

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Water Walk

The water walk begins with ceremony at 6 am ET Wednesday, July 20 at First Sand Beach in Pequaming. The 17-mile walk continues around the Bay to Sand Point in Baraga. All ages, genders, and ethnicities are welcome to walk for the water with KBIC.

You are not required to walk the entire 17 miles. Vehicles will accompany walkers for reprieve. Please bring a light backpack for snacks and water. Sandwiches are provided. It is customary for women to wear long skirts. We typically finish the walk by 1 pm.

This walk is inspired by Josephine Mandamin's (February 21, 1942 – February 22, 2019) first water walk across Turtle Island. Josephine was an Anishinaabe First Nations grandmother who began the movement, walking more than 10,000 miles in total for the healing of the water.

Directions to First Sand Beach:

Turn onto L'Anse Ave, L'Anse, MI. Left on E Broad St., Right onto N. Main St for 2.9 miles. Turn left onto the Whirl-I-Gig Rd and right onto Bayshore Rd/Pequaming Rd for 4.2 miles. The destination will be on the left.

You may contact Pastor Julie Belew for a ride at (906) 370-5301. The group will meet at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 211 State St., Baraga at 5:45 am ET.

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Powwow

The PowWow takes place at the Ojibwa Campground about a mile and a half from the main blinker light in Baraga on Hwy 41 heading north. You can't miss the large sign on the right. It is advised to bring your own chair as bleacher seats are limited. Vendors are available for food, drink and Native American arts and crafts. Pastor Julie Belew recommends attending the Grand Entries. The most popular are Friday or Saturday evenings at 7 pm ET.

44TH ANNUAL KBIC MAAWANTJIDING
JULY 22ND-24TH, 2022
 LOCATED AT THE OJIBWA CAMPGROUNDS IN BARAGA MI

GRAND ENTRIES
 Fri: 7:00pm EST Sat: 1:00pm EST & 7:00pm EST Sun: 1:00pm EST
 REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING TIMES NO EXCEPTIONS:
 Fri: 5:00 pm-7:00pm EST Sat: 10:00 am-1:00pm EST & 5:00pm-7:00pm EST
 MCS : JOHN TELLER JR. + KEITH SMITH
 ARENA DIRECTORS: BRIAN MOORE + MARK KINGBIRD

CO-HOST DRUM
 YOUNG KINGBIRD

SINGING CONTEST
 \$5,000
 \$3,000
 \$2,000
 \$1,000
 DRUM SPLIT FOR ALL NON-CONTEST DRUMS

HOST DRUM
 MIDNITE EXPRESS

MEN'S FANCY BUSTLE SPECIAL
 \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$100

WOMEN'S FANCY SHAWL
 \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$100

MEN'S TRADITIONAL SPECIAL
 \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$100

18+ WOODLAND MEN'S SPECIAL
 \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$100

18+ WOMEN'S JINGLE SPECIAL
 \$500, \$300, \$200, \$100, \$100

6-17 JUNIOR WOODLAND SPECIAL
 \$300, \$200, \$100, \$50, \$50

6-17 JUNIOR JINGLE SPECIAL
 \$300, \$200, \$100, \$50, \$50

3-MAN HAND DRUM CONTEST
ADULT + YOUTH TWO-STEP CONTEST
 ALL CONTESTS START FRIDAY

HEAD MALE DANCER
 GABE DESROSTERS

HEAD FEMALE DANCER
 DIANE DESROSTERS

HEAD VETERAN DANCER
 KEN FUNMAKER JR.

DANCERS AND NON-CONTEST DRUMS PAID DAILY

Not responsible for lost or stolen property
Drugs and Alcohol Prohibited
No Dogs allowed

Questions? Contact info
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