

THE GUN LAKE TRIBE



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Gun Lake Tribe Promotes Health of Great Lakes in Mother Earth Water Walk 2008

- WHO:** Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians & Water Walkers
(www.motherearthwaterwalk.com)
- WHAT:** Traditional Anishnabe Practice of Prayer & Song to Protect Great Lakes Water
- WHEN:** Saturday April 26 – Thursday May 1, 2008 (Times TBD – please call)
- WHERE:** Manistee (26th), Muskegon (29th), Holland (30th), Benton Harbor (May 1)
- DETAILS:** The Anishinaabek (Pottawatomi, Ottawa, Chippewa) Grandmothers have walked the circumference of the Great Lakes honoring the water by praying, singing and offering semaa (tobacco). During their walk they carry a sacred copper vessel of water, saying prayers and singing songs to every creek, river, and lake they encounter. Men of all ages also participate in the walk.

The group walks to raise awareness of the importance of keeping our waters clean. The commitment of the walk is for the protection of our waters and to ensure the everlasting use of the water for our children, our grandchildren and the next generations to come.

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