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Dan and Mary Lou Smoke invite listeners to attend a healing and wellness conference held at the home of Mohawk Elder Jan Longboat. The featured speaker and Elder-in-residence at this event will be Jane Middelton-Moz.

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DAN SMOKE: [Inaudible] Boozhoo! Koolamalsi. Waajiiye. Yes, and that was **Jane Middelton-Moz**. Jane Middelton-Moz is also going to be the featured speaker, Elder-in-residence, at a weeklong festivity of healing and wellness that's going to be taking place at the home of **Jan Longboat**. That's going to be taking place later on this month, the last week of September. I believe that's September...I just know that's the last week of September.

MARY LOU SMOKE: I think it's the 28th and 29th of September.

DS: Can you tell them a little bit about the program, Mary Lou?

MLS: Well, Janice Longboat has been running this program. It's for healing, and in particular the women, it's to heal from all the traumas that things like Jane Middelton-Moz just spoke about. She's been doing this for a couple of years with this project, how do you call it, project?

DS: I da wad a di Conference.

MLS: Yeah, she's been working on this program for a couple of years with **Barb Nahwegahbow**. And Barb used to be with the **Anishnawbe Health** in Toronto, so Barb brings with her a vast well of knowledge she's learned throughout her years as, you know, working with the Elders and working for the people. So, they've been putting on these events for a couple of years. They had one that was specifically for residential school survivors that we attended, I think that was, was that last summer?

DS: Yeah, no, I think that was last September.

MLS: Yeah, and **Tommy Porter** was there.

DS: Yes, Tom Porter, who is a **Mohawk**. He was a Chief, but he's an Elder who has led his people back to a community in the **Mohawk Valley** at a place called Canajoharie in New York State. The I da wad a di Conference begins on September the 18th. September the 18th, which is this week.

MLS: Yeah, today's the 15th.

DS: I believe that starts around...yeah, so that'll be like...Wednesday. And it goes right through to Sunday. And again, the featured speaker, Elder-in-residence, teacher, will be Jane Middelton-Moz. So, if you liked what you just heard, that was her keynote talk to 4,000 delegates of **Healing Our Spirit Worldwide Gathering**. You can meet her in person and maybe purchase some of her books at this conference at the home of Jan Longboat. Now, Jan Longboat lives on the **Six Nations** reserve. I think if you just travel down to Six Nations and you just ask anybody, "Where does Jan Longboat live?" they'll tell you where she lives.

MLS: I know she lives on [redacted].

DS: [Redacted] and [redacted], I believe it is. But her phone number is [redacted]. That's [redacted], for the conference down on Six Nations at the home of Jan Longboat. We're now going to go back to our music. We're going to listen to, I believe it's **Litefoot**, and well, no, Mary Lou?

MLS: Okay. We've got all lined up a new CD by **Walela**, and that CD is called **Wounded Knee**, and then there's one by **RedTail**. Okay? So, listen.