

The Beacon



Doug Rubinstein To Resign Position

Douglas J. Rubinstein, director of public relations, announced last week that due to "personal reasons," he is resigning his position effective Jan. 31.

Rubinstein, who also served as advisor to The Beacon, came from the State University of New York at Oswego just over a year ago to become PR Director at the College. Among his accomplishments while at Wilkes are the installment of the "Wilkes College Connection," a 24-hour a day telephone information line; publication of the "Wilkes College Quarterly," a magazine for alumni; and "Toward Tomorrow," a viewbook to be used in freshman recruiting.

He holds a B.A. and M.S. in Communication Studies-English-Education, and was associate dean of arts and sciences at Oswego before coming to Wilkes.

No announcement has yet been made as to the selection of a new public relations director.

35 SELECTED FOR 'WHO'S WHO'

Thirty-five seniors have achieved national recognition by being selected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," according to an announcement by Art Hoover, director of student activities.

Selection is based on campus and community activity, leadership ability and academic achievement.

A total of 88 seniors submitted applications this year.

Students selected are:

Larry Assalita, Tamaqua, vice president of Student Government and member of the senior class executive council and Cherry Blossom Committee. Active in many college and community organizations, he is a biology major with a concentration in psychology.

Thomas Bazzini, Holbrook, N.Y., is a chemistry-biology major. A participant in intramural sports, he is a member of the Chemical Society and is president of Inter-Dormitory Council. He also participates in a number of other college and community events.

Rosetta Chiavacci, Hughestown, is a Student Government representative and was chairman of this year's homecoming. She is a nursing major who participates in intramural volleyball and varsity softball. A member of the Nursing Student Organization, she is also active in community projects.

Louis DeRobertis, Old Forge, is an English major who served as a student leader in the Wilkes College Taskforce for Johnstown. President of Commuter Council,

he is a member of the Student Life Committee, Student Affairs Committee, and Concert and Lecture Series Committee.

Maryjean deSandes, Allentown, is a Spanish-psychology major. She is a four-year Student Government representative and was Cherry Blossom Carnival coordinator. She is also a member of the Spanish Club, International Club, and is vice president of the Reach Out Club.

Ellen du Fosse, Williamsport, is chairman of the Cherry Blossom Festival. The nursing major taught Church School and tutored at the YMCA. She also

participates in a summer program for the elderly and is active in intramural sports and other college activities.

Daryl Dwyer, Plymouth, is a biology major and chapter president of the American Institute of Biological Sciences. A participant in community affairs, he also served as a teaching and laboratory assistant, is a member of the Biology Club and is a Student Government representative.

Louis Elefante, Jr., New Milford, N.J., is a business administration major who will captain this year's varsity baseball team. In addition to coaching

Little League and Junior Football, he participates in intramural sports, is a member of the Reach Out Club and Ski Club.

David Evans, Kingston, is captain of the Debate Union and Pi Kappa Delta fraternity vice president. The English major is associate editor of the Manuscript Society and is a member of the Academic Standing Committee and Student Government.

Cynthia Glawe, White Haven, is a member of the Nursing Student Organization and co-captain of the swim team. A nursing major, she belongs to the

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Robert Sacchi Stars

'Bogey' Will Arrive Wed.

Humphrey Bogart will be brought to the campus Wednesday, Jan. 25 as Robert Sacchi presents "Bogey's Back," a dramatic presentation of scenes from Bogart's greatest films. The program is being sponsored by the Concert and Lecture Series.

Sacchi, who looks, talks and acts like the famed actor, will present scenes from such movies as "The Maltese Falcon," "The Caine Mutiny" and "Casablanca," while also providing a glimpse at Bogey's probable reaction to the 70s.

The two-hour presentation has been given at a number of colleges and universities throughout the United States, and has also played to theater audiences.

Sacchi, a man in his mid-

thirties, never met Bogart, who died in 1957. He has, however, read every Bogey biography and has seen most of the actor's 75 movies. His natural resemblance to Bogart has been an obvious asset, and he has portrayed the man in a number of television commercials in addition to doing the theatrical performances.

A theater critic who attended a performance of "Bogey's Back" noted that Sacchi's work "is not an imitation," but a "recreation." Sacchi "talked like Bogey, looked like Bogey, dressed like him, even moved like him. Weird!"

Bogey will be back on Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. The performance is free of charge.



"Here's looking at you, kid."

\$2.4 MILLION CAMPAIGN OPENS

The College has announced plans for a \$2.4 million "Alpha" capital gifts campaign which is expected to run for the next three years.

President Robert S. Capin told an audience of 200 community leaders, alumni, and members of the college family last month that funds raised will be directed toward scholarship support, enlarging the endowment fund, and reconstruction of existing college properties.

"We believe that these efforts are in keeping with the mission of Wilkes College and will help maintain its character and quality," noted Capin.

Attorney Joseph J. Savitz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, commented that "the trustees view the campaign as a vital step forward in keeping with the goals of the college."

The keynote speaker at the Leaders' Conference was Attorney Louis H. Pollak, reknown lawyer and dean of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He stressed that independent col-

leges "are critical in a free society," and "are really what a democratic society is all about."

The "Alpha" campaign, named for the Greek letter symbolizing leadership and the beginning of efforts, is already approaching

the \$500,000 mark. Attorney Andrew J. Hourigan will head the drive.

In addition to providing support to the college scholarship fund which aids 80 per cent of Wilkes students, a portion of the

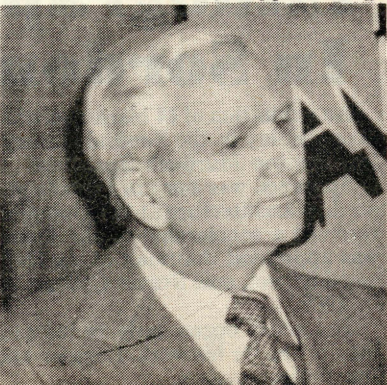
funds will be used to maintain a number of the historic buildings on campus, including the reconstruction of campus property into an adequate student union building.

Enlargement of the endowment

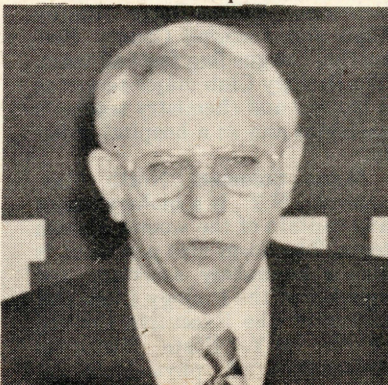
fund is also a goal of the campaign, and will be undertaken in order to competitively recruit and retain a quality faculty.

Capital gifts campaigns are usually conducted every several years and are held in addition to the annual college campaign.

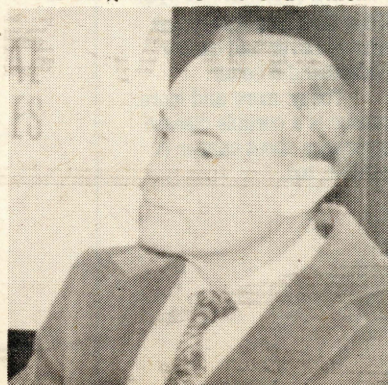
The intensive part of this campaign is expected to take place over the next 18 months, while pledges will be made over the next three years.



SAVITZ: "WE HAVE MADE OUR COMMITMENT TO THE REGION..."



CAPIN: "WE BELIEVE WILKES COLLEGE HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE A LEADER IN HIGHER EDUCATION IN NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA."



POLLAK: "BASICALLY INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS ARE REALLY WHAT A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY IS ALL ABOUT."

On The Cover

"I wonder what the tea leaves have in store for tonight." John Forte is deep in thought over his cup of tea. Could he be contemplating the start of a new semester?

Photo by Nigel Gray.

'Who's Who'

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Ski Club and is active in community affairs.

Nicholas Holgash, Old Forge, is an accounting-business education major. He is a four-year member of the Accounting Club and varsity basketball team. A reporter for The Beacon, the volunteer fireman was a co-director of Old Forge playgrounds.

Carl Holsberger, Pottstown, is a political science major and president of Student Government. He is also a member of the Political Science Club and Student Life Committee, and is active in other college activities.

Danny House, Norfolk, Va., served as vice president of the Art Club and secretary of the Education Club. A member of the varsity wrestling team, the art major tutors at the YMCA.

Jeffrey Jones, Wilkes-Barre, is a biology major and two-year captain of the swim team. A participant in the 1977 Science Expo, he is active in intramural sports, is a member of the Biology Club and a volunteer for the Wilkes College Taskforce for Johnstown.

Christa Kauffman, Wilkes-Barre, is a mathematics-computer science major who is president of the Math Club and vice president of the Computer Science Club. The Circle K member also tutors at the YMCA.

Brenda Kobilis, Mount Carmel, is president of the Nursing Student Organization and IDC representative. The nursing

major is active in theater productions and intramural volleyball and a member of the Cue 'N' Curtain Club.

John Lack, Saugerties, N.Y., captained the football and lacrosse teams. The letterman is a member of the Saugerties Athletic Association and a participant in intramural sports. He majors in accounting.

Kevin McCormick, Clifton, N.J., is a biology major who served as dormitory president and History Club treasurer. A member of the intramural softball and basketball teams, he participates in the YMCA tutoring program.

Anita Meehan, Plymouth, is captain of the women's varsity basketball and softball teams. An education major, she is a member of the French Club and is active in intramural sports and community activities.

Eleanor Merten, Rockaway, N.J., is editor-in-chief of the Amnicola. A member of the Accounting and Business Club, she tutored accounting and business classes, served as American Cancer Society campaign manager and American Red Cross disaster surveyor.

Rosemary Noone, Scranton, is a YMCA tutor and 1977 Homecoming princess. The nursing major is a member of the Nursing Student Organization and corresponding secretary of the History Club.

Karen Olney, Monroe, Ct., is an

accounting major and co-captain of the basketball and softball teams. The letterwoman also managed the varsity volleyball team, is a PIAA official and an Accounting Club member.

David Palanzo, Annville, is president of the senior class. The biology major is a member of the Jazz Band, Photography Club, History Club and Biology Club. He is chapter vice president of the American Institute of Biological Sciences and is a Red Cross volunteer and instructor.

Donna Pape, Wilkes-Barre, is captain of the cheerleaders. The nursing major served as a nurse's aide and participated in Blood Donor drives. A member of the Human Services Committee, she worked with the March of Dimes and Cherry Blossom Festival Committee.

Carol Ann Pashchuk, Nicholson, is a nursing major who participated in the Hike-for-Hunger and the American Cancer Society Bike-a-thon. She is a member of the Emergency Alert Team and the Nursing Student Organization. She also served as secretary in the Wilkes College Christian Fellowship.

Janine Pokrinchak, Owego, N.Y., is a biology major who worked on The Beacon as reporter, feature editor and now, managing editor. The senior class treasurer is a member of the Society for Technical Communications and American Institute of Biological Sciences. She is also active in intramural sports and other college activities.

Diane Polachek, Kingston, is a Theta Delta Rho member who served as the sorority representative, treasurer, president and queen. The elementary education major is a member of the women's tennis team, and a member of the Letterwomen's Club, French Club, Karate Club and International Club.

Suzanne Pudlosky, Wilkes-Barre, is captain of the strutters. The Theta Delta Rho member is also vice president of the Women's Activities Association, a member of the Ski, Karate and Business clubs. The business administration major worked as a volunteer for the March of Dimes, American Cancer Society and local nursing homes.

James Ruck, Wilkes-Barre, is a music major who sings with the College chorus and Madrigal Singers. Active in the theater as musical coordinator, he also appeared in "Sing Out, Sweet Land," "Trial By Jury," and "H.M.S. Pinafore." The Cue 'N' Curtain Club member is also organist for the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Frank Scancarella, Clifton, N.J., is treasurer of Student Government. The business-administration major is a member of the SG social committee, Homecoming committee and History Club. He is also active in intramural sports.

Seth Silver, Valley Stream, N.Y., is a biology major who captains an intramural football team. He is a member of the American Institute of Biological Sciences, Wilkes-Barre Rugby Club and Luzerne County Recreation League flag football team. The Biology Club major serves as a biology and chemistry teacher's assistant and as a hospital orderly.

Maris Solomon, North Massapequa, N.Y., is a biology major and captain of the women's swim team. The dorm vice president is also a laboratory assistant and member of the Biology Club, and serves on the Executive Council of the N.Y. State Historical Association. A physician's assistant, she also teaches swimming.

Debi Stephens, Sykesville, Md., is a Theta Delta Rho member and an Upward Bound tutor. The strutter also served as Spanish Club secretary and pres-

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Theater To Present Arthur Miller Play

The Cue-n-Curtain Club will present Arthur Miller's "Incident At Vichy," Jan. 27-29 in the SUB.

The setting of the play is a place of detention in Vichy, France during World War II, according to Alfred S. Groh, chairman of the Theater Arts Department. The play itself is an historical dramatization of an event where the prisoners involved have no choice but to face the situation and its results, as there are no alternatives.

The play will be directed by Leo Gambacorta, a 1976 Wilkes graduate. Gambacorta will also design the set, while the lighting will be designed by Paul Gallagher.

Cast members include: Robert Bernhardt, Wilkes-Barre; Wayne Clawans, North Brunswick, N.J.; Joe V. Cribari, New Milford, N.J.; Richard Cutler, Long Island, N.Y.; Carl Edwards, Scranton; Robert Fabbri, Hudson; John Forte, Pequannock, N.J.; Paul Gallagher, Kingston; Robert Klein, Pocono Lake; Jack Lambert, Plains; Michael Pavese, Scranton; John Salwitz, Westfield, N.J.; Randy Smith, Wilkes-Barre; William Stusnick, Forty Fort; Lee Thomas, Easton; Brian Ufberg, Kingston.

Crew members are: John Griffith, technical director; Brenda Kobilis, stage manager; Janet Hocking, assistant director; Adele Ann Tavella, master electrician; Mary Ellen Evans, sound technician; Kathy Bozinski, property mistress; Donna Pioppi, costume coordinator; Patricia Lupi, make-up; Stella Korpusik, box office and house manager; James Ruck, publicity coordinator; Donna Korba, program and poster designs.

Production dates are scheduled for Jan. 27 and 28 at 8 p.m., and Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. Performances will be held in the Student Union Building and admission is 50 cents.

CC Members To Meet With W-B Mayor Lisman

Two Commuter Council representatives will meet with the Parking Authority of Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday to discuss the fifty cents a day plan for Park & Lock proposed by the council.

Mayor Walter Lisman arranged for the meeting after a letter was sent to him by Becky Toton and Dave Evans, the two council members who will attend the meeting. This new plan would affect all students on campus. It has been noted during past CC meetings that car pools will be easier to form, it will be less expensive, and simply more convenient for students if this new plan goes through.

The council is also proposing to keep the monthly \$12 stickers for students who would prefer this to the new plan.

In other council matters it was reported that the bus trip to New York City over the break was a success. The council is now looking into sponsoring bus trips to see 1) a '76er's basketball game or 2) a baseball game or 3) a weekend in New York co-sponsored with Cue 'N' Curtain, or all three. All these trips being planned are open to all students.

In response to Gary Toczykowski's letter to the editor in the last issue of The Beacon, Louis DeRobertis, CC president, said "how far do we have to go to convince the people our events are open to dorm students. We are not out to block them." Toczykowski stated in his letter "CC should be to provide activities that will promote interest

for...both dorm and commuter. I ask you CC, are you really doing this?"

In new business, Shelia Kupinsky has resigned from the council causing John Lychos to be appointed to fill her position as a senior representative.

With the body's permission, DeRobertis is going to discuss with President Capin the idea of calling off school under hazardous snow conditions. Snow days have never before been called in the history of the College but DeRobertis noted that "Wilkes is the only college in the area for commuters which never cancels for snow."

Jim Edwards

ROTC Awards Scholarships

Two sophomores have been named to receive full three-year Air Force scholarships, according to an announcement by Lt. Col. Anthony Seizys, AFROTC detachment commander at the College.

Dorothy A. Maguire and Eugene J. Dylewski, the scholarship recipients, will take aerospace studies courses in conjunction with their normal curriculum, and upon successful completion of their program will be commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force.

The scholarship award includes full tuition, fees, books and a \$100 monthly allowance.

Lithograph Display In Sordoni Gallery

An exhibition of 44 black and white and multi-colored lithographs is on display in the Sordoni Gallery until Jan. 31. The artist is the late Benton Murdoch Spruance.

Spruance was born in Philadelphia in 1904. As a young man he studied architecture at the University of Pennsylvania, and in 1925 received a scholarship to the Pennsylvania Academy. In 1933 he was appointed chairman of the Department of Fine Arts at Beechwood School, now Beaver College, where he remained until his death in 1967.

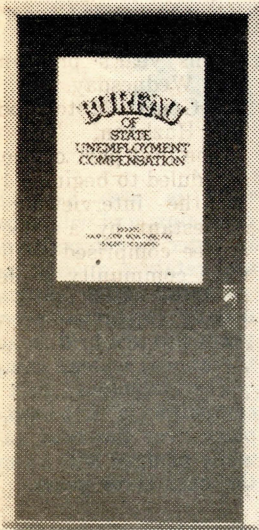
The artist began early in his career to favor literary sources as inspiration for his work. Religion and fantasy also provided much of the subject matter.

Benton Spruance was a master printmaker and a prolific artist, and is credited with establishing lithography as the major artistic medium it is today.

The Hahn Gallery in Philadelphia, in cooperation with the Spruance family, has loaned all the works to the College for this showing.

The gallery is open Sunday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

My doctor pronounced me cured of cancer. My boss didn't.



My boss didn't understand that I was healthy again.

So I was let go.

A lot of people are like my boss. They think that everyone dies of cancer. I thought so, too. Until the American Cancer Society, through one of its service and rehabilitation programs, helped me return to a normal life.

The ACS also has local Units that help Americans who've never had cancer understand it better.

Today, more and more, cancer is a curable disease. Ignorance about cancer is curable, too.



American Cancer Society

Writer In Residence Here This Semester

Nationally noted author Jonathan Lipsky will be the College's "Writer in Residence" during the upcoming spring semester, according to Dr. Thomas N. Kaska, chairman of the English Department.

Lipsky will be the College's third writer in residence, following writer Laura Furman, 1977; and poet Hugh Seidman, 1976. The program allows the visit of a distinguished American writer to the campus annually for one semester.

Lipsky will teach a course in play writing, an evening course which will be open to regular students and to the community. Further information may be obtained by contacting the English Department office.

A resident of Cambridge, Mass., Lipsky holds a B.A. degree from Oberlin College and a Master of Fine Arts from the University of Iowa. He was awarded a Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellowship during the 1965-66 academic year.

Lipsky has been a visiting lecturer in the theater and English departments at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. and a humanities instructor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

He has been a visiting artist at a Playmaking Workshop at Oberlin College, working with student actors on the problems of creating characters, scenes and script, through improvisation and writer-actor collaboration.

Lipsky is presently acting with the Reality Theater Company, Boston, Mass. where he is studying acting based on the Grotowski technique with Steve Wangh and Linda Putnam.

Among his writings and publications are "The Library of Babel -- An Evening with

Borges," a play based on the fantasies and labyrinths of Argentine author, Jorge Luis Borges; "Class," a comic drama about the strange socialization process called school; and "The Second Greatest Crime of the Century," a black comedy based on the assassination of President Garfield.

Also, "Saul," a play based on a maverick reading of the Biblical story of King Saul; and "Diaspora," a novella.

Philosophy Dept To Form Honor Society Chapter

The Wilkes College Department of Philosophy was recently notified by the National Executive Council of Phi Sigma Tau, national honor society in philosophy, that its petition for a chapter of the society on campus has been approved.

"The history of Wilkes College ... the achievement and training of its faculty and particularly the achievement and training of students in philosophy" led to the endorsement of the College's petition, according

The Program Board of Bloomsburg State College is sponsoring its 4th Annual Dance Marathon January 27-29 in the Kehr Union. The theme of the 50-hour marathon is the 60s and proceeds will go to the American Diabetes Association.

Wilkes is invited to enter representatives or to visit on this special weekend. Please call [717]-389-2918 if additional information is desired.

to National Executive Secretary Lee C. Rice of Marquette University.

To be known as Pennsylvania Xi, the chapter's goals include the encouragement of a professional spirit and interest among those who have displayed marked ability in philosophy and the placing of academic achievements at the forefront among student objectives.

With the only chapter of Phi Sigma Tau in Northeastern Pennsylvania, the College is in a position to implement fully the goals of the society: to serve as a means of awarding distinction to students having high scholarship and personal interest in philosophy; to promote student interest in research and advanced study in this field; to provide opportunities for the publication of student research papers of merit and to popularize interest in philosophy in the local community.

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ident and is a member of the International Club and Ski Club. She majors in International Studies.

Leonard Vekkos, Woodbury Heights, N.J., earned three letters as a member of the soccer team. The biology major is a member of the International Club, Human Services Committee and Biology Club, and also serves as a teacher's assistant.

Susan Volovicz, Plymouth, is a Circle K member who majors in Medical Technology. The SG representative served on the Executive Council, publicity and elections committee, film committee and Cherry Blossom Committee, and participated in intramural sports. She is presently working as a medical explorer in cooperation with Williamsport Hospital.

Application Deadline Feb. 1 RA Selection Process Begins

Applications are now available in the Housing Office for students interested in applying for Resident Assistant positions for next year.

Any student, who will be enrolled at Wilkes next year, is eligible to apply for a position. The student must not be on academic probation and must meet the following requirements:

1. The student must be enrolled as a full-time student; 2. must have lived in a residence hall for

at least one year; 3. must be a resident student during the semester of employment; 4. must be willing to perform all duties of the position as outlined in the job description; 5. must have a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average, which must be maintained during the time of employment; 6. must have a satisfactory conduct record with no more than one offense during the present academic year; 7. must be willing to be available at the times necessary to fulfill the requirements of the job description; 8. must maintain a schedule permitting the R.A. to be available to the students in his/her dorm.

9. The student must be willing

to abide personally by and enforce all College policies; 10. must possess interpersonal and group skills; 11. must be or have been actively involved in some aspect of the campus or community; 12. must provide all information requested on the application and complete the selection process to the best of the candidate's ability and 13. must personally consult with the Housing Office prior to applying for the position if the student will be involved with Student Teaching or Internships.

The deadline for applying is February 1.

Anyone having questions should contact the Dean of Students staff, the Housing Office or any member of this year's R.A. staff.

SG Investigating Plans For Gym Floor Cover

At the last Student Government meeting of the fall semester, held during finals week, the body voted in favor of purchasing a floor covering for the gym for concerts, lectures, and other activities. According to Greg Black, concert Chairman, the covering has been ordered and will be delivered within the next few weeks.

The cost of the floor protector is close to \$10,000 which is being split in half between Student Government and the administration. Black said that the covering could be rented out to other colleges and organizations to help pay for it. This, however, will be looked into further before it is decided upon.

The main problem facing the body right now is where to store the bulky item.

In other business, the social committee announced their plans for the winter weekend which will be held next weekend, January 27, 28, and 29. (See schedule of events on the back cover.)

The academic committee reported that the faculty evaluation forms have been returned and Dave Evans, committee chairman, feels that the return by students was "pretty good." Some students did not receive their evaluation forms but this was usually in the case of commuters who live in apartments and the forms were mailed to the home. Other mistakes were made too, but Carl Holsberger, SG president, attributed these to doing the mailing for the first

time and noted that the body has now learned from experience.

Evans also announced that the faculty academic standing committee is currently looking into challenging courses for credit. This concept would mainly affect incoming freshmen who took advanced placement courses in high school. These students, if they so desire, would take a test for a particular course and if passing would receive credit for that course or not be required to take it.

It was announced that Bill Keba, a sophomore representative, has resigned from the body because of personal reasons. Holsberger will appoint a new representative after speaking with the sophomore class president, Charlie Steffonettie. Dave Blumfield was appointed to Keba's old position of Publicity and Elections committee co-chairman.

Jim Edwards

Nursing Students Invited To Enter Cancer Society's 'Miss Hope' Contest

The seventh annual program to select a nurse as the 1978 Miss Hope of the Luzerne County Unit of the American Cancer Society is presently underway.

This year's program will be held Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Gus Genetti Motor Lodge, Route 309, Hazleton.

The first part of the program, scheduled to begin at 4 p.m., will be the interviewing of each contestant by a selection committee comprised of five prominent community leaders. The program will then be opened to the public at 7:30 p.m. when each contestant will deliver a two-minute speech on the hopeful side of cancer.

The Miss Hope Program is open to all registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, graduate nurses or nursing students. The winner will be selected on intelligence, poise, ability to communicate, and the content and deliverance of a two-minute presentation.

The county winner will then go on to the state contest and compete for the title of Miss Hope of Pennsylvania.

Area nurses are urged to put their skills and abilities to use by applying for this year's Miss Hope Program. Applications and detailed information are available from the Luzerne County Unit of the American Cancer Society, 71 North Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, or 67 North Church St., Hazleton.

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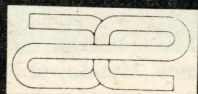
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Welcome Back?



Thanks

The resignation of Doug Rubinstein as public relations director also leads to The Beacon losing its advisor. We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the support he has given us for the past eight months.

We believe his most important contribution to this paper has been his firm belief in the right of a free press, for he has always supported our editorial decisions during some very trying times by referring to this ideal. Never has he even suggested censorship, although The Beacon often placed him in a difficult position due to his dual role as advisor and administrator.

We would also like to thank him for his faith in us and his willingness to place so much responsibility in our hands. In his role as advisor he gave us advice and suggestions, but always reserved the final decision for us. This has led to an even more significant learning experience for us, one which has already made an impact in our lives. Although our daily lives were often filled with frustration and anxiety due to our responsibilities, we believe that we have grown in ways few people our ages have had the opportunity to do. For all of the above-thanks, Doug.

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SG President Holsberger Clarifies Grading System

To The Editor:

The concept most misunderstood at Wilkes College is the decimal point grading system. Next year this grading system may affect every non-graduating student, therefore an understanding of the system is essential.

Allow me to answer the questions that were raised in the December 9th Beacon. First, we will not have to track down old grades to be changed. The grading system will begin academic year 1978 and will not affect previous grades. However, which classes the decimal point grading system will affect is not yet resolved. This question will be answered by the Academic Standing Committee. It appears the committee will allow the new grading system implemented for every class, but I do not speak for the committee.

For the final question raised by Mr. Forte, let me say a zero to one hundred scale was proposed by Dr. Reif. However, this type of grading system was turned down in favor of decimal point grading. I myself feel that decimal point grading is advantageous to numerical grading for a number of reasons, too complicated to go into now.

Many people believe that decimal point grading will actually be detrimental to the student. I disagree. True, the 4.0 student may be a thing of the past, but the B and C students should be benefited by decimal grading. It is this group of students we hope to help.

In many cases, professors will

give the student the benefit of the doubt and the higher grade. However, 0.5 grades SHOULD THEORETICALLY affect grades in the MIDDLE of a distribution. Allow me to give an example. Professor A determines that 80 to 90 constitutes a 3 (we must remember that this 80 to 90 distribution may change because of academic freedom). Student B has an 89 average and Professor A lowers his grade scale to give Student B a 4. However, students C through Z have 87.5 averages and Professor A cannot lower his 4 scale to cover all these students.

These students are in the proverbial "gray" area and receive a 3. These gray area students will now receive 3.5s, a much truer measure of their ability.

Of course, this is theoretical. Many professors may argue that they give students the higher grade in all cases. If so, decimal point grading will hurt the student. As a student, however, look back at the grades you have received in previous semesters. I am sure you will find, as I myself and the members of last year's Student Government have found, that your cum will remain about the same. There are just as many cases of receiving the lower grade as receiving the higher grade.

It is true, decimal point grading does not raise a student's cum. However, neither does it lower the student's cum. What our system does is evaluate the student's true ability. I believe that our present system takes away the incentive of final examinations in some cases. With more grade divisions the incentive should return. The students of Wilkes College deserve to be fairly graded, and finally they will. It upsets me to that a number of professors, at a college so concerned with grade inflation, have caused misconceptions about the fairest, truest grading system Wilkes College has ever had.

Respectfully,
Carl Holsberger
S.G. President

Paint Victim Appreciates Job

To The Editor:

After a paint chip fell on my notebook last semester, I would just like to thank whoever ordered Parrish 56 to be scraped and repainted. It looks 100 percent better and, as a paying student, I appreciate it.

Thanks Again
A Believer In The Pope

There will be a Freshmen Class meeting next Thursday in the C.P.A. at 11:00. The constitution will be discussed and voted on

Trying To Quit Smoking? Helpful Tips Offered

In conjunction with Smoking Education Week, the American Cancer Society offers ten ways to quit smoking. Smokers who attempt to quit smoking must first be sure they really and truly want to give up cigarettes. When they are sure, some of these tips may help to ease the pain:

1. Try replacing that hot cigarette with a hot (spicy) drink. Tomato juice with Worcestershire sauce, pepper and other seasonings is excellent.
2. Smoke only in a certain spot -- one that is isolated, uncomfortable and devoid of amusements such as TV, books or food.
3. Take a deep breath instead of a cigarette before answering the phone if you have that habit.
4. "Craving" smokers will find this suggestion helpful. Select a day on which you will definitely quit; and for a few days before, smoke excessively. Double your intake until the entire process floods your system with nicotine and makes you sick and disgusted with cigarettes. When the distaste for nicotine is at its height, quit.
5. Tell all your friends that you definitely are going to quit. This will help you from backsliding. you don't want to ruin your reputation. Promise someone a dinner if you return to smoking.
6. Let your family give you some sort of celebration. Make

bets on your ability to stop and offer good odds.

7. Take up pipe smoking. It'll drive you crazy, and hopefully to not smoking, to try and keep that pipe lighted. Besides, you won't inhale as much.

8. Change your smoking habits by changing brands. Keep switching to lower tar and nicotine cigarettes, but don't increase your usage. The final change you make will be to quit.

9. Discover what motivates you to smoke. Then build an even stronger motivation to stop. Be sure your decision is firm and your motivation is solidly based.

10. First decide if you're going to quit "cold turkey" or gradually. If you decide to do it gradually, set intermediate goals for yourself such as 15 cigarettes in the first week, 10 in the second and so on until you're down to zero.

The Luzerne County Unit of the American Cancer Society has self-help kits for those who wish to stop smoking. Contact the unit at 71 North Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, for more information.

BEACON BITS

Student Government will meet Monday at 6:30 in the Board Room of Weckesser Hall.

Commuter Council will meet Monday at 4 p.m. in Weckesser Hall. Inter-Dormitory Council will meet Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Commons.

There will be a Beacon meeting Sunday at 1 p.m. in Shawnee Hall.

"Bogey's Back," a theatrical presentation of scenes from Humphrey Bogart films, will be offered Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the C.P.A. The performance, featuring actor Robert Sacchi, is sponsored by the Concert and Lecture Series.

Wilkes' Community Film Series will present the gangster film, "Public Enemy," Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the C.P.A. "Murder on the Orient Express" will be shown tonight in the SUB. The movie is part of the Student Government film series.

Letters to the editor are welcomed and encouraged. Letters should be typewritten, but must be signed in ink. However, names will be withheld upon request.

Articles are also accepted for publication consideration. The deadline for any material [including letters] is Saturday at 5 p.m. A box has been placed in the library for this purpose.

Familiar Faces Reappear As New Semester Begins

With the four week holiday vacation now history, teachers and students alike are back and now prepared (?) to face another semester.
Let's join a few individuals in the Commons on the first morning of the new semester.

Seated at a table near the window, enjoying a cup of delicious Commons coffee sits Joe Average. Joe is your "basic Wilkes student" studying, going to (and occasionally cutting) classes during the week, and making the rounds at parties, bars and the like on the weekends.

According to the clock it's only nine a.m. and Joe's first class is at ten a.m. Suddenly the door opens and in walks Sylvia \$. Spendthrift. Sylvia's life revolves around money, shopping, clothes, and men, (not necessarily in that order). Sylvia is at Wilkes working harder on her Mrs. than on her B.S.

Sylvia (sauntering subtly over to the table) "Hi Joe! What's new? Mind if I sit down for awhile? How was your vacation? Mine was terrific-Gee, isn't it just awful to be back so soon?!" J. "Hi Sylvia! My vacation was o.k., But I had to work, so there wasn't much time to get out. What made your vacation so great?" S. "Oh Joe-it wasn't a what, it was a who, I mean I met 'The Man'-he is absolutely the most wonderful, stunning, intelligent and RICH guy I've ever laid eyes on!!!" J. "A real Mr. Right, huh?" S. "Mr. Right! He's Mr. Perfect!!- we're not only going out we're engaged! But keep it quiet-I want my family to meet him first, and I have to meet him and before everything though I have to find out his last name."

J. "Oh yeah, sure whatever you want-by the way what is that tag on your sleeve?" S. (turning a brilliant shade of scarlet) "Gee, it's a ,er, oh, I a price tag? I just got this xerzet74! !! sweater for Christmas- Well excuse me- I have to go find a pair of scissors-be right back!!!"

As Sylvia slithers off in search of scissors, in comes Horatio Fourpointo. Waiting for his thick horn-rimmed specs to defog from the cold, he joins Joe at the table. J. "Hi Horatio, How are ya?" H. (after setting his bulging briefcase, stack of books, tablets and calculator down on a vacant chair) "My physiological condition is good, mental, emotional and psychological states are excellent."

J. "OH? er-How was your vacation?" H. "Approximately 98.827 per cent of my vacation was spent at the library." J. "The library? What were you doing at the library?" H. (in a shocked tone) "

Joseph! Not only did I do my 12 term papers for the semester, but I read all of my books, underlined all of the chapters, and studied for all my first tests." J. "Wow! But didn't you have any fun?" H. (indignantly) "Of course I did-I went through all the latest editions of the encyclopedias and found all of the mistakes the publishers missed. Then (he suddenly breaks into an animated smile) I sent them all to the company! It was such satisfying work-But I must admit, next time I want something more challenging, that was too easy! Well, Joseph, I had best be on my way, I have a class at twelve o'clock."

J. "But you have a lot of time-it's only half past nine." H. "Joseph, I know, but I can go and read another few books!" (not watching where he is going, his briefcase bumps the next table, and a glass of milk goes flying, drenching the occupant of the table).

O. (occupant in an irate tone) "Hey bookworm, look whaddya did!" H. "Now sir, I am truly sorry, but as we all know there is no use lamenting over dissipated lacteal fluid! Joseph, he looks agitated, so I had better go-Goodbye!" J. (shaking his head) "Bye Horatio."

Sylvia now slides back to the table. J. (laughing) "Find your scissors?" S. (annoyed and embarrassed) "Yes!" J. "Syl, what ever happened to the guy you were goin' with during finals week- ya know that dormie from Jersey?"

S. "Oh him! You mean Justin Time. He never comes back till the second week of school, he'll be here in time for the first tests. We can't stand each other."

The door opens and looking rather disheveled and yawning sleepily is Norman D.O. Nothing. Norman has been at Wilkes for seven years now. It's not that he is stupid, but when you only take five to seven credits a semester, it takes awhile! Seeing Joe and Sylvia, he sleepwalks over to the table, collapsing into the chair in a drowsy heap.

J. "Hi Norman What's new?" S. "Hi Normie How are you?" N. (stifling a yawn) "Tired, I have a class at two o'clock, but I thought I'd better get here early so I could sleep after walking all that way down here." J. "But Norm, your dorm is just across the street." N. "Yeah, but I had to walk at least 50 feet to get here."

S. "Norman, didn't you have that same shirt and jeans on the last day of finals?" N. "Hey, Yeah, I never changed them, in fact I never even left the dorm to go home for the holiday." S. (wrinkling her nose) "You mean you haven't taken a shower in over a month?" N. "Gee, I guess not." J. "Norm, you never got home for Christmas either???" N. "No, I fell asleep and forgot to go home...ZZZ.ZZZ..."

Then as Norman fell back into hibernation, the entire population of the Commons turned, for in walked The Wilkes Wonder himself-Adonis A. Athelete. As Sylvia began to drool, Joe began to grimace, and everyone else began to choke. With his teeth shining, and wearing his sweater with over 100 stripes on each sleeve and more "W's" than can be believed, he decided to grace Joe and Sylvia with his presence.

A.A.A. "Hi fans, don't I look great, just had my teeth buffed, hair cut and supersuede jox shoes cleaned."

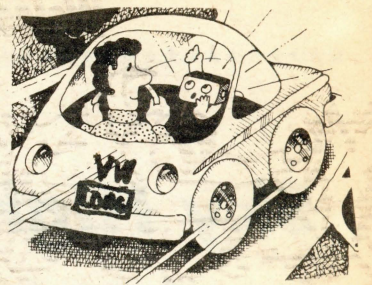
Sylvia (with her eyes glowing, she hasn't blinked since Adonis walked in, gives him a 36 teeth grin- she has 36 teeth, her mouth is big enough for four extra molars). "H H Hi Adonis." J. "Hi Adonis." A.A.A. "Well, what's new?" J. "Nothing." S. "Oh, I don't know? Suddenly I just can't think." A.A.A. "Well excuse me, I think I'll go lean on the railing over there." (He jaunts on over to the railing, near the serving counter, the railing where most of the members of the football team congregate during the day).

S. (not taking her eyes off of Adonis) "Gee, Joe I have to get going, Maybe I'll just go visit Adonis for awhile, maybe he and I can go to a party this weekend." J. "But Sylvia, I thought you were supposed to be engaged to that other guy?" S. "No that was last week, I'm not now, Bye!" J. "Oh well, see ya, take it easy, I better get going too I have ten minutes to get to Parrish."

He leaves and the table is deserted, except for Norman-who is still sleeping.

And so it seems to be just another semester in the life of this gang. Hopefully it will be a better one for everyone else.

Mind Designs By Pam Long



Are You Lonesome Tonight?

"Close Encounters of The Third Kind" radiates the kind of vibes destined to making it an immediate, unforgettable success. With close encounters of the first and second kind out of the way, director Steven Spielberg undoubtedly suspects the public is ready at last for the real thing - actual contact with the strange extraterrestrials.

The "Close Encounters" plot is anything but unfamiliar. What takes place involves some average individuals (Roy Neary and Jillian Guiler) in some uncanny events which lead to communication with the aliens. Cable television and, on occasion, the afternoon Dialing-for-Dollars movie prove this arrangement to be a most popular one. But what "Close Encounters" does not share with its predecessors is its "believability." Flash Gordon embarked upon some fantastic journeys and Rod Serling narrated countless episodes of way-out space entertainment, but this time the attempt seems less bizarre. The foreigners who stop to visit are not vicious monsters in any way and appear most willing to communicate as well as cooperate.

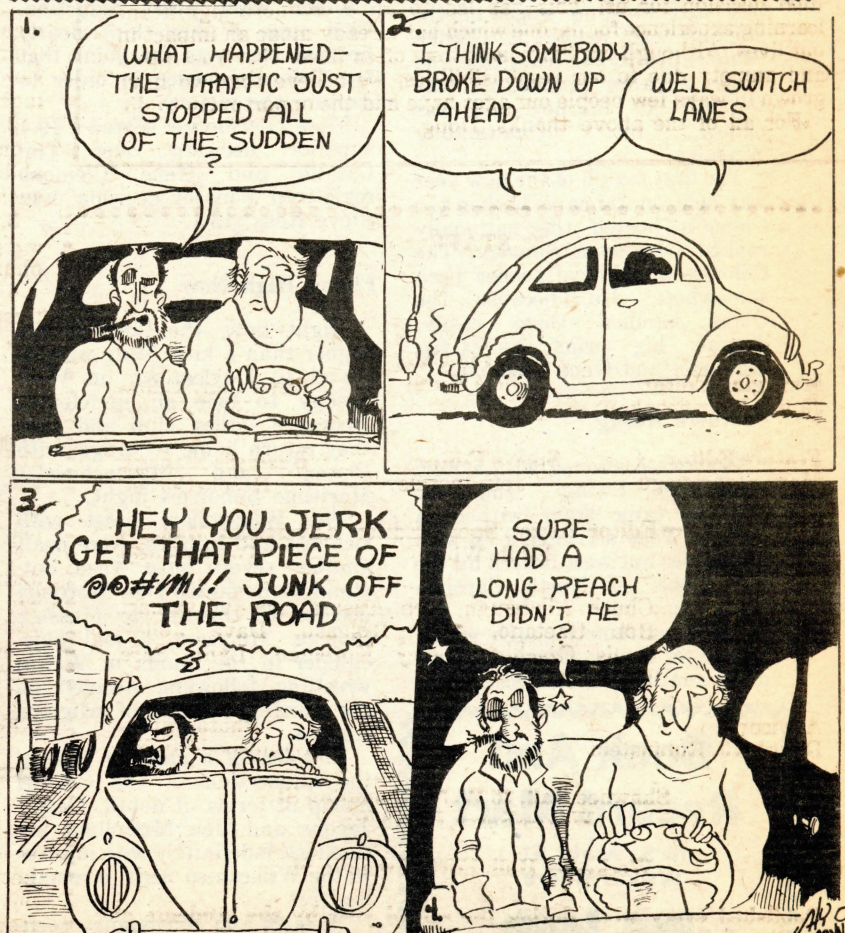
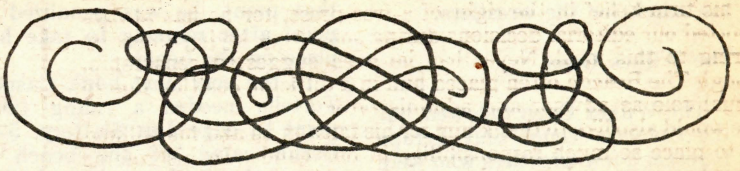
Their method of transmission couldn't be any more amusing. A series of musical tones in special sequence comprises the alien "voice," and once in operation prompts Jillian to move with the beat of the "conversation" producing a somewhat comic, yet touching moment.

The movie is not without faults, yet its merits far outweigh its gaucheries and slip-ups. The two adventurers' trek toward a mysterious mountain (Devil's Tower, in Wyoming) constitutes one rather weak episode. What follows, however, inevitably swallows up the mistake.

In effect, the undertakings of Roy Neary and his friend Jillian promote the movie's prime directive of friendship and intimate contacts. The long feared UFO phenomenon disappears as the two journey ever closer to their destination directed by an uncanny psychic motif. Each spectator's bravery is as astounding as the climactic arrival of the major space craft. Yet bravery and willingness are the key factors here. And what a work of technology! No, not mechanical technology, but that which is abstract and imaginative. "Close Encounters" presents perhaps some of the movie industry's most outstanding special effects. It is truly this creativity woven within the "Close Encounters" plot which makes it incredible.

"Close Encounters" actually entices one to seek new horizons and likewise accept life not akin to our own. Bereft of any battle scenes, it not only advocates peaceful cooperation among men on earth but also extends welcome to other life forms.

The movie's title couldn't be more appropriate in describing the intimate association of imagination, body and soul when faced with the wild notion that we are indeed "not alone!"



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Colonels Add Another Giant

Sky High Grapplers Looking For A Top Eastern Ranking

Stop the world, I want to get off!

For the Wilkes College wrestlers, this past month has been topsy-turvy and tetter-totterish! They are on a roller-coaster ride thus far into the season.

Consistency is the key concept for the troops of Coach John Reese. "So far this season, it seems as though just when something good happens, we turn around and something bad follows," commented the mat mentor. For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction.

Just before the semester break, the Colonels were flying high after their big upset victory over EIWA rival Lehigh. But they were rapidly humbled by the powerful Oregon State team, 38-3 with Greg MacLean picking up the only Colonel team points.

Two days later, they were on the road for a triangular match with Navy and Florida. In the first of the twin bill, the Wilkesmen edged Eastern rival Navy, 17-14 but then went down to defeat in the hands of Florida.

"Florida called and asked if they could sneak into the meet that we had already set up with Navy," stated Reese. "As long as we were in the area, they wanted to get in on the action. I should have told them no because with the length of the trip coupled with the fact that we didn't get any rest between matches, it was just too much for the wrestlers."

The Wilkes Open

The Wilkes Open followed but the Colonels could only scrape together a few wrestlers who were healthy enough to enter. The flu bug had hit and most of the starting team caught it. Clarion State captured the team title and Wade Schalles pinned his way through the tourney and was named the "Outstanding Wrestler."

The first match of the new year was held on January 7 when the Colonels hosted the nationally ranked Oklahoma Sooners. The Colonels would have 'sooner' been somewhere else, because the Okies handled them easily, despite big wins by Greg MacLean and Gene Clemons.

Southern Swing

Last week started with a mini "Southern Swing" and the Colonels came home without a victory. They salvaged a tie with Tennessee but were beaten by the Tar Heels of North Carolina State.

"It is extremely tough wrestling under the conditions we faced down south," stated Reese. "The

weather was bad and the trips were long. It was very tiring for the team."

When the Colonels arrived back in Wilkes-Barre, they rested for one of the biggest matches of the year. They were ready for the invasion of the 3rd ranked team in the East, the Syracuse Orangemen.

Heavyweight Hero House

In a prophetic preview of the Super Bowl, the 'Orange' got crushed. Heavyweight Dan House provided the dramatics in the intense come-from-behind victory, 18-17. With the match on the line, House found himself tied with Mike Rotunda 8-8 with only seconds left in the match.

Utilizing strategy that worked to perfection, House allowed Rotunda to escape for the momentary 9-8 lead but then took the big man down for two points with only eight seconds left for the win.

Reese called House's performance "one of the best ever by a Wilkes wrestler."

The focal point in the match was the two penalty points that were taken away from the Syracuse team score because of the antics of their Coach Carlin. After Alex Grohol edged Randy Gillette, 7-5, thanks to a late takedown, Carlin came storming out on the mat to protest the call of the official Vincent Zuarro. At that point, he was penalized a point after refusing to take his place on the bench.

In the very next bout, Casper Tortella needed a riding time point to edge Jim Slattery, 5-4. Carlin came off the bench a second time and was slapped with another team point reduction. This time it cost him dearly because that was the point that the Colonels needed in order to capture the victory.

Mark Densberger scored a 19-4 superior decision over Tim Catalfo and Gene Clemons registered a major decision over Steve Rosa, 15-4.

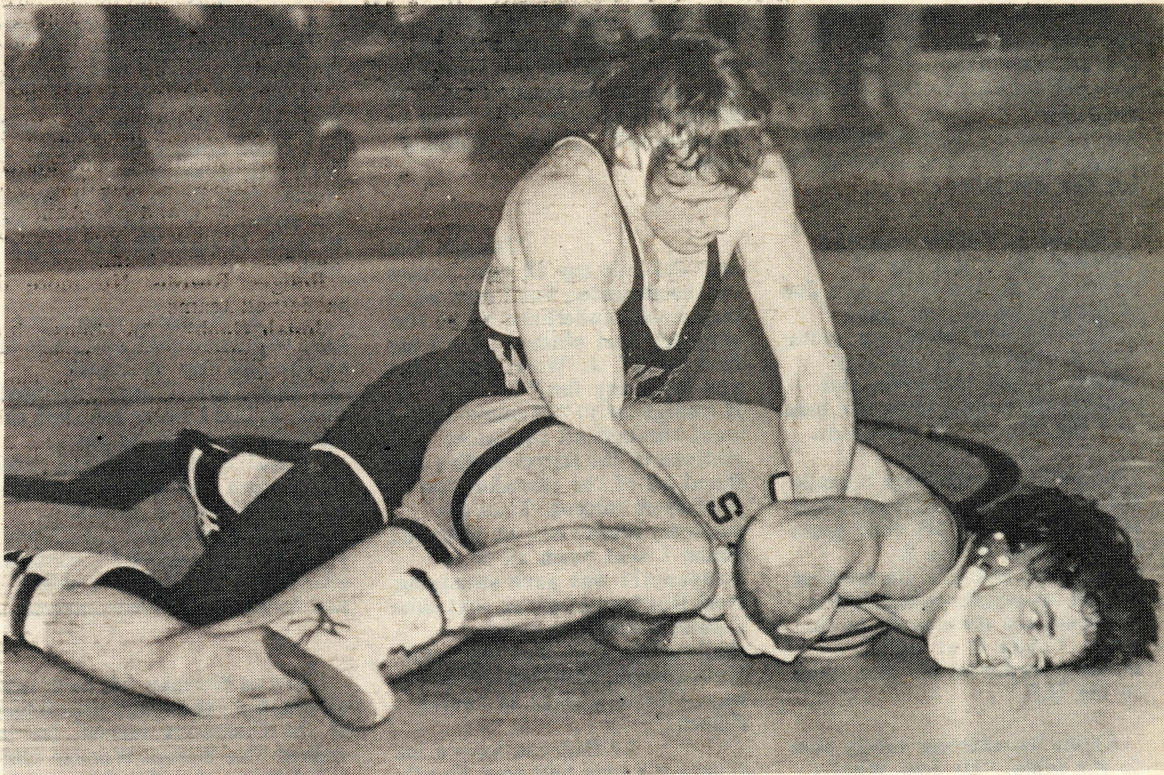
Flying High Now

Right now, the Colonels are higher than a kite. They were to travel to Doylestown on Wednesday to face an undefeated Delaware Valley club and then they return home to tangle with Oswego and Massachusetts Maritime tomorrow night.

The Wilkesmen, beset with sickness and injuries, were dealt another severe blow when outstanding freshman Dan Morrison decided to transfer to Messiah College. Morrison, a real blue-chipper in the minds of Wilkes wrestling followers, decided on the transfer because of religious reasons.

This leaves a gaping hole in the midsection of the Colonel lineup in terms of depth. Denny Jacobs and Ben McCollum are sidelined indefinitely with injuries so the Wilkesmen need to remain healthy.

"Health and consistency seem to be our biggest problems at this point," commented Reese. "We're hoping to string some victories together and gain some momentum as we head into the middle of our schedule."



In one of the most important matches for the Wilkes grapplers this young season, junior Alex Grohol is shown in control of his opponent, Syracuse's Randy Gillette, on his way to a 7-5 decision victory in the 134 class. Grohol scored a takedown in the last second to pull off the win, and get Wilkes started. The exciting win started the Syracuse coach in a rage after he thought time had expired. Vincent Zuarro, one of the world's top wrestling officials deducted two team

points from Syracuse for the coach's actions. The points proved to be very costly, as Wilkes won the match, 18-17. The grapplers of John Reese went into the match rated as the No. 5 team in the East, while Syracuse was rated No. 3. In addition to defeating Syracuse, Wilkes also handled Navy and Lehigh, which should put them somewhere near the top in the East.

Photo by Bob Gaetano

Cagers' Bench Strong Point

Although most people didn't come near the campus during the Christmas break, the women's basketball team just couldn't stay away. Faced with a five-week layoff before their next game, the girls returned to the gym early to get ready for the 14 regular season games remaining on the schedule.

Playing just four games before Christmas, the cagers ended their "first season" with an impressive win over Marywood. Then they began to prepare for the lengthier part of the season.

Coach Sandy Bloomberg and assistant Sharon Wilkes are blessed with a whole bench full of talent, and have been trying different player combinations. No regular starting five has yet surfaced, but co-captains Anita Meehan and Karen Olney, along with Diane Kendig, Mary Jo Frail, Debbie and Lynn Yedlock, Gloria Pasternick, and Sue Freeda, have already been starters this year. In addition, Bloomberg can turn to such players as Doreen Swiatek, Nancy Johnson, Julie Kerrick, Mary Lou Lenns, Karen Smith, and Patty Paraventi. All in all, its quite a selection.

The team's offensive capability is obvious, but the cagers have not yet reached their full potential, and this has hurt them initially. A mediocre shooting percentage seems to be the biggest problem, but that should improve with time.

Freshman Kendig, from Valley West, is carrying almost a 20 point scoring average into 1978. Sophomore Frail, former Meyers standout, who only recently returned to the team following a tonsillectomy, is expected to display the form that won her top scoring honors a year ago. Guards Meehan and Freeda supply some valuable offense, while Olney, the Yedlocks, Pasternick, and Lenns are expected to provide the inside shooting.

Rebounding, usually a problem for the relatively short Blue and

Gold, has improved so far this year, thanks to some extra hustling and boxing out.

Defensively, the cagers have shown some tough, aggressive play, and have been working on a full-court press. Consistency and poise under pressure have been weak areas sometimes, but the team has also demonstrated the vast potential it possesses. The lady Colonels should prove to be tough competition for its scholarship-supported MAC opponents.

A number of former players came to take on the 1977-78 version of Wilkes women's basketball, providing the team with some much needed competition during the break. The first (Annual?) Alumni basketball game brought last year's co-captains, Dotty Martin and Sharon Wilkes out of retirement, along with former standouts Barb (Long) McHale and Nancy Roberts and Debbie Wysocki and Denise Chapura.

However, the Colonelettes received a rude welcome to the 1978 portion of their season, when they

opened the second half Monday night. LCCC, perennial Valley powerhouse, took advantage of Wilkes ball-handling mistakes, and with the aid of some excellent outside shooting, handed Wilkes a 84-62 loss.

Wilkes got off to a good start, and the game looked as if it might remain close. However, an LCCC press and the resulting Wilkes errors put the opposition on top for good.

The cagers had a tough time with the LCCC defense, but put on an impressive scoring drive in the late going of the first half, which ended 45-31, in favor of LCCC. The 2nd half saw Wilkes outscore LCCC from the field, but foul shots kept LCCC ahead.

Nine players scored for Wilkes with Diane Kendig leading with 16, junior Debbie Yedock came through with 12. Kendig and Lenns tied for rebounding with eight each.

The Colonelettes, now 1-4, will travel to meet Juniata tomorrow.

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A-Corny Look At The "Kernels"



Zap Is Back

Cagers Start Second Season

Everyone is back from their inbetween semester break and everyone knows there is no place like home for the holidays. Almost everyone. The Wilkes College basketball team wished it had been exiled to the Wilkes gym or some basketball camp in Moscow during the Santa ho-ho period.

The Colonels, as you might already know, did not play a game or practice for five weeks during the break. Anyone who knows anything about basketball, even Phyllis George can realize that its just impossible to survive a season with such a long mid-season layoff.

But if there is a guy who can lead the Colonels to the promised land, and take control of the sunken ship and turn it into the Queen Mary, it is Coach Rodger Bearde.

The Blue and Gold's last game before the break was Jan. 10 in a 63-53 road loss to Susquehanna. Bearde's boys returned to action last Saturday, after THREE (Count em'), THREE days of practice, and came out rusty in a sloppy 52-49 heart-breaking loss to Moravian, which was led by former Wyoming Valley West star Rich Coslett's 12 points.

Bearde said the main problem he will have in the next few games and practices will be "getting the team back into a timing and conditioned shape." He added that Wilkes must get its game back because the Colonels are still in the Middle Atlantic Conference race, although they show a 0-2 conference slate. To make the playoffs, Wilkes has to be one of the top four teams in the eight-unit league. Scranton and Albright top the race, with everyone else bunched together in a dog-fight for a playoff spot.

Senior guard and resident "Rock and Roll" hater, Nick Holgash expresses his opinion that the layoff might help the Blue and Gold in a weird way. "Without the break, we would be playing games right through the month without ZAP, (John Zapko). Now, after the break, ZAP is back, and we can play with him in the lineup, which is a great help," added the hustling guard.

Yes, oh how sweet it is to have big ZAP back into the lineup. John Zapko, the Colonels 6-6 junior forward is back and showing signs of that super form he showed a year ago. Zapko had missed the first seven games this season due to a leg-injury suffered in a pre-season scrimmage. John, who admits to being only 75 per cent physically, but 150 per cent mentally, scored 20 points and had 11 rebounds in his 1978 debut against Moravian.

Most of the Colonels agree, that this is the "Second Season" and their out to prove that Wilkes can play ball and their 1-6 record in 1977 was just a nightmare that has dissolved. Let us not forget, the Blue and Gold were narrowly defeated by the East's top Division II entry, Philadelphia Textile, 66-64 at the Wilkes gym on a last second shot.

Wilkes, now 1-7, met a tough Albright squad on the road on Wednesday and will follow with an away game with Juniata on Saturday. After Juniata, the Colonels continue their road show with three MORE away games before returning home to host Albright, which beat Scranton a week ago, on Jan. 30, exactly 55 days after their previous home game. If Adolph Rupp heard that he would turn over in his grave and kick James Naismith.

TIP-INS: Current stats show Jeff Baird topping Wilkes with a 11.8 scoring average, followed by freshman Mike McCarrie and senior captain Kenny Hughes with 9.6 apiece. Baird leads the team in rebounds; Hughes in assists; and Holgash in steals. Donny Winder and Ed Van Buren have been looking really good in the few practices Wilkes has had.....One of the top shooters on the campus is not eligible for the team. He is Bernie Vinovrski, Asst. Dean of Admissions. Vinovrski played at lunchtime during the break and led the league with a 44.5 average. He has the great ability to be a different basketball star on every different shot. One second, he's Phil Ford, the next it's Bernard King, and still the next, it's Toby Kimball.....Rodger Bearde also participated in the league and was one of the top shooters. His problem was defense.....Mike Aed, everybody's favorite trainer, was another who played. Aed took on the role of THE ENFORCER....speaking of enforcers and the next heavyweight champion of the world, Kermit Washington, Artie Meigh is not wearing a Rudt T. mask, Artie got mugged in a wild town called Wilkes-Barre....Word from "Duh U" is that the Royals are getting more arrogant every game. A Colonel victory in Scranton's nutsy gym on Feb. 8 would be fantastic, a win at home on Feb. 14 over Bob Bessor's over-rated Royal Flushes, would be better.....Up the street at Kings', the Monarchs are having a good year, but somebody must have stolen Mike Morrow. The former Roman Catholic standout and last year's top cage Monarch, is almost invisible at Kings' games. Recently, he scored only TWO points in a Monarch win.....In local high school action, we pick Valley West to capture the first half championship, and Bishop Hoban to rebound and take second half honors, under Coach Chet Hine and assistant Jim Maloney....The one problem Hoban does have is the same one General Lee had against General Grant, - TOO MANY GUNS, one which gives too much thunder....Meyers is also a top high school cage squad, led by BIG Z Ron Zynel, who is leading the league in scoring with an over 30 points per game average.

Eddie White

Forgotten Christmas Gifts

Santa Claus is always a big hit around Christmas time but last week the jolly old gent came slip-sliding into Shawnee Hall to pay me a visit and to tell me of some of the gifts that he had forgotten to give a select group of people on the Wilkes athletic scene.

He felt right at home in my office with the wind chill factor well below zero and the icicles hanging from the typewriter. It looks like the Canadian tundra in the middle of January. So we set my desk on fire to keep warm. These are some of the surprises that the old man neglected to put under our athlete's trees.

John Reese- A wrestling schedule that includes Oshkosh State and St. Annes Academy.

Rollie Schmidt- A golf team with a better offense than his football team.

Rodger Bearde- No more dopey kids on his basketball teams.

Jonah Goobic- An offense, imagine that!

Ed Lukas- Two more headhunting inside linebackers like the pair he had this year.

Gene Domzalski- A full carat diamond squad; a gem of a ring leader.

Chip Eaton- A soccer team picture published in the Sporting News.

Kevin Davenport- Make room for more Danny's.

Tom Rokita- A roof to put over the Ralston Field tennis courts.

Ken Turley- Women in bathing suits to come flocking to his poolside.

Sandy Bloomberg- Ambidexterous coaching ability.

Paul Wengen- Fred Bilitnikof's stock in the Elmer's Glue Corporation.

Tony Couto- A trophy room for all of the quarterbacks he has shot down.

John Lychos- For someone other than his immediate family to realize that he was on the football team.

Terry Schoen- To hit in the cleanup spot in the lineup.

Barry Harcharufka- A year's supply of Redman chewing tobacco so he can spit all over Bob Duliba's shoes.

Danny Rittenhouse- An odometer.

Cindy Glawe- An Acapulco cliff installed at the Wyoming Seminary pool.

John Zapko- An artificial leg.

Cliff Brautigan- Humility.

Diane Kendig- A shooting eye.

Joanne Pugliese- A love set.

John Lack- A change in the lacrosse rules to allow a quarterback on the field.

Ben McCollum and Denny Jacobs- Help to shoulder the load.

Mark Densberger- A healthy "sidekick."

Mike Aed- A lock.

BEACON SPORTS

Preview

Smegmas Fold; Lack Support

In a brief announcement at a news conference earlier this week, Lester Turoczi, the general manager and trainer of the Smegmas, revealed that there would be no basketball team representing the Smegma organization during the coming campaign.

"Doc" cited financial problems which are related to a lack of fan attendance in recent years as the major reason for the cutback. A Smegma fan (we could only find one) claimed that his apathy of late is a result of the teams consistant also-ran status.

Turoczi, when confronted with reports that he has been trying to sell the franchise stated flatly, "Hell no! I've been trying to give it away!" Who can blame him?

Here are previews of teams that will be competing (and some that won't).

Rodgers rejects- Will be a very strong entry with the likes of Dave "Doctor J" Taylor, Mike Capperal, and player coach Drigs

McStoolpidgeon, but dissention could be a problem since they will be forced to play with only one ball. Definitely the team to beat in the "A" Division.

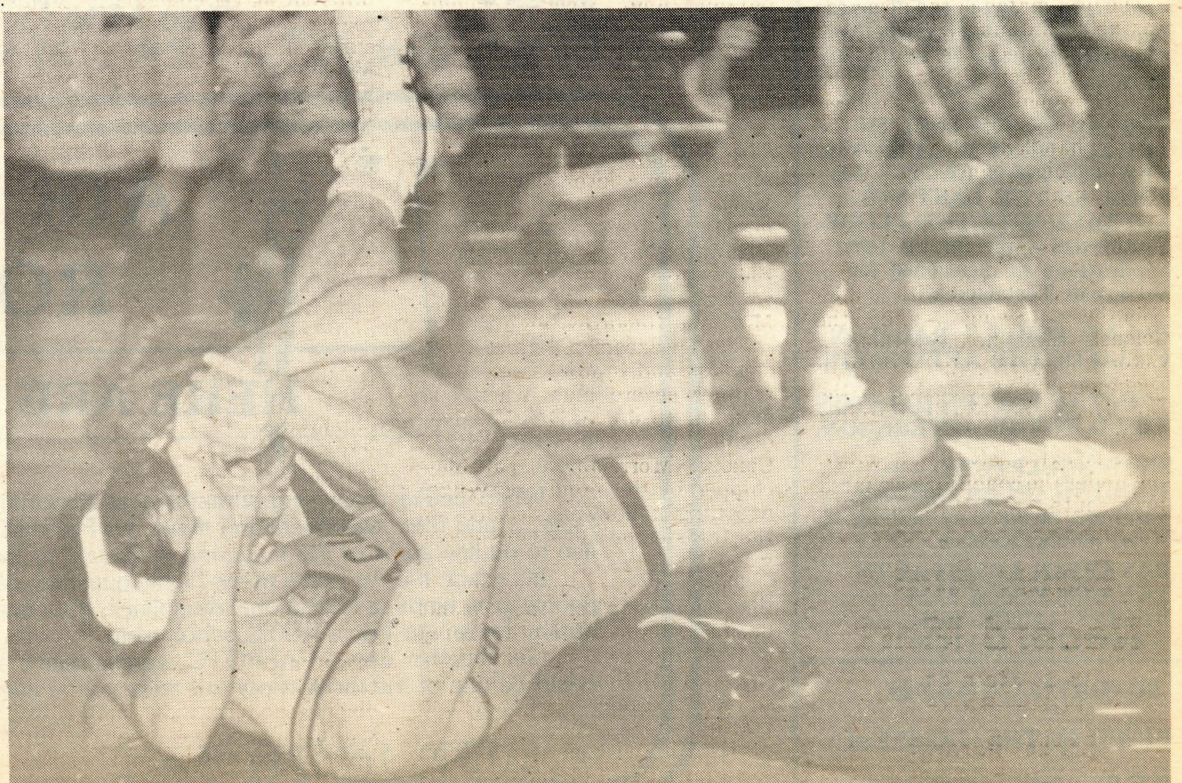
Barens- Will be a very mean team says feared enforcer Eddie White. The Barens opened their season on Tuesday night with a convincing 110-58 win over the Urchins. Tom Yuh headed the team with 27 points. He was followed by Jerry Antosh and Stan Rajza with 25 apiece. Tom Danaher, 12, Tom Breese, 11, and Coach White, 10, all aided the cause, as all six players who showed up hit in double figures. The Warheads, the Barens arch-rival, lost by forfeit on Tuesday.

Urchins- Are definitely not the team to beat. Captain Steve Kinback reports "We're small, but we can't jump."

FOUL SHOTS
At the preseason Intramural Tap-Off Banquet held earlier this week, league commissioner Shep Wilner presented the following

awards in anticipation of the coming season: **Lou Elefante**- most likely to wear black socks while playing basketball...**Joe Mullarkey**- most likely to start his own league...**Joe Piccone**- most likely to cheer for the Mets if they win the World Series...**Bob Franke**- least likely to tape your ankles unless you're a girl...**"Disco" Tom McIntyre**- most likely to hustle...**Chuck Crawford**- most likely to hijack a plane to Cuba...**Tony Couto**- most likely to foul out...**Dave Taylor and Bob Owens**- least likely to pay up on bets...**Kevin Roland**- most likely to shoot at the wrong basket and score...**Chris "The Flake" Drake**- most likely to shoot at the wrong basket and miss...**Bill Manley**- the "Kurt Franke Award" for the referee most likely to be complained about...**Chip Pufko**- player most likely to complain about Bill Manley...**Mike Vassil**- player most likely to complain to Bill Manley about Chip Pufko.

Bob Welsh



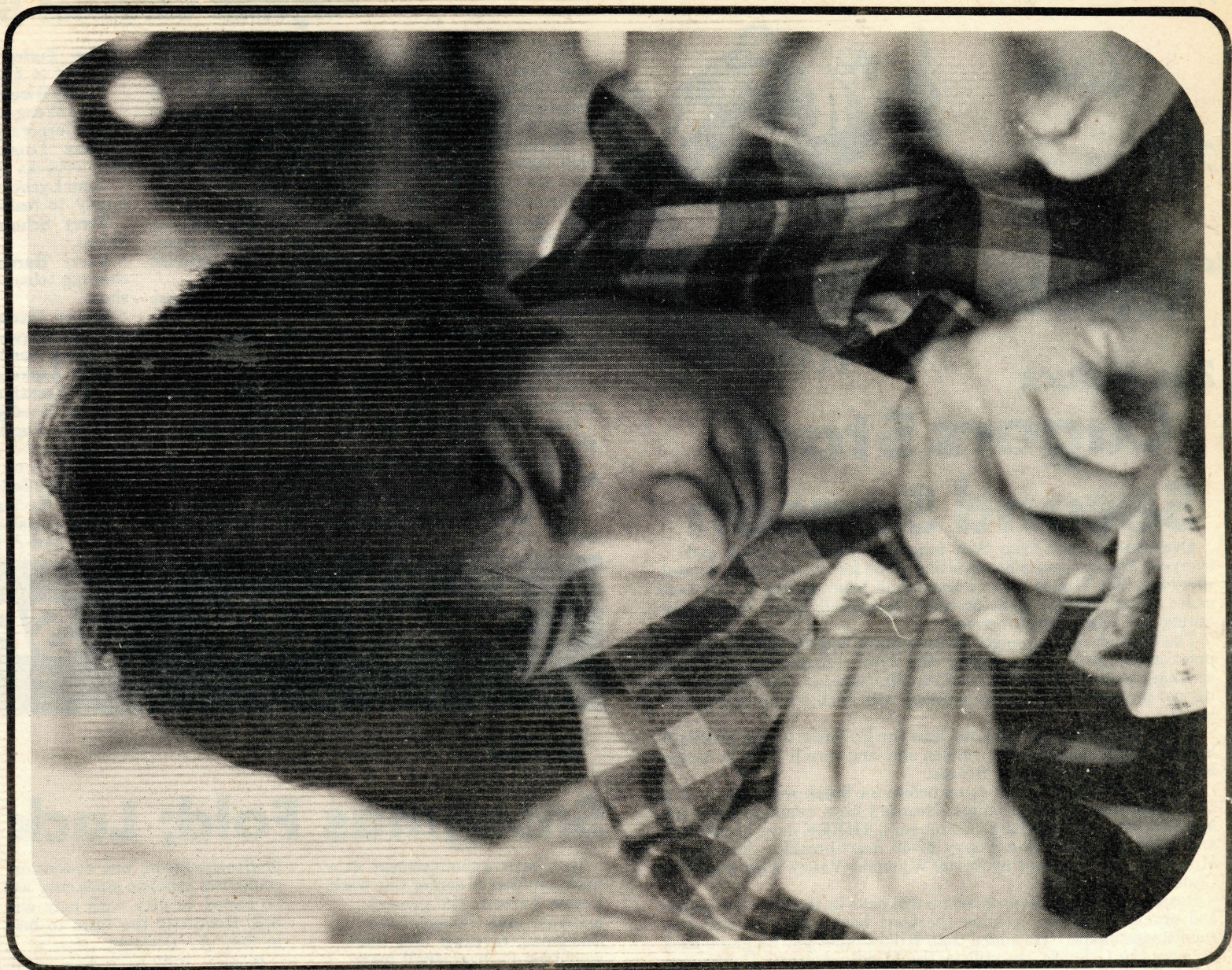
Mark Densberger, Colonel sophomore wrestler is shown displaying one of the many cradle holds he used during the 150 bout against Syracuse. Mark, who has been bothered by ribs throughout the year, but is still wrestling, used the different cradle holds

enroute to a 19-4 win over Tim Catalfo of the Orangemen. Densberger, at many times in the match came very close to pinning Catalfo, but the Syracuse grappler escaped

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Winter Weekend Schedule

FRIDAY*JANUARY 27
SQUARE DANCE IN THE
GYM BETWEEN 8 P.M.
AND 1 A.M.

SATURDAY JANUARY 28
VOLLEYBALL TOURNA-
MENT IN THE GYM. WIN-
NING TEAM RECEIVES \$50.
Applications for teams are
available today in the bookstore
and the SG office. Each team
must have 5 boys and 5 girls.
Applications are due no later than
Thursday, January 26 to the SG
office.

TUG-O-WAR CONTEST IN
THE LOT NEXT TO THE GYM.
THE TUGGING BEGINS AS
SOON AS THE LAST VOL-
LEYBALL HITS THE FLOOR.
Same rules apply for the team
applications as mentioned for
Volleyball Tournament.

ROUND ROBIN - RALSTON
FIELD IN THE AFTERNOON.

"PIN THE PIG" ON RALSTON
FIELD IN THE AFTERNOON.

SNOW SCULPTURE-
JUDGING ON SATURDAY.
Entry can be made by individual,
dorm, or organization.

BAVARIAN FESTIVAL IN
THE COMMONS. FUN
BEGINS AFTER THE
WRESTLING MATCH

SUNDAY*JANUARY 29

BINGO IN THE CAFETERIA.

ICE SKATING AT COAL STR.
RINK FROM 10:30 TO 1:30
A.M.

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