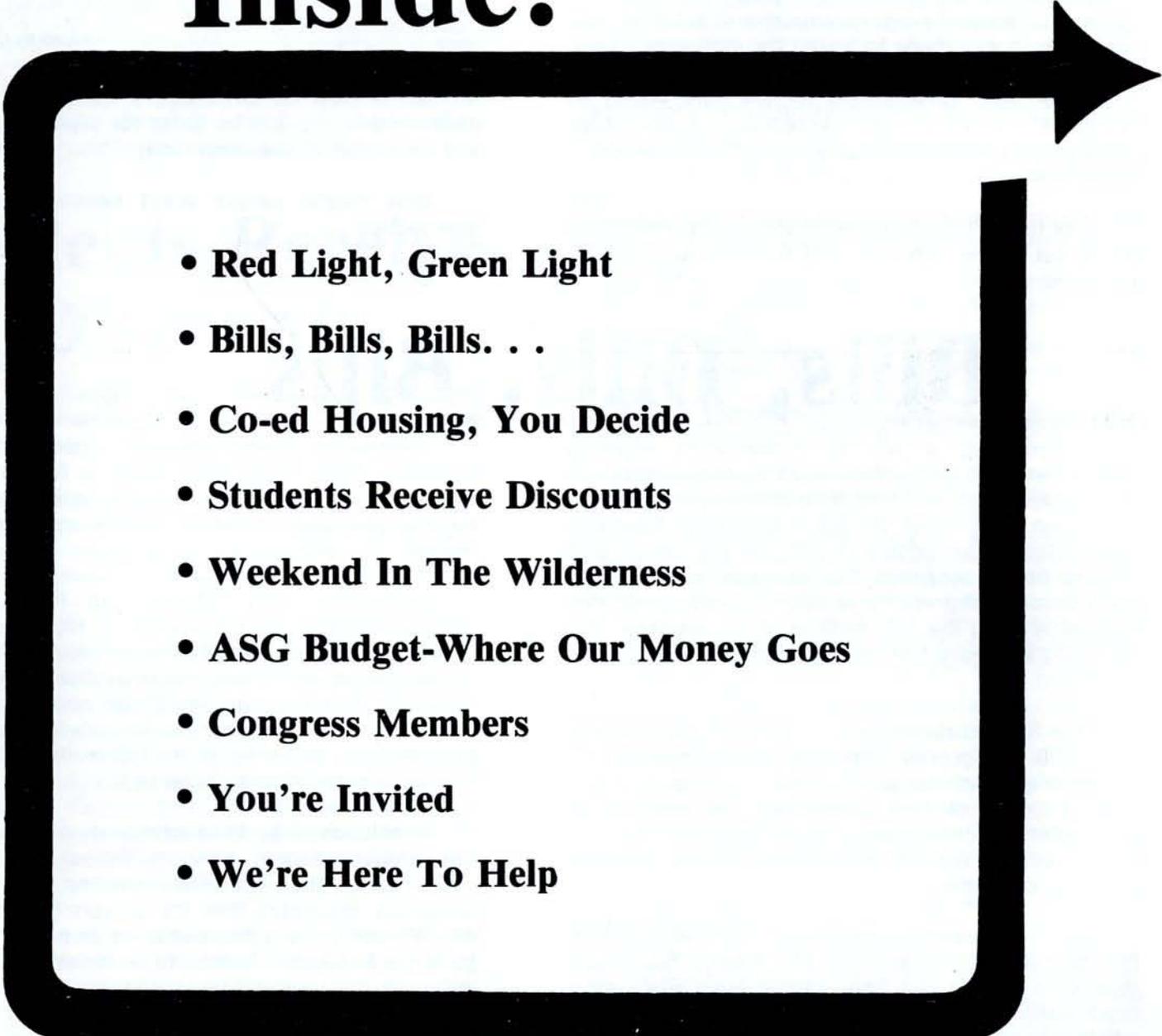


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Red Light, Green Light

by Laura Robb

For seven years Western Kentucky University has been trying. This year, the Associated Student Government got it accomplished.

The intersection at Normal Drive and University Boulevard has been a hazard for students and other residents of Bowling Green.

"There have been so many accidents," ASG Administrative Vice-President, Jack Smith said. Smith and other members of ASG who are concerned about this traffic problem have been trying to get a stop light installed at this intersection. The light would minimize traffic and prevent traffic accidents.

The Department of Transportation conducted a traffic count to see just how necessary the light was. The survey showed a significant amount of traffic, and the decision was made to install the stop light.

Smith said construction for the light began on November 15. It will take between two and three months to complete installation. "Maybe sooner," Smith said.

The light will include traffic monitoring devices in the street so the light will only function when traffic warrants.



The stoplight that intersects Normal Drive and University Boulevard provides better traffic conditions for the university as well as the community.

Photo by Chris Sharp

Smith said he sees this project as a definite improvement. "It will be safer for Western students and for people of the community."

Now maybe people won't hesitate using this intersection.

Congratulations, ASG!

Bills, Bills, Bills. . .

by Sammy Abell, Julie Lippert

Introducing a bill in Associated Student Government can be a complicated process. A problem is first recognized and then a solution proposed. A bill is written and taken to the Legislative Research Committee. After revision in LRC the bill has its first reading before congress. The following week the bill goes before congress for a second reading. At this second reading the bill is brought up for vote. The following bills have been brought before Congress this semester:

The first resolution, resolution 82-1, proposed by the ASG suggested providing transportation for temporarily handicapped students on campus. It was passed by the student government, but because of insufficient funds and budget cuts, this year it can not be carried out. Also, it would be difficult to maintain during bad weather.

The continuation of the English 101 and 102 pass-fail exams was the topic of the second resolution, resolution 82-2. It has been tabled indefinitely after much debate because it is the department's decision whether to give the tests, not the university's.

Resolution 82-3 concerns the appropriations for residence halls. Associated Student Government is working with the Inter-Hall Council on this subject. It was passed, and the state will be asked for more money.

Resolution 82-5, "Alternative Housing," as introduced in Congress November 9, 1982 passed by a large majority. The resolution would provide alternative housing for students who reside at Western Kentucky University. The proposed resolution would provide co-ed housing for Western students entering their junior or senior year beginning in the fall of 1985. *Read Co-Ed Housing-You Decide, page two.

Resolution 82-6, "Discontinuance of WP and WF" was properly tabled after its introduction, it was passed after the resolutions second reading. The resolution requested that the university remove the WP, WF and count a dropped class as a W. It will now go to the Academic Council to be reviewed.

A bill can be proposed by any student with the sponsorship of an ASG congress member.

Co-ed Housing. You Decide

by Suzy Wilkins

For the first time in Western's history, Associated Student Government has passed a resolution asking the university to provide coed housing. A student survey taken in September showed that a majority of the students who voted encouraged and supported the resolution.

The student affairs committee compiled a study on coed housing and reported numerous advantages. These include decreased vandalism, and a better understanding of the opposite sex, among other advantages. The chief issue is to provide students with the opportunity and choice of housing. The resolution suggests that the coed housing consist originally of juniors, seniors, and graduate students, in the fall of 1985. The student classification requirement would be lowered each successive year. The resolution was presented to the student affairs sub-committee of the Board of Regents in late January. The regents requested a larger student survey be conducted. The survey will be conducted in late February.

Students Receive Discounts

by Julie Lippert

The Associated Student Government continued their annual distribution of cards entitling students and faculty to discounts from seventeen merchants.

Fifteen thousand student discount cards were printed, and approximately ten to eleven thousand were given to students during registration. Several hundred were given out to faculty during the following week.

Students will receive discounts from restaurants such as Captain D's, Rax Roast Beef, Ponderosa Steak House, and Great Aroma Pizza.

Other discounts include those on albums and tapes at Headquarters Music Store, glasses at the Quality Vision Center, flowers from Deemers Florist and Greenhouse, ten percent off all services from The Wrap-Off, AAA Transmission Service, Command Performance, and The Brides House.

The purpose of the cards is to benefit the students, and these savings should be taken advantage of. Student discount cards are still available and may be picked up in the Associated Student Government office.

*Associated Student Government
presents*

DIALOGUE '82

"Don't Hesitate - Communicate"

The Associated Student Government sponsored a weekend retreat to Camp Decker entitled Dialogue '82, "Don't Hesitate - Communicate."

Weekend In The Wilderness

by Monica Dias

Students and faculty had a chance to exchange views on campus issues during Associated Student Government's Dialogue '82, according to Kerrie Stewart, public affairs vice president.

"It was good because we were able to see both sides of the coin," said Stewart, who organized the retreat held Friday and Saturday at Camp Decker on Morgantown Road. "That's what makes Dialogue. Everybody is able to see everybody else's views."

About 40 people discussed such issues as campus parking, the cost of education, organizational services, quality education and coed housing.

Paul Bunch, public safety director, lead a discussion on campus parking. He said he has proposed a bill to the campus Parking and Traffic Committee to restripe two floors of the parking structure for compact cars, Stewart said.

"We decided that perhaps ASG could propose a bill to restripe the parking structure now that we have more information," Stewart said.

Bunch also suggested that students schedule classes in the afternoon, because the biggest parking crunch is between 9 and 11 a.m., she said.

Dr. John Minton, student affairs vice president, spoke about the increasing cost of education and compared Western's cost to other universities, she said.

"Dr. Minton really opened our eyes and compared us to other schools," Stewart said. "He helped us realize. . .that we're not that bad off."

Secretary Susan Albert said good and bad qualities of campus organizations were discussed during the session on organizational services.

Albert said discussion centered on ways to get more students involved and how to foster good qualities such as leadership, group interaction and adaptability in the organizations.

In the session on quality education, such topics as the possibility of requiring seniors to take comprehensive exams in their major before graduating and requiring students to take their general education courses in the first two years were discussed, Albert said.

The results of the coed housing poll taken last week also were reported at the retreat, Albert said. About 75 percent of the females polled said they favored coed housing; the results of the males polled were incomplete.

The majority said they favored coed housing but not 24-hour open house, Albert said.

Stewart and Albert agreed that the retreat was a success.

Albert said, "We shared our ideas with each other. We got the pros and cons about a lot of things. . .and made clear in our minds how hard we want to work for some of these things. I think the big thing from this weekend was that it motivated us. . .to go out and get things done."

And Stewart said that part of the retreat's success was because of the people invited.

"We were very selective about the people we invited," she said. "We feel like the people who were there will go back to their organizations and discuss and propose bills about what was discussed in our group. They're able to go back and reach more students."

ASG Budget 1982-83; Where Our Money Goes

1. 1981-82 Deficit	\$1600.00
2. 1982-83 Secretaries	3616.00
3. Office Supplies and Expenses	800.00
4. 1982-83 Telephone Expense	400.00
5. 1982-83 Election Expense	650.00
6. 1982-83 Publicity and Promotion	1500.00
7. 1982-83 Academic Affairs	50.00
8. 1982-83 Executive Council	50.00
9. 1982-83 Finance Committee	50.00

10. 1982-83 KISL	500.00
11. 1982-83 Legislative Research	50.00
12. 1982-83 Public Relations	1000.00
13. 1982-83 Rules and Election	50.00
14. 1982-83 Student Affairs	350.00
15. 1982-83 Student-Faculty	200.00
16. 1982-83 Miscellaneous Expenses - Floating Balance	884.00



Associated Student Government executive officers, L to R: secretary, Susan Albert; treasurer, Kelly Cook; president, Margaret Ragan; administrative vice-president, Jack Smith; public affairs vice-president, Kerrie Stewart.

Congress Member 1982-83

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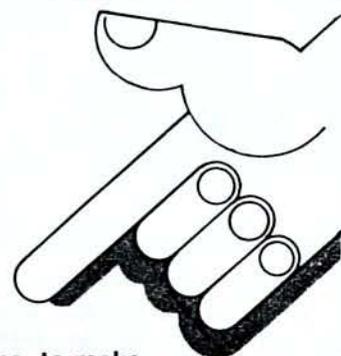
We're Here To Help

by Sammy Abell, Kerrie Stewart

Associated Student Government is a governing body representing the students at Western Kentucky University. ASG's clear purpose is to seek out the students wants and needs for change and develop a means to insure these proposed changes become realities. ASG is not just another student organization constantly soliciting membership, but an organization whose members are elected by the students of Western. Decisions are a daily part of each students life, and ASG is daily making decisions to improve the student's life at Western Kentucky University.

Associated Student Government is an organization in which people express their opinions to better the college as a whole. ASG takes pride in its members and each activity ASG actively takes part in. ASG is an organization in which standards are set...not followed.

The executive officers and congressional members of the Associated Student Government would like to help you with any problems, concerns, questions, suggestions, or complaints you might have concerning the Student Government. Please call us at 745-4354 or come by our office at 327 Downing University Center.



**You're
Invited...**

To voice your opinions, to make suggestions or complaints concerning your student body and the decisions governing them...

Attend the Associated Student Government meetings every Tuesday 5:00 p.m. in Room 305 DUC.

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