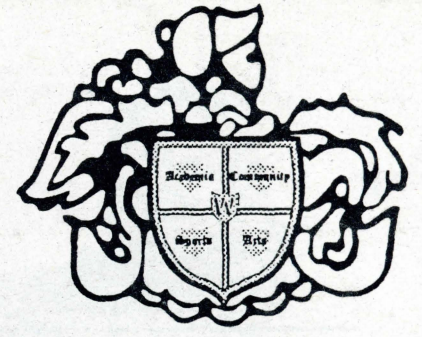


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University honors John Wilkes

Statue unveiled at summer commencement, symposium held to honor the university namesake.

By JOHN-ERIK KOSLOSKY
Beacon News Editor

Bucknell University Junior College became the namesake college of 18th-century English political reformer John Wilkes in 1947. Nearly fifty years later, Wilkes University honored the inspirational and controversial figure in grand fashion with the unveiling of the John Wilkes statue in the front lawn of the Eugene S. Farley Library during last Thursday's summer commencement exercises.

Following comments from some of those involved in the project, the nine-foot, 1,800-

pound bronze statue was unveiled to the musical interlude of Ferdinand Beyer's *God Save the Queen*. Comments came from Board of Trustees member Stephen Sordoni, distinguished professor and historian Arthur H. Cash, British Consul General Sir Alistair Hunter, and sculptor James Butler.

"The statue portrays John Wilkes rather arrogantly because he was quite an arrogant man," said the English sculptor James Butler. "He is standing with one hand on his hip and the other hand holding a speech he made to Parliament."

The statue is a reproduction of a statue erected in London in 1988. Butler won an award for the best new public sculpture in London with the original John Wilkes statue.

According to university officials, the statue of John

Wilkes is facing the current bookstore because it will eventually stand at one end of a greenway now under development on campus. The planned 800-foot greenway will stretch from South Street to Northampton Street and is part of a \$25 million campus development project that began in 1993.

"Wilkes University is proud to bring the statue of John Wilkes to the community that adopted his name back in the decade before the American Revolution," said President Christopher T. Breiseth.

The new statue was made possible by generous donations from Stephen Sardoni and the law firm of Rosenn, Jenkins, and Greenwald. The statue is dedicated to Judge Max Rosenn, Atty. Eugene Roth '57 and Atty. Joseph J. Savitz '48 for their leadership at Wilkes University and in the Wyoming Valley.

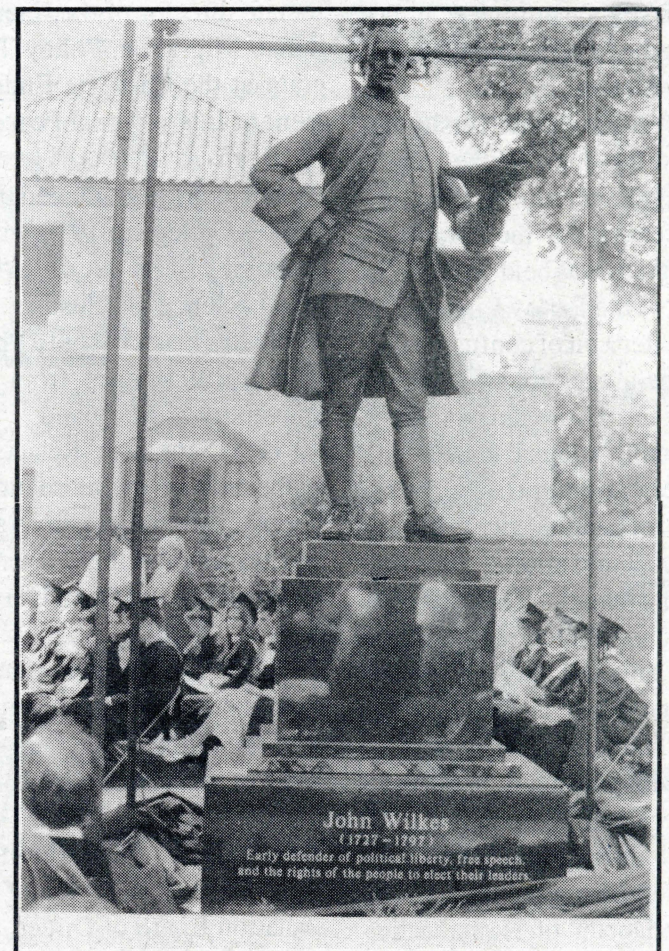


Photo by Eric Morinello

The John Wilkes statue was unveiled at last Thursday's summer commencement.

Scholars speak about John Wilkes at symposium

By JOHN-ERIK KOSLOSKY
Beacon News Editor

He was a great talker, but a lousy speaker.

He was a gentleman, and undoubtedly, he was a ladies' man.

These are some of the ways several scholars described John Wilkes at a symposium in the

Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts last Thursday. The symposium accompanied the unveiling of the John Wilkes statue on campus.

Speakers described Wilkes as a symbol of British colonists' rights and privileges, and a very vocal opponent of laws that attempted to take away those

rights, such as the stamp act. Speakers also said Wilkes had a tremendous impact upon the formation of the United States Constitution, especially the Bill of Rights.

F. Charles Petrillo, a member of the Executive Committee of the Wyoming Valley Historical and Geological Society, said although Wilkes was an inspiration to colonists in North

America, he was probably opposed to American independence.

One of the areas Wilkes had the greatest impact on was freedom of the press. Wilkes wrote for the notorious publication *The North Briton*, a publication described by Arthur H. Cash as the "most vicious paper that had ever been written in English." Cash has

authored several papers and presented several lectures dealing with John Wilkes. He said Wilkes was always truthful in his writing, but had the ability to put a controversial spin on his stories.

Wilkes was jailed for his story in *The North Briton* No. 45, attacking a speech made by

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News

Wilkes graduates 62 at summer commencement

By JOHN-ERIK
KOSLOSKY
Beacon News Editor

More than 60 graduates were awarded degrees after the dedication of a statue of the university's namesake at last Thursday's Commencement-Convocation.

Because the university unveiled the John Wilkes statue during the ceremony, the commencement for the conferring of degrees was held on the front lawn of the Farley Library.

After a bit of confusion during the processional, when the Wilkes University Brass Ensemble's music ended prior to the end of the procession, Dr. Michael Lennon, vice president for academic affairs, gave welcoming remarks. The ensemble, under the direction of Jerome W. Campbell, performed the ceremony's music.

President Christopher T. Breiseth presented 27 master's degrees and 35 bachelor's degrees during the exercises. Breiseth also presented an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Norma Constance Sangiuliano Tyburski, the first teacher of Speech and Drama at Bucknell University Junior College from 1936 to 1946. Sangiuliano earned degrees in speech, English and Drama from Syracuse University.

She founded the Children's Theatre of Wilkes-Barre in 1935 and has been an active member of the Wyoming Valley, involved in such organizations as the Campfire Girls, the United Way and various theater groups.

She was designated the first Lady Colonel in 1992, an honor bestowed upon friends and alumni of Wilkes University

who have made significant contributions to the university.

Demetrios G. Papademetriou received the Eugene S. Farley Memorial Alumnus Award. Papademetriou is the senior associate director of the International Migration Policy Program at the Carnegie Endowment of International Peace.

Born in Patras, Greece, Papademetriou graduated from Wilkes College in 1970 with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and history. He received a master's and a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Maryland.

He is Scholar-in-Residence at the School of International Service, American University, and has taught at the University of Maryland and Duke University.

The award is given annually to an alumnus or an alumna who epitomizes the characteristics of an educated person. It was presented by Colleen Gries Gallagher '81, president of the Wilkes University Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Breiseth gave the principal address.

Greetings were given by Eugene Roth '57, chairman, Wilkes University Board of Directors, Jane Elmes-Crahall, chair, Faculty Affairs Council; and Kellie Klein '96, president, Student Government.

The invocation was delivered by the Reverend David Laquintano of the Grace Episcopal Church in Kingston. Reverend Monsignor Thomas Banick, Pastor of Saint Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception in Wilkes-Barre presented the benediction before the ceremony's end.

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Deborah Ann Lynn Miner, Business Administration

Jody Jean Palmer, Business Administration
James Pearson, Business Administration

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Tammy A. Stoshick, Political Science
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Gia Marie Andrejko, History

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Jefferey Scott Crahalla, Psychology

Michelle Diskin, Communications
Nicole Marie Grzech, Psychology

Thomas J. Kirk III, Psychology
Elementary Education, Second Major

Cynthia Cipala Kowalski, Nursing
Jacqueline Ann Mathis, Psychology

Gail R. Nape, Psychology
Raymond Earl Offner, Jr., Psychology

Jennifer Sebastianelli, Psychology
Tracy Jean Tighe, Psychology

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Jeffery Nicholas Cardimona, Electrical Engineering
Cindy Lynn Gensel, Biology

Aleksandr Gershik, Mechanical Engineering
Diana Gershik, Mechanical Engineering

Mohammed R. Ghannam, Electrical Engineering
Danielle T. Pelva, Biology

Karen E. Smith, Medical Technology

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King George. Cash said the story was considered an attack on the King, and 43 people were arrested, including authors, printers and publishers.

Cash said Wilkes' defiance of authority and concern with the lack of power of the lower and middle class had attracted followers both in England and in the North American colonies and might have even propelled him into a hero status.

Wilkes University Professor Harold E. Cox said Wilkes

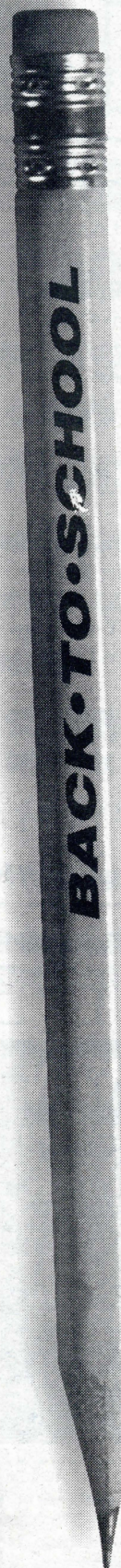
entered politics at a time of extreme political turbulence, making his defiance all the more significant in political reform.

Cox also put into perspective stories of John Wilkes' promiscuity, which surfaced in a few of the presentations throughout the day.

"If (Benjamin) Franklin could have played for the Yankees, the best Wilkes could have done was the Saint Louis Browns," Cox said.

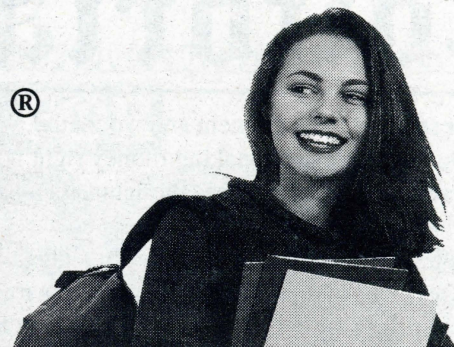
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Editorial

with Regina Frappolli

Have you ever stopped for a moment and wondered, "what am I doing in college?" You think to yourself, "I could've gone to work and been making money right now instead of sitting in these boring classes."

Well, if you have ever once had these thoughts, then let me tell you, I'd listen closely to what I'm going to say.

You see this summer, while some college students tanned at the Jersey shore, some worked at ice cream places, and still others had behind the desk jobs, yours truly spent her LONG, HOT summer working for the Burlington County Bridge Commission. Yes, the title may sound nice and business-like, but would you consider wearing steel tip boots, wool-like work pants and bright orange t-shirts with a bridge logo on them appealing? I think not.

Whether it was a Monday or a Friday-all 15 summer help workers along with the twenty-some full timers, began the day at 7:30 am with a cup of coffee and a list of jobs needing completion in order for the bridge to run on schedule.

Some days it was painting, others it was mowing the lawn, and my fondest job of all—degreasing the bridge. Dressed from head to toe in a white, plastic ghostbuster uniform, goggles included, a selected group climbed under the pigeon-infested bridge and began to grease between the grooves.

At first the job seemed fun because it was so different from our previous assignments. Instead of glowing on the highway in my bright orange shirt, I was under the bridge smelling pigeon dung. So, yes, the change of scenery was exciting.

Well, to make a long story short, as the day drew on and I began to become nauseated from the terrible smell and the overhead cars whizzing by, I began to realize the extent of my summer job. It was then that it hit me. This was my summer job. I was not a full time worker. This was not a lifetime thing. I could go home at the end of each day and count the remaining days until I returned to school. But the full timers—they were really here to stay. For a few minutes I pondered and realized how lucky I really was. I wasn't forced to work because my parents needed the money. I did not have to marry because I became pregnant. I had the choice to attend college, and what was I doing but griping about it.

So, think about this the next time you decide to complain that chapters one through three are too long to read or that you'll be missing the football game on television because you have a research project to do. Think about it. It's not all that bad. You could be degreasing bridges for the rest of your life...



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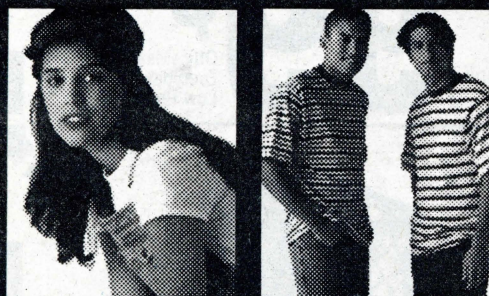
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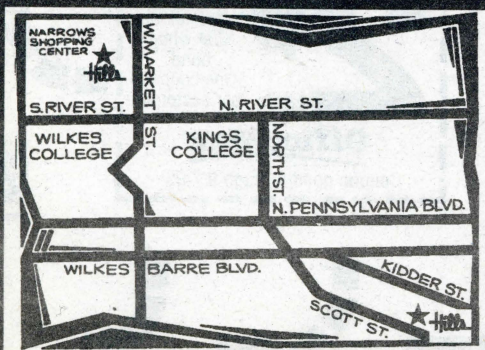
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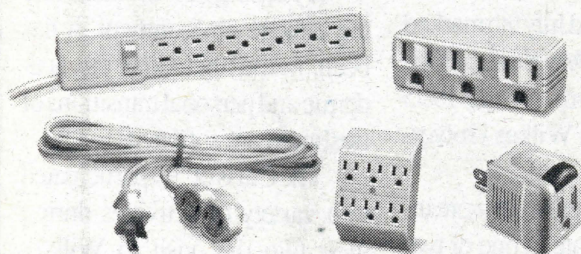
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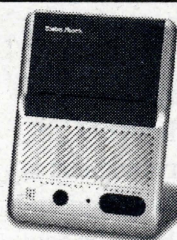
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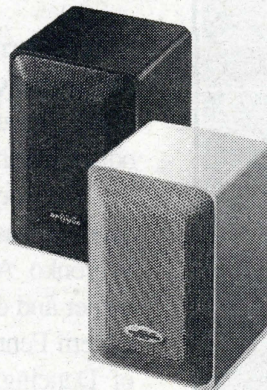
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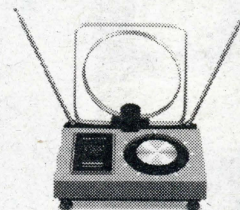


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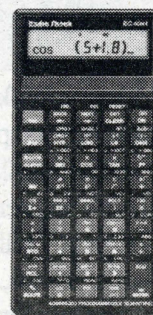
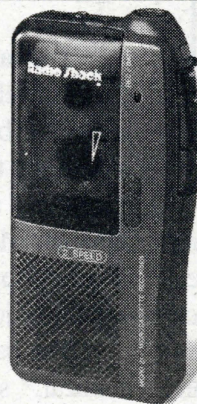


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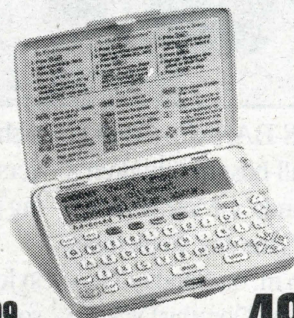
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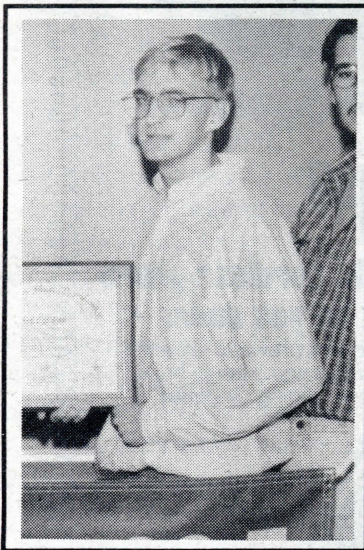
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Features

Big Apple Bites Local Wilkes Student



Eric Freeland

By RANDI HERSHMAN
Beacon Features Editor

While some Wilkes University students slept late and lounged around at the beach, Eric Freeland, a Wilkes University senior was up at the crack of dawn and on his way to the CBS studio in New York City.

Eric, along with twenty other students from around the country resided on campus, free of charge, at New York University.

While attending workshops and enjoying the New York life, they also met several news person-

alities such as, Peter Jennings from ABC News and Stone Phillips from Dateline NBC.

The students worked at either ABC, NBC or CBS and were each awarded spending money for their time in the city.

Eric spent his days at the CBS National Desk, the heart of CBS, which controls everything that is going on with the news programs.

Eric witnessed hands on how the CBS bureaus in Miami and Dallas received the information that was needed to cover a breaking story. Three days a week,

while most of us were on the phone gabbing with our friends, Eric was faxing, photocopying and occasionally answering the phone, only to find Dan Rather on the other end.

The remaining two days Eric worked with the North East Bureau.

Here, he would witness famous reporters and producers for the North Eastern United States and sometimes put packages together for the evening news that eventually we would see when we would turn the television on.

Besides sitting behind the desk,

Eric would also follow on-location camera crews, covering news breaking stories.

Eric helped organize these crews, making sure they reported to the correct destinations and that the stories returned to the CBS broadcasting center.

While other students complained about the heat and lack of what to do, Eric spent his summer behind the scenes at one of the biggest broadcasting centers in one of the most exciting cities in the world.

Children's Ballet to Benefit Music



WILKES-BARRE—Wilkes university will host the children's ballet, "Melinda's Masquerade," at 7 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, September 17, in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center of the Performing Arts.

The musical score from the original ballet was composed by the late Rosendo Santos, A Wilkes University professor of music for more than 20 years before his death in November 1994.

Proceeds from the debut performances of the ballet will benefit the Rosendo Santos Music Schol-

arship being set up at Wilkes University for music majors specializing in theory and composition.

"The ballet is being performed in love and not for any selfish reasons," said Harriet Santos, Santos' widow. "It is to benefit future musicians, which is what my husband would have wanted."

A composer, conductor, and pianist, Santos was involved in numerous activities in the community and abroad. His activities included director and pianist of the house band at the Music Box Playhouse, member of the Senior Mozart Club, chairman of the

Northeastern Pennsylvania Junior Music Festival and music director of the Shavertown United Methodist Church choir.

The story for Melinda's Masquerade was written by Barbara Woronko Anzalone. She is the owner and director of the Northeastern Pennsylvanian Academy of Dancing, Edwardsville. Approximately 35 of Anzalone's students will dance in the performances.

"The ballet is unique in that it doesn't dwell on the Prince Charming issue of boy meets girl, they fall in love and then they live happily ever after," said Anzalone. "And although 'Melinda's Masquerade' is geared toward children, adults will find it just as wonderful."

"The ballet is very cute and comical," said Anzalone. "The whole studio came together for the big event, which includes a snow scene and an elaborate ball."

Tickets can be purchased at the box office before the performance or in advance by calling the Wilkes University box office at (717) 831-4540.

Orientation 1995

By STEPHANIE KRAMER
Beacon Staff Writer

June 25th and July 9th marked the start of the New Student Orientation Programs for the 1995 Fall Semester at Wilkes University.

Incoming freshmen were invited to participate in one of two orientation sessions this summer.

The orientation serves several purposes. It gives new students an opportunity to meet with their faculty advisor, to take tests in order to determine their future placement in upcoming courses, and to register for the Fall Semester.

Most importantly, the orientation gives the student a chance to get acquainted with the university's campus and the new

faces he or she will be seeing during their career at Wilkes.

By easing new students into the college environment, it has been found that both the academic and personal transitions of freshmen are softened.

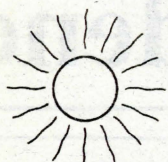
The Class of '99 participated in a variety of activities during their two day visit to Wilkes. Aside from the mandatory lectures, and the obvious fun stuff, students attended a club carnival, karaoke/picnic, and Danny McCarthy, an orientation tradition.

A winning combination of helpful professional staff and fantastic student leaders led to a very successful program that was well received by both our new students and families.

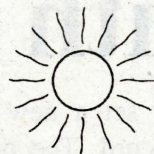
Welcome back
Wilkes U...



Word on Campus



Sunflower's Stars



Aquarius (Jan 21- Feb 19) Welcome back. I hope you are ready to hit the books, work may pile up before you know it. Keep an eye on a close friend you may be needed.

Pisces (Feb 20- March 20) You were promised that things would pick up and that life would get easier... it will. Keep on top of your work and become that social butterfly.

Aries (March 21- April 20) Consider changing your mind about that certain situation that has been dominating your thoughts. Step back and take a long look at your life. You may need some time alone.

Taurus (April 21- May 21) Believe in yourself and go out and do that something you have wanted to. Nothing is stopping you but yourself. Believe in yourself and trust your instincts about that special someone.

Gemini (May 22- June 21) Reach out to someone far away. You've become the object of someone's affection's, so make your move soon.

Cancer (June 22- July 22) You learned a tough lesson about love, so treat yourself to some quiet time. A new romance is just around the corner so try and bounce back quickly.

Leo (July 23- Aug 23) A recent conflict has resolved itself and you are overjoyed. Don't get too side tracked though, you may have more work to do than you realize.

Virgo (Aug 24- Sept 23) The summer was just the escape that you needed. Relax and enjoy the peace. A friend is looking for your smile and can't seem to find it. Wake up.

Libra (Sept 24- Oct 23) Time to break the rules and break out of your shell. Take life day by day. This weekend is yours... Go for it.

Scorpio (Oct 24- Nov 22) Defend your reputation and be the friendly person that you are. A major change is about to take place so be prepared.

Sagittarius (Nov 23- Dec 21) Friends know that they can turn to you for support and it is more than comforting. Romance is better than ever and nothing can erase that smile from your face.

Capricorn (Dec 22- Jan 20) Be patient with a friend whose emotions may be more confused than you realize. Your support is the key. Keep a smile on your face the best is yet to come.

A glimpse at Student Government

Homecoming- Oct 12, 13, 14

Thursday, October 12 - Bonfire

This year there will be a banner contest. Groups of five people may present a banner to a group of judges the night of the bonfire. Winner's will be announced Saturday at half-time.

First prize- \$100

Second prize- \$75

Third prize- \$50

Friday, October 13- Dinner Dance

Gennetti's 6pm-12pm

Theme: These are Days

Saturday, October 14 - Crowning of King and Queen

Class officer elections- September 14
Freshmen elections- September 28

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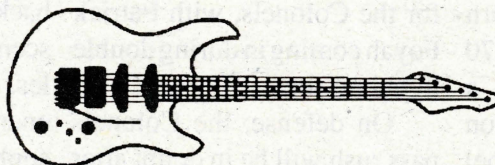


Someone to Remember...



Jerry Garcia

(1942-1995)



"We've always been doing something that wasn't the thing that was happening."

"...today there is no place without hippies. No place."

"There is no way to put the idea 'save the world' into to music, you have to be that idea."

"Now that the singer is gone,
where shall I go for the
song."

-Robert Hunter

"I'd rather have my immortality now
while I'm alive."

"One way or another this darkness has got to give."

"For me in my life, all kinds of drugs have been useful to me, and they have also definitely been a hindrance to me, so as far as I'm concerned, the results are not in."

"When it seems like the night will last forever, and there is nothing left to do but count the years. When the strings of my heart start to sever, stones fall from my eyes instead of tears. I will walk alone by the black muddy river. Dream me a dream of my own. I will walk alone by the black muddy river. Sing me a song of my own."

"Live what you want to live,
and be comfortable."

"What a long strange trip it's
been."

"I keep saying that to live is to dream, and to die is to awaken. He's awake...and we're still dreaming." -Rolling Stones Magazine



Sports

Gridders open with top-ranked Widener

By MICHAEL NOONE
Beacon Staff Writer

Wilkes University begins its 50th year of football this Saturday as the Colonels travel to Chester, PA to take on the defending Middle Atlantic Conference champion Widener University Pioneers. The Colonels look to avenge last year's 35-21 loss, their first regular season home loss since 1992. The Colonels come into the game ranked sixteenth in the nation by *Street & Smith*, while Widener is ranked fourth after their 11-1 season last year. Wilkes, Freedom League champions for the second straight year, finished the season 9-2 last year was crowned the ECAC Southeastern champions after an overtime win against the University of Stony Brook.

Widener lost only one starter from last year's explosive offensive team that finished second overall in the MAC averaging over 440 yards per game. The Pioneer offense was the best at running the ball last year gaining an average of 250 yards per game. Widener returns eight starters on the defensive side of the ball from last year's team which also finished second in MAC allowing only 283 yards per game. The Pioneers were the

only team in the MAC last year to hold their opponents to an average of less than 100 yards rushing per game.

The Colonels enter the season with a large void on offense. Senior quarterback Boo Perry will miss the entire season with a back injury. Over the past three years, Perry led Wilkes to a record of 23-6-1 as a starter, including 18-3 over the past two seasons. One of two freshmen, Rich Conte and Neil Rine, will serve as Perry's replacement. Perry's favorite targets, juniors Mike Gundersdorf and Ryan Alston, return as wide receivers. Gundersdorf holds the Wilkes single game record with 236 yards receiving. Gundersdorf is also a deep threat with eight career touchdown catches over 40 yards, including a 91 yarder last year. Alston has caught eight touchdown passes each of the past two seasons, including the game winner with just four seconds remaining against Lycoming last year. Alston is also one of the premier return men in the MAC, with a 70 yard punt return for a touchdown against Lebanon Valley. Three year starter Joel O'Donnell enters the season needing just four extra points

to set a new Wilkes career record. The punting job is a question mark after the graduation of Joe Machzak.

Elijah Powell returns as tailback after rushing for a Wilkes record 1,280 yards during his freshman season. The 5'5" Powell rushed over 200 yards in three games and scored three touchdowns against King's. Powell will be joined in the backfield by fullback Wayne Meckley, primarily a blocking back in Wilkes' offense.

The offensive line of Colonels features three returning starters: Jason Majiros and A.J. Cecconi return at the tackles, along with Joe Vilcheck at center. Majiros was first team MAC Freedom League All-Star last year, while Vilcheck and Cecconi were both first year starters. Rich Banas, Jason Nocella, Jason Dunn, Jeremy Horvath, and Tim Doyle will be competing for the guard spots. Sophomore Augie Mitschke will start at tight end for the Colonels, with Patrick Foyah coming in during double tight end sets.

On defense, the Colonels pass rush will be in doubt after losing two time All-Star Jake Cole to graduation. Senior

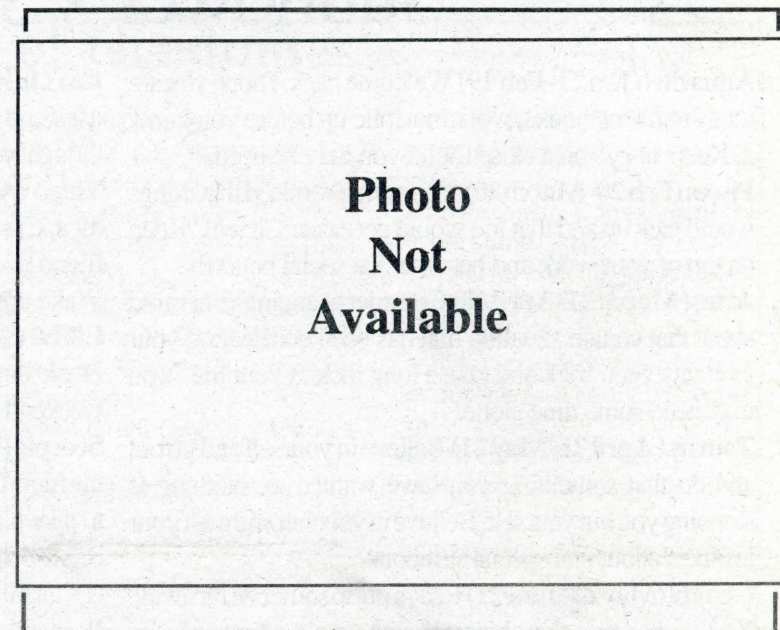


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Elijah Powell will be a central part of the offense this season.

Chris Cunningham, a MAC Freedom League All-Star last season will lead a young defensive line. Sophomore J.J. Fadden will join Cunningham up front with Ed Banevich, Matt Rodarmel, Tom Stavitski, and Rob Rowlands battling to move into the starting lineup.

Senior co-captain Lou Atkinson will anchor the linebackers. Atkinson burst upon the scene last year making 119 tackles, including 18 against Widener. Atkinson will be joined by sophomore Joe Sinkovich who was third in tackles as a freshman with 66. Sophomores James

Photo by Eric Morinello Poepperling and Mike Barrett will be contending for the middle linebacker position.

The secondary could be an area of concern for coach Joe McMelfi after losing three of four starters to graduation. The return of junior safety Aaron Wilk, who sat out all of last season with a knee injury, and the emergence of Tulio Santiago last year, at one corner should provide some consistency to the pass coverage. However, sophomores Jamie Golden and Gary Spears will have to provide an immediate impact to counter the potent Widener passing attack.

Soccer begins '95 campaign with mixed results

MICHAEL BUTCHKO
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University men's soccer team began their 1995 Campaign with two games in two days this past Labor Day Weekend. On Saturday the Colonels defeated Cabrini College 4-3 in double overtime. The team was not as fortunate Sunday, dropping in a 2-0 decision to

SUNY-New Paltz.

The Cabrini game saw a Wilkes comeback and a thrilling finish. Colonels goals were tallied by Russ Hiser, Cesor Ulnces, and James Lacey, with keeper Brian Jacobson stepping in for nine slots. Sunday's contest featured two first half goals by Brian Tinis and Chris Vega of SUNY-New Paltz, forcing the

Colonels to play come-from-behind soccer in the second half. Both Jacobson of the Colonels and Charlie Efalion of the Hawks stopped seven slots, with SUNY-New Paltz outslotting Wilkes 18-14.

Coach Phil Wingut has great expectations for this team, calling them "on paper, one of the most talented teams I have ever

had here at Wilkes." The offense features Russ Hiser and sophomore Will Worenko, along with freshman Bob Polland and James Lacey. The midfield play will be lead by sophomore Cesor Ulnces and senior Chris Eeb. Contributing depth to the midfield will be juniors Buckey Cratt and Ty Kleppinger, also with Nick Lupinacci. The defense is just as

deep with tri-captains Chad Heffner and Pat Smith, joined by sophomore Matt Louvett. With 1994 team MVP Brian Jacobson in goal, the Colonels look to match or improve their 5-1 1994 MAC Freedom League Record. The Colonels open league play at home on Saturday, September 23 against Lycoming.