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Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania Wilkes University's Weekly Student Publication

2-1 Another assault on Wilkes community

By BONNEE BREESE Beacon Editor in Chief

about midnight, one white identify them. ale, an off-campus student, was outh Franklin Street.

iming to his apartment, when the assailants. ewas approached by four black

"It was good that the student

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that were taken in for question-

One victim on Wednesday On Saturday, September 26 night was not able to positively

The student attacked Saturssaulted behind his apartment day night saw a police squad car uilding on the 300 block of in the front of the building. He was asked to get in the car with The Wilkes student was re- the police to survey the area for

The victim was taken to

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. He was treated and released.

"We're getting close to the end of this. Lots of ex-

Gerald Cookus Chief of Security

that one of the assailants was and campus security," Cookus

males, in their late teens or early tra man hours are being put in He stated in a police report currences both by city police

wearing a red sweat shirt and added. ne was of thin build.

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reported the incident right Lampe-Groh. way," said Cookus.

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Jane Lampe-Groh, dean of No other description was student affairs said that she was encouraged by the team work "Four males, fitting the de- being put forth by both our camcription, were seen by Wilkes- pus security and the police.

since the repeated [assault] oc-

hame police on Academy and "I feel the same sense of frustrabouth River Streets, and taken tion that I think is shared by n for questioning," said Chief everyone. I'll be happy when Genald Cookus, Wilkes Univer- positive identifications and arrests have been made. I'll be "It was good that the student back to being content," said

Many parents of students The four males were cited both off- and on-campus have with curfew violation and un-called both Chief Cookus and drage drinking, then released Dean Lampe-Groh. According from the Wilkes-Barre police to Dean Lampe-Groh, no one has withdrawn from school be-Previous victims of the as- cause of the incidents.

"We track every student Wikes-Barrepolice department withdrawing from the Univerctry to identify the four males sity," said Lampe Groh.

Chicago, Moody Blues to perform tonight



Chicago, live tonight! PHOTO: Jonathan Exley

Concert tonight at Martz Center

BY JENNIFER JAMES Beacon Staff Writer

Chicago and the Moody Blues will take the stage at 8:00 on Thursday night in the Martz Center.

Chicago and the Moody Blues came to the scene in the mid 60's and are still going strong in the 90's. "Being in a band for the right reasons, not for the money and fame," is what Moody Blues front man John Ludge had to say about the group's longevity. He also added, "this is why our band has stood the test of time. We love making music."

Both bands have a very individual sound to them. For the Moody Blues it's the sound of a symphony orchestra soaring high above the melody line. They were one of the first to combine an orchestra and rock music. On the other hand, Chicago has a unique blend of jazz and rock in their music.

(See Concert, Page 5)

Balloons raises level of environmental concern

BY WENDY RAUGHLEY Beacon Copy-Editor

nounced this week that the bal-radation is just the breaking of loons they plan to use during the these electric bonds. Homecoming football game celebration are biodegradable.

According to Kevin Barno, these bonds apart." Student Government President, does."

dent government will be using is customers. made of,"100% rubber, with no naturally decomposes and is no only a few pounds of rubber." threat to the environment.

sociate professor in the balloons from beneath a net. "No GeoEnvironmental Sciences de-strings, ribbons, or paper will be partment says that it should take attached," said Barno, leaving one to two years, with the right almost no room for environmenconditions, for the balloon to tal concern. break down.

Balloons are made up of tiny particles of rubber which use electricity to bond them together, Student Government an- and according to Pindzola, deg-

Pindzola added that, "sunlight and oxygen help to break

The remaining particles of "They (the balloons) disintegrate rubber "are easily degraded by at the same rate as an oak leaf various fungi and bacteria," according to The Encyclopedia of According to the Pioneer Chemical Sources and Technol-Balloon Company, the Qualatex ogy as quoted in a letter from brand latex balloon that the stu- Pioneer Balloon Company to its

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WHAT'S GOING ON...

The Wilkes Alumni Association is holding a benefit trip to Radio City Music Hall in New York City for "The Music of Andrew LLoyd Webber." The show is Oct. 3, for more information contact the Alumni office, ext. 4130.

The first blood drive of the year will be held October 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the lower level of the Marts Center. Donors will also be eligible to win prizes donated by area buisnesses and Wilkes clubs. For more information, contact the Red Cross at 823-7161.

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If you are interested in deploring issues such as animal rights, vegetarianism, experimenting on animals, hunting and trapping, "factory farms", and pigeon shoots, you may be interested in a new club forming at Wilkes. Come to the first meeting at 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 8, 1992 in the media room in the library basement. A short video, "Food Without Fear", that addresses

basic vegetarian issues, will be shown. If you have any questions, call Henry Jacoby at 831-

A Christian Bible study is 165 or 824-5825. Any junior held every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. in SLC 209. The Gospel of

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THE WEEK OF 9/14 TO 9/29/92 (Provided by Wilkes Campus Security)

9/14-A student's wallet was stolen from Priapus hall. It had \$6 and his student I.D. inside. It was reported on 9/16.

9/14-\$40 was stolen from a student's wallet while it was hidden in is closet, in Warner Hall. 9/15-A Wilkes student was approached by a man on Public Square who hugged her and tried to make conversation. The man was 5'7", 140 lbs., and wore eyeglasses. He took her I.D., and sked for her phone number. The student received two unusual phone calls following the, she did

9/15-Two students reported cassette tapes and \$50 missing from their rooms in Evans Hall. The incident allegedly took place two days before it was reported.

9/20-Roommates left their room locked, and when they returned, found the door open. Keys and

9/21-The hatch-back of a students car was kicked in while it was in the SLC parking lot. 9/27-A male student was assaulted in the rear of 307 S. Franklin St. After he was punched in the

face, he went to the front of the building and saw a police cruiser nearby. Other units were alerted 9/29-A Catlin Hall resident was suspiciously followed by a short girl with curly hair. The student an into SLC, and alerted security. No one was found outside fitting the description.

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Keeling lectures to a full auditorium in CPA

BY MARLENE MATOSKY Beacon Staff Writer

lege Health Association, ad- as a rule, regularly and effecdressed a packed auditorium on tively use condoms to prevent Monday night in the Dorothy infection.' Dickson Darte Center when he spoke on how the HIV virus is affecting college campuses.

rector of the Department of Stu-types, prejudices, and assumpdent Health at the University of tions. The people of the com-Virginia in Charlottesville, gives munity have to care for and supmost of his lectures to college port each other.

excellent levels of knowledge, patients] and be reminded. Reincluding highly specific infor- member those who died of AIDS. mation on ways the disease is Those were people like us. We transmitted and preventative share a common thread."

measures," said Keeling.

Even though they have the information, "most students do Dr. Keeling, the founding not feel personally vulnerable to Chair of the Task Force on HIV HIV, "continued Keeling, "and Disease of the American Col-sexually active students do not,

Keeling stated we need to "challenge and build community." In order to build commu-Keeling, who is currently Di-nity, we must abandon stereo-

As Keeling concluded, he Students have very good to said, "Remember them [AIDS

Fallin Interns at F.A.O. Schwarz

BY WENDY RAUGHLEY Beacon Copy-Editor

Most students spend their Fallin commented. summers lying on a beach, taking extra classes, or working. F.A.O. Schwarz and knowing I Meg Fallin, a Wilkes senior, have a job after school with such passed the days getting the expe- a prestigious corporation, I think rience of a lifetime at F.A.O. half of the battle is won!" Schwarz in New York City.

Fallin lucky enough to obtain one of only three internship positions offered at the world famous toy store.

"It was an amazing experience," she said.



Meg Fallin

Fallin believes that an intern-Strauss, and F.A.O. Schwarz. ship is important, especially at a The next step, according to place like F.A.O, because they Fallin, is to contact Carol Bosack, train their interns to the fullest Coordinator of Continuing Eduextent. That means the F.A.O cation. interns are exposed to everything.

dom to be a professional and to impact on my confidence. It is represent F.A.O. Schwarz ... it amazing what she can help you didn't feel like I was in college." do, she guides you."

Even though she was in the manager does, including order- more confident." ing, organizing displays, attendboss.

"I was in charge of scheduling associates older than me. That took some getting used to."

Fallin said, "By leaving

Fallin thinks that if you are

interested in an internship, the first step is to set a goal. She knew she wanted to work in New York City, so she applied and was offered internships at Sax Fifth Avenue, Abraham

Fallin commented, "[Ms Fallin said, "I had the free- Bosack] was such an enormous

Describing her first day at Manager Training Program F.A.O., Fallin says, "I was (MIT), the Wilkes senior was scared. I felt so much pressure, able to do everything a regular but as the days went on, I got

"Students should utilize eving sales meetings with upper ery opportunity to do internships, level managers, and even being a it helps you tremendously," Fallin added.

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EDITORIAL

TAKE BACK OUR NATION

Let's take back our nation! We are most definitely in a year in which we have a voice to do so. It's important to all of us, so go and vote.

It is your right, and your voice will be heard. If you don't vote, you can't say anything about what's happening in your own backyard. You can't even say anything about what's happening in our nation.

Go and vote in the November elections. It's the smart thing to do, and again it is your right. Your right! We don't get many rights that we can exercise on a regular basis.

You only have a few days left to register to vote in the November election. October 5 is the deadline. If you don't know how to register, you can call the local League of Women Voters or just stop by the Luzerne County Courthouse Annex on South River and Jackson Streets. They both will help you with all of your questions and concerns, that's what they're there for. Let the nation know that people in Luzerne County voices want to be heard.

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The Scent In the Wind

by Al Mueller

Battered, bloodied, but unbowed, the wolf lives on...

Principle is an immovable force, founded upon the universal ideas of truth. Therefore, where principle is involved, no compromise can be possible. Likewise, our society rests upon an immovable force that has guided its development by providing stability, and thus, preventing the decay of our most fundamental institutions. That force is womanhood, and it's about time that we noticed.

Today, more than ever before, women have the greatest opportunity for gaining cultural power in America; but, in many areas of life, that opportunity continues to be undermined. Therefore, I agree in principle with the basic premise of the Women's Studies Committee, that women have been overlooked, shunted aside, and made into nonbeings for far too long. In the book, <u>De Omnibus Feminis</u>, the Catholic Church questioned whether women were human. A former Surgeon General of the United States, Dr. William Hammond, claimed that decent women should not feel the slightest pleasure in the act of procreation. But, thankfully, those days are where they belong...in the past. Or are they?

As was said, this author agrees in principle with the idea of Women's Studies, but not in practice, for the courses offered in the new minor are given to fits of feminism. Even as you are reading this passage, feminism is perpetuating the oppression of individual rights by seeking unearned gains through government coercion and force. Some of the more radical feminists argue for the "men are pigs and then you marry one philosophy, that no man is in the least bit interested in women's rights. Others argue that men are not needed in society, that a society ruled by women, in which men are subordinated by law, is the way to go. Is it any wonder, then, that men are afraid, and rebel at every opportunity?

Rather than buy into this lunacy, women need to invest their time and interest in an open dialogue. Granted, in some cases, mere words will not produce any results. But, those are isolated cases and are definitely in the minority. As a member of the opposite gender, I can attest to the fact that many men are more than willing to listen to and act upon the demands of women. What most of us want, in general, is a new, single, equal partner relationship that combines sexuality, affectionate friendship, mutual cooperation, productive work, and, most of all, respect for each other's ideas. But, how can this type of society come into existence if women are continually educated in the feminist school of thought by our nation's so-called institutions of higher learning?

Society is basically one big relationship. It is a two-way street, requiring each gender to give 100% of itself toward helping the other adjust to the violent upheavals of the social structure. But, if Women's Studies injects our future leaders with the cancer of feminist ideology, then none of us will benefit from the positive gains made by the women's movement in the last few decades. What we need is an anti-feminist/pro-woman attitude that transcends gender barriers, an attitude of unconditional support for each other, regardless of gender. The only criteria that we should use in evaluating who gets that support should rest on the basic principles of ethics. In short, we need to amend that of saying, "Behind every good man is a good woman," before the foundation of our society finally gives way.

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FEATURES

Stage Door-Anything Goes

BY PAUL WINARSKI Beacon Staff Writer

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The story concerns an ing era of the 1930's.

flesh and blood people.

As for performances, Nancy Brown lent her wonder-The music of Cole Por- ful singing voice to the role of er has lit up theatres from nightclub singer Reno Sweeny, Broadway to London for close and Little Theatre's general o seventy years. The Little manager, Judith Fried, found a Theatre of Wilkes-Barre closed role made to order in the form its performance of Porter's of Hope's mother, Mrs. "Anything Goes" this past Harcourt. Theatre veteran Tom week-end. In many ways the Rogish was delightful as Sir reformance was a success; in Evelyn Oakleich, especially in many ways, however, it fell flat. his scenes with Mrs. Brown.

Little Theatre can also ocean liner sailing from New be thankful for the talents of York to London in the glitter- Harry and Kay McClintuck. Harry's portrayal of Wall Street The main problem with boss E.J. Whitney was one of he production comes from the truly well-developed char-Neve Hartman whose direction acterizations in the show. Kay's eft no room for the actors to acting and singing in the role of develop their characters into gangster's moll Bonnie was

some of the show's best.

Although relatively new to local stages, Keith Edwards stole many scenes as Moonface Martin, a gangster disguised as a minister.

On the downside were performances from John Owen Kennedy and Beth Koslosky as the love interests Billy and Hope. Kennedy possesses a fine singing voice, but his acting needs some more fine tuning. Koslosky 's inexperience on stage showed as she seemed to wander through her role without a clue as to how a heiress should act.

With a little more effort and care, Director Hartman could have had himself a hit instead of just making the boat

(Concert-Cont. from page 1) _

Connecting their music and their fans are one of the things that Chicago's lead vocalist, Jason Scheff, loves the most about being a musician. Scheff commented about the importance of "...being able to touch someone's life through music. It gives you a wonderful feeling when a fan comes to you and tells you that a song touched his life."

Both bands agree there are no "short-cuts" in becoming a musician. "It's always better to go the few extra yards," says Moody Blues' bassist Ludge. He also added, "in the rock and roll world life can get lonely, especially when you're on the road, but you'll always have a friend as long as you have music."

Chicago and the Moody Blues plan on releasing new albums next year.

The Moody Blues just recorded a concert with the Chicago Symphony. The concert will be released as a live album and will also be released on home video. This album will hit the shelves in February.

After this tour, Chicago will hit the recording studios and begin recording their twenty-second album "Chicago Twenty-2". There is no release date on the album at this time.

The concert is expected to draw in fans of all shapes and sizes and both bands are looking forward to performing Thursday.



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SPORTS

Cheers & Jeers From **Bob Simmons**

Stereotyping has been around since the beginning of time, and unfortunately, has gotten worse.

No matter what your skin color, people will find a category to place you in, and you may never get out.

Look at athletes, or even better, those who look like athletes.

If a person is taller than the average person, people automatically assume that he or she is a basketball player. If the person is of average height and well-built he may be categorized as a football player or a wrestler, when, in fact, the person may not play a sport at all.

Let's say your judgement of the person's athletic ability is right on target. What about the way you view athletes in the classroom?

The first comment you hear about an athlete is either that they are "dumb jocks" or "the only reason they're here is because they can play a sport."

Well I can tell you that athletes have to take the same classes that everyone else does, and we have to maintain a 2.0 grade point average with at least 12 credits a semester in order to play.

Now that we got that part of stereotyping out of the way, let's talk about BLACKS and WHITES.

The most common stereotype is that while black athletes can run faster and jump higher than white athletes, white athletes are smarter than black athletes. WRONG!!!

It's time that we wake up and realize that it doesn't matter what color your skin is. That's not what makes you a better athlete, or for that matter, a better human being. It is what is inside the person that matters.

There is so much hate in this world that we don't need stupidness like this to enter our campus, and put us at odds with one another.

Since the incidents that have taken place on or around Wilkes, there has been much talk about the increase in racial tension among students.

In last week's edition of the paper, there were several articles which dealt with some of our black student's feelings.

You may be right in your judgement that some students are now afraid of you or your being looked at in a different way. The people who are doing this to you are idiots or maybe not used to being around a black person.

To those students you can say that your sorry for their narrow-mindedness or their pure stupidity.

However, what you are saying is that the white students are stereotyping, but you are also stereotyping them when you say things like what was printed last week.

I'm not sure there is a way to solve the problem of stereotyping, but we can try to put an end to it here at Wilkes and if we can do that, then the whole world may wake up and realize that if a bunch of kids did it, they can do it too.

Let's make an effort to get along with each other before

No cheers, no jeers until we all grow up and realize that we are all the same, no matter what our skin color is, and like it or not we have to live together.

Colonels football is for real

Beacon Staff Writer

Colonels gave Susquehanna a scare last Saturday, only losing by a score of 7-6.

Susquehanna is ranked fifth in the nation. Both the Colonels and Susquehanna were undefeated going into

The Colonels may have lost the game, but they won the respect of the whole

'It was a disappointing loss, but we can't let it pull us down. We must continue to play well," commented coach Joe DeMelfi.

Wilkes and the Crusaders played to a scoreless first half. Gene Conselyea scored on a two yard pass from Boo Perry to take a 6-0 lead. The point after attempt was blocked. Susquehanna scored on the next drive to tie the score at 6-6. The point after attempt made the score 7-6.

Both teams had chances to add to their point totals. A Wilkes field goal attempt to take the lead was blocked. Ben McKeown made a

the Colonels five yard line. On fourth down and goal, Mckeown stopped a quarter back sweep that would have given the Crusaders the lead.

"Defensively it was a great game," said coach DeMelfi.

Mark Buss earned ECAC co-player of the week honors for his defensive play.

"Our goal line stands gave They're us momentum. supposed to be a big, physical team, but we stood toe to toe with them and stopped them,"

added McKeown.
"We stepped it up on the goal line and stuck them pretty good. Mark Buss and Larry Trakes played great games, admitted linebacker John

The Colonels proved that they can play with nationally ranked teams. Wilkes is now a team to beat in the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC).

The Colonels are on the road this Saturday playing Moravian College.

"I have a lot of respect for their coach. We must play them tough. We will see what kind of character we have coming off of a tough loss. There is no doubt in my mind

touchdown saving tackle on that we will respond to the challenge," said coach DeMelfi.

> John Quinn added, "We showed Susquehanna wha Wilkes football is all about We're working hard and taking no prisoners."

> "Even though we lost, w know we can play wit anybody. Moravian will b ready, and so will we," sa McKeown.

The Colonels are playing first class football. They are winning team. support at the Susquehann game was great.

"Colonel Bob does a great job getting the crowd in the game," said coach DeMelf Colonel Bob is the Colone mascot. He has given Wilkes supporters a ne attitude in the stands.

The Colonels have a given the crowd much cheer about. They are a w competitive team, and will in every ball game of t

Wilkes is ready for t MAC, but will the MAC ready for Wilkes?

Upcoming Sports Event

Thurs. Oct. 1 Men's Soccer (H) vs. Millersville...4pm Volleyball (A) at Del Valley...7pm

Sat. Oct. 3 Volleyball (A) at Leb. Valley/F&M..12pm Field Hockey (A) at Juniata...1pm Women's Soccer (H) Drew...1pm Cross Country (H) vs. Albright/Drew/Kings 11am Football (A) at

Sun. Oct. 4 Men's Soccer (A) at Lycoming...1pm

Moravian..1:30 pm

Mon. Oct. 5 Field Hockey (A) a Mansfield...3:30pm

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Team Improvement

BY NICOLE SIMMONS Beacon Staff Writer

Despite the weather this past Saturday, the cross country team participated in the Susquehanna Invitational, where they finished seventh out of ten teams.

"We're improving as the weeks go by," said coach Tim Tyson.

Once again, sophomore Jeff Crahalla crossed the finish line first for the Colonels. Crahalla's time was 30:12 which allowed him to take thirty-sixth place out of a field of seventy-nine

Brad Smith moved up a notch to place second this week with a time of 32:16 after a third place showing last week in Doylestown.

The remaining barriers for the Colonels were Jim Robinson, 32:36, Rich Bonning 33:01, and Louis Marnell, 39:09.

For the Lady Colonels, Sheila Bubba crossed the line first, giving her fourty-ninth place out of seventy, with a time of 25:07.

Mary Kusiak was fiftyninth with a time of 27:15 and Suzanne Stanski placed sixtysecond with a time of 27:28.

This coming weekend the cross country team will host Albright, Drew, and King's at Kirby Park.

I am uncertain about Albright but, I feel we can beat Drew and King's," said coach Tyson.

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The Magic returns to basketball after 327 days

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) ---Unable to leave the game he loves even to fight for his life, Magic Johnson returned to pro basketball Tuesday.

Less than a year after retiring because he had contracted the AIDS virus, will play again this season for the Los Angeles Lakers and said it was only natural.

happens," Johnson said, speaking in the same room shocking goodbye last

"I'm playing again," he I'd still be retired." heamed. "Yeaaaa. Finally."

The mood this

Johnson probably won't is the starting point for this season -- and he'll be checked know just what the grind of smile.

professional basketball will do to a man with Johnson's medical condition.

But from the Parquet floor of Boston Garden to the Roman pillars of the fabulous Forum, he'll be back, wearing No. 32, flashing that big Johnson announced that he smile and playing the game as only Magic can.

"It's time to go back to work, it's time to have some "That court is where I fun," Johnson said. "I think belong, no matter what the positives outweigh the risks. That's not saying there are no risks, because life itself where he said his sad, is a risk. But being there, I won't be worried about that. If I was concerned about that,

The mood this time was decidedly different from the play full time -- 50-60 games retirement announcement 327 days ago. This time, Johnson frequently laughed and joked and double-checked by with his wife and reporters, doctors who admit they don't flashing his famous trademark

"This is a lot more relaxed better," said Johnson, showing the bulk of an added 15 pounds he gained through rigorous weight-training. "It was much tougher then because I was having to say goodbye."

Johnson's wife, Cookie, said she was behind his decision to return "totally ... 100 percent."

Since Johnson announced his retirement, there had been a steady stream of speculation. and controversy about his future, mixed with his triumphant appearances in the NBA All-Star Game in February and the Olympics this summer. It was that success and the lack of additional medical problems that convinced Johnson to



Magic is back where he belongs.

Ralston Field finally gets a new look



Me Bride Fieldhouse will be ready for the fall.

BY TOM NALLY Beacon Sports Writer

Students, fans, and athletes who have spent considerable time at Ralston Field this school year will soon have to bid farewell to a few dear friends.

We truly regret to inform you that those always clean. plush ,and roomy "Johnny on the Spots" will be but a distant memory when a \$1 million effort to renovate and expand the Mc Bride Fieldhouse is completed this fall.

The project, supported mainly by a select group of donors, includes those very important restrooms, home and visiting team facilities. locker rooms, a training room, conference room, and a new weight room.

Not only will the new facility aid current Wilkes athletes, but it will also serve as a major factor in recruiting.

This very topic was stressed by new athletic director Phil Wingert. "With one in three students at Wilkes participating in athletics, this project will demonstrate to potential student athletes a commitment to a well balanced educational experience, and a topnotch athletic program," said

A completion date for the complex is unspecified, but when finished, the new home of the Colonels will house the football, baseball, softball, field hockey, and the men's and women's tennis and soccer teams.

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Men's booters on topof Middle Atlantic Conference

MISSIE CHINCHAR Beacon asst. sports editor

"We are pleased with where we are after our first eight games," stated Wilkes' head soccer coach Phil Wingert. And with due respect.

Since last week, the Colonels have improved their record to 5-2-1 and more importantly 3-0-1 in the

On Saturday, senior Paul Jellen lead the Colonels into one of their toughest conference battles against FDU-Madison by scoring three of Wilkes' five goals enroute to a 5-1 victory. Mike Herb scored two goals as well for the blue and gold.

Matt Haney and Chris Mervine spent time in goal for the Colonels.

"It was an impressive win over FDU," said Wingert. "We just have to take our momentum (with us) in order to compete with the upper level of competition we're going to face."

And the Colonels did just that on Monday when they stomped cross-town rival King's off Ralston Field with a 4-1 victory.

Once again it was Jellen, the all-time leading scorer at Wilkes, who lead the offensive attack scoring all four goals.

Mike Herb set up Jellen early in the first half for the easy goal. Just a few minutes later Jellen received a penalty kick that drove home the point that the Colonels were in control.

The second half was filled with just as much intensity with Russ Hiser

getting the assist off of Jellen's third goal. The fourth and final goal came off another penalty shot for Jellen.

After this week's play, Jellen has compiled ten goals on the season and an overall

Today Wilkes travels to meet with Millersville University, a powerful Division II threat. "It will be a good test for us," said Wingert.

considering that Wilkes' only two losses came at the hands of two nationally ranked teams.

Wilkes is still in the driver's seat in the MAC Northeast with their 3-0-1 record, but they still have two conference matches to prove themseleves worthy of NCAA competition.

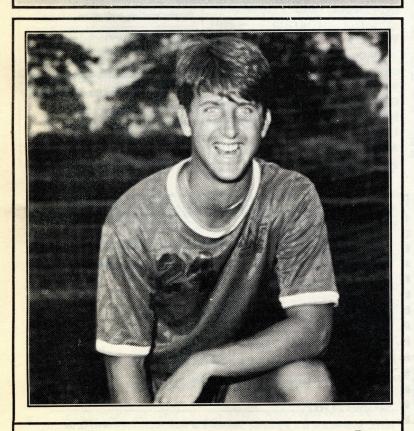
Right now we are one of nine schools being focused on for NCAA playoffs," said Wingert. "We have beaten every team we projected we would, but we have to upset some teams in order to get

The Colonels will not be home again until Friday, October 9, when they will meet Moravian.



Booters continue to move forward.

Colonel of the Week



Senior forward Paul Jellen, out of Quakertown, Pa., shows why he is the Colonels All-Time Leading Scorer, with his seven goals in two games.

Field hockeyranked ninth

BY TOM NALLY Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes University field hockey team won two out of three last week and increased their record to 6-3 for the season.

F.D.U-Madison brought rain with them to Ralston Field last Tuesday, but received thunder and lightning as the Lady Colonels spanked the Jersey Devils 4-1.

Toni Farinella and Kim Kaskel each scored twice, as Wilkes showed great ball movement and pressure defense all over the field. Coach Malatesta was pleased with the team effort.

'We connected on a number of passing plays in the game. Our forwards controlled the ball beautifully and it gave our defenders time to set up and stop the F.D.U attack," said Malatesta.

On a three game winning streak, the Lady Colonels were on the road last counterpart Lebanon Valley.

Wilkes started the scoring at 20:58 of the first half when Madison, and playing Kaskel found Farinella on a Lebanon Valley tough, the crossing play. Lebanon Valley Lady Colonels received the came right back five minutes number 9 ranking in their later to tie the score at a goal NCAA Division III regional apiece.

Sweeper Angie Polny put Wilkes out in front once again Delaware Valley College (2-1) on a penalty stroke early Saturday where they faced the in the second half, but again number 10 ranked team in the Lebanon Valley responded to region. tie the score at two.

go, the Lady Colonels had the scoring three goals in the wind taken out of their sails game's first two minutes when a goal was negated on Kaskel, and Theresa Have an advancing call.

Lebanon Valley, an experienced team, including eight returnees from the regional team of 1991, sensed frustration in Wilkes and opened the game up scoring three goals within the next thirteen minutes.

Not giving up, Wilkes ended the scoring when Stephanie Hastings drilled a shot from fifteen yards out

Conference with: 18 left to end the game

After beating F.D.U.

Wilkes then travelled to

The Lady Colonel With under 20 minutes to jumped all over the Aggie each scored on unassisted 40 yard breakaways, and Justin Nemshick scored off a assist from Hastings.

With the win, Wilke moved up three places in the polls to number 6 in the region.

The Lady Colonels nex game will be at Junian Saturday Oct. 3 at 1:00 p.m.

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