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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University extends an invitation to students and their families for Fall Family Weekend 2004. Sponsored by IWU's Student Senate and the Dean of Student's Office, Fall Family Weekend events will take place from Friday, Sept. 10, through Sunday, Sept. 12.

"The purpose of Family Weekend is to give families a first-hand understanding of their student's college experience," said Ashley Whittington, special events commissioner for Student Senate and the coordinator of Family Weekend.

Families arriving Friday evening will have the opportunity to view the newest release of the Titan Film Series, *Shrek 2*. The animated film featuring the voices of Mike Myers and Cameron Diaz will run at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. in the Hansen Student Center, 300 E. Beecher St., Bloomington.

Registration for families will begin Saturday, Sept. 11, at 8:30 a.m. A detailed schedule of Family Weekend activities will be provided at this time and meal tickets will be available for those who have purchased them.

Following registration, John and Marsha Hubbuch, presidents of the Parent Connection, along with the Parent Board invite families to attend a session with Professor Narendra Jaggi, chair of the physics department. Jaggi, who was voted the 2003 Student Senate Professor of the Year and was this year's recipient of the Illinois Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement and Support of Education, will share stories from his recent Gateway colloquia. The session will take place from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in room 200 of the Hansen Student Center.

Festivities will continue with the annual luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on the Eckley Quadrangle. Families are then invited to cheer for the IWU football team as they take on the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire at Wilder Field at 1 p.m. Beginning at 2 p.m., the IWU women's soccer team plays Cornell College at Neis Soccer Field, and the Titan volleyball team takes on Carthage College in the IWU Classic Volleyball Tournament at the Shirk Center.

Saturday's events conclude with a Blue Moon Coffeehouse concert featuring singer-songwriter Christine Lavin. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. in the Westbrook Auditorium of Presser Hall, 1210 Park St., Bloomington. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

On Sunday, parents and siblings are welcome to attend a Family Day Service at 10 a.m. in Evelyn Chapel, 1301 N. Park St., Bloomington. The non-denominational service will feature music and readings in which students will explore how, "It takes a whole family to get through IWU." Before departing, families are encouraged to join their students for Sunday Brunch in the Bertholf Commons of the Memorial Center, 104 University Ave., Bloomington.

For more information on the Family Weekend, contact Whittington at (309) 556-2294.