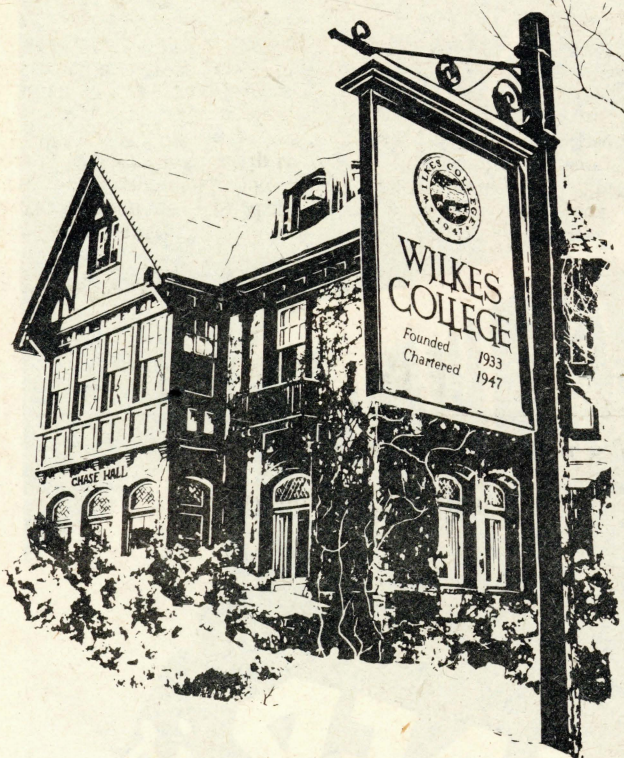


# The Beacon



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## No Tickets Sold Yet For New York Bus Trip

It was reported at the Commuter Council meeting Monday afternoon that no tickets have been sold for the bus trip to New York City. The trip has been planned for Wednesday, January 4th and the ticket price was set at \$8.00 per person.

The council will hold a meeting over the break to decide whether they should go ahead with the trip or reschedule it during the spring semester. If enough reservations are received the trip will be held as planned and students may still make reservations by contacting a council member before Dec. 28.

If held, the bus will leave the Hotel Sterling at 7:30 a.m. and arrive in New York approximately 10 a.m. People may spend the day in the city as they wish and the bus will leave New York at midnight. Louie DeRobertis, CC president, stressed the fact that everyone had an excellent time on the last trip sponsored by the council.

Under other council matters, the body voted in favor of having

a fall break in Oct., lasting a week long, for next year's academic calendar. This would mean that classes would start before Labor Day as they did this semester. This vote was taken to present the council's stand on next year's academic calendar to the President's council.

Jim Edwards

The Beacon will not be published next week due to finals. The next issue will be in mid-January.

### NOTICE

The Chemistry Club is taking orders for CRC Handbooks of Chemistry and Physics, and Handbooks of Organic Compound Identification. Cost per book is \$15.

The club also has a limited number of small-size lab coats available at \$10 each.

## Graduation Requirements May Cause Problems

According to Carl Holsberger, Student Government president, some seniors may not be able to graduate this year, and will not be warned in advance.

Reporting on the recent faculty academic standing committee meeting, he said that seniors graduate with the requirements of the College bulletin for the year they enter as freshmen or graduate with. It is stated for this year's senior that he or she must at least graduate with a 1.85 cum.

This has, however, changed. Seniors who take advantage of the new policy where one can drop a 1.0 or 0.0 by taking the course over and have their cums readjusted must graduate with a 2.0. It will also be stated in next year's bulletin that all must graduate with at least a 2.0 cum.

## Dorm Decorations To Be Judged

IDC President Tom Bazzini discussed the annual dorm decorating contest at Sunday's meeting.

There have been complaints that the cash prize offered to the best decorated dorm has, in the past, promoted students to steal decorations so they could win. The question came up whether to do away with this contest or not, because of the thefts. One student pointed out that decorating his dorm has brought the dorm members closer together and it might be better to change the nature of the prize instead of calling the contest off. The decision was to give a Basket of Cheer to the best decorated men's dorm and one to the best women's dorm. Judging will take place on Sunday, December 11 between 8 and 9 p.m. and the winners will be notified the following day.

The Concert Committee said that a floor covering for the gym is going to be ordered. Also, there is a possibility that the College will get Sha Na Na next semester as a stage show. There may also be two more rock concerts next semester.

In the past, there has been coffee available during finals week in the lobby of New Men's Dorm. Because of the lack of consumption last year, the first couple of days will decide if there will continue to be coffee.

The IDC Office has finally been moved to the lobby of New Men's Dorm, and this will be the location to drop off teacher evaluation forms, which will be out very soon.

Students living in the hotel have requested a dorm phone and some of the outside dorms have requested water fountains. There is a possibility of a phone being put into the hotel, but the water fountain request is not likely to be answered because of the expense.

Tickets for the Christmas party are on sale for \$5 in the cafeteria between 4:30 and 6 p.m. There is still no change in the washer and dryer situation.

Joe V. Cribari

Holsberger indicated he was very discontent with this decision and was frustrated with the fact that the committee planned to make no formal announcement, giving fair warning to seniors. When asked how many students this will affect, Holsberger said, "one too many."

In other new business, Holsberger reported that SG's academic committee is going to propose to the faculty that no tests be given the last week before finals. Last year, the department heads voted in favor of this policy, 18-6, but many professors have not been following this idea. SG would like to make this idea an academic policy which would be strictly enforced.

Concerning the academic calendar for next year, SG is proposing to President's Council that there be a week-long fall break in Oct. Classes would start Aug. 28, the fall break would be Oct. 16-20, then the Thanksgiving

break would be observed. Classes would end Dec. 15, and finals would begin the next day and run until Dec. 22. In the spring the spring and Easter breaks would be combined as they are this year and finals would end May 9.

John Senatore and Kim Dubosky, social committee chairmen, announced the schedule of events for the Winter Weekend, to be held Jan. 27-29.

In a surprise announcement, the newly elected freshman class president, Dana Schaffer attended the meeting. All class presidents are supposed to attend SG meetings, according to the SG constitution, but Dave Palanzo, Mike Barth and Charlie Stefanetti, the senior, junior and sophomore class presidents, have not attended any SG meetings this year. Holsberger and the SG body commended Schaffer.

Jim Edwards

## Modifications To Be Made In Financial Aid Procedures

Several changes have been made involving application procedures for financial aid for the 1978-79 academic year. According to Richard Raspen, director of financial aid, the changes themselves fall into two categories: forms and filing dates.

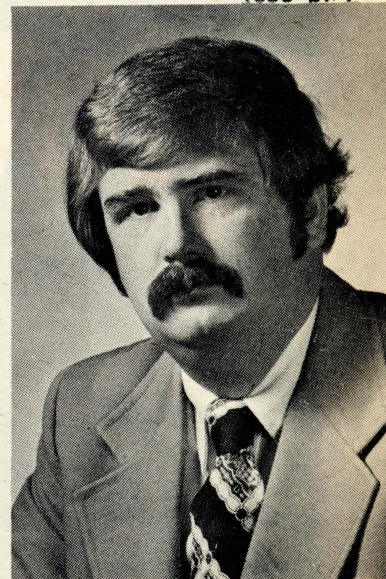
In the past, a separate application had to be filed for the Basic Grant Program. Beginning with the 1978-79 year, Pennsylvania residents must apply for a Basic Grant by filing the State Grant application of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency. A new form has been developed by PHEAA which will serve as the application for both the State and the Basic Grant Programs. This "Composite Form" will be mailed to current State Grant recipients in the near future, and will be processed without charge to the students. The Financial Aid Office will also have forms available for those students who do not receive one in the mail.

Non-Pennsylvania residents will be able to apply for a Basic Grant by completing a Financial Aid Form and sending it to the College Scholarship Service in Princeton, New Jersey. Some students, like New Jersey residents, may also use the FAF to apply for their state's State Scholarship-Grant Program. Additional information on those programs should be made available in the near future.

In any case, every student should file an application (either the PHEAA-BEOG Composite Form or the FAF) for a Basic Grant. Even if a student was

denied assistance in the past, he should reapply, because changes in program regulations and/or changes in the family's financial circumstances may mean he would be awarded a grant for 1978-79.

The final form change involves the demise of the Parents' Confidential Statement as a need analysis document. Instead of (see p. 7)



Robert J. Koester Jr., director of cooperative education at Lackawanna Junior College, has been appointed director of Wilkes' new cooperative education program.

Cooperative education is a college program in which students are employed for specific periods of off-campus work as a required part of their education program. This employment is related as closely as possible to the student's course of study and individual interest.

Koester, a resident and native of Scranton, holds degrees from Lackawanna Junior College, Husson College and Scranton University.

### On The Cover

The cover illustration, designed to depict the spirit of the upcoming winter and holiday season, was created by Donna Korba, a member of The Beacon business and cartooning staff.



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## Analysis Necessary Factors Found In CC Members

This past semester Commuter Council finally obtained the ingredients that has made it an active student organization: leadership and members who are concerned and willing to work.

Last year, the Council nearly died and for obvious reasons. The President, Dave Cherundolo, lacked the leadership for the job. Council meetings were every two weeks and lasted about twenty minutes. The Council had no major accomplishments to speak of and student interest was low, so naturally, attendance was poor.

Things have drastically turned around for the better and Louie DeRobertis, CC president, is the main reason. He constantly brings new ideas to the Council and wants to try new things that past Councils would never even dare to try. He holds meetings every week that last sometimes as long as an hour and a half. (A record in CC history) He leads most of the discussions but in no way dominates them. He is open to suggestions and other ideas from Council members.

### No More "Bumps"

This is also a big difference over last year's Council. Council members are no longer the "bumps on a log" they used to be.

Students such as Diane Marcinko, CC treasurer, Dave Evans, Becky Toton, Sue Fischer, John Griffith, Sue Pudlosky and Denise Strickland, CC vice-president, contribute regularly at Council meetings. Attendance has also been excellent this semester.

The accomplishments of the Council, however, do not reflect the actual work the Council has put into them. Both the Smorgasbord, held earlier in the semester, and the Halloween party were disasters because of poor attendance. The odds were against the Council in both instances, especially in the case of the Halloween party, where the Housing Office granted permission for a dormitory to hold a party that same evening, competing against CC's party. A lot of hard work and planning went into these parties and Marcinko, Social Committee chairman, and

Strickland deserve to be mentioned for their time and effort. The Housing Office should be more aware of parties that will conflict because some students will unjustly lose, as CC did.

Since the Halloween party was a flop, DeRobertis and the Council are determined to promote new activities. The recent bus trip to New York City was a success and another one has been planned during the Christmas break. The Council has also mentioned the idea of a clam bake for the spring. It is about time the Council tried something else besides throwing parties.

### Parking Progress

Parking is the main problem that CC is faced with every year. This year, the Council is doing just about everything possible in trying to alleviate the situation. Council members conscientiously investigated the possibility of a parking ramp on campus and gathered enough information to find out that a parking ramp is not feasible. The important thing to note, however, is they investigated the issue themselves. At present, the parking ramp committee headed by Toton and Evans is proposing a new parking policy to the Parking Authority of Wilkes-Barre concerning Park and Lock. A 50 cents-a-day charge would be available to all students and at a less expense when compared to the present \$12-a-month stickers. If this goes through, it will affect all commuters as well as dormitory students and would be a benefit to everyone. Car pools would also be easier to form since everyone would have a sticker.

The Council has also discussed at great length many other issues such as the party policy and consolidation of IDC, CC and SG into one body. Constructive criticism and ideas were presented to the administration upon its request. The overall point is that CC is taking itself seriously and is concerned. If CC keeps up with the idea of working as planned and heading towards a positive direction, the term, "Stupid Hainna" won't be able to stick.

Jim Edwards

## Debate Union Gets Invite To Clemson U. Competition

The College Debate Union has been invited by Clemson University to participate in the 27th Annual National Public Discussion Contest.

The contest is a change for the debaters, as they traditionally participate in forensic and debate competition only. This competition is one of public discussion on a given topic, which is "To what extent should pornography be excluded from constitutional guarantees of free discussion?" The discussion will be taped

and sent to Clemson, where it will be evaluated by a panel of speech experts. Semifinal winners will then compete for national honors at the Southern Speech Communication Association in Atlanta Ga. in April.

This contest is the first time Wilkes has participated in an event sponsored by these two groups. The Debate Union, coached and directed by Dr. Bradford L. Kinney, is open to any interested undergraduate, no experience necessary.

## Analysis SG Members Offered Academic Contributions

The new decimal point grading system, which introduces the grades of 1.5, 2.5 and 3.5 into the present grading system, and the teacher evaluation forms, which will aid students when registering for courses next semester, are major contributions to the academic life at Wilkes College. This semester's Student Government is almost entirely responsible for both.

Convincing the faculty that this new grading system was needed was done through the efforts of Carl Holsberger, SG president, who drafted the proposal, and Dave Evans, SG Academic Committee chairman. They saw to it that the proposal went through the proper channels, sought support and constantly defended it along the way. Now that the proposal has passed, a better grading system will be implemented for the benefit of the students. This system basically measures the student's ability more fairly, leaving out the previous wide gap between grades.

The teacher evaluation forms, which should be mailed to students very soon, will be a huge benefit to the students and the College. When registering next semester, a booklet will be available to students with each teacher having been evaluated by students who had the professor this semester. Other colleges have been doing this type of thing for years and it is about time Wilkes is undertaking this task. Student Government is responsible for writing the evaluation forms, mailing them out and eventually tabulating and publishing the results.

### Routine Business Completed

Moving on down, Student Government has handled routine business rather successfully this semester. Homecoming this year ran smoothly and was considered a success by all. Rosetta Chiavacci, Homecoming chairperson, did an excellent job of coordinating all the activities and taking care of all the behind-the-scenes details. There has been no financial report

presented to the body concerning the weekend, however, and as of last week some dormitories had still not been reimbursed for the Homecoming displays.

The Film Committee, headed by Steve Kirschner, has done a commendable job presenting a wide variety of films this semester. Kirschner has also been able to get more use out of the CPA for films rather than using the SUB, which is a task in itself.

Handling fund requests from various student organizations is a major part of SG's business. With the money SG has to work with, the body handles each request carefully and will only grant money that is needed. SG has been much more consistent this semester in granting requests and thoroughly questions each organization on how the money will be spent. It should be noted, however, that SG needs and deserves more money to work with. The answer does not necessarily lie in raising tuition either. SG could sponsor fund-raising projects which may alleviate the problem.

### Some Concerned SG Members

In discussing this year's SG members, not too many of them will be remembered for their exuberant enthusiasm. In fact, most of them seem pretty bored at the sometimes three-hour long meetings. On the other hand, there are members like Kim Dubosky, Dave Evans, John Sentore, Julie Kent, Rosetta Chiavacci and Daryl Dwyer who offer constructive criticism and new ideas regularly. Then there is Larry Assalita, who is the only member who knows what SG's potentials are, where SG has been and where it is headed. Besides being vice-president, he secretly acts as top advisor, almost guardian to Holsberger, advisor to SG and SG parliamentarian. It is a shame he is a senior because he would have made an excellent SG president.

This, however, should not detract from Holsberger who is a good president with some strong leadership characteristics. Even though he does depend on Assalita a little too much, he does have a lot of good ideas and good insight about the ins and outs of the College.

On the whole, this year's Student Government probably won't be unforgettable but it is doing its respective duties and in some cases, it is above and beyond the call of duty.

Jim Edwards

## Analysis IDC's Action Focused On Two Major Issues

The Inter-Dormitory Council, in the fall semester, discussed a number of issues, mainly the washer and dryer situation and the party policy.

Concerning washers and dryers, after the great deal of discussion, a satisfactory situation still has not been reached. IDC is not being held responsible for this, but it seems a shame that all of its work has had no effect on the condition of washer and dryer use. The dryers in New Men's Dorm have been out of order on and off for the past few months. Some of the dorm washers and dryers are not operating for free yet, despite the vote decided upon by IDC to do so. This decision was to charge a \$5 per semester fee for washer and dryer use, beginning next semester. IDC has been awaiting the administration's approval of this decision for weeks, so the situation remains the same until that time.

The second big IDC discussion issue for the semester was the party policy. There have been complaints voiced by both the administration and the students concerning the present party situation. The administration was annoyed with the dorm students' stretching of party

policy rules and the students, backed by IDC, attempted to modify the present party policy to create a more liveable situation for all.

IDC formed a committee to discuss the party policy and came to the decision that the amount of profit permitted and the rules for ticket sales should be reviewed. At present, there is a \$10 limit for profits, and tickets cannot be sold at the door of the party that night. A lot of the IDC members said they thought dorms should be allowed to make bigger profits. President Tom Bazzini stressed that both the administration and students have to give in a little before everyone will be satisfied.

The IDC officers all seemed to be interested in the business being discussed. Bazzini was efficient as president. He was always aware of everything that was going on with IDC, as well as with the rest of the happenings at Wilkes.

Many students may feel that IDC lacks importance on the grounds that it has not gotten done what students would like done. The trouble is that it takes a lot of work for IDC to make progress because it has to answer to the administration. It is believed that the Inter-Dormitory Council would be much more productive if it had more input and interest from the students.

Joe V. Cribari

Any freshman interested in being a member of the class executive council can pick up an application in the library December 9-12. Applications may be returned to a box in the library before December 15.

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# Commuter Council Questioned NO SMOKING On Reasons For Activities

To The Editor:

In response to Commuter Council's decision to "reduce the funding of the Christmas, St. Pat's, and Valentine's Day parties," I would like to say that, maybe it's a good idea. However CC, are you really sure that this is what the majority of the commuter students want? I am a junior, and I have attended the Christmas parties, St. Valentine's Day parties and block parties at Wilkes College for three years, and at every function I have seen just as many commuter students enjoying themselves at these activities as I have seen dorm students.

Alcohol has become a social drink in American life. It brings people closer together, and the only ones hurt by it are those people who do not know how to handle it. I feel that the majority students attending Wilkes College do know what alcohol is all about, and they do not use it for the soul purpose of getting drunk in a crowded room. Students on this campus do enjoy getting dressed up once in a while to hear a band, have some good food and have a few drinks. Why not, most Americans do. At the same time, you are sponsoring an activity for approximately 250 people at a cost of \$5 where a bus trip is an activity that maybe 100 people would attend at the price of \$8 a ticket.

Problems that do arise at activities where alcoholic beverages are served, are caused by a few (a minority). This minority should be dealt with separately, and the majority should not be punished for the actions of this minority.

If you still wish to sponsor other activities, please arrange them at times when dorm students can also go, and try to arrange these activities for as many people as possible not just one or two busloads of individuals.

I feel the purpose of a student organization such as SG, IDC, or

CC should be to provide activities that will promote interest for as many students as possible, both dorm and commuter. I ask you, CC. Are you really doing this?

I am the vice-president of the Inter-Dorm Council, and I would just like to make clear that these ideas and comments of which I have just stated, have nothing to do with IDC, or any of it's members. These are my own views as a student of Wilkes College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary Toczylowski

## Sha Na Na A 'No No No' According To Concert Fan

To The Editor:

As stated in the last issue of The Beacon, a one Mr. Greg Black stated that Sha Na Na is being considered for the spring concert that is to be held on March 15th or 16th. All I have to say is, "You gotta be kiddin' me!" I do admit that this proposed concert will send the valleys sale of hair grease and bobby socks skyrocketing, but that's about all the good it will do.

I feel what is lacking here, on behalf of Mr. Black, is sophistication; Sha Na Na is a big no no no, unless of course your mentality is

that of a 1961 high school student.

Just in case Mr. Black is lacking suggestions, rather than good taste, let me be the first to lend a helping hand. Have you ever heard of Fleetwood Mac, Greg, or maybe Livingston Taylor and his brother James, of whom played at my high school when I was a junior 3 years ago; so don't fall back on a cash excuse because if my high school of 1200 could afford them a college of 2800 surely can with ease.

Constructively yours,  
Frank Forte

## Washer And Dryer Situation Viewed By IDC President

To The Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to answer some of the points raised in your last issue by D.A. Harris. First of all, a \$5 per semester fee will be a savings to most dorm students who are now paying 25 cents to wash their clothes everytime they need wash done. While there are students who do not use this service often, they represent the minority of the students and IDC is dedicated to serving the majority. I would also like to agree with the letter in that inadequate facilities are uncalled for. Most of the problems in the past with inoperative machines have stemmed from the ticket mechanisms. Removal of these ticket mechanisms will eliminate the majority of the problems and thus cause an improvement in the service.

Finally I would like to take the opportunity to condemn the dryer situation as it exists in Pickering Hall. In the best of times there are only two dryers for a building with a population of about 270. However it has been brought to my attention that for the rest of the semester that building will be without dryers. This results from the ticket mechanisms. On Oct. 29th IDC

voted to pass the \$5 a semester charge. Since that time the dryers in Pickering Hall have been broken. They were broken due to vandalism. I am not condoning vandalism, however I can't help feeling that if the

ticket mechanisms were removed soon after that vote was taken then we might have working dryers in Pickering Hall today.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Bazzini  
IDC President

## Former Business Manager Identifies With Story

To The Editor:

I would like to offer my comments on Reenie Corbett's article entitled "Delivery Girl Risks Life and Limb Each Week In Drop-off Mission" which appeared in the December 2 issue of The Beacon.

Being a former business manager of The Beacon and having delivered many thousands of copies of the newspaper myself, I can very easily identify with what Ms. Corbett is saying. There were many Wednesday nights when my car turned into a "Beacon Buggy;" however, my imagination was never "wild" enough to name the vehicle the way your reporter has.

The manner in which Reenie describes her job of delivering The Beacon is very unique—the way she allows her imagination to

run "free" is absolutely amazing. I enjoyed reading her story for all its intended humor, not to mention the memories it brought back of the days when I was in her shoes. The way Reenie lets her imagination run away in order for her to write a very entertaining story will certainly prove to be a great asset when it comes time for her to enter the "crazy" world of journalism.

May I also take this opportunity to congratulate you and your fine staff on the excellent job of news coverage you have displayed thus far this year. There will come a time (and soon enough, I might add) when all of you will realize how much it means to an alumnus to be able to keep in touch with Wilkes College through your publication. Keep up the good work.

Dotty Martin '77

## Decimal Grade System Raises Questions

To The Editor:

A word or two on the proposed .5 grading system, "it sucks." Let me just ask two questions: First, what will happen in a class of both upperclassmen (UCM) and next year's incoming freshmen (FM) when a UCM and a FM both have an 88. Will the teacher give the UCM a 4 and the FM a 3.5, or will the UCM get a 3?

Secondly, if the .5 system is applied to everyone, UCM & FM, how will it affect our present cumulative grade? Will we have to track down all of our old prof's and get our past grades changed?

If your all so headstrong on lessening the grading gap why don't you adopt a point system that spans from zero to one hundred with no letter grades?

Getting pissed off, at stupidity,

By Tex and Fritz

Dear W.C. Scoopers,

How's the scooping been going lately? Not too good we take it, since you still have not scooped our poop! Speaking of scooping our poop, no one has even bothered to scoop out what our sign off slogan G.W.S., means. Now come on fans, get on it! While you're frantically running around in hysteria trying to analyze the column, you missed the biggest clue! The answer to your insomnia lies in three simple letters, G.W.S. (hint: it is not grungie Wilkes students) Now, what more could you ask for? Anyone who thinks they have it, send us a letter. You will be rewarded justly.

NOTE: This contest is closed to Beacon staff members. But come to think of it, they don't know who we are either! So, we guess it's open season on Tex & Fritz!!

Enough about us, we're here to scoop you. ("Right Fritz?" "Ya Vol, Tex")

For you movie buffs, do we have some sizzlers! Mr. Fortune is running a "Beach Blanket Bingo Week", coming up soon. To start off the week, Mr. Fortune will be featuring the W.C. swim team. He plans to redecorate the Wyoming Seminary natatorium with palm trees and sand on the floor! To make it authentic, he is flying in a flock of seagulls from Atlantic City. Special feature - you all better not miss - the gulls will be performing the "missing man formation" over the sunny beach.

The leading bikini will be - yes, you guessed it!, none other than Cindy "Annette Funicello" Glawe (It runs in the family, huh Cin?) Starring opposite her will be John "Frankie Avalon" Haffner! For those of you not interested in the waterlogged escapades, don't worry. The gerbils will still be racing! The big surprise is, those funky gerbils, donning shades and bikinis, will be "hanging ten" across the "Wyoming Surf." Yea, we know what you're thinking, which will be better?, the movie, or the sun-baked gerbils skimming across the waves!!

We think "Shallow Larynx" deserves the credit for that scoop! Well done. S.L.

Well gang, finals week is coming up fast. Never fear, T & F are here! We have helpful hints to get you through the major brain scramble.

Hint Number 1 - Do you have that bloated, sick constipated feeling from drinking 28 cups of coffee the Sunday before finals week? Well Tex and Fritz have their own home remedy!

Just shoot 10 gm. of Cadet's Extra Power battery acid behind your left ear, and you'll be tuned up for that final! NOW, we can't guarantee Cadet's won't "crack your block" or "dull your points," but you sure won't "Stall" during that final!

Caution: It does have side effects - A severe craving for S.T.P. may occur.

Hint Number 2 - It is very vital to go into an exam in a relaxed state of mind. We suggest getting all your frustrations out before hand, and doing something for yourself.

Here's some of our suggestions-

- Beat up a Boy Scout.
- Kidnap those sun baked gerbils before the surf's up!
- Put Haley's M.O. in your roommate's mouth wash.
- Make an obscene phone call to dial - a - prayer.

If our helpful hints fail you, quit school, and write scoop articles for The Beacon!!

Yuletide Wishes

Tex and Fritz are crossing their fingers for you Hotel Sterling inmates. We hope Santa surprises you with what you have longed for these many months. A n express monorail from the Hotel to the cafeteria, with pit-stops at Parrish and Stark. If Santa doesn't come through, maybe he'll lend you his reindeer for the time being!!

Letters to Tex and Fritz:

Dear Tex and Fritz,

Here's a hot tip! What does our otherwise dignified S.G.V.P. do for entertainment? Play hide - n - go seek in Stark late at night. Rumor has it he was last seen attacking a certain Miss T.G. and stealing her shoes. Fun and games begin on Sunday in SLC, 2nd floor, at 11:15 p.m. until? Bring your shoes! You've been caught!!!

Love,

Catch 22

Dear Catch,

First we would like to commend you on your fine scooping job. Keep it up! We could use you. It was a dry week for scooping. Now we did some scooping on that ourselves (of course). You've heard of brown nosing, well our V.P. is into shoe shinning. How do you think he keeps his great cum?

Love,

Tex & Fritz

So scooping fans, it's been a lot of fun! We'd like to wish you well on your finals, and we also extend to you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! (Oh, shut up Tex, you're making me cry!) See you next semester!!

and remember...

G.W.S.

Tex & Fritz

## Beacon Bits

Fall Semester Classes will end at 5 p.m. today. Final exams will be given from Monday December 12 through Wednesday, December 21.

Dorms will close at noon on Thursday, December 22.

There will be an exhibit of Kewpie Dolls in the Sordoni Art Gallery from December 10 through January 2.

A Polar Bear Club Ski Night will be held tonight.

The IDC/CC Christmas Party is tonight at the Hotel Sterling. GRE examinations will be given tomorrow, Saturday, December 10.

IDC's Christmas Dinner will be held on Sunday, December 11. The Madrigal Singers will present a concert in the CPA at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 11.

Dorms will reopen on January 15 at 12 noon.

Joe LaCava will give his senior clarinet recital at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 in the Gies Recital Room of Darte Hall.

Student Government wishes everyone Season's Greetings

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# Debaters Evans, Korba Key To Team Success

When talented human effort pays off handsomely, the rewards are by no means "debateable!"

Two Wilkes College debaters, Donna Korba, a sophomore art major from Wilkes-Barre, and David Evans, a senior English major from Kingston, have contributed toward making the Wilkes College Debate Union an outstanding academic organization.

One of the oldest groups on campus, the Debate Union, along with its growing prestige and success, has become an important link in the Wilkes College chain of tradition.

With only half the season completed the Wilkes Debate Union has produced 24 wins, a significant start, with the organization's record for a total year being 30. Nevertheless, Donna and David make it clear that winning, although rewarding, is not everything.

David has won a total of 18 awards during his four years on the team and is captain of the Wilkes Debate Union. At a recent tournament in Bloomsburg he placed fourth overall in a field of nearly 300 participants.

"It is the highest we have ever had at the college," remarks Dr. Bradford L. Kinney, assistant professor of English at Wilkes and the team's coach. Dr. Kinney calls David his "right hand man" and it's easy to see why! The tall, sandy-haired student has also captured national accolades, winning an award at last year's Pi Kappa Delta convention at Seattle.

Kinney notes that David is "versatile" as he participates in both debating and forensics, another branch of the organization. He is the "best" Kinney concludes.

Sharing the spotlight with David has been Donna, a member of the squad for a year-and-a-half. She particularly concerns herself with forensics, or individual events competition. Her outstanding efforts have won her a total of 11 awards and the recent qualification to participate in the National Individual Events Tournament in April. She seems specifically devoted to persuasive and informative speaking, two forensics categories in which she is unequalled.

But what exactly does it mean to be a debater? As David puts it, "It's being able to express yourself logically and concisely."



David Evans and Donna Korba

It's fun and it is hard work at the same time."

Both Donna and David relate the reasons for their extraordinary success, each giving praise to Dr. Kinney for his unlimited dedication and assistance. Donna describes the feeling: "I don't think anyone on our team could have done anything without Dr. Kinney. He's a super coach."

The team's success in general stems from their "hard work and perceptive ability to work as a unit." They are a close-knit group and when one wins, they all win," subscribes their coach, Dr. Kinney.

But winning is only part of the story. Learning and educational experience are the first prerogatives, with trophies and awards, secondary. "It's not only winning," Donna asserts, "winning helps but ten years from now I'll be more grateful for the knowledge I have gained and the people I have met rather than the trophies on my shelf."

Indeed, the spoils of their progress do not apply only to their college careers. They incorporated this knowledge into the mainstream of their lives where it has prospered much.

Since both are preparing to teach upon graduation from Wilkes, this experience is proving extremely valuable. To David, who is presently student teaching in the Wyoming Valley West School District, "It helps in many different fields. You can make a classroom entertainment; people learn more when they are

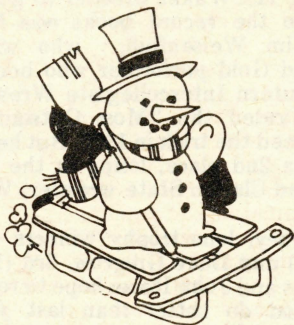
enjoying themselves."

Both David and Donna reflect that they have gained enormous self-confidence, the kind which will enable them to cope with life, and which also has made "Kinney's Kids," the affectionate name for the Wilkes Debate Union, an extremely consistent forensic and debate power.

Pam Long

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## Mind Designs

By

Pam Long



"Santa Rides Again!"

Whenever I think of Christmas, I'll never forget one day last year when I met Santa and his eight reindeer.

While walking down River Street in the wind and snow, there suddenly echoed a great HO! HO! HO!

Startled at first, I peered into the blue, to find old St. Nick on the SLC roof.

Cupping his hands 'round his cheeks he called, "Do you think you could help an old elf in despair?" "Hang on Santa," says I, "I'll be right there."

His reindeer, it seems, were tangled in antenna, while the gay fellow looked on, he seemed quite contented.

His teeth how they sparkled, his dimples, how merry! (I think that's how it goes!) His eyes of a twinkling kind they were not, they matched his red nose in being bloodshot.

"Santa?" I wondered, "You've had a bit of cheer?" To which he replied "Why certainly my dear, but remember it's especially cold out this year!"

"Undoubtedly," I said as he came nearer; "See that old toy sack? It's loaded with beer!"

Staggering a bit from the weight of his breath, I asked, "How did you come here to rest?" "Steered 'em a little too low," (then softly) "to look at the girls! Must've gotten caught in a wind swirl!"

"But Santa!" I warned, "what will Mrs. Santa think?" "Don't worry," he returned, "she and Rudolph are on vacation for a week!"

"You're a sly one," I told him as he laughed out loud. "Now," he said, "How will we ever get these reindeer out?"

Some patience and care and the deer were soon free, after which the jolly elf turned to me and said, "Your Christmas wish I'll not forget, thanks so much for easing my distress!"

"Anytime, Santa!" I answered with glee, and giving him a boost I helped him into his sleigh, as he started off I remembered; "Hey!"

He looked down once more; "Save the sauce for when you get home?" "Right On!" he called out as the reindeer took flight.

And I heard him exclaim ere he drove out of sight (I bet you knew that was coming!) "On Schafer, on Stegmeir on Gibbons and Schmidts! On Michelob, Genesee Yuengling and Schlitz, 'to the top of the roof, to the top of the wall, now dash away, dash away, dash away all!"

This sounded a little weird, but considering his condition, I guess it was alright;

"Merry Christmas to all,  
And to all a good night!"

(We hope you make it this year, Santa!)



## Music Major LaCava To Present Recital

Joe LaCava, a senior music major, will present a clarinet recital on Saturday, December 10 at 3:30 p.m. in the Gies Recital Room of Dante Hall.

LaCava will be accompanied by Leslie Kirstein on piano.

The program will feature selections by Marty, Debussy, Jeanjean and von Weber.

The recital is open to the public and there is no charge.

# Customs And Traditions Surround Holiday Season

Tis' the season to be jolly and all over the world people are preparing for the holiday season.

People of the Jewish faith have been celebrating the festival of Hanukkah. Hanukkah marks the successful revolution of ancient Jews against Greek rulers who had threatened to end Jewish religious practices. Hanukkah is celebrated for eight days, both in homes and institutions. At each place, small candelabras with candles will be lit with the flame from torches. The idea of using relays of young people to begin the festival originated in Israel in 1940 where young men would run to distant cities of the country to light public candelabras.

People of the Christian faith will be celebrating the Christmas season. A familiar symbol is the Christmas tree. Long ago, the evergreen stood for long life and immortality. German tribesmen brought fir trees into their homes to cajole the spirits thought to live in them. When converted by Christianity, their evergreen

beliefs fused with the new religion.

Decking the halls with holly is another tradition of the season. In the Middle Ages, holly was thought to hold protection from evil.

Mistletoe has an ancient and romantic background. Primitive Britons called it "all heal" and thought its magic powers could heal disease, neutralize poisons and counter witchcraft. Also it was believed to hold luck. A young couple sealing their betrothal with a kiss under the mistletoe would have good luck for the rest of their lives. The idea, indeed seems to have survived the centuries!!

Different countries observe special customs. For example, in Italy, on Christmas Eve, while waiting for their Santa Claus (Befana) to come on January 6, Italian children and their elders draw gifts from a jar called the Urn of Fate.

The French exchange gifts on New Year's Day, but their Santa (Pere Noel) also visits the

children on Christmas Eve.

In Mexico, colorful posadas focus on the search for the Manger. On the nine nights before Christmas, a couple dressed as Mary and Joseph go from house to house. Only at the last house are they invited in.

In the Austrian town of Oberammergau, people gather on Christmas Eve and ski down mountain slopes shouting and carrying flaming torches.

Whatever the tradition or custom, this is the time of year when differences and problems are put aside--and everyone feels a little better. SEASONS GREETINGS!!!

Mary Stencavage



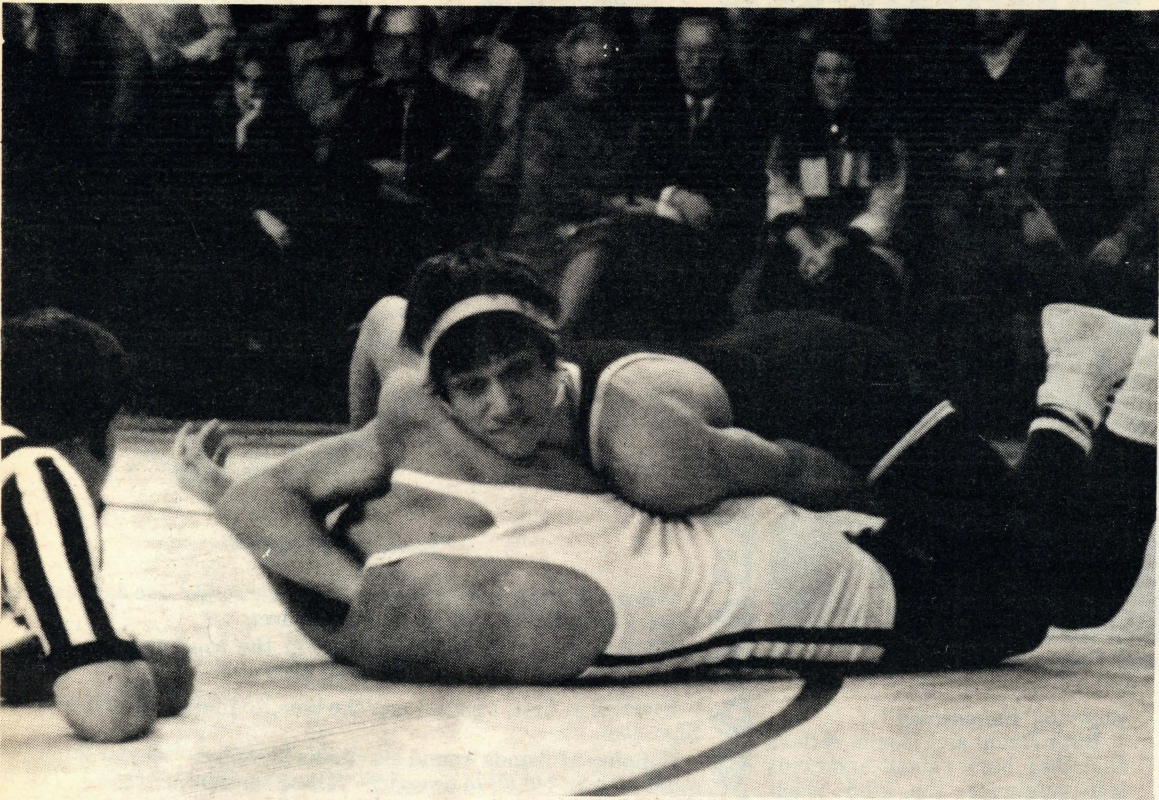
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# Matmen Upset Lehigh In The 'Pit'



**BILLIG BRUISES** Freshman Brian Billig was the surprise of the evening on Tuesday in Grace Hall. He got the Colonels well on their way toward victory when he showed Lehigh's standout lightweight, Steve

Bastianelli the lights. The exciting pin came with only one second remaining in the period.  
Photo by Bob Gaetano

## 45th Annual Wrestling Open Scheduled For December 28 & 29

To a dedicated wrestler, getting his name etched into the record books for accomplishments on the mat is very gratifying and a sense of self-satisfaction is present when that personal goal is achieved. To a wrestling team, nothing is better than gaining recognition by producing a total team effort to capture a championship and share the "fruits of victory."

At Wilkes College, the sport of wrestling becomes increasingly popular, year after year, and included in its wrestling fortunes, is the honor of hosting one of the most prestigious wrestling tournaments in the country. The wrestling Colonels will be attempting to finish high in the 45th annual "Wilkes Open" grappling tourney slated for Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 28 and 29, at the South Franklin Street gymnasium with Dean George Ralston serving as Tournament director.

Many speak of the Wilkes open as being the oldest, most unique tournament in the nation, and SPORTS ILLUSTRATED calls it, "The Rose Bowl of Wrestling." It all began in 1932, when a local wrestling coach from Wyoming Seminary, Austin Bishop, initiated the event in cooperation with the local Wilkes-Barre YMCA. Wilkes College took over the sponsoring of the tourney in 1950, along with the gymnasium. At that time it usually attracted 400 or 500 wrestlers and approximately 35 teams. Attendance has slightly decreased since the Midlands Open Tournament and C. W. Post Tournament in Long Island are held the same days and are forced to compete with it.

Over 300 wrestlers from across the nation and 30 teams are expected to be represented this year and a heavy favorite to win its sixth consecutive team championship is Clarion State. Last year, Clarion won

the team trophy by accumulating a total of 72 ¼ points and were followed by Rhode Island, 40 ¼; East Carolina, 35; Navy, 35; North Carolina, 25; and Wilkes, with 24 ½ points. A close race is expected between the University of Rhode Island, Ohio University, E. Carolina, N.C. State, Lock Haven, Bloomsburg, and Wilkes for team laurels in 1977.

The Colonel grapplers have always been noted for making a strong showing in the tourney, which they are host, and have won six runner-up trophies in the past eight years. The decline however, has been the past two seasons. The last Wilkes wrestler to get his name "Etched" into the record books was Mike Kassab, in 1974. Jim Weisenfluh, who was a outstanding Blue and Gold performer who became the college's first Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Champion and was voted the "Most Outstanding Wrestler" almost turned the trick in 1975. But he was forced to settle for a 2nd place, losing in the final round to highly-touted Clarion State wrestler, Wade Schalles.

In last year's tourney, lone trophy winners were Bruce Lear, 4th (150) and Dave Gregrow, 3rd (190). This year the Colonels and John Reese hope to regain their high status and do better than last years disappointing showing. Last winter's outstanding wrestler award was captured by Clarion State's 126 pounder Tom Turnbull. The complete list of winners of the 44th annual tourney include: 118- Bill DePaoli, California State; 126- Tom Turnbull, Clarion State; 134- Paul Osmond, East Carolina; 142- Tom Bauer, Standridge, Clarion State; 167- Rich Rodriguez, N.C. State; 177- Jack Rauer, Ohio University; 190- Jerry White, Penn State; and heavyweight- Bill Bailey, Pitt.



**ROPIN' EM-** Sophomore Ed Johnson looks like he's roping cattle in his 118 pound match against Lehigh on Tuesday. He steered clear of trouble and

won an 8-2 decision over Tom Sloand to git the Colonels buckin'.  
Photo by Bob Gaetano

## Colonels Looking For National Recognition

"What's a Snake Pit?" The Colonel wrestlers took their own venom with them when they travelled to Bethlem on Tuesday to take on the 8th ranked Lehigh Engineers. The Wilkesmen scored perhaps one of the biggest victories in the history of the college's wrestling program when they upset powerful Lehigh by a score of 25-18.

The Engineers were the ones who were snake-bitten as they fell prey to the inspired Colonel attack. It was the first time that Wilkes has ever beaten the Eastern powerhouse and they picked a very opportune time to perform the magic.

"We are naturally very pleased with such an important win," commented the thrilled coach John Reese. "It would have been a major accomplishment just to beat them, but it took on a special flavor by winning in front of Lehigh's home fans."

Grace Hall on the Lehigh campus is the place where thunder comes rolling down from the stands as the vocal Engineer fans cheer their team on to great heights. But on Tuesday night, they were extremely quiet as the confident Colonels made a little

Charlie Brown to increase the Wilkes bulge to 19-6.

At 167, Perry Lichtinger was not to be denied as he crushed Bill Anomilo, 15-4. He suffered a knee injury during the bout however, and it was not known at press time whether he will miss any matches.

The Colonels had taken six of the seven matches thus far and had the victory clinched before Lehigh had a chance to counter with their strong wrestlers in the upper weights.

Gene Clemons was handled in a major decision by Collin Kilrain, 14-5. Kilrain was recruited heavily by Reese before finally deciding on Lehigh.

At 190, Doug Drescher was almost the sacrificial lamb. He was overwhelmed by All-World Mark Lieberman and was pinned at 3:34.

At heavyweight, Dan House drew with Penn State Invitational Champ Mike Newburn by an 11-11 score.

After the smoke cleared, the Colonels had been victorious in six of ten matches with a draw. It was a tremendous win for the grapplers.

The upset ran the Wilkes record to 3-0 after wins over York

## A Corny Look At The "Kernels"



by jeff acornley

thunder of their own.

Sophomore Ed Johnson started the ball rolling for Wilkes with an 8-2 decision over Tom Sloand in the 118 pound class. Sloand had earlier in the week beaten Eastern champ Gene Mills of Syracuse in the Penn State Invitational.

The good vibes started coming on strong when freshman Brian Billig astonished the crowd with a pin over Steve Bastianelli in the 126 class. Billig's pin came with only one second remaining at 4:59.

The injury to Alex Grohol left Joe Napoli in the 134 bracket and he was outmatched in the weight classification. He is normally at 126 and was pinned by Doug Herrick at 7:26.

The Momentum started to swing Wilkes' way for good in the 142 bout, as they clung to their 9-6 lead. Coach Reese felt that if they could win one of the first three matches they would be in pretty good shape. He was right again!

Casper Tortella decisioned Greg Cunningham in a nail biter, 2-1. It was a bout that could have gone either way and the Colonels proved that they were tough enough to meet the challenge.

Mark Densberger completely dominated Dennis Reed in the 150 match, winning a major decision by an 11-3 count.

Co-captain Greg MacLean followed with a 3-1 win over

and a championship in the Binghamton State Invitational Tournament.

"We were flat during the York match and we wrestled horribly, despite the win," commented Reese. "On Sunday, we rebounded well with six individual champions in the tourney. But on Tuesday, it was anybody's guess as to whether the team was mentally prepared for Lehigh. That can be a harrowing experience. They were very quiet before the match, but once they got on the mat, they were confident despite the obvious home advantage that Lehigh has."

Yesterday, the Colonels faced a very physical squad in the 4th ranked team from Oregon State. Coming off a brilliant 28-4 record of last season, the western team is loaded again. NCAA place-winners Pat Plourd, Dick Knorr, Marty Ryan, and Howard Harris pace the team.

Concluding the Colonel slate before the break is a double dual match with Navy and Florida. The Middies have two EIWA placewinners back this season and the Florida team is an up and coming southern powerhouse.

If the Colonels survive the week in good shape, they have a great shot at being ranked nationally by the Amateur Mat News.

Jeff Acornley



## Swimmers Drop Two To Open

The swim team of Wilkes College took dives twice last week in the hands of strong opponents.

On Saturday, they went down to defeat to the always tough Ursinus College, 52-47. Tuesday's defeat was by Dickinson by a score of 74-27.

According to Wilkes swimming mentor Ken Turley, the Colonels didn't hand over the swim meet on a silver platter as they did a year ago. Coach Turley stated, "Last year when we met Ursinus, we were defeated by more than 20 points. On Saturday we lost by a mere five, and any change in any second to a first, or a third to a second would have changed the outcome of the meet. However, I am pleased with the teams effort and I have high hopes that this Wilkes team will do well."

In the 500 yard free-style, Kevin Augustine broke his own Wilkes College record with a time of 5:51:9. This broke his record by a full second.

Pacing the Colonels in the first place slots were: Jeff Jones, 100 yard free style; Kevin Augustine, 500 yard free style; Tony Pinto, Jim Edwards, Greg Ilogan, and Jeff Jones, 400 yard free style relay.

MAC diving champion Cindy Glawe did her fair share as she picked up two first place finishes in both the required and the optional diving.

During the swimming competition Wilkes garnered

four second place finishes. Those receiving the second place honors were: Tony Pinto, 50 yard free style; Greg Ilogan, 200 yard free style; Rob Doty, 200 yard breast stroke; and Kevin Augustine, 200 IM.

In diving competition, Greg Ilogan picked up a second place finish.

Wilkes also had their share of third place finishes: Betsy Iscovitz, 200 yard butterfly; John Maffatt, 200 yard back stroke; Bill Manley, 100 yard free style; Jeff Boberick, 500 yard free style; and Alan Shaw, 200 yard breast stroke.

Coach Turley added, "Wilkes College has no swimming facilities on its campus, and we are forced to use someone else's facility. Presently we are using the Wyoming Seminary pool in Kingston. It is a nice facility and we are thankful to their administration for letting us use it, but it would be a plus to have our own pool because of all the scheduling conflicts. Also, we practice from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., and many of our dorm members are faced with eating a "brown bagged" lunch instead of a regular hot meal in the cafeteria."

The next scheduled meet for the Wilkes team is on January 21 at Swarthmore.

Bob Ausura

### Financial Aid (from 1.)

the PCS, a new form, the Financial Aid Form (FAF) will be used in its place. The FAF is a dual-purpose form: (1) it will be used by non-Pennsylvania residents to apply for the Basic Grant; and (2) it must be completed by all students who apply to the College for aid through the Wilkes Scholarship-Grant, Act 101 Grant, National Direct Student Loan, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, College Work-Study, Nursing Scholarship and Loan, and Gulf Oil corporation Loan programs.

In the past, forms could be filed as soon as they became available,

which was as early as September and October. This year, the forms will not be available until late December and they may not be filed before January 1. The effect of this change is that families will not be able to estimate 1977 income. By delaying filing until after January 1, the 1977 information submitted will be actual figures, taken from either State of Federal Income Tax returns, or earnings statements or from records of non-taxable income.

The filing deadline dates have not been changed. PHEAA requires the State Grant form to be received by them before May 1,

1978; the College by April 15, 1978 and BEOG by March 15, 1979. This last date is somewhat immaterial because Pennsylvania residents must file the Composite Form by May 1, 1978, and non-Pennsylvania residents should file the FAF by April 15, 1978. It is, however, beneficial for the student to complete and mail the application forms as soon after January 1 as possible. The application forms are much easier to complete after the family's State and Federal Income Tax returns are filed. Students can begin to simplify the process by encouraging their parents to file the tax returns as early as possible.

## Cagers Lose To Powerhouses In Opening Week Of Season

The Women's Basketball team opened its regular season this week with losses to two powerful teams. (A third game was played last night at King's).

The Wilkes College women's basketball team opened its regular season last week with an 86-58 loss to Lafayette. Lafayette however, is a Division II school and is able to give girls scholarships to play basketball. Unable to enjoy this particular luxury, Wilkes fell short at game

time.

The women fell short in more ways than one, for unbelievably enough, the Lafayette team had three players over six feet tall and another girl listed at 5'11". Wilkes did a good job of boxing out its opponents, but was just totally outsize. The Blue and Gold were outrebounded 33 to 20.

Coach Sandy Bloomberg did see some bright spots in the loss, however. First, everyone played, giving the entire squad some game experience and keeping team spirit at a maximum. And, the girls showed some great teamwork despite the losing effort.

Diane Kendig, looking like a hall-of-famer, led the Wilkes offensive attack, netting 19 points. Diane came to Wilkes with a great reputation following her fabulous high school career. Based on her first college performance, she still possesses that great shot that led her to

1000 high school points. Senior-co-captain Karen Olney scored 12 points and hit six for seven from the foul line, while Lynn Yedlock added seven and Mary Jo Frail chipped in six. Freshman Patti Paraventi led in rebounds while playing a very tough brand of defense.

For Lafayette, Sue Longenbach scored 27 points in the first half alone, missing just one field goal and hitting five for five from the free throw line.

Tuesday night the cagers traveled to Scranton U. to face the lady Royals, defending MAC champs. Again the Blue and Gold suffered a height disadvantage, but still were able to keep close to the Royals until the latter minutes of the first half.

The women cagers then entered the second period down by 12, and were not able to get untracked offensively until Scranton pulled out in front by 20. The Royals then increased their lead by keeping in their two high scorers while Wilkes substituted freely.

Freshman Diane Kendig again led the Colonels' offensive game, scoring 21 points. She also excelled on defense, frequently stealing the ball and causing numerous turnovers. Sophomore Mary Jo Frail added nine points to the score, and Lynn Yedlock, Pat Paraventi and Karen Olney were the Colonels' high rebounders.

Coach Bloomberg told the women that she was "very proud" of the team's effort thus far this season, commenting that the attitude and spirit is excellent. She also noted that since the team has been practicing only three weeks, some additional organization is needed before the team reaches its full potential.

The Colonels played cross-town rival King's College last night and will face Marywood tomorrow at 1 p.m. in the Wilkes gym.

## Cagers Stall After Initial Home Win

The warrant is out for somebody who put water into the Wilkes basketball team's gas tank. After starting the year with a 62-57 win over Lock Haven State, the Blue and Gold have run out of fuel, losing its next three matchups, including one by one-point, and one by two-points.

Following the Lock Haven victory, the Colonels hosted Delaware Valley, and lost 63-61. Wilkes had the ball with 10-seconds remaining, but were called for a controversial traveling violation. Mike McCarrie, a freshman from Philadelphia led all Colonel point-producers with 14. He was followed by Nick "the Quick" Holgash and Jeff Baird with 12 points apiece.

This past weekend the Blue and Gold entered the prestigious Dr. Jacobs Tournament in Winoski (Winuski) Vermont. In the opening encounter, they were defeated by host St. Michael's, 71-57. Although the score doesn't show it, Wilkes was in the game most of the way, and was tied with five minutes remaining in the contest. St. Michael's eventually went on to capture the tourney honors by defeating nationally-ranked Monmouth, 89-74.

The heart-breaker of the year occurred in the consolation game, when the Colonels dropped a 64-63 cliff-hanger to E-Stroudsburg. Ironically, Wilkes was supposed to meet the same E.S.S.C. club on Monday night in a regular scheduled game, but due to inclement weather, the contest was postponed until yesterday.

Wilkes led at the half of the E. Stroudsburg tourney game, 34-26, and built up a 12-point, 38-26 edge early in the second period, but E-Burg rebounded to tie at 51-51, with over nine minutes left.

The game see-sawed back and forth for eight minutes, when Jeff Baird sank a bucket for a 63-62 Wilkes lead with 40 seconds remaining. Stroudsburg's Eddie Zinn hit the nets with 15-seconds left, and the Colonels had the ball with time left. All hopes were dimmed however when a five-foot shot was missed in the closing seconds.

The captain, Kenny Hughes, a bright-spot for Wilkes in the tourney, was named to the all-tourney team, while scoring 29 points in the two games. Joining Hughes on the squad were: Dave Moyer, E.S.S.C.; Scott Doran, Monmouth; Ted Mouro, St. Mike's; and MVP Tom Hoey, St. Mike's.

Before meeting E.S.S.C. yesterday, the Colonels hosted Division II super-power Philadelphia Textile on Wednesday. The Textile Rams entered the Wilkes gym with a 1-1 record, including a stunning 59-58 upset win over St. Joe's. They lost to Division I Villanova Wildcats, 61-57 at the winner's court, in what was almost a major upset.

The Colonel cagers of Rodger Bearde will be either on the road or on vacation from Dec. 10 to Jan. 28. Wilkes travels to meet Susquehanna tomorrow at 3 p.m. The Blue and Gold continue the road trip, meeting at 8 p.m. on Dec. 13 and Moravian on Dec. 14.

Wilkes is then off from Dec. 15 to Jan. 18, more than a month, which is unheard of in collegiate basketball. But that's the way the old schedule maker crumbles. Maybe it's something new, to try to motivate the team, give them a rest so when they return they will all be willing to roll. I doubt it.

**TIP-INS:** a look at the four-game stats show Jeff Baird and Ken Hughes as the top two scorers for Wilkes with 49 points and a 12.2 average each. Hughes continues his fine "playing without the ball", setting up things and leading the team in assists..Baird has to be given credit for working very hard as Wilkes only remaining "big man", in the absence of John Zapko, Jeff has been playing almost the whole game, and if this keeps up he'll weigh 140 at seasons end.....Mike McCarrie, a great addition to the Colonel cagers this season, follows with a 11.5 average and 46 points. McCarrie is a great hustler on defense, and is a very steady rebounder, in other words, a complete ball-player.....Bobby Welsh, the hero of the opening season win, follows McCarrie with a 10.0 scoring average. In the Colonels second game, Bobby hurt his foot, and has not seen action in the last two games.....Nick Holgash and Ed Van Buren, are next with 6.5 averages. Holgash, is a veteran, and makes things go, while Van Buren was resurrected in the St. Michael's Tourney, and played very well.....Mark Rado and Gary Mack are also doing a credible job as statisticians and managers, assisting them is little Billy Bearde, who owns a deadly 15-foot outside shot.....We've been receiving a lot of flack about our B-rating of the cheerleaders, right girls. Well, we've learned through secret sources, the girls have been practicing very hard and the grade just might jump up to an A, before finals, okay Lisa and Sandy? .....Zapko, after two years as a Colonel has 527 points scored to his credit, well on the way to a 1,000 career.....a tip of the hat, or maybe a tip of a hammer goes off to scoreboard workers Larry Tarutis and Billy Sparks, for a job, shall we say, excitingly done. Tarutis, as you all know, is infamous for his role in last year's overtime lost to the Royals of Scranton University....Larry, you should be at the Garden....We ask again, "Where is WCLH for the home basketball games? And more important than that where are all the student fans?...the crowds at the home cage contests are not that good, and a lack of school spirit might be the reason.

Eddie White

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## Concluding Week Of Classes Provides Basis For 'Major' Look At Students

The final week of classes usually proves to be the most interesting time of the semester, as students frantically rush around to complete ten weeks of backed-up work in one week. Unfortunately, the "hustle and bustle" on campus is rarely related to the holiday season, and the bells in the air are never sleigh bells. "Ho-ho's" turn into "Oh-oh's" as the holiday spirit momentarily disappears. Yes -- this time of year students are truly in rare form. The following is a "major" look at students as the final days of the fall semester draw near:

- An environmental science major looking a little "under the weather."
- An English major going into his last final mumbling "To be, or not to be."
- A music major looking for her "notes."
- A theater major "acting-up" in the SLC lobby.
- An econ major minding his own business.
- An art major looking a little "drawn."

- A freshman electrical engineering major in "shock."
- A bio major racing his pet shark to the "fin-ish" line.
- Teachers giving a jolly Ho-Ho-Ho as you hand in your bluebook, claiming it's "all in the spirit of the season."

- Pine trees disappearing from neighborhood lawns.
- A physics major looking for gamma rays.
- All of us looking forward to the Christmas vacation.

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