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2009 Yukon Public Service Week Celebrations

WHITEHORSE – Yukon government employees will be celebrating Yukon Public Service Week at various events June 15 to 19.

Since 2005, public servants in Yukon have come together to recognize accomplishments and to share in the pride of public service.

“The government looks forward to this annual opportunity to recognize the contributions that public servants make to our communities,” Minister responsible for the Public Service Commission Patrick Rouble said.

On a rotating basis, events in communities are hosted by Yukon government departments. Six Yukon communities are included this year: Destruction Bay/Burwash Landing, Dawson City, Haines Junction, Watson Lake and Whitehorse. Over the past four years community events have been held in Carmacks, Carcross, Beaver Creek, Teslin, Mayo, Faro/Ross River.

Whitehorse employees will be celebrating on June 16 on the river side of the Yukon Tourism and Culture building board walk. Names of nominees for the 2009 Premier’s Award of Excellence will be announced, as will the three winners of the annual Yukon government employee photo contest.

In honour of National Aboriginal Day (June 21) the Whitehorse event will feature Ta’an Kwäch’än Dancers and demonstrations of traditional crafts.

Launched in 1992 as a federal government initiative called National Public Service Week, Yukon public servants are now celebrating Yukon Public Service Week during the third week of June each year.

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