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## Weather

It is the expressed opinion of the BEACON staff that throughout the next week the temperature will not go above 50 degrees. It is also the opinion of the BEACON that we do not control the weather, nor do we pretend to be able to predict it.

## News

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## Smoking Policy Examined; New Policy Proposed to Trustees

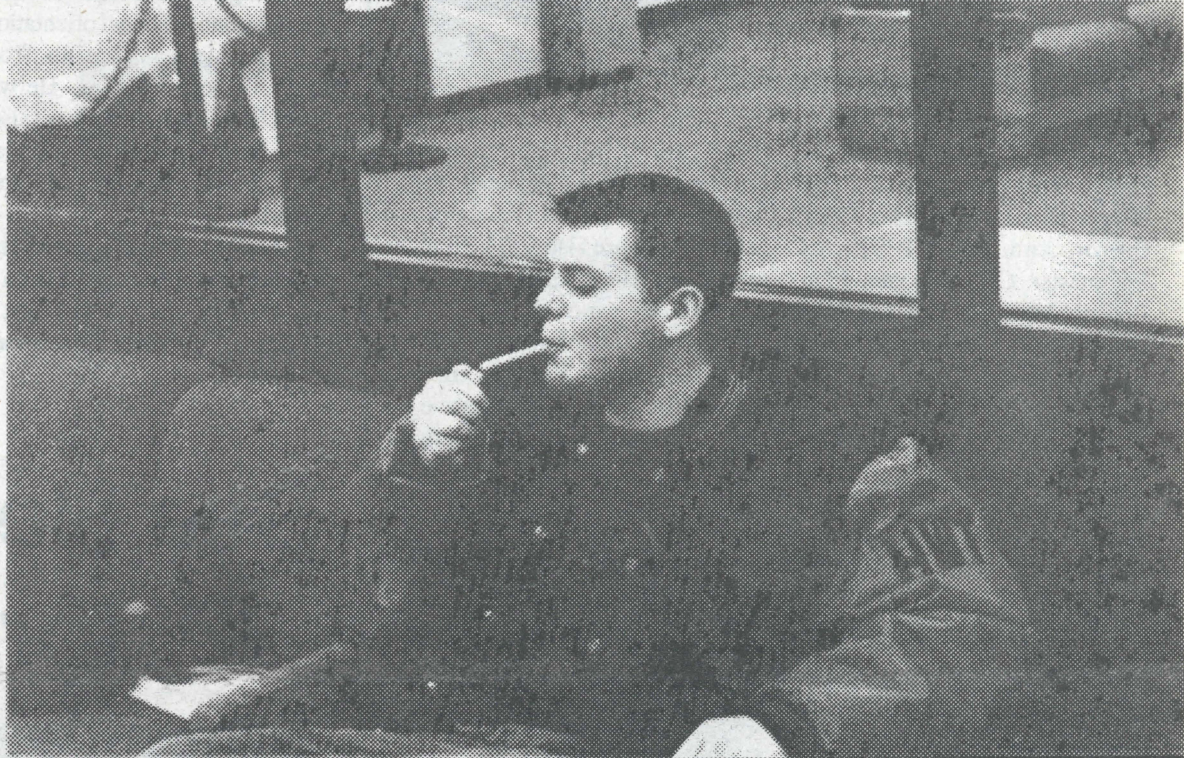
By Casey O'Brien  
Beacon Staff Writer

On Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Dean Allen and Student Government Vice President Beth Danner held a forum to discuss the idea for a change in the smoking policy for campus-life.

The new policy originates from a recommendation from the President's Commission on Smoking and Fire Safety. In November 2000, President Breiseth, in response to a Board of Trustee recommendation, appointed a Commission on Smoking and Fire Safety. The Board was particularly concerned about fire safety after the tragic fires at both Bloomsburg University and Seton Hall.

The proposed policy calls for smoking to be prohibited in all University owned buildings, shuttles, and vans with the exception of the smoking lounge located in the Stark Lobby. Smoking is permitted outside of all campus buildings at entrances. Those designated entrances will be clearly marked and have ashtrays located nearby.

The current smoking policy has two parts; one for the residential campus buildings and one for non-residential. In residential buildings smoking is at the discretion of the occupants, except in Catlin Hall, Ross Hall, and Weiss Hall. In non-residential buildings, smoking is permitted only in the designated smoking areas where ashtrays are



Freshman, Eli Phillips utilizes the smoking lounge on the first floor of Stark Learning Center.

Photo By Adam Polinger

provided.

Members of Student Government recently surveyed the cafeteria during dinner, gathering comments and concerns on the proposed smoking policy. A group of non-smokers favored a no smoking policy; saying smoking is disturbing to others. "Smoking in residence halls wouldn't be fair to people who live there," the group of students remarked. These same students, and many others, felt the bubble in the Stark Learning Center should be kept. "We need at

least one place for them to smoke inside."

"We have to be realistic. People will not automatically stop smoking, but with something on paper it gives people a way to say 'You shouldn't be doing that'," Dean Allen remarked at the forum concerning the proposal.

"I don't smoke myself but I also don't think all smokers should be treated like lepers," James Mason, an on-campus freshmen, said when asked his opinion over the possible change. "If they don't bother me then I don't see the point."

The forum attracted attention from students, faculty, and local health activists. Approximately fifty people were in attendance, mostly students. Also present were Andrew Gagaris, Associate Director of Wilkes-Barre City Health Office and James Kane, Regional Cancer Control Director for the American Cancer Society. Both gentlemen shared factual information related to direct and indirect health risks associated with smoking.

## Nesbitt Pharmacy School Receives Long Awaited Accreditation

By John Bosha  
Beacon Staff Writer

It's official.

The Nesbitt School of Pharmacy at Wilkes University has attained full accreditation by the ACPE. After four visits by accreditation teams, six years of planning, and sixty Pharm.D. graduates, Wilkes University now has an accredited school of pharmacy.

The process of accreditation puts the value behind the piece of paper known as the diploma.

Did the accreditation of the

school come as any surprise?

"Of course not," said pharmacy professor Dr. Arthur Kibbe, "It was only a matter of time. The Accreditation Board was simply placing more pressure on the school to hire new faculty."

To satisfy the ACPE, the School Pharmacy hired new faculty among other key steps.

According to the Dean of the School of Pharmacy, Bernard W. Graham, three factors were key to accreditation: faculty to student ratio, how well the school is doing as a whole, and how the graduat-

ing students fare on the "Boards", or the national licensing exam.

In this past year, all 3 factors were met, including a 100% pass rate on the Boards.

To the Dean, full accreditation was "not unexpected." Full accreditation is the highest status available. Pharmacy schools start out at "pre-candidate" status, which means they are allowed to admit students.

Wilkes met that step in July of 1996, and admitted students, shortly thereafter in September 1996.

The next step is "candidate" status, a step where Wilkes had been

since July of 1997, where they awaited approval for "accredited" status. A school listed as "candidate" maintains all the rights and privileges of those schools accredited, including graduation, which Wilkes held last May.

When students received word of the accreditation, joy was the constant reaction.

Others were relieved, but mostly everyone was excited that the school had finally achieved the goal it set upon inception over 6 years ago.



## Under Construction

By Marcus Sowcik  
Beacon Staff Writer

The Beacon has gone under construction and added some fresh faces to its staff for the spring semester.

The most significant change made was the addition of Amanda Brozana, who will now take on the position of Managing Editor. The freshman is a Communications major and is expecting to make some notable modifications to the publication.

Along with Brozana, The Beacon has acquired Nick Meadows as News-editor position, Casey O'Brien as Head Copy Editor, Kristin Hake as a Copy Editor, and Mike Burke as Webmaster. Chris Hooper, John Broody, Mark Falanga and Josh Liebner have also been added to the team, and will help in the remodeling of the newspaper.

Though a new nucleus has been added, readers will still find a solid sports page with Tara Barrie stepping in as Sports Edi-



tor, "The Main Event with Crazy Bob," "Hit the Showers," and other popular articles throughout the paper. Veterans such as Kathy Donlin and Dave Grasso are also still behind the scenes, and will continue to offer solid editing to the paper.

The staff is looking to obtain any of the feedback the readers are willing to offer on ways to improve the paper. Any comments, questions, concerns or news tidbits you have to offer can be sent to wilkesbeacon@hotmail.com.

## Diversity Video Explains More At Wilkes

By Nick Meadows  
Beacon Staff Writer

Tuesday, January 23rd, 2nd floor SUB, Jose Melendez held a workshop for diversity at Wilkes University. What made this diversity workshop distinct was not just about being a different race, it was about being a different race and having an alternative sexual orientation.

Jose is a gay Latino from Oberlin College in Ohio. He was born in El Salvador and was raised in New York City. He is in his last year of studying History and Dance at Oberlin.

Oberlin College was the first institution to start the protection of gays. Oberlin was also the first to give degrees to African Americans and women.

Jose decided to come to central Pennsylvania and show a video tape on gays when Jim Harrington found Jose at Oberlin. Jim is a graduate of Oberlin and saw Jose in the video and he decided to get in contact with him. Jose does not protest, but he is very active in other ways such as a dance that he created showing his difference. Jim saw this and brought Jose to central PA to present this workshop.

The video Melendez features is called "Though we are all Queer, Queer is not all we are."

"The film deals with sexuality in a blunt way," Jose explains.

Jose was in the video, but he was only presenting it, and was not a producer in it. This presentation

was shown at Lackawanna Community college, Penn Wilkes-Barre campus, and Wilkes University.

"I don't like the rhetoric of saying that I am normal. The purpose is not that I'm like you to learn to accept difference and move on," Jose comments concerning other campaigns about diversity.

"It was really an excellent presentation," Erick Bourassa-Land, president of WAQS, said. "It was what I expected, but it was really good presentation."

When Jose is done with his education he plans on looking for non-profitable organizations. He has returned to Oberlin recently to finish his last semester.

## Final Gathering of Presidential Search Committee

By Casey O'Brien  
Beacon Staff Writer

The Presidential Search Committee convened twice to discuss the candidates at length, following the visit of the last applicants.

"We took into consideration their visit to the campus as well as all we have learned about these outstanding persons from a careful review of their professional experiences, reference checking, phone calls to individuals from their home community and campus interviews," Melanie Lumia, Chair of the committee, explained the ongoing process.

Lumia noted that the written feedback the committee received from those who met the candidates was helpful in their deliberations. The Search Committee confirmed once again that any of the three could provide effective leadership for Wilkes.

The next step in the search will occur on February 2 at the meeting of the Board of Trustees. At that time, the committee will present its report to the Board, and it is planned that the Board will reach a decision shortly thereafter. The campus community will be informed immediately, once a decision is reached.

## Tools Chosen as Theme for 2001 Winter Weekend

By Josh Liebner  
Beacon Staff Writer

This year's annual winter weekend will be held the weekend of February 22-24. The theme this year is "Tools". Registration forms can be picked up at Stark Learning Center at the Security Desk or the SUB information desk. Forms are due at the SUB organizational suite (on the first floor) by Tuesday, February 7 between 4:30-5:30. There will be a

captains meeting on Wednesday, February 8 at 11:00AM in the organizational suite. Captains must have at least a rough idea for a T-shirt design if not the design itself. If there are any questions contact Beth Danner at [dannerbn@wilkes.edu](mailto:dannerbn@wilkes.edu) or call the Student Government office at extension 2910. Look for more information about Winter Weekend in next weeks Beacon.

## See Next Week's Beacon for Coverage of:

National Condom Week  
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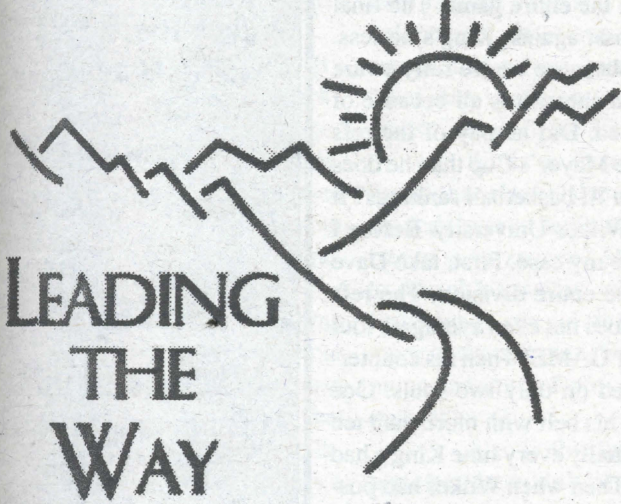
By Josh L  
Beacon Staff

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## WILKES UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT



## Quorum Not Met; Student Government Duty Not Met

By Josh Liebner  
Beacon Staff Writer

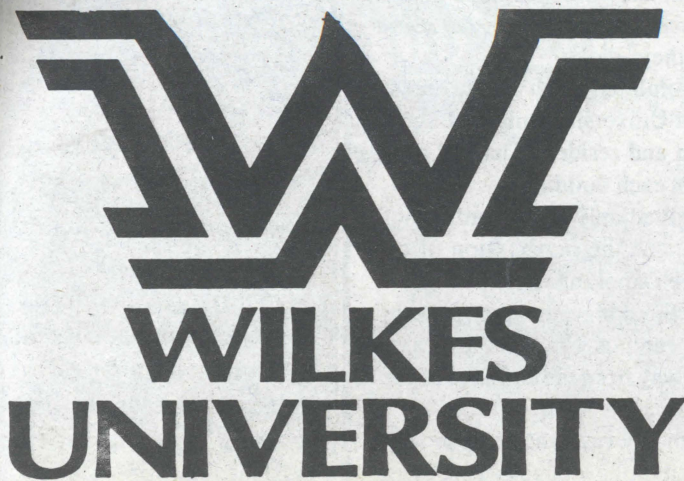
The Student Government meeting on Wednesday, January 31, 2001 was uneventful. That is because it never took place. The meeting was originally scheduled to begin at six o'clock P.M. That time was pushed forward to five-thirty PM because the student government members needed to go to the Ramada Inn for a town meeting of sorts. Apparently, most of the members did not get that message. Due to a lack of attendance, the meeting was never called to order and was postponed.

Because no one showed up,

the Student Government did not meet quorum. This is the first time they did not make the quorum since the spring semester of 2000. This has been a good track record, but this reporter has to wonder if they are slipping into their earlier habits of not showing initiative, diligence, and responsibility in their duties representing the students of Wilkes University.

So what exactly does Student Government do? Is it possible to govern when you do not meet?

*The Beacon* plans to cover all future meetings with diligence and hopefully they will "meet" in order to help answer my aforementioned questions.



## Accounting Club offers Free Tax Service

For the 17th consecutive year, Wilkes University's accounting students will offer free tax help to the public through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. This free service will be offered every Saturday during the month of February, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. in

Room 108 of the Classroom/Office Building.

VITA is designed to assist the public, especially elderly and lower-income individuals, prepare their basic federal and state taxes. Anyone interested should bring this year's tax package and/or la-

bel, all W-2 and 1099 forms, information about other income, information for all deductions/credits, and copies of last year's tax return.

For more information, contact the Wilkes University Accounting Department secretary at (570) 408-4725.



## Beacon Webpage Unveiled

By Amanda Brozana  
Beacon Staff Writer

The Beacon is unveiling itself online. As we move into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, so does our publication.

Mike Burke, a sophomore Computer Science major, has taken over the webmaster position at the Beacon. The new web page will be located at [www.wilkes.edu/beacon](http://www.wilkes.edu/beacon). Our online publication will include

the same features you have come to know and love here at the Beacon, as well as some additional resources.

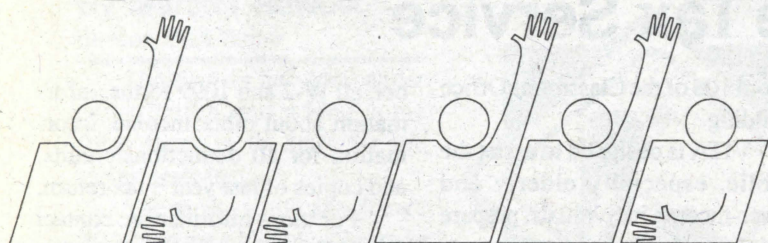
Weather reports, archives of past articles, schedules for various events around campus, hours of operation for buildings around Wilkes, links to areas of interest and a message board will be among the added features found by visit-

ing the online version of the Beacon. The new site is anticipated to be fully operational in time for the release of our February 8<sup>th</sup> publication.

If you have any suggestions for the new web page, please contact us at our new staff address: [wilkesbeacon@hotmail.com](mailto:wilkesbeacon@hotmail.com), subject line: WEBMASTER. Enjoy the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



## Opposing views with



JENNIFERLEE YUHAS and GREG COLLINS

We come to this campus as adults. As our parents dropped us off on the first day of school, whether it was tearful or joyful, they accepted the fact that we are in fact adults. When the University admitted us into their fold they also came to the realization that we are considered adults. Yet the University keeps trying to take more and more rights away from us. What is their latest crusade you ask? Smoking in the residence halls. It was said at the anti-smoking meeting, that smoking is one of the leading causes of fires in dormitories and residence halls. But what was not said is that this is only the case when alcohol is involved. A fire can just as easily start from a computer or a microwave, or from that fact that we plug way too many electrical appliances into the limited outlets that the University supplies. If we are considered adults than I feel that we should be treated as adults. The University trusts us enough to decide if we are going to go to any classes on a particular day and they trust us to be responsible. I think that smoking in the dorms comes with certain responsibilities. Just as drinking comes with responsibilities. I feel that Wilkes wants to make this campus the safest place possible for us and I find that commendable. But, I also think that sometimes they go overboard and step out of their boundaries. If you also feel that this is a serious problem, let your voice be heard. Feel free to email me at yuhasj@wilkes.edu. Maybe we can solve this problem together.



Tobacco has long been a part of American culture. Early settlers smoked it and fortunes were made off of it. Now, centuries later, science has proven that there are many dangers associated with smoking. These risks affect both the user and, more unfortunately, most everyone who breathes. According to a 1996 report in the Journal of the American Medical Association, nearly 9 out of 10 Americans are exposed to environmental tobacco smoke (ETS). This is an astonishing fact, considering the deadly nature of ETS. Since 1992, the Environmental Protection Agency has classified ETS as a Class A carcinogen, which means that cigarette smoke is known to cause cancer. Over 3000 deaths a year resulting from lung cancer are blamed on ETS. Yet from a group including arsenic and asbestos, ETS is the only Class A carcinogen that has not been banned in public areas. It's about time tobacco smoke is removed from all university buildings. In addition to the lethal consequences, courtesy is another reason smoking should be eliminated from all buildings, especially the residence halls. While most smokers are considerate enough to keep their room door closed, this is often not enough for the neighboring non-smokers. When the smell of cigarette smoke seeps under the door, a late night snack can taste quite disgusting. Or in some cases, allergies flare up, leading to itchy eyes or even asthma attacks. Along with the many reasons supporting a smoke-free campus is the fact that there is little opposition to the policy. At a recent open forum on the subject, only a handful of dissenters attended to provide insight on their opinion. This apparent apathy supports national research, performed by the University of Buffalo, that showed that a mere 10% of smokers were opposed to smoke-free buildings. With this information, and the knowledge that all people on campus will benefit from the proposed policy, the decision is simple. Rid the buildings of Wilkes University of all tobacco smoke and help make this a healthier, happier place to be.

## Letter to the Editor

Wilkes Mourns Over Terrible Refereeing

The time is 10:11 PM on Tuesday, January 30. I have just returned. Wilkes' Marts center had the largest crowd at a basketball game since the playoffs in 1998. The fans cheered throughout the entire game. The final score: 73-70. Wilkes just suffered a terrible loss, against King's no less. Why the loss? Not because of the lack of skills because we are fully aware of the team's talent. Not because of the missed shots. It is all because of bad refereeing. Maybe the mayor was involved. Did he pay of the refs because he cares more about the integrity of the Mayor's Cup than he does about the integrity of the entire Men's Division III basketball rankings? It is a possibility. The city does have it out for Wilkes University. Before I ask you to believe my accusations let me make my case. First, take Dave Januzzi, a key player at Wilkes, as well as the entire division. The refs called four fouls on him! This is a player that does not even average 1 foul per 2 games. Yet he managed to get called 4 in 1 GAME! Then his counterpart, Corey Dickerson from King's, was called on only two fouls. One more fact to add, Januzzi had four fouls under his belt with more than ten minutes to go in the second half! Secondly, virtually every time King's had possession, there was a foul called on Wilkes. Then when Wilkes had possession, jump balls were called. Were the referees watching the same game as the fans? Were their eyes closed? Sure seemed like it. Third: have you ever watched a basketball game where there were 30 or 40 fouls called on one team in one half? If you have, let me know. This was my first experience and I didn't know how to handle the blow. Another example: Wilkes' ball with about a half-minute remaining, Wilkes down by 3. Januzzi has his arms torn off by THREE king's players. One manages to get ONE hand on the ball, and a jump ball is immediately called. Possession arrow to King's and Wilkes loses possession. Finally, VERY late in the fourth quarter and Wilkes is down by one. King's is about to inbound the ball coming out of a timeout when two king's players deliberately trip two Wilkes players. Two players fall to the floor, no call!! So, was the Mayor involved? He very well could have been! If not, then I do not know what to attribute this HORRIBLE circumstance to. Do you? This is my first game that I felt that I could just pick some object up and throw it as hard as I could at the referees or jump out of my seat and onto the court. However, I consider myself a passive person. I guess if I practiced as Steve Corbett CLAIMS to practice, I could TOO consider myself a Buddhist. Kings may have gone home tonight thinking that they got a win. Yet in reality, neither Wilkes nor King's won this basketball game. The real victors were the referees. As a matter of fact, I say we give the damn Cup to the referees!! And a final note to the refs if they get a hold of this, how can you live with yourselves knowing what you did? I also hope for the sake of the other basketball teams that you decide to throw in the towel(s). Retirement is a sweet thing, especially when you are hated by so many.

The opinions expressed by the writer are not necessarily the opinions of the Beacon or Wilkes University.

## Smoking Elsewhere?

How do other local colleges handled the 'smoking problem'? Here are the policies:

**King's College:** No smoking in traditional residence halls or academic buildings. Apartment-style housing discourages smoking, but it is at the discretion of the residents whether or not they smoke.

**University of Scranton:** Smoking is prohibited in all public areas, private offices, and residence hall rooms of all University buildings.

**Marywood University:** No smoking in and residence hall or academic building. There are smoking lounges in each building.

**College Misericordia:** Smoking is permitted only in the confines of a student's residence hall room. They must have the permission of all roommates and must keep the door closed when smoking.

**Luzerne County Community College:** Smoking is not permitted in any academic or administrative buildings on campus. Smokers must use ashtrays provided and remain at least 30 feet away from the entrance of the building.

**Bloomsburg University:** No smoking in any residence hall or academic building. Some residence halls do have smoking lounges where there is space.

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## Through our eyes

by: Ann Marie and Chris



Please note that (purple) due to extra-  
neous (purple) circumstances, only one of  
the (purple) authors had a hand in this  
(purple) article.

Semester two. Insert applause here. By  
now you've probably heard "Welcome back"  
about 28 times, so I'll spare you the rhetor-  
ic. Did you miss us while we were on hia-  
tus for awhile? We sure as "heck" missed  
writing for all of you wonderful people out  
there. Please hold the applause to the end,  
it's much appreciated.

Does it ever seem as if something  
is missing on this campus, specifically near  
the end of Stark? As long as we've been  
here, there has never been a sidewalk that  
goes straight just past Stark as you are walk-  
ing towards the SUB. However, there is a  
sidewalk that goes around several bushes.  
Apparently they think that we would rather  
take the scenic route around a bunch of  
bushes instead of just making a regular side-  
walk. Thus far, we have never seen anyone  
take that scenic route, and because of this, a  
big mud and gravel pit has formed where  
everyone does walk. Not to mention the fact  
that since there is snow on the ground, this

little area has a nice sheet of ice over it too.  
Hmmm, maybe if someone falls and breaks  
their leg, they can sue the university. Any  
volunteers? Of course maybe we shouldn't  
complain about this, because we may find an-  
other item in our next tuition statement that  
reads "Sidewalk fee \$50.00."

While on the subject of sidewalks,  
has anyone else out there noticed that the area  
around the president's house is always 100%  
free of snow and ice? Does he get up at 5am  
to shovel his walkways, or does he just get  
really really special treatment because he is  
more important than the people that pay co-  
pious amounts of money each year? You  
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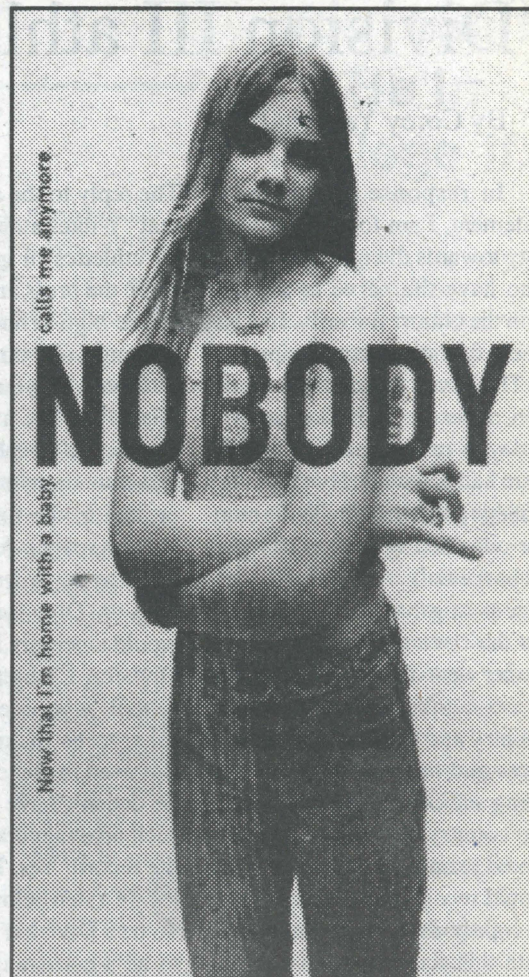
Also in this first article of the new  
semester, I couldn't pass up an opportunity  
to mention you're favorite and mine, the caf-  
eteria! Well, actually the café. All I really  
have to say is that price increases on food  
that is already over-priced is a big no-no, and  
is duly noted. Perhaps their overflowing  
moneybags will accidentally fall on their  
heads and kill them.

For all the transfer students out there  
who may for whatever reason be reading this

article in *The Beacon*, you should be able to  
tell what we, the authors, are all about (with  
the exception of this article, which has only  
one author). If you can't, then you are defi-  
nitely in the right place. We certainly hope  
that in spite of the missing sidewalks, caf-  
eteria in the sky, mediocre expensive food,  
occasional dog-do on the existing sidewalks,  
and the constant threat of getting "screwed"  
by any number of administrative offices, you  
have a wonderful spring semester here at  
Wilkes.

Since this article only had one au-  
thor, it's up to you to decide if you like just  
one or two authors better. By all means, let  
us know. Send any comments, criticisms,  
praise, or anything else you want us to know  
to [millerab@wilkes.edu](mailto:millerab@wilkes.edu). Again, in the  
words of one of the most controversial  
people in the world, "Before the bullets,  
before the flies, before authorities take out  
my eyes" I'm getting out of here. Oh yeah,  
you can applaud now.

The opinions expressed by Chris and  
Ann Marie are those of their own.



## Diversity presentation affects all ages

By: Kathline Awad



Jim Harrington, Chairman of the Alli-  
ance of Queer Students, invited Jose  
Melendez from Oberlin College to speak  
to Wilkes students in a Multi-Cultural Coa-  
lition Forum Tuesday, January 23, 2001 in  
the student union building at 7:00 p.m.

Melendez, from El Salvador, was  
a breath of fresh air to a community that  
has been known to be less than accepting  
of diversity in past times. In fact, there were  
even students in attendance from King's  
because they wanted to hear Melendez's  
positive message of multi-cultural diversity  
among gay students. They also wanted to  
see the documentary, "Though we are  
queer, Queer is not all we are" which was  
not allowed to be shown at King's, and at  
least one student from King's participated  
as a speaker.

I arrived at the meeting slightly  
early with my eleven-year-old son, Joseph,  
and was pleased to see so many familiar  
faces from many of my classes. As I walked  
past the fireplace and into the middle of  
the room, there was a welcoming atmo-  
sphere. Between the welcome feeling and  
the warmth of the fireplace, Joey and I felt  
right at home with friends. We knew that  
the video was going to be of a controver-  
sial nature, but the language was a surprise  
to me. I guess that since we like for our  
children to have a realistic view of the  
world, the language, which was a mere ex-

pression to the level of the frustration of  
the participants, was more shocking to  
me than it was to Joey. The interviewed  
participants were talking frankly and re-  
alistically about what it is like to live in  
a world where they have to pretend for  
some and "jump through hoops for oth-  
ers" just to fit in or be listened to in con-  
versation among the straight community.  
The documentary also pointed out the  
compounded issue of being gay and of  
an ethnic background that is not Anglo  
Saxon, White, which is a totally over-  
looked aspect of the diversity issue with  
gays in many areas of the United States.

When the program and discus-  
sion was over and we were on our way  
to the DDD to enjoy the last of the Jazz  
concert, Joey said to me, "You know  
what Mommy? There really should have  
been more people there that are closer  
to my age, because that would be the  
best way to stop that sort of intolerance  
for the future." I could not have said it  
better myself.

Thanks to Jose Melendez for shar-  
ing his documentary and discussion with  
our community. He was here for the  
whole month of January doing good  
things for us and we appreciate his time  
and message, from the poets, writers,  
dancers, the performing arts, and musi-  
cians of Oberlin College.

### PENNSYLVANIA'S BEST SKIING



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# "Division III athletics are just a step above high school."

By Corey Yanoshak

In response to the above statement, I am focusing my energy towards the ignorant people who have the nerve to say this with the utmost sincerity. Just last week, this statement was printed in The Times Leader sports section, under the "Fan Fare" section. A day or two after the basketball team had beaten Delaware Valley College and laid claim to the number-one ranking in all of Division III basketball, a caller left a message stating that "Wilkes does not get the coverage it deserves." It further went on stating that Wilkes is the number one team in the country and does not get enough press and that maybe now, after being selected as the top team in the country and the only undefeated team in Division III, they would receive the publicity they so rightly deserve. I could agree with this statement and have no qualms with it. It was the response, however, from a caller on the following day, that has me questioning people's intelligence.

The reply to the above caller stated that "Wilkes athletics, and Division III athletics in general, do not deserve the press and are barely a step above high school sports," so stop wasting your time crying about it. For those of you who don't know, "Fan Fare" is a section in which people call a phone number and leave an anonymous message to be printed in the following edition of the newspaper. Anyway, who is this caller to put down thousands of athletes in Division III programs? I would sincerely hope that he was a Division I athlete at a prestigious school, who overachieved, for his sake, to be making this statement. But even in that case, I truly believe he doesn't have the right to make such an exaggerated statement. For the record: Yes, Division III athletics are a step below Division I sports. To be a Division I athlete, you need to be a certain size for each sport, and sometimes the best players are not the most recognized and don't get the opportunity to play at a higher level. But, all athletes deserve credit

for what they do. Sporting events deserve to be in the newspapers and teams deserve any type of press they receive. Certain teams receive more publicity than others, but nonetheless, no sport should be undermined. Playing sports at a Division III school is not a task to be taken lightly, at least it shouldn't be. Ask Jerry Rickrode or Frank Sheptock what they think of that statement about Division III athletics. Should every coach's work on this campus go for naught and Wilkes be put down like it was? I don't believe it should. Football coaches work year-round, yet their season runs only three months. The men's basketball team has been ranked all season for a reason, not

because it is a high school-caliber program. Playing any sport at any level is an honor and a privilege. Well over 100 students play sports at Wilkes, or at any Division III college. Why should their efforts be undermined by some jerk that has the freedom to make such a statement? These student-athletes put in as much time as any athlete in any division during their season and in the off-season. Remember, Division III does not offer scholarships like the big schools do, nor does it have the facilities Division I does. Division III must make the most with just a little - and it does a fine job of that. R.J. Bowers, a running back from Grove City College, recently won the Division III Player of the Year

award at the locally-held Melberger Awards. Bowers broke the record in all divisions for career yards. He is the all-time leading rusher in all of college football. He became just the seventh player from a Division III school to play in the Hula Bowl, celebrating the best college football players in the country. True, he is an exceptional athlete (former professional baseball player), but the statement at the beginning says Bowers plays on a level just above high school players. Ignorance is bliss, my friend. Mark Duda, former professional football player, said it best at this year's Melberger Awards. "Division III does not mean third class. In my book, you're a first class person."

## Editor's Opinion:

### Fire Alarm Misuse NOT APPRECIATED

By: Amanda Leigh Brozana

2:45 A.M. ... grab shoes ... where's my coat? ... Don't worry about keys ... go, go, go! Good morning Evans!

What did I describe? If you live in Evans and you were in the building Saturday morning, you already know. For the rest of you, the scene I just described was an early morning fire alarm, pulled by the weekend on-duty Resident's Assistant for Evans.

You ask, "what was the reason for the drill?" According to the R.A.s, there was a smell of marijuana smoke permeating the entire residence hall. They decided that it would be more effective to pull the fire alarm and allow it to continue to go off until all residents of the building had gathered outside, and later in the lobby.

Students stood for 25 minutes while the alert of "danger" went off throughout the building until rooms were checked for obvious paraphernalia. During this, the question on everyone's mind was "Whose brilliant mind contrived this one?"

There are so many

things I could attack or applaud with this issue. For example, misuse of the emergency alert systems to warn students of the regulation against smoking pot in the residence halls. Or that they had the idea of pulling an alarm in the middle of one of the coldest nights of the year so students have more opportunity to catch some form of virus going around campus. I would rather touch on policy for fire drills and alarms.

Do we have a policy on when you should and should not use the fire alarm as a means of gathering students? Obviously, during a fire would be a time that the fire alarms would be useful, but some R.A.s have come to find the fire alarm useful as "social gathering bells" or "hall meeting alerts."

Hall meetings are important, but couldn't an R.A. just knock on their residents' doors? Have they lost the personal touch?

I used to ask why our fire alarms were not linked with the police and fire departments. I came to realize that the reason is because R.A.s do not hold the fire alarms as safety devices, but rather as mass summoning bells. If we were to link them to the local service departments our own R.A.s would be on

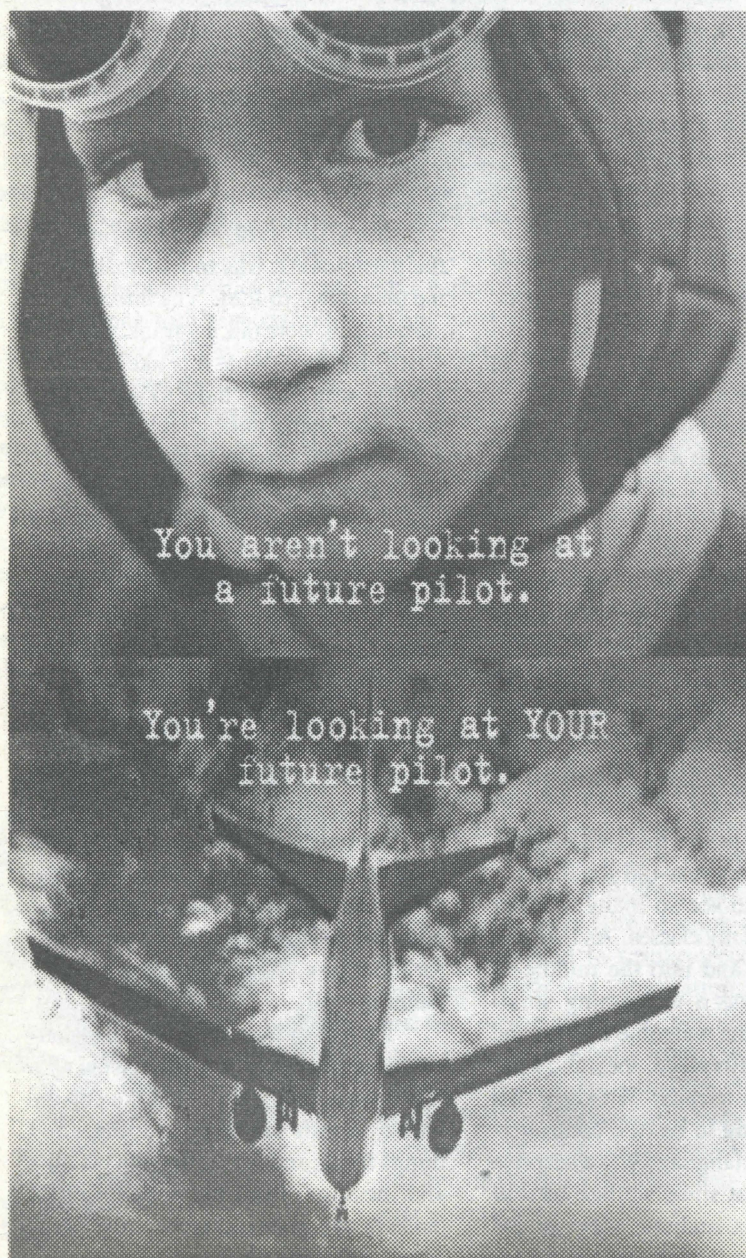
the hot seat a great deal of the time, explaining why they chose to use an emergency alert device as their beckoning system.

I would feel a lot more secure if we did have this connection to the fire and police departments. I would also be more likely to stumble out of bed at 3 A.M. without complaint when the alarm did go off.

We have the right to complain about situations like these. R.A.s preach to us about quiet hours. Yet they disrupt this quiet with alarms at all hours of the evening. Isn't that just as disruptive as having a stereo up too loud?

What is the solution? I do not know, but my suggestions are as follows. Ask your R.A. to use the alarm for emergency meetings, or monthly fire drills that are mandatory. Ask the university administration to link our alarm system to the city response services. If the alarms are still being misused petition for alarms that dispense a purple ink when pulled so the guilty party can be found.

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# Broody's Box Office Reviews

## "Shadow of the Vampire"

From time to time, I like to review an independent film, one that is greatly different than the run of the mill flick. Without further ado, I bring to you....

### Plot:

1922 saw the release of the German vampire film "Nosferatu" which became one of the hallmarks of cinema in the early 20th century. This follows the making of that film and the difficult relationship between the perfectionist director Murnau and the very unusual actor Max Schrek in the role of the vampire - or was he acting at all?

### Review:

Whatever preconceptions you have about this movie, you're probably wrong. This is not a horror film nor a black comedy. Rather it's probably the most unique dark drama you'll see this year - a film very different for both the genre and for American filmmaking (as it feels very European, and I don't mean just in the movie's setting). Lets start with the acting and sadly Malkovich is stuck with only a so-so role which doesn't really get to exploit his talent - but this is not his movie. That title belongs to Dafoe who gives the performance of his career as Shreck, a vampire like nothing on

Buffy - he truly deserves an Oscar nomination for his performance. The other supporting actors though prove good with Eddie Izzard and Udo Kier doing terrific jobs.

Visually the production is spectacular due to one distinctive element so lacking in movies today - atmosphere. From the opening wall mural credits with its haunting theme, the visuals of the film are perfect with interesting locales and dark settings full of creepy shadows and sinister hallways. The concept too is quite original in regards to what Shreck is doing (though I won't spoil it for you), but he's a real three-dimensional character that's menacing, funny and tragic all at the same time. There are also elements of comedy which work well and don't interrupt or alter the mood. On top of that there's the finale with the last 15 minute sequence of the movie being gripping and exciting.

So are there any weaknesses? Well the pace is quite slow and the gore level is pretty much next to nothing, which will certainly alienate a good deal of the teen slasher crowd. Those of you however who've gotten tired of the Scream-clones and want something different and more serious then this is the flick for you.

## "The Family Man"

### Plot:

Jack Campbell, a Wall Street playboy at the top of his professional game...with little time for anything else. Jack's lavish, fast-paced lifestyle drastically changes one snowy Christmas night when he unwittingly stumbles into the middle of a grocery store holdup and in a bold display of self-preservation disarms the gunman. The next morning he wakes up in a suburban New Jersey bedroom lying next to Kate, his college sweetheart who he left in order to pursue his career, and to the horrifying discovery that his former life no longer exists. As he stumbles through this alternate suburban universe, Jack begins to feel strangely comfortable in this new role of loving husband and father to two children. Jack finds himself at a crossroad, where he must choose between his high-powered career and the woman he loves.

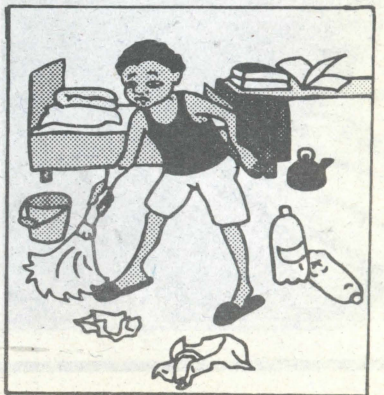
### Review:

Sentimentality is never something I've ascribed to - consequently this isn't the movie for me. In fact if you've seen the ads you know exactly what to expect - a modern rehash of "It's a Wonderful Life" filled with family values, fish-out-of-water comedy

(or should I say attempts at it that mostly don't work) and lots and lots of "I love you" style spiel to cover up a rather ordinary and even pedantic script. Had it not been for the performances of Nic Cage, and specially Tea Leoni, who help make the very worn through material shine with a really good chemistry, the movie would've ended up in the bin. Scenes such as the bit in the restaurant/hotel room and even some of the moments at home prove really enjoyable and believable. Nevertheless at times the bad material squeezes back out with things like a subplot about a female friend who wants to have an affair with him that's brought up and then just dropped like that, while other bits such as jokes related to a tire store just DON'T work. This is an indistinctive and overly sentimental date movie with no appeal to anyone unless you're a sucker for daytime soaps - even the great performances aren't enough to cover the "been there done that much better" feel and overly long running time.

## You Might Be In College if...

1. You have ever price shopped for Top Ramen
2. You live in a house with three couches, none of which match
3. You consider Mac and Cheese a balanced meal
4. You have ever written a check for forty-five cents
5. You have a fine collection of domestic beer bottles
6. You have ever seen two consecutive sunrises without sleeping
7. Your glass set is composed of McDonald's Extra Value Meal Plastic Cups (ie. Olympic Dream Team I or II)
8. Your underwear supply dictates the time between laundry loads
9. You cannot remember when you last washed your car (or, for those extreme cases, yourself)
10. You can pack all of your worldly possessions into the back of a pick-up (one trip)
11. You have ever had to justify to yourself buying a case of Natural Ice (or a half gallon of Bankers Club)
12. You have ever paid for a pack of cigarettes in pennies
13. You consider pizza to be one of the four food groups
14. You consider the other three to be beer, McDonalds and candy
15. You have ever missed class to watch Jerry Springer
16. Or play Quake
17. You refer to your meal card as "plastic"
18. You have ever spent an entire hour looking for your student I.D. just so you could get the one dollar off of a movie ticket
19. You have ever stayed up all night just so you would not sleep through your morning class
20. You have ever IM'd someone who lives across the hall from you.



# Eye of the Future

## Madame Ecstasy

**Cancer:** Do not dwell on the negative. Positive and uplifting things are going on around you, but you have blinded yourself to them. A better time will come to express negative feelings.

**Aries:** Look to the future. Your dreams are more insightful then usual. Remember that you must earn friends, not just acquire them.

**Taurus:** The person who works the hardest is sometimes the one who is never recognized. Don't worry, everything will be seen in true light in the end.

**Gemini:** You've been preparing, now it's time to step up to the plate. It's up to you to move the task along.

**Leo:** Use your leadership ability to get down to business. You are in the position to give someone a second chance. Go with what you know is correct to right the past.

**Virgo:** Sharing personal thoughts or items is a dangerous gamble right now. Though you may think you're being paranoid, look at what's behind your shoulder.

**Libra:** Surprises are in store for you this week. Though you want to know all that is going on, you can not, so accept what happens, even if it doesn't happen "for you."

**Scorpio:** Life will improve vastly very quickly. Ride out the storm and wait for blue skies. Supports will be watching this week.

**Sagittarius:** You may think you're in complete control, but watch out for the bumps along the way. Don't be offended if someone leaves your presence early.

**Capricorn:** Repetition of basics to colleagues and friends will help to smooth working relationships. Stay on good terms with allies this week.

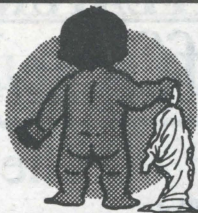
**Aquarius:** Don't quit now! You're close to a goal, and though outside influence says stop, continue on. In the face of adversity you will prevail.

**Pisces:** Look around. Your life is not as bad as others are. Try to get more involved with your friends this week. Relax and keep your temper about you.



# The Main Event

With Crazy Bob



Greetings to my crazy cats in Wilkes-Barre! How was your break? Never mind, I really don't care. That's just something we say for small talk after the mid-year break. We say it to be polite, like "how are you?" or "nice meeting you." I don't think it's nice to meet anybody, unless you're one of the groovy babe-alicious funky chicks that the Bobman digs so much. Seeing how stupid you all are makes me miss NY already. Over here there's nothing but intellectually challenged people screwing up parking and meal plans. But back in NY there is one fine looking babe who I'd (EXPLICIT DELETION BY THE BEACON) grape jelly.

Crazy Bob fully endorses the George Foreman Lean Mean Fat Reducing Machine. This thing is absolutely tremendous. I can make delicious Bob Burgers within minutes. There's a little tray that comes with it so all the fat drips out. I now have a jar in which I've collected all of my fat. I call it Earl. Sometimes I sleep with my fat jar. I dress him up in a

suit and tie and bring him to job interviews. I introduced him to my parents, and some day Earl the Fat Jar and I will be together, forever, far away from cold, cruel world.

Wow you fat Pennsylvanians put on a lot of holiday weight. I mean good God people, what were you thinking? I can't believe it only took twenty years for some of you to get that fat. The problem with you obese gangly morons is that you walk too slow and block up the stairs. Old people do the same thing. Why can't you stop being so old? Cut it out. Just die already. I remember this fat nun Sister Caroline I had in Catholic school. She had fat rolling down her ankles. She was like every teacher I ever had rolled into one.

Did anybody see the latest Nintendo 64 commercial? I fear I'm the only one. I brought this up in Principles of Communications 102. The narrator implies that children should use blackmail to get their parents to buy a Nintendo 64. Then a young boy finds his dad trying on dresses, as the father turns

and says "Don't tell your mother." The young boy then discovers that his grandfather is also transvestite. A quick Nintendo 64 logo flashes across the screen. Oh yeah, and I'm offensive. I can't believe that in a school that uses tools as their Winter Weekend theme and in a media that uses transvestites to sell video games I'm the bad guy. I think I am a victim of a narrow-minded Western philosophy. You need to be more accepting of my values.

Now is the time where I sadly bid you farewell for the next seven days. Because until then you will have to persevere and struggle through life without my spiritual guidance, and for that I pity you. I am like an angel that still rides in the whirlwind and directs the storm.

I thank you for column conducted with spirit and ended with grace. *The Beacon*, at it's best, is also courageous. God bless this nation.

The opinions expressed by Crazy Bob are his and his alone. They are not shared by those of us at *The Beacon*.

## Upcoming Concerts - by Josh Liebner

This article is for all of those people who say that they have nothing to do. While it is true that there is not an overabundance of things going on around Wilkes U., we are close to many concert venues. I hear you saying, "We are poor college students and we do not have the money to go to concert after concert after concert." I know that. I'm just as poor as the next guy, but is it going to kill me to go to one concert, maybe two? If you are interested in knowing what is happening music-wise locally, then here is a list of upcoming events in our area: Wilkes-Barre: First-Union Arena: Barenaked Ladies Wed 02/14/01 8:00PM Price- \$28.50-\$32.50 Alan Jackson (not necessarily my choice, but hey, whatever floats your boat) Thu

02/22/01 7:30PM Price- \$36.25-\$46.25 Godsmack Thu 03/01/01 7:00PM Price- \$28.75 Matchbox 20 & Everclear Mon 03/12/01 7:00PM Price- \$36.25 Kirby Center: Joan Baez (again, not my choice) Tue 02/06/01 8:00PM No price available Sesame Street Live- When I Grow Up (for those of you out there who are as immature as me) Tue 02/27/01 7:00PM Wed 02/28/01 7:00PM Thu 03/01/01 7:00PM Fri 03/02/01 10:00AM, 3:30PM, 7:00PM Sat 03/03/01 10:30AM, 2:00PM, 5:30PM Sun 03/04/01 1:00PM, 4:30PM Price- \$10.50-\$18.50 Café Metropolis: Catch 22 Sun 02/18/01 Time unknown Price- around \$8.00 Scranton: Apparently there is nothing going on in Scranton, at least in the form of concerts. I hope to see some of you at whichever one or two concerts I check out.



## Hybrid Theory Raises Eyebrows By: Kristin Hake

If you are looking to check out a new band and CD, I have a suggestion for everyone. Linkin Park released their first album Hybrid Theory. They are known for their song "One Step Closer", which has been featured in the soundtrack of Dracula 2000. The band has a hardcore rock sound that

is similar to Korn, Godsmack, Papa Roach, and 3 Doors Down, however, they have a unique sound of their own as well. Linkin Park started touring late January and will continue on till late February. Check out this album or go see them live

Check out [cdnow.com](http://cdnow.com) for great savings on this album.

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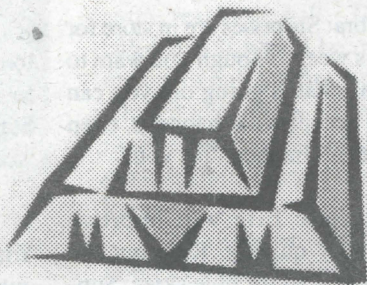
## Where's The G.O.L.D.? (Graduates Of the Last Decade)

Submitted by Erica Trowbridge '00  
GOLD Coordinator, Alumni Relations



Name: Jake Beveridge  
Class: 2000  
Degree: Communications  
Employed By: Prudential  
Position: Senior Graphics Designer  
Location: Newark, NJ

Name: Carol Hudak  
Class: 2000  
Degree: Bachelor of Science  
Concentration: Computer Information Systems  
Employed By: Sovereign Bank  
Position: Web Application Development  
Location: Toms River, NJ





For the Movies...

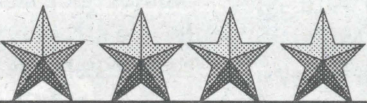
With Kevin Walsh

What Women Want

What do women really want from men? This timeless question plagues a great majority of men's minds and can be quite difficult to answer. Mel Gibson takes on the first romantic comedy role of his career and tries to help men answer this question. In this picture, Mel Gibson plays Nick Marshall, who is a high level advertising executive from Chicago and who possesses the belief that his world is almost perfect. His major desire is to receive a promotion that would make him the head creative director of the company. However, his dream is halted. Instead, the job is given to an outsider who has a bit of an appalling reputation in the business. This outsider's name is Darcy Maguire (Helen Hunt), who desperately wants to attack the woman market in the commercial sense. In Nick's attempt to be

more feminine, he tries different products to get in touch with that other special side that he avoids so often. Nick experiences a freak accident that leaves him with the ability to somehow read the minds of women. He has the ability to hear their thoughts, learn their desires, and to use their motivations to get what he wants. In this complexity, he finds that all women are unique in each area compared to the next. After Nick freaks out for a short period of time, he decides to use this newfound talent to win over women and to regain his status in the workplace. In the process, Nick works closely with Darcy and finds that her reputation does not hold true to what people say about her in the business. Slowly, the both of them fall for each other and develop a romantic relationship. Throughout the entire movie, Nick comes to realize that if he listens long enough than he could truly understand what

women want. His overview of the opposite sex also changes for the better while finding that treating women with respect and not as simple play objects is a better route to follow. I am going to say that all women are complicated to figure out. If you ask any women, most would say it is hard for men to find out what women want because men are so incompetent. No matter what stance you may take on this issue, I feel that both sides of the equation are and can be very difficult at times to work with. The movie was a great comedy that ended with a twist and left me surprised, yet pleased. I highly recommend that if you have not seen this film, you should either see it in the theaters or rent it when it comes out on video. 4 out of 5 stars



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Cap and Gowns galore for graduation!

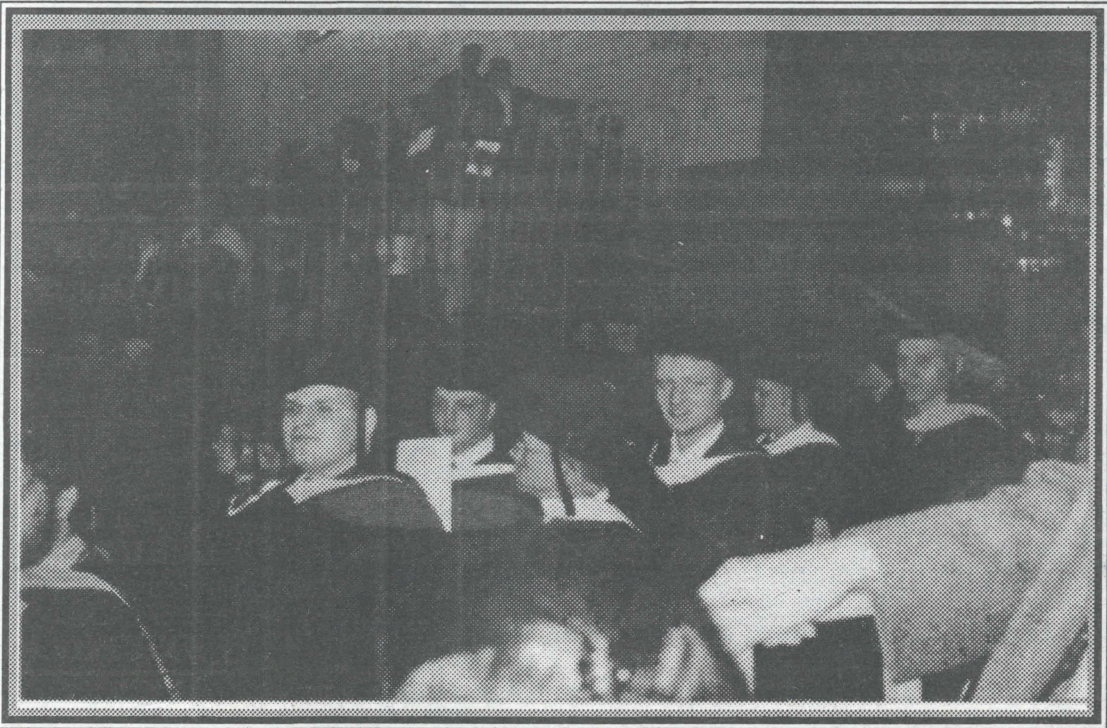


Photo of the Week

Wilkes-Barre: The Gem of the Susquehanna

By: Mark Falanga

If you ask any student his/her opinion of Wilkes-Barre, chances are it won't be very high. Some students blame the population, crying that it's the elderly driving away anything from the year 1995 and on. Others blame the geographics claiming that the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre area is too far away from any real city where all the fun is. The truth is...they're right. This town is pretty much a hole in the ground. But hey, even the boy in the bubble has a deck of cards so why can't we make the most of a bad situation? The following is a list of places that will keep you smiling all day long, all day strong.

If fine food at good prices is what you want, Carlo's Italian restaurant located 1/4 mile past the Sunoco station on Carey Ave. is where you have to go. You have your choice between eating authentic style Italian food in a restaurant setting or just relax and sit at the bar. The bar also has 2 televisions and a sports ticker to keep you informed about the latest in sport's news and events. A night at Carlo's is a night well spent.

If a high-class atmosphere is what you're looking for, then by all means go to the River Street Jazz

Club, about a mile northbound on River Street. Enjoy smooth jazz while you dine on delicious cuisine. But it doesn't come cheap. You need three things to go to this place: money, a nice outfit, and a date.

Another place in which fun happens as regularly as sunshine is club Miami. Even though most people claim that it's a bore, I found it fun for someone who has never had a dance club experience. It's located in the nostalgic section of Wilkes-Barre right where the old train station used to be.

Lastly, a place that is great for all you theatergoers is the F.M Kirby Center. Fine productions of classic musicals are elaborately performed and it is sure to keep you entertained all night. Located in the famous "Square" of Wilkes-Barre, the Kirby Center does not only house musicals, but they also have attracted the likes of B.B.King and Bryan Adams. Call (570) 693-4100 for more information.

I hope that this fills your hunger for excitement because, well, that's about all there is around here. Keep your ears open and I'll keep you posted on what goes on in this crazy city. See you next week here at the F-Files.

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# Roller Hockey kicks off Semester

By Mike Burke  
Beacon Sports

Wilkes University Roller Hockey's second half got off to a slow start January 26-28 in Harrisburg, PA as the Colonels clawed their way to a 1-1-2 record. After a two-month hiatus due to winter recess, the team looked to hold onto second place in the Mid-Atlantic Region of the Collegiate Roller Hockey League. To do so, they would have to succeed in tough divisional matchups against top-ranked West Chester University, Millersville University, and Syracuse University. The loss of leading scorer and captain Chris Jarzyk, coupled with the withdrawal of defenseman Eric Bonacci, had left the Colonels with some gaping holes, but first-year players Ryan Maisano, Nick Romanowski, Eric Wolf and Ken Huntington were ready to fill the void.

The team opened their weekend against the University of Pittsburgh. Pitt and Wilkes had built a tense rivalry over two years, with their five previous matchups resulting in wins by a total of seven goals. This meeting would not disappoint. Goals by Fred Shrayber and Joe Kleca allowed the Panthers an early 2-0 lead. But Wilkes fired back in the second as sophomore forward Russ Silcox shot

through a Dave Peer screen and past Pitt goalie Eric Rubin to trim the deficit to 2-1.

The third period passed without incident for either team, but Pitt took the momentum back with a goal early in the fourth to extend their lead to 3-1. The Colonels, however, would not go away. Silcox converted on the power play to bring Wilkes back within one goal and drove home a rebound off a shot by all-star defenseman BJ Kosich two minutes later to knot the score at 3. Defensemen Rob Hersker and Jason Waterbury helped stave off a late Pitt flurry as the game ended in a 3-3 deadlock.

Wilkes took on their first divisional opponent of the new year, Millersville University, the following morning. With only one previous matchup (a 7-2 win for the Colonels), Wilkes came out looking to strike early and often, but Marauder goaltender Seth Hatt would create scoring problems for the team all day. Once again finding themselves down 2-0 after the first, Wilkes came back to tie the game at halftime with two quick goals by Silcox and standout freshman forward Nick Meadows late in the second. Millersville would net two more, but Waterbury and Silcox responded with goals of their own to give Wilkes another hard-fought point with a 4-4 tie.



Top-ranked West Chester University handed Wilkes a 7-1 thrashing in their only previous meeting, and the Colonels came out looking to avenge their worst loss of the season. The Golden Rams came out of the gate quickly, leaping to a 4-0 lead after only one period. Wilkes hung tough through the second and third periods, holding WCU scoreless, but the Rams' vaunted offense proved to be too much for the Colonels to handle, as they added another two in the fourth to extend their lead to 6-0. Silcox was the lone bright spot, ruining Joe Ford's shut-out with a late goal, but his goal could not soften a heartbreaking 6-1 loss that virtually eliminated Wilkes from the race for first place in the division.

Later that evening, the Mid-Atlantic Region held their all-star game. The league's captains and team representatives selected defenseman BJ Kosich and goaltender Mike Burke as Wilkes' representatives for the game. Burke played the second half between the pipes, allow-

ing only two goals and shutting down some of the top scorers in the league. Burke and Chris Jarzyk also made headlines in professional roller hockey over the holidays as the DC Voltage selected them in Major League Roller Hockey's entry draft.

Wilkes' final game of the weekend came against Syracuse University. With a 1-1 lifetime record against the Orangemen, the game promised to be a defensive battle throughout. A relentless offensive assault against Syracuse goaltender Jeffrey Schlesinger resulted in a 3-0 lead for the Colonels going into the half. Syracuse opened with an early goal in the third, but Wilkes shut the door by answering with a strike of their own to make the score 4-1. Key stops down the stretch by Burke and the rest of the defense held Syracuse scoreless, and helped Wilkes come home with momentum going into their final series of regular-season games, February 23-25 in Bridgewater, NJ.

Wilkes will then take on the best of the Mid-Atlantic Region and look to qualify for the CRHL National Championships in Los Angeles, CA at the MAR Regional Championships in Harrisburg, PA, March 9-11.

For more details, visit <http://wilkesrh.sports-page.net> and <http://www.ecrha.net>

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# King's Notches 67-40 Win Over Wilkes

Visiting King's College used a spurt midway through the opening half and posted a 67-40 win over Wilkes University in a Freedom Conference women's basketball game on Tuesday night in the Marts Center. The win improves the Lady Monarchs, who are in a first-place tie with Scranton and DeSales, to 13-5 overall and 8-2 in conference play. Wilkes falls to 3-15 overall and 0-10 in the conference.

Leading 17-11 with 8:26 to play in the opening stanza, King's embarked on an 11-0 run that gave them a double-figure lead they would never relinquish. Katie Bowes came up with a steal and fed Fran Monte for a layup that started the run. Monte then converted another bucket inside off an

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assist from Bowes to make it 21-11. Denise Igo canned a 15-foot jumper and hit one-of-two free throws to give King's a 24-11 margin. Igo and Maggie Widdoes added baskets later during the spurt to end the run.

Igo had 13 points to lead King's in scoring. Monte added 12 tallies and four rebounds, as the Lady Monarchs placed eleven players in the scoring column.

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The Lady Colonels will return to action on Saturday afternoon when they host Moravian College in a non-conference game.



Photo by Adam Polinger

Camille Centini (12) had 16 points in Tuesday's game against King's.

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of his pair to pull Wilkes to within four with just 52 seconds to play. The second missed, keeping it a two-possession game at 70-66. King's then converted one of two from the line. Jannuzzi popped a three and missed, but Hairston was there for a rebound and later in the possession slammed one down to make it a three-point game.

Dave Plisko took away King's next possession and it appeared as though he was fouled, but a jump ball was called, with possession belonging to King's.

Two King's free throws put the Colonels down five with only 10 seconds to play. Jannuzzi tried a three and missed, got his own rebound and put it back, but it was too

little too late as time expired, giving King's a 73-70 victory and ending Wilkes' 16 game winning streak.

Dave Jannuzzi lead Wilkes with 30 and Alex Hairston added 10 to join him as the only Colonels in double-digits. Corey Dickerson threw in 30 for the visitors. Wilkes was out-rebounded 44-39 and out-shot at the charity stripe, with King's hitting 31 of 51 to Wilkes' 22 of 30.

The loss drops Wilkes to 16-1 overall and 9-1 in the MAC, but still has a firm hold on first place in the Freedom League. King's improves to 14-5 overall, 6-4 in the MAC.

Look for the Colonels to bounce back tonight when they play host to SUNY-Farmingdale at 7 P.M.

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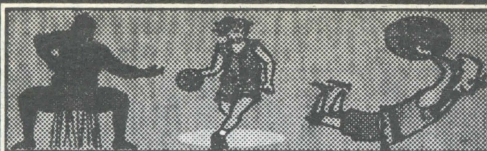
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## Colonels lose to King's, 70 - 73

*Jannuzzi scores 30, Hairston 10 as Wilkes drops to 16-1 overall*

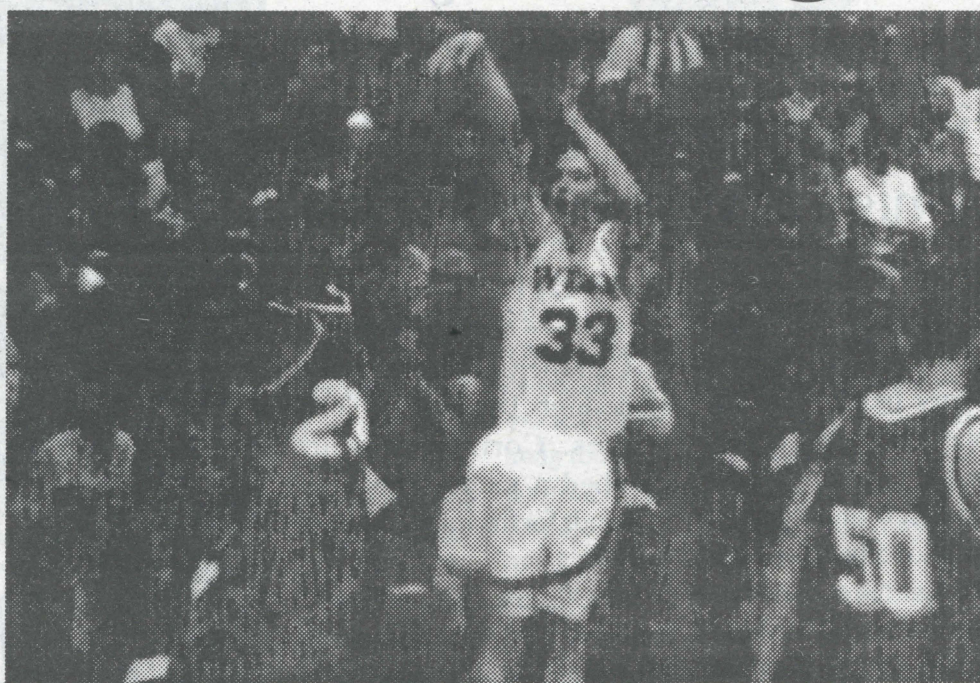
By Kevin Sickle  
Beacon Staff Writer

With a 61-47 win at Scranton Saturday, Wilkes went into Tuesday night's matchup with cross-town rival King's still undefeated at 16-0 overall (best start in school history), 9-0 in conference, and number one in the nation. It wasn't so much the rival game, the Mayor's Cup battle, the winning streak, or the nation's number one ranking that was important, though, at least not to Coach Rickrode and his men. It was another conference game, one that is vital to how successful this season will be. An unblemished conference mark has only been achieved once in school history (1996), and it would help propel the Colonels to the NCAA tournament. "I look at it as just another league game that we have to win," said Rickrode. "We don't want to get complacent at all. From a national standpoint, we'd like to keep it going... but I don't really have to motivate my guys to play in this game."

After a less than productive inside game against Scranton, Rickrode was hoping for more of an issue presence against King's. "I'd like to rebound a little bit better than we have," added Rickrode. "We didn't score well inside against Scranton. It was our first time in a while that our post players didn't have a really productive night. Tonight we would like to get the ball inside and establish that early in the game."

Another key for the game was to control King's outstanding senior guard, Corey Dickerson. The defense knew coming in that they wouldn't be able to stop him, but hopes were to contain him by making him take the difficult shots and make the difficult moves as they have in the past few games.

From the opening tip, the first key to the game just wasn't there. The Monarchs took it right to the Colonels and established their inside presence. The Colonels defense responded, however,



Tom Stambaugh (33) saw 24 minutes in this game, blocked 2 shots, and scored 3 points.

with junior Tom Stambaugh blocking one of five consecutive missed shots by the Monarchs. On the ensuing possession, fellow junior, John Boyland, drove and hit a layup to give Wilkes the early, short-lived lead. Corey Dickerson tied the game and started a 7-0 run, as Wilkes missed six shots over the next 2:40. Stambaugh then stepped out and knocked down a trey.

After a King's dunk and layup, senior Dave Jannuzzi hit two foul shots to cut the lead to four and junior Ron McIntyre's layup brought Wilkes to within two. The Colonels then went almost five minutes before registering another basket when junior, Kevin Walsh hit a jumper, pulling Wilkes to within six at 17-11.

With the help of missed layups and free throws, King's increased their lead to 10 with 3:19 remaining in the opening half. Pairs of free throws by Jannuzzi and freshman Dave Plisko, and one by McIntyre got Wilkes to within five. A Dickerson layup, followed by a Wilkes turnover and another layup pushed it to nine, but Wilkes responded as sophomore Alex Hairston hit a baseline jumper and Plisko laid one in just as time expired to keep Wilkes within five at halftime.

A dismal 29 percent shooting from the floor in the first half, coupled with only 10 points in the paint compared to King's 20, wasn't what Wilkes

needed.

What really hurt though, was the offensive spurt King's brought out of the locker room. After another Boylan layup, King's went on a 15-0 run, sparked by five Wilkes turnovers and

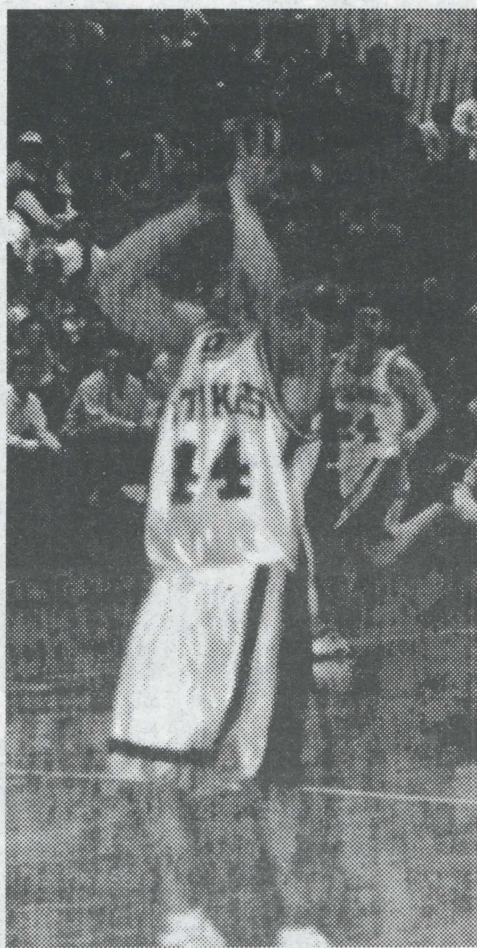


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**All-American Dave Jannuzzi (44) poured in 30 points vs. King's College, dropping the Colonels, to 9-1 in the MAC.**



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six free throw attempts, to pull away to a 47-29 lead.

After a bucket by junior Brad Sechler and two free throws by McIntyre, Dave Jannuzzi went into a zone. Dave connected on his next five (3-3 from three) shots en route to scoring the Colonels next 13 points. A basket by Ron McIntyre pulled them to within two, and after a King's free throw, Jannuzzi hit another three to tie the game and bring Wilkes and the crowd all the way back into it at the 8:22 mark.

That's when the foul shooting competition began. King's connected on one of two from the stripe to take the lead before Plisko stepped to the line himself and hit both, giving Wilkes it's first lead since the opening minutes of the game, 55-54. Wilkes ended up on the bad end of this, however, as they were over the foul limit. The Monarchs made 8 of 10 freebies to give them an eight-point lead.

Even more free throws were exchanged until Hairston hit the front end. See Men's Basketball falls to King's - Page 11

### Sports Schedule

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST

Men's Basketball - vs. SUNY-Farmingdale, 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

Wrestling - vs. Ithaca/AIC, 11:00 a.m.

Women's Basketball - vs. Moravian, 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH

Wrestling - vs. Scranton/TCNJ, 12:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

Men's Basketball - vs. Lycoming, 8:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball - vs. Lycoming, 6:00 p.m.