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ABORIGINAL ACCESS SERVICES NEWSLETTER



February 2010

"BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres Hosts:

**Gathering our Voices 2010
Provincial Aboriginal
Youth Conference
Our Health &
Our Environment
March 10—13, 2010
Hyatt Regency, Vancouver**

Aboriginal Youth (14-24) are invited to take part in a dynamic conference on Aboriginal Health and the Environment. Many workshops, cultural activities, an interactive Health & Environment fair, evening entertainment and afternoon sport & recreation activities will be offered.

Regular registration \$175

There must be one chaperon for every 5 participants. Information available at

'www.bcaafc.com

For further information, please contact:
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Meet UFV Aboriginal Student Representative

Come and meet the new Aboriginal Student Representative for UFV. On February 24th, Aboriginal Access Services will be having a Meet and Greet event for students. Please join us to share ideas, chat and to have lunch with other students and Eric Anderson. Dancers, drummers and a draw for an IPOD!

When: February 24th, 2010

Time: 11:30 to 1:30

Where: U-House, Abbotsford Campus.

Eric .Anderson@student.ufv.ca

Indigenizing Lecture Series hosts Rauna Kuokkanen

Visiting scholar, Rauna Kuokkanen, assistant professor of Political Science and Aboriginal Studies at the University of Toronto, is from Samiland, which rests across the borders of Finland, Norway, Sweden and Russia. (The Sami are the Indigenous people of Northern Europe.) Her Indigenous roots have influenced her scholarly pursuits, "Indigenizing and decolonizing the academy are close to my heart," says Kuokkanen, author of *Reshaping the University: Responsibility, Indigenous Epistemes, and the Logic of the Gift* (UBCP 2007).

Rauna will draw from her book describing for us the "logic of the gift" and how to practice it in academic settings as a key component to indigenizing space and place. Hers is a call for the university to accept its responsibility towards indigenous peoples and to do its homework with regards to indigenous epistemes by engaging in the logic of the gift. She is suggesting it is a logic capable of teaching the academy that relations and interdependence are indispensable.

**Join us on March 3rd, 2010
2 pm in Room B 121
Abbotsford Campus**



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Reciprocal Research Network

Come and learn about Reciprocal Research Network (Virtual Museum Online)

This is a collaborative effort between the Museum of Anthropology, Stó:lō Nation, Musqueam, Coqualeetza, Stó:lō Tribal Council and many more organizations.

Please join us for Soup, Bannock and a short presentation to learn about this new initiative.

When: February 25th, 2010

Time: 11:30-1:00 pm

**Where: Aboriginal Access
Centre G-120, Chilliwack**

**Inquiries: Call Elaine Malloway
604-795-2835**



Financial Aid Workshops!

Financial Aid is having their Bursary Workshops on the following dates:

February 18th, 22nd & 26th, 2010 at 10 AM to 11:20 AM. In Abbotsford Campus.

Please sign up at the Financial Aid office in Abbotsford.

Students in Chilliwack need to contact the Financial Aid office and if there is enough students then they will have a workshop in Chilliwack.

Community Arts

When: Tuesdays 16th & 23rd

Time: 6:00-9:00 PM

**Where: Chilliwack campus, Aboriginal
Access Center, Building G120.**

We have various arts and craft material which include:

- Leather
- Beads
- Fabric material
- Wool/yarn

Sewing machine

You are also welcome to bring your own material if you like, or bring your crafting talent to share with others.

Please join us Tuesday nights on the Chilliwack campus. We hope to see you there!

Reading Break February 15—19, 2010

Here are some questions you may be asking about the week-long Reading Break: Feb 15-19, 2010

Is this a mini holiday? Instructors may expect you to use the time to read, write and review. Look keen! Ask each instructor to confirm his/her expectations.

Classes in session? Formal classes are not scheduled during Reading Break. Check if you are scheduled for a practicum, seminar, or lab. Assume nothing!

Is UFV open? Yes, all UFV facilities are open including the computer labs, cafeteria, bookstore, and the library. When are your books due?

Can I come to study? Yes the campus is open from early morning until 10:00 p.m. Your classroom may not be open however; there are spaces available to study in the library etc.

Is Aboriginal Access Services open? Yes, Aboriginal Access Services will be open as usual. Set up a study group to meet in the AAS student lounge. Coffee and tea are always ready.

Do I have to pay for parking? Yes, as proof this is not a holiday, parking lots will be monitored.



Temporary Job Opportunity:

UBC Institute for Aboriginal Health is seeking a Facilitator/Instructor for our Fundamentals of Administration course for its award winning Aboriginal Health and Community Administration Program (AHCAP)

The Course Fundamentals of Administration starts with the 3 day Residency on Wednesday March 25-27, 2010, 9 AM to 5 PM. The course continues from the residency with 8 weeks on-line. The AHCAP program is a professional development program for staff already working in health administration in First Nations, Métis or Inuit communities or organizations, or people who are working in similar positions and would like to transfer into the health area.

Instructor Time: We need an instructor to facilitate 2 days of the 3 day residency (14 hrs) and then moderate and respond to the students; on-line postings and on-line weekly assignments (approximately 10 hrs a week X 8 weeks = approx. 80 hours).

The course curriculum is already developed and will be provided to the instructor, therefore is solely a facilitating/teaching/moderating/marketing position

Instructor's Fee: \$4500

Ideally candidates would have extensive experience working in Aboriginal communities as a senior administrator AND also have significant experience with the unique expectations, demands and quick response times needed in facilitating on-line learning, and identify as Aboriginal (First Nations, status and non-status, Métis, and /or Inuit).

If you are interested in applying for one of these positions please send your CV and application letter to me, Kerrie Charnley, via email: kerriec@interchange.ubc.ca or fax (604) 822-6612, The deadline for applications is Friday, February 19th, 2010



The Two Wolves:

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people.

He said, "My son, the battle is between two "wolves" inside us all...

One is BAD. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.

The other is GOOD. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grand son thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you FEED."

Interested in becoming a Doctor?

The Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC is pleased to announce its eighth annual, "Aboriginals into Medicine: Pre-Admissions Workshop," August 18th to 19th, 2010. It will take place at the Island Medicinal Program on the University of Victoria campus in Victoria, BC.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide Aboriginal students with the necessary tools to be successful in their application process into and completing the undergraduate MD program. The workshops will be given by Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal physicians, medical students and residents; and university staff and faculty members.

Aboriginal Students completing Grade 11 and 12 and others attending college/university in BC are encouraged to register. There is no cost in attending the workshop as accommodations and some meals will be covered by the workshop. Travel to/from the workshop will be the student's responsibility.

Space is limited, so apply ASAP.

Deadline for registration: Tuesday, June 1st, 2010 by 4:30 PM

For registration information please contact:

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