

Fraud war intensifies

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COLFAX—Times may become tougher for those trying to cheat the government out of public assistance and food stamps.

The state Department of Social and Health Services is intensifying fraud prevention activities in local Community Service Offices, which determine eligibility for public assistance and food stamps.

"All applicants have to provide verification of their living situation, income, resources, and other factors affecting eligibility," said Robert Lolcama, the state's DSHS Acting Assistant Secretary for Community Services.

Lolcama said the department is especially interested in making sure recipients correctly report income, new household members, or other changes in their situation which might affect their eligibility.

"The purpose of intensifying the prevention is to make sure limited public funds go to help those who really need help," said Alan J. Gibbs, secretary of the state's Department of Social and Health Services.

"We're stepping up activity here by putting our financial service technician in the field more often," said Gladys Baldwin, Whitman County DSHS administrator.

The technician will spend 15 percent more time looking into fraudulent cases, Baldwin said.

"That means the technician will be in the field (communities) a couple of times a week instead of a couple of times a month," the administrator said.

Baldwin said the technician merely attempts to identify the possibility of fraud from referrals. Referrals may come from other financial service technicians, caseworkers or community citizens.

If a case appears to be fraudulent, it will be sent to the DSHS Office of Special Investigation in Spokane, she said.

Cases which prove to be fraudulent can be sent to the prosecuting attorney. However, letters are often sent to the charged party.

They are asked to reimburse the government for overpayments at 125 percent interest from future public assistance grants, Baldwin said.

All persons found to be guilty of fraud have the right to appeal their cases.

Baldwin said by stepping up prevention and putting technicians in the field more often, the DSHS hopes to receive more referrals from the community.

Any known or suspected fraud should be reported to the local DSHS in Colfax or Pullman where follow-up will be conducted.

Community board posts announced

CITY—Openings for five positions on three community Boards were announced last week by Mayor Pete Butkus.

The Planning Commission has two openings. One position is an unexpired term through December of 1986, the second unexpired term extends through 1984.

The Environmental Quality Commission has one open position to fill a three year term through 1983.

The recently salvaged Civic Arts Commission has two open terms extending through December of 1981.

The commission meets tonight at 7:30 in City Hall. Persons interested in serving on the commission should attend this meeting.

Applications and information for the above positions are available at City Hall.

Completed applications must be received at City Hall by 5 p.m., Wednesday, April 29.

Awareness Week begins

The second annual Awareness Week, proclaimed by Pullman mayor Pete Butkus and organized by university students, begins today for students interested in a range of cultural, social and political issues.

Each day focuses on different topics. These include Domestic Human Rights, United States Legislative Issues and International Human Rights. Speeches will be in CUB 216.

Films on Native American Studies and the Gay

community and speakers on equal rights and human life amendment affecting minorities is slated for Monday and Tuesday.

Tuesday night, Black United Front member Ron Herndon will speak on organizing tasks for black communities.

Panel discussion on quality education legislative issues and Washington money in South Africa are planned.

Calendar

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN will meet today at noon in CUB B25A.

AFROTIC will meet today between 1 and 2 p.m. and 3 and 4 p.m. in the Cadet Lounge in the Thompson Hall basement. A "brown bag" movie, "The Making of Star Wars," will be presented. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served.

CAREER SERVICE & PLACEMENT CENTER will present an interview skills workshop today at 1 in Todd 428. Sign up is in Ad Annex 206.

ENVIRONMENTAL TASK FORCE will meet tonight at 7 in CUB B-15 to discuss last minute preparations for Earth Day.

"ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE" will be presented tonight at 7 in the K-House. The presentation offers counsel for victims of rape of domestic violence and provides refuge in crisis situations. Summer training for advocates begins tonight and continues for five Saturdays. For more info, 334-4343.

WHITMAN COUNTY CRISIS LINE will begin its training for crisis line workers tonight at 7 in the Koinonia House. Training will continue for the five following Satur-

days.

"NANOOK OF THE NORTH" and Mickey Mouse's first excursion into animation "Steamboat Willie" will be shown free tonight at 7:30 and 9 in Holland Library 160B.

"MAN OF ARAN" and "The Band Concert" will be shown free tonight at 7:30 and 9 in Owen Science Library 465.

KZUU ALBUM PREVIEW will feature the soundtrack from the movie, "Thief," by the German band, Tangerine Dream, tonight at 10 on FM 90.7 or 106.5.

THREE NEW EXHIBITS in the libraries open this week. "The Novels of H.G. Wells" and Scribshaw Display are on the first floor of the Holland Library this week. Also in Owen sciences and Engineering Library, a gem and mineral display opens this week on the first floor.

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A Nobel prize-winning chemist will be here to deliver a lecture and seminar on cholesterol and fatty acids April 20 and 21.

Konrad Bloch, from Harvard University, paved the way for much of the current work on the importance of cholesterol and fatty acid metabolism in human health and well-being.

The lecture will be in Todd Aud at 8 p.m. The seminar has been set for Tuesday, April 21, at noon in Johnson Hall C-107.

Bloch's lecture, sponsored by the Institute of Biological Chemistry, is the first in the Haarmann and Reimer Distinguished Lecturer series.

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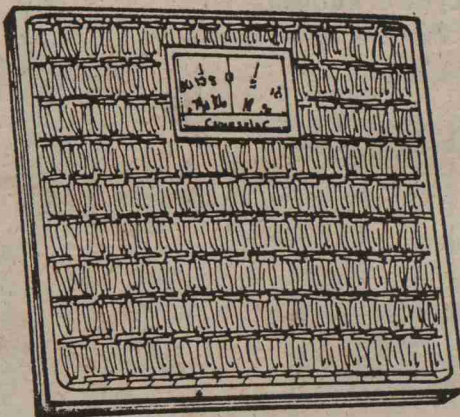
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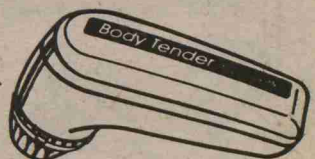
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