

# Shuttle bus added; serves campus area

WRTA is in a better position than ever to provide necessary transportation to Youngstowners, particularly in light of the energy crunch and the concern for cleaner air, according to R. Keith Armstrong, WRTA executive director.

A special 19-passenger air-conditioned shuttle bus to serve the YSU campus and downtown has recently been added to the new fleet of 50 buses purchased earlier this year by the transit authority, he

added.

"A" Bus, as the shuttle bus has been temporarily named, will make a continual loop of the downtown area and the YSU campus weekdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The "A" bus will help meet transportation needs and help eliminate traffic congestion in the central business and YSU districts if people take advantage of it for short distances, Armstrong said.

The shuttle bus leaves Youngstown Federal Plaza East, traveling north on Wick Avenue to YSU, turning left on Spring Street. At Fifth Avenue, the vehicle turns left again, returning to downtown, making a left at Commerce Street to Wick and back to the plaza, said Teery La Bar, manager of marketing and planning for WRTA.

When "A" bus leaves the plaza again, it travels south on Market Street, right on Boardman Street

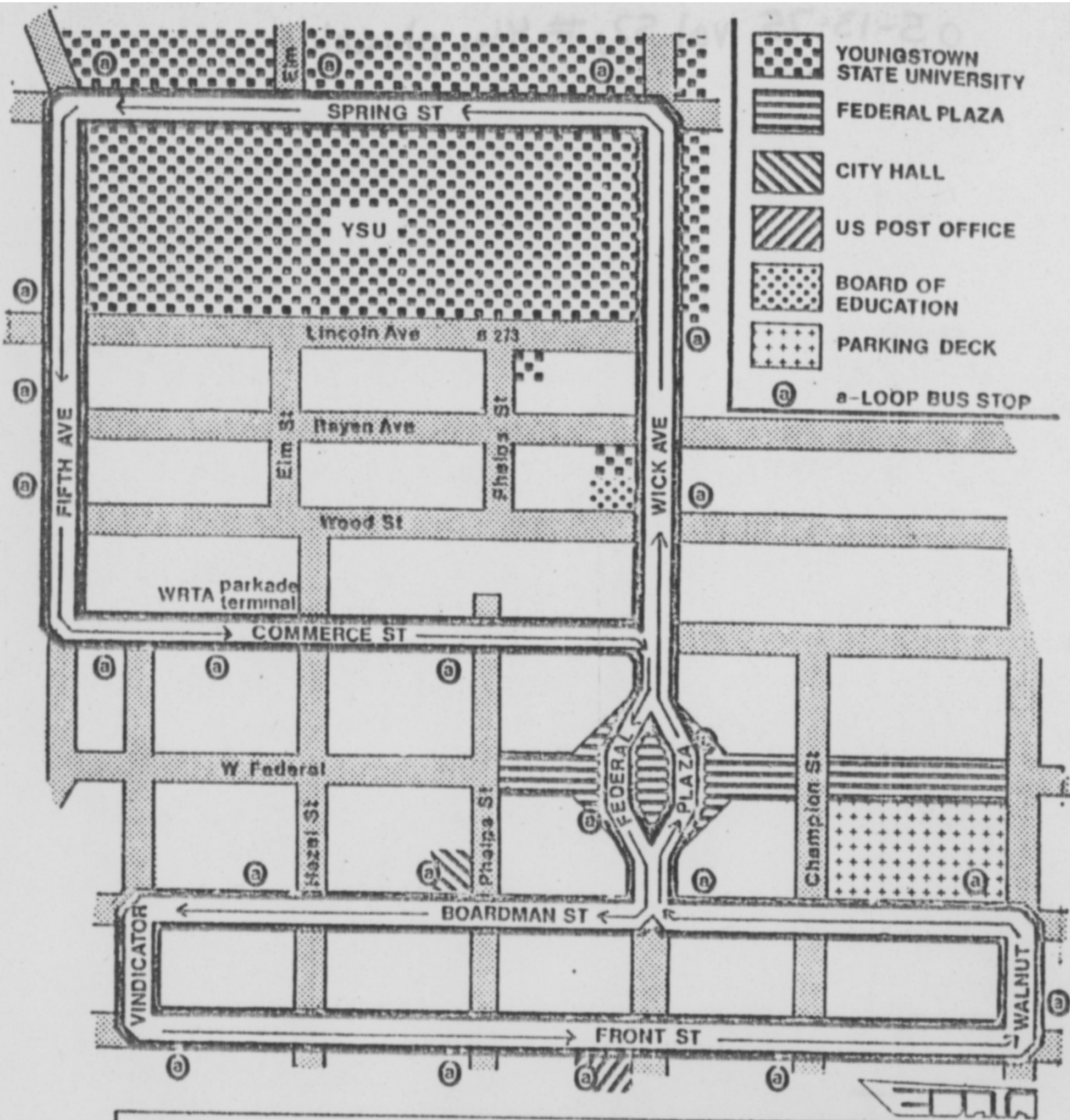
to Vindicator Square, left on Front Street, and continues east across Market Street to Walnut Street. It then continues north on Walnut to Boardman Street, returning to the plaza, La Bar continued.

Bus stops are indicated by a sign carrying a red capital A on a white background attached for the most part to utility poles. They do not carry the words "bus stop."

The shuttle bus leaves the Youngstown Federal Plaza for YSU on the hour and every half hour. Fares are 10 cents to all points and no passes will be honored. Shuttle bus schedules are available upon request from WRTA. In an effort to better meet the needs of the riders with existing services and to revise routes and services when necessary, the WRTA has launched a "Tell Us Where To Go" campaign, Armstrong added.

WRTA is furnishing comment sheets in prime downtown locations and welcomes input from YSU students. All comments received by mail will be acknowledged, Armstrong continued.

Suggestions for routes and other necessary services may be addressed to "Tell Us Where To Go," WRTA Mahoning Avenue.



**Downtown LOOP Map - WRTA**

**DOWNTOWN LOOP**—Directional arrows mark the route that the WRTA shuttle bus travels daily. The bus leaves from Youngstown Federal Plaza east on a north-bound run to YSU every half hour beginning at 10 a.m. and completing its last run at 3 p.m. The figure eight to the north is balanced with a second loop south of the plaza to service City Hall, the Post Office and the city parking deck. The bus stops at the circled "a."