

# The Collegian

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NITTANY LION will make his initial appearance of the 1944 football season at the pep rally in front of the Lion Shrine tonight.

## Old Main Open House Aids National War Fund Drive

Old Main Open House, sponsored annually in conjunction with the National War Fund and World Student Service Fund drives, is scheduled for October 7. National War Fund Drive on Campus will open October 9.

Representatives from 13 campus organizations headed by Robert Barefoot and Nancy Norton, co-chairmen, and James T. Smith, general secretary of the PSCA, advisor, have completed plans for a variety of events to take place during the course of the evening. Students, faculty members, and military personnel are invited.

Slated to open the program is a concert by the Blue Band under the baton of Frank Gullo, assistant professor of the music department, and a community singing on Old Main Terrace, 7:30 to 8 p.m. IMA and Hamilton-Propeller coeds are in charge of this event.

Thespians will present a variety talent show in Schwab Auditorium, 8 to 8:30 p.m. Vocal solos, instrumental numbers, skits, and dance routines will comprise the program, according to Paul Galvanek, manager.

GSO has arranged for a vic dance in the armory, 9:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission will be 50 cents a person or 75 cents a couple. At the same time Mortar Board is featuring Drydock in the Armory.

Prof. J. Burn Helme will lecture

### Attention Seniors!

Graduating seniors must order commencement invitations and announcements, and caps and gowns at Student Union by 5 p.m. today. Announcements and invitations are nine cents each, and cap and gown order deposits are \$5.

Gowns will be given out at the Athletic Store upon presentation of the order receipt the week of graduation and must be returned immediately following graduation exercises. A fine of \$1 will be levied for late returns and 25 cents will be charged for duplicate receipts. Announcements and invitations will be distributed at Student Union ten days before Commencement upon presentation of the order receipt.

at the mural movie in the Little Theatre, 8:45 to 9:30 p.m. explaining artistic elements of the mural above the main stair case in Old Main lobby. Junior Service Board is sponsoring this event.

Square dancing to Andy Mostalski's Hill-Billy band with Chauncey Lang, caller, will be featured by WRA Executive Board on Old Main lawn, 9 to 11 p.m.

PSCA offices will be converted in to fortunetelling booths under IWA and Philotes. Fortunes will cost five cents a person and will be told continuously from 8:30 to 11 p.m.

Ping pong matches will be in progress all evening in 401 Old Main in charge of IMA. At the Penn State Club room will be open for dancing and table games. Pan-Hellenic Council and Interfraternity Council will sponsor bingo in 305 Old Main at five cents a game from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Old Main Tower will be open for tours from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Cwens will arrange for "music of the Masters" in the second floor lounge of Old Main from 8:30 to 10 p.m. At this time classical and semi-classical records will be played.

WSGA has planned a fish pond in the foyer of Old Main open from 8 to 10:30 p.m., and costing five cents a cast.

Old Main Open House was first held in 1942 in direct answer to the demands for more recreational opportunities expressed by the Social Action Committee of the PSCA. This cooperative venture undertaken from the beginning by campus organizations became an institution with programs first twice a semester and now but once a semester. A working budget of \$50 was established and any profits were given to the World Student Service Fund, a national organization for the benefit of students throughout the world.

Since the World Student Service Fund is not a part of the National War Fund drive this year, profits from the Open House will be divided between these two war emergency programs. Opening the campus War Fund Drive, these funds will become a part of China Relief, USO, Russian Relief, Greek Relief, War Prisoners' Aid, Norwegian War Relief, and other international projects.

The portion allotted the WSSF will be used to further interests

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## 'Gridiron Ball' Climaxes Big Weekend; Bonfire, Rally, Football Game Slated

One of the biggest weekends since the beginning of the accelerated program at the College will open tonight with a bonfire and pep rally in conjunction with the first football game of the season tomorrow afternoon.

Highlighting the weekend schedule are Interfraternity Council's semi-formal "Gridiron Ball," the Players' production "Papa Is All," the Muhlenberg-Penn State football game, and a Blue Band concert.

Freshmen, upperclassmen, and servicemen will start the weekend with a bonfire in the fertility plots across Shortlidge road from Grange dormitory at 7:30 o'clock tonight. This will be followed by a parade to the Lion Shrine where Penn State songs and cheers will feature a pep rally.

The parade will begin at 8 o'clock and go down Shortlidge road, across College avenue, and up Burrowes road to the Lion Shrine. The Blue Band will lead the march, followed by students who will form long lines and do a snake dance.

Cheerleader Guy Newton will conduct the pep rally in front of the Lion Shrine. In addition to songs and cheers, talks will be given by Football Coach Bob Higgins and members of the team. The Penn State Lion will also take part in the activities tonight.

All-College Cabinet and the Hat Society Council are sponsoring the bonfire and pep rally. Edward Williams, chairman in charge of arrangements, said yesterday that all hat men and first semester freshmen must attend the bonfire and pep rally. V-12 students will get late permission to participate in the proceedings tonight.

The Penn State Players will present the Pennsylvania Dutch play "Papa Is All" in Schwab Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock tonight and tomorrow. Prof. Frank S. Neusbaum is directing the production, while Gerry Gilman and Sally Von Neida have the leading roles.

The football game between Muhlenberg and Penn State will begin at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at New Beaver Field, Coach Higgins stated this morning that he expects the game to be one of the most interesting on the schedule since Muhlenberg plays a wide-open brand of football.

Tribunal Chief Harvey Scheiner reminds all freshmen that they must attend the game and be seated in the last section of the west stands. Everyone has to wear cus-toms and remain in his seat until all other spectators have left the stands. Hat men should be at the game at 1:30, according to Steve Herbert, Hat Society Council president.

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## Players Hit Stage With 'Papa Is All'

"Papa Is All," a comedy of Pennsylvania Dutch life will be produced by the Penn State Players in Schwab Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock tonight and tomorrow night.

The cast, which has been rehearsing for the past month under Prof. Frank Neusbaum, director of the play, is headed by Gerald Gilman in the title role of Papa, who is alleged to be somewhat of an unpleasant character.

Sally Von Neida will play the part of Mama; her children Jake and Emma will be portrayed by A/S Robert Stabley and Mary man Brendel.

Verna Sevast, who played the lead in "Ladies In Retirement" earlier this semester has been cast as Mrs. Yoder. A/S Mathias Szezyll will play State Policeman Breniel.

The play is under the technical supervision of Miss Grace O. Clayton and the set design is in charge of Mrs. Dorothy B. Scott, both of the department of dramatics.

The crew heads as released by Professor Neusbaum include Patricia McClure as assistant to the director, Libby Peters as prompter, William Morton as stage manager, and Robert Whitall as construction engineer. Allene Babbitt and Nan Hoeflich are the property managers.

Helen Blanker has been named costume manager, Norma Lee Hoover, paint manager, and Mary Anne Mason, light manager. Advertising manager is Louise Zimmers. Assistants to the designer are Audrey Kreeger, Nan Charles, and Jean Breskin. Anne Hazard has been selected as the assistant to the technician.

## Blue Band to Perform At Afternoon Concert

Blue Band concert in front of Old Main 3:30 p.m. Sunday will be the first of a series of two free concerts to be presented by the College instrumental groups this semester. In case of rain the concert will be held in Schwab Auditorium.

The 70 piece band made up of students, professors, high school students, high school teachers, townfolk, graduate students and a few V-12 trainees will be led by Frank Gullo, assistant professor of music at the College.

Featured on the program will

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## X-G-I Group Approved

Senate Committee on Student Welfare has voted to officially recognize the X-G-I Club in accordance with the organization's constitution and by-laws filed with the committee, Dean Arthur R. Warnock, secretary of the committee, announced yesterday.

Recognition by the college administration permits the veterans to participate in all intramural sports, to sponsor all dances on college property with college approval.

Following up this official measure, Dean Warnock will conduct an informal question and answer period with the club's members in the Hugh Beaver Room 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Last week the Press Association distributed forms to all members of the X-G-I Club to find out if service in the Army or Navy has affected the veteran's choice of profession. This information is to be used for a newspaper story to be printed at some later date.

The official emblem of the club, chosen at the last meeting, will be engraved on a pin for all members.

J. Paul Ploth, commander, has made up a questionnaire to poll the interests of the members and plan forthcoming activities accordingly. Letters have been sent to the eight veterans' organizations on other college campuses, asking for suggestions on programs and organization.

The American Legion has donated \$75 to cover the cost of monogrammed letterheads and envelopes and other club expenses. From the original 14 members the roll has risen to 37.

Next semester the club members will meet every other week and will be addressed by a speaker once a month.

## College Completes Plans For V-Day

College plans for V-Day, whenever that may be, have been completed in conjunction with the State College V-Day committee.

According to Chief of Police John R. Juba, general chairman, plans scheduled by the V-Day committee call for sounding Old Main chimes, the fire whistle, air raid siren, and church bells when official word is received.

Within an hour, a parade consisting of College and town units will form on campus. College V-12 and ASTP units have signified their intention of participating. Town units include the American Legion Junior Drum and Bugle Corps, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and Veterans

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### Weekend Calendar

**Friday**  
Schwab Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., "Papa Is All."  
Vacant field opposite Grange dormitory, 7:30 p.m., bonfire and pep rally.

**Saturday**  
New Beaver Field, 2 p.m., Penn State-Muhlenberg football game.  
Schwab Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., "Papa Is All."  
Recreation Hall 9 p.m. to midnight, Gridiron Ball.

**Sunday**  
Front of Old Main or Schwab Auditorium, 3:30 p.m., Blue Band concert.