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Censorship rears its head

Duquesne's student newspaper shut down

Michael O'Keefe
 Press Service

(PS) — Amid allegations of witch hunts, spying and censorship, Duquesne University's newspaper has been forcibly shut down.

The closure closely follows similar blows in recent years to student papers at the New Jersey Institute of Technology and Bentley College in Massachusetts.

Earlier in the school year, newspapers at Georgia State University, the University of South Dakota and California State University at Long Beach either were closed with censorship or actually closed down by administrators or student politicians objected to the stories the papers published.

In all, about 22 percent more censorship complaints were filed with the Student Press Law Center in Washington, D.C., from September through December, 1988 than during the same period of 1987, said director Mark Goodman said.

At Duquesne, a private campus in Pittsburgh, the student government abruptly changed the locks of the newspaper's office, called the *Duke*, on Feb. 12.

Student politicians closed the paper soon after

sending a letter threatening "to investigate" if editor Rebecca Drumm reran two ads for a local family planning center said Dennis Callaghan, the paper's production manager. After the ads appeared for the second time the paper was shut down.

But student leaders say editor Drumm and not the ads are the issue.

They charged she rigged her election as editor, and kept an off-campus checking account for the paper and then refused to cooperate with them when they tried to take control of the account.

"There are no records and she refuses to help," said Student Government Association (SGA) attorney Mike Streib. "Perhaps there's nothing to this. Perhaps there is."

The off-campus account, the student leaders say, jeopardizes the university's tax-exempt status, and is vulnerable to corruption.

Some, in fact, say Drumm improperly wrote checks on the account to her friends. In 1987, two *Duke* staffers allegedly forged checks to themselves with the account.

"The media coverage is calling it a case of

See *Duke* page 5

Editor cleared, but dumped

Rebecca Drumm, editor of Duquesne University's student newspaper, was cleared of the most serious charges against her but banished from the *Duke* staff over two violations of the student code.

"I'm not totally pleased," said Drumm, who was suspended as *Duke* editor on Feb. 17 over charges filed by the Student Government Association (SGA).

She and her attorney said an appeal will be filed.

The SGA under its president Harold Meltzer, briefly banned publication of the *Duke*, claiming Drumm refused an order from the administration to close a bank account the newspaper maintained off campus. He also alleged Drumm rigged her election to a second term as editor, a post that carries a scholarship.

Meltzer denied claims by *Duke* supporters that the charges were in retaliation for a family planning ad that appeared in the *Duke* in contradiction to the Catholic university's philosophies.

A board of four students and one faculty member cleared Drumm last Monday on charges of misusing a university document, tampering with the election and theft.

She was found guilty of defying the administration and violating school policy by conducting a news conference on campus without notifying the administration.

Campus visited by 800 students

by Michele Corbett
 Beacon News Editor

WILKES-BARRE — This past Saturday, Wilkes College was visited by an estimated 800 high school students and their parents for Campus Visitation Day.

This number exceeded last year's totals by more than 300.

The visiting students and their parents were addressed by President Dr. Christopher N. Breiseth and Bernard J. Vinovski, dean of Admissions, at a general meeting following registration.

The student also heard remarks from Dean Jane Lampe-Groh, dean

of Students Affairs and Dr. George Waldner, vice president of Academic Affairs.

The program also included a brief musical reception by students from Wilkes' music department, campus tours, lunch, and more than 30 individual departmental meetings.

The department meetings were designed to better acquaint the parents and the students with the specifics of Wilkes' academic programs and activities.

Lampe-Groh said that Admissions seemed "pleased with the turnout and the positive reactions from the visitors."

The general consensus among the Administration was that the Wilkes students helping on Visitation Day demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership.

A variety of students were asked to serve as tour guides during the day-long event.

There was, however, a communication gap between the Admissions office and tour guides.

Some guides said that there should have been an orientation as to which buildings were open that day.

It was reported that both the writing and language labs were closed as well as Weckesser and Sturdevant Halls



Barth, vice president of student government, leads prospective students on a tour of the Conyngham Student Center last Saturday during Wilkes' annual High School Student Visitation Day.

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Opinion/Editorial

Slap on the wrist

The punishment should fit the crime

Once again, our justice system has failed.

This past Tuesday, Charles P. Yurgaitis was sentenced to 11 to 23 months in prison for the death of Wilkes freshman Craig Piatt after his van slammed into Piatt's car in January, 1988.

Do Luzerne County District Attorney Corrales Stevens and Judge Gifford Cappellini actually think that 11 to 23 months in prison can make up for the loss of Piatt's life?

I'd like to think not, but considering the recent actions of the Luzerne County DA's office, one can never be sure.

Yurgaitis pleaded guilty in January, 1989 to one count of vehicular homicide and drunken driving after the DA's office dropped another vehicular homicide count that carried a mandatory minimum sentence of three years in prison.

I'd like to know why the DA's office dropped a charge that would have kept Yurgaitis in jail, where he belongs, for more than his 11 to 23 month sentence.

This again brings us back to

the question of why drunk driving sentences never seem to fit the crime.

Such a sentence can hardly make amends for the life of a college freshman whose future was full of potential.

Across the United States, an estimated 55 percent of the fatalities

OPINION by Tom Obrzut

are due to such deadly spirits as rum, whiskey, beer, wine and gin.

Statistics show that drunk drivers kill and maim more people than all the murderers and muggers on all our city streets.

In 1988, more than 24,000 were killed because too many people drank and then drove. When will the senseless deaths end?

Tough drunken-driving laws, some say, will end the carnage on our nation's highways while others say strict enforcement of the nation's underage drinking laws will end the bloodbath. Are they the real answers?

Many drunk drivers without licenses are arrested. These are the people that don't fear the drunk tank and don't care if their licenses are

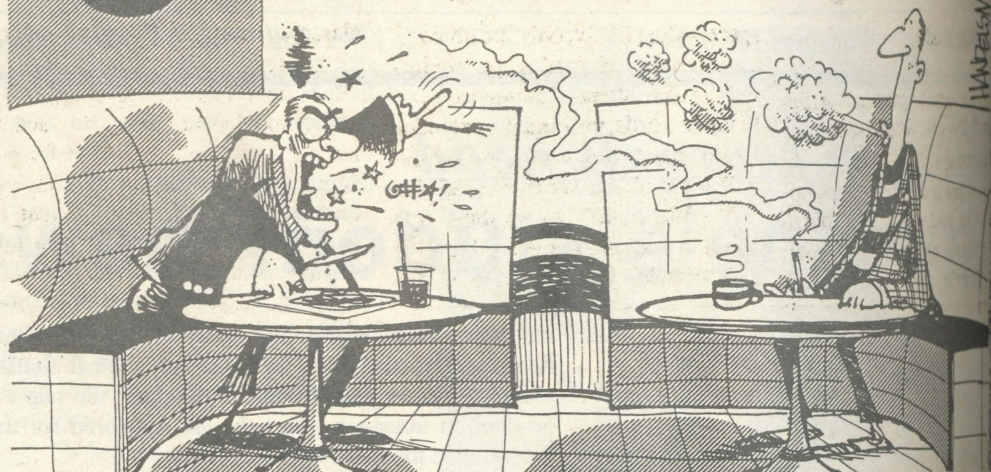
suspended. As soon as they are released, they're back on the roads.

What's the real solution to America's drunk drivers? Are tougher laws the answer or is education, beginning in grade school, the remedy?

Whatever the solution we can only hope it's found before men like Charles Yurgaitis are free to once again haunt our nation's highways.



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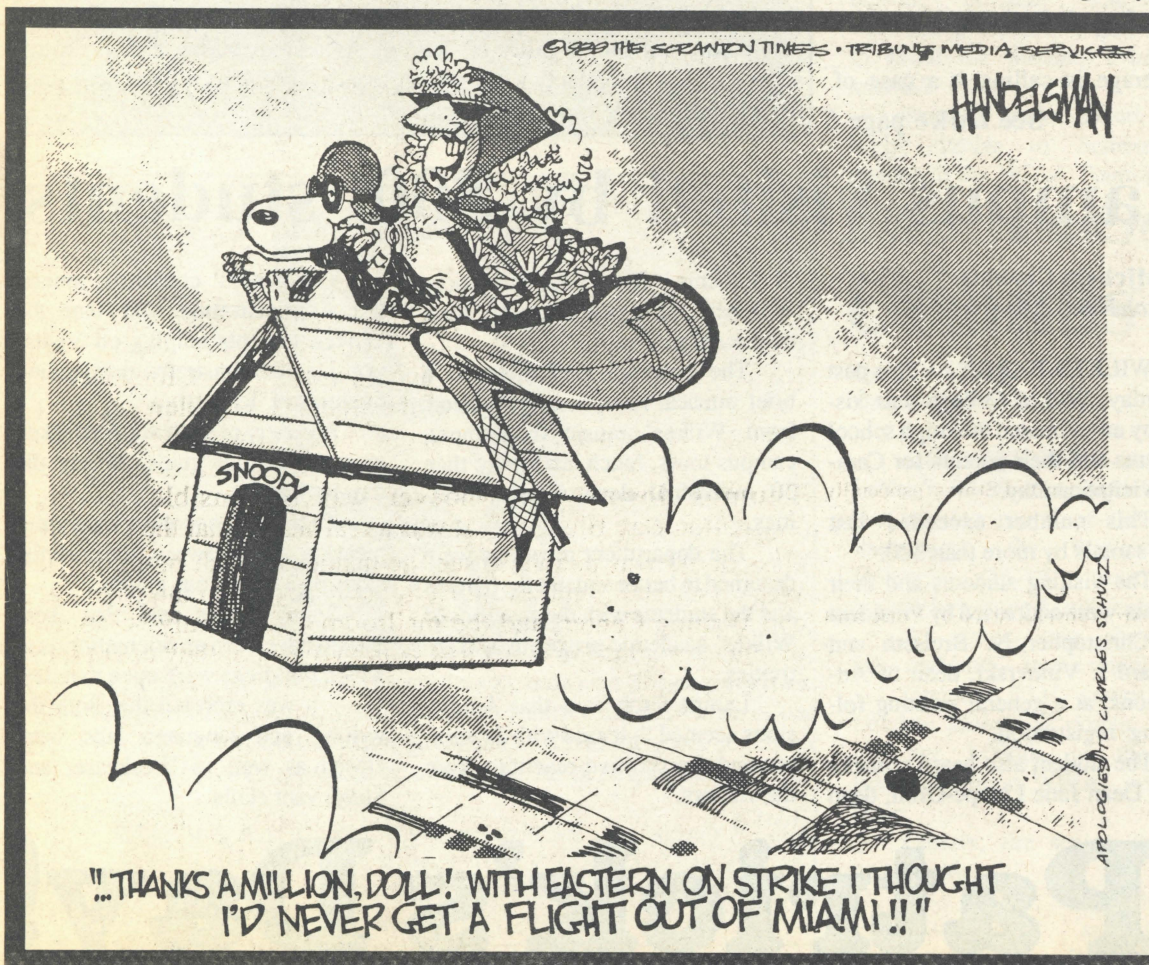


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I want to thank all members of Student Government for the certificate, and I want to thank everyone on Student Government for the certificate.

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If you are a freshman, sophomore, or junior you will not be able to see your friends graduate because there's just not

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The Beacon Mailbox

Thank you to ALL of S. G.

Last week at our Student Government meeting, I was given a certificate of appreciation for my work on Winter Weekend.

I want to thank all of the members of Student Government for their certificate, and I want to say that everyone on Student Government deserved it.

We ALL put a lot of time and

effort into the planning of Winter Weekend, and everything seemed to go well. We spent countless hours planning events, making rules, getting necessary equipment for events, contacting judges, making score sheets, organizing meetings, and making many last-minute changes.

At times we thought it would not work out, but somehow

everything fell into place and the weekend was a success!

We hope everyone had as much fun as we did and look forward to seeing even more participation next year.

Marcie Kreinces
Junior Class Representative
Parliamentarian, Student Gov't

Where do you want to graduate?

Student Body:

Do you want to graduate in the gym? Do you want to see your classmates graduate?

If you are a freshman, sophomore or junior you will not be able to see your friends graduate this year, because there's just not enough

space. Most likely, only the immediate families of graduating seniors will be able attend Commencement. In other words, you and the extended families and friends of these seniors will not be able to see them graduate.

But wait. There is allegedly a solution to all this madness. Families and friends, including the under-

classmen, can see Commencement — on T.V.

You read it correctly, T.V. The school has brilliantly decided to place a television in the CPA for our viewing entertainment! So, everyone will "see" Commencement in one form or another. Isn't that just great?!

In order to take some positive action, all graduating seniors are requested to attend the Senior Class Meeting, March 30 at 11 a.m. in the CPA. It is hoped that President Breiseth will attend, so we can (as a class) discuss this in great detail. I believe the Senior Class should have some say about where graduation will be held!

A Concerned Senior DID YOU KNOW? The Facts About Saint Patrick

It's no blarney to say many people are pretty green when it comes to knowing fact from fiction about St. Patrick and his day. For example, did you know:



- St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was not an Irishman, but born in England the son of a Roman official.

- St. Patrick's day is more widely and enthusiastically celebrated here in the United States, especially in New York City, home of the magnificent St. Patrick's Cathedral, than in Dublin, Ireland.

- The Cathedral is the seat of the Archdiocese of New York and the first major neo-gothic-style Cathedral in the United States.

- Many Americans say they're "bringing the best of Ireland" to their St. Patrick's Day celebrations when they toast with the traditional after-dinner liqueur, Irish Mist.

- The first St. Patrick's Day celebration in the United States was held in Boston in 1737. Today, over a hundred cities hold parades. New York City's parade is the largest.

Editorial

Dear Editor . . .

Two weeks ago I wrote an editorial entitled "The College Alcohol Policy Needs Help."

I have since received anonymous phone calls from people who believe I was wrong for writing what I did. I've also heard from many friends who spoke to disgruntled readers who told them to tell me that they didn't like what I wrote.

An editorial is the opinion of the staff or the editor. In this case it was the editor's opinion as well as the opinion of several members of the Editorial Board.

I've been accused of being "holier-than-thou," confusing my facts, not even being at Winter Weekend at all and making it all up due to an overactive imagination.

Sorry folks, I was there, and it all happened.

At the beginning of this semester and near the beginning of last semester, opinion writer Tom Obrzut and I both editorialized the Student Government.

We both received the same kind of treatment -- anonymous phone calls and a whole bunch of "my friend told me's . . .".

The biggest difference between the first and the second incident was the ultimate reaction from those who were "editorialized."

We received letters in the "Beacon Mailbox" from representatives of the Student Government the week after the Obrzut opinion piece ran.

This is the mature, civilized way to respond to something written in a newspaper that you don't like.

A letter to the editor is meant to address differences in opinion that a reader has with the writer of an article or an editorial. Letters can be very valuable to an Editorial Board. They can help point out problems that have, as of yet, not been discovered.

When a reader has a problem with something that has been written and does not address it, he has done a disservice to himself as well as the paper.

The Beacon is put out by us for you. If you have a complaint, don't sit in your dorm and bitch and moan to friends behind the back of the writer.

Do something constructive. Put it in a letter.

The letter policy is clearly stated on the bottom of the staff box located on page two. All letters will be accepted and printed contingent on space limitations. Please keep all letters under our 500-word maximum.

If you don't like what I say, that's fine.

If you sit around and do nothing about it, that's not as good, but it's okay, too.

But, if you talk a blue streak about what bothers you, be prepared to say it where it counts.

It doesn't count when it's behind the writer's back.

-LSM

Thumbs up: To all high school seniors who made the journey to grand old Wilkes College to say "hello" on Visitation Day. We hope you decide to come back for a longer stay. Also, thumbs up to all of the students who blew off their Saturday to show these potential freshmen around campus.

Thumbs down: To whoever was responsible for the "Visitation Day Blunder." It was a real shame that the possible class of '93 was unable to see the insides of such buildings as Weckesser Hall, Sturdevant Hall, the Kirby Hall Language Lab and Writing Center, and the mailroom. It can only be hoped that these students haven't lost faith in a school they could feel is trying to hide something.

Just a reminder, The Beacon will be accepting applications for all editorial positions up until April 10, 1989. All applications should be taken to the office of Tom Bigler, Room 20b, Capin Hall. They should include a writing sample for editorial positions or photo portfolio for photo positions.

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Please deliver your application and a writing sample (previous story, a term paper, or an English paper) to Mr. Tom Bigler, Capin Hall room 20B. You will be called for an inter-

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Enrollment is on the increase

by Becky Steinberger
Beacon Staff Writer

Enrollment has been steadily increasing the past few years at Wilkes and statistics show continued growth is in store for the future.

This past fall, Wilkes welcomed a freshman class of more than 700 students, the largest freshman class in more than 10 years.

Reports show at the end of the fall semester, 3,848 students were enrolled at Wilkes. This number includes full- and part-time undergraduates in addition to those seek-

ing their Master's degrees.

Scott Bodfish, director of Institutional Research, said full-time students make up almost half of the student body, with 1,860 enrolled.

Approximately 75 percent of the full-time undergraduate students live in Pennsylvania, while 25 percent are from other states and countries, he said.

Of the 1,392 students pursuing a master's degree, 49 are enrolled on a full-time basis and 1,343 are enrolled as part-time graduate students.

The Master's program at

Wilkes has also seen increased interest. Students are no longer satisfied with a Bachelor's Degree and see earning a Master's as an opportunity to find a higher paying job.

Bernie Vinivorski, dean of Admissions, is optimistic that the recent trend of higher enrollments will continue.

"We expect to have an enrollment equal to or greater than last fall," he said.

He said applications have been coming in regularly since last year and many students have already toured the campus.



Students to hear deaf actress — Five students in the Wilkes College Department of Speech/Communications/Theatre Arts have been given the opportunity to meet acclaimed deaf actress Phyllis Frelich as part of the Cooperative Lecture Series. Frelich will give a lecture at 7:30 p.m. on April 4 at the Marts Center. Shown from left, (seated): Laurie Eater, Robyn Rome, Laurie Materna. (Standing): Dr. Breiseth, and Charles Waligun.

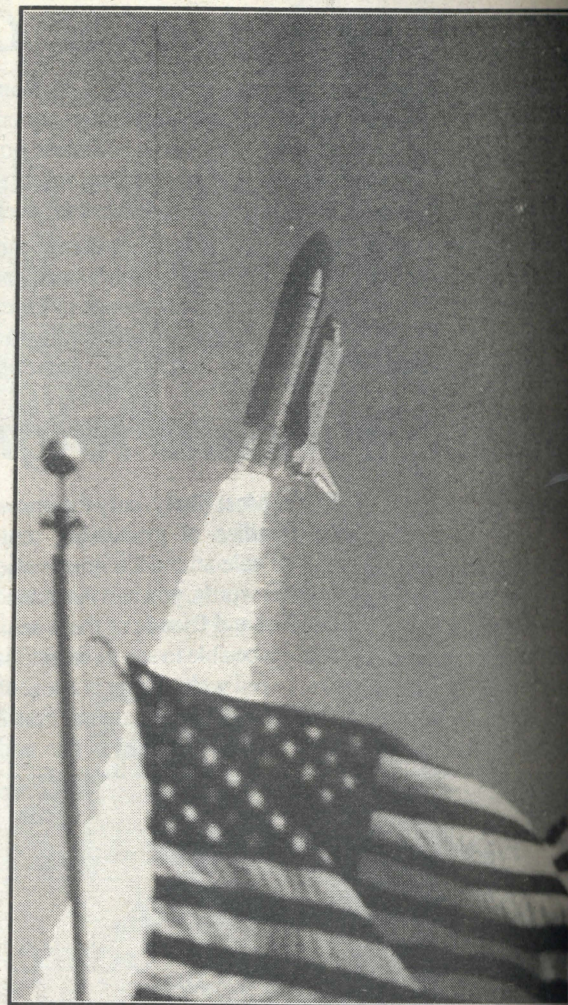


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Up, Up and Away — The orbiter Discovery blasts past an American flag on its way to orbit Monday at the Kennedy Space Center.

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Job

by Michael O'Keefe
College Press Service

The job market for college grads is booming.

"There's no question," reported Angie Aschoff, Benton Community College placement office in Oregon, "of jobs advertised with us this year."

It's happening nationwide. Major annual surveys, in December, of national colleges of new grads both in the fall and spring.

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Job market booming for graduates

Michael O'Keeffe
Large Press Service

The job market for this year's college grads is booming.

"There's no question about it," said Angie Aschoff of Linn-Benton Community College's placement office in Oregon, "the number of jobs advertised with us is up this year."

It's happening nationwide. Two annual surveys, released in December, of national corporate hiring of new grads both predicted a strong spring.

Northwestern University's Lindquist-Endicott Report predicted an eight percent jump in corporate demand for graduates with bachelor's degrees.

Those graduates will receive starting salaries that are an average 4.6 percent higher than those garnered by the Class of '88.

Starting salaries for students with new master's degrees should be 3.5 percent higher than last years, NU's report added.

While Michigan State University's Annual Recruiting Sur-

vey does not paint as rosy a picture, it does predict "new graduates will face a healthy job market."

MSU asked 427 corporations about their hiring plans. In response, the firms expected to make 3.1 percent more job offers to students this year, and said they were especially interested in hiring more women and minority grads.

Some students consequently feel they're in the driver's seat.

"I'm looking for an attractive company with travel and benefits," said University of Maryland senior

Maurice Boissiere of his job search. "Right now I'm looking at company profiles. I'm interviewing them."

The companies feel it, too.

"We will be offering jobs to people who know they are going to be in great demand," conceded Sally Odle, recruiting manager for IBM. "We have to offer jobs that are challenging and interesting."

Deborah DeBow of Eastern Washington University's Placement Office also found "there's more competition (for students), so companies are getting more aggressive. They're buying ads in student publications and coming into the office to strategize more with the (placement) director."

Observers attribute the scramble for students to corporate concern that there won't be enough grads to hire in the future.

The boom is better for some students than others.

"Engineering, accounting and health professions are our most sought-after graduates," said DeBow, while Linn-Benton's Aschoff finds clerical, nursing and automotive students in high demand.

Michigan State researchers said electrical engineering majors will be in the greatest demand, followed by marketing and sales, financial administration, mechanical engineering and computer science majors.

The Northwestern survey found that technical grads will make the most money. Engineering majors can expect to earn \$30,600, up from \$29,856 in 1988.

Chemistry majors should get the second-highest starting salaries — \$28,488 — up 5.1 percent from 1988.

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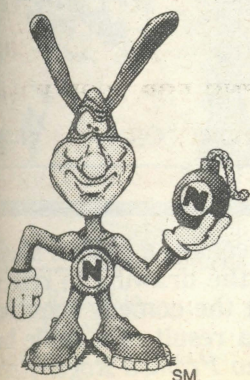
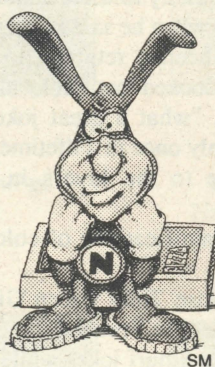
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censorship," SGA Senator Michelle Thomas told the *Spectator*, the paper at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. "They're saying we suspended the *Duke* over an ad," she said. "But that's not the case. Actually we've filed charges against Drumm asking that she not be editor anymore because of the way the paper's been operated."

"We have to take drastic measures if she's not willing to cooperate," Streib maintained. "When someone refuses to answer a question, you have to be suspicious."

Drumm says no one ever bothered to ask her questions.

"I don't know what motivated Happy (Meltzer, SGA president) to bring these charges," Drumm said. "I haven't even spoken to him this year," Drumm said of Meltzer. "Everything was real quiet until this happened."

Drumm's attorney Joel Klein said when Drumm first learned the students were improperly using the account, she disciplined them. Criminal charges were never filed against the two.

"It's old news," said Klein, who added student politicians never complained about the circumstances around Drumm's election for almost a year. "Why did they wait to bring it up?" Other student groups, moreover, also have off-campus accounts, but the SGA has never investigated them.

Most Duke staffers figure it's a power play.

"It just seems they're trying to dig up anything they can," said sports editor Frank Bodani. "I don't think there's any substance."

"They want the power over what goes in the paper," Bodani asserted.

Goodman of the Student Press Law Center agreed. The charges "are nothing but pretexts," who says it's common for student governments to censor student newspapers when they don't like what's published.

In fact, at about the same time the Duquesne campus was debating its paper, the dean of admissions at the New Jersey Institute of Technology confiscated an edition of *The Vector*, the student paper. The edition carried a story about a mugging on campus that Dean William Anderson felt gave the school a bad name on the very day a group of high school students were touring the campus, thinking of applying for admission.

And at Bentley College in Massachusetts, admissions director Edward Gillis had copies of the student paper removed from racks in the admissions office because he felt a story on recent drug arrests reflected poorly on the school.

It's not the same at Duquesne, lawyer Streib said. "The First Amendment means nothing in the context of the case. It's a mantra they keep chanting because they have nothing else to say. Nobody is saying she can't print anything."

"Maybe she has nothing to hide," Streib said. "It will all flush out."

The matter is expected to be resolved by next week, however, after Drumm answers the charges before a university disciplinary board.

Until then, the SGA, which has changed the locks on the *Duke's* doors, has approved starting the paper again, but there's no one to write or publish it.

"We're not going back without our editor," staffer Bodani said. "We don't want to be under SGA's thumb anymore."

Feature

THE LAST BIG BASH!!

The freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes will hold the first annual 50s Spring Bash on Friday, April 21.

The event will be a dinner/dance held at Genetti's.

There will be live music by The R.P.M. "Old Star" 50s Band, comprised of seven N.E. Pennsylvanian professionals who have appeared with the likes of Jerry Lee Lewis, Chuck Berry, and Bo Diddley.

All must come in 50s attire, which will make the event more of a good time.

Look for details in the upcoming weeks.

You don't want to miss the last big bash of the year!

THE LAST BIG BASH!!

Bad Habits at Kings

by Michele Broton
Beacon Assistant Feature Editor

Everyone, even the most perfect of people, has some sort of bad habit. This past weekend, at King's College, people's bad habits were amusingly dealt with in a production entitled, appropriately enough, *Bad Habits*.

Produced under the direction of J. Gerald Godwin, *Bad Habits* is actually a collective title for two separate plays dealing with people and their bad habits.

Ravenswood, the first half of the double bill written by Terrence McNally, takes place at an expensive retreat for married couples who are experiencing difficulties.

Dr. Pepper, the owner and marriage guide who encourages his patients to indulge in their bad habits, was portrayed by Wilkes' own Rob Johansen. Despite having to perform the entire show in a wheelchair, Johansen more than lived up to his reputation for a quality performance.

The rest of the cast, which

consisted of Jack Godwin, Maura Mundy, Brian Lynch, Michele M. Mazzei, Vince Marfia, Tim Trach, and Richard E. Conway, gave a consistently amusing, and sometimes side-splitting, performance.

Special notice should be given to Jack Godwin for his hilariously straight performance as Otto the Nazi German butler, and to the comedy team of Vince Marfia and Tim Trach for their delightful performance as two unbearable friends who needed help learning to get along. These three turned what would have merely been a funny show into something completely hysterical.

The second half of the show again took place in a treatment center, this time called *Dunelawn*.

At Dunelawn, Dr. Toynbee, a man described by patients and colleagues as a "saint," injects his patients with a drug to control their bad habits and put them on the road to perfection.

Portraying the saintly Dr. Toynbee was a repeat actor from

Ravenswood, Richard E. Conway. Anne E. Schneller and Jane Blum, a rehabilitating counselor, played by R.J. Michaels, kept the audience in stitches as he pleaded to wear Nurse Johnson's cap, while Brian Lynch amusingly portrayed the sadistic Mr. Yamadoro.

Tim Trach returned as Mr. Ponce, an alcoholic with a violent desire for alcohol. Blum, a rehabilitating counselor, played by R.J. Michaels, kept the audience in stitches as he pleaded to wear Nurse Johnson's cap, while Brian Lynch amusingly portrayed the sadistic Mr. Yamadoro.

The remainder of the show consisted of Michael J. Toole, a lecherous gardener, and Rob Johansen as a physically and emotionally wrecked patient, Mr. Yamadoro.

Presented in an unusual format, with the audience on all four sides of the stage, *Bad Habits* kept the audience's attention consistently throughout the performance. Overall, it was an evening well-spent, and everyone left pleased with what they had seen.

Wilkes laughing from Joey Kola

by Lee Morrell
Beacon Editor

The magnetism that drew students to the SUB for Rick Kelley's show last week remained in position for this week's comedy presentation.

The comedy of Joey Kola caused — once again — the SUB to be filled to the rafters and, for the second week in a row, the Programming Board had a Standing Room Only show.

And — once again — the students were treated to some quality entertainment.

Kola, a native of Brooklyn, did a wide variety of comedy, but his best stuff involved his own family.

He kept the crowd in stitches with his remembrances of his mother, ("She'd always wake me up to find out when I am getting up, 'Honey, get up, when are you getting up, Haaah?'; his grandfather, ("He always sounded like he was choking."); his wife, ("We moved into our new house and now all my wife has me do is spackle . . . sand it down, and paint it."); and his mother-in-law, ("She's like Cybil.").

Kola had a great deal of fun with the audience, involving them whenever he could. At one point he said that he might scrap his entire act to have fun with the audience.

In an unusual twist of events, the irrepressible Flounder was replaced by John Sheehan and Adam Tillman who were invited to sit next to the stage. They offered information to the comedian whenever they could.

At one point, however, Sheehan got on the nerves of Kola and the professional shot back with, "what did you say you little fuck? Do I go to

McDonalds and bother you when you are working?"

Also from the "Fun With John Sheehan" department, and this may be the first he has heard of this, Kola played a practical joke on him. When Sheehan left the room, Kola quietly told the audience to give him a standing ovation when he said kangaroo. This was to happen when Sheehan returned to the room. It worked and Sheehan looked lost. Kola added the final nail when he said, "what a great joke, a comedian tells one like that only once in a lifetime."

He also offered advice to the lovers in the audience. "Wear Condoms."

He then discussed the ramifications of colored condoms.

"Green condoms will cause 'Jolly Green Giant' jokes, 'Is it the Jolly Green Giant or Sprout?'"

"Blue condoms will cause Smurf jokes while red condoms will cause her to ask if you are a German Shepherd."

He closed with a flurry of jokes about his wife, their engagement and eventual wedding. "Men stay mad at their women until they need sex, then they crawl back."

He also said that the engagement ring gives the woman the "Power of Greyskull."

Joey Kola was a very funny family oriented comedian who did a good job of turning ordinary life situations into humor.

Once again, according to audience reaction, the Programming Board had heads up to bring this fellow to campus.

Following Spring Break, look for the return of two Wilkes favorites, Barry Drake and Jimmy Landry.



Joey Kola and John Sheehan, a Wilkes student, picked a name out of the hat in the drawing to receive a *Who Framed Roger Rabbit* at the comedy show on Saturday night. The drawing is a result of a raffle held at Friday's showing of *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*.

by Cathy Slebodnick
Beacon Feature Reporter

Who Framed Roger Rabbit



John Schmitt
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Kelli Hunsicker
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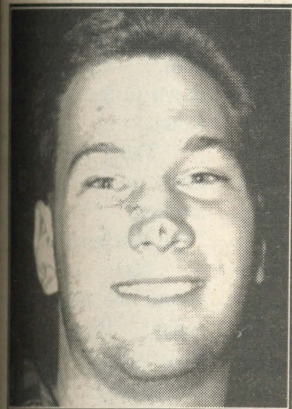
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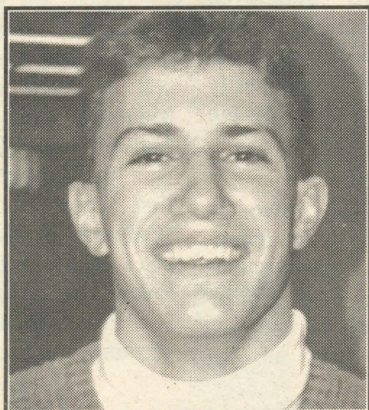
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Beacon Feature Reporter

What are you going to do over the Spring Break ?



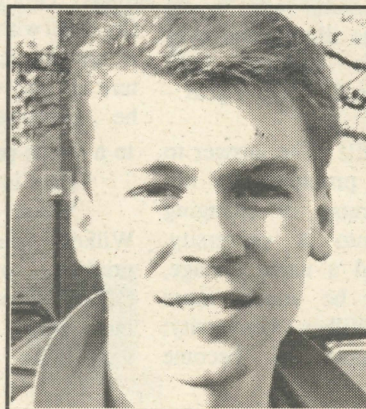
John Schmidt
Senior

Friday through Sunday, I'm going to Boston, Monday, I'm going to Carlisle, Thursday, I'm going to Virginia, and after that I'm going to work.



Will Gallagher
Freshman

I'm going to work for the first couple of days and then go home for the rest of the vacation.



Craig Larimer
Junior

I'm going home to Bethlehem to spend quality time with my family and quantity time with my girlfriend.



Adam Tillman
Sophomore

For part of it, I'm going home to Dallas, and the other part I'm going to Philadelphia to visit a friend.



Kelli Hunsicker
Freshman

I'm going to work at home in Palmerton, Pennsylvania.



Lisa Knabb
Sophomore

I'm going to relax and go shopping.



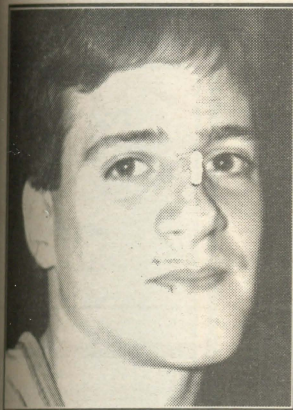
Teresa Herman
Sophomore

I'm going to St. Louis for the National Speech Competition for the Speech Team.



Carol Sarokas
Junior

I'm working and I'm going to Philadelphia.



Jim Risboskin
Junior

I'm going to write two formulas for my Engineering classes.



Chris Ogozaly
Sophomore

I'm going to California to visit my husband.



Sandy Thomas
Sophomore

I'm going to work hard at Gertrude Hawk's.



Gina Mahon
Sophomore

I'm going to work and shop.

Wilkes World is a W-adventure

There has been a great deal of talk, not to mention planning, from our administration dealing with the fact that we need to attract more students to this illustrious intellectual institution because we have an inadvertently inadequate interaction and this, my friends, is inadmissible. In view of this, my sidekick Sheldon and I have been doing some serious introspection.

Sheldon and I decided to take some R & R in Florida. As we were driving to Disney World, past Sea World, Circus World, Western World, Baseball World, Gator World, Worm World, and World World, an idea began forming in our heads.

This idea did not come to a head to be squeezed until Sheldon and I were going through "It's a Small World." Suddenly it hit Sheldon like a bumper car from

behind.

He writhed about on the floor of the boat, screaming like a cat being skinned with a shrimp fork. He then leaped to his feet and carved an outline of the plan below into a fellow tourist.

It didn't impress us at first, since neither of us read Gaelic. But once I got the woman's back translated, I knew we were on to something big.

I saw in the illuminated eyes of those little children little price tags saying \$11,500 a year - each!

This was it!!! The answer to our enrollment problems lay not in goofy programs or changing the college into a university. Yes, we needed a name change, but it would be much more drastic than Wilkes University; we would have to become

A Bull's eye view

B. Bovine

WilkesWorld! This was the answer, because if we could attract students like DisneyWorld attracts children, we would be flooded with applications. And as we saw it, the underlying structure of the College would easily be preserved in the switch to a theme park.

Here is our idea:

When you first come to Wilkes, you enter, quite appropriately, at the Admissions Office. There, as in other amusement parks, you wait in line -- a very long line -- for an op-

portunity to be rudely treated and to buy a ticket. At WilkesWorld, the price will be \$11,500 to ride all the rides for one year.

Once you are in, your first destination will be "Dull Street U.S.A." where, just like in DisneyWorld, you stop at the over-priced souvenir stores. No, the Bookstore will not have to change a bit.

Then we go to the Stark Learning Center where you may or may not want to go. But if you do, you can pick up the Monorail and travel swiftly to "Adventureland."

In "Adventureland," you will first enter the scream-infested "Cafeteria of Horrors" where you can whine and die-n to their lovely "diverse" menu.

From there you hear the snorting and grunting of the

fetid, yet very popular, "Petting Zoo." Here you can see how the animals live, don't get too close. Then it's to the spills and chills of "GPA Roller Coaster!" Whoooo!

If you escape with your life, you journey on to "Fantasyland," where the centerpiece is that huge unexplored cavern called "The Library," or, for some of us, "A Class."

Upon finding your way, you find yourself in "Fantasyland." Here you walk down to the well-organized "Room."

Then, yes, they almost always are so friendly and smiling. Yup, you've passed "The Weckesser Wax Museum."

Next is "Tomorrowland" where the future is almost today. First, "The Dorn Time Forgot." Yes, see the and damages from years gone. And imagine when they will it up -- well, that's tomorrow.

Then, it's on to "Our And Our Squash Courts" which will be located in our new gym -- but that's tomorrow.

We feel that our plan will bring about an economic revolution the likes of which have never been seen here at Wilkes. In fact, we even wrote a song for our commercials. It has been inspired by the winning Knoebels song. We like it! We don't know if Allen does, though. How about you? It goes something like this:

W-Wilkes! W-fun! W-where? W-here! W-family fun! W-parking? W-where? W-adventure! W-excitement! WilkesWorld! W-WilkesWorld!

We sent our plan to Allen, but as of yet we've received no reply. That's why we thought we'd share our idea with you, the readers of this periodical. We ask that any comments you may have be legibly and sent to the office of B. Bovine, in care of the Beacon Big Wheel" at the Conyngham Student Center.

Forensics team travels to St. Louis

by Michele Broton
Beacon Assistant Feature Editor

It isn't the loudest club on campus, and it isn't the most noticed, but that doesn't mean that the Speech and Debate team has just been sitting back on its laurels, doing nothing.

Throughout the year, the team has been competing at various colleges throughout the northeastern United States, and, through hard work and hours of practice, its members have been winning.

In recognition of their achievement, four deserving members of the team have qualified for Pi Kappa Delta, the National Honorary Forensic Society, which has competitions every two years.

This year's tournament is scheduled to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, and the team will be traveling there, over their spring break, to compete against schools from 47 different states. They will be leaving on Tuesday, March 21, and will be returning Sunday, March 26; the com-

petition lasts from Wednesday until Saturday.

The team, which consists of Heather Hand, Sue Tomasko, Teresa Herman, and Scott Zolner, will be entering a total of 20 different speeches in the tournament. This makes for an average of five speeches per team member; a task which will undoubtedly keep them very busy while in St. Louis.

Dr. Bradford Kinney, team coach and tournament coach from Wilkes, will be accompanying the group. Kinney feels the team

members have good reason to be proud of their achievement, and feels confident about their chances in the national tournament.

Despite the fact that many people aren't fully aware of their presence on campus, the Speech and Debate team has made itself felt throughout the northeastern United States.

Our best wishes go with these students who are giving up their vacation time to represent Wilkes in a national forensics tournament.

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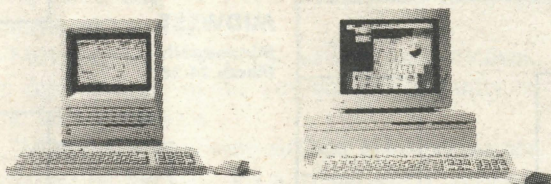
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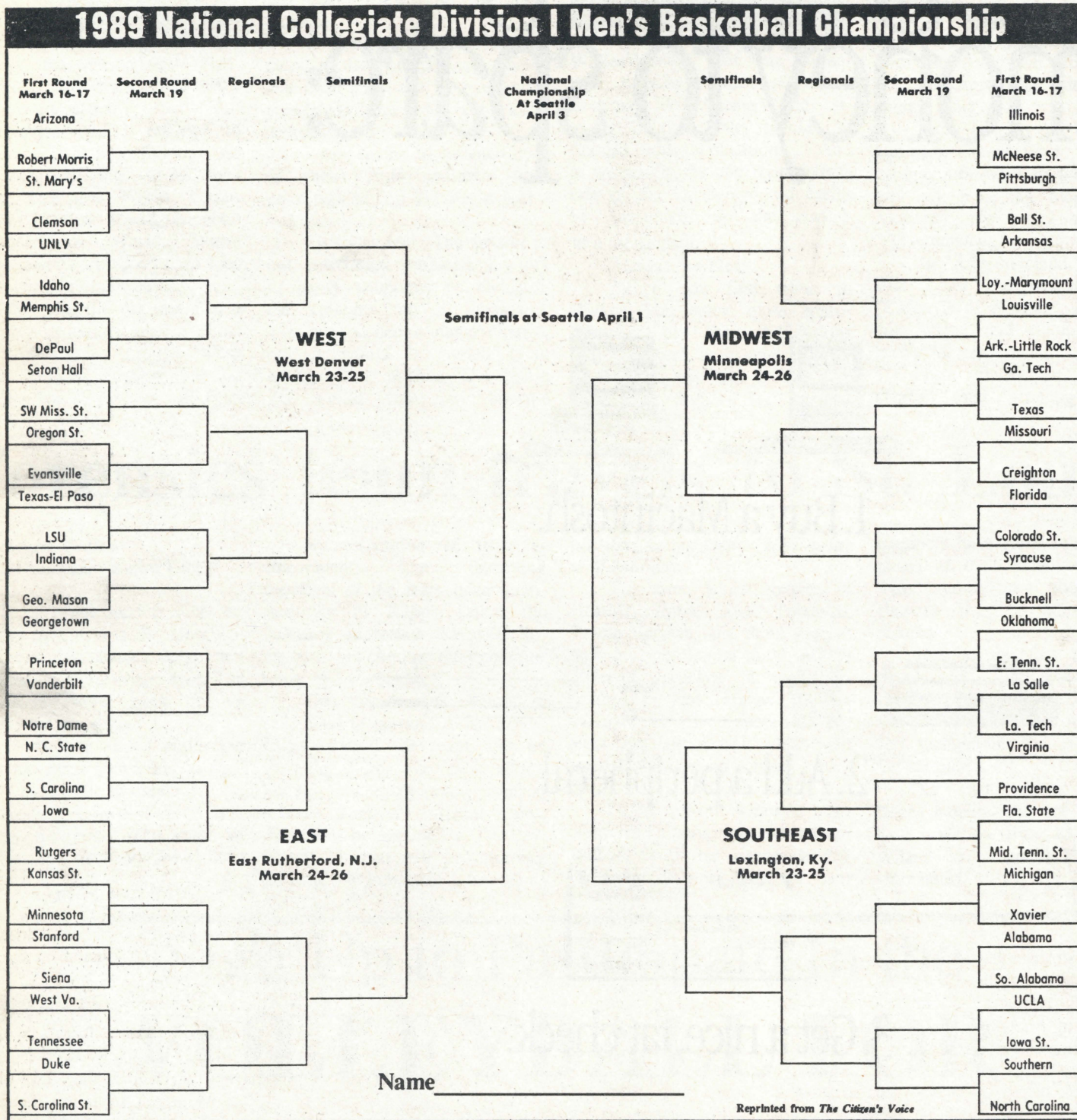


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Sports

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— Everyone is eligible

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— The winner will receive \$15 and his/her picture in The Beacon

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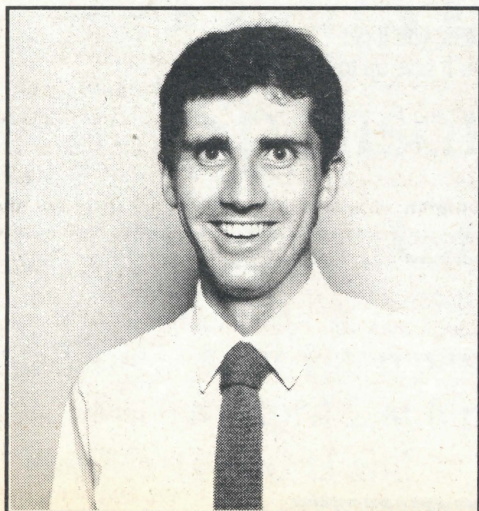
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Tom McGuire, Wilkes SID, is hoping to broadcast baseball.

WCLH to broadcast baseball

by Jim Clark
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — Harry Kalas had to start somewhere.

Aspiring sports broadcasters, take heart. WCLH is attempting to broadcast Wilkes baseball this season, and all interested students should see Sports Information Director Tom McGuire on the second floor of the Marts Center.

McGuire is coordinating the efforts to get the Colonels back on the air and encourages communications majors to take the opportunity to get valuable experience.

"It's a good way to get involved and get practical seasoning," he said. "It will serve as a learning

ground. It would be in a student's best interest to do something like this if he or she wants to broadcast for a living."

McGuire, former sports director at WCLH and WILK disc jockey, recalled his broadcasting days at Wilkes.

"We used to broadcast all the baseball doubleheaders," he said. "It was a lot of fun. The whole process can be beneficial."

McGuire emphasized Dr. Brad Kinney's commitment to "hands-on experience."

"Dr. Kinney is a big believer in practical background," he said. "The training sessions will be live on the air. It's the way to learn and it's great to have on a resume."

"Long drive, deep centerfield..."

Froehlich finds surprise success

Has anybody been calling Dave Bonomo by a different name lately?

Like what? How 'bout Wally Pipp?

Exaggeration is a common error, but freshman Mike Froehlich displayed some Lou Gehrig-like attributes after being the injured Bonomo at 134 pounds with four meets in the Colonels' season.

His talent speaks for itself, but more evident were his endurance and competitiveness. It looks like he could hold a starting spot for a four year span.

If he wants to.

Although Froehlich finished with a 7-3 record (he also participated in the Wilkes Open) and surged to the semifinals of the EIWA Tournament, he might not be seen on the mat next season.

"I might redshirt next year," Froehlich said. "Actually, I was supposed to be my redshirt year, but Dave got hurt. I'm on a five-year academic program for accounting and I want to obtain my Masters. So I won't be wrestling for one year."

Froehlich placed sixth in the Pennsylvania High School Wrestling Tournament at 126 pounds last season for Pleasant Valley, but his almost accidental success wasn't strongly expected.

"I didn't expect to do that well," Froehlich said. "I knew that I improved over the season, but I hadn't wrestled off since Christmas."

"I'm awkward to wrestle against. My opponents don't know what's coming, but my teammates in the wrestling team get used to me. I never had that kind of competition in high school before."

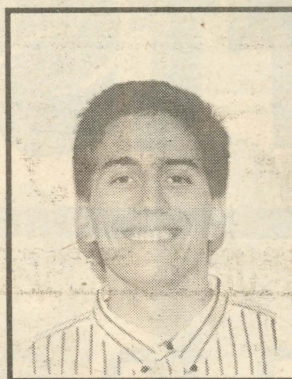
Assistant coach Andre Miller says a different Froehlich is the one present in practice takes the mat.

"Mike's definitely a match wrestler," Miller said. "He wins on a match."

"When he came in, he told Coach (John) Reese and me he was better in the matches. A lot of times, freshmen come in and say things, but you never see it materialize."

"Mike went out and proved himself."

Froehlich credits Miller with laying the mental groundwork for victory.



The
LOCKER ROOM

Jim
Clark

"I moved in with Andre and he constantly stresses positive thinking," Froehlich said. "Moving off campus helped me to get more sleep and get my schoolwork done. And being with Andre all the time gives me a chance to learn more about wrestling."

The muscular Froehlich considers strength to be one of his greatest assets.

"My strength gives me my endurance," he said. "I'm able to be strong for three periods and many of my opponents can't do that."

Miller agrees. "He's able to wear people down. He stays right in front of the guy and is constantly on the attack. He's unorthodox."

"Mike's most prominent attribute is his persistence. He just thrives on the mat. It's a tribute to his temperament. He has impressed Coach Reese and me."

What are Froehlich's impressions of Reese after one year of tutelage under Wilkes' wrestling icon?

"I have a lot of respect for Coach Reese," he said. "He just knows what he's doing. He's produced so many winners. I've never drilled so much in my life."

Reese is equally impressed with Froehlich.

"He's an excellent wrestler," he said. "He's done very well for such an early stage in his career."

At Easterns, Froehlich made the mistake of letting his weight soar the night before the semifinals. He was a half-pound overweight when the scales closed and he spent a

sleepless evening sweating it out.

His strength was depleted and he finished sixth in the tourney.

"He made a freshman mistake," Reese said.

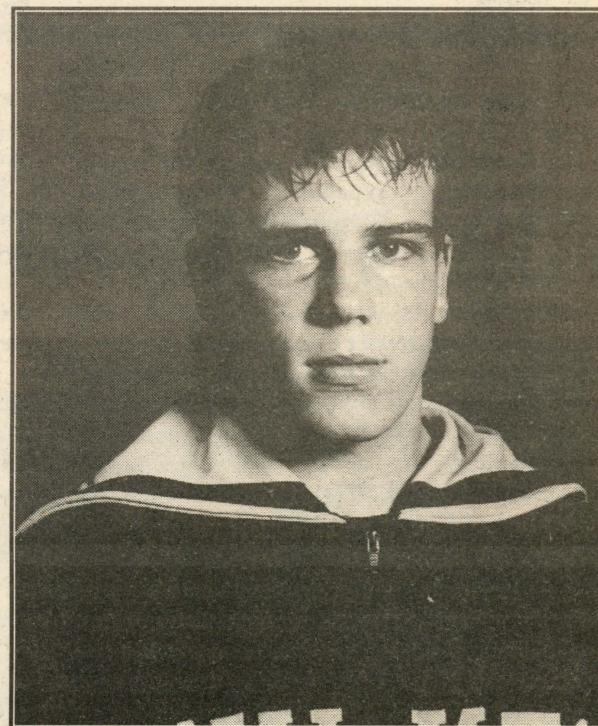
"Because he needs his strength, he wasn't in top form," Miller said.

That was Froehlich's low point of the season. His highest accomplishment? Defeating East Stroudsburg's Anibal Nieves, who was ranked seventh in the nation, 8-6.

"I was pumped after that match," he said. "That was unbelievable."

"This experience is new for me. Because of my team's record in high school, I'm not used to winning."

Lou Gehrig wasn't used to playing, Mike.



Wrestler Mike Froehlich compiled a 7-3 record.

The Razor's Edge

Running Rebels will take NCAA title

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After 32 years, eight of them at Vandy, to take the job of Director's job at troubled Kentucky. Vanderbilt will have no easy time of it, though. The 'Dores will have the honor of playing the Notre Dame Fighting Irish on Saturday's day. If they win, their reward for knocking off the Phelps' club will be a date with the mighty Hoyas of Georgetown.

The tournament's underdogs are intriguing, but its "no name" teams are a joke. Sure, it's good for many teams to get into the tournament, but the NCAA should do away with the automatic bids.

If Princeton beats Georgetown in the opening round, I'll bet anyone at Wilkes to go anywhere for spring break. The Ivy League should not receive an automatic bid. Its teams are not allowed to give athletic scholarships, thus they can't even be expected to compete with big time teams. The last Ivy team to make it to the Final Four was Pennsylvania in 1979. Since then, the league has changed athletic recruiting rules and made it impossible for any team to compete with the big boys.

Princeton's Pete Carril is a great coach. All of his players take care of the ball and play excellent defense. His players also control the tempo and look to lull opponents to sleep and back door them to death, a good strategy in the Ivy League. But if the Tigers score significant points in the game against the Hoyas' shot-blocking machines, Alonzo Mourning and Dikembe Mutombo, John Thompson will pay for spring break.

Eliminating the automatic bid for the Ivy League would make a lot of sense. Let its winner play in the NCAA Division II tournament where it would have a chance to compete with teams of a similar level. Who knows, maybe the Ivy winner could be one of the best teams in that tournament instead of the laughingstock of Division I every year. What about the money the tournament generates for the Ivy representative? It was the league's decision to concentrate on academics and not athletics several years ago, so it will have to live with the loss of revenue.

It would also open up a spot for a team which deserves a bid more. There are a number of teams who played tougher schedules than anyone from the Ivy League. New Mexico of the Western Athletic Conference has won 20 games in each of the last three years and hasn't been to the tournament yet.

A team that was a sure lock for the big show was Ohio State. The Buckeyes were coasting along in the Big 10, with a 17-7 record, and were ranked nationally. They were led by Jay Burson, a 6' guard with a heart bigger than his 156 pound body. Burson was averaging 22.1 points a game and was a leading candidate for conference player of the year. But on February 13, the dream ended; Burson was injured in a game with Iowa, suffering a compression fracture on the anterior side of his fifth cervical vertebra. In English, he almost broke his neck. He now has a metal cage called a halo traction brace attached to his head and should be all right in time.

The same could not be said for his teammates. Without him, Ohio State went 0-7 and lost its chance at a tournament

bid. Luckily, they have been given a chance at redemption with a bid to the National Invitational Tournament and will host the Akron Zips.

It's time for predictions. Number one seeds Georgetown, Arizona and Oklahoma each will be upset before the Final Four. Illinois, from the Midwest regional, will be the only number one to reach Seattle. Two of the other two teams will be Michigan from the Southeast regional and Duke from the East regional. And the champion, from the West regional, will be...

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

The Running Rebels have been a favorite in the past but this year no one will be looking for them. In 1987, they had the best show in Vegas. They were ranked number one in the nation for the majority of the year and made it to the Final Four before getting knocked off by eventual champion Indiana. This year, the players are different and the talent is probably better. Head coach Jerry Tarkanian has the Rebs playing super ball. They have won 26 games this season and are fresh off the Big West tournament championship. The thing about this team is that it plays consistent defense. In the NCAA tournament, defense wins. UNLV has two great defensive players in 6'7" Olympian Stacey Augmon and guard Greg Anthony. The Rebs are also exceptionally quick and have an unbelievable running game.

So stop eating your towel and start waving it, Tark. Cut down the nets and get set for the biggest party Las Vegas has ever had.

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Coaches stress availability

Marts Center open to all students

by Jim Clark
Beacon Sports Editor

WILKES-BARRE — No more excuses, comrades.

For those that have been putting off weight training because of expense or inconvenience, complain no more. Is basketball, badminton or volleyball a desired activity? The Marts Center's state-of-the-art facilities are there for the taking.

According to Associate Athletic Director Phil Wingert, all students are not aware of that fact.

"Some students have mentioned to me in casual conversation that they don't know that the weight room is available to non-athletes," Wingert said.

"That's simply not the case. The gym was built for all the students to use. They are certainly welcome to use the complex and would be foolish not to."

Wingert also stressed the benefits that the Marts Center will give to the Wilkes mindset.

"It's great that the students have a place on campus to frequent where they can let off some steam," he said. "A healthy body contributes to a healthy mind."

"This center will help retain students and help bring new students in. It's unbelievable."

Todd Ritter, Director of Intramurals and Football

Strength Coach, also encourages wider use of the gym by the students.

"It's there for everybody," he said. "The weight room is one of the finest in the area and it's constantly supervised. It benefits young people to become stronger and physically fit."

The weight room is open from 1-10 on Monday - Thursday, 1-8 on Friday and 1-6 on Saturday. The gymnasium is open from 1-11 seven days a week.

Head football coach Bill Unsworth shares his colleagues' enthusiasm in regards to the Marts Center and its fruits.

"The offerings in the gym give the students a chance to recreate," he said. "The students have an excellent chance to obtain and keep a healthy body. That's a crucial condition in a young adult's life."

"Voltaire said, 'The stronger the body, the better it obeys. The weaker the body, the more it commands.' That says it all"

Wingert is still astonished at the fact that the gym is standing.

"It's hard to believe that they broke ground last March and this place was up in nine months," he said. "President (Christopher) Breiseth made a promise when he came here that we would get a new facility and he delivered."

Now, Wilkes students can reap the rewards.

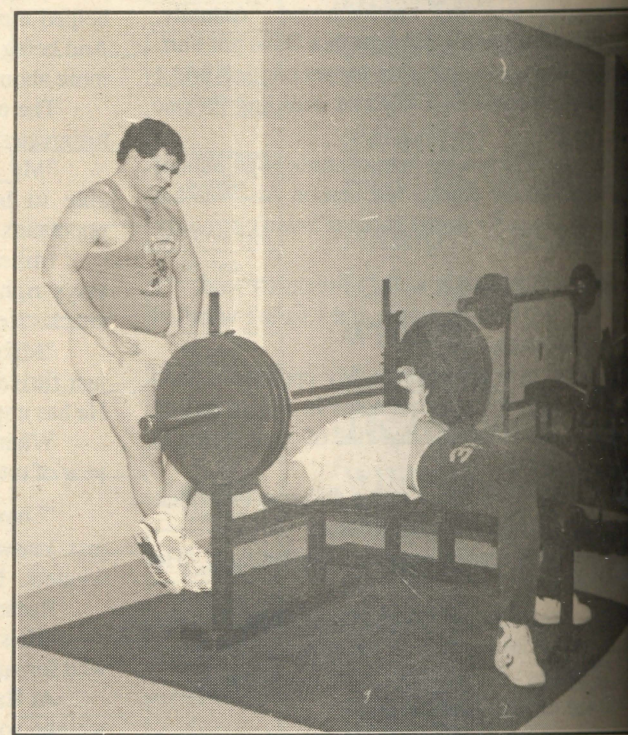


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Two Wilkes students take advantage of the weight room.

Tark the Shark will surface in Seattle

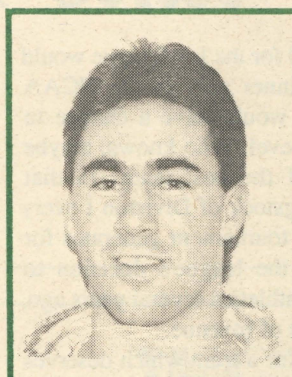
The NCAA Basketball Tournament, the most exciting sporting event in the land, has arrived. There will be plenty of thrills and spills, cheers and tears, and in the end, "Tark the Shark" will win the "Battle in Seattle."

Georgetown, the Big East regular season and tournament champion, was given the number one seed in the East regional while Arizona claimed it in the West. The other two first seeds stirred a bit of a controversy. Oklahoma was given the number one seed in the Southeast regional despite losing the Big Eight championship to Missouri, while Illinois copped the top spot in the Midwest regional. Illinois finished second in the Big 10 to Indiana, the number two seed in the West regional.

"If the Big 10 champion doesn't get the first seed — the best league in the country according to every power rating I've seen — then why the hell play it?" said Indiana head coach Bob Knight. Calm down, Bobby. You are going to get excited enough if you face your archrival Dale Brown and the LSU Tigers in the second round of the West regional.

You play it for the money, exposure, and excitement. Every team in the tournament will receive at least \$250,000 and some national television exposure. Each Final Four squad is guaranteed \$1,231,000, an astronomical amount. Also, Bob, the NCAA thinks the ACC is the best conference in the country, rewarding them with six berths, more than any other conference.

Now for the exciting part. The great thing about this tournament is its unpredictability. The last team to win the tournament after ending the season ranked number one in the country was North Carolina in 1982, so you can rule out Arizona being national champions. You always have an



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underdog. In 1983, North Carolina State played the role of Cinderella and won it all. In 1985, it was Villanova and Rollie Massimino's turn to pull off the miracle. And just last year, Danny Manning strapped the Kansas Jayhawks on his back and carried them to the pinnacle. Kansas has since been placed on probation, becoming the first champion in history that's not allowed to defend its title because of recruiting violations.

This year there is a handful of teams that could wear the glass slipper.

Minnesota, picked as a 2,000:1 shot to win the whole ball of wax, could shock some people. The Golden Gophers, like N.C. State, Villanova, and Kansas before them, come from an extremely competitive conference and have pulled their share of upsets in the Big 10 this year. They are led by 6'7" forward Willie Burton, who averaged 18 points and seven rebounds a game. The 17-11 Golden Gophers will face Kansas State tonight in the East regional.

LaSalle, which won the Metro Atlantic Conference, could be a team to be reckoned with. The Explorers have Lionel Simmons, a superstar who could be this year's Manning and carry his team deep into the tourney.

Simmons is also surrounded by a more than adequate supporting cast. Sophomore point guard Doug Overton is averaging 13 points while dishing eight assists a game, a stat which has him ranked sixth in the nation in that department. Look for the Explorers to knock off Louisiana Tech in tonight's Southeast regional and then give number one seed Oklahoma all it can handle on Saturday.

Vanderbilt is a team with a lot of upset potential. The Commodores have three senior starters in their lineup who provide leadership and experience. Frank Kornett (8'1") gives them a legitimate inside punch, a necessity in the tournament. He is averaging 17 points while collecting seven boards a game. In their backcourt, the Commodores start the "Barry Boys," two seniors with plenty of tournament seasoning. Running mates Barry Booker and Barry Goheen are both averaging 14 points a game. Goheen is especially effective in the clutch, making plenty of his second shots in his career, including a three-pointer at the buzzer to tie Pittsburgh in regulation of last year's tourney. He then led them to victory in overtime. The Commodores were finally eliminated by eventual NCAA champ Kansas in the regional semifinals.

Another reason to suspect that Vandy will do well is the fact that they could be playing with a little more emotion than any other team. Coach C.M. Newton will be supporting

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Wilkes students protesting
administration's decision
graduation in the Marts Center

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front lawn of Weckesser
moved to the S.U.B. where
students were addressed by
Dr. Christopher Breiseth.

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The students responded
saying if necessary, they
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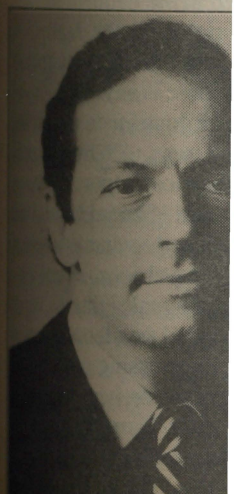
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