

Parents and Families weekend

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campus is like in full swing."

Friday highlights include an a cappella concert with "Four Guys Standing Around Singing," beginning at 9 p.m. in Reed Lecture Hall. The group has previously appeared in a national "McDonald's" television commercial and on numerous radio shows.

A bonfire and Pep Rally will follow the concert, beginning at 10 p.m. The rally will be held in Niagara field.

The men's varsity soccer team hosts Washington and Jefferson College at 1 p.m. on Saturday, followed by a candlelight dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Wintergreen Cafe. Carlucci will offer remarks during the meal, which precedes his lecture.

Federal deficit crisis could put student funds in jeopardy

(CPS) College student loans may be much harder to get next year if Congress approves the federal "budget summit" compromise reached Sept. 29.

The compromise, worked out by President George Bush and congressional leaders over four months of tense negotiations over how to bring the federal budget deficit under control, hopes to cut \$500 billion in spending over the next five years. The plan includes saving \$2 billion from the federal student loan program.

Supplemental Loans for Students, Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students, Stafford and Perkins loans would all be affected.

"I would just expect a lot of angry students," said Kathy Hicks, controller at Eastern Montana College.

Before becoming law, however, the entire Congress must approve the budget package. On Oct. 4, House Democrats, upset over the plan's cuts in Medicare spending, threatened not to support it.

If a compromise isn't reached, automatic cuts go into effect. It would mean an immediate cut to all aid payments not yet made to

colleges and students. Funding to the Department of Education would be cut 35 percent.

Yet the Sept. 29 agreement heightened chances that the government will finally enact some form of compromise for a first tentative agreement between White House and Congress since 1979 -- to cut the federal deficit, sources said. Students, like all recipients of federal dollars, would pay a price.

While the compromise did not detail ways to cut \$2 billion out of the almost \$4 billion loan programs, congressional leaders quickly suggested doing it by imposing a series of new limits on who can get student loans:

- Requiring a student to have a high school diploma or the equivalent to receive any federal tuition loan.
- Making students wait 30 days after the start of school to get their loan money.
- Eliminating or restricting federal loans for correspondence schools.
- Having all loan applicants who are 21 or older undergo a credit check to qualify for a loan.

• Cutting students out of college loan programs who are from schools where loan default rates are above a certain rate.

The provisions "are definitely going to hurt student access to federal loans," asserted Selena Dong, legislative director for the

United States Student Association (USSA), a Washington D.C.-based organization that represents student government presidents.

Blood drive competition to be held on campus

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"We want to win the cup and get as many people involved as possible," said Leigh Stanesic, president of Sigma Theta Chi. "We're doing public service announcements on WPSE to get the community involved."

Stanesic explained that this year a pizza party will be awarded to the club or organization on campus that has the largest percentage of members donate blood. The contest is open to all organizations on campus and the winner will be announced the week following the blood drive.

To be eligible to give blood, a donor must be between the ages of 17 and 65, weigh at least 110

pounds, and be in general good health.

The entire donation process takes approximately 30 to 45 minutes. It consists of a questionnaire, a mini-physical of blood pressure and temperature, the actual donation, and a refreshment period. The actual donation of one pint of blood takes only 5 to 7 minutes.

A single donation can help up to four patients because the blood is divided into four components. Red blood cells help surgery, platelets help leukemia and cancer patients, plasma helps accident and burn victims, and cryoprecipitate helps hemophiliacs.

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Swept Away

Thursday, October 11, 1990
7:30 p.m., Reed Lecture Hall

Directed by Lina Wertmuller

This famous film by veteran director Wertmuller explores the interfaces of gender and class struggle. A wealthy woman, selfish, greedy, and used to having people wait on her, is shipwrecked on a desert island with only one companion: a vulgar, macho, smart laborer on the ship who sees his change to turn the table on the world of wealth and rescue in sight. Their relationship undergoes changes that have both sexual and political consequences. Some critics say the film is not about sex at all, but only about class struggle; you decide what you think.

Discussions immediately following, led by Mr. Stephen Buckwald, Theater Instructor, and Penn State-Behrend student Jennifer Flannigan.

A Question Of Silence

Thursday, October 18, 1990
7:30 p.m., Reed Lecture Hall

Directed by Marlene Gorris

A trio of women, all strangers to each other, meet in a boutique. When one of them is caught shoplifting, they band together and kill the store owner. A court-appointed psychiatrist is assigned to determine their motivations and their sanity, and finds out a great deal about herself and her own relationships in the process. Original, provocative, and highly controversial, this was Dutch director Gorris' debut film in 1983.

Discussion immediately following, led by Dr. Diana Hume George, Professor of English, and Penn State-Behrend student William Goodman.