

ADVISOR SPONSORED SESSION

Standing in the Center of the World: Cultural Preservation from Native Perspectives

Thursday, October 23, 2008

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Tulsa Convention Center, Conference Hall A

Organized by Hawaii Advisor Lani Ma'a Lapilio; along with Lani, speakers include Arizona Advisor Linda Mayro, Michigan Advisor Frank Ettawageshik and South Dakota Advisor Albert M. LeBeau, III,

Preservation for Native Americans is about more than saving buildings. With respect for the wisdom of our elders and with regard for future generations, speakers from the Cherokee, Cheyenne, Odawa, and Ponca tribes, and a native Hawaiian, will discuss activities that assist in the preservation of native life ways and sacred sites, preserve indigenous languages and traditional knowledge, foster youth development and participation, maintain traditional foods systems, and protect environmental and natural resources.