

**AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE  
EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION FOR NRCS  
2009 ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE**

**Co-sponsored by the  
WISCONSIN TRIBAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Hosted by  
THE ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN**

**Theme: Vision – “We Look in All Directions”**

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**Green Bay, Wisconsin  
July 13-17, 2009**

**SUNDAY July 12**

Afternoon Prep Work  
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Poster Registration/Set-up  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm AIANEA Hospitality Suite

**LOCATIONS**

**Hallway  
Plaza Club**

**MONDAY July 13**

7:00 am – 8:00 am Registration

8:00 am-5:00 pm **Special Emphasis Program Managers Training**

**Wolf Room**

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

3:30 pm – 6:00 pm Registration

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Elder’s Committee Meeting

**Grand Council Ballroom**

5:00 pm – 5:30 pm Moderator Training  
Instructor: Julie Malvitz

**Plaza Club**

5:45 pm – 8:30 pm **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS: EXECUTIVE SESSION  
joins AIANEA conference**

5:45 pm – 7:15 pm **Greeting Circle, Round Dance**  
Prayer by Ted Herrera

**Grand Council Ballroom**

7:15 pm Buffet refreshments

**Grand Council Ballroom**

7:30 pm -8:30 pm Michael Jacobs, Singer/Storyteller  
Introduction by David Wise

**Grand Council Ballroom**

9:00 pm Hospitality Suite and Networking

**Plaza Club**

## TUESDAY July 14

- 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Registration
- 7:00 am – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 am – 10:00 am **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS: EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
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### GENERAL SESSION

**Wolf Room**

Moderator: Jerry Thompson

- 8:00 am – 8:30 am **Opening Ceremony**  
AIANEA Drum Group  
Presentation of Colors – Veterans  
Prayer by Loretta Metoxen  
Pledge of Allegiance
- 8:30 am – 9:30 am **General Session I: Welcoming Remarks**  
David Wise, AIANEA President  
Patricia Leavenworth, Wisconsin STC  
Rick Hill, Oneida Nation Chairman
- 9:30 am – 10:00 am **General Session II: Special Remarks**  
Thomas Christensen, NRCS Regional Assistant Chief-Central
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am AIANEA National Council/Elders Meeting  
with the Regional Assistant Chief-Central **Cayuga Room**
- 10:00 am – 10:20 am **BREAK**  
Poster Viewing
- 10:15 am – 5:00 pm **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS:  
EXECUTIVE SESSION - Separates into own session** **Turtle Room**
- 10:20 am – 11:00 am **General Session III:  
AIANEA Visioning Plan** **Wolf Room**  
Speaker: David Wise, Ciro LoPinto, Tanya Meyer-Dideriksen; Gina Kerzman
- 11:00 am – Noon **General Session IV:**  
Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council  
“WTCAC History, Organization, and Working Effectively with NRCS”  
Speakers: Jonathon Pyatskowitz, Nate Guldan, Brett McConnell, Jim Thannum
- Noon – 1:00 pm **LUNCH** – on your own

## TUESDAY July 14

Moderator: Jerry Thompson

1:00 pm – 1:20 pm      **General Session V:** **Wolf Room**  
 USDA Tribal Consultation Guidance  
 Speaker: Edie Morigeau, National Tribal Relations Coordinator

1:20 pm – 1:40 pm      **General Session VI:**  
 New Farm Bill Impact on Tribal Agriculture and Conservation Programs  
 Speaker: Ronald Harris, Branch Chief, Community and Rural Assistance

1:40 pm – 2:00 pm      **General Session VII:**  
 Tiicham Conservation District  
 Speakers: Dick Gooby, INCA, and Elder Louie Dick

2:00 pm – 3:15 pm      **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

<b>Elder: Loretta Metoxen</b> <b>Oneida Loss and Gain of Land</b>	<b>Elder: Ted Herrera</b> <b>Sacred Conservation Project</b>	<b>Section 106 Cultural Resources Responsibilities</b>	<b>Career Development - Planning your Career</b>
<b>Cayuga Room</b>	<b>Mohawk Room</b>	<b>Grand Council Ballroom</b>	<b>Oneida Room</b>
Moderator: Ann Perales	Moderator: Harold Bryant	Speaker: Patrick McLoughlin, CRS, MN	Moderator: Speaker: Bill Hunt, STC MN

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm      **BREAK**  
 Poster Viewing

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm      **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

<b>Elder: Billy Smith</b> <b>How USDA Programs Have Benefitted the Magnolia Branch Wildlife Reserve</b>	<b>Elders: Marie Meade, Louie Dick</b> <b>Introduction to Native American Culture--A Vision for the Future</b>	<b>Elder: Leland Debe</b> <b>Heirloom Plants/Traditional Medicine</b>
<b>Mohawk Room</b>	<b>Grand Council Ballroom</b>	<b>Oneida Room</b>
Moderator: David Elliott	Moderator: Gina Kerzman	Moderator: Ann Perales

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm      Social Hour – cash bar **Wolf Room**  
 AIANEA Drum Group

6:30 pm – 10:00 pm      **BANQUET** **Wolf Room**  
 Master of Ceremony: **Ciro Lo Pinto**  
 Prayer by Louie Dick

7:15 pm      Presentation of Elder Gifts: Tanya Dideriksen

**7:30 pm**      **Entertainment** – Oneida Youth Singers/Dancers

9:00 pm      Hospitality Suite and Ice-Breaker Activity **Plaza Club**

## WEDNESDAY July 15

- 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Registration
- 7:00 am – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 7:50 am – 8:00 am AIANEA Drum Group Wolf Room  
Prayer by Norman Lopez
- 8:00 am – 10:15 am **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS: EXECUTIVE SESSION - Separates into own session** Turtle Room

Moderator: Nels Liljedahl

- 8:00 am – 8:45 am **General Session VIII: WTCAC Conservation Activities** Wolf Room  
**Speakers: Jonathon Pyatskowitz, Nate Guldán, Brett McConnell**
- 8:45 am – 9:15 am **General Session IX: Samantha Lawien, “Native Tribes of Wisconsin, Past and Present”**
- 9:15 am – 10:00 am **General Session X: Loretta Metoxen, “Cultural Resources of the Oneida Nation”**
- 10:00 am – 10:15 am **BREAK**  
Poster Viewing
- 10:15 am – 12:00 noon **Youth/Elder Basketmaking Activity with Coleen Bins** Cayuga Room

Moderator:

- 10:15 am – 11:15 am **General Session XI: NRCS Leadership Panel “Leadership Indian-Style”** Wolf Room  
Roylene Rides-at-the-Door, Washington State Conservationist; Richard Vigil, Management Analyst for Outreach Division; Ivan Dozier, Illinois Asst. State Conservationist-Programs; Noller Herbert, Director of Conservation Engineering Division
- 11:15 am – Noon **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

<b>Workshop: Minnesota Tribal Protocols for Section 106</b>	<b>Workshop: Tribal Liaison Networking Session</b>	<b>Workshop: Career Development –Detail Opportunities</b>
<b>Mohawk Room</b>	<b>Grand Council Ballroom</b>	<b>Oneida Room</b>
<b>Moderator:</b> Greg Yakle  Speakers: Pat McLoughlin, MN CRS, and David Wise, Tribal Liaison for Lake Superior Bands of Ojibwe	<b>Facilitator:</b> Tanya Meyer-Dideriksen	<b>Moderator:</b> Julie Malvitz  Joyce Swartzendruber and Gina Kerzman

**WEDNESDAY July 15**

Noon – 1:15 pm      **Awards Luncheon**      **Wolf Room**  
 Moderator: Dana Vaillancourt  
 Prayer by Joe Joaquin  
**AIANEA Awards – Awards Committee**

1:15 pm – 3:00 pm      **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS: EXECUTIVE SESSION**      **Turtle Room**  
 -Separates into own session

1:15 pm – 3:00 pm      **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

<b>Indian Nation Conservation Alliance</b>	<b>Workshop: Tribal Liaison Training- Contracting in Indian Country</b>	<b>Workshop: Career Development – KSA Writing and Effective Interviewing</b>
<b>Mohawk Room</b>	<b>Grand Council Ballroom</b>	<b>Oneida Room</b>
Moderator: Speaker: Dick Gooby	Moderator: Speakers: David Elliott, Jerry Thompson, Martin Bales	<b>Moderator:</b> Roylene Rides at the Door; Jacqueline Horne

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm      **BREAK**  
 Poster Viewing

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm      **WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH AMERICAN INDIANS: EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
 Joins AIANEA conference session

Moderator: Tanya Meyer-Dideriksen

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm      **General Session XII: Elders Panel**      **Wolf Room**

5:10 pm      Silent Auction Closes (Pick up your items during the Live Auction)

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

6:00 pm – 6:45 pm      Tribal Liaison Networking Session and Denise Coleman, Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act (RCA) Focus Group      **Grand Council Ballroom**

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm      AIANEA Business Meeting Prayer by Ted Herrera      **Grand Council Ballroom**

10:00 pm      AIANEA Hospitality Suite      **Plaza Club**

**THURSDAY      July 16**

7:45 am – 5:00 pm      **TOURS**      **Meet in Lobby; Buses depart at 8:00 am**

**TOUR A: Oneida Sites**      **Host– Tony Bush**

**TOUR B: Forestry Practices/Menominee**      **Host-Sherrie Zenk-Reed**

5:00 pm      Return to Hotel

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

7:00 pm – 10:00 pm      **LIVE AUCTION**      **Grand Council Ballroom**  
 Appetizers with Cash Bar  
 Auctioneer:

10:00 pm      AIANEA Hospitality Suite      **Plaza Club**

**FRIDAY      July 17**

7:00 am – 9:00 am      Continental Breakfast

7:50 am – 8:00 am      AIANEA Drum Group  
 Prayer by Leland Debe

**Moderator:**

8:00 am – 9:00 am      **CONCURRENT SESSIONS:**

<b>Career Development</b>		
<b>Speaker: Pat Leavenworth, WI State Conservationist</b>	<b>Elder: Norman Lopez</b>	<b>Elder: Joe Joaquin</b>
<b>Balancing Family and Careers</b>	<b>Ute Bear Dance</b>	<b>Faces of the Tohono Nation</b>
<b>Oneida Room</b>	<b>Tuscarora Room</b>	<b>Cayuga Room</b>
Moderator: Ty Larson	Moderator: David Elliott	Moderator: Gerald Allison

9:00 am – 10:00 am      **General Session XIII:**      **Oneida Room**  
**NRCS Employee Associations President Remarks**  
 Speaker: Kalven Trice, National Organization of Professional Black NRCS Employees  
 Speaker: Luis Hernandez, National Organization of Professional Hispanic NRCS  
 Employees  
 Speaker; Kent Matsutani, Asian Pacific Islander Organization

10:00 am - 10:15 am      **General Session XIV:**  
**Society of American Indian Government Employees**  
 Speaker: Danny Garceau, Chairman of SAIGE

10:15 am – 10:45 am      **Closing Remarks**  
 Patricia Leavenworth, Wisconsin STC

David Wise, AIANEA President

10:45 am – 10:55am **Retiring:** AIANEA Drum Group and Colors  
Prayer by Marie Meade

11:00 am **Travel Home**

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