

20TH ANNUAL NAI-AA CONVENTION TRIBAL FLAG CEREMONY PROTOCOL

To commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the **Annual National/International Native American Indian Alcoholics Anonymous Convention**, the planning committee is organizing a Tribal Flag Ceremony. Tribal members with an active AA meeting on their reservation are encouraged to bring a Tribal Flag for posting. Participation is limited to one flag carrier per Tribe. It is suggested that AA groups on your reservation select a person to carry your Tribal Flag. The procession of Flags will go in alphabetical order by Tribal name. Traditional dress is optional but encouraged. The NAI-AA CONVENTION Tribal Flag Ceremony is scheduled for Friday evening September 10, 2010. This printed Flag Ceremony Protocol should provide adequate information to answer all questions regarding the NAI-AA Tribal Flag Ceremony. However, if after reading these instructions you have questions please contact Velma at Shimabum15@yahoo.com

YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR TRIBAL FLAG BY COMPLETING THE REGISTRATION FORM WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD AT NAI-AA.COM PLEASE SEND THE REGISTRATION FORM AND THE FEE TO:

ATTENTION FLAG CEREMONY; NAI-AA CONVENTION, PO BOX 1643, SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57101

Registration Deadline For The Tribal Flag Ceremony is August 19, 2010.

A **\$60.00 registration fee** pays for transport of the flagpoles and holders to and from the convention, vendor labor cost for setup and breakdown, flag poles and holders, and rental for 5 days (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). One-day and two-day rentals are not available. Participants are not permitted to bring their own flag poles or other equipment into the hotel complex. The hotel and labor unions have strict control over convention facilities, equipment and labor. Send your Flag Ceremony Registration Fee by **money order only**. Money orders are non-refundable. Checks will not be accepted. **Mail your money order and Flag Ceremony Registration Form by August 19, 2010 and you will be included in the ceremony. If your Flag Ceremony Registered Form is not post marked by August 19, 2010 you will not be included in the flag ceremony. No exceptions.**

Location for all Flags: Upon arrival at the Riviera Hotel, Flag carriers will be directed to the main session area to fasten your flag to your pole and post it. Your Flag will remain posted until the practice session on Thursday night at 10:00PM. **Practice Session:** We will have one practice session for the Flag Ceremony at 10:00 PM sharp on Thursday September 9, 2010 (Room TBA)

Official Flag Ceremony: On Friday September 10, 2010 the Flag carriers will pick up their flags at 6:30pm and line up. At 7:30pm the Official flag Ceremony will began. The name of the tribe will be introduced and the flag bearer will walk the flag center stage and after introduction is concluded they will post their Flag at a designated spot on the convention floor.

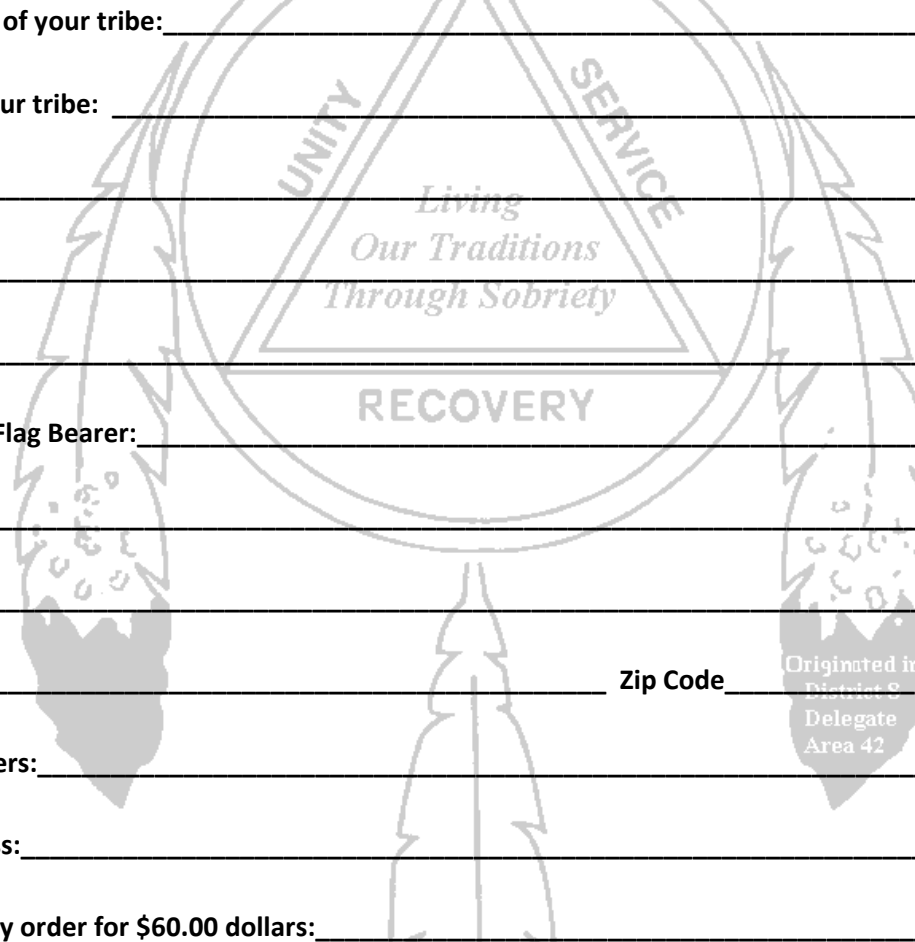
Closing Ceremony: We would like to have the Flags remain posted for the duration of the convention and retire the Flags at the closing session Sunday morning along with our regular closing ceremonies. Monitor **nai-aa.com** for the list of registered tribes updated continuously until August 19, 2010

Following this procedure end to end will guarantee that the Flag Ceremony runs smoothly. It also guarantees that each flag bearer is identified and that the vendor receives the correct rental cost for the exact number of flag holders participating.

20th Annual NAI-AA Convention Tribal Flag Ceremony Registration Form

Please complete all requested information and mail before August 19, 2010: ATTENTION FLAG CEREMONY, NAI-AA CONVENTION, PO BOX 1643, SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA 57101. If we receive more than one registration form per tribe we will contact the parties involved for resolution.

Monitor nai-aa.com for convention updates. **PLEASE PRINT SO INFORMATION IS READABLE.**

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1. Official name of your tribe: _____
 2. Address of your tribe: _____
 3. City: _____
 4. State: _____
 5. Zip Code: _____
 6. Name of the Flag Bearer: _____
 7. Address: _____
 8. City: _____
 9. State: _____ Zip Code _____
 10. Phone Numbers: _____
 11. E-Mail address: _____
 12. Attach Money order for \$60.00 dollars: _____

Comments: _____

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