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S. G. adopts smoke-free resolution

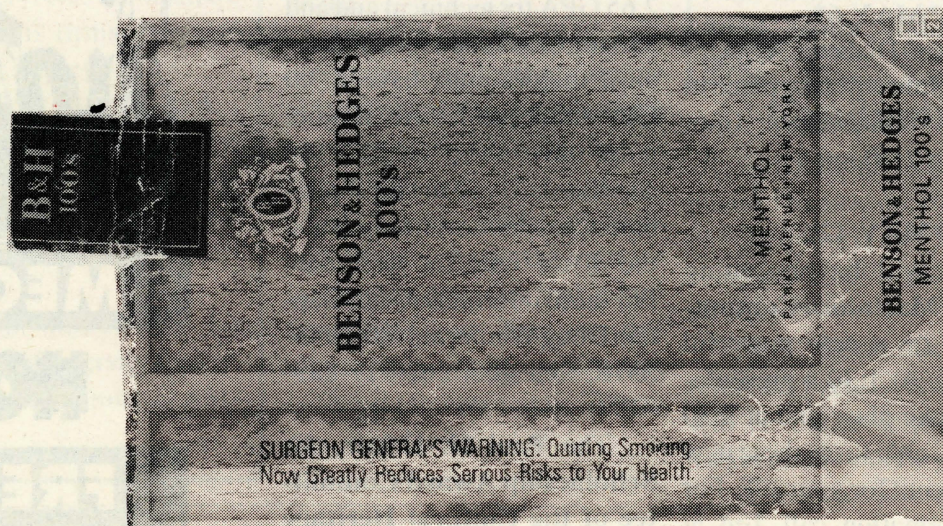
By LYNN KRUTZ
Copy Editor

Last night, Student Government members voted 12-2-1 to support the proposal that Wilkes University should be a smoke-free campus. The controversial decision is the result of a survey sent by the newly-formed Smoking Committee to all university students, faculty, and staff several weeks ago. The survey questioned whether Wilkes should ban smoking in all public buildings on the university campus.

For the survey and the SG vote, smoke-free is defined as "a campus where smoking is not allowed inside any campus-owned building, [with an] exception for individual residence hall rooms where all roommates agree to a smoking-allowed policy."

The SG vote is simply a recommendation. The final decision about whether Wilkes will become smoke-free, and to what degree, will come next Wednesday when the survey results are presented by Andy Mazzeo, the organizer of the Smoking Committee, to the University's General Officer's and President Christopher N. Breiseth.

"I am very pleased with the outcome



of the Student Government vote and I feel that the support will enhance and contribute to my cause of creating a smoke-free environment for the students," said Mazzeo. He is also the SG vice-president, but abstained from voting on the resolution.

Kathy Zoka was one of only two SG members who opposed the resolution. Voting on behalf of Commuter Council, Zoka, who is a non-smoker, said this about the vote, "They're taking away

Stark Lobby and the SUB from us. That's where we spend the majority of our time. Where are we supposed to go?"

Zoka also said that the survey was unfair to commuter students. "Commuter students weren't given a response envelope or a pre-postage paid envelope to return the survey in. The survey was free to resident students, while commuters had to pay to return the survey."

This may account for the low number of commuters who returned the sur-

vey. According to Mazzeo, out of approximately 820 surveys that were returned less than 100 from commuter students. The majority were from resident students, with faculty and staff returning about 250 surveys.

According to Mazzeo, who refused to offer final numbers until the results were analyzed by Scott Bodfish, Director of Institutional Services, indications suggest that all groups are overwhelmingly in favor of making Wilkes' campus smoke-free.

Only two Student Government members who voted on the resolution last night are smokers. One voted in favor of making Wilkes a smoke-free campus, while the other opposed. Several SG members were absent from the meeting and did not cast a vote.

Even so, according to Chad Lojewski, Student Government president, the vote was a fair assessment of student opinion. "In all events that transpired during the year, all Student Government members acted in the interests of the student body, not themselves. Why would this be any different," questioned Chad Lojewski.

Elections for SG president today

By GINA FRAPPOLI
News Writer

Despite the small turn out, the open forum for next year's Student Government presidents was quite informative and seemed to get the people who were there ready for Thursday's elections.

The two candidates this year, Chad Lojewski, current Student Government President and Andy Mazzeo, current Student Government Vice President were dressed for success and ready to answer questions.

By taking turns voicing their opinions, the students were able to take in each of the candidates ideas

and attitudes, so they'll be able to vote more precisely.

When asked what improvement they could make for Wilkes University, both candidates answered with dissimilar, but equally impressive issues.

One of Lojewski's main concerns is to strengthen the IRHC (Inter Residence Hall Council), OCC (Off Campus Council), and CC (Computer Council) by subdividing them and allowing each to produce their own Student Government newsletter. He would also like to develop Wilkes University's own phone directory, where all students, faculty, administrators, and the like will be included so that there will be an easier way to contact someone, "rather than looking all over creation for their phone number

or address."

Another one of Lojewski's concerns is the present cafeteria.

Although the new food court will be built in two years, which will solve some of the problems, he feels various improvements such as, "more pleasant smiles from the lunch ladies and a bigger selection of food could really make things better until the new facilities are built."

Mazzeo's ideas took a different twist which started with student awareness.

"Since most students don't even know what's going on around campus, it isn't really their fault there is no involvement. We need a more

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WHAT'S UP?

APRIL 24-MAY 28

Artist for Art shall present its fifth annual exhibit of environmental and ecologically related art works. The exhibit will be open at The Afa Gallery, 514 Lackawanna Ave., Scranton. For more information contact the Afa Gallery at 969-1040.

APRIL 28

The faculty and students of the Music, Theatre and Dance Department will present **Dido and Aeneas, an Opera** by English baroque composer, Henry Purcell at **8 p.m.** in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. Admission is charged. For further information, call (717) 831-4420.

APRIL 29

Any club or apartment student who has not had their picture taken by this date will not be included in the **yearbook**. To make an appointment call Kim Escarge at Ext. 2955 or 822-8641. If you prefer, you may send a picture with a list of names to Campus Box 804.

APRIL 30

The Trucksville United Method Church is holding it's **Saturday Sundaes**. They need help face painting, fill helium balloons and dress as characters to entertain the children. The program is from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information call Amy at 831-5904

MAY 1

Volunteer Services and Interfaith End of the Year Celebration for all the volunteers! 5:30 p.m. in Rumors, RSVP by April 28th at 831-5904.

Deadline for turning in Financial Aid Papers for Wilkes University Administered Programs, PHEAA Grant, and Pell Grant

The Mulberry Poets and

Writers Association will hold an **Open Reading Celebrating the "Lusty Month of May"** at The Afa Gallery, 514 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, starting at 7:30 p.m.

MAY 6

American Diabetes Association **Rose Sale** will take place in downtown Wilkes-Barre from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

MAY 12

Apple will be presenting **three new Macintosh Computers** based on a new powerful processor. At 1:30 a presentation will take place and at 2:30 you will be able to try these new computers out for yourself. For more information call Ted at Ext. 4676

MAY 18-20

Volunteers are needed to help with the arts & crafts and face painting at the International Children's Theater Festival. For more information 831-5904.

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The National Civilian Community Corps is offering a new program where in return for community service you will be given a monetary educational award, a living allowance, room and board, uniforms, medical benefits, and child care. To request information and application call 1-800-94-ACORPS.

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The **Air Force ROTC** is awarding scholarships to eligible **freshmen and sophomores**. Applicants must have a 2.65 GPA for technical and nursing majors and for nontechnical majors must have a 3.0 GPA and pre-health majors must have a 3.5 GPA. The deadline is 31 of May for sophomores and pre-health majors and the 30 of June for freshman. For more information call Captain Doug Werder at 1-800-945-5378, ext. 4860, or 717-829-0194.

The **Paul H. Lauer, Jr. Scholarship Award Committee of the Cultural Heritage Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania**, is presently accepting essays for consideration for a **\$250.00 scholarship**. You must be a full-time sophomore student enrolled in a four-year college or university, a legal resident of Pennsylvania, a 3.0 GPA and demonstrated interest and achievement in International/multi-cultural activities. For more information contact the Lauer Scholarship Award Committee, c/o 74 Second Ave., Kingston, PA 18704.

VA BENEFITS HANDBOOK

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LITERARY CONTEST

Avant Garde Publications is looking for **non-published essays, anecdotes, and short**

stories of any length pertaining to the title **The Ultimate College Guide**, to publish in their new book. There are cash prizes for the most outstanding submissions. Entries must include name, address, school's name, telephone number, and

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Alumni President's Breakfast scheduled for today

WILKES-BARRE—Wilkes University Alumni Association President Colleen Gries-Gallagher '81 will host a Breakfast Program on Thursday, April 28 at 7:30am at the Westmoreland Club, 59 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Dr. J. Warren Blaker '55, director of the institute of Lightwave Science Technology at Fairleigh Dickinson University will discuss "The Silent Revolution: Telecommunications."

Blaker has considerable experience with the manufacturing of military and commercial optical systems. In addition to his post at Fairleigh Dickinson, he has served as a consultant to and executive of several optical products firms. He also serves as a professor of physics at Vassar College.

In addition to a B.S. earned from Wilkes in 1955, Blaker holds a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is author and co-author of numerous texts, chapters and articles on optics theory and holds more than a dozen national and international patents for bifocal contact lenses and other optical products.

The breakfast program is held several times a year for members of the community and the Wilkes University family. Contact the Wilkes Alumni office for reservations at 831-4130. Cost is \$8.50.

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advanced way of relaying information. Posters just aren't effective enough," said Mazzeo.

Mazzeo would also like to involve more clubs in the university scene. Next year, if elected, he'd like to have a workshop, most likely every other month, which representatives of every club would participate in so that all opinions from everywhere on campus could be heard.

Mazzeo's final goal is to incorporate a smoke-free campus at Wilkes University, which he has been working on for the last five months.

All in all, both Lojewski and Mazzeo have very strong leadership qualities that could benefit Wilkes. The one sure way to make your opinion count is for you to vote today, Thursday, April 28th.

WCLH's new executive staff

WILKES-BARRE — WCLH 90.7 FM, Wilkes University's radio station, named its new executive staff for the 1994-1995 school year. The executive staff consists of eight students and is overseen by Dr. David Bradbury, the station's general manager and faculty advisor. The executive staff constructs station policy and is involved in the managing of the station's daily operations.

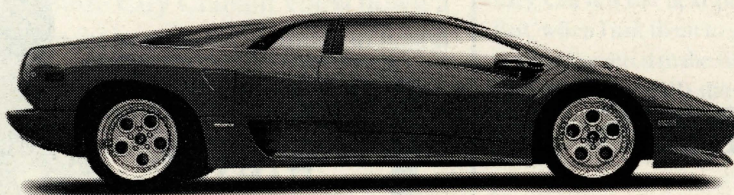
The new executive staff includes: Station manager, Marisa Rae, sophomore; Music Director, Drew Marko, sophomore; Assistant Music Director, Andy Gustavason, senior; Director of Public Relations, Eric Freeland, sophomore; Programming Director, Jenna Porpiglia, sophomore; Operations Director, John-Erik Koslosky, junior; Underwriting Director, Douglas Shaw, junior; and Production Director, Eric Bailey, sophomore.

Graduation speaker announced

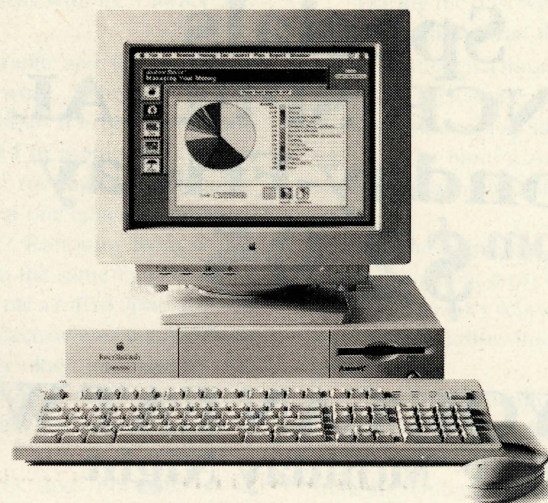
WILKES-BARRE — President Christopher Breiseth is pleased to announce that Dr. Holiday Adair, Assistant Professor of Psychology, and Mr. Robert Wachowski, Class of 1994, will bring greetings to the graduates at the commencement ceremony on May 28.

Dr. Catherine De'Angelis '65, vice dean for Academic Affairs and Faculty, John Hopkins University School of Medicine, will be the principal speaker for commencement and will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree.

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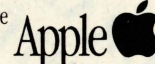


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Philip R. Tuhy returns from his five-month stay in Bratislava

By GINA FRAPPOLI
News Writer

Philip R. Tuhy, Director of Institute of Regional Affairs, just recently returned from his five month stay in Bratislava which is the capitol city of the Slovak Republic.

Although Professor Tuhy has several family members who reside in the Slovak Republic, one of the main reasons he visited the Eastern European country was because he is an expert advisor for the Foundation of Civil Society.

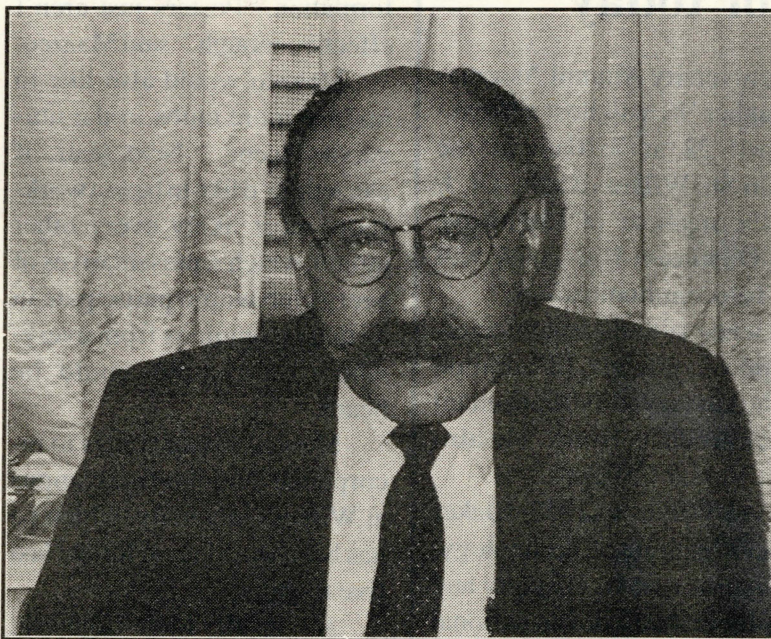
The Society, which is based in New York, helps countries settle and reorganize their educational institutions. To help rebuild the college infrastructure in these areas, the Society prepares ideas and aids in developing a more sound foundation for the students and teach-

ers.

Along with his work for the Society, Professor Tuhy was an advisor to the rector, equivalent to a university president, of Trnava University and helped to teach a political science course to the students.

In 1990, while on sabbatical leave, Professor Tuhy also lectured at Comenius University in Bratislava and Safarik University in Prescov, where he also helped to establish a public administration curriculum.

In 1992, Tuhy worked with the director of the Slovak Advanced Research Center, where he helped with a study for the chemical faculty of the Slovak Technical University in Bratislava. While there, he also met with numerous government leaders to discuss ideas on how the Llova Republic and the



Philip R. Tuhy, Director of the Institute of Regional Affairs
photo by Jen Barkas

United States could collaborate. Tuhy had the chance to observe the habits of Slovak students. Tuhy said that the Slovak students are very serious about their studies, much more so than most of their American counterparts in fact. Since their room and board at college is funded entirely by the state,

students become very competitive so that they may remain in school.

As far as intelligence levels, Tuhy thinks that U.S. students have a greater advantage in developing their skills because there is only limited information available to Slovak students.

Professor Tuhy also said, "the Slovaks are very computer literate and are slowly but surely trying to get away from speaking Czech or Slovak by speaking the English language more frequently."

All in all, Tuhy believes the biggest improvement the Slovak Republic is trying to make is how they run their colleges. Hopefully, with the help of the faculty and student exchange, not only will higher education in The Slovak Republic benefit, but so will some U.S. colleges.

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EDITORIAL

Through out our country's history Americans have tried to suppress every new ethnic group that arrived here seeking freedom. And every time we have tried to suppress them, it has resulted in large scale hatred, violence, death, and ignorance. And I stress the word ignorance.

You would think by now that we would have learned from the mistakes of history. We should recognize now, before it is too late, that we are all equal no matter where we come from, what we look like, or whom we choose to love.

Adolf Hitler decided in the late 1930's that he didn't like members of the Jewish religion. It resulted in mass butchery of innocent people as well as World War II. Do we want this to happen again?

What is so bad about a person loving someone of the same sex?

Just because homosexuality exists, doesn't mean that everyone will have to or want to try it out! It doesn't mean that those people who are "straight" will automatically turn to homosexuals. What it does mean is that the people who want the freedom to be homosexual (or heterosexual) can have it.

The only reason why this topic has become such a large controversial issue is that people are scared. Americans become scared at every little change that comes their way. The hate crimes and discrimination exist in our area because there is little appreciation for the diversity in this community. The only way to solve this problem is to educate people and rid ourselves of ignorance. Ignorance is society's greatest enemy.

This is Victims' Rights Week, a week we should celebrate with diversity, unity and community. However, there have been many discriminatory acts being taken against people who have a differing sexual preference.

Last night, the Wilkes-Barre City Council voted down a bill for a civil rights amendment to end discrimination based on sexual preference in our area. The question is why?

We need to break the silence and allow closets to open, minds to open, and hearts to open. To bar them shut would be to open old historical wounds.

Please help break the silence by going to the rally against homophobia and bigotry by the Bell Tower on campus today between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Dear Editor:

I am writing to answer the question posed in your March 24th editorial concerning semester breaks.

For several reasons, the University has permanently adopted a Spring Break that will always fall at the midpoint of the semester (i.e. after the seventh week of classes). The institution will continue to have an Easter Break as well, however, and it is this break which determines the proximity of one break to the other. Because Easter is a moveable feast, the Easter Break can fall between the end of March and the end of April; on those occasions when Easter is celebrated in March, it will necessarily mean that the Easter Break will fall close to Spring Break.

I hope this answers the questions.

Susan Hritzak, Assistant Registrar

IDLE CHATTER

By MICHAEL BUTCHKO

Columnist

We here at the Chatter realize that the December holidays are roughly eight months away. But this is the time of year that wishing is at its peak, save for December. For instance: I wish my papers were done, I wish the semester was over, or I wish that jerk would get his column in on time. In this spirit, we offer the Spring 1994 Wish List. A wish:

For Senator George Mitchell: a bolt of lightning to snap him out of his brain dead idea that it would be fun to be a baseball commissioner. Wake up, George, and smell the pine tar.

For the memory of Richard Nixon: a solidified place in history. Right now, the media is all over the place. Wednesday's Op-Ed piece in *The New York Times* by Anna Quindlen speaks volumes of the varied opinions of Nixon. This was the correct way to go about condemning Mr. Nixon; on the other hand . . .

For Dan Rather: a year-long case of laryngitis. Mr. Nixon had not been dead for two hours when Rather was bashing Mr. Nixon. Didn't your Mom ever tell you not to speak ill of the dead? Call Singapore: Dan might need a cainning.

For Bill Clinton: a period of foreign serenity, so he can attempt his proposed domestic reforms. He should ask Hillary: if she's as good with wishes as she is with money, he'll rule the world.

For New York City: some sports champion. It's been eight years since a team from the Big Apple was the big one, and both the Knicks and the Rangers are ripe. Somehow, it just makes things more interesting.

Finally, for you, the reader: my sincere thanks. Your feedback, be it positive or negative, is greatly appreciated. It shows me that you care enough to read *The Beacon*, and you are thoughtful enough to tell me what you think. It's meant a great deal, and it's been fun. Thanks:really.

That's all for now. We'll say our "good-bye's" next week.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I am a student at Wilkes University who does research for a dean of the school. I have run across another one of the problems with the work study staff here at Wilkes. Normally, I just complain to my friends, but this one has an easy solution and no one is listening. The problem deals with the Library and trying to acquire change.

First of all, the microfiche and the microfilm machines require dimes to work. Whenever I tell a worker that I need a lot of dimes it is not uncommon to hear the response, "Well I'm running out so I'm only going to give you ten," (or some petty number that would not even print out one educational document). What are they doing? Rationing them so that they can tell the next person the same lame excuse? But, when I ask them to give me a roll of dimes (which is what I wanted in the first place, when I handed them the five dollar bill) they say okay and hand me the whole roll. Is it a federal offense, punishable by the electric chair, to open another roll of dimes to give patrons what they need?

Second, because Wilkes does not trust us to handle money they lock up the change once the staff leave. The staff usually leaves at a regular schedule on weekdays, but leaves at 5:00 on Saturday, and works from 2:00-10:00 on Sundays. What are we supposed to do? Keep a schedule of when the library staff is working? They don't even have a sign posting when change is available in the library.

I propose this simple solution. Get a change machine in the library. Then library staff won't have to even waste precious dime rollers, by rolling dimes and then (heaven forbid) unrolling them to give change. All they have to do is remove the dimes from the microfiche/film machines and place them in the change machine. Then they can save time by counting only cash. This time saved will allow staff to accuse and reprimand work study students for stealing change and practicing poor customer service.

Brian Smith

Dear Editor:

A University community brings together in pursuit of a common goal those who wish to search for truth and understanding. Freedom from bigotry, prejudice and intolerance must be jealously safeguarded and defended with tenacity and a rock solid commitment.

During the past weekend a member of our University community was the victim of written messages which contained a threat to his life and attacks based on his sexual preference. Behavior of this type has no place in any component of society; particularly among those who seek to build a stronger community and a better world through understanding and respect for differences.

As continuing, emergent scholars we turn to history to learn from our past. We see in our current world the tragedy of history repeated as nations war, pillage, rape and kill their fellow human beings over turf and ideologies.

I ask you, as members of this microcosm of society — as a small unit seeking truth — to speak out against wrong and unjust actions perpetrated on your fellow students. University policy states that physical violence and threats of physical violence will not be tolerated. All such incidents should be reported to the Student Affairs Staff member on duty who can be reached 24 hours a day by contacting the University's switchboard.

Have the courage to confront the perpetrator saying, "Your's is behavior that is not right and indefensible." Have the intelligence and understanding to say to a victim, "I defend your right to your freedom of choice." Freedom of speech and the freedom to express ideas are sacred tenets; so are the freedom to choose and the freedom from persecution and threat.

Dean Jane Lampe-Groh

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CLUB & CAMPUS CALENDAR

APRIL 28

The Society of Women Engineers will hold its second Annual Volleyball Tournament on Thursday, April 28, from 8-11 pm in the Arnaud C. Marts Center on campus. Teams can be signed up beforehand, by filing out a form available in the Engineering office, or you can just show up and teams will be formed there. For more information contact Karen Larkin at 829-8466, or Angie Polny 826-0898.

APRIL 28

A rally against homophobia and bigotry will be held at the bell tower on Thursday, April 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public is welcome.

APRIL 29 to MAY 1

Wilkes University's Multicultural Student Coalition will present its third annual Slamma-Jamma 3 on 3 Outdoor Basketball Tournament from Friday April 29 to Sunday May 1. Four players per team maximum with a men's and women's division. The fee is \$10.00 per player.

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Interfaith End of the Year Celebration for all the volunteers! 5:30 p.m. in Rumors.

MAY 4

Mr. Mark Thomas, the News Director of WYOU-TV will discuss broadcast journalism writing and career options in the field of television on Wednesday, May 4 from Noon until 1 p.m. The seminar will be held in Capin Hall and is open to communication majors and minors.

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Volunteers are needed to help with the Arts & Crafts, ushers, face painting and souvenir sales at the International Children's Theater Festival. For more information 831-5904.

FEEDBACK

This Week on WCLH 90.7 FM Dean of Students Jane Lampe-Groh and Chief of Security Gerald Cookus will be the program guests. They will discuss campus safety on April 29, beginning at 3:45 p.m. Tune in for answers to all of your security questions and concerns.

WILKES HUNGER & HOMELESS WEEK

More people worldwide are hungry than ever before, yet enough food is grown to feed everyone. November 14-November 17 is Wilkes University's Hunger and Homelessness Week. The Office of Volunteer Services and Campus Interfaith is looking for support for this week. If you have any suggestions call 831-5904.

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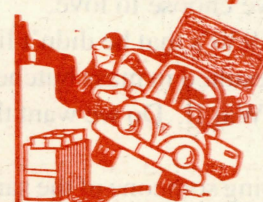
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SECURITY UPDATE

By **PATTY PUERLING**
Editor-in-Chief

These are some of the recent criminal activities that have been happening on campus. They have been provided by Chief Gerald Cookus, Chief of security.

If you have any information on any of the actions listed below please contact security at Ext. 4999 or call C.A.R.E., the anonymous hotline, at Ext. 2273.

* **Theft** -- A student parked in the Chesapeake/Delaware parking lot had a Toshiba car stereo stolen out of an open window around 9 p.m. on 3/28/94.

* **Vandalism** -- A Pickering Hall second floor window, in Diaz Hall, was shattered.

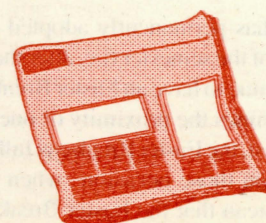
* **Loitering/Prowling** -- An unidentified female caller reported a suspect hanging around Weiss, Catlin and Rifkin Halls. The suspect was looking in the widows. An officer went to the area and saw the suspect run East on West Northhampton St. They chased the victim assisted by the Wilkes-Barre Police.

* **Micellaneous** -- On April 14 at 6 p.m. someone driving an open topped vehicle East on West Northhampton St. was the victim of water balloons. The balloons were tossed from a window in Delaware. Another victim also reported being pelted with balloons that night.

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FEATURES

Presidents relive the past, look forward to the future

By **LYNN ROSENCRANCE**
Features Editor

This past Tuesday evening a lecture was held which celebrated Wilkes University's first 60 years. The event features three of Wilkes' presidents: Dr. Francis J. Michelini (1955-1975), Dr. Robert S. Capin (1976-1984) and Dr. Christopher N. Breiseth (1984-present).

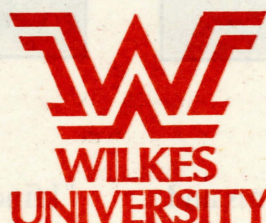
The lecture started with Dr. Michelini who began his lecture explaining the years before he took office of president of Wilkes College and his predecessor, Dr. Eugene Farley. Dr. Michelini described Dr. Farley as a "visionary," as a man whose vision understood change. "Dr. Farley was a man whose comment to the integration of what higher education

means to a community and in return what it does for its members was inspiring," stated Dr. Michelini.

He went on to discuss the trials and tribulations which Wilkes has survived. Dr. Michelini said at one point there were only 650 students enrolled at Wilkes when the question of does this college have a future and what will it be, was a serious consideration.

Dr. Capin lectured on his time spent at Wilkes. Unknown to many people, Dr. Chapin was not only a faculty member, an administrator and a president of Wilkes, but he was also a Wilkes student who graduated in 1950. Dr. Chapin spoke about the highlights of his run as presi-

dent of Wilkes. One highlight was the opening of Evans Hall in 1981, another was the establishment of the Max Rosenn Lecture Series in



1982 and another being the 50th anniversary celebration of Wilkes College.

Together Dr. Michelini and Dr. Chapin shared some stories about Dr. Farley. One such example was his snow day policy—there was none. Dr. Chapin opened this topic

of discussion and it didn't take long for Dr. Michelini to help him explain. One story by Dr. Michelini was of a day when Dr. Farley was away in Harrisburg and Dr. Michelini was standing in as president in his absence. A very bad snow storm had hit Wilkes-Barre and the Mayor called Dr. Michelini asking him to close Wilkes. Dr. Michelini told the mayor he couldn't—Wilkes never closed! The mayor called back again later that day and persuaded Dr. Michelini to close the school. Approximately an hour after Dr. Michelini closed the school who should show up but Dr. Farley. "Where the hell is everyone?" he roared. Dr. Farley did not believe in snow days.

Dr. Breiseth spoke last, bring the audience into what Wilkes in the present day and age. He spoke of the profound affect the University and its members has as a private institution on the Wyoming Valley community. Dr. Breiseth spoke of the past, but focused mainly on the future and the goals himself as president and those of Wilkes University.

The history shared in this lecture was very enlightening. But even more enlightening was the insight to the founders of this University. Now the names of buildings and the names engraved on brass plates have a personality behind them complete with graces and grievances, honor and humor.

Art students & their masterpieces

By **AZAHNI RASHIDI**
Special to the Beacon

Wilkes' Bachelors and Fine Arts undergraduates created a masterpiece that would have surely sculptured your senses.

Remember the saying, "A picture is worth a thousand words." Well, this magnificent exhibition held at the Sardoni Art Gallery of Wilkes University, during the month of April, said more than that. It featured an array of Twentieth Century art such as paintings, calligraphy, sculpture, photography, and dyed cloth painting that left your senses numb.

The incredible displays had been selected by the chairperson of the Fine Arts Department; Professor Emeritus Simon, Associate Professor J. O'Toole and other faculty staff.

Upon the first inspection of the exhibit, some displays, such as the abstract paintings, might have appeared unclear for those who don't know much about it. Therefore, it was empirical to view the work in different perspectives.

Situated at the entrance of the gallery was a bust made out of molded metal seemed to visualize the head of a wounded soldier. The use of layer upon layer of metal gave the man a startling image of being crushed by heavy artillery.

Richard Heberle's "North Shore" was a

display not to be missed. His attempt to visualize the 'tide' was exquisite. Done on acrylic plaster on canvas, he seems to capture the nuance and soft touches of rolling waves. The impact of the strokes was delicate yet not sustained, thus creating a realistic image on the canvas.

Photography, a strong point in Rachel Aciri's exhibit focused on her life on the farm. She has a unique touch and a humorous knack of catching the animals at the right place at the right time. One that stood out most was in her photo of eight cows that she calls "Judge and Jury." She seemed to understand the discussion that went on between the cows. The way they were gathered closely almost looked like they were in some sort of debate.

Last but not least, is the work of Jennifer Nyman, whose display was of her art of indigo dying cloth, an ancient art originally practiced in Japan. She brilliantly worked magic especially on her piece called the "Mokume Shibori." The color she mostly played with is indigo, which gives an exotic ambience to the cloth. In spite of the wrinkles of the fabric, her work was simply extraordinary.

That old saying will have to change in this case, "A picture is worth a thousand applause, better still....a standing ovation."

Three One-Act plays open May 5th

By **LYNNMARIE ROSENCRANCE**
Features Editor

The students of the Wilkes department of theater will be performing a series of 3, one act plays on May 5th, 7th and 8th at 8 pm and a matinee on the 8th at 12 noon.

All of the preparation for these one act plays has been solely done by the students.

The first play to be performed will be "Suicide in B^h" written by Sam Shepard and directed by Joe Rasmus. Rasmus describes this play to be a play which "depicts the idea of one freeing oneself, from the prison of accumulated habits acted or created self, in order to return to existentialists." Rasmus believes this play to symbolize a person's attempted escape from the forces which drive us, an escape from voices of doubt which can bring with them frustration and confusion.

The second is entitled "God" by Woody Allen, directed by Todd Lundquist. The "play with

in a play," as Lundquist describes it, portrays an actor and a writer who deeply philosophize their existence, the audience's existence and "the true nature of human character."

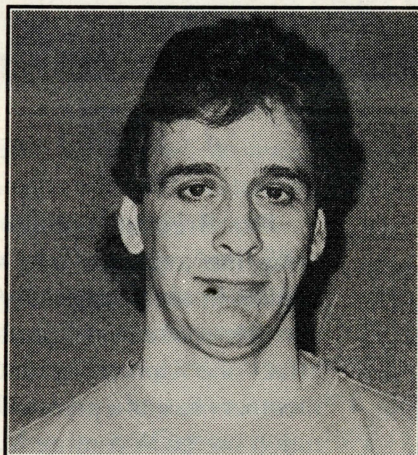
"The Lesson," by Eugene Ionesco is directed by Eric Riviera and is the last of the three plays. Riviera states "[the play] illustrates the breakdown of communication between those who control language and those who are controlled." Riviera continued "classified as a comedy-drama, the play was an outrageous combination of satire, disorientation, violence, catharsis, hate, anger, social instability, paranoia and humor to drive home a theme that any victim of education in grade school or college, can identify with.

Tickets can be obtained by calling the Wilkes University Box Office at 829-9144. Students with Wilkes ID get in free, Faculty/students tickets are \$3, senior citizen tickets are \$4 and general admission tickets are \$5.

Roving Reporter

By ANDITA PARKER-LOYD *Features Writer*

As an Adult Learner, what do you feel is your biggest problem at Wilkes?



**Dennis
Durkin**

"One is getting back in step with education and financing it. I came with expectations to fail and they helped me get right on track."



**Marian
Kolacsics**

"There's a lot of problems and I find that classes are not conducive to taking them in a timely manner in order to complete my degree"



**Colette
Mahoney**

"I find the professors are unapproachable and not interested in the job world beyond Wilkes; there is no connection with the world outside of PA."



**Barbara Ann
Talaska**

"My age and financial difficulties."

Photos by Jen Barkas

12 Play definately "Bumps N' Grinds"

By Azhani Rashidi
Special to the Beacon

R. Kelley's latest release, *12 Play*, will set you hip-hopping to its funky groove. The album is perhaps one of the greatest rap revolution, soul stimulating, hip-hop rhythm and blues composition ever made by an artist today. After listening to the album over and over again, it was like experiencing a whole different kind of black rapping music. It is the kind of beat you wouldn't mind dancing to.

Singer, R. Kelly is definitely not new to the musical arena. In his last album, titled, "Born in the Nineties," he was part of the group called, "The Public Announcement," but decided to go solo after the release of the album, which did not do well on the charts. Upon braking up with the group in 1991, his career soared up to the caliber of singers like Bobby Brown, Johnny Gill, and Trey Lorenz.

Produced and arranged by R. Kelly, in collaboration with executive produce Barry Hankeson, his song "Bump N' Grind," earned him the Top 10 MTV Countdown for 13 weeks in a row as well as the British Soul Countdown where his mu-

sic is a big time hit. The album itself consists of 12 songs, thus explaining the title of the album *12 Play*, which has a combination of rap, R&B, and acappella rhythms to it. The songs are sensual, erotic and real for they reflect the singer's true emotions.

One song in particular called "Summer Bunnies," speaks of his life back in the hood and how people scorned him and called a 'slank' but now that he is rich and successful everyone seems to have respect for him. This one is acappella with his boys backing him up by clapping, laughing and joking around in the background.

Another song titled, "Sadie," is a ballad dedicated to his late mother. This song is filled with emotions and Kelley makes us aware of this in a very special way through out the whole album. However, not all his songs are this tender, others like "Sex Me," is more daring and erotic. Here, he mainly sings about the steps he goes about in getting the girl to bed (obviously more on the explicit side).

R. Kelley's cd, *12 Play*, is twelve songs full of total enjoyment from beginning to end. If you like this kind of music it is definitely worth saving up for.

WU Chorus & Chamber Singers perform May 1

WILKES-BARRE — The Roman Church music and will Wilkes University Chorus and feature lutenist Ben Saferstein, Chamber Singers, under the direction of Alan Baker, will perform on Sunday afternoon, May 1 at 3 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre.

Originally composed for Lenten performance, the work John relates the Old Testament account of the Hebrew King who, Rutter's *Gloria* and Iacomo Carissimi's oratorio *Jepthe* will be featured.

Completed in 1974, Rutter's *Gloria* successfully established the composer's reputation and led to further settings of other traditional texts. Scored in three movements with an accompaniment of organ, brass and percussion, the work pays homage to the sonorities of both the Anglican Church and 17th-century Venice.

This portion of the program will accordingly be completed with the 17th-century Venetian music for chorus and brass by Claudio Monteverdi; as well as Sir Charles Villiers Stanford's *Magnificent* and *Nunc Dimittis in G Major* and Herbert Howell's *My Eyes for Beauty Pine*. The Monteverdi works will feature mezzo-soprano Heather Petruzelli and tenor Tim Rausenberger, while the Stanford piece will showcase soprano Dana Belson, baritone Corby Swan and organist Frank Hydash.

Carissimi's oratorio explores the leaner textures of 17th-century

sequently met by his only daughter. Both demonstrate their obedience to the Lord and she surrenders herself to die.

William Schuman's *Carols of Death*, set to the poetry of Walt Whitman; and selections from Randall Thompson's *Frostiana*, setting the poetry of Robert Frost will complete the program.



Photo courtesy of University Relations

Campus Interfaith to the rescue Attention: Blood needed!

On Tuesday, April 19, fifteen Wilkes University students volunteered at the Trucksville United Methodist Church as part of National Youth Service Day. The students raked leaves, picked stones and washed the church doors and win-

dows to prepare for the church's 150th anniversary. The project was set up by Amy Mazur, Coordinator of Volunteer Services. The students that participated are part of Campus Interfaith, under the directorship of Mary Hession.



Pictured above are some of the students helping clean up at the church.



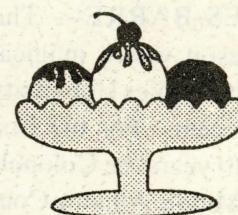
Photos courtesy of Amy Mazur

By LYNNMARIE
ROSENCRANCE
Features Editor

Well, that old arch rivalry is on again. However, this time it's not an athletic team or a debate team. No this time it is a blood drive. At the last two blood drives Kings beat Wilkes in the number of donors. This is unusual, says Diane O'Brien, Coordinator of Wilkes University's Health Services. For the past five years Wilkes has successfully exceeded its goal of 150 pints of blood at each blood drive. However, the past two drives have not even come close to fulfilling the quota. There will be another blood drive on Wednesday, May 4 at 10-4 in the Marts Center. Your donations are greatly needed, so please, come out and give a little of life.



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SPORTS

Football team looks to move on in 1994

WILKES-BARRE— The 1993 season was a magical one for the Wilkes University football team. For the first time in 20 years the Colonels won the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) championship and earned their first trip to the NCAA Division III playoffs.

With 10 starters returning, five each on offense and defense, coach Joe DeMelfi, the Jostens 1993 Division III National Coach of the Year, feels very good about the prospects for another championship season.

Leading the returning players on offense are junior quarterback Boo Perry and sophomore wide receiver Ryan Alston. The two All-American candidates had spectacular seasons in 1993, with Perry throwing for 2252 yards and 18 touchdowns. Alston, one of the most exciting players in the MAC, caught 38 passes for 741 yards

and a team-high eight touchdowns. He also rushed for 134 yards and one touchdown.

Another receiver who did not start but played an important role last year was Mike Gundersdorf. The lanky Gundersdorf, a sophomore, was third in receptions with 21 and second in touchdown catches with six. His 20.1 yards per catch led all Wilkes receivers.

Also returning on offense will be senior lineman Jeff Costello and Keith Fox (a 1993 MAC All-Star); and John Belows a sophomore.

With the loss of all-time leading rusher Jason Smith and starting fullback Larry Yudiski to graduation the Colonels will need to retool their ground attack. Among those expected to play an important role this year are Florida's 1993 Class AA State Player of the Year Elijah Powell who will step in at tailback, and sophomore Marc Jackett looks to be the starter at fullback.

Powell rushed for over 3700 yards in his high school career and has the potential to be one of the best backs in the history of Wilkes, while Jackett got some quality time last year and looks ready to assume the fullback job on a full-time basis.

Defensively in 1993 Wilkes held opponents to a meager 7.3 points per game, and until the final 15 minutes of the regular season, the Colonels were unscored upon in the fourth quarter. If the 1994 team is to be as good, several key reserves from last year will have to make the jump into starting roles.

One player who will be looked to as a leader on defense is first team Champion USA All-American defensive end Jake Cole. Last year Cole tied the Wilkes school record with 14 sacks while making 59 tackles. He also earned a second team Hansen Football Gazette All-American as well as

an ECAC and MAC Freedom League All-Star.

Returning in the defensive backfield is another All-American candidate, Aaron Wilk, who had five interceptions and 47 tackles last year.

Others returning on defense include Ben McKeown (DB), Bob Delbo (LB), and Joe Woodward (DB). Looking to step up and start this year will be last year's key reserves Lou Atkinson (LB), Shawn Masich (LB), Steve Molowski (DL), and Chris Cunningham (DL).

On special teams, junior Joel O'Donnell returns as placekicker and senior Joe Machuzak returns as punter.

"We feel good about both those players we have returning and our freshman recruits," said DeMelfi, who was also named the MAC Freedom League Coach of the Year and Kodak AFCA Division III Region Two Coach of the Year in 1993. "We've talked about taking another step each year and this

year it will be not just to make the NCAA playoffs but to make it to the second round.

"[Boo] Perry really came into his own last year and we're looking forward to bigger and better things from him this year," DeMelfi commented. "On defense [Jake] Cole was simply spectacular last year and we will look for him to have another great year and become the first two-time All-American in Wilkes' history."

The Colonels will open their 1994 season with a tough road contest at Division II Southern Connecticut on September 10 before returning home for the opener with Lebanon Valley a week later.

With a little more magic and lot of hard work, 1994 could be another fun season for the Wilkes University football team.

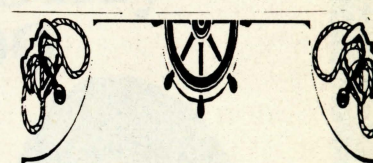
1994 MAC Softball Standings

Freedom League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
Lycoming	13	1	.929
Wilkes	6	2	.750
FDU-Madison	7	5	.583
Scranton	5	5	.500
Delaware Valley	7	7	.500
Drew	2	6	.250
King's	2	6	.250
Upsala	0	10	.000

Commonwealth League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
Messiah	10	0	1.000
Elizabethtown	8	2	.800
Moravian	8	4	.667
Widener	6	6	.500
Susquehanna	5	7	.417
Juniata	4	10	.286
Lebanon Valley	3	9	.250
Albright	2	8	.200



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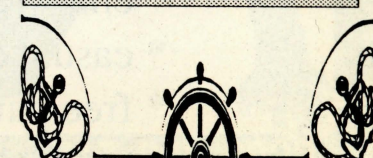
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1994 MAC Baseball Standings

Freedom League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
Wilkes	8	2	.800
FDU-Madison	9	3	.750
Drew	6	4	.600
Scranton	4	6	.400
Delaware Valley	3	5	.375
Upsala	3	5	.375
King's	1	9	.100

Commonwealth League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
Elizabethtown	9	1	.900
Messiah	9	1	.900
Lebanon Valley	7	3	.700
Susquehanna	5	5	.500
Moravian	4	8	.333
Juniata	3	7	.300
Widener	3	9	.250
Albright	2	8	.200

1994 MAC Men's Tennis Standings (thru 4/24)

Freedom League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
King's	5	0	1.000
Drew	4	1	.800
Scranton	3	1	.750
FDU-Madison	3	2	.600
Lycoming	2	4	.333
Upsala	0	4	.000
Wilkes	0	5	.000

Commonwealth League

Team Name	W	L	Pct.
Susquehanna	6	0	1.000
Moravian	4	1	.800
Albright	4	2	.667
Elizabethtown	3	3	.500
Messiah	4	3	.573
Widener	2	3	.400
Lebanon Valley	1	5	.167
Juniata	0	7	.000

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SPORTS

Colonels sweep over King's and Drew One win away from Freedom League Title

By DAVID McCABE
Sports Editor

The Wilkes University baseball team moved a few steps closer to the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) Freedom League championship with consecutive sweeps over King's and Drew this past week.

The four wins move the Colonels' overall record to 14-8, and the team's Freedom League record to 8-2.

In the sweep over King's, the Colonels used complete games from both Mark Youngblood and Joe Balay, and two home runs from Tom Whille to take the win with scores of 10-1 and 13-3.

In the first game, Dave Kaschak had the hot bat, going 3-for-5 with two RBI's

FIRST GAME			
WILKES		KING'S	
	ab r h bi		ab r h bi
Klem cf	4 2 2 0	Weldon cf	3 1 1 0
Kelly dh	4 2 1 1	Scarz 2b	4 0 1 0
Michaels 3b	5 1 1 1	Bretzius lf	3 0 2 1
Kaschak ss	5 2 3 2	Kolchano c	3 0 1 0
White rf	3 1 2 2	Chauamp 3b	2 0 0 0
Endres 1b	4 0 0 0	Stagliano 1b	3 0 0 0
Meyers lf	4 0 0 0	Leskosky dh	2 0 1 0
Flynn c	4 1 2 0	Rosado rf	2 0 0 0
Carver 2b	4 2 2 0	Coleman rf	1 0 0 0
		Nofoss	2 0 0 0
		Dwyer ss	1 0 1 0
Totals	37 10 12 4	Totals	26 1 7 1

SECOND GAME			
WILKES		KING'S	
	ab r h bi		ab r h bi
Klem cf	5 2 1 0	Weldon cf	4 1 2 2
Kelly dh	3 3 2 3	Scarz 2b	4 0 1 0
Michaels 3b	4 1 2 2	Bretzius p	3 0 1 0
Kaschak ss	4 1 2 3	Kolchano c	2 0 1 0
White rf	4 2 2 2	Chauamp 3b	3 0 0 0
Endres 1b	3 0 0 0	Leskosky lf	4 0 0 0
Parker lf	4 1 0 0	Piombino 1b	2 1 1 1
Klinetob c	4 1 0 0	Dwyer 2b	2 1 1 1
Carver 2b	4 2 2 1	Coleman rf	3 0 0 0
Totals	35 13 11 10	Totals	27 3 7 3

and a double. Steve Klem, Ryan Flynn, and Chris Carver all collected two hits apiece in the victory.

In the second game against Wilkes' cross-town rival, Balay gave up just seven hits and struck out five as the Colonels won easily.

At the plate, Whille, Kaschak, Carver, Dave Kelly, and Rob Michaels all collected two hits apiece.

In the double-header against Drew University, Whille and Kaschak continued their hot pace as each clouted two-run homers.

In the opener, a 4-2 Colonel victory, Billy Noone picked up the win on the mound, moving his season record to 5-0. Noone went all seven innings, striking out nine and walking just one.

At the plate in game one, Steve Endres went 3-for-3, with three RBI's, while Klem

went 2-for-3.

The Colonels would rout Drew in game two by a score of 13-3.

In the contest, Kaschak collected two hits, including his two-run homer in the first inning, while Whille went 2 for 3 with three RBI's.

Klem and Kelly also had two hits apiece, with Klem stealing three bases.

Kevin Gryboski went the distance, striking out six and walking just one.

Wilkes must now either split or sweep their double-header with Upsala, (8-19)(3-5), to claim the MAC Freedom league title.

This will also give the Colonels a home game for the first round of the MAC playoffs on May 4. A win then would advance the Colonels

into the championship game on May 7 in Harrisburg.

DREW			
	ab r h bi		ab r h bi
Simpson cf	3 0 0 0	Klem cf	3 1 2 0
Quinty rf	3 0 0 0	Kelly dh	2 1 0 0
Kroll c	2 0 0 0	Michaels 3b	2 2 1 0
Yorke 2b	3 0 0 0	Kaschak ss	3 0 0 0
Arthur dh	3 0 1 0	White rf	2 0 1 0
Pierce 1b	2 1 0 0	Endres 1b	3 0 3 3
Manning lf	3 0 1 1	Flynn c	3 0 0 0
Rundle ss	3 1 0 0	Meyers lf	3 0 1 0
Waack 2b	2 0 1 1	Carver 2b	3 0 0 0
		Noone p	0 0 0 0
Totals	24 2 3 2	Totals	24 4 8 3

DREW WILKES 020 000 0 - 2
3B - Manning; WP - Noone IP 7, SO 9, BB 1;
LP - Petrocelli IP 4, SO 3, BB 3.

DREW WILKES 200 100 1 - 4
HR - Kaschak, Whille; WP - Gryboski IP 7,
SO 6, BB 1; LP - Ferranti IP 5, SO 3, BB 4.

Lady Colonels crush Upsala; Improve to 10-2 overall

WILKES-BARRE— The Wilkes University softball team swept a double-header from Upsala, 31-1 and 24-1, Saturday in East Orange, N.J.

The wins improved the Lady Colonels record to 10-2 overall, and 6-2 in the MAC Freedom League.

Tricia Kirk picked up the first game win while Amy Rosengrant gained the victory in game two.

In the opener, Kathy Moran led the assault with four hits, including three doubles, a home run, three



Lady Colonels in action last week

runs batted in and five runs scored. Sandi Warntz also had a four hit game, with a

double, three RBI's and two runs scored, while Steph Hastings had three hits with a

double and a three-run homer.

In the second contest, Rosengrant, aided her own

cause with two hits and two runs batted in while Michelle Shaffer had two hits with a homer and four runs batted in.

Jen Stackhouse had two hits and a triple and Sue Moran had two hits.

Wilkes must now win four out of their last six league games to claim second place in the MAC Freedom League.

The playoffs will be held at FDU-Madison on May 5 and 6.

The Lady Colonels play this afternoon, when King's College makes the trip across town.

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