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**Boys with toys**

Sven Vastenborg, left, with cousin Robbie Di Salvo and friend Marc Langeberg pilot a trio of radio-controlled cars this week down a southside sidewalk.

**Information session on SPP  
Monday at library theatre gallery**

Lethbridge Herald

The local chapter of the Council of Canadians is holding an information session on the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America Monday at 7 p.m.

The SPP is an agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico for the political and economic integration of North America.

James Moore, a local freelance writer who penned a series of articles for the Lethbridge Herald on the SPP earlier this year, will discuss the SPP and what it means for Canadians.

Organizers say the SPP is being put into action without public or parliamentary scrutiny as the corporate council of the SPP is made up of 10 CEOs from each of the three countries, giving large companies access to key government officials without the legislative process being involved.

Rallies and other events opposing the SPP were to take place across Canada during a SPP leaders' meeting in Montebello, Que., on Monday and Tuesday.

The information session in the Theatre Gallery of the Lethbridge Public Library is free and open to the public.

**Pair of pancake breakfasts  
planned for Whoop-Up Days**

Lethbridge Herald

Lethbridge Orthotic-Prosthetic Services will hold its fourth annual pancake breakfast Tuesday from 8-10 a.m. A \$2 donation per breakfast will be collected, with proceeds going directly toward people in Lethbridge affected by Cerebral Palsy. The event will be held in the office parking lot, located at 542 13 St. N.

On Thursday, local residents can enjoy a hot meal while helping sick children, as the Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation holds its annual pancake and sausage breakfast.

The breakfast will be held from 7 to 10:30 a.m. at the hospital cafeteria. Admission is by donation, and all proceeds will go

to the hospital's pediatric unit.

"It's important. All these little fundraisers, they may be little, but they are very meaningful," says Kandis Parascak, event coordinator with the CRH Foundation.

"They provide a lot of funding to purchase equipment and other items the unit needs."

Guests will be entertained while they eat, as the Rocky Mountain Cloggers perform and band The Rhythm Kings plays its brand of country music.

There will be games for the children, and Tara Sergerie, Miss Rodeo Canada, will stop by for a visit between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Last year, \$2,050 was raised and organizers hope to surpass that figure this year.

**Kainaaikiiksi  
conference  
Wednesday**

Organization gives women a voice on the Blood Reserve

By **NORM LEBUS**

Lethbridge Herald

**I**t's web page mission statement clearly states the intent of the Kainaaikiiksi (Ga-NA-geeks) women's group within the Blood Tribe: "To provide an avenue for hope, a voice for the oppressed, where concerns such as accountability, leadership, and tribal governance can be discussed in a safe environment."

The inference, it seems, is native women need a group to voice their concerns living on the reserve that begins just west of Lethbridge.

"That's exactly the reason it formed," Kainaaikiiksi coordinator Phyllis Day Chief explained. "Not to be negative about it, but the organization began to provide a voice for women."

Kainaaikiiksi president Delores Day Chief was instrumental in forming the organization shortly after being elected to the Blood Tribe Council of Chiefs in November 2000. Kainaaikiiksi women's conferences started four months later.

Its first conference was in response to a number of concerns regarding women's rights, child welfare, youth issues and the lack of involvement of women in tribal matters directly and indirectly affecting them, its website states.

"We represent the women who are not heard and not informed about what is going on in our community," Delores Day Chief said. The current 13-member Blood Tribe council is comprised of 11 men and two women.

Kainaaikiiksi has hosted a number of conferences addressing some of the most pressing social issues and giving women an open, safe forum for sharing.

Most recently, Kainaaikiiksi has compiled the results of a major gambling survey, and the final report has recommendations that impact the entire reserve.

The seventh annual Kainaaikiiksi conference at the University of Lethbridge student ballroom on Wednesday is essentially an information-based event, Phyllis Day Chief said. Human rights, treaty rights, matrimonial and property rights are the main topics presented, with federal government and legal officials on hand to moderate discussions.

"Legislation in all of these arenas is being proposed for major changes which will affect all first nations people, but specifically women," Phyllis Day Chief said. "What this conference will do is raise awareness, and secondly, it should cause women to ask lots more questions."

In addition, information on the upcoming referendum to ratify the First Nations' Oil and Gas Management Act will be presented.

The event is always very well attended, Phyllis Day Chief said.

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