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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan Announces the Theme for the Office of the Speaker Hospitality Tent Centers on Honoring All Women

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. - Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale) announces that the theme for this year's Office of the Speaker Hospitality Tent Centers on honoring all women during the 61st Navajo Nation Fair.

The fair is scheduled for Sept. 4-9, 2007 at the Window Rock Fairgrounds, and is the site for the Office of the Speaker's Hospitality Tent.

In conjunction with the fair's theme, "The Navajo Leaders, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," the Office of the Speaker will forward the theme, "Believe in Your Navajo Nation, Your Future Has Hope."

The schedule of events for the Office of the Speaker includes:

Friday, Sept. 7, 2007 is slated as "Professional Woman Day." Council woman Glo Jean Todacheene (Shiprock) is scheduled to be the emcee as well as her colleague council woman Orlanda Hodge Smith (Cornfields/Klagetoh/Greasewood).

Friday's morning events begin at 9 a.m. with an invocation, and entertainment is provided by Amber Dawn Morgan at 9:05 to 9:35 a.m. and at 9:35 a.m. to 10:05 a.m. is a presentation by council woman Katherine Benally (Dennehotso) and Judge Eleanor Shirley, District Court Judge.

Dorothy Bitsilly, Navajo Nation Shímasaaní of the Year 2006-2007, is scheduled to make a presentation at 10:05 to 10:35 a.m.

Rose Martinez is scheduled to give a presentation at 10:35 a.m. to 11:05 a.m.

Talibah Begay is scheduled to entertain at 11:05 to 11:35 a.m.

Darlene Sheridan is scheduled to give a presentation at 11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Miss Navajo Technical College is scheduled to give a presentation at 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

A grand prize drawing is scheduled at 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. The host for this is Aneva Yazzie, Chief Executive Officer of the Navajo Housing Authority.

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Tina Deschenie, editor of *Tribal College Journal*, is scheduled to give a presentation at 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Additionally, Quintanya Claw is scheduled to entertain at 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Navajo poet Lucy Tapahanso is scheduled to give a presentation at 1:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Navajo entertainer Socie Saltwater is scheduled to entertain the public at 2:15 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Cassandra Bloedel of the Navajo Environmental Protection Agency is scheduled to give a presentation about the important of recycling at 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Kansas Begay is scheduled to entertain at 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Navajo fashion designer Virginia Yazzie Ballenger is scheduled to give a presentation at 4:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Yazzie Ballenger is scheduled to host a fashion show at 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8 is "Honoring All Women Day." Council Woman Katherine Benally is scheduled to serve as the Emcee as well as Council Woman Hope MacDonald Lone Tree (Coal Mine Canyon/Toh Nanees Dizi). The hospitality tent event include an Invocation at 1 p.m. and at 1:30 a.m. a Pledge of Allegiance and Flag Song by Kiyanna Toadlena.

Amber Dawn Morgan is scheduled to entertain at 1:35 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

At 1:45 p.m. to 1:55 p.m. Honorable Speaker Morgan will deliver the welcome address on behalf of the 21st Navajo Nation Council.

Aneva Yazzie, Chief Executive Officer of the Navajo Housing Authority, is scheduled to be a guest speaker at 1:55 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

Elmer Guy, Navajo Technical College President, is scheduled to be a guest speaker at 2:05 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Art Hardy of the Paralyzed Veterans' of America is scheduled to be a guest speaker at 2:15 p.m. to 2:25 p.m.

Marilyn Help Hood is scheduled to be entertainment at 2:25 p.m. to 2:55 p.m.

Dr. Jennifer Denetdale, Associate Professor of the Department of History at the University of New Mexico, is scheduled to give a presentation at 2:55 p.m. to 3:25 p.m.

Navajo entertainer, Radmilla Cody, is scheduled to be entertainment at 3:25 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.

Penny Emerson is scheduled to give a presentation about Safe Ride at 4:10 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.

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A Grand Prize Drawing is scheduled for 4:40 p.m. to 5:10 p.m.. This drawing is hosted by the Office of the Speaker, the Paralyzed Veterans' of America, Navajo Housing Authority and the Navajo Technical College.

Navajo singer, Marlena Begay, is scheduled to sing at 5:10 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.

Kitty Sleuth of Tohatchi, N.M. is scheduled to organize a fashion show. During the evening Navajo entertainer, Soci Saltwater, and the Laredo Band are scheduled to perform at 6:50 p.m.

The schedule is subject to change.