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## TOP NEWS

- GWYNNE WHITEQUILLS (TOP PHOTO) RECEIVES STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD AT AIHEC 2024.
- BRANDI HARWOOD (BOTTOM PHOTO) RECEIVES COCA-COLA SCHOLARSHIP. "I AM INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL TO BE CHOSEN AS A COCA-COLA FIRST GENERATION SCHOLAR. THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS A TREMENDOUS HONOUR, AND IT WILL ALLEVIATE A SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL BURDEN, ALLOWING ME TO FULLY FOCUS ON MY ACADEMIC PURSUITS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND INVESTMENT IN MY FUTURE."

## TAKING HOME HARDWARE

BARBARA DAYCHIEF CAPTURED THE ROOM WITH HER ORAL INTERPRETATION OF A NAPI STORY IN THE HUMOROUS CATEGORY. PLACING 3RD AMONG HER PEERS, SHE WAS ABLE TO BRING HOME A TROPHY. SHE STATED, "I AM JUST REALLY THANKFUL AND BLESSED THAT I WAS CHOSEN AS 3RD PLACE. I TOLD A NAPI STORY, ADDING IN OUR PIIKANI VALUES. I AM JUST REALLY PROUD OF THE STUDENTS THAT DID GO DOWN, I BELIEVE WE REPRESENTED THE BLACKFEET WELL. THANK YOU TO THE BFCC PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND STAFF WHO SUPPORTED ME."



## BFCC REPRESENTING NORTHWEST

LISA AIMSBACK, A STUDENT OF BLACKFEET COMMUNITY COLLEGE, EARNED HER WAY TO BECOMING THE NORTHWEST REPRESENTATIVE ON AIHEC STUDENT CONGRESS. "IT'S AN HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO BE A PART OF THE AIHEC CONGRESS THIS YEAR AS THE NORTHWEST REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE. TO BE A PART OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT CARES DEEPLY ABOUT ALL NATIVE STUDENTS AND THEIR SUCCESS IS EXCITING. I AM GLAD TO BE ABLE TO TAKE BLACKFEET COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND OUR COMMUNITY ON THIS JOURNEY WITH ME. THE AMAZING TEAM THAT I GET TO WORK WITH, WHO SHARES THE SAME COMPASSION AND VISION AS ME, WILL HELP MAKE THIS YEAR A SUCCESSFUL ONE. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED ME AND HELPED ME ATTAIN THIS POSITION." - LISA



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## ACHIEVING THE DREAM, ONE STEP AT A TIME.

- BFCC STAFF AND FACULTY MET WITH THEIR ACHIEVING THE DREAM COACH, JENNIFER HILL KELLY, ABOUT TAKING A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO IMPROVING STUDENT-CENTRED SERVICES. (TOP PHOTO)
- THE ELDER LUNCH (BOTTOM PHOTO) HELD IN MARCH WAS HOSTED BY THE EAGLE SHIELDS CENTER. THIS WAS FOLLOWED WITH A STICK GAME PROVIDED BY BFCC AND CRAFTING BY THE BLACKFEET DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM.



## ART CLUB BLOSSOMING WITH GRAND ASPIRATIONS!

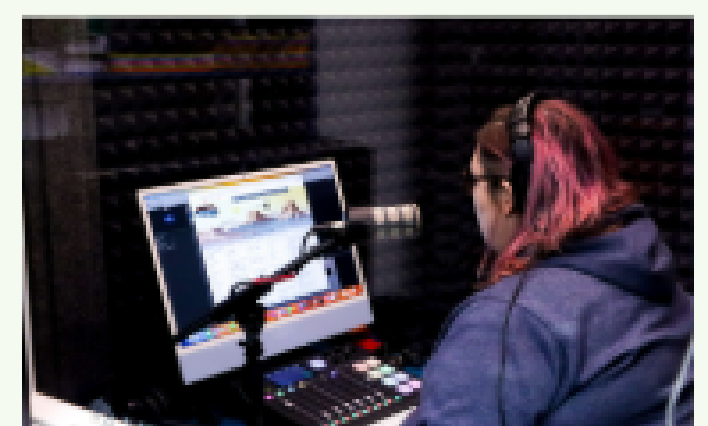
ART CLUB IS GROWING! FOR THE LAST 6 YEARS, ART CLUB HAS BEEN A PLACE TO GET CREATIVE, FROM DRAWING TO PAINTING TO AIRBRUSHING TO WATERCOLOURS TO MUSIC, WE HAVE BEEN GATHERING TO HAVE FUN MAKING ART OF VARIOUS KINDS. NOW, THANKS TO THE USDA EQUITY GRANT, ADMINISTERED BY JIM PETERSON, ART CLUB HAS BEEN ABLE TO PURCHASE ALMOST \$20,000 WORTH OF MUSICAL EQUIPMENT. WE HAVE A BRAND NEW PIANO, WE HAVE A STATE-OF-THE-ART SYNTHESIZER, WE HAVE SEVERAL ELECTRIC GUITARS AND A BASS, WE HAVE A TRUMPET, A CLARINET, A SAXOPHONE, AND A TROMBONE, WE HAVE A WIDE VARIETY OF DRUMS, AND WE HAVE SEVERAL MICROPHONES. BASICALLY, WE HAVE A COMPLETE MUSIC STUDIO AND ARE GETTING READY TO PERFORM. DO YOU PLAY? DO YOU SING? BFCC ROCK BAND WANTS YOU! AND, OF COURSE, WE STILL OFFER VISUAL ARTS. STOP BY! ART CLUB IS LOCATED IN THE MUSKRAT LODGE AND IS OPEN FROM 1-2:30 MONDAY-THURSDAY THIS SEMESTER, WITH SESSIONS EXTENDED TO 3:50 ON TUESDAY AND THURSDAY.



## MEDIA MATTERS: UNVEILING OUR NEWEST CLUB

INTRODUCING MEDIA CLUB, OUR NEWEST ADDITION THIS SPRING '24 SEMESTER, SIGNALLING THE DAWN OF A NEW ERA. ALL ARE WELCOME! WHETHER YOUR PASSION LIES IN FILMING, ACTING, PHOTOGRAPHY, OR PODCASTING, STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO EXPLORE AND LEARN HOW TO DELVE DEEPER INTO THEIR MEDIA INTERESTS. JOIN US FRIDAYS AT 1:00 PM IN THE LIBRARY TO DIVE IN! FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT PAULA BREMNER AT [PBREMNER@BFCC.EDU](mailto:PBREMNER@BFCC.EDU).

(MEDIA STUDENT CLUB MEMBER MELISSA TROMBLEY SEEN USING THE SOUND BOOTH)



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## IMPORTANT DATES!

### APRIL

- 1ST BFCC CLOSED
- 1ST AMERICAN INDIAN SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP DUE
- 12TH ART SHOW SUBMISSIONS DUE
- 19TH PICKUP ART SHOW SUBMISSIONS
- 22ND - MAY 2ND LIBRARY EXTENDED HOURS
- 22ND LAST DAY TO WITHDRAWAL
- 26TH CLOSED DOOR CAMPUS
- 30TH AISES SCHOLARSHIP DUE

### MAY

- 31ST AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND SCHOLARSHIP DUE

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- THURSDAYS- BEADED THURSDAYS MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- WEDNESDAYS - WELLNESS WEDNESDAY - BFCC STUDENT COMMONS/ZOOM
- FRIDAYS 9:00-3:00 CRAFT FRIDAY
- APRIL - POETRY MONTH VARIOUS POP-UP ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH AT MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY



## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### APRIL

- 4TH - BOOKMARK MAKING 4:00PM-6:00PM MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 9TH - MOVIE NIGHT 4:00PM-6:00PM MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 15TH - ART SHOW MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 15TH - ARTIST LECTURE (BRANDI HARWOOD) 11:30AM MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 16TH - QUICKDRAW 10:00AM-5:00PM MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- ENERGY SYMPOSIUM BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
- COLLEGE FAIR BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
- 17TH - ELDERS LUNCH 11:30AM-2:00PM BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
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- SQUEEGEE PAINTING 4:00PM-6:00PM MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 18TH - ART CLUB CONCERT - 2:30PM BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
- ARTIST RECEPTION 5:00PM-7:00PM
- 22ND - 26TH PUZZLE WEEK MEDICINE SPRING LIBRARY
- 23RD - AUTHOR READING (DEBRA MAGPIE EARLING) 10:00AM-11:00PM ZOOM
- 25TH - SPRING FLING - 2:30PM-4:30PM BFCC STUDENT COMMONS/OUTSIDE
- ROCKY MOUNTAIN OPEN DISCUSSION - 10:00AM-11:00AM STUDENT COMMONS
- 30TH - AUTHOR READING (CHRIS LA TRAY) 10:00AM-11:00PM ZOOM

### MAY

- 3RD - NURSING PINNING CEREMONY - BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
- 7TH - HEALTH DAY - THROUGHOUT CAMPUS
- OPEN HOUSE - BFCC STUDENT COMMONS
- 10TH - GRADUATION - 1:00PM BROWNING HIGH SCHOOL (IF FLOORING INCOMPLETE, LOCATION TBA)
- 22ND - ELDER LUNCH 11:30AM-2:00PM EAGLE SHIELDS CENTER



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MICHAEL DESROSIER, LILY GLADSTONE, MARVIN WEATHERWAX JR. AND CHARLENE PLUME



## HONORING LILY GLADSTONE: A PROUD MOMENT FOR BROWNING AND THE BLACKFEET NATION

THE TOWN OF BROWNING, NESTLED WITHIN THE BLACKFEET EVENT ARBOUR, STANDS WITNESS TO A MOMENTOUS OCCASION AS LILY GLADSTONE RECEIVES A STAND-UP HEADRESS (CREATOR CHARLENE PLUME SEEN LEFT), ONE OF THE HIGHEST HONOURS BESTOWED BY THE BLACKFEET NATION. LILY, A PROUD DESCENDANT OF THE TRIBE, EMBARKED ON HER JOURNEY FROM BROWNING TO SEATTLE, GRADUATING FROM U OF M. SINCE THEN, SHE HAS CAPTIVATED AUDIENCES WORLDWIDE WITH HER TALENT AND DEDICATION TO HER CRAFT. IN 2024, HER STELLAR PERFORMANCE IN "KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON" EARNED HER A GOLDEN GLOBE WIN AND AN OSCAR NOMINATION, SOLIDIFYING HER PLACE AMONG THE STARS OF HOLLYWOOD.

YET, HER CEREMONY IS MORE THAN JUST A CELEBRATION OF INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT; IT IS A TESTAMENT TO THE ENDURING CONNECTION BETWEEN LILY AND HER COMMUNITY. AS SHE RETURNS TO HER ROOTS, HER IMPACT REVERBERATES FAR BEYOND THE SILVER SCREEN, INSPIRING GENERATIONS TO COME.

THE GATHERING IN BROWNING IS A MOMENT OF UNITY FOR THE TOWN AND THE BLACKFOOT CONFEDERACY, SYMBOLISING THE RESILIENCE AND STRENGTH OF INDIGENOUS CULTURE. IT IS A REMINDER THAT NO MATTER HOW FAR ONE MAY JOURNEY, THE BONDS OF TRADITION AND COMMUNITY REMAIN UNBREAKABLE.

AS WE WITNESS LILY GLADSTONE'S JOURNEY COME FULL CIRCLE, WE ARE REMINDED OF THE PROFOUND IMPACT INDIVIDUALS CAN HAVE WHEN THEY BLEND TRADITION WITH CONTEMPORARY PURSUITS. TODAY, WE CELEBRATE NOT ONLY LILY'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS BUT ALSO THE ENDURING SPIRIT OF BROWNING AND THE BLACKFEET NATION.

## BFCC UNITES IN CELEBRATION

JESSE DESROSIER, BFCC FACULTY, HAD THE HONOUR OF BEING THE HOST OF THE HONOURING EVENT (PHOTO BELOW). OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BFCC FAMILY/ALUMNI WERE AMONG THE SPECIAL GUESTS FOR LILY.



SEEN LEFT: DR. JIM RAINS, TYLER WELLMAN, DANA PEMBERTON, AND DR. BRAD HALL.



SEEN RIGHT: STEVE CONWAY, MIKE HOYT, ROBERT HALL, DONNA YELLOWOWL, LOCKLEY BREMNER, BRIAN CALLUP, AND CORRINA GUARDIPEE-HALL.



SEEN LEFT: RAMONA CROFF, LILY GLADSTONE, DANIELLE CRAWFORD, AND KENDRA BULLSHOE.



SEEN RIGHT: LAVERNA MCMASTER, LACY DEVINE, THEDA NEWBREAST, CAROL MURRAY, AND LORI NEWBREAST.

