

OPINIONS

And now, a word from our president

I'd like to begin by saying that it gives me immeasurable pride to serve as your student body president for the 95/96 school year. I began my term with a commitment to increasing communication between ASWSU and the WSU student body and making myself as accessible as possible to undergraduate students. I am pleased to proclaim that I am still committed to the same ideas. Furthermore, I've made considerable progress with the help and support of an extremely committed Vice President and executive staff.

During the campaign Vice President Morris and I ran under the banner "Building Bridges While Serving By Choice." For us this slogan entailed building bridges in several contexts. It entailed bridging gaps that existed between ASWSU and the WSU student body, the multicultural and minority communities, the administration, and faculty. At this point I'd like to update you on the progress that our administration has made in numerous areas.

We decided to address campus safety from two distinct angles. The first entails promoting campus safety by working with the appropriate offices to speedily address problems that may pose a threat to the safety of our students on or off campus. The second angle involves promoting campus safety from an educational or preventive standpoint.

Within the first angle of approach to the issue of campus safety we have been and are currently working with the WSU safety department in their effort to install emergency telephones strategically throughout campus. Also on October 23 and 24, myself Morris and ASWSU Public relations director Aleana Wixson participated in the WSU safety department's "Walk in the Dark". In addition, ASWSU Chief of Staff Matthew Caires is currently engaging in discussions with the Pullman City Council in an effort to address issues of better lighting, and sidewalk repair in off campus areas.

In addressing multicultural or minority concerns I have committed my administration to serve as a support system. First I'd like to express that I have been working with the Vice Provost for Relations and Resources, Earnestine Madison, to establish a student advisory committee to be called WSU Student Ambassadors for Diversity. This committee will be comprised of a diverse panel of students who will work with HRR in an advisory capacity.

I believe that the ASWSU senate took a progressive step toward inclusion when they passed legislation to annex the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Association into the ASWSU Committee structure. For over a decade the GLBA has been one of the most visible recognized student organizations on campus. Hence, I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome them to the ASWSU structure.

Also in the area of minority relations, we were instrumental in working with the WSU Athletic department to provide better stadium access to football games for disabled and handicapped WSU students and fans. At the beginning of the semester I was approached by Heather

Robinson, President of the Disability Awareness Association about the possibility of addressing this issue. I am pleased to express that we did manage to obtain more space for disabled and handicapped students between rows 25 and 26 of Martian Stadium. Also at our home game against UCLA, in order to stimulate more awareness of the issue, we decided to attend the game day events in wheelchairs. These are just a few examples of the projects that we've undertaken this semester in the area of Multicultural and Minority relations.

With regards to student empowerment, on Sept 25 myself and ASWSU Legislative Affairs Director David Reiter had the opportunity to attend the House and Senate Higher Education Committee meeting that was held on campus. We managed to impress upon our legislators the importance of higher education accessibility. On Oct. 3, ASWSU Chief of Staff Matthew Caires was instrumental in encouraging the Pullman City Council to draft two resolutions. Resolution R-65-95 supports higher education funding and student access, while resolution R-66-95 opposes cuts in federal financial aid. Both resolutions were sent to our U.S. District Representatives and to our U.S. Senators.

I've also been active in Washington Student Lobby, which is a student lobby organization whose makeup includes the student body president, legislative affairs liaison, and two chapter representatives from Washington's five public universities. One of our significant achievements in the area of legislative affairs occurred as a result of a collaborative effort on the part of the ASWSU executives and the senate. We launched a petition drive protesting the proposed reductions in federal student financial aid. Also the ASWSU senate established a "call your legislator" phone bank and passed a resolution opposing reductions to federal student aid. We attached a petition of nearly 4,000 signatures to this resolution and sent a copy to our U.S Representatives, Senators, and the White House.

Throughout the duration of my term as your president I will continue to work hard and explore new ways by which I can further reach out, stay in touch, and promote your interests. I believe our true worth and strength resides in our ability to inform and mobilize the WSU student body. Many perceive that students are apathetic and uninterested. I disagree and firmly believe that if you provide students with approachable and dedicated leader, they will respond. For example, Claudia Nieto, Jamie Miller, Manny Fernandez, Courtney Ahreus, Joushua Kidd, Alana Lesprone, Jose Gutierrez, and Jennifer Preuss are a few of the many students who have decided to take an interest in ASWSU as a result of our reaching out to them. I'd like to sincerely thank them and the many students like them that make ASWSU possible. We simply can't survive without your support and involvement. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas please feel free to stop by my office in CUB 325 or give me a call at 335-9676.

Jessie Harris
ASWSU President

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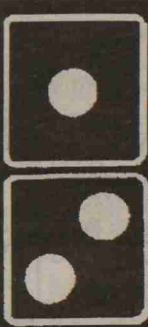
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