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## Celebrating the spirit of Earth Day

By JASON EIKE  
Beacon Staff Writer

Wilkes University will again play host to annual Earth Day festival on Wednesday, April 22 on the River Commons across from the Stark Learning Center. The festival will feature food

vendors, environmental and education displays and entertainment specifically designed to celebrate the earth. The events begin at 12 noon and will continue until 6 p.m.

Students and faculty from Wilkes will be participating in the celebration. The Environmental Sciences

Department of Wilkes along with the I.A.B.C. (International Association of Business Communicators) will have displays dealing with the environment. The Environmental Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Procter & Gamble, Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority, the Biology Department of King's College and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental

Resources will also have displays on Earth Day. This year's theme is, "Our Future: balancing growth and the environment."

"The goal is to keep the spirit of Earth Day alive," said Sid Halsor, assistant

professor of Geology and advisor to the Earth and Environmental Science Club at Wilkes. "By coming out to see the displays we hope to get people to take some time and gain a better appreciation of our natural resources."

The festival is just one of the activities scheduled to celebrate Earth Day 1992. The Leadership Wilkes-Barre of '92 will present Earth Day

in the wooded lands of Kirby Park. school children from throughout the Wyoming Valley have been invited to attend special activities from

10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Exhibits, demonstrations, and guided tours of the park will be

available.

The day will culminate with a "LIVE" televised town meeting in the Stark Learning Center, Room 101. The meeting will be broadcast on WVIA-TV Channel 44

beginning at 7 p.m. The show will feature guests from both sides of the constant battle for a balance between economic growth and the protection of the environment.

Along with the displays there will be a variety of live musical entertainment. The musical celebration will accompany the other activities on the River commons between noon and 6 p.m. The musical celebration on Earth Day is a great

opportunity for all to come and experience some "good feeling" music along with some good old fashion rock and roll that symbolizes taking care of the planet we live on.

Don Shappelle and the Pick-Ups will be the main attraction. The Pick-Ups consist of Don who plays the six and twelve string guitar, sings, and writes songs for the group. Len Kishel, lead guitar and vocals, Jeff "Corky" Corcoran, bass and the "Snaker", drums and percussion. The Pick-Ups have performed at colleges and universities, folk festivals, and fund raisers. The band plays a combination of folk music and rock and roll with a twist of country and blues mixed together.

see *Earth*, p. 7

## Students, Faculty show they have heard

By BONNIE MAAS  
Beacon Staff Writer

Wilkes students and faculty helped the American Heart Association raise \$2,000 last week in an on-campus phon-a-thon.

"To raise \$2,000 in only eight hours for such an important cause is very rewarding," said Tara DeLisi, Wilkes junior and intern for the American Heart Association.

Members of the Wilkes community met last Monday and Thursday evenings from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Marts Center to make calls in search of donations.

The American Heart Association credits DeLisi in her concentrated efforts to



**WILL YOU DONATE?-** Members of the Wilkes Community asked this question in an attempt to raise funds for the American Heart Association.

obtain volunteers that made the project successful.

"I was very pleased to see how eager the students and faculty were in volunteering for the project," said DeLisi.

The two volunteers that

raised the most money were Christine Cardello, Wilkes senior, and Tom Moran, Wilkes communications professor. Cardello raised \$560 and Moran raised \$310.

"The American Heart

Association depends on the help of the public to raise money for their research," said DeLisi.

The money raised will help fund cardiovascular research.

## Date Rape addressed by panel

By SHAWN KOLB  
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes University Healthful Lifestyles Committee sponsored a panel discussion on the issue of "date" rape at the Marts Center Monday evening.

The panel included Mark Sowcik, director of Campus Counseling, Gerard Cookus, chief of security, Karen Lazur of Victim's Resource Center, Dan Pillets, first assistant county district attorney, and Peter Warrington, a local obstetrician. The forum was arranged in effort to educate students on the violent crime of "date" rape.

Diane O'Brien, Health Services coordinator, told see *Rape*, p. 2



## Rape

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Wilkes students that rape is the most prevalent violent crime committed on college campuses nationwide.

In a recent study of 6,000 college students around the country, one of six women had been raped or was the victim of an attempted rape. One out of fifteen men had admitted to committing or attempting to commit rape. Although these statistics should serve as eye-openers to students, many feel that it just won't happen on this campus. Mark Sowcik informed students that ten rape cases were reported to Campus Counseling in 1990 and 1991.

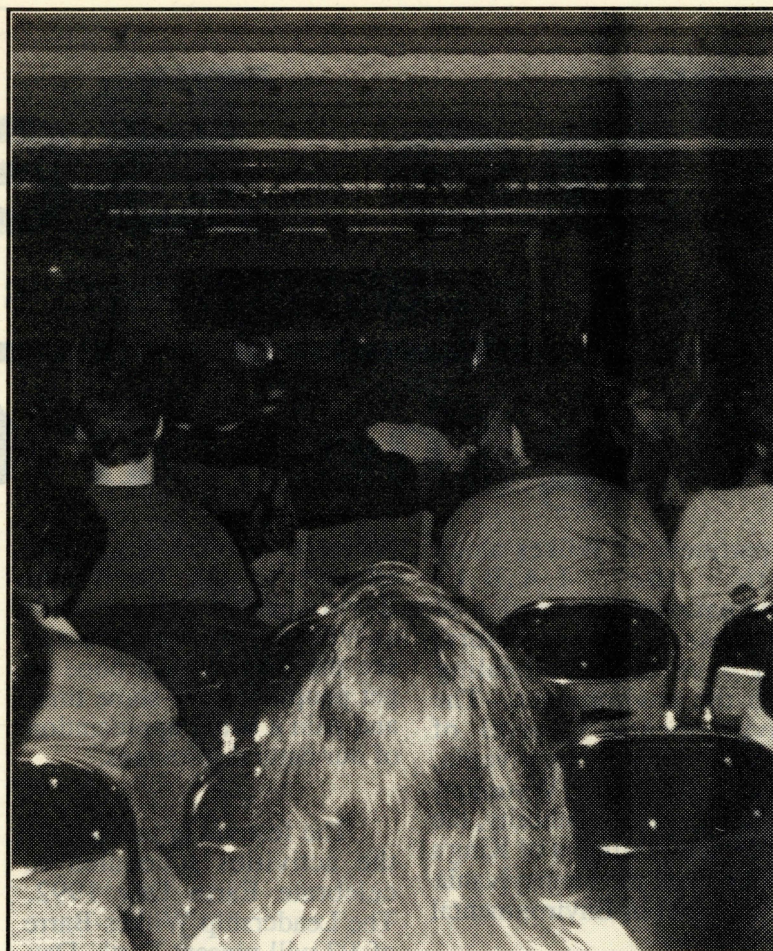
Many victims of rape are afraid to come forward and report the crime because they are ashamed, embarrassed, or afraid that they will not receive support. The panelists informed students of resources available and

instructed them on the procedures that should be taken if such an incident should occur.

Victims of rape should never let the incident go unreported. They should seek help immediately. Victims can get legal and emotional support from the many resources available.

Dan Pillsbury, first assistant county district attorney, advised students that victims of rape should not be discouraged from reporting rape. Police officials are in the process of implementing a special educational program that will help law enforcers deal with this issue.

"Date" rape is a very serious crime and should not be ignored. Victims of rape are encouraged to come forward and seek help. By reporting the crime, you are eliminating the risk of a repeated offense.



**DATE RAPE-** Students packed Rumours on Monday night to learn the facts of Date Rape.

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# Naked Mole Rat exposed at Kimball Lecture

By **MISSY MARGIS**  
and **BRIAN ZUPKO**  
Beacon News Editor  
and Beacon Staff Writer

*Editor's Note: This article was scheduled to appear in the March 26th issue, but due to my absence, it was omitted.*

"A hot dog with teeth," this was the description of a naked mole rat given by Dr. Paul W. Sherman in the recent Grace Kimball Lecture sponsored by the biology department.

Sherman is an expert on the naked mole rat and has co-authored several articles and an encyclopedia entry on the subject.

The naked mole rat has been the topic of many recent discussions because it is very difficult for scientists to research the animal. *People Magazine* ran a story on the naked mole rat in the March 30 issue, "Not Another Julia Roberts Story", highlighting the animal's appearance.

Since the mole rat is only found in East Africa, governments and dangerous wildlife make it difficult for

scientists to conduct research. Sherman plans on beginning nocturnal observations of the naked mole rat later this year.

The naked mole rat has been a mystery to scientists. The mole rat is extremely social for the three following reasons: the community always consists of two generations, females cooperatively care for the young, and most importantly, there is an extreme division of labor. Every naked mole rat has a specific function in the community. For example, there is one female in each community whose sole purpose is to bear the young. The remaining females, who

do not reproduce, care for the young.

One of the most unique features of the mole rat is that it is the only mammal to live in underground colonies similar to insects. "The naked mole rat never comes above ground," according to Sherman.

The naked mole rats use their buck teeth to dig and remove dirt to build their tunnels. They use their

whiskers to navigate in their underground tunnels.

The naked mole rats live by eating large, underground roots and tubers, which they locate by their constant tunneling underground.

Dr. Sherman suggested anyone interested in this subject should travel to the Philadelphia Zoo, where he personally designed a naked mole rat exhibit.

Dr. Sherman received his doctorate in biology and a masters degree in zoology from the University of Michigan. He graduated with honors from Stanford University, where he also spent a year in the medical program.

Along with giving a lecture, Dr. Sherman also spoke with the biology students before the Kimball lecture.

"If you want to be a doctor, try to get some exposure to a medical school or if you're interested in research see if you could begin a project," Sherman told the students.

Sherman also answered the students questions about independent research and graduate schools.



**RATS!** - The Naked Mole Rat is infamous for its 'looks'

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# Students get a taste of Law

By LYNNE KRUTZ  
Beacon Staff Writer

"You have to love law to be in law," these are the words of Attorney Rhanda Fahmy during Wilkes Pre-Law Day last Friday.

Fahmy, who practices corporate law in the Washington D.C. area, addressed approximately 80 high school and college students at the annual event.

A graduate of Wilkes and Georgetown Law School, Fahmy also commented on current career opportunities in the field of law.

The Honorable Patrick J. Toole, Jr., Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, gave the keynote address. Toole spoke on the importance of law.

Students also listened to

John Reed, Dean of Widener University's School of Law, who offered advice on

applying to law schools.

Pre-law opportunities at Wilkes were discussed by

several key university administrators.

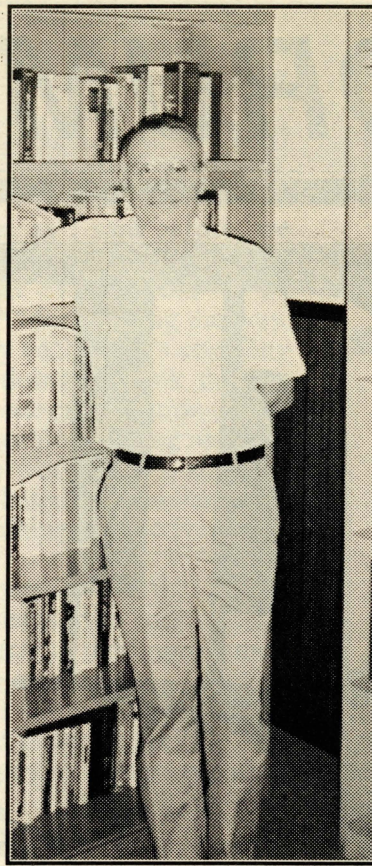
According to Dr. Thomas Baldino, Chair of the Political Science Department at Wilkes, Pre-Law Day is "a way to let students know that we have what they are interested in."

Officials at Wilkes were pleased with both the turn-out and the response from students.

"It was a good morning. The students asked good questions. That's part of the battle," said Baldino.

Pre-Law Day, which is primarily geared towards high school juniors interested in pursuing a career in legal studies, was sponsored by the Wilkes Admissions Office.

Anyone interested in learning more about Pre-law advisement at Wilkes, should



Dr. Baldino

contact Dr. Baldino at extension 4474 or Dr. Bruce Auerbach at extension 4473. The Political Science Department is in Fortinsky Hall.

# Speech & Debate wins awards

The Wilkes Speech/Debate Union recently won more than sixteen awards at the Pi Kappa Delta National Honorary Forensic Society's Regional Tournament and was named Third Best Overall Forensic team in Pennsylvania at the State Individual Events Speaking Championship tournament.

At the Regional Tournament, held at York College, 143 students from 19 colleges and universities participated in the three day competition. The Wilkes Team took Superior Trophies, indicating first place in the overall competition, in Poetry Interpretation, Impromptu Speaking, and in Discussion. The team completed the competition by winning the fourth place overall team award.

Team Captain, Al Mueller won a second place award in Entertainment Speaking and Persuasion Oratory competitions at the State Tournament which was

hosted by Luzerne County Community College. He also took a third place in Rhetorical Criticism, and a fifth place in Impromptu Speaking. Mueller was named the Second Best Overall Public Speaker for the state of Pennsylvania at the conclusion of this tournament.

As a result of Mueller's winning the original Persuasion Oratory competition he will represent the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Interstates Oratory Contest held in Austin, Texas, in late April. This year marks the 125th year the contest will be run and it is the oldest public speaking tournament in the nation. All speeches placed in competition will be published in the Winning Oratory Yearbook. Mueller is the first Wilkes student to participate in this tournament. The Speech/Debate Union is coached and directed by Dr. Brad Kinney, Chairman of the Communications Department.

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# C.C. helps Make-A-Wish

By PATTY PUERLING  
Beacon Staff Writer

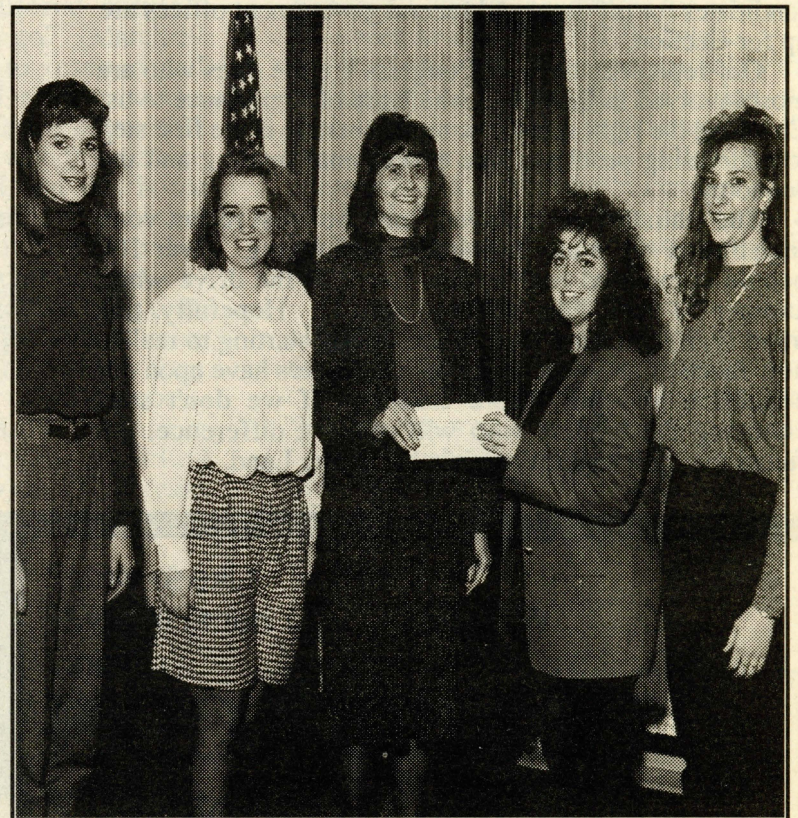
The Make-A-Wish Foundation recently received a check from the proceeds of a carnation sale which took place on February 14 at Wilkes. The Wilkes Commuter Council sold over 100 carnations and raised \$135 for the foundation.

Make-A-Wish is a service organization that raises money to grant last wishes to terminally ill children.

"We wanted to have a fund raiser for a charity so we chose Make-A-Wish because we liked what it stood for and it was in our area," said Becky Steinberger, President of Commuter Council.

The Commuter Council consists of students who hold various types of fund raisers throughout the semester in an effort to bring commuters and residents closer together.

The Commuter Council is sponsoring a Great Adventure Bus Trip on April 25. The cost for bus ride and admission to the park is \$15.



**WISHES GRANTED-** from left: Kathy Zoka, V-P; Jadi Willison, Sec.; Cheryl Gibson, Make-A-Wish Foundation Board of Director member and Wilkes Student Employment Coordinator; Becky Steinberger, Pres.; and Nancy Stanislow, Coresponding Sec.



# FORUM

## It's all politics

*April is the cruelest month*

— T. S. Eliot

"The Waste Land"

For candidates vying for political office this election year, Eliot's observation definitely holds true. The primaries have just about come down to the wire, and candidates are now beginning to prepare for this summer's party conventions. There is, however, a rather large obstacle which the candidates must still overcome: the April 28th Pennsylvania primary.

### EDITORIAL

Because Pennsylvania has a fairly large number (23) of electoral votes, the way our state goes informs a great deal upon the upcoming November election. It becomes, then, our duty and responsibility to make sure that we make an informed decision in this year's election.

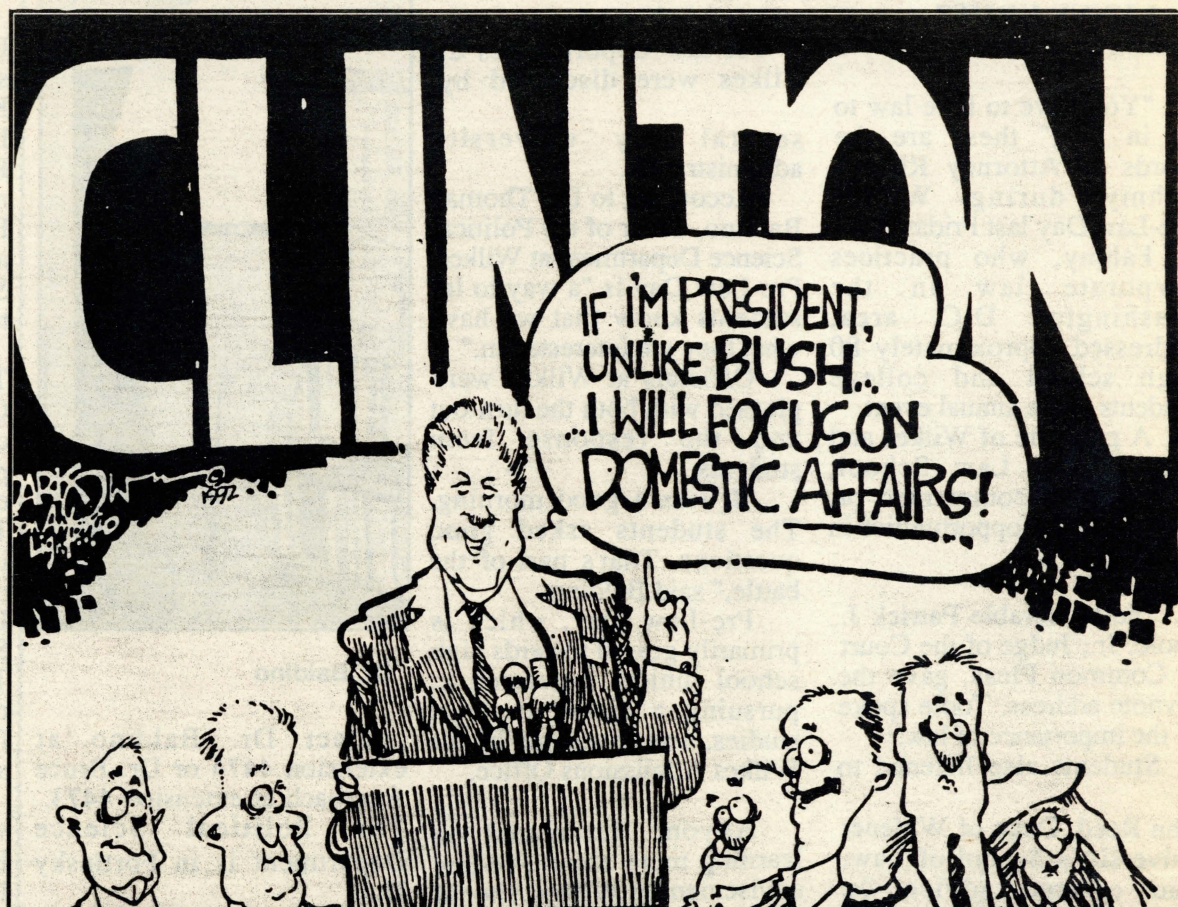
There are a great number of issues which directly affect us as college students and as future members of the work force which should come to bear upon our political choices.

As educational funding continues to decrease, our tuition increases while the amount of financial aid decreases. Because of the desperate state of the economy, seniors graduating this year are worried that they won't be able to find work. Also, they can almost forget about staying in school because graduate schools are overloaded with applications and are rejecting students right and left because of limited funding.

The upcoming primary and general elections are your chance to make a definite difference in the current state of affairs. Besides the highly-publicized presidential race, candidates for *all* state and federal government offices are up for election.

Our representatives in Congress are the ones who are most involved in the issues which are of importance to us. Choosing the right senator or representative is the first step to addressing problems like educational funding and the economy.

The statistics we received from the most recent voter registration drive are definitely encouraging. Over 100 people completed registration forms at the drive while another 50 took them home to mail in. Hopefully, this trend is an indication that we are finally starting to realize how much of an impact our political leaders have upon our education and our future careers. If we don't start choosing the leaders who will make a difference, our future may just turn into a veritable Waste Land.



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# FIRE BACK

## An Editorial Reply

In response to the letter from former Beacon editor Jeffrey LoBalbo which appeared in last week's (March 26) issue, I would like to examine, expand upon, and, most importantly, clarify some of the allegations Mr. LoBalbo made concerning myself and the rest of the Beacon staff.

I guess the best place to begin is, of course, at the beginning. Last year, after putting in many hours of hard work as both Copy Editor and Feature Editor, I decided to run for the position of Editor-in-Chief of *The Beacon*. When I was finally appointed Editor-in-Chief, I felt that the representatives of the Faculty Publications Committee who selected me for the position chose me completely upon my merits, and not, as Mr. LoBalbo insinuates, because they wished to "demote" him.

Since that time, I have worked very hard to put together a staff of editors and writers who I feel are doing a great job seeing that they are *college students*, not professional journalists. On behalf of the editorial staff, I would like to say that we

deeply resent the comments Mr. LoBalbo has made concerning the "condition" of both the editorial staff and the newspaper itself.

First of all, I feel that the staff "identifies" with each other very well. Yes, we know this is not meant to be a "social club," but, as I said before, we are not professionals, and we do manage to publish a paper every week. If we happen to become friends along the way, and actually enjoy each other's company and what we're doing, I think that's a definite credit to our organization, and I see absolutely nothing wrong with it. Can you imagine working in a situation where everyone hated each other? I'm convinced that nothing productive would be accomplished.

I can also honestly say that I have heard more comments from both students and faculty concerning the improvement of the paper than ever before. Granted, there will always be those people who will say that the paper is lacking, but there's no way you're going to satisfy everyone.

Finally, I would like to answer the question Mr. LoBalbo posed in his letter: In no way do I feel threatened by your presence, in fact, I have tried my best to give you every opportunity to again become a part of the staff. Meeting times

are posted, and any student is welcome to write or contribute to the newspaper, but you can't contribute if you don't show up. Besides, if you "wouldn't touch the paper with a ten-foot pole," then why worry about being a part of it?

In light of these recent allegations, I would like to take this opportunity to praise the fine efforts of all of my staff members. Not only have we worked hard all year to produce a fine quality publications, but I know that we've also made a lot of friendships and memories we'll always remember. I'll definitely miss you all after graduation. To Mr. LoBalbo, I'd like to leave the following quote from Shakespeare's *Othello*:

"Jealousy...it is the green-eyed monster."

AMS

## SHOWTIME AT WILKES

A talent show sponsored by Wilkes Multicultural Student Coalition will be held on Sunday, May 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Rumours.

For more information contact either Tamika at extension 5052 or Natalie at 825-0898.

Auditions will be held on April 8 and the Registration fee is \$7.

First prize is \$50, second prize is \$25, and third prize is a gift certificate from the Gallery of Sound.

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## Beacon Mailbox

Dear Editors:

After reading the editorial entitled, "Where does all the money go?" (March 19 edition), I felt the need to respond and provide a more detailed answer to the question than was given in the editorial. I must respectfully disagree with the premise that, "greed is good" and that this is the driving force behind the tuition increase. I can assure you that it is not, and never has been, a part of the Wilkes philosophy.

In looking at the budget for next year, the administration had to first look at those costs over which we have no control. They include: a 10% increase in utility costs, 15% increase in insurance, 5% increase in contracted services such as building maintenance and food service, 5% increase in equipment maintenance, and a 20% increase in postage costs.

We are acutely aware of the effect the recession has had on our students, parents and the University. Our Board of Trustees kept that fact in mind when financial aid for both need-based and merit scholarships was increased by a total of thirty percent. Financial aid now constitutes 14% of the budget.

The cost increases over which we do have control have been kept to a minimum. Salary increases for the faculty and staff will be 3.1%, which will keep pace with the inflation rate calculated by the government. In fact, just 28 cents of every

tuition dollar goes for faculty salaries; an additional 21 cents goes for staff salaries. Almost all other expenditures for next year have been held to the 1991-92 levels.

The tuition at Wilkes remains below the private school average for the nation, the state of Pennsylvania and the region. In fact, among the private colleges and universities in Northeastern Pennsylvania, the total percentage tuition increases at Wilkes have been the smallest during the last five years.

The process by which the University plans a budget is careful, thoughtful and sensitive. Many factors are examined and considered. The motivation is to strengthen Wilkes as it works to achieve our mission of providing our students with an outstanding education. Greed has never been and never will be a factor.

Sincerely,  
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# FEATURES

## "Into the woods" a smash



Moo- Into the Woods hits it big.

By BONNIE MAAS  
Beacon Staff Writer

"Into the Woods," performed at Wilkes University's Darte Center, proved to be an electrofying play that could stimulate any audiences' viewing pleasure.

"Into the Woods," directed and staged by the Multi-talented Michael O'Neill, opened it's doors for the first time at 8:00pm on March 20th. The play performance continued on the dates of the 21-22 and the 26-29 of March.

Various vocally talented actors and actress's displayed their musical ability through popular ballads such as "No one is alone," "Any Moment,"

and "Agony." Characters such as Cinderella, the Prince, the Baker, the Witch, and Jack made this vocal performance a success.

"Into the Woods" combined humor with melodrama in satisfying the interests of the public. The use of the scenery proved to be humorous while remaining professional. Props such as falling Doves, smoke, flames, and Giants strongly grasped the interests of the public.

"Into the Woods" combined tales such as Cinderella, Little Red Ridinghood, Rapunzel, and Jack and Beanstock, to create a truly successful performance that the public will find hard to forget.

## Celtic band at Chicory

Innisfree, a popular Celtic band from Binghamton, will play for this month's New England Contra Dance sponsored by the Folklore Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Chicory House of Wilkes-Barre, Saturday evening, April 4.

The contra dance will be held in the Fellowship Hall of First Presbyterian Church, on the corner of South Franklin and Northampton Streets in downtown Wilkes-Barre, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Singles, couples, beginners, young and old, are all welcome. Dancers should

wear casual dress and comfortable, preferably soft-soled shoes. All dances will be taught.

With their fiddles, squeeze boxes, flutes, guitars, doumbecs, bodhrans, other instruments and vocals too, the five members of Innisfree are no strangers to this area. The bands performed in concert at the Chicory House, recently appeared in the University of Scranton's Performing Arts Series, and has been featured on Public Radio WVIA-FM, in the "Home Grown Music" series of live concerts produced by George.Graham.

Applying their mix of Irish lyricism and Appalachian energy to the traditional music and songs of Ireland, Britain and America, they've been delighting audiences of all ages throughout central New York and Northeastern Pennsylvania with their driving jigs and reels, rollicking songs, and delicate four part harmonies.

With band members calling the dances, they'll take contra dancing back to its Celtic roots at the April 4 Chicory/Folklore event. For more information, the public may call (717)675-8843.



Yoshiko Shoji, a Wilkes University student from Japan, recently shared her culture and taught calligraphy to children at the Jewish Community Center. Caryn Cheyfitz organized the class, "Birthdays Around the World" as part of the Jewish Community Center's Sunday programming for children. From left: Collyn Hinchey, Caryn Cheyfitz, Aimee Kislin, Yoshiko Soji, and Miranda Bodfish.

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# The Bottom Line

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Next time, on Rocky and Bullwinkle:

### HELL HATH NO FURY LIKE A REGISTRAR SCORNEO; -or- OPEN MOUTH, INSERT FOOT

It has come to my attention that last week's column seemed to be an attack on the Registrar. This is not the case. Last Friday, I wandered over to the Registrar's office like the burnt-out lil' engineering major that I am, and requested one of the various and sundry forms one has to fill out every now and again. Same was cheerfully provided, and a person whom I did not immediately recognize accosted me just as cheerfully and invited me to come into the back.

Needless to say, I was wary of trap doors, antipersonnel mines, and so on, as I always am, but as it turns out, the hitherto unidentified personage was not only a registrar, but a Grand High Exalted Mystic Senior (and Way-Cool) Registrar In Charge of Knowing All that has one of those funky glassed-in offices in the back.

I was rather taken aback by this personal attention, being unaccustomed to it. However, the G.H.E.M.S.(W.C.) R.I.C.K.A. (whew) produced a writeup and checklist for yours truly's transcript, and she had to have done it in less than two hours after the Beacon was distributed.

Needless to say, I was impressed.

She proceeded to show me the aforementioned checklist, and it seems that I haven't been as thoroughly annihilated by our Glorious Core [©1992 Wilkes University] as I was led to believe. It seems, after all is said and done, much more has been said than done, and I'm almost ahead of the game. What an Easter present.

In any event, it seems that the Powers That Be have had their revenge anyway. The core course I have to take is closed. (Augh!)

However, I'd like to say that the Registrar's office bent over backwards (and did some very nice backflips on the way, some of which would turn Mary Lou Retton green with envy) to attend to my problem. And they were very chipper today when I registered. (Maybe they were plotting my death. Who knows?) But I just wanted to let you (and them!) know that I have nothing against them. They're not, nor were they ever, responsible for the core grief. The core still rots, but at least everyone's a little happier, and I'm not going to be here for eleven semesters. We hope.

Party on, Registrar dudes and dudettes, and bump me up on that wait list.

### JUST A TAD MORE ON THE POLITICAL THANG

Cheers to the over one hundred of you who registered to vote during the registration drive held in SLC 100 on March 24. I hope this trend keeps up, because we have to voice our opinion when these politcos think they can walk all over us. They're cutting our funding left and right, and I, for one, have had it. Make sure you vote! Pennsylvania's primary is scheduled for April 28. Pennsylvania is worth 23 electoral college votes (last I heard), which is a pretty hefty chunk. We do matter, believe it or not, so *get out there and vote*.

I've got one thing that I hope you'll keep in mind when you're voting. It's glib and easy to remember, and involves incumbents:

"When in doubt, throw them out!"

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Experience is what you get when you didn't get what you wanted."

### EARTH, cont. from p.1

Again performing at this year's celebration will be Simple Rhyme. The four member rock and roll band consists of Marty Strayer, guitarist, singer songwriter, Dan Brunetti, bass Dirk Herbert, drums and Sean Heaton lead singer. The band plays mostly original music, along with popular rock. The band will be playing songs dealing with the earth and environment along with their own music.

The Pick-Ups and Simple Rhyme will be joined by "Genuine Folk" and classic folk artist Gary McCoog. By playing, all the musicians hope to raise awareness about the environment.



Earth Day- Don Shappelle and the Pick-Ups scheduled to appear.

## Wilkes seniors shine

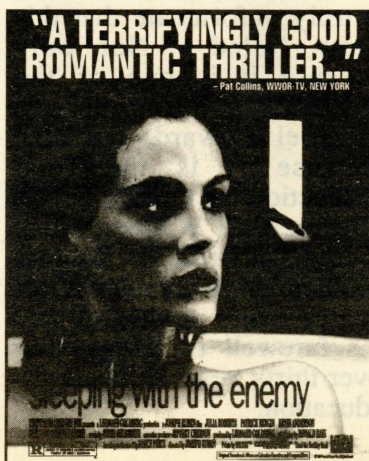
Two Wilkes University senior art students will exhibit their work at the Sordoni Art gallery beginning on Sunday, April 5-12. Debra Frenzilli, Cheshire, Connecticut, and Kerry Vitanovec, Wilkes-Barre will receive Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in May from Wilkes University.

The art curriculum at Wilkes University stresses three important qualities: sound fundamentals in the basic art disciplines, broad awareness of the art of past and present, and personal creativity. These qualities are nurtured at Wilkes through a close working relationship between the student artist and the faculty artist. The Art Department offers Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts with several concentrations.

Gallery hours are daily from 12-5 p.m. and Thursday evenings until 9 p.m. For more information, call the Sordoni Art Gallery at 831-4325.



New Exhibit- D. Frenzilli and K. Viatnovec begin exhibit April 5.



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# Winners take all

By JEAN NEPA  
Beacon Copy Editor

Blackjack, roulette and poker where just a few games at which Wilkes students tried their luck this past weekend.

Vegas hit Wilkes-Barre when dozens of students came to Rumours for Casino Night.

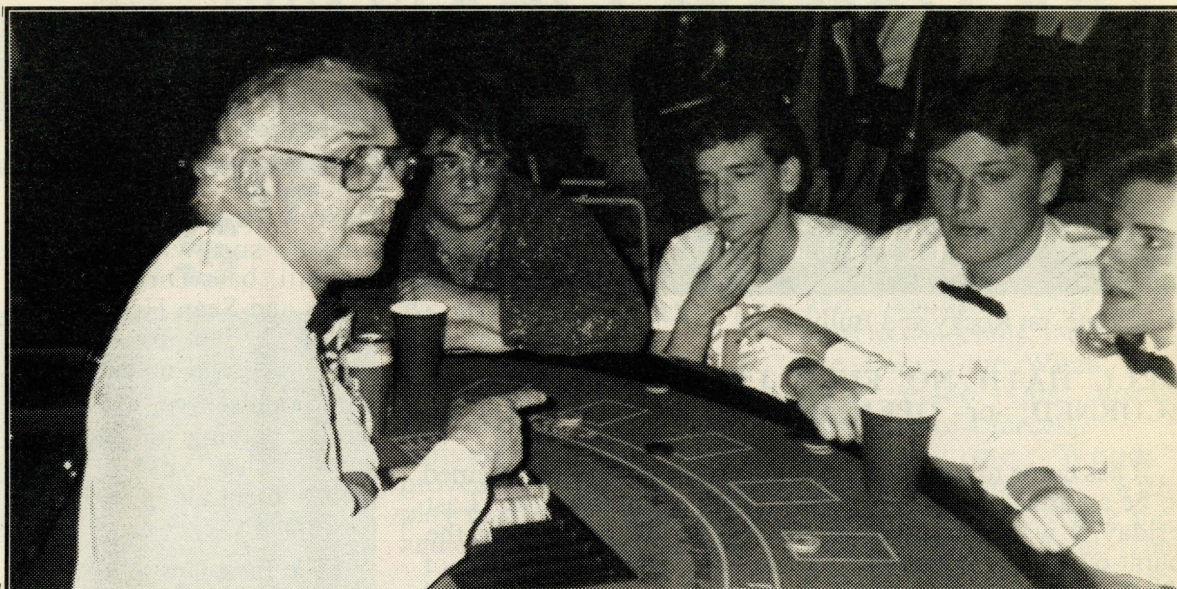
Over \$3,000 in prizes were awarded including an all expense paid weekend in New York City and a compact stereo system.

Sophomore Lou Cuomo was the lucky winner of the New York weekend.

"It was incredible. The limo ride to the city was excellent. I had a great time," said Cuomo.

Student Government treasurer John Comerford said that SG is pleased with the turnout.

"We were glad to see that a lot of people had a good time," said Comerford.



Blackjack- Dr. Maxwell shows off his talent as dealer.



Cheers- Two Casino Night attendees enjoy the atmosphere.

## "Blithe Spirit" goes astray

When attending a performance of a play written by theater great Sir Noel Coward, one anticipates witty dialogue, sophisticated delivery, and high doses of uppercrust humor. Unfortunately the recent King's College production of Mr. Coward's "Blithe Spirit" was hardly mildly entertaining.

materialized, bringing about problems for the writer and his second wife.

The major problem with the King's College production seems to be the style. "Blithe Spirit" is set in the 1930's. However, director Wagner chose to transplant the production into the 1960's (and even takes it out of England).

For the most part the acting came off quite poorly. Christian Sissack, as Charles Condomine, although he shows great promise as an actor, was completely out of his league, using a forced stage voice and overly dramatic gestures. Jennifer Darg's performance as the wife, Ruth, gave a flat performance.

Of the three leading roles it seemed Mary Claire Giannelli, as the ghost, put forth the greatest effort, but was out of her range, and like Sissack, resorted to wild hand gestures and movements.

The casting was not entirely poor however. Two supporting players were

indeed standouts. Chrystallene Jennings, as the psychic Madame Arcati has a strong feeling for her role and understood exactly how to perform in a Noel Coward piece. And Jeannie Roth, as Mrs. Bradman, stole every scene she was in with her dizzy portrayal of a wealthy socialite.

The set by Brother Jim Miller was gorgeous. It evoked just the right atmosphere for a British comedy, even though not much else in the show did. It is truly unfortunate that this show failed. Not only because it is one of the greatest works from the pen of Noel Coward, but also because it is the final production for retiring King's director Carl Wagner. It is indeed a pity that Mr. Wagner could not have put more effort and care into production that his farewell to Kings after over thirty years of theatrical education.

### One Child, One Voice

## Save the Earth

Wilkes University will host a free public screening of "One Child, One Voice" on Tuesday, April 28, at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

An original Turner Broadcasting System production, the film looks at environmental problems through the eyes of children from around the world. The program will begin with refreshments and a *Save the Earth* covenant signing.

The screening is co-sponsored by local companies, Verto Cable, Service Electric, Adelphia Cable and Cable TV Company, as well as Wilkes University.

Committed to environmental activism, the Turner network launched its *Save the Earth* campaign earlier this year to inform the

public about the world's first Earth Summit, which will take place June 1-12 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The Summit, also known as The United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, is expected to be the largest meeting of leaders to date and will produce international environmental treaties and recommendations that will affect the world into the twenty-first century.

TBS' *Save the Earth* campaign includes national distribution of pledges and postcards addressed to President Bush, urging him to attend the Earth Summit and to work with other leaders to save the planet. These postcards will be available at the screening.

For more information, contact the Wilkes Public Relations Office at 822-8413.

### Stage Door

Paul  
Winarski

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# Campus announcements



## ° Campus Employment

All students interested in campus employment for next year (June 92 to May 93) must register with the student employment office during April. Jobs are not guaranteed unless requirements are met. In order to work on campus, students must fill out the PHEAA and Wilkes Aid applications. Do not start working without a referral form from the campus employment office. Jobs are referred on a first come first serve basis.

## ° Education Club

The Education Club is selling T-shirts and sweatshirts. Anyone interested in purchasing one should contact Mrs. Chase in Sturdevant Hall or any Education Club member.

## ° Adult Learners Group

The Adult Learners Group will meet Tuesday, April 7th at 5:30 p.m. on the third floor of Conyngham Hall. The featured speaker will be Dr. Mark Sowcik, Director of Campus Counseling. He will discuss stress management and ways of coping with the various responsibilities of the adult student. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please contact Kathy Pesta at 831-4156.

## ° Fashion Show

There will be a Business Woman of the 90's Fashion Show on April 5 from 6 to 7 p.m. in SLC 101. The show is sponsored by Koral's Fashions and the Society of Women Engineers. Admission is \$1 and refreshments will be served. There will also be door prizes available.

## ° The History We Missed

On Thursday, April 9, the Interfaith Resource Center for Peace and Justice will sponsor a Quincentenary Lecture, "1492-1992: The History We Missed." The event will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the SLC 101. The lecture will be given by Dr. Howard Zinn.

## ° Amnesty International

The Wilkes Chapter of Amnesty International meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 11:00 a.m. in Room 209 of Stark.

All interested students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend.

## ° For Sale

— Used Personal Computer equipment for sale. If interested, contact Peter Bailey in the Wilkes Small Business Development Center at extension 4339.

— Apple Image Writer printer in excellent condition. \$150 or best offer. Call 824-8470.

## ° Business Symposium

The Wilkes Entrepreneurial Center will host a Business Symposium on Monday, April 6 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts, featuring Edward M. Moldt, Managing Director of the Sol C. Snider Entrepreneurial Center at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Moldt's lecture, "Entrepreneurship: A Business Education Partnership," is free and open to the public.

## ° Earth Day Set

Residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania will have the chance to celebrate the earth at a special Earth Day Festival set for the River Commons on Wednesday, April 22. The festival will feature food vendors, environmental and educational displays, and entertainment specifically designed to celebrate the earth.

The events will begin at noon and continue until 6 p.m. directly across from Wilkes on the river commons. For further information call extension 4770.

## ° Mock Trial

The President's Committee on Faculty-Student Interaction will be hosting a Mock Trial on the subject of date rape on Tuesday, April 7 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in SLC 1. Free pizza and soda will be provided.

Featured participants include Lawrence Socci, the President of the Pre-Law Association; Professor Christina Beck, Advisor of the Communications Club; Dr. Anthony Liuzzo, Associate Professor in Business; and Adrienne Tinney, the President of Wilkes Circle K Club. Other associations supporting the event include the Inter-Residence Hall Council, Commuter Council, and the Wilkes Debate Union. A discussion will follow the main presentation. The members of the FSI committee extend an invitation to the entire Wilkes community to attend this event.

## ° Percussion Ensemble

The Percussion Ensemble will present their Spring Concert tomorrow at 8:15 p.m. in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts. The program is free and open to the public and will include arrangements of ragtime, Broadway, and classical selections. For more information contact extension 4420.

## ° Faculty Concert

Flutist Nancy Stagnitta will be joined by pianist Ellen Flint and classical guitarist Jean Anastasia in a faculty concert on Sunday, April 5 at 7 p.m. The program will include works by C.P.E. Bach, Bartok, Debussy, Djemil, and Martin. The free recital will be held in the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

## Just a reminder...

All announcements must be received by 6 p.m. each Tuesday in order to appear in Thursday's issue.

## A 1992-93 YEARBOOK?

The Amnicola has only received seven applications for the nine editorial positions that are available for the 1992-93 academic year.

These positions must be filled by qualified writers, artists, photographers, and business majors if the Wilkes student body expects a yearbook next year.

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# SPORTS

## Philosophy for Wilkes athletes

*Editor's note: the following letter was written in response to articles in the March 19 issue of the Beacon that pertained to the "resignation" of Coach Ron Rainey.*

To the Editor,

The philosophy for Wilkes student athletes is simple. Education is first and foremost for the athlete. After this comes the lessons a team sport can teach a young man or woman. Finally, success in the athlete's respective sport comes last in the philosophy for Wilkes student athletes. This philosophy was explained to students who attended a dinner at President Breiseth's house in the winter of 1990 by the President and many members of the Board of Trustees here at Wilkes University. Somehow this philosophy was neglected when the decision to not renew Coach Ron Rainey's

contract was made two weeks ago.

First, education is first and foremost for the athlete. Of the players who have spent four years in the Wilkes Men's Basketball program in the last seven years under Coach Rainey, all have

graduated and gotten their degrees. If you look at the occupations of some of Coach Rainey's former players you will find doctors, lawyers, businessmen, teachers, and coaches. Education was

always stressed by Coach Rainey during the season and during the off-season. He constantly asked his players how classes were going and whether they were in need of help in any way. So, it seems Coach Rainey did not ignore his players educational needs during his tenure as head coach.

Next, the student athletes should learn lessons that team

sports can teach them. The March 19 issue of the Beacon quotes many of Rainey's players concerning this point. Corby Swann, a sophomore, remarked, "Coach Rainey taught me a lot, not only about things on the court, but off the court as well. He taught me to respect people; things that will help them later in life and make me a better person. I'll miss him a lot." Rick Butler noted "Coach (Rainey) wasn't only concerned with the performances on the court, but also off the court." Ask students on campus who have had his gym classes and any of his former players and they can probably give you lessons in life that Coach Rainey has taught them.

Finally, success in a student athlete's sport comes last in Wilkes' philosophy. Now, if you look at the athletic teams here at Wilkes

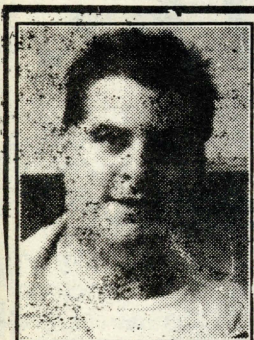
you will find more programs with losing traditions than

winning ones; However, this lack of success should not be attributed solely to the coaches. If that was the case, there would be a revolving door for coaches down at the Marts Center. One problem with the sports programs concerns the money allocated to each sport. It is hard to compete with other M.A.C. schools such as King's, Scranton, Messiah, and Susquehanna. When the Wilkes administration does not spend the same amount of money on our sports programs as these other schools. But, I am straying from my point. Success does not always translate into wins and losses. The basketball team finished 10-15 this past season; but in their last eleven games they were 7-4, and most of these same players who were crucial to this strong finish will return next year. To most of the people who followed the basketball program, this was a successful year.

In conclusion, maybe Wilkes needs to change their athletic philosophy. If the administration wants to stress wins and losses, then give the sports programs more money and a chance to compete against other M.A.C. schools. On the other hand, if they want to stress participation and success of student athletes, then be happy with teams who give one-hundred percent year in and year out and do not worry about wins and losses. But, with Coach Rainey's so called resignation, it looks like the administration wants to stress wins and losses. So, the Wilkes administration seems to be telling people that winning is everything, and believe me, this is one lesson that Coach Rainey has never taught in the classroom or on the basketball court.

-Name withheld on request

## It is no longer a national pastime



From  
the  
Bleachers

J. R.  
Rupp

millions of dollars just to play a "kid's game."

A pastime it is no longer. It has become a spending time. Not a time to spend with your family or friends but a time to spend the green paper product in your wallet.

Let's look at a rough estimate of what a day at the Ball park would cost for a family of four.

First off, we have to fill up the car with gas, let's say \$8.00. Oh, I almost forgot, we need tickets. I don't want to sit three rows from the clouds, so get good tickets, \$83.00.

Well time to hit the road (I did not include any tolls so you are on your own with those). Hey hey, there's the stadium time to park the car, that will be \$5.00 for parking.

Nag nag, the kids want souvenirs. Chalk up another \$35.00. Have you seen the price of hats and shirts lately at the ball park?

Now after the long trip the clan is hungry, so get a couple of dogs and what have you, that will be \$20.00. And hell, after all that aggravation you need a few drinks to calm the nerves and the kids

want a soda, \$19.00.

Grand total for an afternoon or evening at the ballpark: \$170.00.

You need a small loan just to go out and enjoy America's pastime.

The reason for all the high pricing; high priced talent. You need talent to be able to play on the major league level, but no one today is worth the price. If the stars of yesteryear were alive today, they would probably have season salaries somewhere in double digits in multiples of one millions.

But wait, salaries will probably go up. And once that starts they will probably charge you to use the restroom. Talk about holding on to your last elements of value.

Here is a little inside information for you. I know where you can see some fine baseball action and it will not cost you anything. Artillery Park, home of the Wilkes Colonels. It might be only college ball, but it sure is exciting, especially this year. The Colonels have a nice team this year under Bob Duliba and Jerry Bavitz. Come on out

and see the Colonels as they make some noise in the MAC.

There is also another brand of baseball in the area. Minor League baseball, in the name of the Scranton/Wilkes Barre Red Barons. The Barons play at a state of the art stadium that is just three years into existence.

Ticket prices are just \$6, \$5, and \$4 to see the stars of tomorrow. Hey, and parking only costs a buck.

The Barons open up their season at home on Thursday night April 9.

Well, the major leaguers kick off their year this coming Monday. A little prediction for you the AL East Champs: New York. But I pick the Yankees every year, so, so what.

So as we head out this summer to indulge in America's pastime, remember, the owners are set to indulge in your wallets.

But what can you do? If you like something enough you are going to get it or do it, so this Summer,

"I'll see ya in the bleachers."

27, 83, 7,000,000 and plenty of 0's after that. What does all this mean? I'm glad you asked.

All the above numbers have something to do with the upcoming Major League baseball season.

The 27 refers to a 27% ticket price increase by the Baltimore Orioles, the largest jump in the major leagues this season.

The 83 refers to \$83. That is the average price for what it will cost for four tickets to a big league game.

The 7,000,000 refers to \$7,000,000. That is the salary that Chicago Cub Ryne Sandberg will be receiving. And all those 0's, that's what ball players will be receiving the same time you will be paying out many of those 0's.

It is time for the owners to stop shelling out the big bucks. I feel that no player is worth



# Lady Colonels split home opener

By BOB SIMMONS

Beacon Assistant Sports Editor

After having 24 days off from competition due to inclement weather, the Lady Colonels hoped that their return to action would pick up where they left off...winning.

Coach Addy Malatesta went with four game winner, Corey Swoyer, in the first game of a twin bill against league rivals Lycoming College.

Schwoyer gave up just three runs, two of which were earned. She also had two strikeouts and hit one batter as the Lady Colonels squeaked by with a 4-3 win.

"They were tougher than I thought. They hit the ball more this year than last year. However, the team was behind me when they hit and got them out," said Schwoyer.

While Schwoyer was doing her job on the mound, designated hitter Jen Stackhouse was doing her job at the plate.

Stackhouse had three hits, a double and two singles for the Lady Colonels including the game winning RBI.

"I didn't realize I had the game winning hit. I saw the celebration at the plate and didn't realize two runs came in instead of one," said Stackhouse.

Also contributing offensively for the Lady Colonels were Hillary Blake, a single, Kathy Moran, a double and a single and Sady Warntz, two singles.

Carson, one of the teams captains said, "The game was very positive. We stuck together as a team and pulled it out at the end."

The other two captains, Dawn Hosler and Blake, both said, "Jen (Stackhouse) pulled through for us when we needed her the most."

"It was a tight game until the bottom of the seventh when we won it," said Malatesta. "We stranded a lot of runners on base and were over anxious at the plate. As the game went on we became more disciplined and settled in."

The Lady Colonels ended the game with nine hits, five walks and two strikeouts.

In the second game, Wilkes went with Hillary Blake as their hurler.

The Lady Colonels gave Blake a lot of offensive backing, ten hits to be exact. However, it was not enough.

Despite the ten hits, Wilkes lost the game 13-11 in five innings due to darkness.

Four players in the line-up recorded two hits each for the Lady Colonels; Sue Moran had a single and a homerun, Carson and Stackhouse both had two singles and Warntz had a triple and a single.

"It was unfortunate that the game was called because of darkness. If we had two more innings we would have had the opportunity to win," said Malatesta.

Coach Malatesta is starting only two seniors, along with one junior, five sophomores and one freshman. She also played a sophomore as a designated hitter and used a number of freshmen as pinch runners.

"We never had this luxury of having a bench with depth before. We have it and will try to use all the talent we have," said Malatesta.

With using all these players, Malatesta looks to her three captains to be leaders on the field: Carson, Blake, and Hosler.

Hosler is anchoring the outfield, while Blake and Carson control the infield.

"They all show experience and depth at their positions. The freshmen and sophomores can learn a lot by not only watching their play, but also by taking note of their attitude", said Malatesta.

If the weather cooperates, the Lady Colonels will be in action today at Kirby Park taking on cross-town rival King's College at 3 p.m.

## Tennis Opens

MISSIE CHINCHAR

Beacon Assistant Sports Editor

The Wilkes University women's tennis team opened up it's 1992 campaign this past Saturday against cross-town rival King's College. Unfortunately, Wilkes lost by a score of 5-1.

Gina Taylor, a sophomore from Kingston, PA, was the lone winner for the Lady Colonels.

Coach Chris Creegan is entering her third year as head coach of the squad which returns five letter winners from last year's 1-9 team.

Two seniors are back for their final seasons. Deb Erdner, coming off an impressive basketball season, is continuing her talents on the outside courts for the Colonels. Erdner, Sea Isle City, NJ, is a three year member of the team.

Gina Viccaro is the other returning senior for Wilkes. Viccaro, Mechanicsburg, PA, is entering her second season for the blue and gold.

Lyndsey Krivenko is a new face on the tennis court this year. The Dallas High

School graduate who is also a senior who should provide leadership for the team.

Junior Kelley Erickson will be looked upon heavily to contribute along with Taylor and returning sophomore Denise Motts.

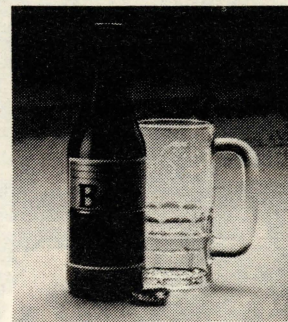
The brightest spot for the Colonels is a trio of freshmen. Tara Hernandez (Lackawaxen, PA), Erika Neubert (Roslyn, PA) and Liz Schaff (Woodbury Heights, NJ) all look to be the team for the future as well as the present.

"The freshmen are really tough this year," said Erdner of the newcomers. "Their play makes all of us work harder for the top spots."

Wilkes' home opener against Muhlenberg which was scheduled for Wednesday was canceled. No make-up date has been set.

The Lady Colonels take to the road this Saturday for a match with Juniata and will travel to the University of Scranton on Monday.

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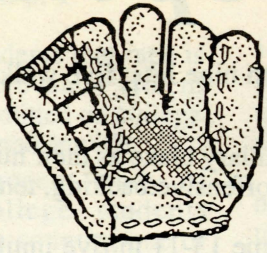
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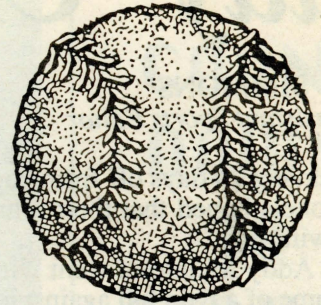
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# Sports



## Baseball team records four wins

By JERRY HOFFMAN  
Beacon Staff Writer

Even though the snow may have postponed games for the Wilkes Baseball Team, the Colonels did not forget how to win. The Wilkes Baseball team recorded four victories against Division III foes, Lebanon Valley College, Misericordia College, and Messiah College, but lost to Bucknell University, a Division I team.

Wilkes recorded its second victory of the season when they beat the Flying Dutchmen of Lebanon Valley 5-3 on Thursday.

Wilkes started the scoring in the bottom of the second inning when Dave Kaschak's sacrifice fly allowed the lead-off man, Steve Klem, to score. Steve Endres scored later that inning on Greg Yankow's double. Wilkes led at this point 2-0.

The Colonels kept this momentum going into the second inning when Chris Imperiale scored on Lou Salterelli's single. Andy Lesch, who was the pinch runner for Salterelli, scored another run for the Colonels. Rob Michaels also scored on Dave Kaschak's single which upped the score to 5-0 in favor of the Colonels.

Pinch runner Andy Lesch's score in the third inning increased the Colonels lead to 6-0.

Lebanon Valley tried to come back in the top of the fourth inning when a double by the Greyhound's Lewis allowed Stouch to score their first run of the game. Wolfe's single drove home Beasley to make the score 6-2.

Tom Whille scored on Yankow's triple in the bottom of the fourth, and in the fifth inning Wilkes scored again on a two-run homer by Kaschak. Whille scored again in the fifth inning on a triple by Yankow. In the sixth inning the Colonels continued to score when Kaschak's single drove home Lesch and Dave Kelly which made the score 12-2.

In the seventh inning, the Flying Dutchmen scored on back-to-back homers by Seesholtz and Wagner. In the eighth inning Corey Thomas scored on Cottle's homer, but when the game was called in the middle of the eighth inning due to darkness, Wilkes won 12-4.

Pitcher Joe Balay recorded the win for the Colonels. He struck out six Dutchmen in four complete innings. Reliever Dave Wesoloskie recorded the save for the Colonels.

Wilkes raised their unbeaten streak to three games when they beat Misericordia 14-6 on Friday, but this streak was broken in both games of a doubleheader against the Bisons of Bucknell University in Lewisburg on Sunday.

In the first game Wilkes blew a 7-0 first-inning lead, but lost the game 9-7. In the second game Wilkes blew a 3-0 first-inning lead and again lost the game, 6-3.

Wilkes got back to their winning ways in a doubleheader against the Falcons of Messiah College on Monday.

In the first game Wilkes started the scoring in the bottom of the third inning when Salterelli drove home Imperiale to make the score 1-0.

Messiah captured the lead 2-0 when Wanner scored on an error and then Worth scored on a sacrifice fly by Smith.

Wilkes regained the lead in the bottom of the fifth when Klem, Michaels, and Kaschak scored. Wilkes never looked back and won the game 4-2.

Pitcher Dirk Heberle recorded the win for the Colonels after pitching all six innings.

Wilkes took this edge into the second game.

Messiah took the lead 1-0 when they drew first blood when Roth scored on a Brubaker double.

Wilkes, which would not be outdone, took the lead 2-1 when Imperiale

the lead 2-1 when Imperiale scored on a Salterelli single. Salterelli's pinch runner Chris Carver scored later that inning on Rob Michaels' hit.

In the sixth inning the Colonels built up their lead to 5-1 when Steve Endres scored on Wesloskie's double and Wesloskie and Kaschak scored on Whille's single.

The Falcons tried to come back in the top of the seventh inning when two runs were scored by Anderson and Roth, but this rally was stopped short by the Colonels.

Starting pitcher Bill Noone recorded the victory. He struck out eight batters in seven innings.

After these two victories, the Colonels have a 2-0 record in the Northern Middle Atlantic Conference. The Colonels also are 4-0 at home at Artillery Field.



HEATING UP--The Colonels are off to a quick start on the diamond

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