

AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE NRCS EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

2010 ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

Theme: "Facing the Future, Honoring the Past"

Rapid City, South Dakota
June 7-11, 2010

Co-sponsored by: North Dakota and South Dakota NRCS
Welcome to the Dakotas!

SUNDAY, June 6th

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Registration & Exhibit Set-up
Auction Set-up

LOCATIONS

Convention Center II Foyer
Rushmore Room

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm **Hospitality Suite /Networking**

Room # 1114

MONDAY, June 7th

7:00 am – 8:00 am Registration
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Registration

Convention Center II Foyer
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8:00 am – 5:00 pm **SEPM Training**

Sylvan II

Noon – 1:00 pm **LUNCH** – on your own

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm **'Working Effectively with American Indians'**
(Topics TBD)

Legion I

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm **Elder's Committee Meeting**

Sylvan I

4:30 pm – 5:45 pm **DINNER** – on your own
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm **Moderator Training**

Legion II

5:45 pm – 7:15 pm **Greeting Circle, Drum Blessing, Round Dance**
Guest Drum: Pat Bad Hand
Prayer by AIANEA Elder

Rushmore Room

7:15 pm – 8:00 pm **Cultural Awareness Sharing**
(Sponsored by Rosebud Sioux Tribe)

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm **Cultural Entertainment**
Keith Bear, Mandan/Hidatsa Flutist and Storyteller
Photography and videotaping is not allowed.

9:00 pm – 10:00 pm **Hospitality Suite /Networking**

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TUESDAY, June 8th

7:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration Continues *Convention Center II Foyer*

GENERAL SESSION SHERIDAN & PACTOLA ROOMS

Moderator for morning sessions: TBD

8:00 am – 8:30 am **Opening Ceremony** *General Session*

AIANEA Drum Group – Honor Song
Presentation of Colors – Air Force Color Guard and Veterans
Prayer: Norman Lopez, AIANEA Elder, Colorado
Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem

8:30 am – 9:00 am **General Session I: Welcoming Remarks**
AIANEA President, Tanya Meyer Dideriksen
South Dakota State Conservationist, Janet Oertly
North Dakota State Conservationist, Paul Sweeney

9:00 am – 10:15 am **General Session II: 'It's Everybody's Story, Our Time to Listen!'**
Keynote Speaker: Gerard Baker, Superintendent Mount Rushmore

10:15 am – 10:35 am **BREAK** *Convention Center II Foyer*
Poster Viewing / Silent Auction Viewing/AIANEA Hide Viewing

10:35 am – 12:00 pm **General Session III: NRCS and USDA Leadership**
David White, NRCS Chief
Thomas Christensen, NRCS Regional Conservationist, Central Region (Invited)
Janie Hipp, Senior Advisor for Tribal Affairs, USDA (Invited)

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm **General Session IV: AIANEA Visioning Plan Update**
Crystal Leonetti, AIANEA Visioning Committee Chair

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm **LUNCH** – on your own

Moderator: TBD

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm **General Session V: Career Development and Advancement**
Pat Crotty, South Dakota Human Resources Manager
Noller Herbert, NRCS Conservation Engineering Division Director

2:15 pm – 4:00 pm **General Session VI: Global Unity through Global Diversity**
Keynote Speaker: Billy Mills

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm **BREAK** *Convention Center II Foyer*
Poster Viewing / Silent Auction Viewing/AIANEA Hide Viewing

4:15 pm – 5:15 pm **General Session VII: Economic Development in Indian Country and its Effect on Natural Resources**
Keynote Speaker: Tex Hall, Inter Tribal Economic Alliance Chairman and CEO

TUESDAY, June 8th Evening Events

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm **Tribal Youth Camp Committee Meeting** *Sylvan II*
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm **AIANEA Business Meeting** *Sylvan I*
Prayer: Leland Debe, AIANEA Elder, Minnesota
9:00 pm **Networking AIANEA Hospitality Suite** *Room # 1114*

WEDNESDAY, June 9th

7:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration Continues *Convention Center II Foyer*
8:00 am – 5:00 pm ND/SD Joint Leadership Team Meeting *Badlands Room*

Moderator for morning sessions: TBD

7:50 am – 8:00 am Drum Group/Prayer *General Session*
Prayer: Ted Herrera, AIANEA Elder, Texas
Introduction of Youth Participants

8:00 am – 8:15 am **NRCS and Federal Government Employee Association Introductions**
NOPHNCSE President
NOPBNRCSE President
APIO President
SAIGE President

8:30 am – 10:15 am **Youth Session** *Sylvan II*
Hand Games
Elder Story Telling

8:15 am – 9:00 am **General Session VIII: Tribal Participation in NRCS Programs**
Joel Bisch, Biologist, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe

9:00 am – 9:45 am **General Session IX: My Personal Experience Working with NRCS Programs**
Fannie Brewer, Ag Producer, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Member

9:45 am – 10:15 am **General Session X: Plant Materials Center Report on Work With Tribes**
Dwight Tober, Plant Materials Specialist, Bismarck PMC

10:15 am – 10:30 am **BREAK** *Convention Center II Foyer*
Poster Viewing / Silent Auction Viewing/AIANEA Hide Viewing

10:30 am – 11:30 am **Youth Session** *Sylvan II*
Soils and Plants

10:30 am – 11:30 am **General Session XI: BIA's Partnership Role in Getting Conservation on the Ground**
Cleve Her Many Horses, BIA Superintendent, Rosebud Agency

11:30 am – 1:00 pm **Awards Lunch** *Rushmore Room*
Prayer by AIANEA Elder
AIANEA Awards – Awards Committee
Song and Dance Demonstration: A Center of Lakota Cultural Expression
One Star Family

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Cultural Sensitivity Modules (TBD)	RC&D Tribal Activity	Tribal Liaison Networking Session	Youth Session
Speaker: Dana Dupris, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Preservation Office	Speakers: TBD	Group session with Tribal Liaisons	Contact: Millie Titla & Mauritz Carlson
<i>Legion I</i>	<i>Legion II</i>	<i>Sylvan I</i>	<i>Sylvan II</i>
Moderator: TBD	Moderator: TBD	Moderator: Tanya Meyer Dideriksen & Edith Morigeau	Moderator: TBD

2:10 pm – 3:10 pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS (CONTINUED)**

Cultural Sensitivity Modules (TBD)	Engineering	NRCS Tribal Outreach Sharepoint	Youth Session
Speaker: Dana Dupris, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Preservation Office	Speaker: Noller Herbert	Group session with Tribal Liaisons	Contact: Millie Titla & Mauritz Carlson
<i>Legion I</i>	<i>Legion II</i>	<i>Sylvan I</i>	<i>Sylvan II</i>
Moderator: TBD	Moderator: TBD	Moderator: Tanya Meyer Dideriksen & Edith Morigeau	Moderator: TBD

3:10 pm – 3:25 pm **BREAK** *Convention Center II Foyer*
 Poster Viewing/Silent Auction Viewing/AIANEA Hide Viewing

3:25 pm – 3:40 pm **General Session XII: Elder Introductions for Mentoring Program** *General Session*

3:40 pm – 5:15 pm **Elder Cultural Education and Mentoring Session: “Knowledge Gained”**
 Participants will have the opportunity to visit with an Elder of choice in 20 minute increments. Participants will have the chance to be mentored by five Elders total. This will be a great chance to get to know the Elders and gain tremendous cultural and traditional natural resources education.

6:00 pm **Silent Auction Closes (pick up your items during the Live Auction)**

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Poster Break down**

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm **Social Hour** – cash bar *Rushmore Room*

6:30 pm – 10:00 pm **BANQUET** *Rushmore Room*

Master of Ceremony: TBD

Prayer by AIANEA Elder

LIVE AUCTION

Auctioneer: TBD

Entertainment – Acoustic Performance from Indigenous front man, Mato Nanji

10:00 pm **AIANEA Hospitality Suite: Networking** *Room # 1114*

THURSDAY, June 10th

8:00 am – 5:00 pm **TOURS (Meet in the Convention Center II Foyer; buses start loading at 8:30 am and will depart promptly at 9 am)**
Please refer to Tour Agenda for specific information

FRIDAY, June 11th

Moderator: TBD

7:50 am – 8:00 am **Drum Group/Prayer** *General Session*
Prayer: AIANEA Elder

8:00 am – 9:00 am **General Session XIII: USDA Assistance in Iraq**
Patrick Broyles, Kansas NRCS

9:00 am – 9:30 am **General Session XIV: NRCS Guide Book on AIAN Knowledge and NRCS Practice Standards**
Crystal Leonetti, Alaska NRCS and National Leadership Team Student

9:30 am – 10:00 am **General Session XV: Using NASS Census of Ag Data in Your State and in Your Community**
Michelle Radice, NASS Director of Outreach and Diversity

10:00 am – 10:30 am **General Session XVI: TBD**

10:30 am – 11:00 am **Closing Remarks**
AIANEA President, Tanya Meyer Dideriksen

11:00 am – 11:10am **Retiring of Colors:**
Drum Group and Veterans
Prayer: AIANEA Elder

11:10 am **Travel Home**