

Native American Heritage Month

November 2008

The Office of Institutional Diversity encourages you to attend the following events:

Saturday, November 1

Native American Powwow - sponsored by Epsilon Chi Nu Fraternity, Inc. and Sigma Omicron Epsilon Sorority, Inc. A powwow is an event where both Native and non-Native Americans meet to dance, sing, socialize, and honor American Indian culture. The sorority and fraternity will share their culture with the ECU community and the public while in turn allowing them to interact and participate in the festivities!

12 - 5 p.m., Brickyard in front of Mendenhall Student Center

Tuesday, November 4

A Cultural Exchange: Ouray Clark, Sharing cultural talents of crafts and music. Lunch provided for first 30 attendees.

12:30-1:30 p.m., Brody 2N-86

Wednesday, November 5

A Cultural Exchange: Joey Crutchfield & Connie Glast, Storytelling and drumwork. Lunch provided for first 30 attendees.

12:30-1:30 p.m., Brody 2S-04

Thursday, November 6

Film & Discussion: "Unnatural Causes; Bad Sugar" - Moderated by Todd Savitt, Ph.D.

Half-hour documentary exploring racial and socioeconomic inequities in health, particularly diabetes in Native American communities.

12:30-1:30, Brody 2N-86

Monday, November 10

Film and Discussion: "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" - Facilitated by Christopher A. Oakley, Ph.D.

This HBO movie explores the tragic impact that the United States' westward expansion had on American Indian culture, and the economic, political and social pressures that motivated it.

7 p.m., Joyner Library, 2409 Administrative Conference Room

Tuesday, November 11

LWCC Dinner and Discussion: "Smoke Signals"

Enjoy popcorn and bring your dinner to the viewing. Afterwards, stay to discuss the situations and issues presented in the movie, "Smoke Signals."

7 p.m., Ledonia Wright Cultural Center

Thursday, November 13

Native American Keynote Speaker: Lori Arviso Alvord, M.D.

Dr. Alvord is the author of "The Scalpel and the Silver Bear" (1999). The book tells of her journey from the reservation to become a surgeon and her work to combine Navajo philosophies of healing with western medicine to create models of healing environments. This is a "Passport Approved" event. Reception at LWCC to follow.

4 p.m., Great Rooms in Mendenhall Student Center

Wednesday, November 19

OID Diversity Discussion & Dinner Series

Topic: Native American Issues at ECU - Facilitated by Christie Hagan and Greg Keith

A discussion of Native American issues at ECU with dinner for campus community members who have attended Native American heritage events throughout the month.

5:30 p.m., Please email diversity@ecu to request an invitation

Thursday, November 20

N.C. Preservation Consortium (NCPC) Annual Conference - Coordinated by Robert James, NCPC Executive Director

This year's NCPC annual conference will address the issues of cultural respect in preservation and conservation. The conference will be held at the William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education at UNC-Chapel Hill.

For more information and a registration form please visit: www.ncpreservation.org

Sponsors: East Carolina Native American Organization (ECNAO); Epsilon Chi Nu Fraternity, Inc.; Sigma Omicron Epsilon Sorority, Inc; Association of Native American Medical Students (ANAMS); Vice Chairs of Diversity Initiative, BSOM; Ledonia Wright Cultural Center; Anthropology Department; Office of Co-Curricular Programs and Cultural Outreach; Joyner Library; and Office of Institutional Diversity