

Weekend in the Woods

by Tim Todd

Associated Student Government's annual "Weekend in the Woods" leadership retreat was held the weekend of Sept. 28, 29, and 30. As a participant in this retreat, I can honestly say that the retreat was a fabulous success!

All of the seminars that were incorporated into "Weekend in the Woods" were primarily based upon leadership and leadership skills. Speakers included: Dr. Donald Zacharias, President of Western Kentucky University; Mr. Glenn Miesch, Director of Marketing and Communications for the National Recreation and Park Association; Mr. Ron Beck, A.S.G. advisor and Director of the University Center Board; Ms. Patsy Sloan, American History and Government teacher at Bowling Green High School and currently serving her fourth term on the Bowling Green City Commission; Dr. Joseph Cangemi, Psychology Department at Western Kentucky University; Major Forest Kamsey, Army instructor of officer development; Mr. Scott Taylor, Assistant to



Ron Beck stresses creativity at Weekend in the Woods.

the Dean of Student Affairs; Dr. Bart White, professor in the Department of Communications and Theatre at Western Kentucky University; and Mr. Jody Richards, 20th district representative to the Kentucky General Assembly. Each and every one of these leaders displayed an

awesome amount of leadership techniques.

In addition to the mind-stimulating lectures, a pajama rama-jammie jam dance was held. The dance provided even more fun in an already fun-filled weekend. The jammie-jam was held Saturday night, Sept. 29, between the hours of 9:00 p.m.

and 4:00 a.m. Sunday morning. Needless to say, most everyone was totally exhausted.

Sunday, Sept. 30, everyone awoke to a rain-filled morning. It was difficult to get out of bed but somehow, most people were able to rise and shine for breakfast. Dr. Cangemi's seminar,

passing out awards, and closing comments also occurred Sunday morning.

Everyone who participated in the 1984 A.S.G. "Weekend in the Woods" was enlightened by the seminar and thoroughly enjoyed the entire weekend. Lasting friendships were made

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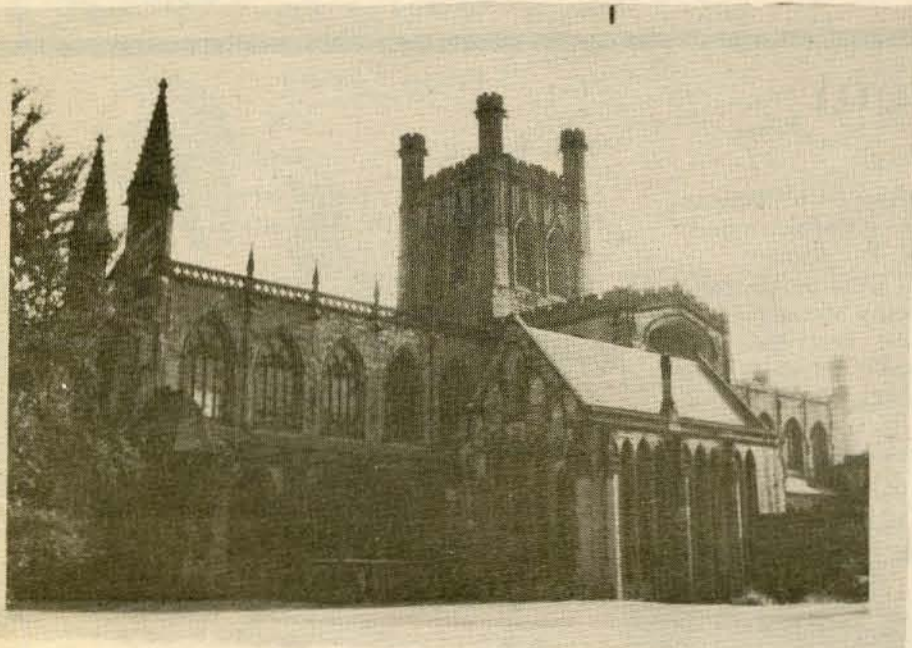


Photo by Jack D. Smith

One of the many gothic cathedrals visited by this year's C.C.S.B. students.

Students from all over Kentucky spent 35 days living at Queen Elizabeth College taking classes at the University of London this summer from July 2 to August 6. They were participants in Western Kentucky University's British Study Program. Classes offered in this program ranged from music appreciation to Victorian literature. Students could earn up to six hours of undergraduate or graduate credit.

The price of this program was \$1850. This amount included the housing fee at Queen Elizabeth Hall, 35 meals, a subway pass, and a Britrail pass. The Britrail pass entitled the student to unlimited train travel in England, Scotland and

Wales. There were also optional fees for programs sponsored trips to Edinburgh, Scotland and Paris, France. Housing and guided tours with special events such as a boat ride on the Seine River in Paris by night were provided for students who wished to participate.

Students were also free to travel on their own. Classes were scheduled on Monday and Tuesday of every week. This gave the students the remaining five days for travel. During this time some students chose to stay in London and visit sights such as Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, and Parliament or attend plays at the many London theaters. Others

traveled England to places such as Canterbury to see the famous cathedral or Stratford-on-Avon, the home of William Shakespeare. Some students even chose to travel in other countries such as Ireland and Switzerland.

The trip was a learning experience for all. Besides the knowledge gained in the classroom, the students also gained a knowledge of the culture of another society by actually living in that country.

This trip was also a beginning for friendships. By traveling together, these students and their professors learned about each other and formed lasting friendships. It was definitely an experience of a lifetime.

Hill Talk

Hilltalk is an organizational newsletter published by the Associated Student Government of Western Kentucky University. Hilltalk is a newsletter designed to keep WKU's student body up to date on the latest organizational news and events.

In addition to organizational news, Hilltalk will deal with issues that have

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issues is of utmost importance to the student. No organization is too small or any event too minor to be covered in Hilltalk. As an ASG publication we are attempting to represent all of Western's organizations. If your organization has an event or issue that you want brought to the attention of the student body, let Hilltalk help in getting your message across.

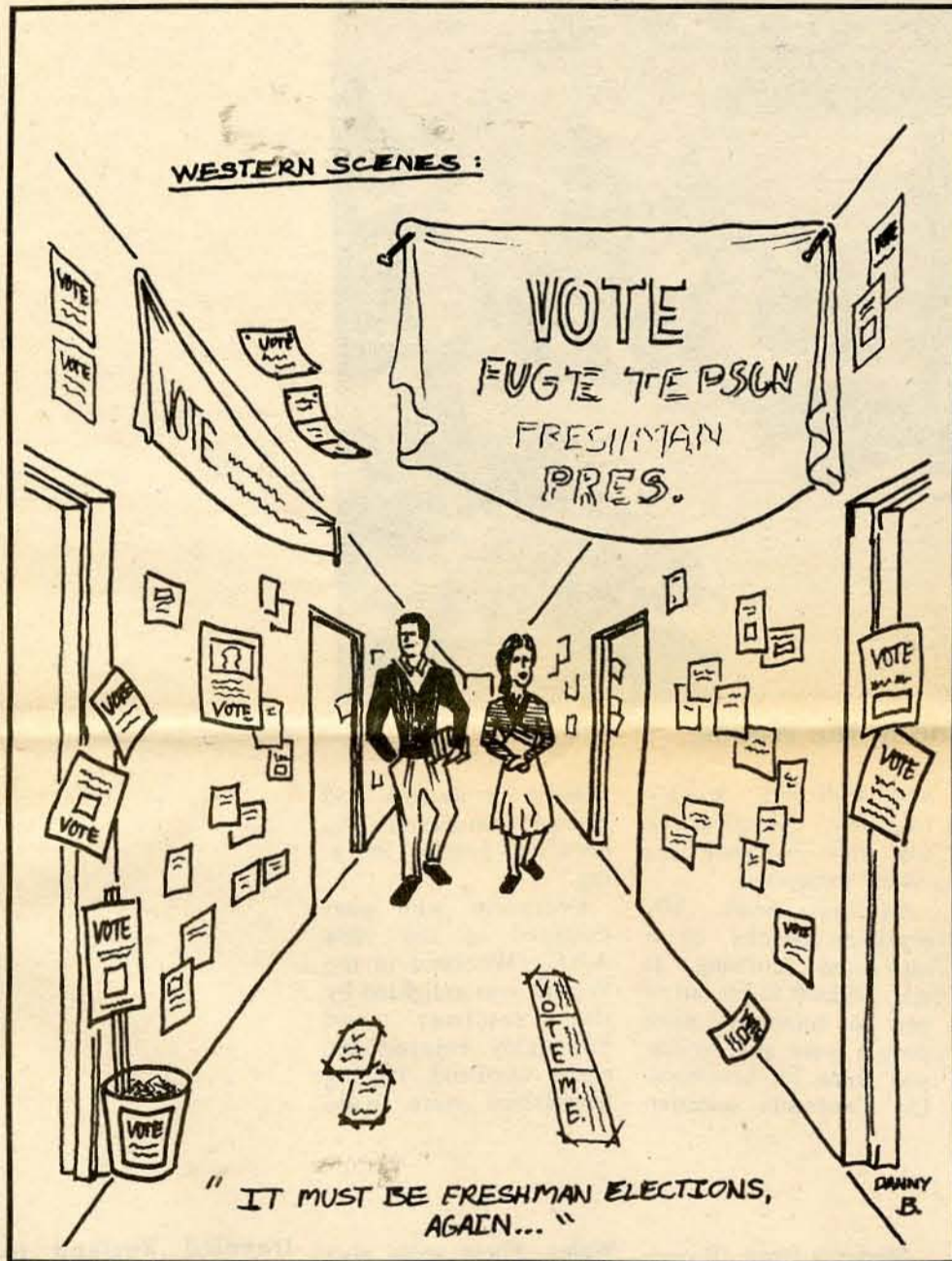
International Day

The Downing University Center will play host to the nations October 23 for International day. Beginning at 10 a.m. and throughout the day, international exhibits, including a gift bazaar and international food sale (with demonstrations!), will be set up on the mezzanine. From 12-4 p.m. there will be an ongoing variety of international entertainment including Latin music, bagpipes, Japanese dance, karate, and more. International meals will be served in the DUC cafeteria for both lunch and dinner.

After dinner the celebration continues. Evening highlights include a presentation (8 p.m.) by Dr. Donald Zacharias about his recent trip to Thailand. Following the president's talk, there will be a concert of traditional Irish folk music by the Louisville group, "Drowsy Maggie." Jigs, reels, hornpipes, and other Irish music will be performed on traditional instruments such as the accordion, guitar, fiddle, tin whistles, and the bodhrum. International Day is being sponsored

jointly by the OIPP, Associated Student Government, and University Center Board.

Are you interested in becoming more internationally aware and involved? Find out more about the International Students Organization (ISO). Call Daniel Rodriguez (748-4200) or the Office of International Student Affairs (745-4857).



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84-1-F: Free notary public service-passed
Now available in the ASG office.
84-2-F: Financial aid to students-passed
Now being researched.
84-3-F: Orientation class-tabled.
84-4-F: Book exchange Committee-passed
committee formed and the idea is now being studied
84-5-F: Check cashing on weekends-passed
process being researched
84-6-F: Extension of incomplete period-proposed

Survival of the Fittest Freshmen

Before arriving at Western, I pictured college life as this: continuous parties, fantastic football weekends, and knights in shining armor galloping up and down the hill on beautifully groomed white stallions. I was viciously and unwillingly dragged into reality when I realized that nowhere in this picture was a book or domineering professor painted.

As for freshmen guys, they are often left out because girls generally want to date older people.

As freshmen we face many of the same problems. The fittest freshmen, those who evenly distribute their social and academic obligations, are a step ahead of the rest of us. Hopefully, by the end of the semester we will all fit into the category

because only the fittest freshmen survive.

by Ann Lucas



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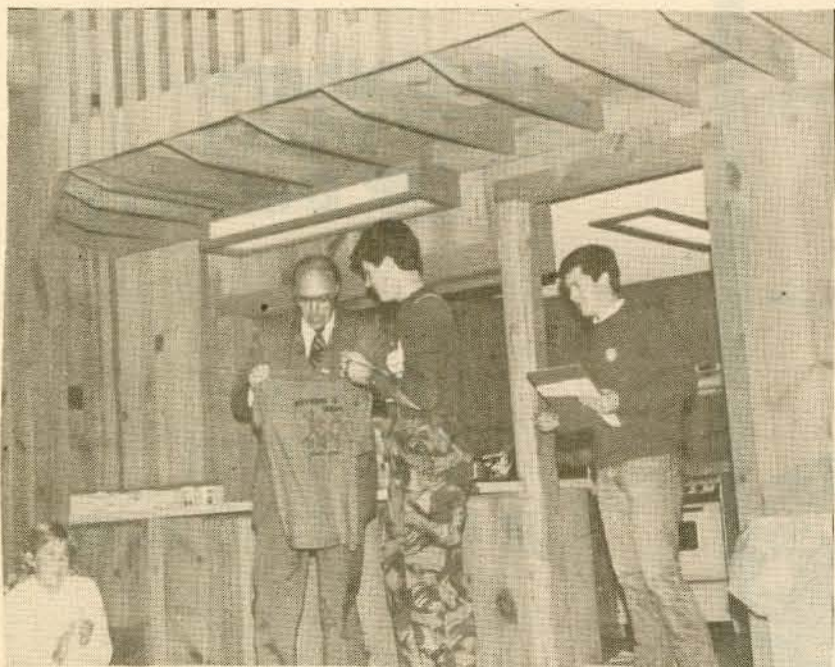
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Weekend in the Woods



Dr. Zacharias addresses the student leaders. Future leaders attend one of the many seminars. Julie Lippert and Allen Ciarlante help celebrate Dr. Zacharias' birthday.



Caroline Miller, Debbie McLindon, Danielle Williamson, and Renee Romans show that the "girls just want to have fun." Being a leader is fun as proven by Glen Meisch. Major Ramsey explains the virtues of being a leader. Jack Smith presents Dr. Zacharias with a special limited edition Weekend in the Woods t-shirt.

Pass Fail Exam

The subject in question by many new Hilltoppers is that of the pass/fail exam. The total idea of this test is not under inquiry, but its proposed Saturday scheduling date is. Just the thought of a pass/fail exam is enough to break a freshman out in a trembling, cold sweat. The Saturday infringement is enough to leave some trembling in anger.

Early this summer the department of freshman English assembled to revise the English 102 pass/fail procedures. In the past, students were given broad topics to write a two and one half page essay that determined their status as a passing or failing English 102 students. One hour was the given time for completion of this essay. Consequently, the freshman

English Department decided to increase the length of time for the test to be taken to two hours. They also shortened the themes of the test to make them more thought provoking and decided to change their grading techniques. Usually, a three member faculty team would send a paper to another committee if they were conflicting over the final grade a paper should be given. Now a three member team will make the final determination of a paper's fated "P" or "F" and the student's teacher must appeal upon the paper's behalf if the final outcome is viewed as unfair. The three revisions of longer test time, shorter topic, and grading structure are definite signs of progress

in Western's English Department. The faculty thought for the best interest of the 102 students - almost. Among the positive factors of an already unpopular test there is still the problem of the proposed Saturday exam date. Many students agree with this idea and many students do not. The question of the Saturday tentative test date will be seen on the Freshman ballot. It will ask of a Saturday or a week night preference for the exam. Freshman, do not forget to mark a preferred weeknight and time. Vote for your beliefs and express your opinion!

by Jennifer Barwick

"Teachers" Movie Review

As a graduate of a small high school with a senior class of only 56 people, I thought the movie "Teachers" really stunk.

A former student of John F. Kennedy High School files a lawsuit against the school and the teachers must refute his claim that he never learned to read or write. The guy shouldn't have had much trouble winning the case because the teachers were all incompetent.

All of the teachers are extreme stereotypes. There's a boring old man in a three piece suit, furthering his incompetent look with a bow tie. Also, there's the coach that has the hots for the high

school girls, the demanding teacher that gets no response from his students other than a friendly bite on the hand, and of course, there's Nick Nolte casted in the role of Alex Jerrell, a once excellent teacher now burned out on the profession. There is one good teacher; however, he's an outpatient from the local mental hospital. It's too bad he's not certified.

The teachers agree to stick together and tell the same story to the lawyer taking the depositions. However, after a student is gunned down in the hallway during a locker search, Jerrell decides to be the tenured crusader

and speak up for truth, justice, and the radical way; even though the school board intends to fire him under the guise of misconduct for taking a student to have an abortion.

The idea for this movie should have aborted. The acting is lackluster, Nolte's wardrobe is tacky, and the setting unbelievable. On a 4.0 scale, I give "Teachers" a 1.9. It may be a high D, but since we never approved the alternative grading scale it's still a D, and that means poor.

Until next time, I'll be looking for you "At the Movie Previews."

by Stan Reagan

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"The Slugline" Apathy vs. Apathy

by Douglas Robertson

In my book there are two kinds of apathy. The kind that is accepted and the kind that is tolerated. Both are valueless, but the latter should be nonexistent.

For years, people have been apathetic and they will continue to be dregs in our society until our leaders crack down and rid their respective organizations of excessive dead weight.

Let us look at the first type of loser. Everyone knows him; he is the guy that sits in the middle of the class (maybe even the back). He usually does his homework and once

in a while he will answer a question - simply for the sake of a class participation point. Sometimes he may never speak at all. He is an avid fan of TV and usually his extracurricular activities include going to parties and enjoying mindless games such as "Quarters," or "Thumpers."

This person, although worthless to a large extent, is an accepted part of society. He will graduate (maybe) and have a blue collar job. He will constantly wish he had been more involved while he cusses the boss-man for not paying him

more. The next type of loser is the worst of all. He is a rat, a slug; one of the lowest forms of life. This guy does everything; he is a member of ABC, HIC, Wea Tappa Kegga, and any other organization that provides for resume material.

He is not a participant in these club functions, but is a member. Once in a great while he will attend a meeting simply for the sake of having nothing else to do at the time. He speaks up in class for the same reason as the other loser, but he is wiser because he talks

a little more often. If any club gets any type of good idea from this person it is sheer luck. You can't count on this rodent to do anything he says. I despise this person; he laughs at me though. If you fit one of these categories please let me know. Send me a picture, so I have something to laugh at when I'm feeling blue.

We all ask, is there a solution to apathy? This guy thinks there is. If people would think, just every now and then, about what they may be doing a few years from now, it would help

tremendously. If you say "How in the hell am I supposed to know what I'm going to be doing?," you are just like 99% of all the people I know. That is the reason all of us should get involved in many things and benefit from those decisions with hard work and creative ideas. We are in college. These are the so called "best years of our lives." People shouldn't waste their time with mindless games.

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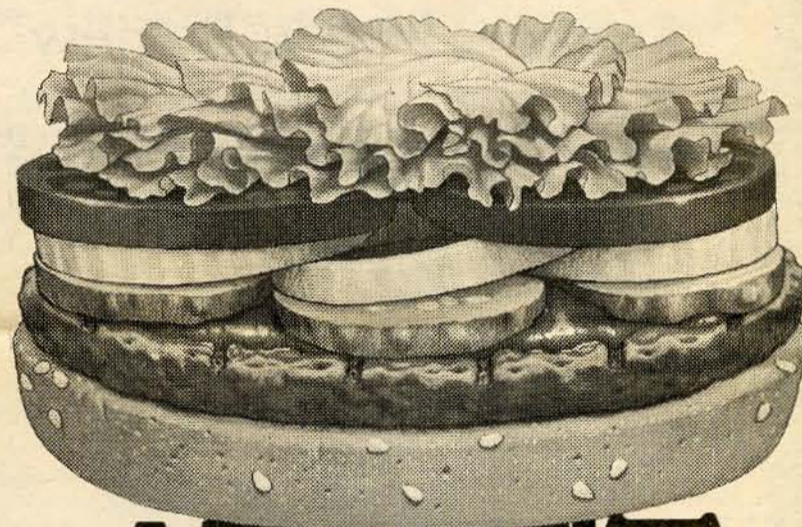
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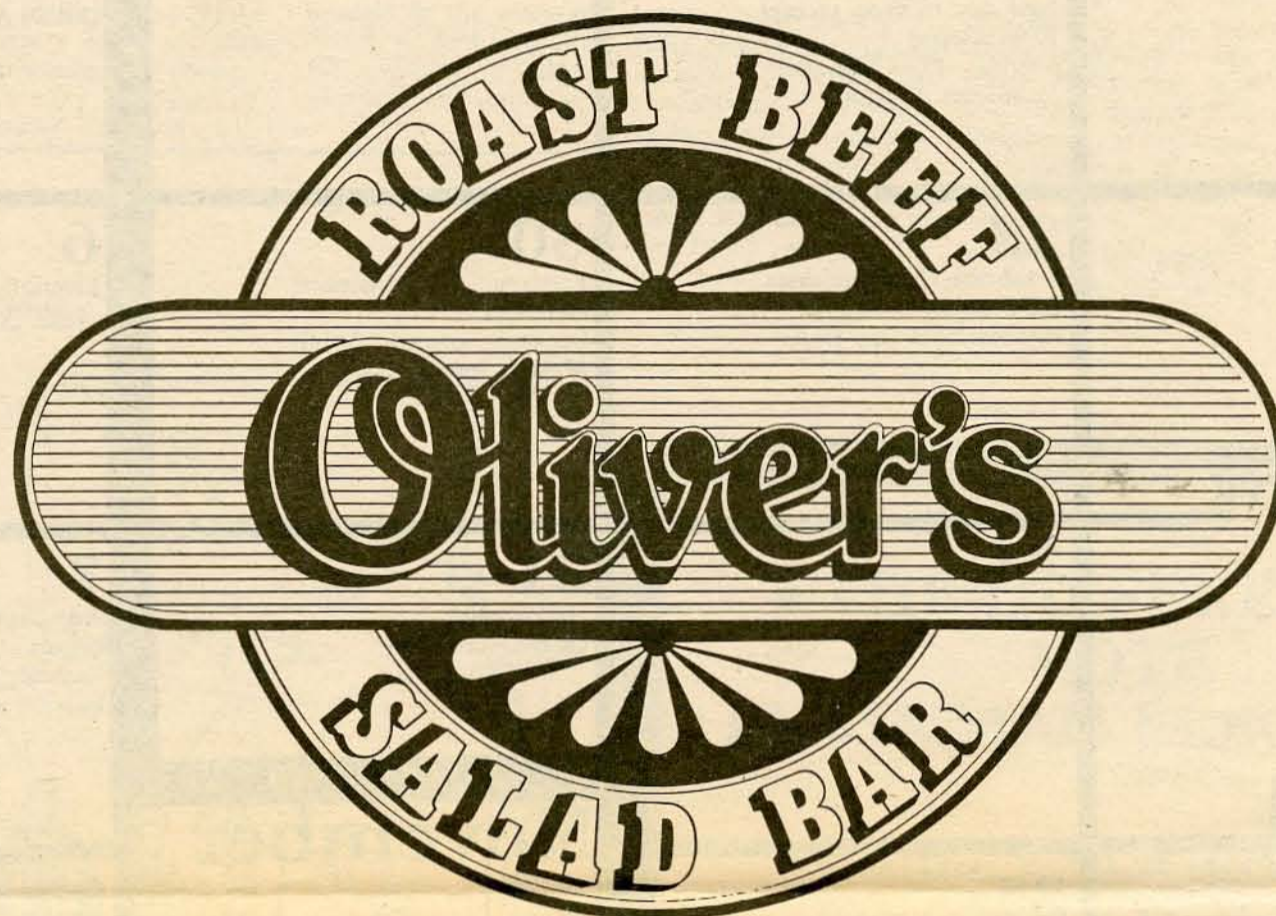
October CALENDAR

Monday			
15 National Higher Education Week	22 Last day to register for second bi-term class Last day to drop second bi-term class Vienna Boys Choir VanMeter Auditorium	29	5 G. Gordon Liddy - Timothy Leary Debate Diddle Arena
Tuesday			
16 Final exams for first bi-term classes. ASG Congressional reception	23 Freshman class primaries DUC Lobby 9:00-5:00 International Day DUC	30 Freshman class general elections. Second round Spirit Masters interviews	6 Election Day - no classes
Wednesday			
17	24	31 Halloween UCB's Hilloween	7 Advance registration begins Last day to drop a second bi-term with a "W"
Thursday		November	
18 Second bi-term begins. Last day to drop "WP" or "WF"	25 Phonothon ends	1 Last day to apply for December Graduation	8
Friday		November	
19	26	2 Big Red's Roar Diddle Arena	9
Saturday		November	
20 Football Eastern Ky. HOME ASG Hayride	27 Football Morehead AWAY	3 HOMECOMING Football Middle Tennessee HOME	10 Football Eastern Illinois AWAY
Sunday		November	
21	28 First round Spirit Masters interviews	4	11

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