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Police charge two and seize drugs, money and weapons

LETHBRIDGE POLICE SERVICE

Lethbridge police completed an investigation into drug trafficking in the downtown core this week, as officers observed a man conducting activity consistent with drug trafficking in the 800-block of 6 Avenue South. He and a woman accompanying him eventually left Lethbridge and drove to Fort Macleod, where they met with another man. All three parties were arrested by Lethbridge police and as a result, 9.2 grams of fentanyl, 5.5 grams of cocaine and 11.2 grams of methamphetamine were seized, with a total street value of about \$3,050. In addition, \$5,936 in cash was seized, as well as a collapsible baton, a knife and a BB gun, which the subject was prohibited from possessing.

Wesley Johnson, 35, has been charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking, resisting arrest, possession of the proceeds of crime, possession of an offensive weapon, and other charges. The Lethbridge man remains in custody while awaiting a Judicial Interim Release hearing.

Andrew Whiteford, 31, has been charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking and possession of the proceeds of crime. The Calgary man remains in custody while awaiting a Judicial Interim Release hearing.

Charges are also pending against a 27-year-old woman.



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Cyndi Vos, CEO of the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce, performs the official ribbon cutting at the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce grand re-opening and campaign launch as Lethbridge Mayor Chris Spearman and Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce chair Jared Cox look on Thursday afternoon.

Chamber unveils new look, new campaigns

Dale Woodard
LETHBRIDGE HERALD

The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce has a new look and a new campaign.

They unveiled both in a ribbon cutting ceremony in front of the chamber's downtown office Thursday afternoon.

The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce will receive over \$139,000 of federal shop local funding that will expand the chamber's ongoing efforts to encourage patronage of community businesses.

The four campaigns to be launched by the Lethbridge Chamber are ShopLocal, ExploreLocal, BuildLocal and InvestLocal.

"I can't stress enough the importance of our partnership with the Alberta Chambers of Commerce and the Canadian Chambers of Commerce," said Cyndi Vos, CEO of the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce. "Through their hard work they were able to work with the federal government on looking at how we got the grant. We had to apply for the grant and it had to go through an approval stage. So we were thrilled when we found out our application was approved."

Thursday was also about renovations

at the Chamber's office on 6th Street.

"We just went through the process of renovating our top floor where the Chamber of Commerce runs its business," said Vos. "It's been something we've been looking at for years. So we took the opportunity to do it while we had (COVID-19) restrictions. So we're excited to showcase the building. But we wanted to be able to host a party for our grand opening, but also the reopening of restrictions of everything else. We want to make sure we did it to guidelines and rules and that's why we're outside, to make sure everybody is safe and comfortable and to get that momentum going again and encourage people to come out again in person."

Vos said renovations included some new walls, windows and doors as well as moving their boardroom from the back to the front of the building.

"It was timely and walking in with a fresh slate. We still have the structure and foundation, but just that freshness."

With the renovations complete, the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce on its 'Local' campaign.

ShopLocal will focus on helping businesses with a retail component establish a strong local presence. A key part of the campaign will be the launch of the Chamber Market, an online store that lets local retail businesses create a digital retail presence.

ExploreLocal will focus on the region's offline experience, showcasing local

attractions, hotels, restaurants, sports teams and more.

BuildLocal will focus on the region's talent, including local leaders of tomorrow in Lethbridge such as creators, athletes and entrepreneurs.

BuildLocal promotes the local talent and encourages them to stay and build their life in the community, while InvestLocal will showcase the strength of the region as an Agriculture Hub.

Through Harvesting our Local Commodities, the Chamber will highlight the many commodities of the region and shine a spotlight on locally produced products.

"The program goes until Dec. 31," said Vos. "(Thursday) was the official announcement. You're going to see a lot of information out there about the importance of being local."

With the City of Lethbridge announcing the change of their logo earlier this week, Vos said the Chamber has asked to incorporate the 'L' to the Local campaign.

"When people see InvestLocal, it gets those conversations going," she said. "When you see 'ShopLocal' that could be anywhere in the world. But when you see 'ShopLocal' with the Lethbridge 'L', you're going to know it's the Lethbridge ShopLocal program."

A second round of funding applications is currently being processed.
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TURNING POINT

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TERRY FOX

Fox also delivered the eulogy at the funeral of his brother and Terry's dad, Rolland who visited Lethbridge in September 2015 for the Terry Fox Run a year before he died.

"I bet there was 4,000 to 6,000 children from the schools that were there at his talk" at Henderson Lake, Fox said.

"Terry's brother Fred came out the last time we had the run in Lethbridge," he said.

"What he did was one of a kind," Fox said of his nephew.

"Now of course there's marathons for everything and it was him who set this up. That's why I go to schools...I talk as much as I can. I believe in what he did."

After beating prostate cancer which he had for 10 years, Fox was diagnosed with bladder cancer eight years ago and is scheduled to have his bladder examined again in early July.

"Hopefully they figure this will be the last time; it might be gone I'm hoping."

At one school visit, a girl asked him about his cancer and "it just dawned on me, it was because of my nephew and people who donated their money that helped save my life! I'm here because my nephew saved my life with all the money put into research and everything."

"I talk about him as much as I can because I figure what he did was unbelievable." He participated in every Terry Fox Run - 40 of them — until COVID forced cancellation of the one in 2021.

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RECONCILIATION

Tallow says the only way to foster better understanding and healing between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Lethbridge is to build strong personal ties and relations between individuals, which is also why building a new Indigenous cultural centre in Lethbridge takes on greater importance.

"It comes down to garnering community support to help us build this foundation to where we are living healthy lives together," explains Tallow. "Building relationships is very important as far as building understanding. If a person wants to understand Indigenous people, the best way to do that is to get to know Indigenous people. You spend time with them, ask questions, and collaborate on different projects together. With the committee we are looking at building that education."

Wilson says reconciliation is not an

easy path for people to walk after years of division and strife, and he has been blown away by the sincerity and generosity with which committee members, their allies, and city councillors have applied themselves to this difficult work.

"One of the things about reconciliation that is important to keep in mind is we are all likely to make mistakes during the process, and so what is important is what you do after those mistakes," Wilson says. "Do you acknowledge that a mistake has been made? And do you reach out to try to figure out how you can do better? And council has done that."

"One of the things I have been struck by, and I have been on the committee going on four years now, is how generous everyone is," he adds. "The committee is about 50 per cent non-Indigenous and 50 per cent Indigenous. I have been struck by, over and over again, how willing and generous and tirelessly Indig-

enous members of the committee, and also Indigenous people more generally in Lethbridge, are willing to educate, explain, and forgive; over and over again. Not forgive and forget, because we need to enact change. But forgive, and say we recognize there are going to be mistakes too. But if you listen to us, and try to do better the next time and do better the next time, then we will be on a better path."

Tallow says it is all about people's willingness, not just at committee but the community at large, to bring "positive medicine" to the broader reconciliation effort.

"Yeah, we hear about all the negative stuff," she acknowledges. "But it is the responsibility of each and every person in Lethbridge to come out and bring positive medicine to the community. And I think National Indigenous Peoples Week is a way to do that."

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Correction issued on reported vaccination numbers

The story "Parker sponsoring motion to repeal City mask bylaw" on the front page of the June 25 edition of the Herald, stated inaccurately "second dose percentages reaching 70 per cent in the province". This should have read "second dose percentages reaching 33 per cent in the province" reflecting Thursday's data.

As of Friday's report from Alberta Health, vaccination totals for the 12+ population stand at 71.3 per cent who have received at least one vaccination and 34.3 per cent who are fully vaccinated.

The Herald apologizes for any confusion.

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