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The results are in: new faces in Student Government

SARAH REEDY

Special to The Beacon

The listed positions were announced at the last Student Government meeting. The group of students clinched the position as a result of the election held last week in the dining commons.

There was no president appointed for the senior or junior class, but the positions will be filled in a replacement election held in the Fall. The election will be held after the second week of school in the Fall of 1999, and the other positions not listed will also be filled.

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The selected students are looking forward to the upcoming year which will hopefully be a prosperous

Senior Class Results

President:
To be appointed

Vice President:
Abby Sherburne

Treasurer:
Nicole DelPriore

Secretary:
To be appointed

Class Reps:
Matthew Jagusak
Jeff Reichl
Kari Sue Smith

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Jeff Reichl
Kari Sue Smith
Matthew Sowcik
Phil Tochelli

Junior Class Results

President:
To be appointed

Vice President:
Stephen Gazda

Treasurer:
Deidre Blake

Secretary:
To be appointed

Class Reps:
Tara Barrie
Greg Collins
Megan Frey

Class Reps:
Tara Barrie
Greg Collins
Megan Frey
Rupal Kalariya
Paul Marciano
Cassandra Sutton

Sophomore Class Results

President:
Adam Araujo

Vice President:
Jennifer Little

Treasurer:
Jaya Nemani

Secretary:
Lindsay Kravits

Class Reps:
John Bosha
Beth Danner
Adeline Groblewski

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John Bosha
Beth Danner
Adeline Groblewski
Suraj Puttannich
Brittany Richardson
Bethany Yenner

one. Junior Abby Sherburne, who will be the senior class vice president, said, "I hope there is a good turnout for the president election as well as the other positions that are not filled. I am really looking forward to participating in the Student Government at this position, and I'm happy that I will be representing my class next year."

Also at the last meeting, they announced that Quinn Kirk was selected as the student of the month for March.

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Seniors are saluted, get OK to graduate

By FRANK TOMASZEWSKI

Beacon News Editor

The first annual Senior Salute is being held in Rumours today until 5 P.M. The event started yesterday for all those who are planning to graduate in May.

This event was organized to help seniors save time when trying to get their paperwork finalized. Senior class president Quinn Kirk said, "This saves the students from running all around campus. You won't have to worry about this when you're trying to study for your finals."

Dean of student affairs Paul Adams said, "This is an opportunity for the students to get everything done in a one-stop shop. All of the different offices are being very



Photo By Frank Tomaszewski

Senior Colleen Smith receives her duds which she will be sporting when she makes the big graduation walk. The Josten company is there to distribute the caps and gowns, and are there to take orders for class rings.

cooperative. This is a great way to kick off the graduation season."

Some of the tables set up were for the Library, the Alumni Association, Career Services and the Registrar. The seniors must get signatures from a representative from each group. If there are any signatures missing due to outstanding bills or some other reason, the students will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremonies.

Also being distributed are the graduation announcements, tickets for the graduation if it has to be held inside, and the tickets for the senior dinner dance.

All those planning to graduate in May must attend this event some time during the day.

News

AIDS can be a laughing matter

By **FRANK TOMASZEWSKI**
Beacon News Editor

AIDS can be a humorous topic, well at least if it is presented by Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan.

The two former fraternity brothers spoke to a group of about one hundred people Monday night in Stark 101. The two spoke to the group of students and faculty from Wilkes as well as other local schools about how AIDS can be contracted and how it can be prevented.

This wasn't your normal informative presentation which tries to scare you out of having sex. They did this with a series of jokes which served as an ice breaker as well as a way that students could relate.

The two men started touring college campuses over six years ago when Goldman found out he was HIV positive. Since then they have spoke at nearly 700 universities. They visit schools of all sizes and have talked in front of groups as large as 4500 people.

T.J. Sullivan said, "This is a fun way for us to see each other occasionally. I never thought that this would become a full-time job, so it kind of took me by

surprise."

One of the topics they covered was the stages of drunkenness. They stressed that mixing sex and alcohol is a deadly combination, and that is how Goldman contracted HIV.

One of the other humorous demonstrations that Sullivan did was with condoms and rubber gloves. He explained the durability of condoms and showed the proper way to use them to prevent the exchange of any dangerous bodily fluids.

The duo believes that they really do make an impact on the college students. Goldman said, "My life is just like their lives, and they realize they should change their lifestyle." Although some students are not affected by their presentations, Goldman said they do get positive feedback from students they speak to. "We occasionally get email and letters saying they are changing their lives," said Goldman.

Their talk at Wilkes was one of the last performances that they will be giving. Sullivan said, "We're going to take some time off for a while. Being on the road for 180 nights out of the year gets a little tough, so were gonna try something different." Sullivan said that he is considering doing stand-up in nightclubs next.

Multicultural gala to be held

By **LISA RUGGIERO**
Beacon Staff Writer

The Multicultural Student Coalition (MSC) is sponsoring an exposition featuring food, dancing, and displays from the many cultures represented at Wilkes. The event will be held on Sunday, April 18th, in Rumours. It will start at 6:30 PM and is free to the public.

There will be many performances, including Classical Indian Dances, an Irish sing-a-long, and the World Instrument Ensemble playing African percussion instruments. There will also be displays ranging from the Asian Art of Origami and Pisanke (egg decoration) to hair-braiding and Native American Pow Wow Dance. Several other countries will also be portrayed. Samplings of food from Mexico, China, India,

Ireland, Italy, and England will be served.

According to Gina Morrison, "This is a totally student-generated project. The students themselves really wanted to do this as a final project and have been working hard for months on this. I think it's going to be great because of the energy and effort that they have put into it."

Bhavika Patel, a junior psychology major and one of the performers, said, "Even though it has been a lot of hard work and time on our part, it has been really enjoyable. I'm glad that we're going to get a chance to perform for Wilkes University and show everyone our talent."

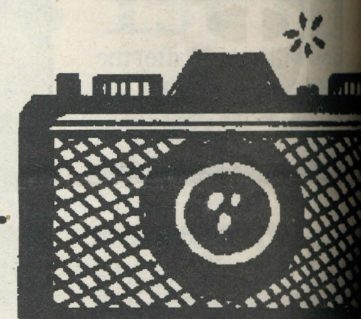
This promises to be an exciting night and a great foray into the diversity here at Wilkes, so come and support the MSC. If you have any questions, contact Morrison at extension 4731.

Pic of the week



Aliens were recently spotted at Artillery Park. We believe the unidentified being (who bares a shocking resemblance to Rick Leibig) is from the planet Mars. Hey don't laugh you skeptics, we have to do something with all the blurry pictures we get.

If you happen to capture a unique moment on campus, or anything exciting involving Wilkes students, send your photo to *The Beacon* office. Include your name with a brief description and your photo may be chosen for the **Pic of the Week**.



I Can't Be Under The Table And Dreamin by Matthew J. Sowcik

Well, Short and Sweet, and right to the point. This is the best way to describe my column this week. First I like to bring up the election that is right around the corner. On April 22, next Thursday, the Student Government will be holding a Debate where anyone can come and ask the pressing questions that fill their minds, to either or both of the candidates. The following day, Friday the 23rd, place your vote in the candidate you find most deserving the job.

O. K. Well I'm not so sure how well this is going to work but anything is worth a try. I decided we try a little game. A scavenger hunt for all those individuals who read my column each week.

What you have to do is find all the items on this list and what you will get is:

- 1 dinner cooked by yours truly.
- 1 party thrown in your honor at my house. (milk and cookies, of course.)
- 1 15 dollar gift certificate for the book store.

Well these are the things you need to find.

- 1st- The 68 fuseball trophy.
- 2nd - A glass of the water from 305's new hot tub. (varified by one 305 house member)
- 3rd- The Captain Morgan's pennant at Cad's house.
- 4th- The Giant's blanket that hangs in Tank's window.
- 5th- The Green dog that can be found at Mark and Amber's House.
- 6th- A picture of ME when I was just a little boy.
- 7th- A picture of the "Crack Deli."
- 8th- A book from the Wilkes Library.
- 9th- A piece of Student Government poster board.
- 10th- One of 68 members Wilkes ID.

Well I hope this contest goes well. If it does maybe I'll run it next semester also. Well great week and happy hunting.



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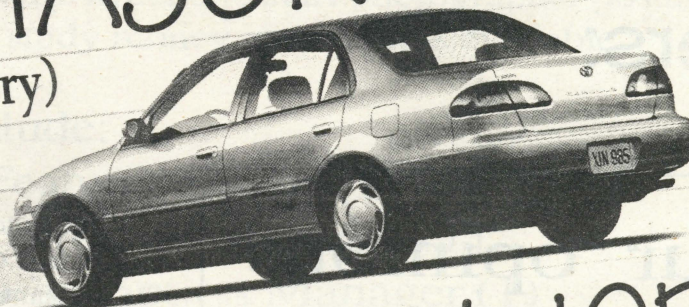
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Editorial

Are you tired?

We've hear it a dozen times a day. Someone complaining that they don't get enough sleep. Someone else complaining that they don't have enough energy to get off the couch. This time of the semester, everyone is tired. We at *The Beacon* realize that this is a bad time of the semester to try new fitness ideas, but these ones are easy.

1. Stop hitting the snooze bar. Be honest with yourself. If you are not going to wake up until 9:50 for your ten o'clock class, set your alarm for 9:50. Setting the alarm for 9:30 does you no good if you won't get your butt out of bed for another 20 minutes. In fact, all this does is short you about 15 minutes of sleep every night. Hitting the snooze bar once a week is O.K., but five times every morning is a little ridiculous.

2. Eat healthier. One of the big reasons you may be tired is because you haven't taken in the nutrients your body needs to function. Try starting your day with some fresh fruit, a glass of O.J. and a piece of toast rather than a doughnut, coffee and a cigarette. The sugar in your coffee and doughnuts only gives you energy for the next few minutes. Besides, a banana, some O.J. and a piece of toast with a little jelly tastes better than that other junk anyway.

3. Exercise. You don't have to be a muscle head or a fitness guru to see results. Even a nice walk to Kirby Park three times a week works. Exercise not only works your body. It relaxes your mind.

4. Get some fresh air. We know it's great to have a Sega football tournament or to talk to your boyfriend from home on the telephone all afternoon, but a little sunlight won't kill you. The benches on the Greenway are great for sitting around in the sun, soaking up some rays and shooting the breeze with some friends. Just watch out for the football players on the bench. They are always up to no good.

5. Lay off the booze. We know this is hard for some of you, but a hangover is not exactly the best way to start a day. Besides, if you are drunk, chances are you will want to violate the guidelines laid down in the first four suggestions.

Schedule of Events

The *Schedule of Events* contains only campus related events and activities that take place on or near campus. This calendar is used to inform students, faculty, and the rest of the Wilkes community of what is happening at Wilkes. Events that involve campus groups that take place off campus or out of walking distance for students will not be included. If you would like your event included, please drop off a schedule or announcement at *The Beacon* office located on the second floor of Hollenback Hall.

Thursday, April 15

*Cereal eating contest, Pickering Cafeteria. 4:30 pm

Saturday, April 17

*Softball vs. Lycoming, Kirby Park. 1:00 pm

*M.S. Walk, Frances Slocum State Park. 11:00 am

Tuesday, April 20

*Softball vs. Lebanon Valley, 1:00 pm

*Men's Tennis vs. Susquehanna, 3:00 pm

Wednesday, April 21

*Intermural Slam Dunk Competition, Evans Parking Lot. 7:30 pm

Tonight: The Main Event!

General Mills and Metz & Associates Limited present the 1st anual Cereal Bowl. The contest will be held in the Pickering Cafeteria and is open to all with a meal plan that includes dinner. Prizes will be awarded to the students who can eat the most bowls of cereal in one sitting.

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The Beacon

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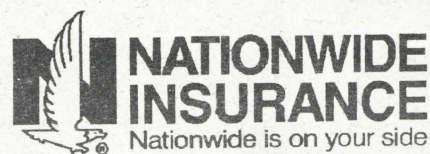
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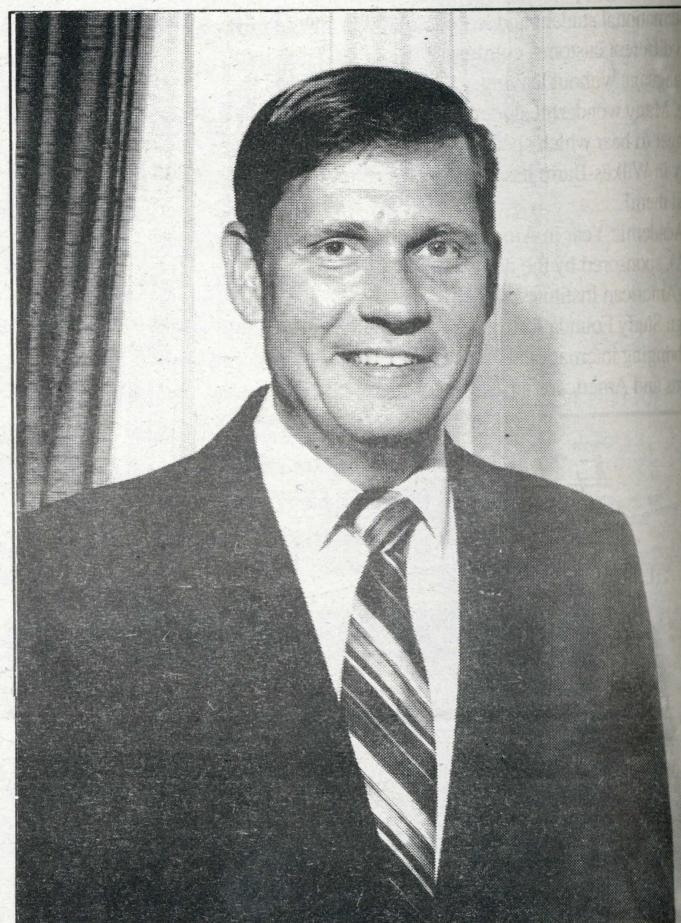
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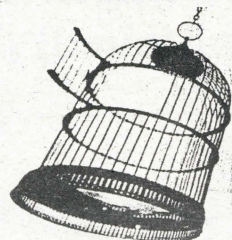
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1. I teach history 207 and 208.
2. I reserve Friday mornings for interesting tidbits in my classes.
3. I grew up as a fan of New York baseball.
4. I was the interim chair of the history department.
5. My office is on the third floor of Capin hall.
6. I won the Indy 500 in 1978.
7. I work out regularly in the Marts Center fitness room.
8. I am an avid Wilkes athletics fan.
9. I was originally asked to take Jack Nicholson's role in "The Shining," but I let Jack take it.
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James Rodechko, history professor

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Features

Host an International Student and exchange experiences

WILKES-BARRE- International students with good English skills and motivation will arrive this August to experience the American way of life." Residents of Wilkes-Barre and surrounding areas are willing to open their hearts and homes to a student and be part of this exciting opportunity to host an international student and learn about different customs, culture and language without leaving home. Many wonderful students are eager to hear which special family in Wilkes-Barre has chosen to host them!

Academic Year in America (AYA), sponsored by the not-for-profit American Institute For Foreign Study Foundation, has been bringing international students and American families

together for the past 17 years.

Students range in age from 15 to 18 years old and arrive from many countries, such as Brazil, Germany, Poland, China and Hungary. They attend the local high school for a semester or academic year and have their own medical insurance and spending money.

Both families and students benefit from the exchange experience. The host family can learn about another culture, make a special friend and earn a scholarship worth up to \$1,000 toward an AIFS College or ACIS travel-study program or AIFS Foundation's Study Abroad program for high school students. The international students have the opportunity to participate in the "American way of life."

something many of them have always dreamed about.

"I wish every family would host a student, then they would realize how rewarding the experience is and how much love they receive," Laura Weir, an AYA host mother, comments. "You wouldn't trade the experiences and memories of hosting these kids for anything in the world. They come into your life as strangers and leave as a member of your family."

If you would like to volunteer to open your heart and home to one of our international students or know of someone who would, please call Andrea at 1-800-322-4678 ext. 6078. Your decision to host will benefit your family and make an international exchange student's dream come true.

Emergency Contraception

BY PETE FOREMAN- MURRAY
Special to The Beacon

"What can I do now? We didn't use a condom!" Many of you have had this monologue, or a similar variation, in your head at least once before. It usually comes the morning after a night of drinking. Or maybe you hadn't been out drinking. The condom just broke. Again you have that same question: "What can I do now?"

Get emergency contraception immediately.

Emergency contraception is one of the most important yet most unknown contraception options. According to *Emergency Contraception: The Nation's Best-Kept Secret*, emergency contraception could reduce the number of unplanned pregnancies each year by 1.7 million and the number of abortions by 800,000.

Emergency contraception pills are the same as some types of regular birth control pills. Also known as "the morning after pill," the pills need to be started within 72 hours after you had unprotected sex. Depending on the type of pill you're taking, you'll take either two

or four, and then take the same number again 12 hours later. Emergency contraception pills should not be confused with the abortion pill. Emergency contraception is not an abortion, it stops pregnancy before it begins.

Emergency contraception should not be used as a regular birth control method. It's for emergency use only and isn't 100% effective. Because emergency contraception provides such a large, fast dose of hormones, it can cause nausea and vomiting. Some medications can be taken to help alleviate these symptoms. If you experience any other side effects, you should contact your doctor immediately.

It's important to remember that emergency contraception only helps to prevent pregnancy. You can still be at risk for a sexually transmitted infection. If you show any signs of an infection, see your doctor immediately.

For information and to find out where to get emergency contraception pills, call Planned Parenthood at 1-800-230-PLAN. If you're already a patient, Planned Parenthood might be able to call in a prescription for you. If not, Planned Parenthood will want you to make an appointment to come into a center before you get your pills.

Events Around the Area

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9. <http://www.nunan.com/ultimate/> - The Hong Kong ultimate frisbee club. Just in case you are ever in the area and want to join a pickup game.
8. <http://www.kosovo.net/> - An interesting perspective on the conflict in Kosovo, from a Serbian point of view.
7. <http://www.yuengling.com/> - Not only America's oldest brewery, but one of this area's favorite beers. Find out what's going on in Pottsville.
6. <http://www.geocities.com/CollegePark/Quad/4365/index.html> - Don't go here.
5. <http://www.purextc.com/> - Neither *The Beacon* nor its staff in any way endorse the content of this site. But we still like it here — especially our Features editor.
4. <http://freeweb.pdq.net/headstrong/> - Bizarre stuff you can make in your kitchen.
3. <http://www.usps.gov/letters/> - Unforgettable letters presented by the US Post Office. This site touched my heart, and I hope it touches yours too.
2. <http://www.lugnet.com/cool/> - The cool LEGO site of the week. It brings back such good memories.
1. <http://www.foxworld.com/futurama/> - We all love the Simpsons, but a good thing cannot last forever. Fortunately, Matt Groening has supplied us with a suitable substitute. If you haven't caught the show which airs Tuesday evenings on FOX, check out the official website. You won't be disappointed.

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- entertainment



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April 23 "You've Got Mail" 7:30 pm CPA

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To this end **Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH)** offers **\$250,000** to the one individual instrumental in arranging a 90-minute debate on National Network Television, in prime time, between CODOH (Bradley R. Smith, Dir.), and the

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE (ADL)

Issues to be debated: (1) Were "gas chambers" used during WWII by Germans to kill millions of Jews as part of a program of "genocide"? (2) Did key "eyewitness" survivors give false testimony about "gas chambers"? (3) Is the *Diary of Anne Frank* an authentic personal diary or a "literary" concoction? (4) Is either the book or the movie *Schindler's List* true or an intentionally corrupt version of the facts? (5) Are Jewish organizations like the ADL and campus Hillel committed to the censorship of revisionist theory on the Jewish holocaust? (6) Should the ADL, campus Hillel and other mainline Jewish organizations respond with a "suspicious silence" when a sister organization encourages violence against revisionists? (7) Should a documentary film maker be made the target of violence by the Jewish Defense League (or any other "league"), as was David Cole, the Jewish writer and director of CODOH's video on Auschwitz, *David Cole Interviews Dr. Franciszek Piper* (called "The Video of the Century"), for exposing on film the fraud of the Auschwitz gas chamber?

Marcy Kaptur (D), U.S. Congresswoman, Ohio writes: "Mr Cole has obviously invested a great deal in researching his subject and I admire his tenacious curiosity. Again, I thank you for sharing this documentary with myself and other Members of Congress." **Yehuda Bauer**, head of the **Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry and Humanities (Jerusalem)**, writes: "A powerful, dangerous video..."

The Jewish Defense League writes (in a "Wanted" ad for Mr. Cole, on the Internet, which includes Cole's photograph): "An evil monster like this does not deserve to live.... We must get rid of this monster.... There needs to be ... the elimination of the Holocaust deniers. JDL wants to know the location of ... David Cole. Anyone giving us his correct address will receive a monetary reward."

The FBI has termed the JDL a "terrorist organization."

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith refuses to publicly condemn the Jewish Defense League, for this language of hate. The reason is clear. The ADL, by proxy, is "using" this threat of violence against a Jewish scholar in its own struggle to help censor open debate on the Holocaust controversy. This betrays our First Amendment and runs contrary to Article 19 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Who benefits from such censorship? Americans?

Over the past decades there have been thousands—if not tens of thousands—of hours of one-sided Holocaust allegations broadcast to the American people. Is it not fair that those of us who are not anti-German bigots, who no longer believe the gas chamber stories but do believe in intellectual freedom, should be given 90 minutes—**only 90 minutes!**—to debate the Anti-Defamation League over the suppression and censorship of holocaust revisionism? (2.12)

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Features

The Militant Movie Review & More by Col. Hogan and Col. Klink "Wilkes Manuscript"

For this week in the review we thought we would give some real controversy. Apparently it has been brought to attention that a few articles in the Wilkes Manuscript have been scrutinized and argued over in the past months. We would have left this topic alone, figuring it would have died out by now, but this is personal. The story is "Marvin Tammi." We will take it piece by piece to see what the problem is.

The story takes place in an equivocal back alley setting where a young man and woman high on drugs pursue sexual intercourse with one another. This does not seem to be an unusual setting for two poor and unfortunately high individuals who seem to have little direction in life. I mean if you weren't a child of a middle class family where would you be? How would you survive?

After the setting is vividly described in detail the author jumps on the task of characterizing "Miss Perfect." Who she is and what she meant to the narrator was questioned, and we are given a physical description of traits such as half, breasts, skin. Miss Perfect is described as the object of the narrator's obsession, a boy looking upon his ideal goddess. It is stated that his sole reason for attending the theater was to lay eyes upon her beauty. Didn't we all have our own obsessions when we were in high school? Athletes call them prom queens, nerds call them nerds alike. The fact is when we were fifteen we all wanted one girl or guy we couldn't really have.

On top of that, wouldn't you spend time day dreaming? Thinking incessantly "What would it be like?" "How would it be?" Maybe you think the story takes it to the extreme, but you must think like the narrator and not like a reader.

Constantly ask yourself, "What would I do if I had no money, no home, and was high and in lust or love?" All too often the author speaks of this Walled City. This is entrapment if you have not figured it out, yet! These characters have no future to look forward to like you or I. They have only now. Now in that dumpster. Now is pleasure or pain. The truth is this does happen in reality, so why ignore it? Why hide it?

The closing scene deals totally with the sexual intercourse between the two. Yes, this may be quite graphic, but how else is an author supposed to contrive true moral catharsis? This scene not only deals with the epiphany of the reader, which is, "How can this be happening? This is not right! People don't do this," but also the epiphany of the narrator who becomes insightful on his situation and realizes he is better than what he obsessed over. He sees her true ugliness and is no longer idealistic. Maybe, even in the Walled City, he realizes his wasteful years and finds a future and hope.

The fact remains that this does happen today and it is all too often also a fact that white-collar society like to pretend it doesn't. So if you are going to graduate, know that there are people out there not as lucky as you. Be grateful that you are not Tamini, with no hope of a future, feel accomplished that you have completed what Marvin is only possibly about to embark on, and that is becoming like you.



Aligning the planets with Madame Zelda

Aries: Lately you have been a bit overly critical of others and you have been ignoring the fact that you need to watch what you do too. Sooner or later those you criticize will take up criticizing you.

Taurus: You've been on top of things lately with school, friends and your family. You may think this will last, but be careful, this weekend holds many surprises for you that may cause you to slip up.

Gemini: When you have problems it is always good to ask your friends. This time some personal research may be the best way to go. Take some time once you have the information too. Rushing to a quick solution will be a huge mistake.

Cancer: If others are keeping you in the dark about how they truly feel, or you think they aren't being honest, try not to let it spoil your day. This person means well, but the distance between you makes it difficult to make things work all the time.

Leo: Your patience and hard work is soon to be rewarded. A goal has finally been accomplished, so you deserve to give yourself some time to relax and some time to celebrate. Revel in your sense of accomplishment.

Virgo: These last few weeks of the semester may be stressful and quite a heavy workload, but you'll be able to survive, no doubt. But don't pen yourself up in your dorm room, as social events may lead romance with someone who has been under your nose the whole time.

Libra: You have been spending money a little too casually lately. It's time you stopped putting your wants before your needs. If you don't change your ways you will soon have to learn your lesson the hard way.

Scorpio: Be ready for the unexpected all of next week. These events will throw you off track in the start, but if you use your time wisely, you'll get through unscathed. Your busyness may become a troublesome issue with a close friend.

Sagittarius: Some upcoming social events will have you torn on what to do. Admit it to yourself, lately your mind has been on business not pleasure. There are some important tasks you should start thinking about and working on.

Capricorn: Make sure you follow through on commitments to your family and friends next week. When the tables are turned and you need them, they may treat you with the same respect!

Aquarius: Burning the candle at both ends may not be the course to take for the end of this semester. Assignments you have are important and many times the deciding factor between a good grade and one that is O.K. Devote all your time to them.

Pisces: Last minute changes in your plans run wild this weekend. Don't get upset when your friends cancel or postpone. Go with the flow and you will be pleased with the end results.

Welcome to the Web by John Bruett

Are you looking for something to do this Sunday? Are you into computers? Are you looking to upgrade or are you looking to get the hottest new game. Well if you answered yes to any of these questions then you need to come to Genetti's Hotel and Banquet Hall (you know where you all got drunk and danced the night away at homecoming!). This Sunday the 18th, from 9:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Market Pro, a computer sales and show company will be holding their monthly computer show at the banquet hall on E. Market St..

This show has some of the lowest prices on everything from hardware to software and accessories to the whole damn computer. They have certain companies that will put your computer together while you wait if you order early enough. Some of their best deals are on ram, or so I found out during the March show. I had just ordered another 32 megs of ram for my computer and I was extremely happy when I found out that there was a table at the show had the same exact thing (or close to it as my memory fails me now) for almost half the price. I couldn't believe it, I almost lost my bodily functions right there in the middle of the banquet hall.

You can go to these shows and buy or you can look around. The companies web site is found at www.marketpro.com, the site has information about the shows and you can find out if the show comes near your house at any point. On the site they advertise that there is everything from peripherals (soundcards, mice, etc.), hardware and software at up to a 90% discount from retail price. However, don't take this to the extreme and walk in thinking that you are going to get 90% off of anything you buy because it probably won't happen. They also say that they have about 100 - 700 tables of merchandise, so I would have to go out on a limb and say that if you can't find what you are looking for than you are getting a message from God saying, "Don't buy it, you shouldn't buy it!" You know what I mean?

So anyway, as this will be my last article of the year, I would like to wish you a good last week and good luck on finals week. Enjoy your summer and all that happy horse doo doo and I will look forward to next year and bringing you all through the Y2k crisis next winter. I would invite all of you that read this column to please email me at bruettjd@wilkes1.com and let me know what you thought of this years column, and possible what I could do to improve next years column. IN OTHER WORDS SUGGESTIONS WANTED!!!!!!

Sports

In the M.A.C.

Softball sweeps Drew, exacts revenge on King's

By COREY YANOSHA
Beacon Sports Editor

Sophomore Robyn Mendiya smacked three homeruns in the second game of Wilkes' double-header with Drew University as the Lady Colonels improved to 9-1 in the Middle Atlantic Conference (20-3 overall) with a 3-0, 10-2 sweep of Lady Rangers.

"Nothing surprises me with Robyn," said coach Kevin Vrabel. "She is capable of that every game, hitting the ball hard that is. She's very demanding of herself and fine-tuned some things on Tuesday after practice."

Alice Fink tossed a complete



Kerianne Geist has been a vocal leader for the Lady Colonels.

game one-hitter in the opening game. Jamie Derhammer tripled in Mendiya, while Liz O'Neill and Suzanne Fisher also scored runs in the 3-0 shutout.

"Alice hasn't felt well in the past few games, but she's back on top now," said Vrabel. "But we've got two quality pitchers and are playing excellent defense behind them."

Catcher Kerianne Geist made a huge play in the first game, throwing a runner out at first who attempted to advance on a wild pitch.

Freshman Lisa Hartman threw four innings in the 10-2 to get her eighth straight win, improving to 9-1. Stef Henninger pitched the fifth inning.

Mendiya blasted two-run homers in the first, second, and fourth, while Darby Wolfe and Tami Thomas each homered in the first.

"I'm not surprised by our output," said Vrabel. "I saw the way the wind was blowing and knew it would be trouble, but some of our homeruns didn't need any help."

After a four-run first, Wilkes scored two runs in the following three innings as the game was halted due to the eight-run rule.

Thomas scored two runs, while Shanna Henninger knocked in two runs with a double. Geist roped a double and



Photo by Mike Schreiber

The Lady Colonels stand atop the MAC at 9-1 and are 20-3 overall. scored a run.

"We're scary. Most teams can relax when they get through the first five batters, but we're so deep offensively and we hit the ball consistently hard that we're scary," said Vrabel.

After losing the first game of a double-header to King's College, 5-4 in extra innings, on March 31, the Lady Colonels responded with their own 5-3 extra inning win in the make-up game on Monday.

The game was called due to darkness on the original date with the score tied in the eighth inning. On Monday morning, Wilkes received notice that the game would be played from where the rivals left off, rather than playing the game in its entirety, which was the

original plan.

"We were supposed to play the whole game, but King's made some calls and chose to start the game from where we left off," said Fisher. "This was a big priority and we knew we were going to win. We had a good pre-game and some clutch hitting led us to victory and now we're the best team in Wilkes-Barre."

In the ninth inning, Derhammer ripped a triple to score Wolfe. Derhammer later scored when Fisher's fly ball was misplayed. Lisa Hartman, who pitched all seven innings in the last meeting, struck out two batters in two innings on Monday to earn the win.

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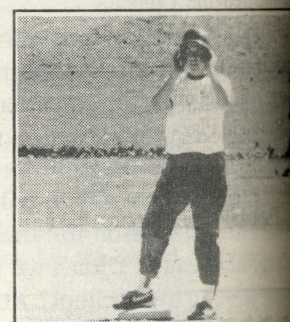
land, 5-0, in the Seagull Invitational.

Wilkes hosted Centenary College last week and swept the Lady Centenary 8-0, 18-0. Fink and Hartman each earned a win. Hartman held Centenary to just one hit, while backed by a 13-hit attack in the 18-run win.

"We're playing 110% and it's been an all-around team effort," said Fisher.

The Lady Colonels then stomped the University of Scranton 10-2, 10-0. Once again, Fink and Hartman each earned wins. Fink gave up just four hits and two runs, while Hartman, a freshman, surrendered five base hits. Wilkes roped 13 hits in the opening game, totaling 21 on the afternoon in Scranton.

"I thought we'd be at .500 at this point," said Fisher. "We're maintaining our goals and exceeding our expectations."



Tami Thomas looks for signs.

Small, Colonels get first win

By GREG COLLINS
Beacon Staff Writer

The Wilkes tennis team picked up its second win of the year on Monday by beating Lycoming 7-2. The victory, which improved the squad's record to 2-6, came on the heels of a tough 7-2 loss at Drew University on Saturday.

"This was a big win for us," said Colonel Jason Brady. "We really needed it."

Against Drew, the Colonels lost all six singles matches, most by a small margin. Chris Small lost 6-0, 6-0 as the top seed for Wilkes. At number two singles, Joe Scordino dropped his match 6-3, 7-5 to Trey Alter. Aaron Sherburne kept the score tight throughout the match on court three, but fell 7-5, 6-4 to Drew's Kevin Munjal. Jason Brady was unable to attend the match for the Colonels, so Kevin Siegel was forced to play number four singles, where he lost 6-3, 6-3. Matt

Minielly, playing number five singles, was beaten in a close contest, 7-6, 6-4. At number six singles, Drew's Alan Nili snuck past "Fast Eddie" Bednarz 7-6, 6-3.

Wilkes' doubles teams played much better, taking two of three from Drew. Scordino and Sherburne teamed up to beat Munjal and Quin Chrobak in three sets 2-6, 7-5, 6-4. The pairing of Minielly and Bednarz also picked up their first win of the season, knocking off Nili and Jay Rohela 6-3, 7-6. Small and Siegel teamed up again for the Colonels, but lost their match 6-3, 6-2.

"We need to find a way to win close matches," said coach John Seitzenger. "We gain experience each match, but the kids aren't used to playing in close matches."

The momentum gained from the doubles' wins carried into Monday's wind-plagued match with Lycoming. The Colonels took five of six singles matches, including Chris Small's first individual win as a Colonel. Taking on

John Mazzullo, Small had to battle his way through the first set before cruising to a two-set win, 7-5, 6-1. Scordino, playing with a sore ankle, breezed past Josh Sivers 6-2, 6-2. At number three singles, Sherburne struggled with his shot control in the gusting wind and ultimately fell, 5-7, 7-5, 6-2. Brady returned to the squad and made quick work of his opponent, winning 6-1, 6-1. Minielly also won 6-1, 6-1, creaming Kevin Kroupa. Wilkes also gained a forfeit win at number six, as Lycoming only managed to bring five players.

"It was a good win," said Seitzenger of the league victory. "But we need to keep improving."

The Colonels, leading for the first time after singles play, picked up two more victories in doubles. Small and Siegel fell behind early in the match, at one point trailing 6-3. The pair regrouped, however, winning five games in a row to take an 8-game pro-set, 8-6. Bednarz and Brandon Berretta teamed up at number two doubles, but lost 8-3

to Sivers and Joe Connell.

Despite losing his individual match, Bednarz focused on the team's win.

"It'll boost our confidence and that's something we really need," he said after the win.

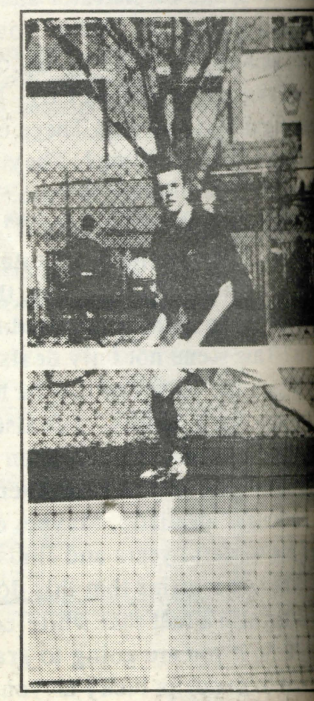
The Colonels dropped a 6-3 decision to the University of Scranton on Wednesday, losing five of six singles matches. Wilkes bounced back to take two out of three doubles matches.

Minielly scored a 6-4, 6-3 win over Scranton's Keith Fitzgerald. Minielly then teamed with Sherburne to take their doubles match 6-4, 5-7, 7-6. Scordino and Brady also netted a doubles win with a 6-7, 6-2, 7-6 win.

Brady dropped a close singles match, 6-4, 7-6 to Mike Hourigan.

"We're not used to playing in close matches, but the guys work hard," said Seitzenger.

The team will try to use their newfound confidence to defeat Messiah and Susquehanna next week.



Aaron Sherburne picked up two doubles wins this past week.

Januzzi

COREY YANOSHA
Beacon Sports Editor

When men's basketball coach Rickrode recruited Januzzi out of Meyers H... years ago, he knew he was doing something special. Januzzi proved how right he was in his first year and he exceeded expectations.

But Januzzi's most impressive feat came just recently after he ended. Januzzi became the first ever to be named a National American. Januzzi and his teammates Andy Panko were named to the Basketball Times All-American team. Panko also received the Basketball Times Player of the Year award.

"It is very difficult to be an American," said Rickrode. "When we would be successful, when we recruited him, he worked hard towards this goal of his goals." Januzzi's 19.2 points per game led the Colonels to a berth in the NCAA tournament, the team's fourth in four years. Januzzi did not miss a free throw in the Ramada Plaza Colonial Invitational and completed 89 percent of his shots.

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Sports

Januzzi first-team All-American

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Beacon Sports Editor

When men's basketball coach Jerry Rickrode recruited junior Dave Januzzi out of Meyers High School four years ago, he knew he would be getting something special.

Januzzi proved how right Rickrode was in his first year and has continually exceeded expectations set upon him.

But Januzzi's most impressive feat has come just recently after the season had ended. Januzzi became the first Colonel ever to be named a first team All-American. Januzzi and Lebanon Valley's Andy Panko were named to the *Basketball Times* All-American first team. Panko also received the *Basketball Times* Player of the Year.

"It is very difficult to be named an All-American," said Rickrode. "But I knew he would be successful four years ago when we recruited him. He's worked hard towards this and it was one of his goals."

Januzzi's 19.2 points per game average led the Colonels to a 25-4 record and a berth in the NCAA Sweet Sixteen, the team's fourth in five years. Januzzi did not miss a free throw until the Ramada Plaza Colonel Classic in January and completed 89% on the year.

Januzzi joins Matt LaBuda as the



Dave Januzzi is Wilkes' first first team All-American.



Jerry Rickrode was voted Coach of the Year by the NABC.

only Wilkes' players to be chosen as All-Americans, but is the first first-team selection. LaBuda was primarily an outside shooter.

"They are two totally different players, but the one thing that is simi-

lar is their off-season training," commented Rickrode. "Dave is better off the dribble, while Matt was a catch-and-shoot player who was a spot-up shooter."

Joining the 6'0" Januzzi and 6'9" Panko are Wisconsin Platteville's Merrill Brunson, Grinnell's Jeff Clement, and Augsburg's Devean George.

Januzzi, the two-time Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League's Player of the Year, was earlier named as a National Association of Basketball Coaches' second team All-American, where LaBuda was selected in 1996. Rickrode was also chosen as the NABC Atlantic Region Coach of the Year, chosen by the region's coaches. Rickrode is a three-time winner of the honor, having earned the award in 1998 and 1996.

"It's an honor because the other coaches do the voting and it's nice to be respected," said a humble Rickrode, beginning his eighth season at Wilkes. "I'm not one for individual accolades, but this never loses its appeal."

Januzzi was also honored on the ECAC first team for the second straight year, while also being named to the Regional All-American first team for the second time.

Of his captain's senior year, Rickrode commented, "He'll try to make the first team again. This won't make him complacent at all."

Intramurals alive and kicking

By GREG COLLINS
Beacon Staff Writer

"It's alive!" The intramural program at Wilkes University appears to be back on its feet, having completed the second basketball tournament of the semester. From March 16 through April 8, 13 teams battled for the title of Intramural Champions.

However, there was little question as to who the victors would be. Led by Terry Martin, the eventual champions chose the name "No Doubt" for their squad.

While most teams had little hopes of winning it all, everyone got the chance to have some fun. "It was... interesting," said Ron Serkosky, a member of the hapless, 0-8 "Clippers." George Waschko, the

top-scorer for the "Clippers," added, "At least we lived up to our team name!"

Despite the apparent disparity in competition level, nearly all the games were close, hard-fought contests.

"It was real competitive," Jason Phillips of the "Wife Beaterz" pointed out. "I had a lot of fun."

Most people agreed with Phillips, and admitted they look forward to more intramural activities.

Sophomore Matt Sarge, who played for "Brand X" said, "It was enjoyable to get the exercise after class." He added, "I'm hoping to play some spring softball now."

In addition to softball, an intramural slam-dunk competition is scheduled to take place on April 21 at 7 pm. The event will be held in the Evans Parking Lot.

M.A.C. Stats

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COMMONWEALTH		FREEDOM	
Elizabethtown	3-0	FDU-Madison	2-0
Albright	2-0	Scranton	3-0
Lebanon Valley	2-1	King's	2-0
Susquehanna	2-1	Drew	1-1
Messiah	2-2	Allentown	1-1
Widener	0-3	Wilkes	1-4
Moravian	0-4	Lycoming	0-4

SOFTBALL

COMMONWEALTH		FREEDOM	
Messiah	8-0	Wilkes	9-1
Susquehanna	4-2	Lycoming	6-2
Elizabethtown	5-3	FDU-Madison	7-3
Moravian	4-4	Drew	5-5
Albright	2-2	King's	3-5
Widener	3-5	Allentown	3-5
Lebanon Valley	2-4	Del. Val.	1-7
Juniata	0-8	Scranton	0-6

BASEBALL

COMMONWEALTH		FREEDOM	
Elizabethtown	5-1	Drew	4-2
Widener	4-2	King's	2-1
Messiah	4-2	Allentown	5-3
Susquehanna	4-4	FDU-Madison	2-2
Juniata	2-2	Wilkes	3-5
Moravian	3-5	Del. Val.	2-4
Albright	1-3	Scranton	1-2
Lebanon Valley	1-5		

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Sports

Not your average drag queen

By COREY YANOSHAH
Beacon Sports Editor

It is said that everyone is good at something. There is one thing out there that you can do well, only you have to go find it.

Fortunately, for Wilkes' junior Katie Watkins, that thing found her when she was six years-old.

Watkins, who stars on the women's basketball team, has enjoyed and excelled at drag racing ever since she was 16 and her parents gave her a 1972 Chevelle as a present.

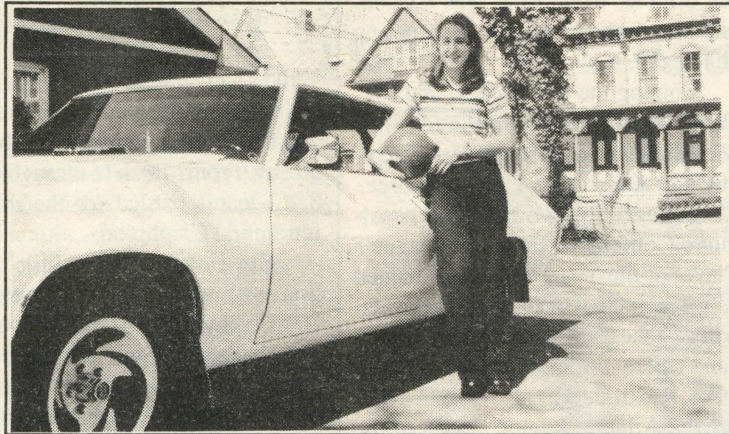
Now 21, Watkins is in her sixth year of racing at Numidia Raceways, about 20 minutes past Bloomsburg, and enjoys every minute of it.

"I'm just a competitive person, plus it's an opportunity to be around my family more," said Watkins.

It was Watkins' parents, who are still active on the quarter-mile drag strip, who brought her into racing at such a young age.

"My only influence was my family. I've been around racing my whole life. My dad had a race car when I was six. If it wasn't for them, I'd never do it."

Watkins, who averaged 16.2 points per game and nine rebounds per



Katie Watkins has excelled on the basketball court and at the races.

game on the basketball court, has received numerous honors at Numidia, including Rookie of the Year in 1994, High School Champion in '94 and '95, and Best Appearing Car in 1998. Watkins takes great pride in her car's appearance.

But her career highlight has been her sixth place finish in the Heavy Eliminator in '98, her toughest year up-to-date. The High School Division only had a handful of racers, where the Eliminator has 60 drivers, all with a good amount of experience.

"There are a lot of people in the Heavy Eliminator division and they

are all experienced, so it was a high-light to finish sixth last year."

The Eliminator is divided into three classes: Super, Heavy, and Trophy. The Super Eliminator allows cars with electronic enhancements and has a qualifying time of 12.99 seconds. The Heavy Eliminator does not allow electronics and requires times of 10 seconds and above. The Trophy Class consists of street entries racing for a trophy, while the other two award money to the winners.

The race format, after three practice rounds, follows a seven-round, one-on-one, quarter-mile drag. The

winners advance and the losers pack it up. The race winner receives a varied amount of money for each round win and can make \$600 for winning the whole seven rounds.

"I hit 102 m.p.h. last week and finished the race in 13.14 seconds, which is my best ever," said Watkins, whose top speed in her rookie year was 85 m.p.h. in 17 seconds.

Watkins races every Sunday, while also traveling to some distant raceways throughout the summer, the farthest being Delaware. The racing sea-

son lasts from April to October. Watkins's off-season from basketball.

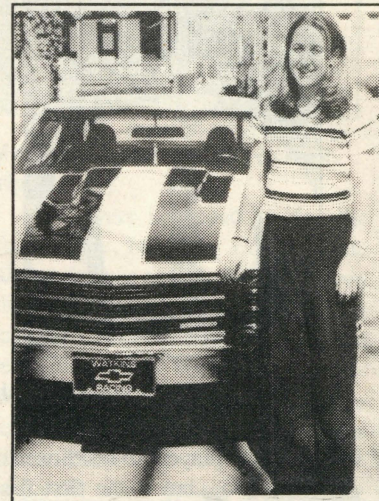
"It's like everything else, the more practice you get, the better you get. But it helped that I knew a lot when I started."

Watkins has cared for her white Chevelle with black pinstripes since she was 14. Annually, she puts an average of \$1500-2000 into the car when winter rolls around. In-season, maintenance consists of cleaning the body, a weekly check, and a tune-up every few months. Out-of-season, the engine is taken out and checked thoroughly.

"I put as much as I could afford into it. I hope to keep adding racing parts and either get a new race car or make this one an exclusive race car and possibly move up into the Super class."

Watkins, who drives a GMC Jimmy when not racing, plans on racing her whole life, stating the obvious that her basketball career will end soon, but, like her parents, may continue to race for years to come.

"I've been around it my whole life and I plan on continuing to do it my whole life. Hopefully, I can make my car more racy or buy a different one," concluded Watkins.



"Watkins Racing" up close.

Baseball snaps six-game losing streak, wins two in a row

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After losing six straight games, including five non-league games, the Colonels seem to have gotten back on the winning track, highlighted by a split with Drew University in New Jersey.

Jason Lenko picked up his second consecutive win, improving to 4-2 on the year.

Lenko pitched a complete game, surrendering two runs, none of which were earned. Lenko allowed five hits, struck out three and walked two.

"The team played well and I did what I could," said Lenko, who was the closer on last year's squad. "I feel more confident now. I started games during the summer and I feel I'm throwing the ball well."

Nate Lipton was the tough-luck loser in the opener, giving up eight runs in an 8-4 loss as the Colonels went to 3-5 in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

"Even though we split, we showed that we could still play to win," said junior outfielder Joe Doran. "Lenko really threw well and everyone decided that we wanted to win."

In the victory, Dan Borden ripped a three-run homer in the third inning, scoring Jim Casey and Rick Leibig. Borden, who is playing with a hurt elbow, smacked a fastball over the right-center fence.

"It just goes to show how much he loves to play the game," said Lenko of his catcher. "He just played through his pain and came up big."



Dan Borden is hitting .306

The third inning proved pivotal as Brian Boyer led off with a double and advanced to third on Casey's double. Leibig's infield single scored Boyer and Borden's blast cleared the bases.

Mike Viglone tripled to start the game and scored on a Casey ground-out as Wilkes led all game.

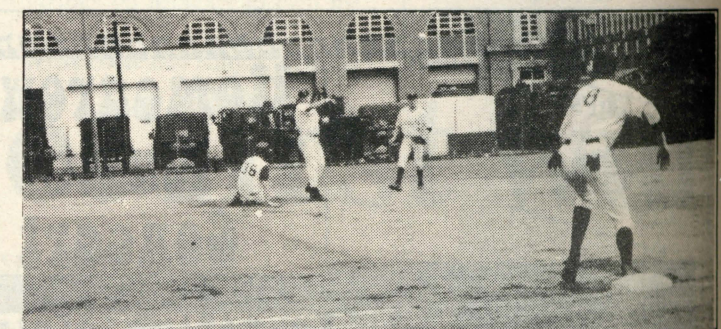
"There was a totally different atmosphere in the second game," said Doran, who had a single. "Everyone was real fired up."

Steve Toth and J.J. Sodaro each hit safely twice in the win, upping their batting averages to .375 and .342 respectively.

In the first game, the Rangers scored four runs in the first inning and three in the fourth as the Colonels rallied in the seventh, but could not overcome the four-run deficit.

Viglone ripped three hits and Leibig two, with both scoring a run. Borden added two hits and knocked in two runs, while Nick D'Amico scored once and brought in a run.

"We just didn't put it together," said Leibig.



J.J. Sodaro turns the end of a double-play in a 9-1 win over Del. Val.

Borden singled in Leibig in the fourth, while also scoring Viglone in the sixth with a sacrifice fly. Toth led off the seventh with a triple and scored on D'Amico's double. Casey then brought in D'Amico with a ground out, concluding the scoring for the first game.

"I just don't know," commented Lenko on the team's recent struggles.

Tim Popovich threw a complete game six-hitter as Wilkes ousted the University of Scranton 8-1 in a non-conference game on Wednesday, improving to 13-13 on the year. Popovich

walked two and struck out four in his third win of the year.

Viglone and Leibig added three hits, while Borden and Doran drove in two runs.

"It's a good experience, but I wish we were doing better," said Leibig of his freshman year, in which he has been juggled between first base and the outfield. "I don't mind switching, it doesn't matter to me."

Wilkes dropped a 8-6 decision to Philadelphia's Gwynedd-Mercy last week as freshman Ryan Lobb suffered his third loss of the year.

April 15

*Baseball @ Bloomsburg 3:30pm
*Golf vs. Scranton 1 pm

April 16

*Baseball @ Lebanon Valley 3:30 pm
*Golf @ Glenmaura 1 pm

April 17

*Softball vs. Lycoming 1 pm
*Golf @ Glenmaura 1 pm
*Tennis @ Messiah 1 pm

April 18

*Baseball @ Misericordia 1:30 pm

April 20

*Softball vs. Susquehanna 2:30pm
*Golf @ Miseri/Allentown 1 pm
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