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## Gala Entertainer: ANDRÉ-PHILIPPE GAGNON

Wednesday, November 26, 2008




What an evening we've got in store for you! Picture it: Mick Jagger, Michael Jackson, Jean Chretien, Joe Cocker, Dionne Warwick and...*Frank Sinatra*?!

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André-Philippe was just a young hopeful when he did his very first impressions – he was five years young! One of his biggest breaks came in 1985 when he appeared at the world-renowned comedy festival *Just For Laughs* in Montreal. After that show, he was invited to appear on *The Tonight Show*

with Johnny Carson, where he performed a “signature” song, his version of the famine-relief anthem “We Are the World,” doing every singer on the recording – 18 famous voices in one composition.

André-Philippe has toured with international singing star Céline Dion, entertaining millions of fans from Australia to Europe and throughout the US. His performances at the Stade de France in Paris proved once again his unique charisma and talent, with 90,000 people giving him a standing ovation each night. André-Philippe has tickled audiences in over 11 countries, in two languages, performing more than 3,500 shows to over 5 million people. 

### AMM Gala: Celebrating AMM's 10th Anniversary

Wednesday, November 26, 2008, Winnipeg Convention Centre Hall A

Doors and Cash Bar Opens 6:00 p.m.

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## Keynote SPEAKERS

### Mike Duffy Inside Canadian Politics

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Over the years Mr. Duffy has appeared on all CTV News' broadcasts, from *CTV National News* with Lloyd Robertson, to *Canada AM*, *W-FIVE*, and CTV's weekly political broadcast, *Question Period*.

He is currently the Ottawa editor of CTV NewsNet, and hosts their daily political broadcast, *Mike Duffy Live!*

Mr. Duffy is a former Visiting Fellow at Duke University and an ACTRA award-winner for live TV reporting. He was twice nominated for the "Best in the Business" award by the Washington Journalism Review and in 1994 was named to the Canadian Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame. He has received honorary degrees from his alma mater, the University of P.E.I., and from Niagara University in Niagara Falls New York, in addition to numerous other awards and citations.

Monday - November 24

AMM looks forward to welcoming veteran political journalist Mike Duffy as he explores the current trends and hot topics in Canadian politics. With his trademark wit and incisive analysis, he will provide delegates with a must-have primer on the key political issues of the day. Mr. Duffy will combine the latest buzz from "inside Ottawa" and provide a unique and memorable presentation you won't want to miss.



### Stephen Lewis The Power of Community: Creating Positive Environments

Stephen Lewis is Chair of the Board of the Stephen Lewis Foundation in Canada. He is Co-Founder and Co-Director of AIDS-Free World, a new international AIDS advocacy organization, based in the US. He is also a Professor in Global Health in the Faculty of Social Sciences at McMaster University.

Stephen Lewis' work with the United Nations spanned more than two decades. From 1995 to 1999, Mr. Lewis was Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF at the organization's global headquarters in New York. From June 2001 to the end of 2006, he was the Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa for UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

Mr. Lewis was appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest honour for lifetime achievement, in 2003. The same year, *Maclean's* magazine honoured Mr. Lewis as their inaugural "Canadian of the Year." In April 2005, *TIME* magazine listed Stephen Lewis as one of the '100 most influential people in the world.' His best-selling book, *Race Against Time*, was a finalist for the Writers' Trust Award and the Trillium Book Award. It won the Canadian Booksellers Association's Libris Award for non-fiction book of the year, and Mr. Lewis was named the CBA's Author of the Year for 2005.

Tuesday - November 25

Mr. Lewis speaks on the importance of community in the lives of children, focusing on leadership, accountability, health and education in both a national and international context. Mr. Lewis will draw upon his extensive international experience to illustrate the importance of an active civil society in creating a safer, more peaceful world. Be prepared for a moving and inspirational message.



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Hon. Preston Manning  
Explaining the Beaver to the Eagle


Wednesday - November 26

Preston Manning was an MP from 1993 to 2001. He founded two political parties – the Reform Party of Canada and the Canadian Reform Conservative Alliance – both of which became the official Opposition in Parliament. Mr. Manning served as Leader of the Opposition from 1997 to 2000. On July 11, 2008, he was appointed to the Council of Canadian Academies and will serve on its Board of Governors.

Since retirement from Parliament in 2002, Mr. Manning has released a book entitled *Think Big*, describing his use of the tools and institutions of democracy to change Canada's national agenda. He is a member of the Institute of Corporate Directors. In 2007, he was made a Com-

panion of the Order of Canada. He has served as a Senior Fellow of the Canada West Foundation and as a Distinguished Visitor at the universities of Calgary and Toronto. Mr. Manning is currently a Senior Fellow of the Fraser Institute and President and CEO of the Manning Centre for Building Democracy.

Mr. Manning continues to write, speak, and teach on a variety of subjects including the revitalization of democracy and Canadian conservatism, strengthening relations between the scientific and political communities, the application of market mechanisms to environmental conservation, and the management of the interface between faith and politics.

In, *Explaining the Beaver to the Eagle*, Mr. Manning will examine how we as a nation explain our humble origins through the pursuit of our founding rodent - the beaver. He will remind us how we lay bare our national character: our pursuit of positives through negatives, our extreme moderation, our affection for the middle, our penchant for being sorry, our softening of the declarative, and our longing for affirmation. 



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# Convention **AGENDA**

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2008

9:30 am – 3:00 pm *Hall A – 3rd Floor*

Convention Registration

9:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

AMM History Book Launch

10:00 am – 4:00 pm *Hall A – 3rd Floor*

AMM Display Area Open

1:00 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Annual Business Meeting | 2007 Convention Minutes  
Annual Financial Report and Annual Report Review  
Municipal Insurance Program | 2008 Convention Overview

1:30 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

President of the Treasury Board (Invited)  
The Honourable Vic Toews, MP for Provencher

2:00 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Keynote Speaker: Mike Duffy “Inside Canadian Politics”

3:00 pm

Refreshment Break

3:15 pm *1st & 2nd Floor Rooms*

Roundtable Discussions

4:30 pm

Adjournment for the day

7:30 pm – 12:00 am *Room 2E-2H, 2nd Floor*

Icebreaker: Meet and honour our longtime Icebreaker Sponsors and enjoy the live music of Simon Says.

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## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2008

10:00 am – 3:00 pm *Hall A*

Convention Registration

9:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Opening Ceremonies

9:00 am – 3:30 pm *Hall A – 3rd Floor*

AMM Display Area Open

10:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs  
Honourable Steve Ashton

10:30 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Nominations for AMM President Open

10:45 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Keynote Speaker: Stephen Lewis “The Power of Community: Creating Positive Environments”

11:45 am

Lunch Break – Delegates on their Own

1:15 pm *1st & 2nd Floor Rooms*

Breakout Sessions - A: see page 44 for details

2:15 pm *1st & 2nd Floor Rooms*

Breakout Sessions - B: see page 44 for details

2:30 pm *Campaign B - Delta Winnipeg*

Partners' Program  
He Said, She Said: Strategies for Living Real Life

3:15 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Nominations for AMM President Close | Candidate Speeches

3:30 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Resolutions Session-1

5:15 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Adjournment for the day

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Convention **AGENDA**

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2008

9:00 am – 3:00 pm *3rd Floor East Concourse*

Convention Registration

9:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Keynote Speaker: Honourable Preston Manning “Explaining the Beaver to the Eagle”

10:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Leader of the Official Opposition  
Hugh McFadyen, MLA Fort Whyte10:15 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Leader of the Liberal Party of Manitoba  
Dr. Jon Gerrard, MLA River Heights10:30 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Resolutions Session-2

11:45 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Elections for AMM President  
Nominations for AMM Vice-Presidents Open12:00 pm

Lunch Break – Delegates on their Own

1:00 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

AMM Presidential Election Result

1:05 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Nominations for AMM Vice-Presidents Close  
Candidate Speeches1:30 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Resolutions Session-3

2:15 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Elections for AMM Vice-Presidents

2:30 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
President Jean Perrault, Mayor, City of Sherbrooke2:45 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Resolutions Session-Final  
AMM Vice-Presidential Election Results  
End of Day Announcements6:00 pm *Hall A – 3rd Floor*AMM Gala: Doors and a cash bar open at 6:00 pm  
Dinner 7:00 pm followed by program and Special Entertainment  
André-Philippe Gagnon

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2008

9:00 am – 10:00 am *3rd Floor East Concourse*

Convention Information

9:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Building Canada Plan  
Canada - Manitoba Infrastructure Secretariat10:00 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Ministerial Forum  
Opportunity for municipal officials to ask questions of the  
Provincial Cabinet and for Provincial Ministers to hear key  
municipal concerns.11:55 am *Hall B – 3rd Floor*Grand Prize Draw: Grand Prize of \$2000 Travel Certificate  
Sponsored by (HED & AMM Logos)12:00 pm *Hall B – 3rd Floor*

Convention Adjournment

*If necessary, elections for District Directors will be held  
immediately following adjournment.*

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## Breakout SESSIONS

1:15 pm

- 1 HOW WOULD YOUR MUNICIPALITY SCORE IN THE NEW KNOWLEDGE-BASED ECONOMY?  
*Jean Beaumont, ED AMBM & Dany Robidoux, Coordinator CDEM*
- 2 FARM BUILDING CODE & GREEN BUILDING POLICY, *Doug Popowich, Fire Commissioner*
- 3 TREATY RELATIONS COMMISSION OF MANITOBA, *Chief Dennis White Bird*
- 4 TBA

2:15 pm

- 1 MUNICIPAL FAIRNESS PROJECT, *Mel Holley, Senior Investigator, Ombudsman Manitoba*
- 2 EMPLOYEE MENTAL HEALTH, *Chris Summerville, ED Manitoba Schizophrenia Society*
- 3 PHYSICIAN & NURSING TRAINING/ RECRUITMENT, *Jerry Ross, Workforce Planner Manitoba Health*
- 4 TBA

Here is a snapshot of a few of our breakout sessions!

### Employee Mental Health – “The Pursuit of Happiness”

“The Pursuit of Happiness”...the psychological world is abuzz with the field, positive psychology, devoted to finding ways to enhance happiness through pleasure, engagement, and meaning. Is happiness a guarantee in life? How does it contribute to one's quality of life? This session will look at the components of happiness and its relationship to mental health.

*Chris Summerville, D.Min., CPRP*

*Mr. Summerville is one of the eleven non-government directors of the Mental Health Commission of Canada, chaired by Dr. Michael Kirby. As a family member and a recipient of psychiatric services, Chris has been the executive director of the Manitoba Schizophrenia Society*

*since 1995 and is the CEO of the Schizophrenia Society of Canada. As a provincial and national leader and advocate he serves on numerous boards and committees including the Manitoba Provincial Advisory Council on Mental Health, The Mood Disorders Society of Canada, The National Network on Mental Health, the Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental Health in Manitoba, the South Eastman Regional Health Authority Board, and the Mental Health Ethics Committee of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. With an earned doctorate, he is certified with the U.S. Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services as a Certified Psychosocial Rehabilitation Practitioner (CPRP) and as an ASIST Suicide Intervention Trainer with Living Works. He lives in Steinbach, Manitoba.*



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## How Would Your Municipality Score in the New Knowledge-Based Economy?

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This presentation will be in French with English translation.

*Jean A. Beaumont, Executive Director of Association des municipalités bilingues*

*du Manitoba (AMBM) & Dany Robidoux, Coordinator of the Knowledge-based Economy at the Economic Development Council for Manitoba Bilingual Municipalities (CDEM)*

## Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba

### TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT

The Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba is a neutral body created through a partnership between the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and Canada with a mandate to strengthen, rebuild and enhance the Treaty relationship with mutual respect between First Nations and Manitobans.

The TRCM will enhance and maintain positive intergovernmental relations and cooperation, conduct independent research that advances discussion on Treaty related issues, and facilitate public understanding of the importance and role of Treaty making in building a stronger and healthier nation.

### Mandate:

The Commission has received a five year mandate and will function to:

- Engage in public education to improve the understanding of the Treaty; relationship and Treaty related issues;
- Provide facilitation service for discussing Treaty issues; and,
- Conduct independent research.


*Dennis White Bird, Treaty Commissioner*

*Dennis White Bird is an Anishinabae from the Rolling River First Nation and is proud to say that the Anishinabae language is his first language.*

*Commissioner White Bird worked as a teacher for seven years before he was called to take a leadership role within his community. During his 18 years as the Chief of Rolling River, Commissioner White Bird successfully negotiated a Treaty Land Entitlement agreement with Canada and Manitoba. His community was the first to ratify the agreement.*

*Upon leaving the position within his community, Commissioner White Bird's leadership responsibilities grew as he was elected as Regional Chief for the Manitoba region within the national First Nation organization: the Assembly of First Nations. As Regional Chief, he was appointed the Executive Member in Charge of Treaties and was very involved in the promotion of First Nation languages.*

*Commissioner White Bird was elected to the position of Grand Chief of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs in August 2000. Throughout his term as Grand Chief, Commissioner White Bird showed a strong interest in promoting First Nations youth issues and worked closely with the Manitoba First Nations Youth Council, an initiative of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs.*

*Dennis White Bird was appointed Treaty Relations Commissioner for Manitoba in June 2005 by a federal Order-in-Council. The appointment is a natural progression for a man who has shown a great interest and dedication to the fulfillment of the true spirit and intent of the Treaty relationship and the education of both First Nation and non-First Nation youth. *



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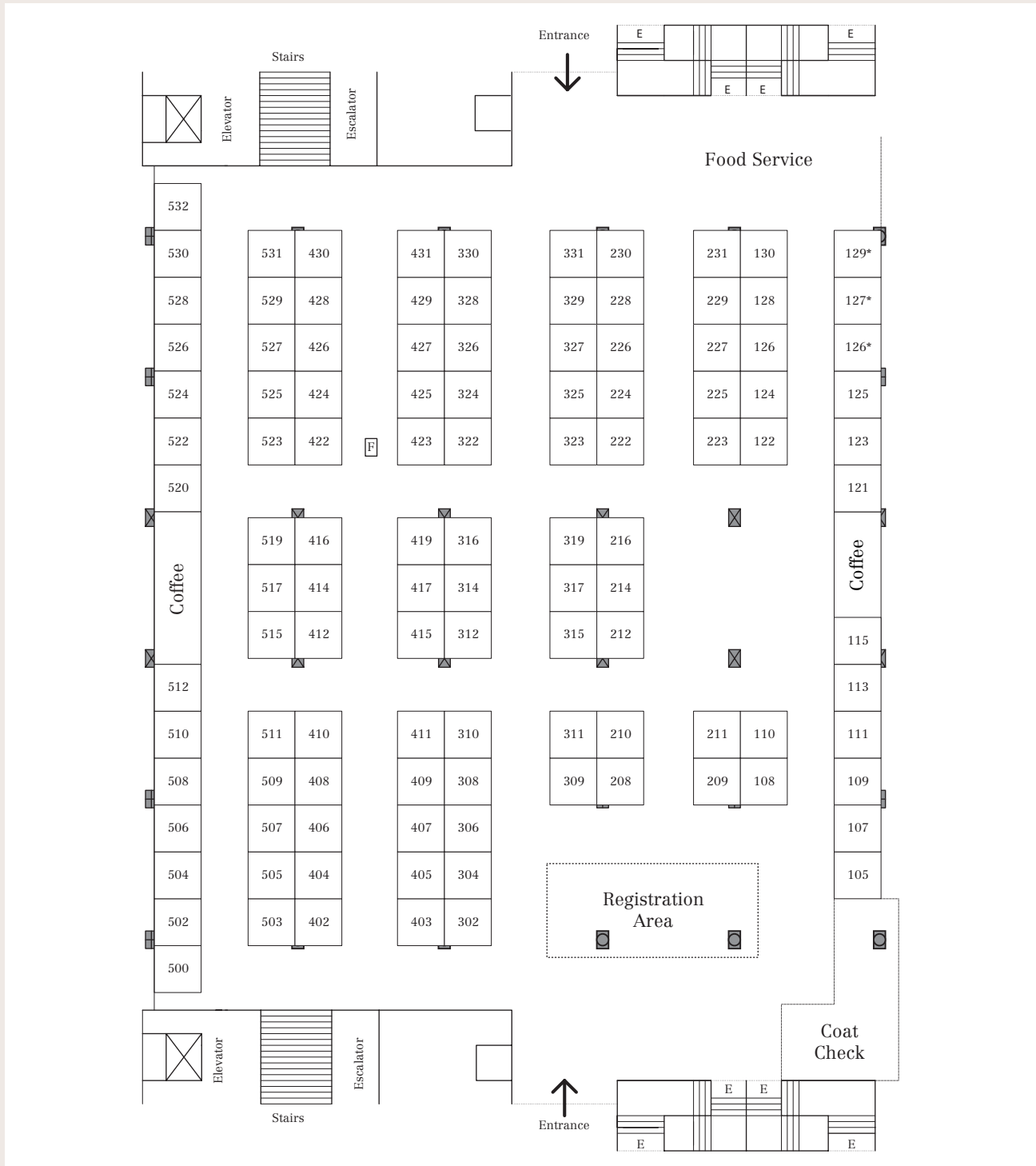
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