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Subject: Walking Tour of Old Indian Trail Markers

**Traverse City** — For thousands of years the Native Americans of Michigan traveled well-worn trails throughout our region. Just like the ancient mound builders before them, the Anishinaabe, which included tribes of Ojibwe, Odawa and Potawatomi Natives, used the same established trails. One of the pathways was the Cadillac to Traverse City trail. The mapping out of this ancient Cadillac-Traverse City route began in the 1940s. The final marker was placed on West End Beach on Grand Traverse Bay in 1987. The entire trail is now composed of 33 markers.

To learn more about this special trail, join Woody Unruh, founder of the Friends of the Old Indian Trail organization and member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, as he takes you on a three-mile walking tour, which highlights two of our area’s markers. Meet Woody at the Southwest corner of Cass and Lake Avenue on Saturday, September 9, at 1 p.m. for the tour.

The walking tour is free, but advance registration is requested.

For more information and to register, email dmikowski@grandtraverse.org or call 231-922-4911.

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