

“Living Water”

Teachings of the Water Walkers

The water is alive; we feed it and it feeds us. We grow food with it and we eat fish from it. We swim in it and we paddle on it. As individuals and organizations, we are working to protect and restore the land and water that flows from the St. Joseph River. Andy Jackson and other Potawatomi Grandmothers will sing, drum and share stories that help us understand *Ezh gda bamendamen nibi* — the way which we should all mind the water when they present: *“Living Water: Teachings of the Water Walkers.”*

AGENDA

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration / Social Time
(A cash bar will be available.)

6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Welcome / Opening Remarks
(Matt Meersman, FotSJR Board President)

6:30 - 6:45 p.m. Award Presentation

6:45 - 8:00 p.m. Dinner

8:00 - 8:45 p.m. Presentation by Potawatomi Grandmothers

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8:45 - 9:00 p.m. Questions & Final Comments/Auction Check-Out

There will also be a **Silent Auction from 5:00 - 7:45 p.m.** Winners will be announced at the conclusion of the meeting. Items for bid include Paintings by Local Artists, Beer & Wine Packages, Native Plant Seeds, Rain Barrels, Bird Houses, and more!



WHO ARE THE “WATER WALKERS”

Potawatomi women are recognized as life givers and protectors of water. In order to raise awareness about the importance of clean water, Andy Jackson and other Potawatomi Grandmothers started an annual “Water Walk”. The event fosters respect and appreciation for the water that is too often taken for granted.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Soil & Water Conservation Districts
- Lake Associations & Watershed Groups
- Drain Commissioners & County Surveyors
- Natural Resource Managers
- Local Government Staff & Elected Officials
- Urban Stormwater Managers
- Water Lovers of Any Kind!

EVENT DETAILS & REGISTRATION

DATE: Monday, March 18, 2013

TIME: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (EDT)

LOCATION: Sturges-Young Auditorium
201 N. Nottawa Street
Sturgis, Michigan 49091

COST: \$25.00/person (Includes dinner & program materials. A cash bar will be available.)

REGISTER BY: March 11, 2013

Register & pay online at www.fotsjr.org/upcoming_events, or use the registration form below & mail your payment.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

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Please make checks payable to FotSJR for \$25.00/person. Send this form with payment in full to: FotSJR, PO Box 1794, South Bend, IN 46634
Or call Daragh Deegan at (574) 293-2573 to reserve your seat(s) by March 11, 2013.