

## **Walking in Spirit with our Indigenous Sisters**

Embassy Ballroom  
Victoria Inn, Thunder Bay  
Tuesday July 11, 2017  
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### **Programme**

11:40 Explanation of Programme  
Cindy Crowe, Blue Sky Community Healing Centre

12:00 **Earring Presentation:**

During lunch, delegates will place one earring on the Tree of Life and receive a bookmark with the name of a murdered or missing woman. The delegate will carry that woman and her family with her for the afternoon.

**Blanket presentation:**

Grandmothers who will lead the drumming will be gifted with a blessed quilt as a thank you for joining us in the walk.

1:00 **Jody Porter Stories**

Grandmothers will drum the delegates back to session and Jody Porter will share some of her award winning stories of Indigenous peoples.

2:15 **Ceremonial Walk**

Led by Cindy Crowe, the drummers and delegates will process around the grounds carrying their bookmark and a vial of water from their home communities.

**Sacred Circle**

The walk will end in a sacred circle where a drum song, smudging, sharing by the grandmothers, gifting of tobacco and collection of the water will complete the service at this site.

**Carried water returned to Lake Superior**

To conclude the service of remembrance and honour, the collected water will be taken to the McIntrye Floodway in the East End to be presented to Lake Superior. Delegates who are able, are invited to follow and join in the prayer service for the young people who were found in the floodway.