

SAIGE 12th Annual National Training Program  
***Growing Native Leaders: Enhancing Our Seven Generations***

Treasure Island Hotel & Casino, Welch, MN

June 15 – June 18, 2015

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Sunday, June 14

Time	Remaining Board, Planning Committee, Youth Arrive	Location
8:30-9:30 pm	Student Youth Program Private Reception – Introduction of SAIGE Board & Sponsors of the Youth Track; ice breakers	Marina Patio

Monday, June 15

Time	Topic	Location
8:30 - 12:00	Exhibits Setup	Mahkato/Red Wing
8:30 - 5:00	Youth Program Gathering JoAnn Brant, Youth Program Director, Alex Grandon, AIHEC, and Students only	Wolf/Eagle Room
8:30 – 10:00	Planning Committee Meeting	Tahiti
9:00 – 12:30	Veterans’ Affairs Pre-Training Agency Forum: Ryan Pugh, VA	Bear
10:00 - 10:30	Registration Volunteers Meeting	Board Room 2
10:30 - 11:00	Moderators’ Review Meeting	Board Room 2
12:30 - 5:00	Pre-Registered Attendee Bag Pick-up Open	Buffalo Room Corridor
1:00 – 5:00	USDA Pre-Training Agency Forum Break: sometime between 2:30 - 3:30	Capri
1:00 – 5:00	EPA SEPM Training Break: sometime between 2:30 - 3:30	Tahiti
2:30 - 3:30	Coffee Available	Pre-Function Area
3:30 - 4:15	Introduction to SAIGE –A Short Informal Session for those unfamiliar with SAIGE	Bear
4:30 - 6:00	On-site Registration - for those not registered online	Buffalo Room Corridor
5:00 - 6:30	New Member Table -Join Now	Pre-Function Area
7:00 – 8:30	<b>Cultural Reception</b> – Local tribal cultural presentations	Marina Patio

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Tuesday, June 16

National Training Program – Plenary Session		
Time	Topic	Location
7:30AM	<b>Smudging Ceremony</b> – all are invited	
7:00 - 8:20AM	Breakfast	Mahkato/Red Wing
7:30AM-5:00PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Mahkato/Red Wing
7:30 - 10:00AM	Registration	Buffalo Room Corridor
8:00 - 8:30AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION:</b> Opening Ceremonies Presentation of Colors – SAIGE Warrior Society Veterans Honoring Song Moderator: Bryan Sappier, SAIGE Vice-Chair	Island Event Center
8:30 - 8:45 AM	<b>Opening Remarks</b> – Fredericka Joseph, SAIGE Chair	
8:45 - 9:10 AM	<b>Welcome and Tribal Overview</b> – Ronald Johnson, Prairie Island Indian Community Tribal President	
9:10 – 9:30 AM	<b>Welcome</b> – Kevin Washburn, Asst. Sec. Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior	
9:30 – 10:30 AM	<b>Youth Program Introduction of Students</b> – JoAnn Brant, SAIGE Youth Program Director, Environmental Protection Agency; Alex Grandon, American Indian Higher Education Consortium	
10:30 - 10:45AM	BREAK	Mahkato/RedWing
10:45- 11:15	<b>Federal Speaker - FEMA Tribal Consultation Policy:</b> Milo Booth, Federal Emergency Management Administration -	Island Event Center
11:20 - 11:50 AM	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – <i>Modernizing the Trust Relationship:</i> Brian Cladoosby, President, National Congress of American Indians (Invited) <b>Introduction:</b> Sue Morris, SAIGE Treasurer	
11:50 - 12:00PM	BREAK	Mahkato/RedWing
12:00 - 1:15PM	<b>Luncheon</b> <b>Speaker</b> – Professor William Rice, University of Tulsa, College of Law <b>Introduction:</b> Wesley Westphal, SAIGE Board	Island Event Center

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Concurrent Breakout Sessions		
Time/Track	Topic	Location
1:30 - 2:45PM		
Federal Indian Law	EO on Sacred Sites/AIRFA: Professor William Rice, University of Tulsa, College of Law	Bear
Professional Development	Building Your Success in Emerging Diverse and Inclusive Organizations: Bryan Rice - Director, Forest Management, USDA Forest Service	Buffalo
Indigenous Natural Resources	Wild Rice-Importance, Tradition and Management: Thomas Howes, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Natural Resources Program	Capri
Indian Country	Working in Partnership with Tribes: Cheryle Zwang, Idaho Bureau of Land Management, Dept. of Interior	Tahiti
2:45- 3:00	BREAK	Mahkato/RedWing
Time/Track	Topic	Location
3:15 - 4:30 pm		
Indian Country	Violence Against Women Act- What it means in Indian Country: Sarah Deer, William Mitchell College of Law	Bear
Professional Development	I am an American Indian SEPM, Now What? Cynthia Dunn, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion	Buffalo
Indian Country/ cultural	Prairie Island Indian Community Traditions: Prairie Island Cultural committee	Capri
Professional Development	LGBT Awareness in the Workplace: Matthew Murphy, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, President of FedQ	Tahiti
Evening Event		
7:00 pm	<b>Recognition and Awards Reception – SAIGE</b> Achievement Awards and Partnership Recognition	Marina Patio

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National Training Program – Plenary Session		
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7:00 - 8:20AM	Breakfast	Mahkato/Red Wing
7:30 - 10:00AM	Registration	Buffalo Room Corridor
7:30AM - 5:00PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Mahkato/Red Wing
8:00 - 8:30AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION</b> <b>Prayer</b> <b>Opening Remarks</b> – Fredericka Joseph, SAIGE Chair Moderator: Duane Matt, SAIGE Board	Island Event Center
8:30 - 9:15AM	<b>Bill Mendoza-</b> <i>Generation Indigenous</i> , White House Initiative on Native Youth	
9:15 – 9:45 AM	<b>Katherine Archuleta</b> , Director, Office of Personnel Management	
9:45 – 10:00 AM	BREAK	Mahkato/RedWing
10:00-11:00 AM	<b>National Coalition for Equity in Public Service Panel:</b> Blacks In Government, Federal Asian Pacific American Council, Federal Employees with Disabilities, FedQ, Federally Employed Women, National Image, SAIGE	Island Event Center
11:00 - 11:15 AM	<i>CIA Representative</i>	
11:15 – 11:30 AM	<i>DOE Representative</i>	
11:30 – 11:45 AM	<b>Networking</b>	
11:45 AM-1:15 PM	<b>Luncheon</b> <b>Speaker</b> – Anton Treuer, Bemidji State University: Ojibwe Language and Culture in Minnesota <b>Introduction:</b> Danny Garceau	
12:00 –1:15PM	NCEPS Partners Working Luncheon (By invitation)	
<b>Wednesday Afternoon – Career Fair</b>		
1:30 – 4:30 PM	<b>Career Fair and Community Outreach</b> – Free and open to the Public	Mahkato/RedWing
1:30 – 3:00 PM	<b>Authors’ Book signing:</b> Stephen Pevar and S.W. Russell	

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Indian Country	Indians 101: Jay Spaan, U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) Natural Resources and Environment	Bear
Indian Country	A Day in the Life of a Tribal Liaison: Jerry Gidner- DOI, Bill Sulinckas - FEMA, Kristine Tapio-Harper, USDA, Georgeie Reynolds – ACE, Retired; moderated by Georgia Madrid, NOAA	Buffalo
Indigenous Natural Resources	Habitat Restoration and Environmental Projects- Nicole Staudt, Prairie Island Program Manager for Land and the Environment	Capri
Professional Development	Navigating USAJOBS: Karlos Del Toro, Recruitment Policy and Outreach, Office of Personnel Management	Tahiti
2:45 – 3:15PM	BREAK	Mahkato/Red Wing
Time/Track 3:15 - 4:30PM	Topic	Location
Federal Indian Law	Fascinating Court Decisions Impacting Indians & Tribes: Stephen Pevar, American Civil Liberties Union	Bear
Indian Country/ Cultural	Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Cultural Presentation: Jim and Judy St. Arnold	Buffalo
Professional Development	Coloring Outside the Lines – Walking In Two Worlds: Dr. James Pete, Gyaushk and Associates	Capri
Indian Country	Emergency Management in Tribal Communities: Bill Sulinckas, FEMA Regional Tribal Liaison	Tahiti
Evening Events		Location
7:00 pm	<b>Lifetime Members Meet-up</b>	Island Event Center Wabasha

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Thursday, June 18

Time	Topic	Location
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast	Mahkato/Red Wing
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Registration	Buffalo Room Corridor
7:30 AM-5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Mahkato/Red Wing
8:30 AM–2:30 PM	<b>Veterans’ Track – See Separate Agenda</b>	Island Event Center Wabasha
Concurrent Breakout Sessions		
Time/Track	Topic	Location
8:30 – 9:45 AM		
Federal Indian Law	A Victory for Tribal Families - the South Dakota ICWA Court Decision: Stephen Pevar, American Civil Liberties Union	Bear
Professional Development	Federal Benefits Briefing: Kathy Bibi, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)	Buffalo
Professional Development	Career Planning for Leadership: Cynthia Dunn, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion	Capri
Indigenous Natural Resources	Native American Water Corps Program: Christina Mokhtarzadeh, Bureau of Indian Affairs Water Resources	Tahiti
9:45 - 10:00AM	BREAK	Mahkato/Red Wing
Time/Track	Topic	Location
10:00–11:15 AM		
Professional Development	Social Security Benefits Timeline- What is best for you? Nancy Berryhill, Social Security Administration	Bear
Professional Development	Your Path to the Senior Executive Service: Jerry Gidner, Office of Policy, Management & Budget, Department of the Interior	Buffalo
Indigenous Natural Resources	Natural Resource Stewardship Partners – What Minnesota Tribes and NRCS Are Doing Together: Deb Walchuk, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA	Capri
Indian Country/ Cultural	Education Provisions in Treaties: Dr. Martin Reinhardt, University of Northern Michigan, American Indian Studies	Tahiti
11:30 – 12:00	BREAK	
12:00 - 1:30PM	<b>Lunch on your Own</b>	

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Professional Development HR/EEO	EEO Case Updates : Marqui Willoughby, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	Bear
Professional Development	Effective Recruitment Strategies: Karlos Del Toro, Recruitment Policy and Outreach, Office of Personnel Management	Buffalo
Federal Indian Law	Tribal Consultation and Federal Indian Law: Judge S.W. Russell, Professor Emeritus at Indiana University, Indian Country Today Media	Capri
Professional Development	How to be Money Smart: Tina Queen, FDIC	Tahiti
2:45 – 3:15PM BREAK		
3:15 – 5:00 PM		
	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>
	<b>Plenary Session</b>	Island Event Center
3:15 – 3:30	Closing Remarks: Fredericka Joseph	
3:30 – 4:30	Youth Presentation: SAIGE Student Youth Program	
4:30 – 4:45	SAIGE 2016 Presentation	
4:45- 5:00	Closing Prayer- Retreat of Colors: SAIGE Warrior Society	
5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Breakdown	Mahkato/Red Wing
Friday, June 19		
7:00 - 8:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own	Several Onsite Options
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Planning Committee Breakfast	Buffalo
9:30 AM- 4:00 PM	Local tours – On your own	
10:00 AM - 4:30 PM	<b>SAIGE Annual Board Meeting and Working Lunch</b>	Board Room 2

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Safe Travels and We'll See you in 2016 !

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