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University of Lethbridge highlights for the week of October 7 to 13

The University of Lethbridge has several events lined up this week that may be of interest to your readers, viewers and listeners. Members of the media who are interested in covering these events are encouraged to contact the individual event organizer directly.

Chillin' 4 Charity

Monday, Oct. 7, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., bus loop

Students, staff and faculty will be taking the plunge to raise money for the United Way at the annual Chillin' 4 Charity fundraiser by the U of L Management Students' Society. All funds raised will go directly to local initiatives, including those that aim to make social isolation and education inequality 'unignorable.'

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Building Brains and Futures: One Connection at a Time Tuesday, Oct. 8, 7 p.m., PB210, Dr. Foster James Penny Building, 324 5 St. S.

Dr. Robbin Gibb (neuroscience) has developed a curriculum to improve executive function in preschoolers through the Building Brains and Futures project. The curriculum includes simple activities that are easily incorporated into classroom routines. Already implemented at four early learning sites, the project has now expanded to include sharing activities to promote positive brain development with parents and childcare workers. This talk is part of the Lib Ed Living Room Speaker Series.

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The uLethbridge Film Series presents *The Dirties*

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Lethbridge Public Library Theatre Gallery Hosted by Bryn Hewko, a new media professor, *The Dirties* is about two best friends who team up to film a comedy about getting revenge on bullies. The exercise takes a devastating turn when one of them begins to think of it as more than a joke. *The Dirties* was the winner of the 2013 Slamdance Festival Grand Jury Prize for best narrative feature.

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Chinook Symposium for Chemistry and Biochemistry Friday, Oct. 11, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Levels 7 and 9, Science Commons

Undergraduate and graduate students will showcase their research at the 13th annual Chinook Symposium. Oral presentations are scheduled for 10 a.m. to noon in the atrium on Level 9 of Science Commons. The poster competition, with prizes awarded at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels, goes from 1 to 5 p.m. in the atrium on Level 7 of Science Commons.

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Changing Environments and Cultures of Nature in Canada's 'Great Acceleration' Friday, Oct. 11, 2 p.m., E690, University Hall

Guest lecturer Dr. Benjamin Bradley from Queen's University will talk about how Canadians' relationships to the natural world saw a dramatic change around the turn of the last century. Use of fossil fuels transformed established patterns of social life and how resources and land were used. Mechanized agriculture, mass production and technology developments seemed to conquer distance and the vagaries of climate and terrain. Even as environmental exploitation accelerated, Canadians increasingly viewed nature as benign, therapeutic and worthy of preservation. With the challenges of climate change, a new relationship to nature may need to be imagined.

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