

**PROUD PARTNERS,
PROUD COMMUNITIES!**



EVENT PLAN:

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BARBECUE & RECEPTION**

(Confirmed Attendance: 128 / as of August 23, 2013)

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When?

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2013 / 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Where?

**ROSSDALE FLATS/LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL
10135 – 96 AVENUE / EDMONTON, ALBERTA**

Speaker Timeslot: 2:55 PM – 3:40 PM

Moderators:

- **Mr. Dennis Paul (Senior Advisor to Chief and Council, Paul First Nation and Senior Treaty 6 Consultation Coordinator)**
- **Mr. Shane Pospisil (Senior Partner, New West Opportunities - Canada)**
- **Mr. Jim Padilla (Senior Partner, New West Opportunities - USA)**

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SPEAKER SEQUENCE:

2:55 PM – 3:10 PM

Casey Bird, Chief, Paul First Nation: Welcoming Remarks

Dennis Paul, Shane Pospisil and Jim Padilla: Background on Proud Partners, Proud Communities! Event and Celebration

Shawn Beamish, President, Canadian Mat Systems Inc. and Andy Andersen, Grizzco First Nation Management Corporation: Introduction/Acknowledgement of Paul First Nation, Woodland Cree First Nation and Sunchild First Nation Heavy Equipment/Construction Trainees and New Full-Time Employees (58)*

***Will pull the “Top 5” trainees in the most recent Workforce Training and Employment Transition Segment out of the field for this event, to illustrate the tremendous talent, dedication and energy that exists within Alberta’s First Nations communities.**

3:10 PM – 3:15 PM

Hon. Laurie Hawn, MPP – Edmonton Centre: Greetings/Welcoming Remarks

3:15 PM – 3:20 PM

Laurie Blakeman, MLA – Edmonton Centre: Greetings/Welcoming Remarks

3:20 PM – 3:35 PM

Dennis Paul: Introduction of Bryne Purchase, Author of *Navigating on the Titanic*

Bryne Purchase will talk about his newest book and the critical importance of having both effective and efficient governance structures in place...focused on the broader public (community) interest...and acting in the best interests of the broader public (community) interest.*

***Bryne Purchase will be available following his remarks to discuss his book and signed copies will be made available to our special guests.**

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Announcement/Acknowledgement of 2013-2014 Proud Partners, Proud Communities! First Nations' Capacity-Building Award Recipient: Grizzco First Nations Management Corporation

Speaker Themes:

➤ **Project Execution:**

The Value of Aboriginal Partnerships, Project/Workforce Integration and Direct Engagement in Project Execution

➤ **Workforce Shortages and Strategies:**

First Nations/Métis Community Training, Mentoring and Job Shadowing Essential

Building Competitiveness and Capacity Through Joint Venture Partnerships

➤ **Alberta's Real Strength is its People**

We need to ensure that all residents are “job-site ready” and have a fair and equal opportunity to participate – to the best of their abilities and potential - in the Province's economic mainstream.

This is not just a challenge for governments, but for business and industry as well...we need all Albertans on board and contributing fully and to the best of their abilities in building our future economy.

➤ **Cultural Diversity is an Incredible Strength and Must be Recognized and Respected as a Strength!**

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