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Welcome

An Anishinaabe prophesied that "In about 30 years, if we humans continue with our negligence, an ounce of drinking water will cost the same as an ounce of gold."

Water is essential to survival and health.

Everything is related to water. This is proportionate to Mother Earth. Our food sources use water to be nutritious. The medicine wheel teachings are about balance in life.



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About Us

A group of Anishinaabe-kwewag and supports have taken action regarding the water issue. With a bucket of water they walked around Lake Superior in Spring 2003, and plan to walk around the remaining great lakes of North America. This walk is to raise awareness how, we, the human beings on this planet need to know, and take care of our precious resource, the water.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to raise awareness about our water. "Water is precious and sacred... it is one of the basic elements needed for all life to exist."



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Simple Facts

- **Good drinking water is free from disease-causing organisms, harmful chemical substances, and radioactive matter. It tastes good and looks good.**
- **Less than 1 % of the world's freshwater on Earth is readily available for human world consumption.**
- **90 % of persistent organic pollutants come from the atmosphere.**
- **70 % of the world's surface is covered by water, only 2.5 % is freshwater and of that over 1 % is frozen ice.**



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Suggestions / Recommendations

The future in our hands!

- Keep your community clean.
- Recycle and do not litter!
- When washing dishes by hand, do not let the water run while rinsing.
- Only run your washing machine and dishwasher when they are full.



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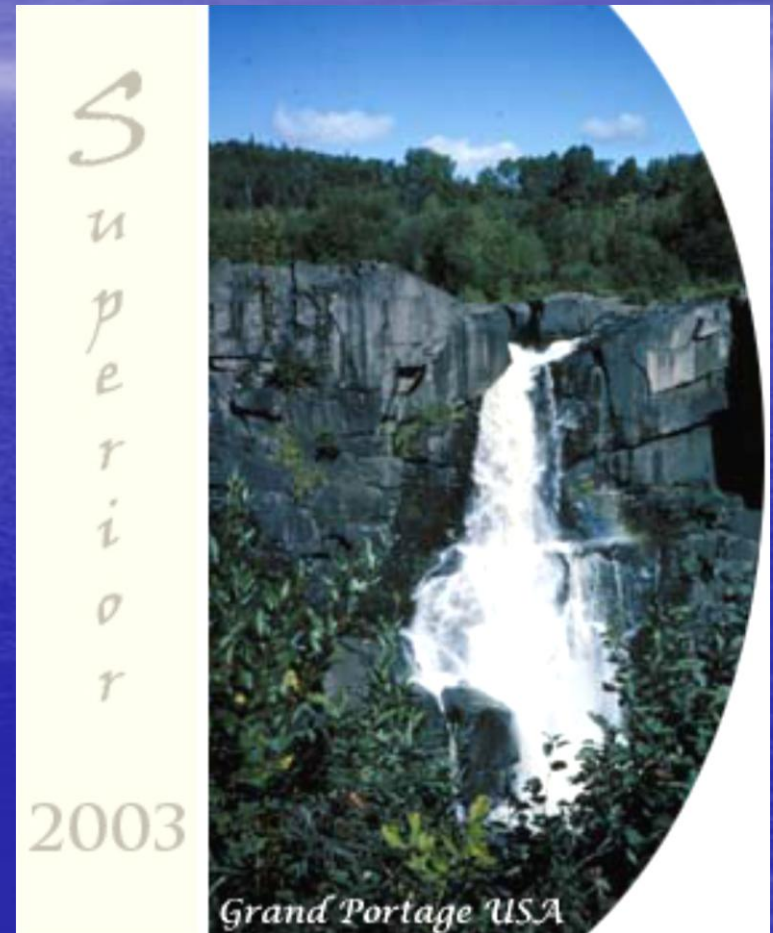
Lake Superior 2003

First Annual Women's Water Walk took place in the Spring of 2003.

The Women walked around the Lake Superior Basin.

The Annual Women's Water Walk was chosen for Spring because for the natural re-growth of our natural habitat, as it is a in time for renewal, re-growth, and re-birth.

- April 18, 2003 - May 26, 2003





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Gallery - Lake Superior 2003



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Lake Michigan 2004

The 2nd Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at the Walpole Island First Nation Ontario Canada to journey around Lake Michigan.

They followed in the footsteps of their Anishinawbe Ancestors along one of the great migration routes from the east.

May 9, 2004 - May 21, 2004





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Lake Huron 2005

The 3rd Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at the Sault St. Marie, Ontario Canada to journey around Lake Huron.

- April 30, 2005 - June 5, 2005

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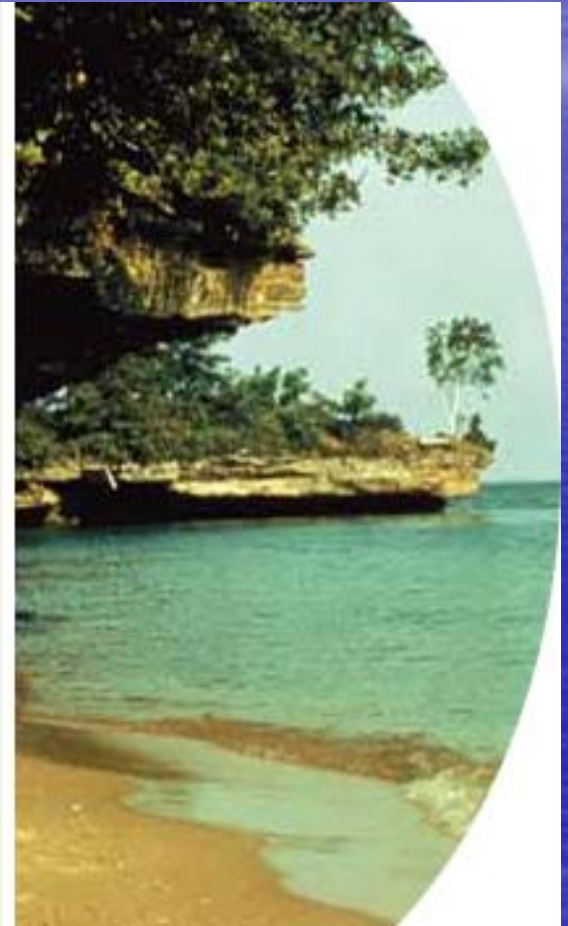
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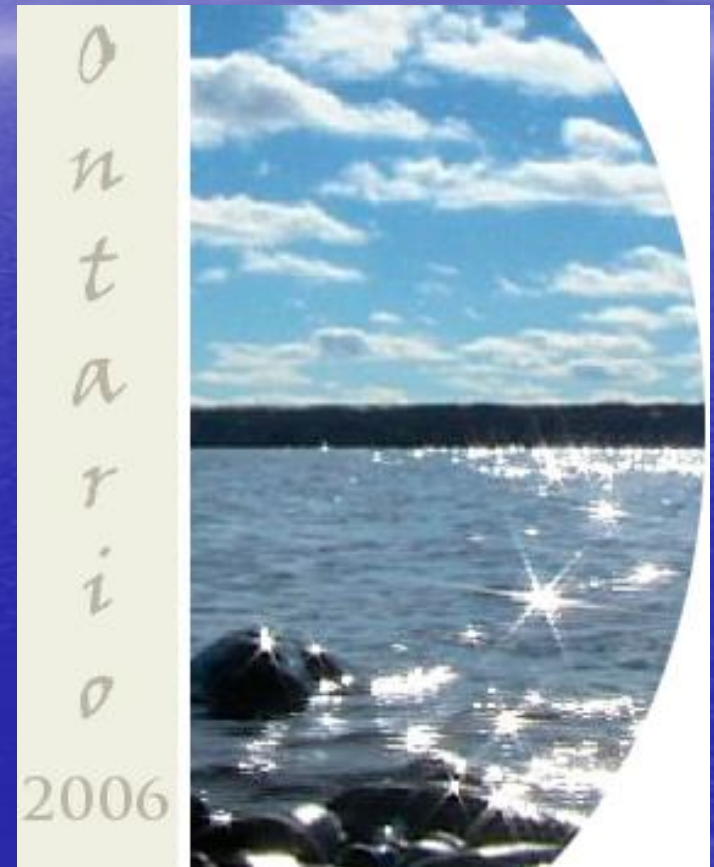
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Lake Ontario 2006

The 4th Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at the Niagara On The Lake, Ontario, Canada to journey around Lake Ontario.

- April 29, 2006 - May 10, 2006





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Lake Erie 2007

The 5th Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada to journey around Lake Erie.

- April 28, 2007 - May 12, 2007





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Lake Michigan 2008

The 6th Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at in Manistee, Michigan to journey around Lake Michigan and finish off in Hannahville, Michigan.

At sunrise, Feast Foods is offered to the Water, Pipe and Tobacco and then the walk begins after the petitioned water and pail has been filled.

April 26, 2008 - May 12, 2008





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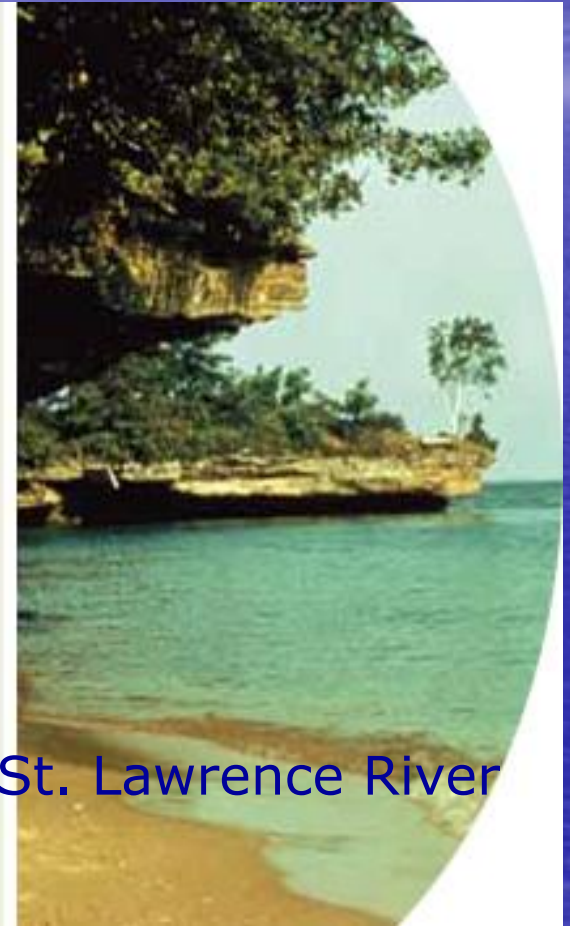


St. Lawrence River

The 7th Annual Women's Water Walk began their awareness walk at Kingston, Ontario, Canada to journey around the St. Lawrence River and ended at Riviere-la-Madeleine, Quebec, Canada.

- April 13, 2009 - May 1, 2009

2009 St. Lawrence River





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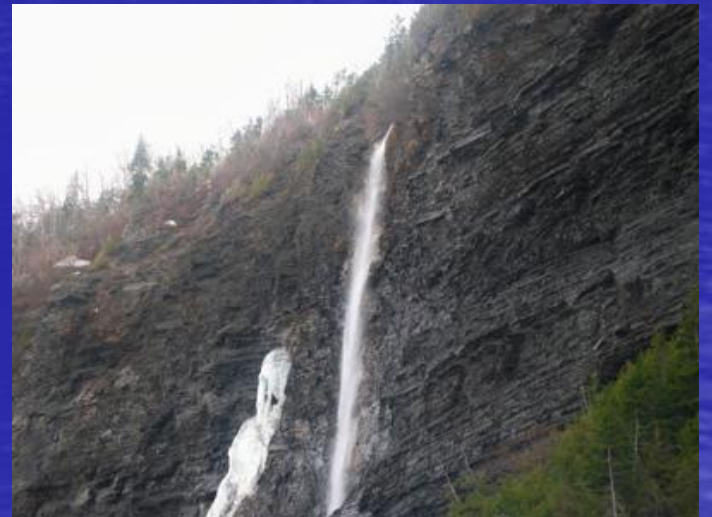


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The originality of this idea is uncommon as there are few who are ready and willing to take on such a challenge.

This idea is original because of how society today is taught to rely on the technological equipment, and that the mere thought of a walk being more than 15 minutes is a task for many.

We strive with determination in that this challenge is seldom being done elsewhere, particularly in our region.

We are doing this walk to emphasize the importance of our waters.

The Great Lakes are very precious and sacred to our being, as water is one of the basic elements needed for all life to exist.



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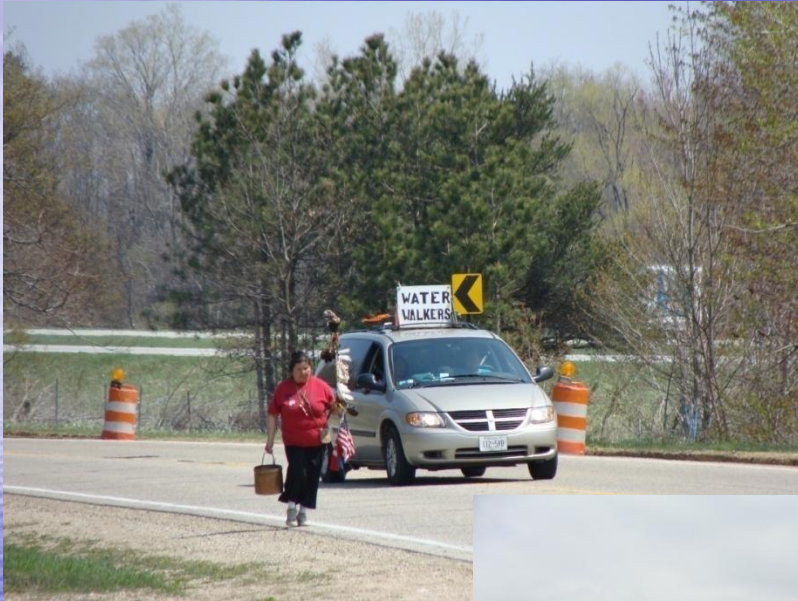


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