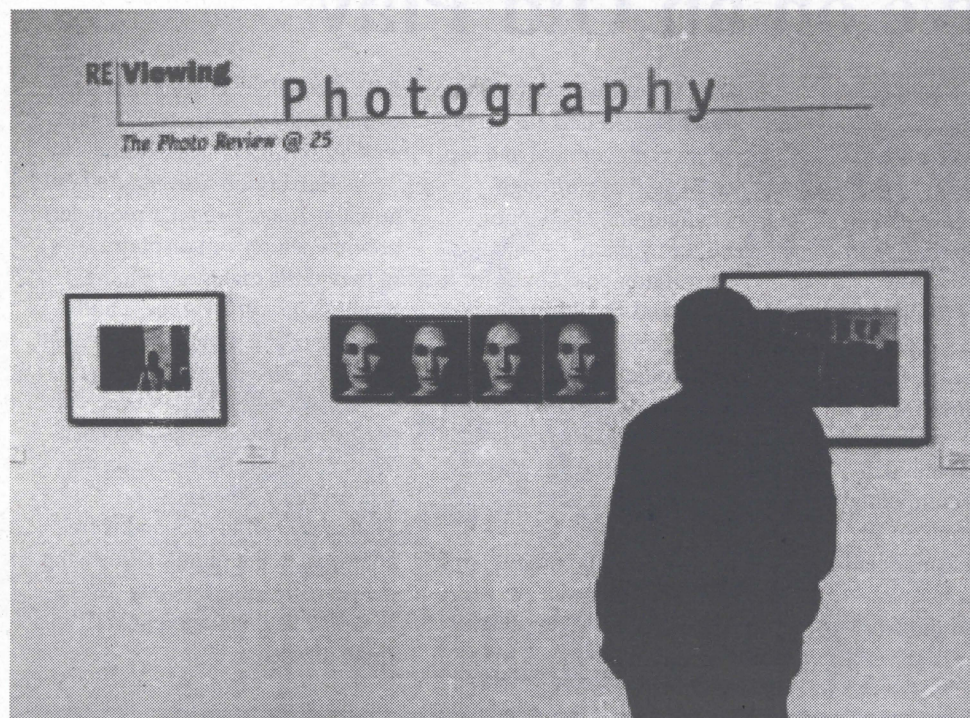
with himself. Miranda Otto, John Noble, Karl Urban, David Wenham and Brad Dourif all deliver fine work as new characters even if Wenham in particular gets very little to do. That's the only real main complaint many will have with this film - the original movie's characters get somewhat of a short shrift this time out - Gandalf has much less screen time, Saruman & Elrond are far less interesting, Arwen and the romantic flashbacks bring out yawns, the Gimli character has become purely comic relief and

even Frodo feels more of a supporting character this time out though gets some great scenes (the Dead Marshes sequence is very creepy). On the upside Legolas, Merry and Pippin all get more screen time - Aragorn pretty much dominates the movie, and Sam is fleshed out much more (despite a hokey ending speech).

*The Two Towers* won't get the kind of awards that Fellowship won or was nominated for, nor does it deserve to. 'Fellowship' was the most complicated and arguably least interesting of the books in the series, yet Jackson turned it into an utterly brilliant film of wonder and magic. 'Towers' was easily the best book, and whilst the film makes a truly superb middle chapter to the series, and certainly one of the best films of the year, it doesn't stand alone on its own as well as the first film did - only by the slimmest of margins mind you. Note, however, that I enjoyed 'Two Towers' more on my first viewing than Fellowship (which took me 2-3 viewings before I really fell in love). So it may rise up more as I get more comfortable with it. Make no mistake though, the only faults are that some of the storylines do drag on and that some of the characters are given short shrift - Jackson's changes to the book (such as the delaying of the Shelob scene till Film #3) are disappointing only because we have to wait so damn long to see the result. The rest, like the first movie, remains utterly epic and brilliant filmmaking fantasy which is truly cinematic and will have you begging for Dec 2003 to role around as fast as it can.







## Picture in Picture

The Sardoni Art Gallery recently opened the exhibition, "RE:Viewing Photography: The Photo Review @ 25," running through Sunday, February 23, 2003. The Photo Review, a critical journal of photography, celebrates its Silver Anniversary with this exhibition which originated at the Rosenwald-Wolf Gallery of The University of the Arts in Philadelphia, and will travel to three additional venues throughout the state.

The Sordoni Art Gallery is open to the public and is located at 150 South River Street in the Stark Learning Center on the Wilkes University campus. The Gallery is open daily from noon until 4:30 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 570-408-4325.

Information courtesy of [www.wilkes.edu](http://www.wilkes.edu)

### This Week in Entertainment History

**January 23, 1937** - An article in *Literary Digest*, by Edgar Bergen, mentioned he made his dummy pal, Charlie McCarthy, the beneficiary of a \$10,000 trust fund so the puppet would remain in serviceable condition and repair.

**January 24, 1998** - The soundtrack album from *Titanic* hit Number 1 on Billboard's charts and kept its top position for 15 weeks.

**January 25, 1987** - An outstanding record for the time, the highest television advertising rate was set at \$600,000 per 1/2 minute for the NBC network prime time airing of the Super Bowl XXI. The game was watched by a record 127 million viewers.

**January, 26, 1988** - The incoming hit musical from London, *The Phantom of the Opera*, set a Broadway record in advance sales of over \$12 million before its grand opening on Broadway on this date. *Phantom* took in a record-setting amount of \$920,272 in seventeen hours when tickets went on sale the previous November.

**January 27, 1984** - During the filming of a Pepsi commercial in Los Angeles, California, Michael Jackson's hair caught on fire, when pyrotechnics failed to operate on cue, injuring the singer. Jackson was hospitalized for several days while fans from around the world sent messages of concern.

**January 28, 1996** - Thieves knocked through a wall and plundered an exhibit of original Muppets at the Erfut Garden Show, 110 miles northeast of Frankfurt. Bert and Ernie puppets, valued at \$126,000, were stolen and a glass case was smashed in an unsuccessful attempt to seize the Miss Piggy puppet. The trio was among 36 original Muppets rented by a Danish firm for the exhibit.

**January 29, 1977** - Rose Royce took the #1 spot on the music charts with "Car Wash", from the movie of the same title. The song lasted a week at the peak before dropping away.

\*Information provided courtesy of [www.uselessknowledge.com](http://www.uselessknowledge.com).\*



BY MELISSA GALLUP  
Beacon Staff Writer

## Tasty Tidbits

Welcome back everyone! I am very pleased to write the Tasty Tidbits column this week, because it is a very special occasion. If you can all remember, last semester we held the first annual Tasty Tidbits Recipe Contest. I asked the entire Wilkes campus to enter their favorite and most famous recipes, and you responded with a large array of selections for us to choose from. But a winner had to be picked, and that is exactly what the entire Beacon staff did. After some preliminary elimination, they chose one recipe that stood out above the rest.

This signature dish, entered by a Wilkes University Professor, was named the top winner because of the unique combinations and appetizing appeal. It was a recipe that I have never printed before, and it was truly different from all of the other entries. So, without further ado, I am pleased to announce that the winner of the first annual Tasty Tidbits Recipe Contest is...Dr. Anne Batory. Congratulations!

Here is the winning recipe for you to enjoy. Thank you to everyone who entered a recipe. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

### Anne Batory's APPLE-TURKEY LOAF

3 pounds of ground turkey

2 eggs, beaten (or liquid egg substitute)

1/2-cup chopped red onion

1-cup chopped celery

1 can (15.5 ounce) applesauce (reserve 2 Tablespoons)

3 tablespoons Dijon style mustard

2 teaspoons salt (or to taste)

dash pepper

about 2 cups seasoned bread crumbs

2 tablespoons ketchup

1/2-cup maple syrup

\*Hand mix (yes, with your hands) ground turkey with eggs. Add onion and celery, mix again. Add salt, pepper, mustard, and applesauce and mix. Add breadcrumbs slowly mixing until the ingredients "stick" together. Divide and place into 2 loaf pans.

\*Mix reserved applesauce, ketchup, and maple syrup. Spoon mixture over loaves.

\*Bake at 350 for 45 minutes.

For more tasty tidbit, visit:  
[www.wilkesbeacon.com](http://www.wilkesbeacon.com)



# Morgan Settles into New Identity as Wilkes Colonel

*Junior guard leads the Colonels with 16.9 points per game*

BY KYLA CAMPBELL  
Beacon Sports Editor

It might be his first full basketball season at Wilkes University, but junior Mike Morgan is having no difficulty proving that he belongs with the Colonels.

The six-foot four junior guard is enjoying his best collegiate season after transferring to Wilkes from Lafayette one year ago. Morgan, originally from Taylor, PA, was not happy with his choice to attend the Division I school and decided to turn to head coach Jerry Rickrode, who heavily recruited Morgan in high school.

"I felt that Wilkes gave me the best of both worlds," said Morgan. "It's a small school with a good basketball program. I have the best in academics and athletics."

Because he was not involved in the 2001 fall pre-season, Morgan was not in playing shape, and an ankle injury kept him out of the first few games of the 2002 spring semester.

However, Morgan took advantage of the off-season—playing in summer leagues, working out in the preseason, and playing pick-up games in the fall. "It really helped

me get into shape," he said. "Being active in the off-season didn't let me get out of shape."

per game. "Defenses have to pay a lot of attention to him because he's such a good shooter, and others get open." He has put up impressive numbers this season, including a 29-point effort in a 90-83 win over Albright College.

Although he has become an all-around player, Morgan may be best known for his three-point shooting ability, completing 40% of his shots from behind the arc. He is ranked 19th in Division III in treys per game with 3.3. He scored all 21 of his points against Westminster College from three-point range, helping him earn MVP honors for the Ramada Inn Colonel Classic.

Morgan is second on the team in free throw completion (84%), steals (18), and is third in rebounds (4.8 per game). "His overall game has improved in the off-season," commented Rickrode. "His rebounding, shooting, everything."

Much of Morgan's success starts with a family affair. He was coached by his father at Riverside High School, where he holds the all-time record for career points with 1,486 and earned all-state honors as a senior.

"Playing for my dad definitely affected my playing skills," said Morgan. "Parents that are coaches tend to be harder on their kids, but it's a positive thing, and the team was prosperous."

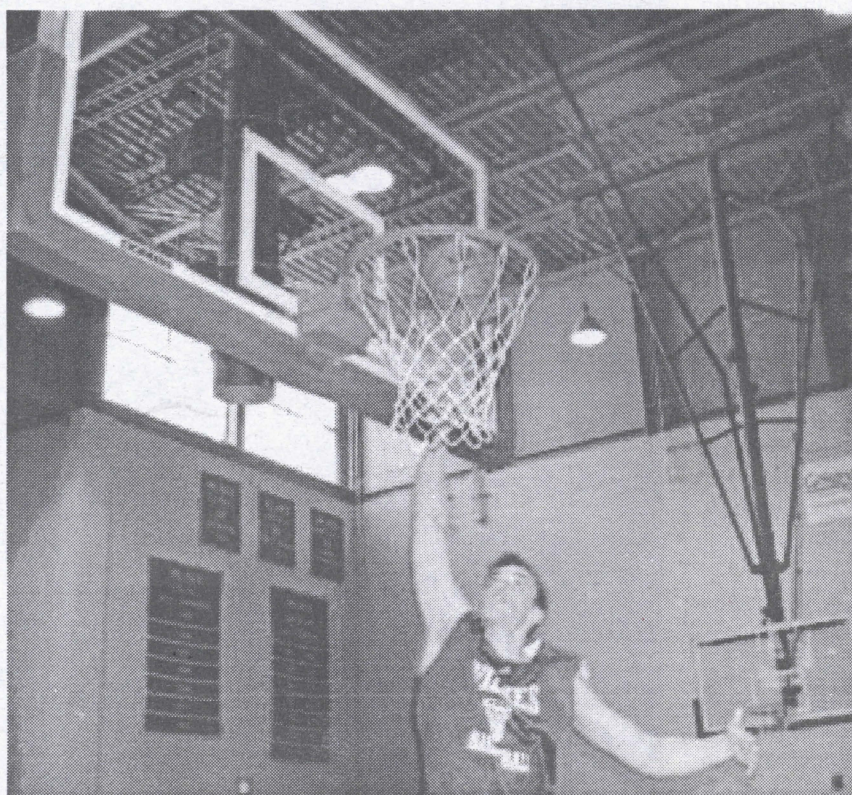
"His high school situation really helped him prepare," Rickrode agreed. "His dad didn't baby him—he was hard on him. When I watched [Morgan] play in high school, he was pretty much unstoppable and carried his team into the playoffs."

Morgan's leadership didn't end with high school graduation. Since his transfer to Wilkes, Morgan has evolved into a team leader—someone Rickrode calls a "good team guy." Although it was difficult to make adjustments as a team last January, the Colonels are now in their flow. "He's comfortable in the system and with his teammates," said Rickrode.

Although his individual statistics are impressive, Morgan gives his teammates equal credit. "I wouldn't put up half the numbers I do without my teammates," said Morgan. "They set screens, and we play off each other."

Rickrode added that all the point guards try to look for Morgan and find him on a break. "He's emerged as our scorer from the outside."

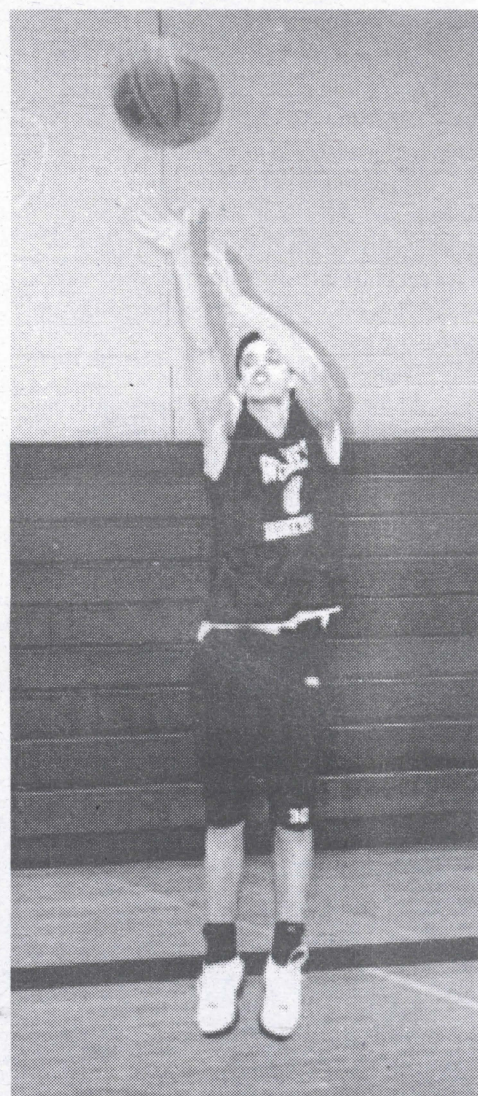
Success on the court is important to Morgan, but he also feels that academic success is what matters in the end. From being a member to the National Honor Society in high school to making the Dean's List each semester at Wilkes, the Business Administration major proves that achievement in the classroom matters. "Academics is number one." Noting a teammate's recent injury, Morgan said, "Basketball can end any day."



The Beacon/Mick Jenkins

In his first full season as a Wilkes Colonel, Mike Morgan leads the team, with an average of 16.9 points per game.

Morgan leads the team in scoring this season, averaging 16.9 points per game. "He is always a threat to score, so we keep him on the floor a lot," Rickrode said of Morgan, who plays a team-high 34 minutes



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Morgan became a star in high school thanks to the tutelage of his father, who was also his head coach.

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# Colonels "D" Stifles Aggies

## Tune-up for conference showdown with Scranton

BY DENNIS FERENCHICK  
Beacon Editorial Board Chair

Junior Mike Morgan scored a game-high 19 points and freshman Rashawn Pressley added 13 points, four rebounds, and three assists as the Wilkes Colonels embarrassed Delaware Valley College 87-63 Wednesday night at The Marts Center.

With the victory, the Colonels improve to 11-3 overall and 3-2 in the Freedom Conference. The Aggies fall to 4-10 overall and 0-5 in conference.

Wilkes raced out to a 22-2 lead with 12:55 remaining in the first half, continuously harassing the Aggies with tough defensive pressure on the wings.

Three minutes into the game a Morgan steal led to an easy basket by Pressley, giving the Colonels a 7-0 lead. Sixty seconds later Pressley followed with a steal of his own and an uncontested lay-up, increasing the lead to nine.

Then Morgan took over.

At the 15:00 mark the sharp-shooting small forward caught fire, scoring eight consecutive points, including two threes, to give the Colonels a 17-2 advantage with 14 minutes left to play in the first. He paced Wilkes with 12 points at the half.

"At the beginning of the game I got a few open looks off of our motion play," Morgan said. "The guys set some good screens out there and I was able to get in a rhythm and find the timing with my jump shot, and that carried out through the whole game."

Wilkes continued to pour on the points before finally heading into the locker room with a 47-30 half-time lead.

Despite starting three freshmen, the Colonels completely dominated the first half both offensively and defensively. As a team, Wilkes shot 57 percent, 50 percent from three-point range and 100 percent (9-9) from the foul stripe in the half. The Colonels held Delaware Valley to a meager 38 percent from the field on 11 of 29 shooting, and out rebounded the Aggies 19-13.

"If you watch the pattern of our team this year, when Rashawn and Evan [Walters] and Johnny [Sclafani] would come in the game, teams would have a hard time scoring on us," explained Head Coach Jerry Rickrode. "And tonight, at the beginning of the game, we went that route and it worked out."

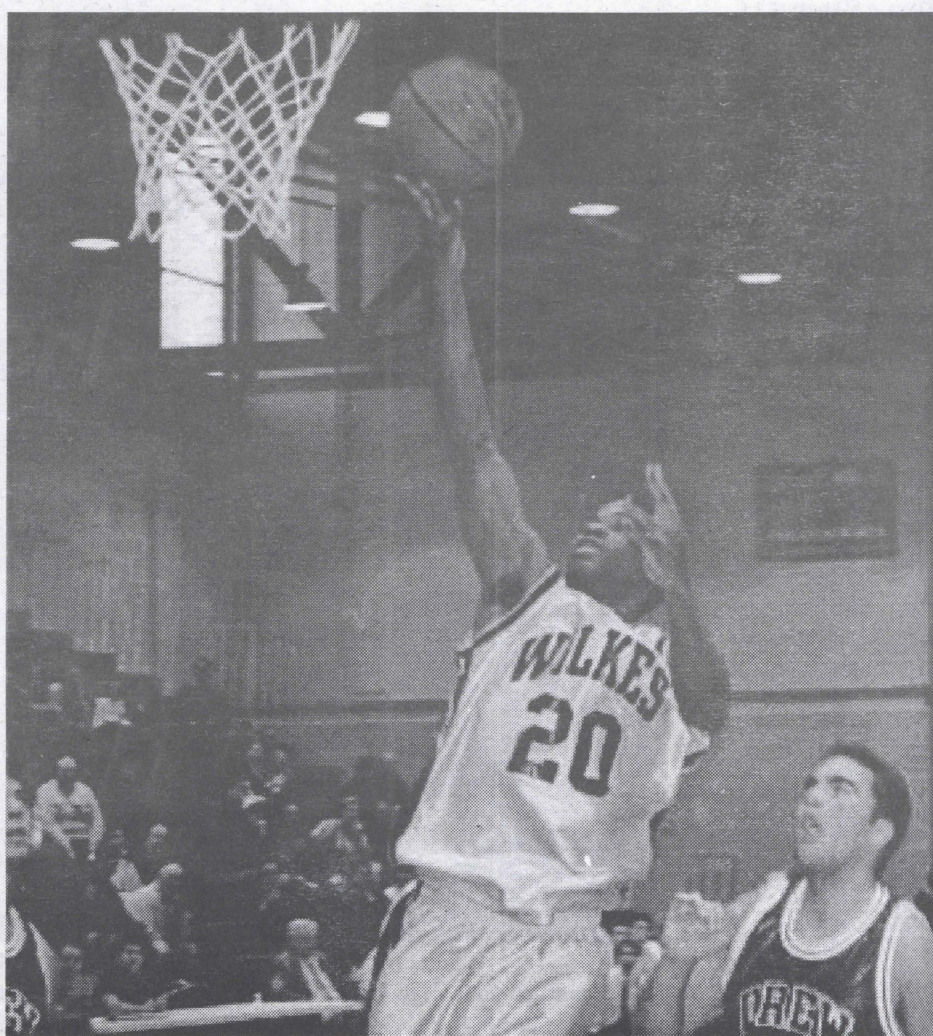
In the second half, Wilkes continued to apply intense defensive pressure, forcing Delaware Valley to turn the ball over 10 times (20 overall). The Colonels, who led by as much as 32 points with 6:43 remaining in the game, held the Aggies to just 33 second-half points. Pressley's tight defense and aggressive rebounding led the way.

"He [Pressley] is pretty reliable," said Rickrode. "He gets in after it and you don't know sometimes how he comes up with those rebounds. Rashawn has come on a lot quicker than I thought he would, and he's gonna be a great player at this level."

Freshmen Tim Smink led the Aggies

**Stifling "D"**

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The Beacon/Mick Jenkins

Freshman Rashawn Pressley glides to the hoop for an uncontested layup. The Colonels will look to continue their winning ways when they travel to Scranton to take on the Royals this Saturday at 3 p.m.



The Beacon/Mick Jenkins

Janna Ward dishes to an open teammate in the corner during a recent game. The Lady Colonels will look to improve upon their 11-4 overall record this Saturday when they take on the Lady Royals.

## Lady Colonels hold off Del Val

BY DENNIS FERENCHICK  
Beacon Editorial Board Chair

Senior Whitney Bull scored a game-high 18 points and grabbed 19 rebounds as the Wilkes Lady Colonels beat Delaware Valley 68-59 on Wednesday night at the Marts Center.

The victory improves the Lady Colonels to 11-4 overall and 3-2 in the Freedom Conference. The loss drops the Aggies to 3-10 overall and 0-5 in conference play.

Freshmen Andrea Kacprowicz added 14 points and five rebounds and Alicia Woodruff 13 points and 7 boards for Wilkes, which led 33-24 at halftime and withstood a 12-6 Aggies run early in the second half to hold on.

Wilkes held the Aggies to a meager 21 percent shooting on 8-38 field goals in the first half, and just 30 percent overall. The Lady Colonels also out rebounded Delaware Valley 49-40 in the game.

Bull, who was double and triple

teamed almost the entire game, was just 4-8 from the field, but 10 of 14 from the foul line. The power forward was still a force to be reckoned with in the paint however, reaching the double-double mark (10 points and 12 boards) by halftime.

Kacprowicz was 6 of 14 from the field, including 2 of 5 from beyond the arc. The point guard also provided the Lady Colonels with tough defense throughout, playing all 40 minutes. Woodruff was almost perfect hitting 5 of 6 shots from the floor, and going 3 of 6 from the charity stripe.

Amber Smolinsky, who entered the game averaging 19.2 points per game, led the Aggies with 15 points.

The Lady Colonels travel to Scranton on Saturday for a huge Freedom Conference match-up with the Lady Royals at 1:00pm.







# Out In Leftfield

## Thank God for Parity

BY KEVIN SICKLE  
Beacon Sports Editor

UCLA was one of them. The Celtics--definitely. The Yankees--no doubt. The Niners during the '80s.

All of these teams share something in common. Is it their sport? No. How about location on a map? Nope. Time in history? Guess again.

Still not sure? Does the word DYNASTY mean anything to you? No, I'm not talking about that of great patriarchal governments of ancient days; I'm talking about teams that don't just win championships, but dominate their sport for years on end.

But the word "dynasty" is almost non-existent in SportsNation these days. 'Parity' is now the new buzzword in sports. The distribution of talent is more equal than any other time in the history of athletic competition.

It seems, though, that every time you hear about parity in sports, it's all negative. "Parity is Upsetting the Old Balance of Power." "No Party in Parity." "The Mess of Parity." Sportswriters and sports talk-show hosts all over the country are articulating their dislike of parity.

But what's the problem? Parity, as

defined by Merriam-Webster Dictionary, is: "the quality or state of being equal or equivalent." Sounds like a good thing. Each day, news sources highlight people working towards a better society, seeking equality, or should I say, equity, for all. So what's the problem?

The problem in the sports world lies with people stuck in tradition. Whenever people hear the names of the teams above, they think back to all of the great teams of John Wooden, Red Auerbach, Casey Stengel, and Bill Walsh. Fantastic teams and fantastic moments in the history of sports.

Tradition is what sports is based on, and deservedly so. If it weren't for teams like these, there would be no Blue Devils, no Kobe, no Michael Vick, and heaven forbid, no Rally Monkey.

So if tradition is so important to sports, why is this newfound parity a good thing?

Parity has finally brought virtually all major professional and college sports to an even playing field. Night in and night out, sportscasters bring out the old "That's why they play the game, folks" or "Games aren't played on paper" lines. Sure, they need to come up with some better catchphrases,

but it's times like these that make you proud to be a sports fan. On any given night, any team can beat any team--that's what makes watching the game worth your \$50 nose-bleed seat, \$40 a month satellite bill, or your \$2 at the bar where you can have a drink and enjoy a hard-fought game.

Nowhere else was the effect of parity on sports more evident than in the final weeks of the NFL season. Going into the final two weeks, 11 teams were still in the AFC playoff hunt. With only six spots available, this made for some pretty stiff competition in the waning days of the regular season. Millions of fans tuned in to every game and every episode of NFL Primetime and SportsCenter on ESPN. The more fans the better, both financially, and for the continued popularity of the NFL.

The NFL isn't the only sport like this. Last April, who thought the Anaheim Angels were going to even make the playoffs, let alone win the World Series? Or what about the Maryland Terrapins and Indiana Hoosiers in the 2002 NCAA men's basketball title game? Even the great Dickie V. didn't see that coming.

It looks as though there is only an upside to parity in sports. More competitive games plus more uncertainty equals

more drama. When you think back to the greatest moments in sports, are they not those filled with intrigue and suspense? Aren't they those times when you think to yourself "Am I watching a movie here?" Something about these moments makes your skin tingle as you sit on the edge of your seat and watch with earnest.

Teams like the Bruins and Yankees will be in the hearts of sports fans forever. They will always have their prominent place in their respective hall of fames. Nothing makes you more proud to be a sports lover than walking through the Baseball Hall of Fame (or any other sports shrine) and seeing clips of some of the most exciting games ever. You may never see the names of those players on plaques in the Hall of Fame Gallery, but the history of the game would be incomplete without them.

But the more of the "little guys" we have in sports, the more it's worth tuning in to see what happens next. Who knows? Gonzaga may win the national title in men's hoops this April, the Wizards may give Michael Jordan his last Larry O'Brien NBA Championship Trophy in June, and the Devil Rays may hoist the World Series Trophy come October.

Thank God for parity.

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Spaghetti and Veal Parmigiana	\$7.25
Spaghetti and Chicken Parmigiana	\$7.25
Stuffed Shells with Cheese Filling	\$6.75

All Pasta Dinners include Salad and Garlic Bread.  
All Items Available for Take-out — Add 25¢



### TOMMY'S FAMOUS WINGS

1/2 Dozen \$3.25 • Dozen \$5.00  
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Your Choice of Sauces:

Hot, Mild, Sweet And Sour, BBQ, Cajun,  
Butter and Garlic, Old Bay, Honey Mustard  
Extra Bleu Cheese 50¢ • Extra Celery 50¢  
Add 25¢ to go

### HOAGIES

Chicken Tender	\$5.50
With Lettuce, Tomato and Mayonnaise	
Chicken Parmigiana	\$5.50
Tommy's Special Sauce and Provolone Cheese	
Veal Parmigiana	\$5.50
Tommy's Special Sauce and Provolone Cheese	
Sausage	\$5.50
Hot Italian Sausage with Sauce and Onions	
Super Steak	\$6.25
7 oz. Top Round, Cheese, Mushrooms, Onions, Peppers, Lettuce, Tomato and Mayonnaise	
Cheese Steak (MOP)	\$5.75
Mushrooms, Onions and Peppers	
Cheese Steak	\$5.50
Onions and Sauce	
ITALIAN Hoagie	\$5.50
Ham, Cappelletti, Salami, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions and Dressing	
Hot Ham and Cheese	\$5.50
7 oz. of Boiled Ham and Provolone Cheese	
Meatball and Cheese	\$5.50
Tuna Hoagie	\$5.50
Chunk Light Tuna, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes and Onions	

Mushrooms 50¢ • Hot or Sweet Peppers 50¢  
Extra Cheese 50¢

All Items on our Menu are Made Fresh to  
Order and May Take a Little Extra Time.  
Thank You for Your Patience



## Colonel Clipboard

### On Tap

#### Saturday

Wrestling at  
Waynesburg Duals, 10 a.m.

Women's Basketball at  
Scranton, 1 p.m.

Men's Basketball at  
Scranton, 3 p.m.

#### Monday

Men's Basketball at  
St. Mary's (MD), 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Wrestling at  
Albright/Ursinus, 6 p.m.

Women's Basketball VS  
King's, 6 p.m.

Men's Basketball VS  
King's, 8 p.m.

For more sports information,  
visit: [www.wilkesbeacon.com](http://www.wilkesbeacon.com)

### Embarrassment

#### Men's Basketball

Wilkes 87 Del Val 63

Results			
Del Val	fg	ft	tp
Graves	3	0-0	6
Wolf	2	0-0	5
Wright	5	2-2	13
Wurtz	2	1-3	5
Avant	3	1-2	7
Smint	5	2-2	16
Dawson	0	1-2	1
Johnson	1	0-0	2
Taylor	3	2-4	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>9-15</b>	<b>63</b>

#### Wilkes

Sclafani	1	0-0	3
Hairston	4	1-1	9
Pressley	5	3-3	13
Morgan	8	0-0	19
Walters	0	2-2	2
Henry	1	4-4	7
Calarco	1	0-0	2
Milford	1	2-2	4
Culley	1	0-0	2
Plisko	4	0-0	8
Kemp	2	0-0	5
Bonczewski	3	3-6	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>18-21</b>	<b>87</b>

### In Review

#### Saturday

Men's Basketball  
Wilkes 76, Drew 66

Wrestling  
McDaniel 25, Wilkes 19;  
Wilkes 27, Delaware St. 22

Women's Basketball  
Drew 70, Wilkes 57

#### Monday

Men's Basketball  
Lincoln 65, Wilkes 63

#### Wednesday

Men's Basketball  
Wilkes 87, Del Val 63

Women's Basketball  
Wilkes 68, Del Val 59

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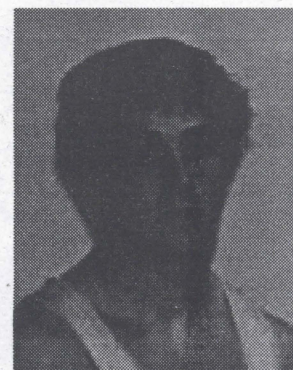
### Athlete of the Week

#### Eric Bleich, Wrestling

The freshman continued his winning ways last week as he completed the week with three victories for the Colonels. In the 197 weight class, Bleich won a 5-2 decision in his match against Montclair St., won by pinfall in sudden death versus Kutztown, and then took a 5-3 decision against McDaniel.

Over the past two weeks, Bleich has improved his overall standing amongst MAC grapplers at 197. After getting off to a slow start, Bleich upped his record to 11-8 overall, thanks to wins in seven out of his last eight matches.

Bleich, a freshman out of Wilkes-Barre, PA, is undeclared.



### Numbers Of the Week

69

Number of seconds it took senior Cory Fleisher to pin his opponent in Saturday's meet with Delaware St.

11

Number of wins by the Lady Colonels basketball team as of Wednesday evening - three more than all of last season

4

Number of points the Radiers are giving to the Bucs in Sunday's Superbowl

### Beacon's Best Bet

#### Wednesday- Women's Basketball VS. King's, 6 p.m.

The rivalry heats up as the Lady Colonels (11-4 overall, as of Wednesday) play host to the 11th ranked Lady Monarchs.



The Beacon/Mick Jenkins

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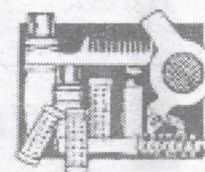
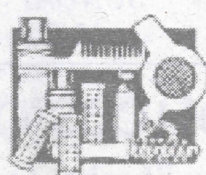
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#### Hours

Weds. and Fri 9-5

Sat. 8-4

Mon., Tues., Thurs., and  
Evenings by appointment





# **Campus Calendar**



The Beacon/Kristin Hake

Don't let your car get snowed in! With all of the heavy snowfall, piles of the white stuff have been reeking havoc throughout Wilkes-Barre. More light snow is expected to fall over the weekend.

## Today, January 23

*R&J:*  
7:30 p.m., Henry Student Center Ballroom

*V-Day Interest Meeting:*  
11:45 - 1 p.m., Kirby Hall, Room 108

## Friday, January 24

*Movie Night:*  
7 p.m., Cinemark Theatre

## Saturday, January 25

*Post-Game Gathering at Farley's:*  
After the Men's Basketball Game, Farley's

*Wrestling at Waynesburg Duals:*  
10 a.m.,

*Women's Basketball at Scranton:*  
1 p.m.,

*Men's Basketball at Scranton:*  
3 p.m.,

## Sunday, January 26

*No Events Scheduled:*

## Monday, January 27

*No Events Scheduled:*

## Tuesday, January 28

*Zionlink Incorporated:*  
10:30- 4:30 p.m., Roth Concourse

## Wednesday, January 29

*Personacards:*  
11-2 p.m., Roth Concourse

*Wilkes/King's Pre-Game Mixer:*  
5-7 p.m., Lowe's Restaurant

*Wrestling at Albright/Ursinus:*  
6 p.m.,

*Women's Basketball vs. Kings :*  
6 p.m.,

*Men's Basketball vs. Kings:*  
8 p.m.,

*Student-Moderated Discussion Group on Apathy:*  
3 p.m., Savitz Multicultural Lounge

## Wilkes-Barre Weekly Weather



**TODAY**  
12/6



**FRIDAY**  
22/6



**SATURDAY**  
23/12



**SUNDAY**  
22/20



**MONDAY**  
34/24



**TUESDAY**  
35/28



**WEDNESDAY**  
34/22

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