



Aboriginal Government Employees' Network
"A Communications Network for Aboriginal People in Government"
710 - 1855 Victoria Avenue
Regina, SK S4P 3T2

July 25, 2007

Dear AGEN Members and Friends,

It is with great honour that we invite you to celebrate the Aboriginal Government Employees' Network (AGEN) 15th Anniversary Annual Conference at the Saskatoon Inn on September 18th to 20th, 2007.

The theme this year is "*The Perfect Storm*" based on the coveted book "*Dances with Dependency*" written by acclaimed author Calvin Helin. For the first time a "*Perfect Storm*" of circumstances is coming together to provide the opportunity to move Aboriginal people up the social and economic ladder in a manner that preserves the dignity of all concerned, and benefits the entire Nation. Our opening keynote speaker will be Calvin Helin, who will share with the audience the impact of the two major demographic trends, when combined, will create a fiscal demographic tsunami on a scale never before seen in Canada.

Other highlighted speakers & entertainment include Ovide Mercredi, Carol Shick, Danny Musqua, Warren Weir, Leanne Bellegarde, Leemai Lafontaine, Trina Maher, Crystal Kosa, Country performer-Shane Yellowbird, and performers from Voices of the North.

In addition, recipients of 2007 AGEN Awards will be announced as a part of the Banquet Gala on September 19, 2007.

Don't miss out – send in your registration today. Remember that rooms must be booked by August 24th, 2007 to be guaranteed the conference rate of \$99.00.

Registration packages can be accessed through the AGEN website at www.agen.sk.ca and can be faxed, mailed, e-mailed, or couriered TODAY to:

AGEN
710 - 1855 Victoria Avenue
Regina, SK S4P 3T2
Phone: 787-9080
Fax: 798-0004
E-mail: etanner@fnmr.gov.sk.ca

In order to continue to build our bridges of understanding, we encourage participation of all peoples to attend. The AGEN Steering Committee encourages It's members to invite others in their own workplaces to the conference to expose them to the unique issues, experiences and to our culture.

Should you require an invoice for payment processing, please contact me or Michelle Delorme and one of us will forward it as quickly as possible.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 787-9080 or my assistant Michelle at 798-0341.

Êkosi, Pedahmiah, Meegwetch, Marsitcho, Kiainnyayai, and thank you,

Eunice Tanner, BAdmn.
AGEN Manager
(306)-787-9080 AGEN office
(306)-798-0004 Fax number



Aboriginal Government Employees Network

15th Annual Conference

“The Perfect Storm”

September 18 -20, 2007

2007 Registration Form

(Please type or print clearly)

Your registration form is your confirmation of registration. **Cancellation date is September 7, 2007. (Please note that after this date conference registration is non-refundable).**

***Please attach a copy of your approval form signed by your supervisor if applicable.

NAME: _____ DEPARTMENT/CROWN: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

WORK NUMBER: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____

Approving supervisor name: _____ Signature: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS REQUIRED: (i.e. wheelchair accessibility, special diet, etc.)

Break Out Sessions – September 20, 2007 (Day 2)

****Please circle which two workshops you will be attending (one track per session).**

Concurrent Sessions # 1 Time: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

| Workshop | Topic | Presenter |
|----------|---|--|
| A | Barriers in the Workplace | LeeAnn Bellegarde, Warren Weir & Linda Anderson |
| B | Mentorship Panel | Leemai Lafontaine, & others TBA |
| C | Traditions and Culture | Elder Isador Pelletier and Rick Favel |
| D | Guiding Circles; Career planning tool for youth | Trina Maher - Aboriginal Human Resource Council |
| E | Recruitment, Retention & Advancement | Crystal Kosa - Aboriginal Human Resource Council |
| F | Cultural Breakout Session | TBA |

Concurrent Sessions # 2 Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

| Workshop | Topic | Presenter |
|----------|---|--|
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* Subject to change. Changes will be posted at the conference.

**Conference organizers will do their best to accommodate all requests; however, we reserve the right to limit the number of people attending any one session based on room capacity

***** **PAYMENT INFORMATION** *****

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION BEFORE SEPTEMBER 7, 2007 - \$275.00

REGISTRATION AFTER SEPTEMBER 7, 2007 - \$300.00

Payment enclosed: _____ **Please invoice:** _____

Please include the **payment contact name; address** and **fax number** for **invoicing** (if different than above)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Fax #: _____

** Please check off the boxes that apply to you. These records are for future research projects or research purposes only. **

~ All information will be kept confidential ~

1. Aboriginal _____ Non-Aboriginal _____

2. AGEN Member _____ Non-AGEN Member _____

3. AGEN Provincial Steering Committee Member _____

Note: If you are a Non-AGEN member and you have not filled out an **AGEN Membership Form**. Would you be interested in becoming an AGEN member? Please feel free to fill out the attached AGEN membership form or go to our website www.agen.sk.ca for an online application form.



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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Sign-up

There are numerous areas at the conference for which we require volunteers. This includes:

- Stuffing of Conference Kits
- Registration
- Elders helpers
- Merchandise sales
- Greeters
- Banquet ticket collectors
- Break out session recorders
- Volunteers for dismantling after the conference
- **As a special request, we are looking for men to volunteer for the handling of tobacco and cloth for the Elders**

I would like to volunteer at the AGEN 2007 Conference: Yes ___ No ___

Indicate your preference from the above options and we will try to accommodate:

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Conference Registration Logistics

Registration Fees:

Early Bird - before September 7, 2007 - \$275.00

Registration after September 7, 2007 - \$300.00

Extra Gala Banquet Tickets - \$60.00 ea.

Please attach a copy of your signed approval form from your supervisor (if applicable) to the registration form.

Host Hotel Accommodations:

AGEN has blocked rooms at the Saskatoon Inn. A block of rooms have been **reserved until August 24, 2007** to be guaranteed the conference rate of \$99.00.

For reservations, contact:

Saskatoon Inn

Attention: Colleen Kostur or Lisa Pregizer

2002 Airport Drive

SASKATOON, SK S7L 6M4

Phone: (306) 242-1440

Fax: (306) 244-2779

Toll free: 1-800-667-8789

Please ensure that you reference AGEN when making your reservations.

Note: AGEN is not responsible for booking and paying for accommodations.