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Advisory

University of Lethbridge hosts Native Awareness Week, Mar. 3-7

The University of Lethbridge and the Native American Students Association will present the annual Native Awareness Week celebration from Mar. 3-7.

A number of activities are planned for the weeklong event, beginning with Monday's Opening Ceremony and Pow Wow (11 a.m., University Hall Atrium) to a dramatic production, fry bread and berry soup tastings, an entrepreneurship seminar, a drum contest, talent show and much more.

A special SACPA on Campus session takes place Thursday, Mar. 6 from 4 to 6 p.m. in PE275 featuring Paul Chartrand as he discusses The Pros and the Cons of Abolishing the Indian Act, while First Nations professional artist Alex Janvier has two speaking engagements on Wednesday, Mar. 5 (12 p.m. in W570 and 6 p.m. in PE264).

All events are free of charge and open to the public.

Media is invited to attend any of these Native Awareness Week activities, many of which will offer outstanding visuals for print and television use.

Following is an itinerary of events.

Monday, March 3

Atrium

11 a.m. - Opening Ceremonies ~ Francis First Charger

Mini Contest POW WOW ~ Cash Prizes! Travis Plaited Hair MC

Naming Ceremony ~ Francis First Charger

University Theatre

7 p.m. - The Ugliest Girl Meets Elvis: A Residential School Play ~ Ramona Big Head & Carl Brave Rock

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Tuesday, Mar. 4

Atrium

11 a.m. - Fry Bread and Berry Soup ~ First Nations Transition Program

11:30 a.m. - Medicine Bag Making ~ Health Sciences

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Wednesday, Mar. 5

NAS Dept.

11 a.m. - The Ten Grandmothers Project ~ Dr. Linda Many Guns NAS

W570

12 p.m. - Alex Janvier ~ Art Now

Markin Hall Atrium

1 p.m. - Entrepreneurship Market & Roundtable ~ Management

PE264

6 p.m. - Alex Janvier ~ Jamie Warn NAS

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Thursday, Mar. 6

Andy's Place

11 a.m. - Blackfoot Elders Speak ~ Red Crow Imminent Scholars

SU Ballrooms

5 p.m. - Hypnotist Kiitokii ~ Native American Students Association

NASA Presents OUR DAY Talent Show ~ NASA

Drum Contest ~ NASA

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Friday, Mar. 7

Atrium

11 a.m. - New Blackfoot Digital Library Website Unveiling ~ Library

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