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Week got off to an 'explosive' start

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Editor

Several morning incidents at South Wilkes-Barre and during residents out in the several minutes this past

approximately 7:45 a.m., an power transformer near the exploded with a flash, to Ray Woods, Wilkes Director of Facilities.

Several smaller explosions after which the street went out," said Woods.

Flashes in Stark Learning flickered three times each explosion. The

final flicker yielded about 15 seconds of darkness until emergency generators switched on.

"All of the generators seemed to be working," said Woods. I talked to individuals at all campus buildings and all of the generators seemed to function properly."

Police and fire crews responded within minutes. Pennsylvania Power and Light Company also arrived at the scene to disconnect the faulty transformer.

Power was restored to the campus at about 8:20 a.m.

A second incident occurred only minutes later, between 8:20 and 8:30 a.m.

According to Woods, Robert Bloom, Area Coordinator of Residence Life, reported smoke, possibly from an electrical fire inside Pickering Hall.

Bloom said that he first smelled smoke in the pit (stairwell) of Pickering Hall and thought it was something burning on a stove.

"We checked the building out, and we could smell something in the upper floors, but it happened to be in the basement," said Woods.

Woods added that there was a haze of smoke in the lower level of the residence hall. The building was evacuated and the fire department was called.

Bloom said that the call to the fire department was a precaution because the cause of the smoke could not be determined.

"We tentatively decided it was a motor in an air handling unit in the basement of Pickering Hall," said Woods.

The motor was merely smoking, but no fire was discovered.

The unit was shut down by maintenance crews. There was no evidence to suggest that the blackout and smoking motor were related, Woods said.

"Had it been left go it could have developed into something more severe," said Bloom.

Tommy Conwell 'Rumblers' at Wilkes

LYNN DOUGLAS
Assistant Feature Editor

Rock is a title that has been given to many a musician in the past. One such musician who has earned the term is Tommy

Conwell formed The Young Rumblers in February of 1984. The band started out as a trio and Conwell added two more members. The Young Rumblers became mainstays on the college music scene and hooked up with former

Hooter Andy King to record its debut independent regional release *Walkin' On The Water*.

That release caught the attention of record companies and national media, and eventually led to a record deal with Columbia Records in 1987. That summer Conwell and The Rumblers opened for such big name acts as Squeeze, Robert Palmer, The Pretenders, Bryan Adams, and David Bowie. They were also profiled in Rolling Stone and received a "Promising New Artist" award from the Philadelphia Music Foundation.



GUITAR TROUBLE—Tommy Conwell and the Young Rumblers.

Their debut on Columbia, *RUMBLE*, was released in July of 1988 and got off to a fast start when the first single "I'm Not Your Man" shot up to number one

on *Bill Board Report's HARD 100*, the same week the band opened its first headlining tour of the U.S.

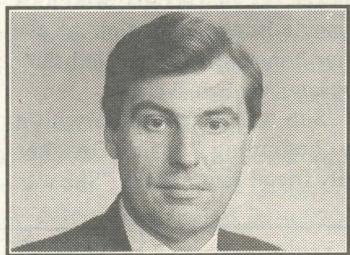
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Waldner appointed president at York College

JOHN SHINKUS
News Editor

As a successful three and a half year tenure at Wilkes, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. George W. Waldner has been named president of York

College. Joining Wilkes in 1987, Dr. Waldner has been instrumental in the development of the college. Dr. Waldner has made a significant difference at Wilkes. His work on the core curriculum, planning and achieving its status has been decisive. In three and a half years, Dr. Waldner has strengthened Wilkes



Dr. George W. Waldner University and we will miss him," said Wilkes President Christopher Breiseth.

Waldner commented, "I was first attracted to Wilkes because the academic affairs area here is associated with student affairs administration and the registrar's office. It gave me the opportunity to affect students," he said.

Succeeding Dr. Robert V. Iosue as president of York College, Waldner will begin by applying his innovative methods to develop the school's core curriculum.

"York college is a fine institution," said Waldner. "It has an accredited faculty, a broadly recruited student body, and a solid curriculum. I look forward to identifying problem areas and improving it where I can."

Waldner, along with his wife, the former Judith Lovett Trimble, and daughter, Lizanne, will make the move following the current school year.

"We have enjoyed our time in Wilkes-Barre," said Waldner. "We leave behind acquaintances that we

will surely maintain throughout the future."

President Breiseth has expressed his congratulations on behalf of the Wilkes community.

"I want to congratulate George Waldner on his selection as president of York College and congratulate the folks at York, for they have made an outstanding selection. Our happiness for the Waldners is tinged with sadness on losing a valued family in the Wilkes community," Breiseth said.

Breiseth added that a national search for a new Vice President of Academic Affairs will begin in a few days.

Wilkes opens doors to 500 Saturday

By MARLENE MANGAN
Beacon Assistant Features Editor

Nearly 500 high school students and their parents will roam the campus this Saturday, as Wilkes hosts its annual Spring Open House.

The event will begin with registration and refreshments in the Dorothy Dickson Dart Center. Afterward, parents will meet with University officers in the CPA while the prospective students are escorted to Stark to meet with academic faculty.

"Usually students will ask questions that they're afraid to ask in front of their parents and vice versa," said Mary Ellen Sloat, a secretary in the Admissions Office.

A presentation will be given to the parents by President Christopher Breiseth and other school officials, following which families will meet together in Stark before touring the Wilkes campus.

The new Open House program, which started last semester, allows parents and prospective students to be separated at one point.

"Most of the feedback we got in the evaluation forms from last semester was very positive," said Helen Barrett, Assistant Dean of Admissions.

According to Barrett, the spring Open House is geared more toward high school underclassmen.

"Juniors are just starting to look at prospective schools—but we also get some last minute seniors attending the program," said Barrett.

A special agenda dealing with financial aid, career services, residence life, and the University library will be offered to the families following lunch.

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CAMPUS

Marching for the future

■ Drug Rally encourages youths to 'say no'

If you could help a youngster stay drug free, would you?

An Anti-Drug March and Pep Rally will be held on Friday, April 19, in downtown Wilkes-Barre.

Over 4,000 area youngsters are expected to attend the forth annual anti-drug events which are sponsored by the NEPA council of the Boy Scouts and local businesses.

A morning rally consisting of 4th and 5th grade students will be held at 10:15 a.m. The evening rally will begin at 7 p.m. with a march from Public Square to the King's College Gymnasium.

At 7:30 p.m. there will be a pep rally titled "Drugs: A Deadly Game" in the King's Gym. Following the rally, Tommy Conwell will be featured in a free concert.

Fifty student volunteers from Wilkes University and King's College are needed to help with crowd control for the morning and evening rallies.

Organizers of the march and pep rally hope to generate positive peer pressure among children by asking them to make a commitment to stay drug free for life.

"College students don't have to give money in order to contribute to a good cause," said Matthew Hanlon, a member of the Public Relations Staff at Boscov's.

"Last year the 4,000 kids at the rally really inspired me. Just hearing them shout, 'Just say no' and 'I'm drug free' motivated me to stay involved in anti-drug activities," he said.

Students or campus groups interested in helping with the pep rally and march should contact Terri Cannavale at 1-800-28-SCOUT.

Science departments make renovations

By MELISSA MARGIS and MARLENE MANGAN
Beacon Assistant Editors

Wilkes science students will have the highest quality equipment and most modern facilities at their disposal by the fall of 1991.

Wilkes University is undertaking a \$1.4 million renovation of its science laboratories beginning at the end of classes this May.

The science department chairmen have met with consultants from Mirick, Pearson and Batcheler, a Philadelphia-based architecture firm to discuss the individual improvements needed in the physics, biology and chemistry labs.

According to Dr. Owen D. Faut, professor of chemistry, the renovation of the organic chemistry lab will be the first phase of the project.

Most of the renovation will take place on the second floor of the Learning Center. Two labs will be converted into storage rooms, enabling safer storage for chemicals.

"Increased safety and flexibility for use of the laboratory will result from the new labs," Faut said. With these new renovations, Wilkes students will be better prepared for science careers of the 21st century.



SPAGHETTI ANYONE?
and Dave Bailey enjoy a spaghetti dinner at a spaghetti dinner. \$200, much of which was donated to the Wardrop Memorial School.

Authorities scramble for answer to poisonings

By DEEANN GLAMSER
Apple College Information Network

SEATTLE, Wash. — A sixth tampered Sudafed box was discovered on Tacoma store shelves Tuesday— fueling fears of more cyanide poisonings in the Puget Sound area.

"There are enough crazy people out in the world, that if it's not one thing it's another," said Tom Baker, manager of a Tumwater auto supply store.

Many people want to know why authorities waited at least two weeks before ordering a recall of the over-the-counter decongestant.

Since February, two people have died of cyanide poisoning, apparently after taking Sudafed 12-hour Capsules. The first known person to swallow a tainted capsule, Tumwater schoolteacher Jennifer Meling, 28, took a Sudafed Feb. 2 and fell into a coma.

Meling's husband rushed her to a hospital where a doctor pumped her stomach. Jennifer Meling — still recovering Tuesday — said family prayers saved her: "That's why I'm still here."

All six tainted Sudafed boxes were purchased at different stores in an area from Tacoma to Olympia. Tuesday's came from recalled inventories at Tacoma Mall's Pay 'n' Save.

"It's not a (manufacturing) plant problem, it's a tampering problem," said Sue Hutchcroft of the Food and Drug Administration. Other developments:

— Poison results were negative for all 35 blood and tissue samples taken from people who died recently in western Washington, said state toxicology lab director Dr. Barry Logan.

— FBI agent John Eyer said, "charges will be made as soon as it is appropriate."

Authorities didn't begin looking for a culprit until a March 1 autopsy report.

That autopsy was of Kathleen Daneker, 40, of Tacoma, who took a cyanide-laced Sudafed on the eve of her honeymoon. She died three days later, on Feb. 11.

"She was a new bride with a new beginning," said Daneker family friend Krista Ford. "She was

in good health. It just didn't seem like it could happen."

Baffled doctors sent Daneker blood samples to the state lab. Results came back two weeks later — too late to save Daneker. McWhorter, 44, of Lacey, died Feb. 18.

And too late to save McWhorter's heart, lungs, kidneys and liver from being transplanted into five patients.

But Dr. Christopher Buehl, director of the Northwest Organ Procurement Agency, said the organs probably did not contain enough poison to harm recipients.

The drug's manufacturer, Burroughs Wellcome Co., Research Triangle Park, N.C., issued a national recall Sunday.

Still, many wonder why a public warning wasn't issued earlier. Tumwater Police Officer Mike Vandiver said his department first thought Meling's poisoning was an isolated murder attempt.

Joseph Meling said authorities were "trying to avoid public panic" (Deeann Glamser writes for USA TODAY.)

Students benefit M

Several Wilkes students are organizing a team to participate in the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's 15k walk which will be held April 7.

According to Jen Criswell, student organizers, "We hope to have 25 people from Wilkes to help us fight MS."

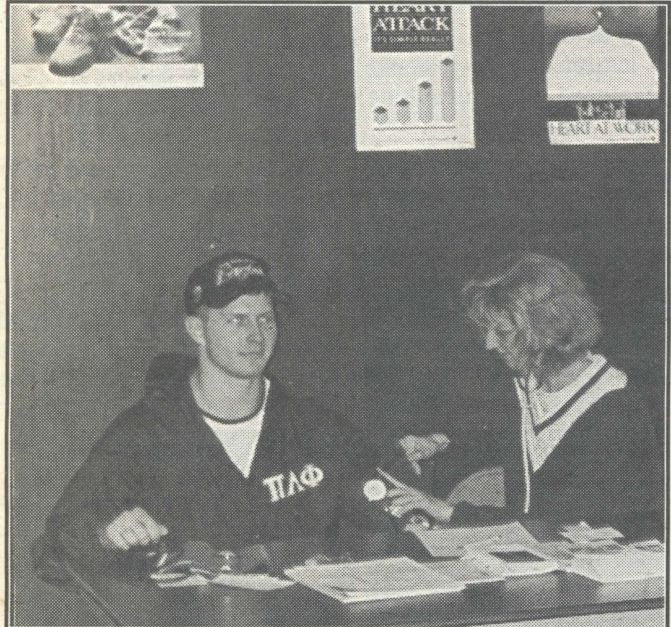
The 15k walk around Harvey Park will begin at 10 a.m. Check-in will be at 9 a.m. The event will be held rain or shine.

Wilkes University students participated in the walk for the first time, helping to publicize the disease and raising pledges for those afflicted with Multiple Sclerosis.

Judy Fitch, a senior Communication major at Wilkes, watched her aunt die of MS. Judy participated in the walk two years ago.

"I'm into fitness, and it is a great satisfaction to raise money for a cause," she said.

Like Judy, other members of the community have been touched by MS, most often a disease of middle age. Multiple Sclerosis is a chronic



UNDER PRESSURE— Matt Lipo was one of many students who took the opportunity to have their blood pressure checked Tuesday. The free screening was sponsored by junior nursing majors.

FIRST AID COURSE OFFERED

A standard first aid course, sponsored by the Student Health Advisory Council, will be held in Rumours on March 12 and 14.

Those interested should contact Wilkes University Health Services at 825-8421.

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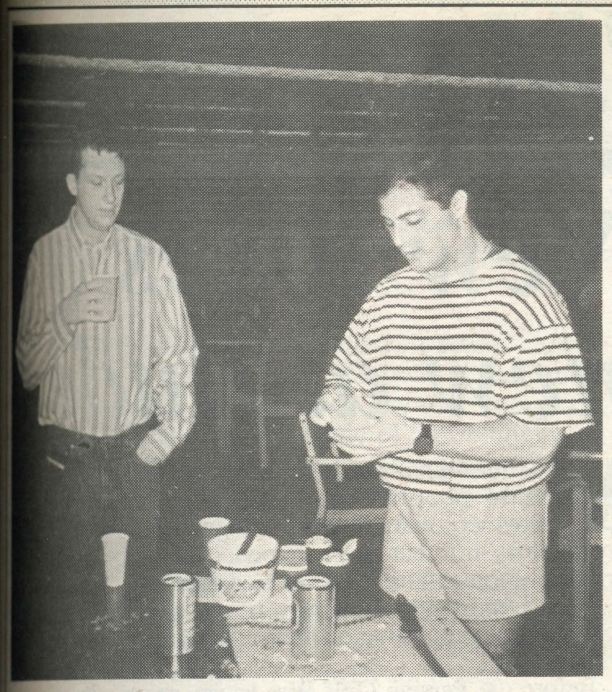
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SPAGHETTI ANYONE— ROTC members Dan Queen and Dave Bailey enjoy their dinner after serving students at a spaghetti dinner Friday. The group earned nearly \$200, much of which will be contributed to the David S. Wardrop Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Students organize walk to benefit Multiple Sclerosis

Several Wilkes students are currently organizing a team to participate in the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Super Cities Walk which will be held on Sunday, April 7.

According to Jen Criswell, one of the student organizers, "We hope to get at least 10 people from Wilkes to help raise money for MS."

The 15k walk around Harvey's Lake will begin at 10 a.m. Check-in will be at 9 a.m. The event will be held rain or shine.

Wilkes University students have participated in the walk for the past four years, helping to publicize the event and raising pledges for those afflicted with Multiple Sclerosis.

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"I'm into fitness, and it is a good sense of satisfaction to raise money for a good cause," she said.

Like Judy, other members of the Wilkes community have been touched by the effects of MS, most often a disease of the young. Multiple Sclerosis is a chronic, often

debilitating neurological disease of the central nervous system, which typically strikes young people between the ages of 20 and 40.

Dr. Joel Berlatsky, Chair of the History Department has had MS since September, 1989. Most of Berlatsky's limitations are physical, including a poor sense of balance, sensitivity to heat, and frequent overexertion.

According to Berlatsky, "The most frustrating thing is not knowing what is going to happen, and the possibilities are not good. I don't know what's coming but I know something is coming."

As of yet, there is no prevention or cure for the disease, but with funding from events such as the Super Cities Walk, research will continue and help can be provided for families living with the disease.

All walkers will receive their official Super Cities Walk bandana, lunch, first aid support, and beverages at every rest stop.

Beginning today, information and registration forms will be located in the student union building, the bookstore, the library, at the security desk of Stark, and in the cafeteria.

For more information on how to register for the walk contact Jen Criswell at 825-1912 or Tara DeLisi at 822-4353.

Development: Paying the bills

■ Wilkes administrator explains the art of fund raising in troubled economic times

By MELISSA MARGIS
Beacon Assistant News Editor

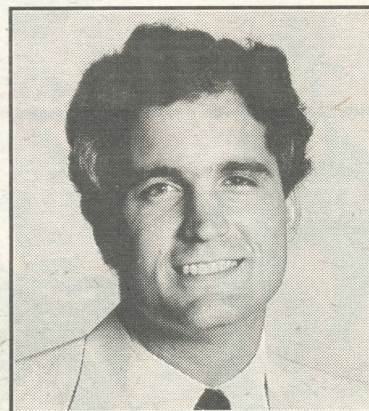
Did you ever think tuition is too expensive at Wilkes?

Tuition only brings in 75% of the money needed to operate the University, according to Vice President of Development Tom Hadzor.

The remaining 25% needed to cover the cost of running an institution the size of Wilkes is contributed by foundations and alumni.

One of the biggest fund raisers for Wilkes is the annual Phone-a-thon.

According to Hadzor, the Phone-a-thon is a great way for the university to raise money.



Tom Hadzor

"We conduct many phone-a-thons during the year. It is one of the best ways to reach alumni. We have a high success rate of donations from the calls," Hadzor said.

The next Phone-a-thon will begin Wednesday, March 13th.

Another method by which the University meets its financial needs is the capital campaign. This ongoing development resource solicits alumni and foundations in an effort to raise income.

The capital campaign for the University has a goal of \$23 million. This campaign has previously funded such projects as the Arnaud C. Marts Sports and Conference Center and helped acquire Fortinsky, Rifkin, and Schiowitz Halls.

Although we are in a recession year, Hadzor said Wilkes fund raising is at a better standing this year than last year at this time.

"Giving has always increased, even in times of economic trouble." People are sympathetic towards education," he said.

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SG Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
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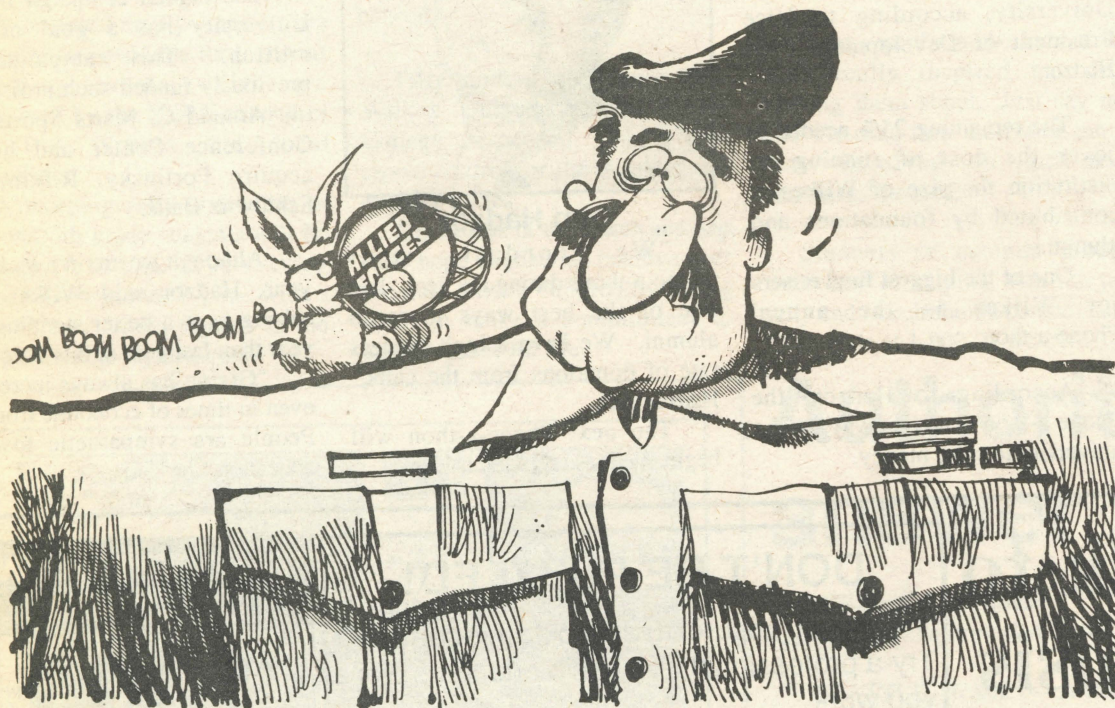
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Opinions/Letters

Use your voting right

■ Have your say in politics

A new sun is rising throughout the country. It is glowing with the essence of patriotism and pride in this country of ours. As the future leaders of America it is our time to stand up and be counted. Many, if not all, of us are of the legal voting age, yet many of us do not exercise this constitutional right.

Opinion

by
Lawrence Socci

Our forefathers fought for the Bill of Rights so we could live in a democratic

lifestyle, free from monarchy, dictatorship, or any other suppression. Fellow students, ask yourself what it would be like to lose a right we take for granted. What would it be like to be told what religion we could practice? What would it be like to be told what we can say and what we can't say? What would it be like to be told who our leaders would be?

Registering to vote and exercising this right gives us, as students and as citizens, a voice to be reckoned with in this community. We each have our own 'home town,' but from September to May every year we are residents of

Wilkes-Barre, and as such, we should be concerned with what goes on in this community.

Think about how this community affects our school and how our school affects this community. We

can help choose the government in this city. On March 13, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the SLC lobby, there

will be a table set up for all interested in registering to vote. Please do so and exercise your constitutional right in this upcoming May election.

New times... new attitudes

As times change, people often change with them. The same people who acted a certain way in the past may act totally different as time progresses. These changes may come as different tastes in food, clothing, or hair styles. People may also become more aware of environmental or social issues.

Most importantly, however, people, particularly students, have become more supportive of their country more than ever before times of war.

Before the Persian Gulf War began, peace activists warned that this would be another Vietnam. They were absolutely wrong.

EDITORIAL

The students of the Vietnam era were not much different from students today. These people were college students who had opinions to be heard. They had the same hunger for peace in the world, and protesting the war was their only means to communicate with the "outsiders" in the government.

True, the students had justifiable cause to protest. Their friends were coming home in body bags by the thousands, the troops were fighting an enemy they couldn't see, and nightly television was bringing home startling evidence of the brutality of the troops in the jungle against the "enemy" villages.

It is said that the government fought the war with one hand behind its back. For example, President Johnson did not put forth as much offensive effort as he could have, but instead advocated extremely controlled retaliations to the provocations of the Viet Cong.

Fortunately, the Persian Gulf War did not amount to the same type of chaos as the war in Vietnam.

Casualties were nearly nonexistent because the air war completely devastated most of Hussein's Republican Guard, as well as his vast arsenals of conventional and chemical weapons. When the ground war finally began, all the ground forces had to do was "mop up" the remainder of the enemy forces.

Also, unlike the Vietnam war, there was no draft. In the Vietnam war the reserves were left alone while the civilians were drafted. The procedure was not very fair.

In The Gulf War the reservists were called to active duty first. In this case, if the draft had been initiated when the supply of reservists ran out, it would have been more acceptable.

The "television war" was also more controlled, partly because it was censored by the military. During the Vietnam War, the press was not censored. Field reporters traveled with the troops and, for the most part, reported almost anything short of troop movements. Today, the field reporters get all of their information from press reporters.

Finally, the citizens of the U.S. committed one unforgivable crime. They did not support the troops when they came home. The troops' own government didn't even want them. They were outcasts, and not until the mid-'80s did we realize the mistake we were making by ignoring them.

We won't make the same mistake again. Our troops who fought in the Gulf War will be properly honored for their courage and patriotism when they come home.

As time marches on, hopefully a new age of peace, one that is just beginning now, will dawn across the world. The United Nations, which was once a joke in the '50s and '60s, is becoming a powerful influence on the state of the world. The Cold War is finally over, and the threat of Communism is nearing an end. Hopefully our children will be able to live in a happier and safer world than our parents grew up in. We can help reinforce this new age by supporting our government's actions to preserve the peace, even if it means going to war.

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Dear Editor:

On a few occasions, an elderly man picketing the Marts Center at various times, Mr. Joe Shimko, a resident of Wilkes-Barre, informed his reasons for picketing as though there is a connection between the Weckesser Hall.

From what several people have told me, this man was removed from the community for matters that were not his. He was later discovered by the Wilkes elite and one such official, who I believe is Mr. Shimko, might stand in the way of his P's and Q's. My question to the editor is, why does this man hide, that is, if Wilkes-Barre is as well-known as this man are as well-known, why has this juicy little

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Conspiracy at large?

Editor:

In a few occasions last week, many students saw an man picketing in front of Weckesser and in front of the Center at various times during the day. This gentleman, Shimko, a former guard at the Wilkes Marts Center, and his reasons of picketing to several students. It seems though there is a scandal brewing under cover of night in Weckesser Hall.

From what several of us could gather, it seems as though man was removed from his duties because he inquired into that were not 'of his concern.' The plot thickens as it was discovered that several people of substantial rank in Wilkes elite and certain student leaders are heavily involved. Each official, who shall remain nameless, said that Officer might stand a chance of getting his job back if "he" did his P's and Q's."

My question to the readers is simple: If Wilkes has nothing that is, if Wilkes' position and justifications for firing man are as well-grounded as they are rumored to be, then this juicy little tidbit been so well suppressed?

Judas Matthews

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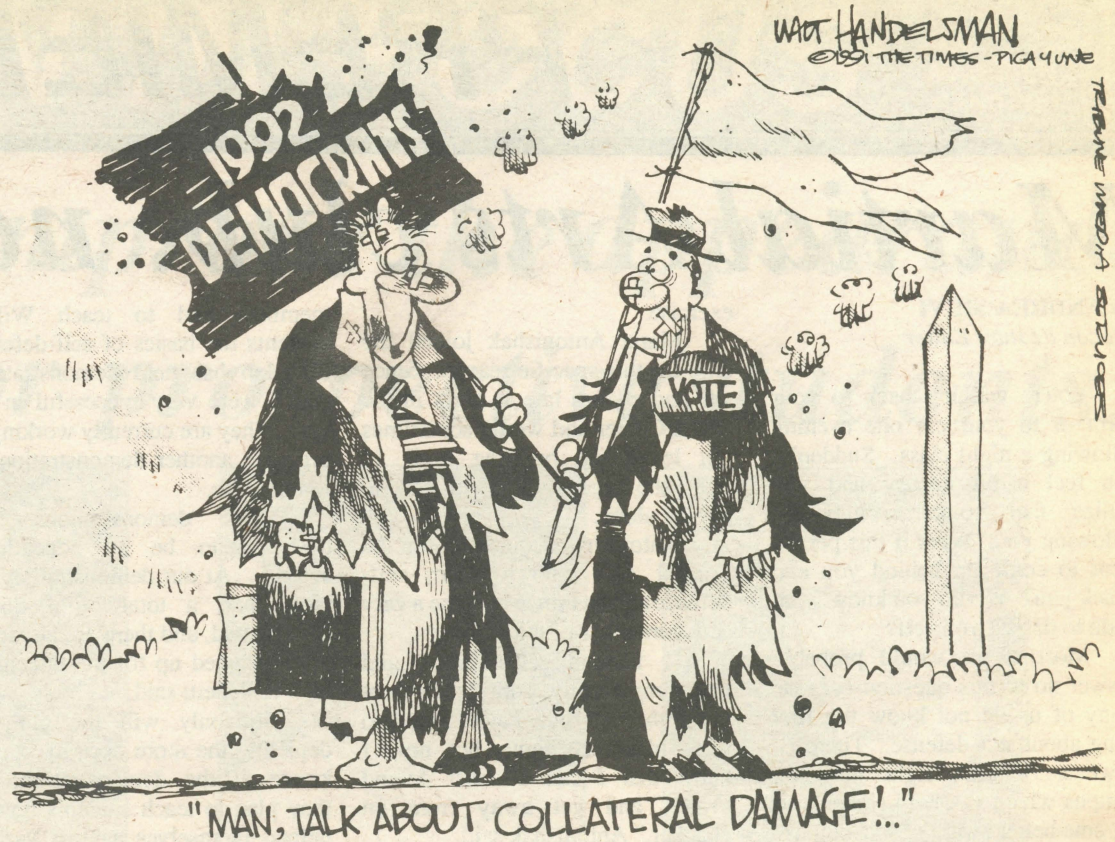
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Martial Arts club: not just for kicks

By ANDREA SILVI
Beacon Feature Editor

You're walking back to your dorm or to your car one evening following a night class. Suddenly, you feel a bit uneasy and you realize that someone may be following you. What if this person were to come up behind you and attack you? Would you know what to do to defend yourself?

Most of us would probably answer no to this question because many of us do not know the first thing about self-defense. There is, however, a club right here on campus which can help students to become better aware of self-defense methods.

Wilkes' Martial Arts club isn't just for people who know karate. In fact, the club has even scheduled demonstrations for students who want to learn more about karate and, more importantly, self-defense.

Many students are put off by the club because they feel that if they join, they have to learn karate. Just the opposite is true. Many of the club's current members are not "experts" in karate, they simply joined to learn basic self-defense and to use the workout as a form of

exercise.

Maria Antonishak joined the club for this specific reason. Since she had classes late at night in the Marts Center and would sometimes not leave the building until 10 p.m., she became afraid to walk to her car alone.

Antonishak decided to join the Martial Arts club to learn self-defense and has since become a very active member of the club.

"I learned self-defense, and more importantly, confidence from the club. At first, I was afraid to walk alone at night, but now I know that I can at least defend myself and get away from an attacker," Antonishak said.

According to President Shawn Falchetti, the Martial Arts club is designed to cater to the needs of students who want to practice their specific forms of martial arts, but it is also aimed at students who simply wish to learn self-defense and participate in a good exercise program.

"The club is very informal," Falchetti said, "We try to provide students with a relaxed atmosphere to promote a good learning experience."

In order to attract new

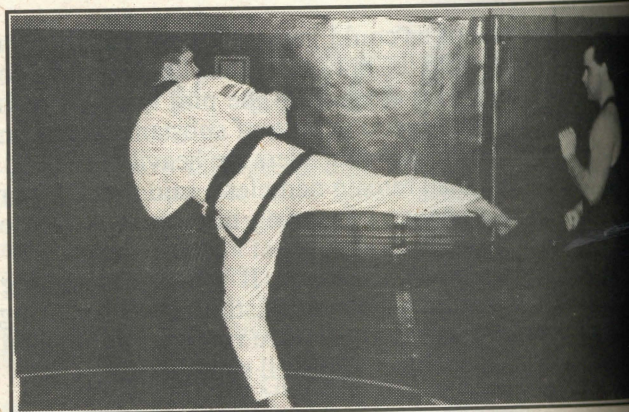
members and to teach Wilkes students the basics of self-defense, the club has held demonstrations which were very successful in the past. They are currently working to organize another demonstration on March 17th.

"The demonstrations are designed to be an educational activity. At our demonstration last November, a total of 5 dorms participated, and there are already 6 dorms signed up for the upcoming one," Falchetti said.

Not only will the club be depicting the more exciting part of karate at the demonstration, but they plan to teach students how to defend themselves against various types of attackers. The members are also planning to hold an open forum session in which students can ask questions or express their worries about self-defense.

For those students who are actively involved in the martial arts, the club is an excellent place to practice their forms and to learn from other members.

"The club can best be described as a supermarket of ideas," said Falchetti, "If you're into martial arts this is the best place to improve your style and to learn new



THE BEACON/Andrea Silvi

SPARRING—Members of the Martial Arts club show off their things from the other members."

Chris Wartella, a black belt in Tang Soo Do, a Korean form of Karate, feels that the club gives him an excellent chance to practice his own style while learning from the other members' styles.

"It's almost like being with people from different countries," Wartella said, "Belonging to the club allows me to learn from the different styles of martial arts."

Wartella feels that learning karate and self-defense techniques is especially important because not only does it provide an opportunity for physical exercise, but it also

improves mental concentration and teaches respect and self-discipline.

"Karate is more than how to fight. It's a great form of exercise and can help people overcome both physical and mental obstacles," Wartella said.

As any student can well see, the Martial Arts club is definitely not just for people who know karate. The club offers a wide range of activities which can improve one's physical and mental abilities and it also provides valuable self-defense information which can ultimately save a student's life.

To be or not to be on screen...

The process of transferring Shakespeare's plays has been a touchy issue since the advent of motion pictures. The first major production was the atrocious Mary Pickford/Douglass Fairbanks production of *The Taming of the Shrew* which added scenes from modern writers to a play which needed no help with humor.



Stage
Door

Paul
Winarski

the Shrew for the screen. Although *Shrew* suffered from the terrible miscasting of Elizabeth Taylor as Kate, *Romeo and Juliet* was a beautiful film.

Zefferelli's latest effort is the recent production of *Hamlet*. With a group of actors renowned on both stage and screen, Zefferelli has created a captivating and colorful film.

The best performances in the film were turned in by Ian Holm as Polonius and Paul Scofield as the ghost of Hamlet's father.

Holm's Polonius is wonderful. He has many of the best lines in the film, and in a scene in which he informs the King of Hamlet's apparent madness, he turns in an outrageously funny performance.

Stage legend Scofield gives a thoroughly touching performance. His ghost is not simply a haunting creature of the night, instead, he is an unhappy soul searching for peace.

Despite the controversy over the casting of Mel Gibson in the title role, the matinee idol does succeed in the role. Although he may not have the emotion of Olivier, Gibson's portrayal of the "melancholy Dane" seems more realistic than Olivier's interpretation.

Gibson handles all of Shakespeare's famous speeches very well, and his interpretation of Hamlet's character depicts the hero not as "a man who couldn't make up his mind," but as a

man who calculated, observed, and finally put into action a plan of most serious nature.

Along with Gibson's magnificent performance, Anthony Bates and Glen Close turn in spectacular performances as the King and Queen of Denmark. Helena Boham-Carr as Ophelia, however, leaves much to be desired. Her character is not fully developed, and she leaves the audience wanting for more.

Overall, Zefferelli's production is one which will appeal to traditional Shakespeare fans and the general public alike. Zefferelli's *Hamlet* is an exciting and touching rendition of Shakespeare's most popular play.

Just a reminder...

King John, the latest King's College theatrical presentation, will continue to run through Saturday, March 9th.

Starring as King John is King's sophomore Eric Kowalski. Paul Winarski will represent Wilkes in the role of King Philip. Director Joe Kerrigan promises a show filled with intrigue and drama.

Call King's box office for reservations.

There were, however, some successes. Leslie Howard and Norma Shearer, although a little too old for the roles, performed a touching rendition of *Romeo and Juliet*. And who could forget Sir John Gielgud's Cassius in the John Houseman production of *Julius Caesar*?

Franco Zefferelli, acclaimed as a genius in both the fields of directing and designing, has remade both *Romeo and Juliet* and *Taming of*

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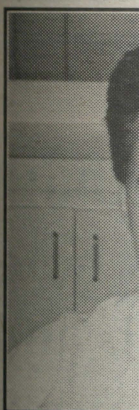
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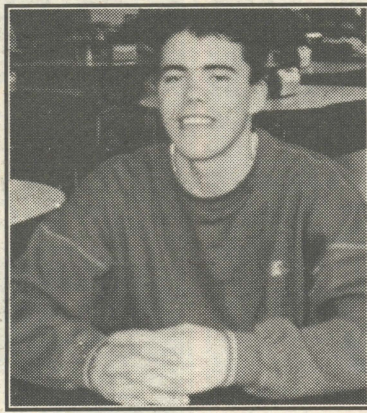
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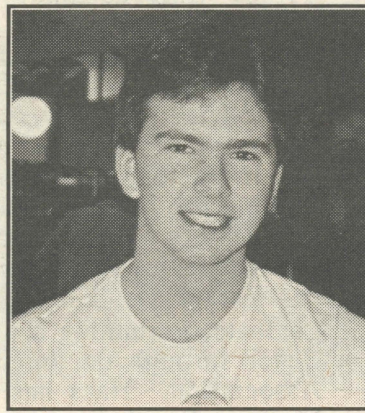
kicks How would you improve the appearance of the campus for prospective students?



Ed Pietrowski
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More grass and less mud.



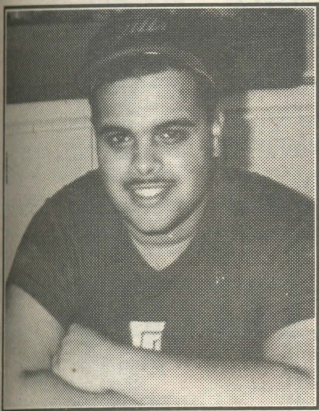
Chris Law
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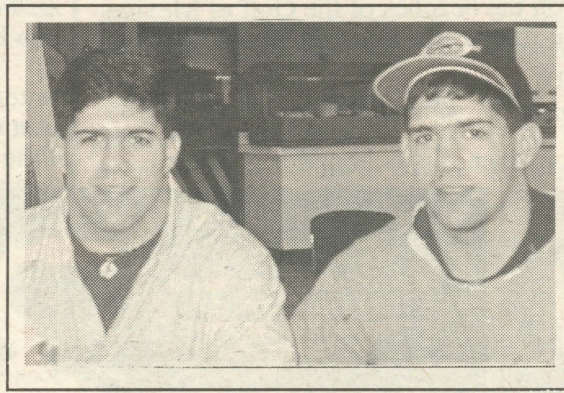
Kevin Mannion
Freshman
Create a better girl to guy ratio.



Scott Morris
Sophomore
Better grounds-keeping.



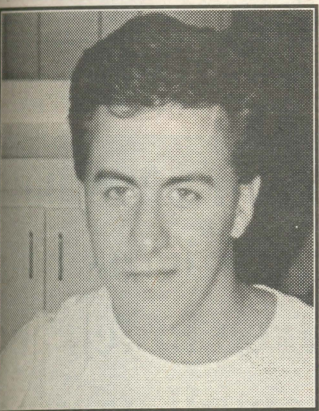
Fred DeJesus
Freshman
Remodel more dorms like Rifkin.



Brian and Scott Caloiaro
Freshmen
Remodel the cafeteria and keep Keith Peterson out!



Lynne Perry
Freshman
Improve the outer appearance of the dorms and the landscape.



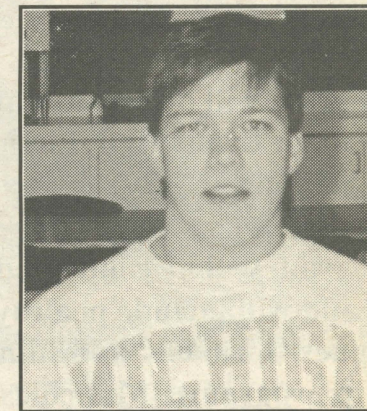
Tom Albright
Senior
Improve the appearance of the dorms, especially Pickering.



Tammy Perry
Freshman
Improve the dorms and plant more trees and flowers.



Janet Cline
Freshman
Plant more shrubbery and flowers throughout campus.



Tom MacDonald
Junior
Build a big flower garden with lots of Scarlet Bogonias.

Some 'hot' options for Spring Break

By ANDREA SILVI
Beacon Feature Editor

Spring Break is just around the corner, and many college students will soon be flocking to the spring "hot spots" to get away from classes, papers, and, most importantly, the cold weather.

Besides traveling to the traditional resorts of Daytona Beach and Ft. Lauderdale, many students will be packing their bags and hitting the beaches of places like Los Angeles, Corpus Christi, Texas, and Panama City.

To help students decide which resort will best suit their spring break needs, Beachlife communications has developed the "Spring Break Beach Hotline." The Hotline gives callers information on everything from sporting events, concerts, and celebrity appearances to current and projected weather and beach and surf conditions.

The Hotline number is 1-900-884-4343 and costs \$2 per minute. The average call lasts about a minute and a half to two minutes, and students must be 18 years of age to place a call.

This new service not only helps students plan their trip, but it is also designed to provide the most up-to-date information on all the "hot" beaches and activities which will be a part of this year's spring break.

If you're planning to spend spring break at Daytona Beach, there will be plenty of events and entertainment to satisfy everyone's tastes.

A visit from MTV is at the top of the Daytona activities list, along with pool deck

parties, sporting events, celebrity appearances, and several concerts featuring major recording artists.

The theme of this year's Daytona spring break is "Party Smart," and representatives from the alcohol awareness program will provide a Spring Break welcome each day in Oceanfront Park.

Hawaiian Tropic has also teamed with Universal Studios Florida to create an "Island Paradise" in Oceanfront Park. One of the main events will be the annual Miss Hawaiian Tropic International Pageant. Fifty contestants representing thirty-one countries will vie for the coveted title. Among the celebrity judges will be Buffalo Bills quarterback Jim Kelly, comedian Benny Hill, and NASCAR driver Bill Elliott.

If Daytona Beach isn't quite what your looking for, Wilkes students have a unique opportunity to visit Panama City Beach, Florida for this year's spring break.

Tara Haas, a December 1990 Wilkes graduate, is running a trip to Panama City Beach through the Inter-campus Programs Association. Haas has sponsored trips to Daytona Beach in previous years, but has decided that the new location has much more to offer.

According to Haas, Panama City has become the newest and hottest spring break location. The hotels are newer and are located directly on the beaches of the Gulf of Mexico. Also, the nightclubs and beachbars are open all night.

For \$204 per person, the package includes beachfront accommodations for four people for seven nights, round trip motor



PAGEANT—Hawaiian Tropic will sponsor its annual pageant in Daytona Beach over spring break.

coach transportation, a schedule of pooldeck and beach parties, a "Spring Break Shuttle" available day or night, and all gratuities, and service charges.

For further information and reservations, students can contact Tara Haas at 826-5083.

Whether you have plans for spring break or are contemplating where to spend your vacation, there are great opportunities still available to make this spring break of the "hottest" on record.

Looking for something other than lunch?

- Are you concerned about your weight?
- Do you want to learn more about nutrition and exercise programs?

If you have any of these concerns, then you should join in on Health Service's newest program.

The program will begin on March 6 from 12 - 1 p.m. in Evans Hall, First Floor Health Services.

The program will be conducted in a group format and will include healthy eating issues, guest speakers, and summer shape-up programs. Munchies will be served!!!

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Alterna listenin at Wilk

By BRIAN MALINA
Beacon Assistant Feature

Wilkes University station, WCLH New Mus been supplying Wilkes and the surrounding are constant source of n alternative music for sever In addition to alternative programming, features a number of shows, which include ranging from heavy metal to Christian rock.

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Another of the s shows is "Backstage PA, ers Fridays at 5 p.m. "Ba hosted by Donna W features a wide variety of m Pennsylvania-based bands.

Wilk began the show years ago with music from bands. Since then, the sh steadily built up a follow new works with ov Pennsylvania-based bands.

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By BECKY STEINBERG
Beacon Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE— Love was definitely in on the set of Wilkes' fl production of *The Boyfr musical spoof of the twenties.*

The production, whi from Thursday, Februar through Sunday, March 3r tremendous success. The S

LOVE IS IN THE AIR— T Boyfriend at the Darte Ce

Break Alternative Listening Wilkes

MALINA

Assistant Feature Editor

Wilkes University's radio station WCLH New Music 91, has been supplying Wilkes University and the surrounding area with a source of new and interesting music for several years. In addition to WCLH's regular programming, it also features a number of specialty shows which include music ranging from heavy metal to dance to classic rock.

The newest of the specialty shows is the Christian music and listening show which airs every morning at 11. The show is hosted by Aubin Sevrin and features music from such artists as Keith Green, and Petra. Sevrin stressed that his show is not just a "Christian show."

"I only want to fill a gap, and I feel that being addressed," said Sevrin.

The station also sponsors its annual pageant, which is held on the pooldeck and beach parties every day or night, and all taxes and reservations, students can call the station.

For spring break or are still on vacation, there are some ways to make this spring break one to remember.

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show consists of music from these bands, along with local concert listings, and occasional interviews. Wilk began the show because "this area is closed-minded to many kinds of music, and I wanted to open a few minds."

The longest running and possibly the most popular of the specialty shows is "Metal Monday," which airs every Monday from 10 a.m. to midnight.

WCLH airs a specialty show each weekday between 4 and 6 p.m. The shows feature dance music on Tuesday, early 80's music on Wednesday, classic rock on Thursday, and "Backstage PA" on Friday.

The newest addition to WCLH's programming is the "Album Spotlight," which will be aired every weeknight at 10 p.m. beginning March 10th. During the spotlight, WCLH will air a new album in its entirety.

On Monday March 10th, WCLH will spotlight Mordred's album *In This Life* (special 2 p.m. air time) and Ignorance's *Confident Rat*. The station will then follow with Joni Mitchell's *Night Ride Home* on Tuesday, Daniel Ash's *Coming Down* on Wednesday, The Huger's *Tonight* on Thursday, and Nova Mob's *The Last Days of Pompeii* on Friday.

Sundays are also reserved for specialty shows. There's classic rock from 12 to 4, a Grateful Dead show from 4 to 7, and an Industrial Dance from 8 to 10.

WCLH is not just an alternative station. With the new variety of programming, New Music 91 should have something for everyone.

'ripping good time'

STEINBERGER

Staff Writer

KES-BARRE— Ooh la la, it was definitely in the air. The cast of Wilkes' flirtatious musical *The Boyfriend*, a spoof of the roaring

production, which ran Thursday, February 28th through Sunday, March 3rd was a huge success. The Saturday

evening and Sunday afternoon performances were almost sold out.

The attraction and success of the play was due, for the most part, to the superb interaction of cast members.

The "boyfriends" played by Nick Humen, Doug Meade, Dave Petty, and Jack Evans were outrageously funny as they pranced around and gawked at the "girlfriends" who were portrayed by Chrissy Brunnock, Diane Gardas,

Where was everybody?

By CAROLYN DOUGLAS
Beacon Assistant Feature Editor

The crew team was the sponsor and was to be the recipient of any money raised at a benefit concert held at Rumours on Saturday March 2.

The band performing the concert was The Pick-Ups, a group of local musicians. They are excellent live performers whose material ranges from Deep Purple and The Smithereens to some of

their own songs. Their songs are "music with a message" and some are just good old rock and roll songs. They are a very tight, energetic band who show much enthusiasm on stage.

Not many people, however, would know what kind of performers they are. Actually, only about ten people would know, because they were the only people who showed up. Rumours was pretty empty on Saturday, and the people who were there could

probably have fit at one table.

There could be many reasons why this lack of attendance occurred. One reason may be because this event did not receive a lot of publicity. Another reason may be because of the day it was scheduled on. That day was part of a busy entertainment weekend. Whatever the reason, the people who showed up enjoyed a good show. Those people who did not make it to the show really missed out on a good evening.



THE BEACON/Carolyn Douglas

ENERGY— The Pick-Up's played in an empty Rumours at the crew team benefit last Saturday night.

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The band had their big break when they played live on "The 16th Annual American Music Awards". They were also seen on "Late Night with David Letterman" and "The Arsenio Hall Show".

The band will be adding another notch to their touring belt when they perform here at Wilkes University's Rumours nightclub on

Saturday March 16 at 8 p.m.

The concert is sponsored by Programming Board, Inter Residence Hall Council and Commuter Council.

Nicolette Yevich, Novelty Chairperson for Programming Board was anxious to have the Rumlbers appear at Wilkes.

"The first time I saw Tommy

Conwell it was in Philadelphia. I was really impressed," she said. "I want Wilkes students to have an opportunity to see how good the Rumlbers really are."

Students can purchase tickets for \$4.00 each with a Wilkes I.D. They are available in Stark lobby from 11a.m. to 1p.m. daily and in the cafeteria from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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FILE PHOTO

ON THE AIR— This past weekend's performance of *The Boyfriend* at the Darte Center was a huge success.

SPORTS

Colonels 'taken down' at Lehigh

By RAY OTT
Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University wrestling team finished a disappointing 13th, their lowest finish ever, in this past weekend's Eastern Wrestling Tournament at Lehigh University.

The Colonels sent seven first time wrestlers to the tournament and their inexperience showed, as only Charlie Keyes at 190, and Merrel Neal at 158, placed.

"We thought Charlie and Merrel would place for us," said head wrestling coach John Reese. "They wrestled pretty well but no one else could break through."

Mike Froelich, who was expected to seriously challenge for a spot in nationals in the 134 pound division, failed to make the weight.

"This year's tournament was a disappointment for us," said Reese. Some times kids don't have a good year but they get into tournaments and have a great tournament. We were kind of hoping for this but none of it happened."

At 118, Chris Ricard lost his two matches, 7-6 to Franklin & Marshall and 7-4 to Army.

Ray Marrkulas dropped his first match 5-3 to Ed Moore of F&M but bounced back with a win in the consolation round opener. He was then eliminated by Brown's John Allman.

The Colonels were forced to sit out the 134 pound division since Froelich failed to make weight. This vacancy cost the Colonels a five point deduction from their team total.

"I really don't know what happened with Mike," said Reese. "He had made weight Sunday against Bloomsburg. He said he had some cramps but he was only four pounds over weight the night before so we thought he would be able to loose that."

In the 142 pound weight class, freshman Mike Evans competed in his first Eastern Tournament but was eliminated in two fairly close matches.

At 150, Eric Feese lost to Lehigh's Cassidy and Rutgers Liquori to make another quick exit for the Colonels.

At 158, Merrel Neal was in the fourth seat, but failed to make it back to Nationals. He opened up impressively, recording an 11-3 win over Harvard's Sanszone and a 9-0 win over Elicker of East Stroudsburg.

Then the trouble set in. He lost to last year's defending champ Nick Mauldin of Army 6-1. He then lost to Bob Whalen in overtime of the consolation finals. Neal closed his career in a 5-4 loss to Syracuse's Saba, leaving him with sixth place.

Anthony Guidi upset the eighth seeded Coldiron in a 9-7 decision before getting pinned by the first seeded Farrel in 4:47. Farrel went on to win the weight class. Guidi had a chance to place but dropped a 9-4 decision to Navy's Cummings.

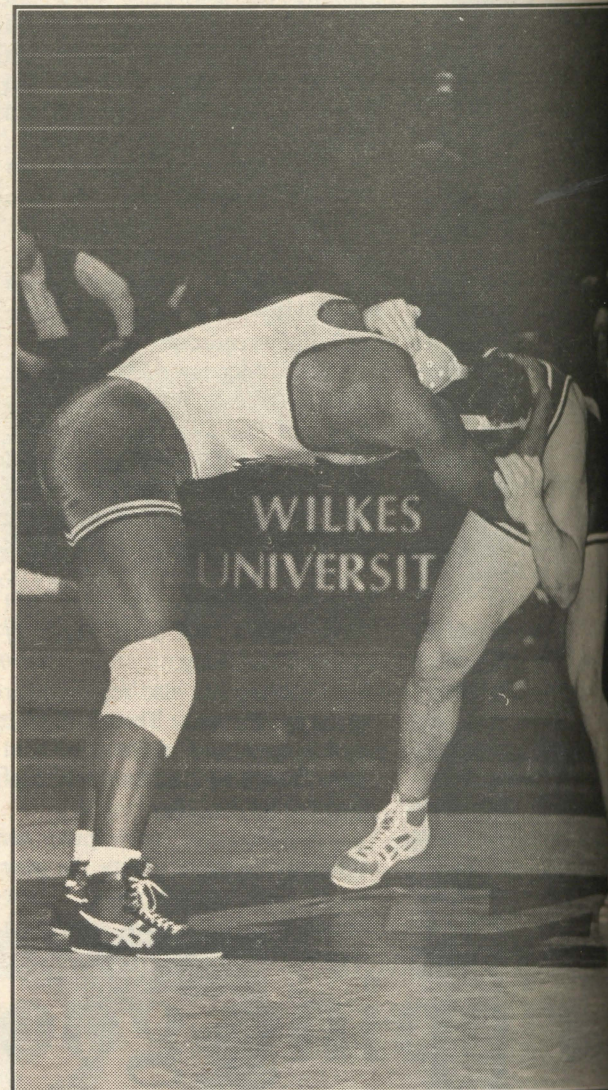
Aaron Tufankjian, 177, dropped a tough 3-2 match to Brown's Tokarski before getting pinned by Syracuse's Bosch in 3:45.

Charlie Keyes finished fourth, the highest place for the Colonels. He won his opening match 9-2 over William & Mary's Stanfield. He then lost a tough sudden death overtime decision of F&M's Nusome.

Keyes then bounced back, winning his next three matches with scores of 3-1, 5-2, and 4-2. With a chance to take a trip to Nationals, Keyes again lost to Nusome, this time by a 4-2 count.

Heavyweight Reggie Stancil lost his only two matches. He dropped a 6-1 decision to Hornbeck of Princeton and a 7-4 match to Calgano of Columbia.

"This year's tournament was a real learning experience for us," said Reese. "Some of our guys were nervous since this was their first time. It really showed. Hopefully this will help us next year."



Reggie Stancil takes charge in recent wrestling match.

THE BEACON

Attention:

*The first meeting of the
Wilkes Running Club will
be held on Thursday,
March 14 at
11:15 a.m. in the Marts
Center. Be prepared to run.
Both men and women are
welcome to attend.*

Doors open for tournament

By LARRY WOODY
Apple College Information Network

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The chairman of the NCAA Tournament selection committee is leaving the door open for more than four Southeastern Conference teams to make the tournament.

"There are no limits on conferences," said Jim Delany, Big 10 Commissioner who chairs the NCAA selection committee, speaking on a national teleconference call Tuesday.

"Each conference gets one automatic bid, and after that it's our job to select the best, most qualified other 34 teams in the country. If it results in two bids for one and six for another, that's the way it will be."

The 64-team NCAA tournament field — 30 automatic qualifiers and 34 at-large teams — will be seeded, bracketed and announced late Sunday afternoon after the final tournament results are in.

It has been speculated that the SEC would receive no more than four bids, likely leaving the loser of Friday's Vanderbilt-Georgia quarterfinal game out in the cold.

Delany went over some of the criteria the selection committee considers.

"We look at how a team did home and away, how they did the last third of the season — the line," he said.

"We look at strength of schedule and how they did in its conference. We look at our own ratings index, USA TODAY and other numerical ratings of ranking teams that exist. We look at 'good' and 'good losses' in which a team may have a strong team closely but lost."

Delany said there is not a "magic number" of wins that will get a team into the tournament.

"Years ago, 20 wins was a magic yardstick to get into the NCAA," he said. "That's no longer true. We have stressed the importance of playing a strong schedule. If a team has attempted to play better than the committee gives it the benefit of the doubt."

Delany said tradition is not a factor.

"Past success or failure should not have an impact," he said. "Nobody should be rewarded or penalized for what they have done in past tournaments."

(Larry Woody for the Nashville Tennessee

By J.R. RUPP
Beacon Staff Writer

As the spring thaw begins, the Lady Colonels are doing the preparation for the softball season.

The Wilkes University women's softball team is working for the 1991 season. They will open on the weekend of March 8 in Virginia.

The Lady Colonels are governed by second year coach Addy Malatesta and assistant Tommy Dunsmuir. Over the coaching staff is up for the upcoming campaign.

"I would like to think we are one of the best kept secrets in terms of our potential," said Malatesta.

The Lady Colonels are off to a season that saw them finish 6-5 in a special game for the M.A.C. championship.

Last years team had three M.A.C. performers. Un-

The old baseball pitching wins games. Wilkes baseball coach Bavit's head all summer.

That's what happened to your young and inexperienced pitching staff losses 23 and combines for a 5.02 team earned run average.

So Bavit enlisted his old college coach Colonel playing days, I Dubila, an ex-major league pitcher. Bavit's right hand man to mention his hope for a pitching staff.

"There is no question pitching is the key to our success," said Bavit. "Coach I work with everyone but I really help our pitchers. I have a wealth of knowledge. I can gain some insight into the expert tutelage and all of our pitchers respect him. Our pitchers respect him will be the key to our success."

Bavit is counting on seven hurlers to toe the mound this Spring. Jeff Yanick, Chachney, Gil Hoak, Dirl, Rich Heitman, Joe Kish and Ardoline will all see time on the rotation or out of the pen. Zook could also help out back from an arm injury.

"We play an aggressive style, something like 38 games a week," said Bavit. "Some of our need different guys to be successful."

Lady

New and old faces take the field

The old baseball adage that winning games ran through the baseball coach Jerry's head all summer.

That's what happens when young and inexperienced players suffer 23 of 34 games combined for a balloon like earned run average.

Bavitz enlisted the help of college coach during his playing days, Bob Duliba. An ex-major league pitcher, Bavitz's right hand man, not his hope for the birth of a new staff.

"There is no question that winning is the key to our season," Bavitz said. "Coach Duliba will help everyone but will especially help our pitchers. He has a lot of knowledge. I hope they can gain some insight from his knowledge and all of his experience. Our pitchers responding to him will be the key to our season."

Bavitz is counting on as many as 10 hurlers to toe the rubber. Jeff Yankow, Bill Hoak, Gil Hoak, Dirk Heberle, Joe Kish and Harry will all see time either in or out of the pen. Adam will also help once he is back from an arm injury.

They play an aggressive schedule, averaging like 38 games in 6 or 7 weeks," said Bavitz. "So we will have different guys to be able to



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throw for us. We are not really set on a rotation or anything as of yet."

Bavitz is, however, optimistic about his staff's performance in this past weekend's intersquad scrimmages.

"They all threw well and no one got hit real hard," said Bavitz. "Most of them threw five innings and I don't think any of them gave up more than two runs."

With only ten days till the season opener, Bavitz still has as many as six positions wide open. His only two constants are catcher Jason

Cadwalder and captain Ed Kwak.

Kwak, who is a four year starter, hit .346 last year and tied the school record for hits in a season while roaming centerfield in Artillery Park.

"Ed sets an excellent example," said Bavitz. "He plays hard, has experience, and is just a good ball player."

Cadwalder hit .317 last year and led the MAC in homeruns with

seven and runs batted in with 28.

He will be spelled by Lou Salterelli. Bryne Burne and Tom Wittman will also compete for time behind the plate.

The infield will feature a few new faces. At first base, freshman Steve Endress, who Bavitz calls a great athlete, will split time with sophomore John Cumerford.

Second base is a grab bag. It consists of your Fred Moase, Dave Kelley, Bernie Mushinsky, and Tom Carty, who might also pitch.

The shortstop battle is between talented freshman Dave Kaschak and Rob Micheals.

The hot corner could also be the revolving corner, with as many as six people patrolling third base. Returners Kish and Ulitchney will be joined by Ken Falzone, Scott Jack, Dave Howard, and George Psarras.

Returning along with Kwak in the outfield will be Mick Melberger. Newcomers competing for a spot will be Steve Klem, Joe



Bill Ulicny and fellow teammate run down opponent in last season's game. THE BEACON/Dale Nat

Finn, Mike Breakfield, and Greg Yankow, the younger brother of Jeff.

"The competition on this years team has been great," said Bavitz. "We have at least two people battling it out for every spot. We are talking about the possibility of playing a freshman schedule."

Bavitz is also bubbling with enthusiasm over the weather. Vince never said it would be like this.

"It's our 20th day outside, I've never seen a winter like this," said Bavitz. "It's been amazing. We are

actually playing outside. We're ready to go."

Bavitz and his boys will find out for sure as they open at Messiah on Saturday March 16 in a twin bill. The team will also make a trip to Cocoa Beach, Florida.

It is then, and only then, that Bavitz will find out if his call to arms will be answered.

Lady Colonels pumped for season

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or failure should not have. "Nobody should be rewarded for what they have done in past

for the Nashville Tennessean.)

WRITER

the spring thaw begins, so preparation for the upcoming season.

The Wilkes University softball team is hard at work for the 1991 season. Which opens on the weekend of March 8th in Virginia.

The Lady Colonels are led by second year head coach Malatesta and her assistant, Jimmy Dunsmuir. How much of a challenge exists? The coaching staff is unsure of the outcome of the campaign.

They like to think we are the best kept preseason secret of our personnel and Malatesta said. "That's no longer the case."

The Lady Colonels are coming off a season that saw them lose to Virginia in a special playoff game in the M.A.C. championship.

The team had three All-Americans. Unfortun-

nately, two of the three are gone. This years team will be young

The only returning all conference player is centerfielder Lorrie Petrulsky, and she is currently sidelined with a knee injury that she suffered during the basketball season.

The team returns only two other letterwomen. Denise Carson will again be behind the plate and Hillary Blake will split time between first base and pitcher.

"Although we may be short on returning players and experience, we are not short on talent and enthusiasm."

As the early practices have begun, Malatesta and Dunsmuir are pleased by what they are seeing, especially from such a young team. They are happy with their strong work ethic, positive attitude, and individual talent.

Due to last years graduation, vacancies have been left at third base, shortstop, second base, and

pitching. Young talent, mainly freshman, will be competing for the infield positions. Some of the girls expecting to see action are Shirlene DuJack, Jennifer Stackhouse, Stacy Boyer, Sandie Wantz, Susan Moran, and Joanna DeLuca.

In addition to Petrulsky in the outfield will be Becky Simon and Sue Charnecki.

This years pitching staff is no exception to the young squad. The staff will be led by freshman Cory Schwoy.

"Cory is throwing with great confidence and has the ability to be a dominant pitcher in the conference," said Dunsmuir.

In addition to Schwoy and Blake, others who expect to see mound duty are Tracy Gusdits, and Jennifer Stackhouse.

Completing the list of Young Guns on the squad are Denise Schifini, and Lisa Wrubel.

Looking down the road the coaching staff cites Messiah and

Elizabethtown as the teams to beat.

"Our goal is to be competitive with every team we play so that we can earn a playoff spot," said Malatesta.

The Lady Colonels open their season in the Hampton University Invitational Tournament in Hamp-

ton, Virginia. In the roster of six teams Wilkes is the only Division III school. The tournament takes place March 8th and 9th with the Lady Colonels opening with Virginia Union at 9:00 a.m.

The 1991 season, will be the beginning of "Young Guns III."



Women's softball players congratulate teammate in last year's action.

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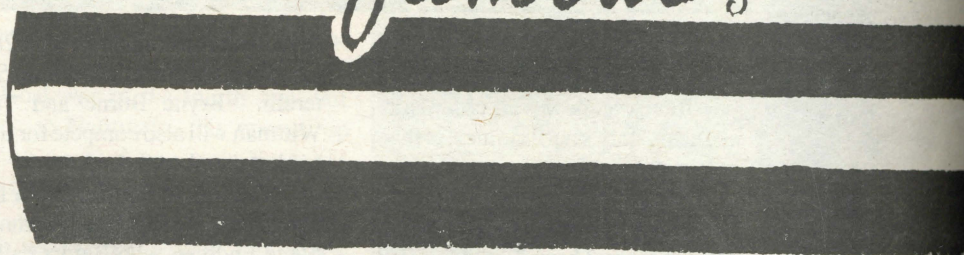
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President of Wilkes Un
George Waldner, Vice-P
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By MARLENE MANG
Beacon Assistant News Editor

Natan Sharansky will
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March 18th at 7:30 p.m.

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