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Beacon Editorial Staff Selected

LoPresti Is Elected IDC Chief

BY CHUCK RIECHERS

Sophomore political science major Mike LoPresti is the new Interdormitory Council president. LoPresti, the recipient of this year's IDC Outstanding Representative award, succeeds Bob Howes who served as IDC president since last spring.

LoPresti has served on the IDC activities committee, the Concert and Lecture Series Committee, the sophomore class film committee, and is a Student Government representative.

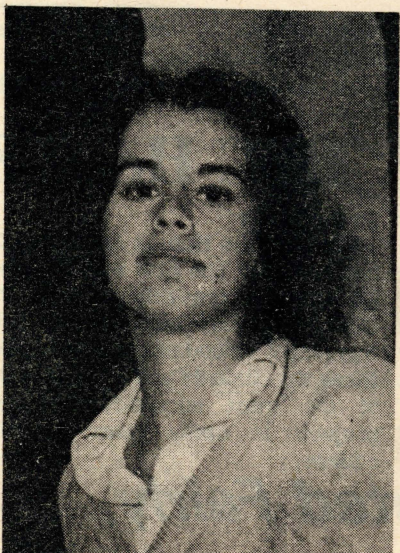
Assisting LoPresti on the executive council are incumbent vice-president Tom Trost and treasurer Amy Santilli, incoming recording secretary Kerry McMahon, and corresponding secretary Mindy Heyman.

John Chakmakus and Jane Matalavage received the Outstanding Senior Male and Female Dormitory Student awards.

"Trix" will present a concert Saturday evening in the gymnasium from 9-1. There is no charge. The "Kiss" concert has been cancelled.

IDC voiced no opposition to tentative commuter council plans for joint CC-IDC Halloween, Christmas and St. Patrick's Day parties. IDC representatives Bert Katz suggested that dates and locations for such events be determined "far in advance."

Elections for Senior CC representatives will be held today from 11-1 in the Commons.



DONNA M. GEFFERT



RICHARD COLANDREA



PATRICE STONE

Two Seniors Head Paper

The appointment of Donna Geffert and Richard Colandrea alternate editors of the Wilkes College BEACON for the 1975-76 academic year was approved last week by the Student Publications Committee. As a result of the decision the two Wilkes seniors will share the top two editorial positions on the campus newspaper.

The committee also approved the appointments of Patrice Stone as News Editor and Dottie Martin as Advertising Manager. Fran Polkowski and Marianne Montag were also approved as Co-Editors. Paul Domowitch was reappointed as Sports Editor for the third consecutive year and Pat Reilly as Chief Business Manager for her second term. Sandy Akrom also returns as Op-Ed Editor.

Both Miss Geffert and Mr. Colandrea exhibited the qualifications necessary for the management of a college newspaper. It was therefore decided to appoint them as revolving editors and allow them both the experience of running a newspaper.

Under this plan, Miss Geffert will assume the position of Editor-in-Chief for the Fall semester and Mr. Colandrea will serve as Managing Editor. The positions will be reversed in the Spring semester when Mr. Colandrea assumes the post of Editor-in-Chief.

Donna Geffert is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Geffert. She resides with her parents at 58 South Street, Plains and is a History and English major at Wilkes. She is also interested in education and will student teach next spring.

Miss Geffert has worked on a newspaper and currently has a concentration in Journalism. She completed the Professional Internship in Journalism while working with Jack Wallace of the Wilkes-Barre Times Leader-Record. She is also the recipient of the National Newspaper Fund internship for the summer.

Rich Colandrea is a Commerce and Finance major. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Colandrea of Springfield, New Jersey. He serves as president of his dormitory and is a familiar face on the Wilkes campus.

He has worked on the campus newspaper for four years and has experience in the field of Journalism. He attended a Journalism seminar at Columbia University and recently completed the internship offered at Wilkes College. As part of the internship he worked as a general assignment reporter at the Sunday Independent.

Patrice Stone is a sophomore accounting major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Stone and she resides with them in Wilkes-Barre Township. She worked on the newspaper staff for two years and attended Journalism Seminar at Columbia University in March.

Graduation Set For May 24; Ceremony At Ralston Field

Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises for the Class of 1975 are scheduled for Sunday, May 25 at 2 p.m. at Ralston Field.

A full slate of activities are planned starting Thursday, May 22. Beginning on May 22 at 10, rehearsal will take place in the Wilkes College Gymnasium followed by an official class meeting at the same location at 11:30 that morning. At 12:15 p.m. a combined class and faculty luncheon is on tap on Bedford lawn. Later that evening, a dinner dance will be held starting 6:30 p.m. at the Treadway Inn. This Annual Senior Dinner Dance, for the graduates, is sponsored by the college and guests may attend. The dress is semi-formal. All graduates are expected to attend this affair and must acquire their tickets in the Bookstore by Wednesday, May 21. Guest tickets are \$5.00 each.

On Friday, May 23, the late Dr. Farley's Beaumont Farm will be the site of the annual graduation picnic

from 12-4 p.m. The next day, Saturday, May 24 is held as an open date.

Then, immediately following Sunday's Commencement schedule, all graduates, faculty, and friends are invited by the Alumni Association at a reception dance at the Sterling Hotel.

Bob Considine, one of the best and most famous newspaper columnists, will address the Class of 1975. In the event of inclement weather, Considine will address the graduates in the Kingston Armory.

A few specific details, which apply to all graduates, are essential to ensure proper scheduling and planning. First, graduates are asked by the college to appear at Ralston Field in their caps and gowns on May 25 no later than 12:30 p.m. Graduates are asked to form in the blacktop parking area on the knoll adjacent to the dressing room at Ralston Field. The college requests that parking will be permitted in the

designated area and not to bring cars in the blacktop area where the graduates will convene.

For the Commencement activities, where caps and gowns are worn, it is requested that both men and women wear dark conservative clothing and dark shoes.

The graduate need not return the cap and gown. Every degree candidate must go to the Bookstore by May 2 to be measured for the caps and gowns. They may then be picked up at any time prior to the Commencement week.

Announcements concerning graduation are available at the Bookstore. Each graduate is entitled to six announcements, but additional announcements may be purchased.

Those potential graduates, who have reason to doubt their attaining satisfactory academic standing, should be fully aware, and should avoid making plans that could cause embarrassment. Dean George Ralston requests students to see him.



RECEIVES AWARD—Wilkes College's oldest student M.D. Brandwene is shown presenting senior Nancy Rodda the M.D. Brandwene Award for her outstanding achievements in philosophy and religious studies.

Students Receive Awards

BY MARIANNE MONTAGUE

The annual Wilkes College Awards Luncheon was held on Tuesday in the lounge of the Wilkes College Center for the Performing Arts.

Over 115 people attended the luncheon, which is held to recognize students who have excelled in academic endeavors and in the extra curricular activities of the college.

Arthur Hoover, Director of Student Activities, made introductions and remarks were given by college President Dr. Francis Micheli and Dean of Men George Ralston.

The following students were honored:

Who's Who Awards, presented by Mr. Hoover—Paul Terry Blaum, John Chakmakas, Richard Clompus, Carol Drahos, Ann Dysleski, Kerry Graf, Richard Hingston, Robert Howes, John Kelley, Maureen Kortbawi, Cynthia Lenahan, Jane Matalavage, Vincent Matteo, Marilyn Olejnik Papciak.

Also Andrew Petyak, Ann Rapoch, Pauline Seleski, Vincent Splendido, Michael Stambaugh, Jenny Wunder, Carol Zambetti, Stewart Feeney, Linda Holonia, Beth Kaye, Jonathan Keough, David Matthews, Catherine McCarty, Paula Pinter, Nancy

Rodda, Nancy Schultz, and Mariellen Scott.

Air Force ROTC Awards, by Captain Richard Carpenter—Military Order of World Wars Medal—Joanne Lewandoski; General Dynamics of AFROTC Cadet Award-Tech. Sgt. Mark Symanowicz; E.G.F. Arnott Memorial Prize, by Dr. Edmond A. Watters, III—Mariellen Scott; BEACON Awards, by Paul Domowitch—Female Athlete of the Year—Nancy Roberts; Male Athlete of the Year—Gene Ashley.

Biology Department Awards, by Dr. Charles Reif, Dr. Lester Turoczi, and Sam Piemontese—Pollywog Award—David Matthews; Biology Beaker—Andrew Baron; Biology Research—Richard Clompus

and Andrew Baron; Biological Argenio and Jeffery Metzger.

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EDITORIAL

Close Of Another Year

It seems like only yesterday that school began but it is now May and the close of another school year. It has been a good year for many at Wilkes and some will be sad to see it end. Seniors will especially be sad as graduation approaches, but happy that four years of work are out of the way.

The BEACON would like to extend best wishes to the members of the class of '75 and hopes that each one will attain the goals he seeks. We would also like to wish everyone a good vacation and we look forward to serving you again in the fall.

Cherry Blossom Success

Cherry Blossom Festival was held last weekend and it was a smashing success. Saturday was a beautiful day and the carnival set up on the River Common provided a day of fun. It is only too bad that the weather did not hold up on Sunday as well.

Those who planned the carnival worked hard at it and they deserve the thanks of everyone who attended it. George Pawlish, Jane Matalavage, Ann Marie Ramonowich, and all students involved did a fine job. It was well planned and organized and that is what makes such an event a success. Such activities are always appreciated and it's too bad we don't have many more like it on campus.

Letters To The Editor

Senior Questions Worth Of Four Years

To the Editor:

As graduation approaches and I look back at and re-examine the experiences of my four years of study at Wilkes College, I realize that I have learned an awful lot about many things. One question then arises: was it worth it?

I learned much in the field of study I chose and I am grateful for this. Wilkes has some of the best educators in their fields and so is able to provide its students with a quality education — most of the time. There are a few professors who know little about what they are supposed to teach and they show it.

I also learned that economics is what matters. It is nice to say that Wilkes provides a "liberal" education, but it seems as if the school is now moving away from that ethic and promoting the areas of study which are now attracting more students: the sciences and the business areas.

rotten apples in the barrel, the people of Wilkes College are great. To answer that question which arises — yes! It was worth the four years.

Sincerely,
A Senior

HSC Head Slams Faculty

To the Editor:

Recently the Human Services Committee of Wilkes College sponsored two projects. The first was the March of Dimes Walkathon which raised \$26,700 for the prevention of birth defects. The second was the Wilkes Blood Donor Day which netted almost 250 pints of blood; easily enough to cover this school's blood needs for one year. On behalf of the HSC, I would like to thank the students and especially the administration for making these two of the most successful service projects in many years at the college.

However, despite the "excess" of publicity and the reminders from the administration, only FOUR pints of blood were received from the Wilkes faculty. The Bulletin lists more than 175 faculty members.

The one question I would like to ask is this: How can a different member of the faculty come forth (in good conscience) each week in this newspaper's faculty column and pretend to be an active part of the school when less than three per cent cared enough to give "the gift of life" to Wilkes College?

Sincerely,
David Davies

DiZebba Treated Fairly, Concerned Student Says

To the Editor:

This is in response to the letter in last week's BEACON by Mr. Trimmer. He seems to present a valid argument against Guy DiZebba's disqualification, but he does fail to recognize the fact that Student Government made only a recommendation to Judicial Council that "Pinky" be ineligible to run for office.

"Pinky" was given his chance at a special Judicial Council meeting to defend his case. At that time he had an opportunity to bring forward his "Friend" who admitted to the illegal sign posting.

All was taken into consideration. "Pinky" had his chance to explain fully and to the best of his knowledge what had transpired. The Judicial Council handed down its decision to uphold Student Government's recommendation.

I feel that "Pinky" had a fair representation and opportunity to present his case. Therefore, in my estimation, I do not feel that "Pinky" was "cheated" out of the IDC presidency, but rather had been, with all evidence presented, deemed ineligible to hold office.

The decision was not in any one's personal interest as Mr. Trimmer would believe. In conclusion, I would like to ask that future inquirers into similar situations try to seek knowledge of both sides of the problem and try to make a fair unbiased judgement.

Concerned

What's Happening?

- Thursday, May 8**
Letterwomen Initiation Tennis
Wilkes College Band Concert — 8:30 p.m. — CPA
Commuter Council Meeting — 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 9**
Spring Term Classes End
Golf — Scranton and Upsala (away)
Athletic Dinner — Wilkes College Dining Hall
Wilkes College Chorus Concert — 8:30 p.m. — CPA
- Saturday, May 10**
Faculty Women's Luncheon
Baseball — Alumni (home)
Tennis — Albright (home)
Lacrosse — Kutztown State (home)
- Sunday, May 11**
Mother's Day
Wilkes College Madrigal Singers Concert — 3:30 p.m. — CPA
Banana Split Sunday — River Common (free)
- Monday, May 12 — Saturday, May 17**
Final examinations
- Friday, May 16**
Fine Arts Fiesta — Public Square
- Sunday, May 18**
Antique Auto Show — Ralston Field
- Thursday, May 22**
President's Dinner honoring the Class of 1975
- Friday, May 23**
Senior Class Graduation rehearsal
Class Meeting
Faculty Luncheon
- Saturday, May 24**
Senior Class Picnic — Fair-Lea (Beaumont)
- Sunday, May 25**
28th Annual Commencement
Alumni Dance for Graduates — Hotel Sterling

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Tickets On Sale For Car Wash

The Women's Athletic Association of Wilkes College is sponsoring a car wash on Saturday, May 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the East End Arco Station at Kidder and Scott Street in Wilkes-Barre.

Tickets are \$1 and can be bought in advance from any cheerleader, majorette, or strutter. The money raised by the car wash will be used for new uniforms for members of these organizations.

Officers of the W.A.A. are Laura Davis, President; Janet Levitski, First Vice-President; Mary Lou Gottlieb, Second Vice-President; Donna Volovic, Recording Secretary; Sandy Sabatini, Corresponding Secretary; and Sue Rineheimer, Treasurer.

NEWS... VIEWS... THINGS...

Just For Kicks

'In The World Of Sports ...'

BY PATTI REILLY

Almost everyone has at one time or another ventured into Hottle's Restaurant on South Main Street. Hottle's is infinitely famous for their fine selection of seafood and steaks.

Reservations are almost always necessary at Hottle's. The food is good and reasonably priced, beer and mixed drinks are also available.

Upon visiting Hottle's, we found the appetizers to range from steamed clams to antipasto trays. The clam chowder was homemade and very good, as was the oyster bisque.

The lobster dinner was almost too much to eat, while another critic thought the sandwiches "were bigger than expected." The hamburgers were "really good," and the chili was termed "delicious," considered the other critic.

The only disappointment of the evening, by common consensus, was the cheesecake. It was "different in taste and consistency," according to the cheesecake experts.

Overall, the dinner was above average, the service amiable, and the atmosphere made one feel "encompassed in sports."

Evaluation Forms Given New Twist

BY MARIANNE MONTAGUE

The end of another year is at hand. Soon all our friendly neighborhood professors will be passing out evaluation forms so we can tell them just what we think of them and their courses. I have designed my own Teacher-Course Evaluation Form which I feel to be very practical. This multiple choice form will save a lot of time and energy on the students' part and students need all the time and energy they can get.

- I found this course to be
 - interesting.
 - boring.
 - in S.L.C. room 217.
 - I'm still looking for it.
- In this course I learned
 - a lot of vital, practical things.
 - how to sleep with my eyes open.
 - what the professor eats for lunch.
 - not to take the professor again.
- What I liked most about the professor was
 - his enthusiasm for the subject matter.
 - the way he mocked out the administration.
 - the fact that he cut more than I did.
 - the way he decorated my papers with a lot of red marks.
- I'd judge the testing to be
 - fair.
 - unfair.
 - beyond my wildest dreams.
 - the work of the Corleone family.
- I felt that the professor
 - knew the subject matter.
 - violated my constitutional rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.
 - thought he was underpaid.
 - should have a bomb put in his car.
- My suggestions for the improvement of this course include
 - nothing-it's just fine the way it is.
 - get proof that the professor who taught it graduated from high school.
 - serve coffee and donuts in the middle of each class.
 - forget they ever offered it.
- I would recommend this course to
 - everyone at this college.
 - everyone at this college who I can't stand.
 - everyone at this college who can't stand me.
 - Communists and people who steal candy from babies.

Wilkes Circle K Wins Awards

"We Build" is more than an organizational motto for the Circle K Club of Wilkes College — it is a way of life.

Ever since gaining a charter from Circle K International in 1962, the Kiwanis-affiliated chapter has been able to maintain its original purpose which is to help their fellow man through campus and community involvement.

This dedication was recently noted at the 13th annual Pennsylvania District Circle K Convention, recently held at the Quality Motel in Carlisle, where the Wilkes Chapter received three high awards.

The 43-member Wilkes contingent was cited for first places in the "Single Service" and "Achievement" categories and was awarded a special plaque for their participation in a successful Multiple Sclerosis project.

Honored at the convention, which drew representatives from 18 Pennsylvania colleges and universities, were the outgoing governor and secretary, Mark Van Loon and Barbara Gavlick, both members of the Wilkes club.

Van Loon is the fourth person in the Wilkes chapter's history to have held the highest office in the Pennsylvania District. The other local members who have ascended to the governorship include: Barry Miller (1966-67), Nelson Smiles (1969-70), Blase Gavlick (1972-73), and Van Loon.

The object of the Circle K movement on the campus today is to provide college men and women with a means by which those students interested in helping others and being of service in society can express this concern. From a modest beginning in 1936, Circle K has grown into an international campus organization, encompassing over 800 clubs with 14,000 members.

During the past 13 years the Wilkes club has consistently been one of the stronger chapters on the state level, winning first or second place "Achievement" awards in every year since 1965. The "Achievement" award is given to the club displaying the top overall performance in the state during that calendar year.

This year's "Single Service" project involved not only the students on campus, but the community and the Luzerne County Prison. The project included the sorting and dispersment of books which had been collected at the library in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Agnes in 1972.

Counties To Be Aided By Conservation Group

Many people are beginning to recognize the effects of continued development in rural areas. Open space is needed for protection of watersheds, and wildlife, for farming and timbering, for recreation and for preserving the quality of life. Many significant natural areas have already been destroyed in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

In reaction against this trend a new organization, The Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservancy, has been formed. The Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservancy (NEPAC) is affiliated with The Nature Conservancy, a national non-profit organization whose resources have been devoted to preserving significant natural areas.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservancy will operate on both regional and county levels. The counties to be included are: Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Wayne, Tioga, Wyoming, Bradford

Very Interesting...

Margaret Thompson



ALWAYS ON THE GO—Amidst her papers, Miss Margaret Thompson of the Education Department, is doing a final check on all her students. When the end-of-the-semester work is completed, she will make last minute plans for her trip to England as a member of the English Exchange Program.

BY SANDY AKROMAS

It is very difficult to discuss a person who has done so much for students on the Wilkes campus.

Where does one begin?

In the three years of her stay at the college, Margaret Thompson has proven to be a fine asset.

Starting as a greenhorn with us freshmen, it was her first job teaching on the college scene. Previously, she had taught elementary children in Freeport School District for over seven years. As an advisor for elementary education majors, it was her first time ever to hold such a position. And she did a great job. Though she was a little nervous about instructing college students, Miss Thompson, however, was well qualified. She received a M.Ed. from Pittsburgh University.

Miss Thompson is a very active and involved person — not only with her students, but with her own hobbies as well.

Every chance she gets, Miss Thompson likes her canoe and

paddles down a nearby river. (Her favorite place to go is Frances Slocum State Park). Miss Thompson has also traveled extensively in the United States and Europe. Alaska, Oregon, New Mexico and along the east coast have been just some of the places she has visited.

While traveling with this phenomenal woman on the German Exchange Program last summer, I discovered this woman had more energy than four of us students combined. She was always on the go and hasn't stopped yet!

One quality, which is admired by most of her students, is that she is always available if one needs help. At least she was there in her 3rd floor office at Payne according to her posted office hours. If by chance she wasn't there, she was out observing her student teachers.

Her students (past and present) are very fortunate to have Miss Thompson in the classroom. She was always open for ideas and listened to what her students had to say.

Unfortunately, along with many other fine teachers, Miss Thompson is leaving after this semester. She hopes to finish her dissertation for her doctorate and plans to teach in either Australia or New Mexico.

Notices

A general meeting of the Junior Class Executive Council Meeting, Thursday, May 8 at 11 a.m. SLC 334.

Commuter Council elections for a senior class representative will be held today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Commons.



AT CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL—Thousands of people who attended annual Wilkes-Barre Cherry Blossom Time activities last weekend had at least one good day of sunny weather as the Wilkes College carnival, located on the South River Commons, was a favorite meeting spot for young and old alike. One of the popular displays was the International Exhibit which was presented by the Wilkes College language department. Playing a major role in its success were, left to right: Sharon Hohol, Luzerne; Steve Spock, Plymouth; Lois Krokos, Wilkes-Barre; Jane Miller, Forty Fort; Terry Mackavage, Forty Fort; and Dr. Hilda Marban.

Many Courses To Be Offered During Two Summer Sessions

BY FRANK BARAN

Several new courses, including many topics courses, will be offered for the first time during the 1975 Wilkes College summer sessions.

John Meyers, Director of Continuing Education and Graduate Studies, noted that the summer schedule reflects not only the courses the faculty would like to teach, but also courses requested by students. "We're not in a position to guarantee that all these requests will be met, but we'll try to meet them."

One of the key factors in accommodating student proposals for summer courses is the number of students interested in the requested course. "If a student wants to suggest a particular course for the summer, he should get several of his friends to agree to take it. That way we will be sure of having enough

Summer Trips Are Sponsored By Alumni Group

Vacation time is coming up once again and the Wilkes College Alumni Association are offering two choices that you can't refuse.

The first trip will jet you via American Airlines to the fun and the surf of beautiful Hawaii. This dream come true includes round trip airfare to Honolulu where upon arrival you will encounter the traditional Hawaiian flower lei greeting, deluxe accommodations at the ILIKAI Hotel, dinner six evenings on the dine-around plan, sightseeing tour of Honolulu and Mount Tantalus by motorcoach and much more.

Can you think of a better way to spend the week of July 8-15 at the low cost of \$479?

If you're in the mood to travel abroad the second trip will satisfy your appetite as you jet to that lovely land clothed in emerald, Ireland.

The trip which is scheduled from August 1-9 will let you catch those leprechauns at the end of the

students to make the course worthwhile," said Meyers.

One example of the college's willingness to meet student requests is in the scheduling of "Corporate Finance," B.A. 225, this summer. Because enough students asked, the course will be conducted Saturday mornings at 8:30 from May 31 to August 8.

In reviewing the courses offered for the first time, Meyers explained that one of them, "Introduction to Business," B.A. 101, is a result of a recent curriculum change. This course replaces Econ 111 as a requirement for all economics and business administration majors. However, those students who have already completed Econ 111 will not have to take B.A. 101.

Professor Welton Farrar will teach B.A. 101 in the first summer session; the course will be offered again in the fall semester.

A history seminar, Hist. 497, "Modern South Asia," may prove especially interesting in the aftermath of the fall of South Vietnam and Cambodia to Communist forces. The course will be conducted in the second day session by Dr. Joel Berlatsky.

Topics courses will be offered in History, Political Science, Sociology, and Biology.

Course fees will remain the same as last summer: \$65 per credit for the undergraduate programs and \$75 per credit for the graduate programs. Graduate course fees in Education will be \$65 per credit.

Students can pick up a copy of the 1975 Summer College Bulletin in the

Division of Continuing Education and Graduate Studies office in the basement of Weckesser Hall.

Many graduate courses, particularly in Education, are also open.

Amnicola Heads Chosen

As the 1975 spring semester rapidly draws to a close, new student leaders are being selected to continue in the offices of their predecessors — the campus yearbook is no exception.

During the week the Wilkes Publications Committee approved the recommendation of Professor Chester Colson, Amnicola advisor, nominating Debbie Morano and Joe Dettmore as the 1975-76 yearbook editor and assistant editor respectively.

Debbie, a junior music major, will take charge for the second year as the Amnicola's chief.

A native of Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., Debbie notes that the 1976 yearbook will concentrate on the historical theme of the Bicentennial.

A graduate of Coughlin High

Spring Music Week Noted By Concerts

BY LISA WAZNIK

The Wilkes College Department of Music in conjunction with National Music Week will present the annual Spring concerts featuring the Wilkes College Concert Band, Chorus, and Madrigal Singers.

Tonight at 8:30 in the Center for Performing Arts, the Wilkes College Concert Band, conducted by Raymond Nutaitis, will present a "Pops" concert.

The program begins with the Ralph Vaughn Williams composition "Flourish for Wind Band," and the famous "Overture 1812" Opus 49, by Tchaikovsky. Next is Mendelssohn's Piano Concerto in G Minor Opus 25 featuring Joel Jones at the piano. Concluding the first segment is a Simon and Garfunkel medley. This medley, written by Paul Simon, was arranged by the department's band arranging class, Music 216, with William Weber, instructor.

The second part of the program starts with "Lyric Dance" by Frank Bencriscutto and "Washington Post" by John Phillip Sousa. For the next number "Reflections" by Roger Nixon, the ensemble will be conducted by Marcia Hasse, guest student conductor. Another Sousa selection, "El Capitan," follows.

In continuing with the "Pops" program, a Cole Porter Medley arranged by Robert Russell Bennett will be performed. The program concludes with highlights from "Godspell" by Stephen Schwartz.

Friday night the Wilkes College Chorus conducted by Jan Pederson will present their Spring Concert. The first selection is "The Choral Dances from Gloriana" by Benjamin Britten assisted by Donald Pugh and Joanne Bonanne, student conductors. The sacred compositions of the first half include "Our Father" by Gretchaninoff, "Go Not Far from Me, O God" by Zingarelli and "Ave Maria" by Tomas Luis de Victoria.

Two more contemporary sacred songs follow. "In the Beginning of Creation" 1970 by Daniel Pinkham is a composition for mixed chorus and

electronic tape. "Praise to God" 1968 by Knut Nystedt concludes the first half.

The second part of the program opens with the delightful selection of very short pieces by Norman Luboff entitled "Much Ado about Nothings" 1967. The texts of some of these are from epigrams, proverbs, signboards and, as the composer says, "most are completely manufactured nonsense."

Following are "Ain'a That Good News" a Negro spiritual, "Troyak" a Polish folk dance, and "Ye Banks and Braes" an old Scottish melody. The program concludes with "Granada" by Augustin Lara with Darice Sablesky accompanying.

The program begins at 8:30 in the C.P.A. and is free to the public.

Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. the Wilkes College Madrigal Singers will perform in the C.P.A. The program opens with four madrigals from the 17th century. Included in this section is "With Drooping Wings" from Dido and Aeneas by Henry Purcell. A contemporary section has "Devilish Mary" by Ernst Bacon and two songs by Vincent Persichetti. Following are two German folk songs by Felix Mendelssohn. The first half of the program ends with "Three Chorus from E.E. Cummings" by Peter Schickele.

The second half of the program opens with a selection from Gilbert and Sullivan's light operas. There are four selections featuring each of the singers. The program concludes with the "Songs You Forgot You Remembered" including the American favorites "Darling Nelly Gray" and "My Old Kentucky Home."

The Madrigal Singers are a small ensemble under the direction of Richard Chapline. Included in the group are Vicky Moss, Linda Phillips, Dorene Psikus, Darice Sablesky, Jane Lewis, Dolores Vida, Lisa Waznik, Dagmar Moravic, James Ruck, Donald Williams, Patrick Wright, Karl Bacon, John Cardoni, and Robert Klein.

EDITORS (From Page 1)

Dottie Martin, a junior English major from Pittston, has worked on the newspaper for two years as a female sports reporter. She is also employed as a reporter on the Pittston Dispatch.

Democrats

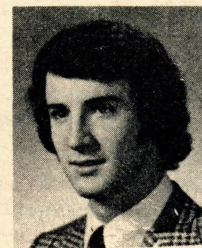
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SG Approves Budget For 1975-76



NEW WILKES STUDENT GOVERNMENT—Students at Wilkes College have a big say as to the educational, social and cultural climate under which they exist on the campus with their chief instrument of representation being the Student Government, a body of students elected from each of the four classes and charged with making known to the administration their specific needs as well as being responsible for campus affairs at the student level.

Recently the Student Government, which will administer various representative offices for the 1975-76 academic year, was installed. During the change-over meeting the new SG members were briefed on the accomplishments of this year's government body and plans were made under the new president, Edward Zaborney, of Mocanaqua, for the next college year.

New and old members at the reorganization meeting are, left to right, first row: Grant Philips, North Massapequa, N.Y.; Charles Munson, Chester; Liz Kwiecinski, Clifton, N.J.; Gina O'Brien, Hamilton Square, N.J.; Mr. Zaborney; Howard Stark, Kingston; Jackie Pickering, Plymouth; and Assistant Dean Edward Baltruchitis.

Second row: Ann Rapoch, Taylor, Pa.; Maureen Kortbawi, North Brunswick, N.J.; Donna Smith, Whitehouse, N.J.; Mary Jean DeSandes, Allentown; Patti Cullinan, Henrietta, N.Y.; Jan Petulak, Flemington, N.J.; Al Berger, Tom's River, N.J.; Steve Esrick, Rockville Center, N.Y.; Larry Asalita, Tamaqua; John Mento, North Catasaqua; Bob Spinelli, New Hartford, N.Y.; and Ann Marie Romanovich, Blakely.

Funds Equal \$55,000

Wilkes College Student Government recently approved its budget for the 1975-76 academic year. The budget calls for total allocations of approximately \$55,000.

Student Government voted to adopt Plan II of three plans drawn up by Student Government President "Zeke" Zaborney, Treasurer Howie Stark and advisor Dean Baltruchitis.

The budget is based on a student population of 1,900. At a \$25 activity fee for each student, Student Government would have \$47,500 with which to work. A "stipulated" grant of \$7,500 from the administration for the Concert and Lecture Series brings the total to the figure of \$55,000.

The budget was passed as drawn up with only one exception. It was recommended that \$2,075 be allocated to the Debate Union rather than the requested \$4,125. The Student Government body rejected the recommendation and voted to allocate the requested funds.

The Student Government budget for the year 1975-76 is shown below.

Organization	Request	Grant	Net Change
All College Weekend	\$15,000	\$12,000	-\$3,000
Debate Union	4,125	4,125	0
Commuter Council	3,600	3,000	-600
Concert and Lecture	13,550	13,550	0
Inter Collegiate	1,100	1,800	+700
Film Series	2,500	2,500	0
IDC	3,975	3,000	-975
Clubs	1,900	1,900	0
S.G. Fund	3,500	3,500	0
Special Projects	2,300	2,300	0
Senior Class	2,610	2,000	-610
Junior Class	3,300	2,000	-1,300
Sophomore Class	2,800	2,000	-800
Freshmen Class	1,000+	1,000	0
TDR	704	304	-400
SUB	3,000	0	-3,000
WCLH Radio	500++	0	-500

+Student Government annually allocates \$1,000 to the incoming Freshman class.

++WCLH is funded directly by the administration.

Awards Luncheon (from page 1)

M.D. Brandwene Award, by M.D. Brandwene-Nancy Rodda; Chemistry Department Award, by Dr. James Bohning and William Cheung-Senior Chemistry Award-Anthony Molitoris; Chemistry Club Freshman Award-Thomas Bazzini.

Commerce and Finance Department Awards, by Dr. Robert Werner and Brian Schlier-Dobson Award in Accounting-Michael Miscavage; The Pennsylvania Institute of CPA's-Richard Evans; Accounting Club Award for Commerce and Finance-Gary Gardner.

Commuter Council Senior Commendation Awards, by Jackie Pickering-Michael Stambaugh, Joe Kubicki, Marilyn Olejnik Papciak, Joe Suchoski, Cindy Lenahan, Carol Zambetti, Carol Drahus, and Bob Skrinak. Copernicus Award, by John Sulcoski-Michael Carroll.

Engineering Department Awards- by Dr. James Toole-Materials Engineering Achievement Award-Dana Hankey; Outstanding Engineering Student-Robert Lehman; Electrical Engineering Achievement Award-Robert Lehman; J.J. Ebers Memorial Award-A.E. Pietrzykoski. English Department Award, by Dr. Thomas Kaska-Anne Boyle.

Environmental Sciences Achievement Awards, by J. Phillip Richards and Henry Casilla-General Artistic Merit-Randy Steele; Honorable Mention General Artistic Merit-Catherine Link; Fine Arts Service-Tosca Villano; Fine Arts Honorable Mention Service-Mary Claire Kozlowicz; Hilda Richards Memorial Art Award-Janet Hines.

IDC Awards, by Mike LoPresti-Outstanding Male and Female Dorm Students-John Chakmakas and Jane Matalavage. Letterwomen Scholarship Award, Doris Saracino-Ellen Schwartz; Mathematics Department, by Dr. Bing Wong-Marie Matiska; Physics Department Award, by Dr. F.J. Donahoe-Robert Rostock; Political Science Service Award, by Dr. Jean Driscoll-Vincent Matteo.

Women's Activities Association Awards, by Janet Levitski-Judy Williams, Carol Farneti, Paula Pinter, Ann Murray, Linda Neher, Debbie Gregson, Mariellen Scott, Rosella Shafer, Sandy Terpstra. Wilkes College Theater Award, by Al Groh-Gary Schachter.

Human Services Committee Awards, by David Davies-Grissom House, Chapman Hall, Sterling Hall, Biological Society and Class of '78.

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Summer Workshop For HS Students

BY DONNA M. GEFFERT

Wilkes College Theater Department, under the direction of Al Groh, will present its annual Summer Theater Workshop for high school students, graduate students and teachers from Sunday, June 29 through Saturday, August 2, at the Center for the Performing Arts.

The program includes five weeks of instruction and experience in all phases of theater production, including: acting, costumes, props, lighting, scenery, makeup, sound, box office, and directing. Productions are scheduled for public performance.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide a challenging and creative experience for qualified high school sophomores, juniors and seniors and to better prepare teachers for their work in educational theater.

The college staff consists of experienced Wilkes College faculty and qualified students who have participated in previous summer sessions.

High school students will receive a Certificate of Achievement upon the successful completion of the five-week workshop.

The two graduate courses available include: "Drama Lab for Teachers I and II."

The first course consists of a study of the problems and practical methods of mounting elementary and secondary school productions. Classes will meet from 10 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, June 30 through August 1.

The second graduate course provides an opportunity to prepare a workshop production for an audience. Graduates will have an opportunity to work with high school students enrolled in the workshop. Classes will meet Monday through Friday, from June 30 through August 1, schedule to be arranged. Approval of the Wilkes theater director is required for class admission.

A limited number of scholarships are available for high school students upon receipt of applications.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Al Groh, Wilkes College Theater.



A receiving line welcomed the many guests who responded to invitations to attend the introduction and social reception of "Essays of An Educator," a book published through the efforts of local people about the writings of the late Dr. Eugene S. Farley, first president of Wilkes College.

Shown, left to right, at the affair in the Stark Learning Center, are: Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini, Mrs. Essie Davidowitz, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Farley, son of the late president; Mrs. Ethel Farley Douglas, a daughter of Dr. Farley; Mary Gale, Mrs. Robert Farley and Robert Farley, the latter also a son of the late college president; and Alfred S. Groh.

Dr. Farley Writings Introduced

The introduction of a new book, "Essays of An Educator," which contains 250 pages of the writings of the late Dr. Eugene S. Farley, first president of Wilkes College, took place during the week at a special ceremony and reception in the Stark Learning Center.

The publication grew out of the reading and selection of the thousands of words composed by the late educator during his 34 years as president of Wilkes College and previously as president of the Bucknell Junior College, the institution which became Wilkes by state charter in 1947.

Dr. Farley's three children — president; Alfred S. Groh, who has headed the Wilkes Theater for more than 25 years; and Mrs. Mary Gale. Their efforts over six months resulted in a publication that includes Dr. Farley's own account of how Bucknell Junior College and later Wilkes College grew from a one-building institution into an independent four-year liberal arts college which now has approximately 60 buildings, including the new \$6.7-million Learning Center. Selected writings also include papers on various educational and community subjects as

they relate to the local and national scene; "briefs" which were distributed to the college family and friends of the institution; poetry written by the late Mrs. Farley; and a project related to the future of Wilkes College and higher education in general

LACROSSE (From Page 8)

would falter. But as the weeks progressed, the Colonels put most of their hope in another bag—a bag labeled "NCAA tournament."

Four days ago, Christmas came early for the Wilkes College lacrosse team, and seniors like Gary Geischen, Bob Armstrong, Don Mock, Bob Mazzitelli, John Malatras and Vinnie Krill can be proud. They are going out as champions.

What about that second bag of hope, with the "NCAA tournament" label? It may be delivered in a few short days, and there will be no delay or doubt in the transmittance of that news. Hobrock will be within shouting distance of a telephone; Today...tomorrow...as long as it takes, waiting and hoping.

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Wants More Involvement

Schwab New Prexy Of Lettermen's Club

Tony Schwab, a junior business major from Wilkes-Barre, has been elected president of the Wilkes College Lettermen's Club for the upcoming year. The football and baseball standout will succeed outgoing prexy John Baron.

The other officers for the 1975-76 term are John Matusek, vice-president; Gary Taroli, secretary; and Fred Lohman, treasurer.

Schwab is optimistic about the future of the club while he is in office, and hopes to instill the prestige and importance that is truly deserving of the Lettermen's Club. "I think the club could be a very powerful tool on the Wilkes campus," he stated confidently, "and reaching that plateau is one of my first and primary goals."

Involvement has been the biggest problem faced by the club in the last few years, and Schwab hopes to rectify that. "Once the club does gain a little more prestige," he explained, "I think the members of the club will want to become much more active, and take on interest in its operation."

In addition to the many new ideas Schwab hopes to put into operation, the club will continue with the number of other projects that have marked its operation the last decade

or more. They include the annual lettermen's raffle, operation of the refreshment stand at all home basketball and wrestling meets, operation of the parking lot at all home football contests, and the presentation annually of the \$1,000 lettermen's scholarship to a deserving incoming freshman athlete.

CLUB NOTES: Meyers High School athlete Dan Pisarcik, an outstanding football and baseball player, appears to have the inside track on the scholarship, if he indeed does come to Wilkes. The announcement of the winner will be made sometime within the next two months. . . . Senior Bob Mazzitelli will receive the Bob McBride Memorial Lettermen's Award at the annual athletic banquet tomorrow evening for his outstanding service to the club.

Golf Team Closes Out Season Tomorrow Afternoon On Road

It was a strong Colonel golf team that swept a joint meet with Albright and Juniata last Friday. The Colonels finished with a 393 followed by Albright with 408 and Juniata with a 416. Low scorers for Wilkes were Larry Gurnari and freshman Kenny Dunlavage. Both fired 76's.

The beginning of the season was a disappointment for the Colonels, culminating with a tenth place finish in the MAC tournament. However, since the tournament Wilkes has been playing determined golf, winning every match. Perhaps this is an indication of what to expect next season.

"I'm a little disappointed that we didn't do better at the MAC event but we have no one to blame but ourselves. However, only losing Bobby (Dwyer) next season, I can't help but be optimistic for the future," explained Coach Schmidt. Despite their tenth place finish in the tournament the Colonels still have a lot to be proud of. They beat both Scranton and Moravian in dual

matches. Scranton was the first place finisher in the MAC while Moravian finished seventh.

The Colonels were 8 and 6 going into Monday's match with Susquehanna. They will close their season tomorrow in a joint meet with Scranton and Upsala. If the latter part of this season is any indication of things to come then it looks as though the Colonels may be leading the way in the MAC next year in the same way they did in 1971-72, when they took back to back crowns.

—ORISCHAK—

Decision To Be Made On Monday

BILL DIOGUARDI
LEE ROBERTS
BILL BERRIER
MIKE BRIGLIA
BOB BURLINGAME

Five names. Five men, who this coming Monday will become the most important people in Colonel baseball coach Gene Domzalski's life. Why? Because on Monday, (to set the scene a bit more melodramatically) this quintet will meet in a smoke-filled room somewhere on the East Coast with the lights dimmed low, and select a minimum of four and a maximum of eight teams for the NCAA's college-division Northeast Regional tournament, which will be played at a sight which is yet to be determined.

These five men are the NCAA baseball Tournament Selection Committee, and they hold the key, which will ultimately decide if today's game with Cornell is or isn't the end of the 1975 baseball season for the Wilkes Colonels. Dioguardi, the chairman of District II (which is the largest district in the nation), is athletic director at Montclair St. The others are also baseball coaches and/or athletic directors at schools within the NCAA District II region. Roberts hails from East Stroudsburg State College; Berrier, Juniata; Briglia, Glassboro State; and Burlingame, Albany State.

Domzalski has been this route before. A few years ago, Wilkes had the record and the talent deserving of an NCAA post-season bid. The committee disagreed. "No pitching," they said. Another time, the committee responded "you don't play enough games." Well this season, if there is one thing Wilkes has got, it is pitching with lefthanders Jim Stehle and Andy Kresky, and righthanders Paul Hughes and Barry Harcharufka combining for 13 wins in sixteen decisions.

The schedule. Sure, an 18 game season isn't much, when you compare it to Upsala's card, which includes 36 encounters. But academics come first at Wilkes, and the players are having enough trouble keeping up with their studies as it is, thanks to an eleven game road schedule. Anyway you look at it though, 13-3 (and maybe 15-3 by tonight) is one hell of a record and deserving of more than just meager consideration for the tournament.

"It would be different if this were just a shot in the dark," Domzalski stated. "But consistently, year in and year out we have been 14-3, 14-2, 13-5. The percentages have to be with us this time. This is a great team, and we have been working since February for just this chance. If we don't get it, it certainly isn't these kids' fault. They can do no more than they already have."

Monday afternoon, the decision will be finalized, and Domzalski will know if 1975 is finally the "year of the Colonel" or if 1975 is once again, the "year the Colonels were robbed of their rightful place among the best." Only time, and the NCAA Selection Committee will tell.

—DOMOWITCH—

Sports Chatter

By Paul Domowitch

Tomorrow evening's annual Wilkes College athletic banquet in the school cafeteria, will bring down the curtain on another year of athletics at the college. The festivities will begin with a dinner, and conclude with the presentations of trophies and awards to the athletes by the coaches.

It has been quite a year on the athletic scene at the college, with both success and disappointment marking the exploits of 13 inter-collegiate teams. The figures show seven of those thirteen turning in winning seasons, and three; the football, wrestling, and lacrosse teams winning conference crowns. But there is much more to athletic competition than just winning, and the phrase "either come home carrying your shield in victory, or come home on it" is not indicative of the individual athlete at Wilkes, or their respective teams. Athletics has always taken a backseat to academics at the college, and that is certainly how it should be. There are no David Thompson's or Anthony Davis' among the two hundred or more athletic participants, and for the Wilkes College sportsman, life and death does not hinge on his performance on the athletic field.

Keeping that in mind, we can see why the personal reward is just as fulfilling to someone like swimmer Dave Kowalek for winning the 200 hundred yard freestyle in a dual meet as it was for Gene Ashley winning a national title. Goals and expectations are set, and when they are reached or surpassed, no matter how big or how small, it makes the hours of sweat and perseverance well worth it.

Reflecting on the past year, we can note several examples of the big and the small, separate in talent, but similar in their pursuits.

It began last September on the Ralston Field gridiron. With the rain coming down by the bucketloads, the Wilkes gridders had their high hopes of national recognition washed away by an awesome C.W. Post football unit, 44-6. Picking themselves up, and drying themselves out, coach Roland Schmidt's team improved with every game, and clinched their first Middle Atlantic Conference championship in nearly a half decade on the last day of the season, beating Albright 14-10. It was a season that saw the Colonels often times play only as well as it took to win, but in that Albright contest, with the Colonel defense cracking the Lion "wishbone," the sweat and the bruises paid off.

The swim team's goals did not include an MAC title or national recognition. Under the guidance of vibrant head coach Rick Marchant, interest in the sport blossomed at the college, and the future appears bright for a sport that, a year earlier, was a few steps away from extinction. Possessing a spirit and a desire that was second to none, the wins did not surpass the losses, but the pride in their accomplishments was none the less measurable to that of the MAC champion gridders.

There were several near misses in primary goal achievement, as was the case with the wrestlers, who did not win a second straight national title, and the basketball and baseball teams, who did not win the long awaited and hoped for MAC title. But struggle and perseverance along the way reaped personal satisfaction, and a pride; pride in themselves and a pride in their team made it all worth while, despite not achieving that primary goal.

So, tomorrow night in the cafeteria, a few hundred Wilkes College athletes will be paid tribute for their accomplishments over the past year. While athletics may play second fiddle to academics at the school, and no one will probably ever go on to a star-studded professional career, "the pride of being a part" will be felt by everyone of those athletes, when the applause rings through the building. Tomorrow there will be no distinction between the winners and the also rans. Everybody will be recognized as what they truly are: a Wilkes College athlete. Take a bow.

'The Bear' (From Page 8)

press box, where he handled stats so well for the football team. And what about...well, you get the idea. The Bear is going to be missed by many people in many ways next year. His contributions to the Wilkes athletic program won't get him any trophies or awards, but he has

earned the respect and admiration of any and all people that have come in contact with him during the past four years. He's big league in anybody's book. Au Revoir Jerry. Merci beaucoup.

—DOMOWITCH—

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Colonels Awaiting Invites

Domzalski Optimistic Of Chances

BY DAVID ORISCHAK

Perhaps all is not lost for the Wilkes diamondmen. Most people were counting the Colonels out after their loss to Elizabethtown in the season opener. However, new light has been shed on the NCAA playoff picture, and it was revealed this week that the Colonels may still have a shot at a berth in the NCAA Northeastern regionals tournament, beginning next Thursday, at a sight to be determined.

A group of coaches from NCAA District II will meet on Monday to decide which teams deserve a playoff berth. Among those voting will be the head coaches from Juniata, East Stroudsburg and Montclair State College. The committee will choose between 4 and 8 teams for the playoffs, (number will depend on the calibre of teams in this region), which will be played between May 14 and May 17 at a site yet to be determined.

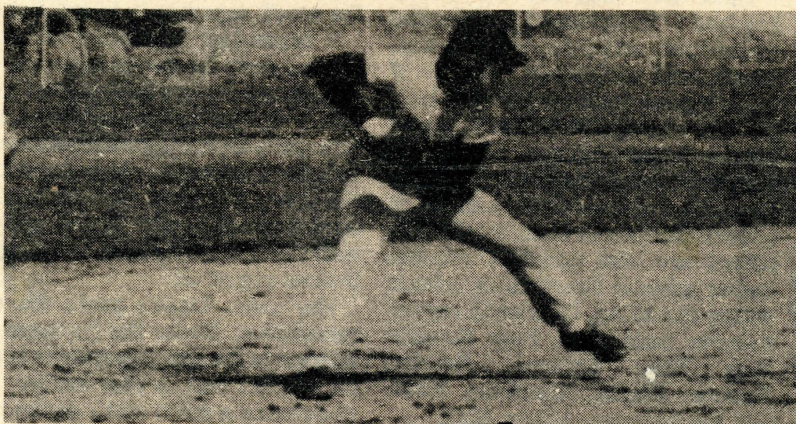
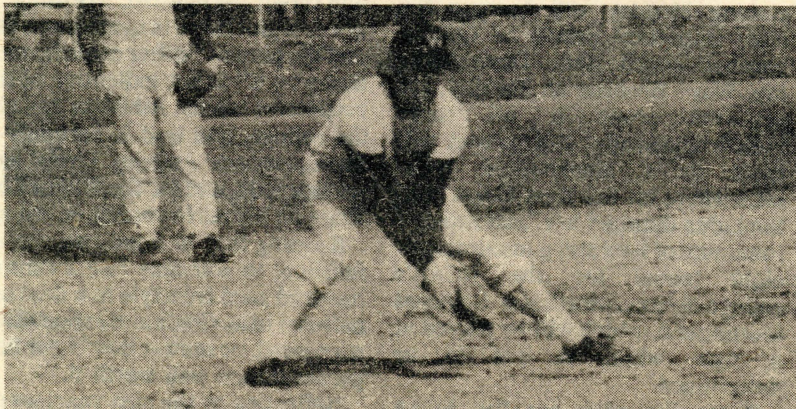
Coach Domzalski is looking optimistically at his team's chances. According to him, the only hindrance in the Colonel hope lies in the fact that they failed to win their Middle Atlantic Conference divisional title. However, there are some bright spots in the Colonels' chances, that may offset that.

It has already been pointed out that one of the members of the committee is the head coach of Juniata. This is an important factor since both E-town and Wilkes have played Juniata. Wilkes thumped Juniata in a doubleheader, 10-4 and 6-2, while E-town squeaked out a 5-4 win in a single game. Because of these results it is probable that the Juniata coach will favor the Colonels.

Also favoring the Colonels is the fact that they swept a doubleheader from the University of Scranton. This is a significant fact since Scranton is in first place in the MAC Northwest section.

As things stand now the Colonels are considerably weakened by key injuries, but once they get everyone back in good health the Colonels will be strong contenders. But, let's not count our chickens before they've hatched. The Colonels have not yet been invited to the playoffs. So, all we can do right now is sit and hope.

After their heartbreaking loss to E-town, in the season opener, a feeling of dejection and disappointment was present among the players. Many felt that the playoffs were an impossibility. They were playing just for the sake of playing. Now, as a result of an eight game winning streak and a 13 and 3 record going into the Cornell contest, a berth in the NCAA post-season tournament may become a reality.



'HOT CORNER' PERFORMERS-With the loss of Jim Hoover, the Colonels have looked to sophomore Don McDermott (top) and Jim Michaels (bottom) for help at third base this season. Both are excellent glove men and rank among the top hitters on the Colonel ballclub.

Colonels Losing A Leader

'The Bear': It's Not Going To Be The Same Without Him

With the exception of a possible NCAA invitation, this afternoon's game with Cornell University up in Ithaca, N.Y., may mark the final time that Jerry "Bear" Bavitz dons a Wilkes College baseball uniform.

It's going to be strange to get used to next year; not having the Bear around. Strange for us, strange for his teammates, and strange for the Colonel coaching staff.

Coming out of Nanticoke Area High School, after a very successful scholastic pitching career, Bear realized college baseball was an entirely new ballgame. And as the first two years went by, he also realized that he would be nothing more than a good relief specialist for the Colonels during his stint there.

But Jerry's pitching ability is not what everyone in the Blue and Gold baseball program are going to miss. The players are going to miss his leadership more than anything. They respected the big 6-3 Bear, and his words got immediate response from them.

A player like Jim Stehle is going to miss Bavitz even more. For Stehle, the Bear was someone he could go to and get advice on his pitching. The Bear was a person he could approach and get an honest evaluation on his progress; whether it be good or bad.

Gene Domzalski is going to miss the Bear also. Jerry is one of those remarkable athletes, whose opinion a coach respects and looks forward to hearing, and whose ideas can lessen the gap that comes between players and coaches. His knowledge of the game of baseball, like his knowledge of almost any other sport, is limitless. He is a technician, who someday is going to make one heck of a coach himself.

We're going to miss the Bear too. Sure, we're going to miss marveling at his ability to real off three players' batting averages in little more than five seconds, and all of the rest of his mathematical wizardry as well. We're going to miss watching him show-off his ambi-dextrousity in practice by throwing batting practice equally well with either arm. And we're going to miss his terrific sense of humor, which made those long road trips that much more bearable for us and the ballclub.

We're going to miss all of that about the Bear. But what we are going to miss most of all is the Bear himself. He's been an important part of Colonel baseball for the past four years, and when pre-season practices open up next March, it's going to be kind of sad not seeing the Bear up there in the front, leading calisthenics, and shouting encouragement to the rookies and veterans alike.

Yes, a lot of people are going to miss Jerry "the Bear" Bavitz next season. Artillery Park just won't be the same without him. And what

Stickmen Lay Claim To First MAC Crown

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

MAC champions. It has a nice ring to it. At least Coach Jon Hobrock and the Wilkes lacrosse team think so, after learning early this week that they had won the Middle Atlantic Conference stick crown over runnerup Franklin & Marshall.

The magic moment occurred on Saturday afternoon, with a pair of games more than three hundred miles apart telling the story, and giving the Colonels its first lacrosse title in the six year history of the sport at the college.

In Westminster, Maryland, with nary a thought in their minds concerning a shot at the championship, Wilkes utilized a come from behind second half effort, and won going away over Western Maryland, 13-9.

At precisely the same time, in the town of Gettysburg, Pa., Franklin & Marshall put it all on the line against Gettysburg College, and like Gen. Robert E. Lee, who also took a fall in that same city more than a hundred years ago, the Diplomats lost, and with that defeat saw their MAC record drop to 6-2; second only to the Colonels, who finished 6-1.

Hobrock was delighted over hearing the news and stated,

"although we may have backed into this title, thanks to F & M's two losses to Washington and Gettysburg, the whole team feels that they are truly deserving of the title."

Deserving they are indeed. Finishing 9-1 a year ago, the Blue and Gold's late season 9-4 loss to Bucknell cost them a half-share of the MAC crown with Franklin & Marshall. The loss also killed their chances for an NCAA tournament bid.

This season seemed to be heading in exactly the same direction. Their opening day loss to F & M on April Fool's Day appeared to have stifled any Colonel hopes of recognition before they even materialized. But playing like the championship calibre they are, they rebounded from the 14-10 defeat and have won eight straight, with only Saturday's home match against Kutztown State remaining on the 1975 regular season card.

It hasn't been all peaches and cream, however. Midway through the campaign, Hobrock lost Billy Winter, one of the top lacrosse attackmen in the nation, with a hairline fracture in his left foot. With midfielders Craig Austin and Vince Krill alternating at attack, the Colonels depth and versatility picked up the slack in Winter's absence, and the results speak for themselves.

A week ago, the team felt a ray of hope, when it learned that Washington College had beaten F & M. But that hope quickly diminished when it was learned the Diplomats had played one more conference game than the Colonels and the fact would give them full possession of the MAC crown.

On Sunday afternoon, however, Wilkes Sports Information Director George Pawlusch was calling in the weekly statistics to the MAC office at Lebanon Valley, and conference SID Bill Howes gave him the good news. Gettysburg, who like Washington, was ineligible for the MAC crown itself because it did not play enough games, had beaten Franklin & Marshall. WILKES WAS THE MIDDLE ATLANTIC CONFERENCE LACROSSE CHAMPIONS ALONE BY THEIR LONESOME.

Pawlusch then hurried a call to Hobrock, who became the most surprised championship coach in history.

He had hoped; how he had hoped along with his players that F & M



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