

Dear AGEN Members, Alumni and Friends,

Tânsi! The Aboriginal Government Employees' Network (AGEN) Provincial Board, would like to invite you to join us for this year's 17th annual conference themed **"SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS"** at the Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on September 22-23, 2009.

This year's conference will provide participants with relevant human resource tools, networking experiences and best practice knowledge based on the new 'AGEN's Framework of Success' Model, with the ultimate goal of positioning the Government of Saskatchewan's Ministries and Crown corporations as the 'employer of choice'.

Along with the selection of five (5) new Board members from the AGEN membership, highlighted speakers include: *Carol Morin* a Television Producer, Musician and Writer, *Susan Aglukark* Juno Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter and updates from our internal networks of support. Entertainment by Aboriginal Stand-Up Comedian *Gerry "The Big Bear" Barrett*, as well, as 2009 Juno Nominee for Aboriginal Album of the Year Singer/Songwriters, *Tracy Bone & J.C. Campbell* with other Special Guests attending to support the new vision and mission of your network!

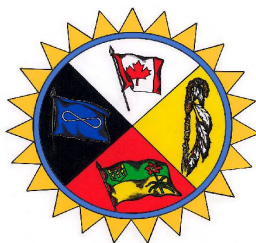
Do not miss out, send in your registration today. Remember that rooms must be booked by August 21, 2009 to be guaranteed at the conference rate of \$129.00 Rooms can be booked online at the web address:
<http://www.radisson.com/agen2009>

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:

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If you require an invoice for payment processing, please contact AGEN Office and we will forward it as quickly as possible. Should you have any questions, please contact the AGEN office at 306-787-9080 or 306-787-2727.

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



Aboriginal Government Employees' Network (AGEN)

17th Annual Conference

"SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS"

September 22 - 23, 2009

2009 Registration Form

Your registration form is your confirmation of registration. **Cancellation date is September 4th, 2009. (Please note that after this date conference registration is non-refundable, cannot be cancelled and you will still be invoiced).**

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

REGISTRATION FORM (Please type or print clearly)

NAME: _____ **MINISTRY/CROWN:** _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ **WORK NUMBER:** _____

FAX NUMBER: _____

Approving Supervisor Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

(Please check off one applicable) **AGEN MEMBER** _____ **AGEN ALUMNI** _____ **FRIEND OF AGEN** _____

I would like to volunteer at the AGEN 2009 Conference: Yes ___ No ___

REGISTRATION FEES

Includes: Registration for Mix n' Mingle & Full 2-Day Conference
One (1) 'Soaring To New Heights' Banquet Gala Ticket
Four (4) Breakout Sessions on 'AGEN's Framework For Success'

Early Bird - before September 1st, 2009 is \$250.00

Registration after September 1st is \$300.00

Extra Gala Banquet Tickets are \$60.00 each

Meals are included in registration cost, please list any special needs required: (i.e. wheelchair accessibility, special diet, etc.)

HOST HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved until August 21, 2009 at the Radisson Hotel. You can reserve your room online at the following website: <http://www.radisson.com/agen2009> or call 306-665-3322 or Toll Free 1-888-333-3333.

Please ensure that you ask for the AGEN Block when making your reservations. AGEN is not responsible for booking and paying for accommodations.



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"SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS"
 17th Annual Conference
 September 22nd & 23rd, 2009
 Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre
 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
 Conference Agenda

PRE-CONFERENCE: MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

- 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.. Registration Opens: *The Crush Lobby*
 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Mix n' Mingle: "AGEN Karaoke Idol"
 Meet & Greet 2009 Election Candidates
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DAY ONE: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

- 7:30 a.m. Men's & Women's Pipe Ceremony:
Room 1920 River Room
- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Express Buffet Breakfast: *Michelangelo ABC*
- 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Conference Registration: *The Crush Lobby*
- 8:30 a.m. Grand Entry Begins
 Drum Group: Young Scouts
 Opening Prayer: Elder Isador Pelletier
Michelangelo ABC
- 9:00 a.m. AGEN Board MC's: Jennifer Matts & Wavell Starr
 Welcoming Remarks
 Dignitaries:
 James Froh, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of First Nations and Métis Relations
 His Worship Don Atchison, Mayor, City of Saskatoon
 Chief Lawrence Joseph, Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations
 Robert Doucette, President, Métis Nation of Saskatchewan
 Felix Thomas, Tribal Chief, Saskatoon Tribal Council
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Opening Keynote Speaker: *Carol Morin*
Television Producer, Musician and Writer
 Topic: 'Unlearning the Past'

- 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Nutritional Break & Tradeshow Venues: *The Crush Lobby*
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. *AGEN Overview of Election Process*
 AGEN Board Members:
Cherish Deegan, & Chris Belhumeur
Michelangelo ABC
- 11:30 a.m. **VOTING TABLE OPENS: RUBEN'S ROOM**
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Blessing of the Food – *Elder Margaret Keewatin*
 Lunch provided on site
 Luncheon Entertainment: *McNab Fiddlers*
Michelangelo ABC
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Panel: *Building Bridges through Networks of Support*
 Moderator: *Chris Belhumeur*, AGEN Board Member
 Panel Speakers:
Gina Angielski, President – SaskTel Aboriginal Employees Networks (SAEN)
Henry Desjarlais, Chair – Ministry of Environment Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Brenda Gervais, Chairperson – SaskPower Aboriginal Employees Network
Chantelle Renwick, Coordinator – Interconnect
Michelangelo ABC
Trish Watier, Chair, SaskEnergy's Aboriginal Government Employees (SAGE)

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. *AGEN's Framework For Success – Sessions #1*

Quadrant/Location	Workshop Name	Facilitator(s)
<i>Spiritual Michaelangelo ABC</i>	Holistic Teachings for Everyday Living	Elder Isador Pelletier & Rick Favel
<i>Mental Florence Room</i>	Career Development	Ken Ludwig, Public Service Commission
<i>Physical Da Vinci Room</i>	Work Life Family Balance	Jacqueline Messer- Lepage, Kaizen Consulting
<i>Emotional Naples Room</i>	Emotional Competencies for Effective Leadership	Andrea Ivan, SaskCentral

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Nutritional Break & Tradeshow Venues:
The Crush Lobby

3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. *AGEN's Framework For Success – Sessions #2*

Quadrant/Location	Workshop Name	Facilitator(s)
<i>Spiritual Michaelangelo ABC</i>	Embracing Culture in Today's Society	Métis Elder, Harriet Oaks
<i>Mental Florence Room</i>	Career Development	Ken Ludwig, Public Service Commission
<i>Physical DaVinci Room</i>	Work Life Family Balance	Jacqueline Messer-Lepage, Kaizen Consulting
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4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Wrap Up - Day One MC's *Jennifer Matts & Wavell Starr*
Door Prize Draw
Day One Adjourn

5:00 p.m. **VOTING TABLE CLOSED: RUBEN'S ROOM**

SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS BANQUET GALA

5:30 p.m. Banquet Gala Begins: *Michaelangelo ABC*

5:45 p.m. Blessing of the Food: Elder Isador Pelletier
Banquet MC: *Cal Arcand & Connie Walker*

7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Opening Entertainment by:
Gerry "The Big Bear" Barrett, Stand-Up Comedian

7:45 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. Featured Entertainment by:
Tracy Bone & J.C. Campbell, Country Recording Artists, 2009 Juno Nominee – Aboriginal Album Of The Year

8:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Adjourn for the evening

DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2009

7:30 a.m. Men's & Women's Pipe Ceremony:
Room 1920 River Room

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Express Buffet Breakfast: *Michaelangelo ABC*

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Conference Registration: *The Crush Lobby*

8:30 a.m. Opening Prayer: *Elder Harriet Oaks*
AGEN MC's: *Agnes Brass & Terry Bird
Michaelangelo ABC*

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Panel: 'Soaring To New Heights'
Moderator: *Cherish Deegan*, AGEN Chair
Panelist Speakers:
Kelly Lendsay, President – Aboriginal Human Resource Council
Helen Ben, Tribal Chief – Meadow Lake Tribal Council
Preston Parranto, Police Recruiting Strategist – Ministry of Justice
Connie Walker, Reporter, CBC
Michaelangelo ABC

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Nutritional Break & Tradeshow Venues

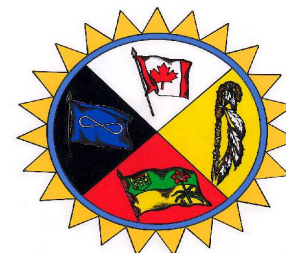
10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. *AGEN's Framework For Success – Sessions #3*

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<i>Spiritual Michaelangelo ABC</i>	Embracing Culture in Today's Society	Métis Elder, Harriet Oaks
<i>Mental Florence Room</i>	Aboriginal Leadership Development	Laurie Gosselin, SaskPower
<i>Physical Naples Room</i>	Adapting Elements of Health, Healing & Wellness to Your Workplace	Dr. Jacqueline Maurice, Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations
<i>Emotional Venice Room</i>	Creative Conflict Resolution Techniques	Kim Miller, Ministry of Justice

11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. *AGEN's Framework For Success – Sessions #4*

2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Partnership Renewal Signing Ceremony

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<i>Spiritual Michelangelo ABC</i>	Holistic Teachings for Everyday Living	Elder Isador Pelletier & Rick Favel
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12:00 p.m. Blessing of the Food – *Elder Margaret Keewatin*
 Lunch provided on site
 Luncheon Entertainment: *Pleasant Hill Awasis Dancers*
Michelangelo ABC

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Keynote Closing Speaker: *Susan Aglukark, Award Winning Aboriginal Singer/Songwriter*
 Topic: *“Songs & Stories”*
Michelangelo ABC

2:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. Nutritional Break & Tradeshow Venues

3:00 p.m. Conference Wrap Up
 Day Two MC's *Agnes Brass & Terry Bird*
 Grand Prize Draw

Results & Introduction of 2009 AGEN Board Members

 Closing Prayer: *Elder Isador Pelletier*
 Grand Exit by Drum Group: *Young Scouts*
Michelangelo ABC

3:30 p.m. Conference Adjourn