

# Election Results Announced for Sault Tribe; Rickley, Bouschor Replace Two Incumbents on Board

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replacing incumbent Todd Gravelle.

Tribal members re-elected incumbent representatives Cathy Abramson and Joseph Eitrem in Unit 1, Lana Causley in Unit 2, and Tom Miller in Unit 4. All will serve another four-year term. No seats were up for election this term for Unit 5.

"I am really humbled about how things turned out," said Mr. McCoy in a news release. "I look forward to working with our team members, the new and existing board members, and working for our tribal members."

The date has not yet been determined by the board for newly elected tribal officials to be seated.

The board will call a special meeting to install the new board members.

For the general election, all tribal members registered to vote were able to vote for chairperson. Unit I voters were able to select three board representatives, while voters from Units II and III had to each choose one. Incumbent Tom Miller ran unopposed in Unit 4.

The tribe's seven-county service area, which includes Chippewa, Mackinac, Luce, Schoolcraft, Alger, Delta, and Marquette counties, is divided into five units. Each unit is represented by an established number of elected tribal members who serve on the board. All officers serve for four years and staggered terms put half of the board up for election every

two years.

The following results are considered unofficial, and were announced by the Sault Tribe Election Committee during the public ballot count June 26. Results of the election are deemed official following an announcement to the board of directors at the next scheduled board meeting, or if no action is taken in seven days following the election. Candidates have three days after the unofficial results are posted by the Election Committee to contest the results or request a recount.

### 2008 General Election of the Sault Tribe Board of Directors Unofficial Results

**Chairperson Candidates (One seat up for election)**

1. Darwin "Joe" J. McCoy

(3,853)

### Unit 1 Candidates (Three seats up for election)

1. Joseph V. Eitrem\* (1,953)
2. Cathy M. Abramson\* (1,946)
3. Bernard A. Bouschor (1,660)
4. Nathan J. Wright (1,655)
5. Luella M. Brown (1,299)
6. Todd K. Gravelle\* (1,267)

### Unit 2 Candidates (One seat up for election)

1. Lana E. Causley\* (566)
2. Robert R. Horn (404)

### Unit 3 Candidates (One seat up for election)

1. Patrick D. Rickley (890)
2. Frederick J. Paquin\* (753)

### Unit 4 Candidates (No primary required, one seat up for election)

1. Thomas G. Miller\*

### Election Statistics

Number of Ballots Mailed: 11,670  
Number of Ballots Received: 7,377

Number of Ballots Deemed Spoiled: 2 (Ineligible ballots: Primary ballots sent in by mistake)  
\* Indicates incumbent candidate

## New Program To Focus on Water Safety

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interested in sailing to Canada. Booths will be set up, brochures will be handed out, and staff will be available to answer questions.

The program will include water safety advice for each season of the year. The Coast Guard will begin the program by talking about the dangers of ice and techniques used to rescue people from icy waters.

The event, entitled Boater and Water Safety Awareness Day, is

being organized by State Trooper Craig Dorenbecker of the St. Ignace post. The master diver said that the Upper Peninsula averages about two drownings a year, although by mid-June this year, he already has been on four recovery dives. A 67% statewide increase in water-related deaths statewide sparked his idea for the event.

More public awareness about water safety is needed, he said. "It's safe, as long as you respect the water."

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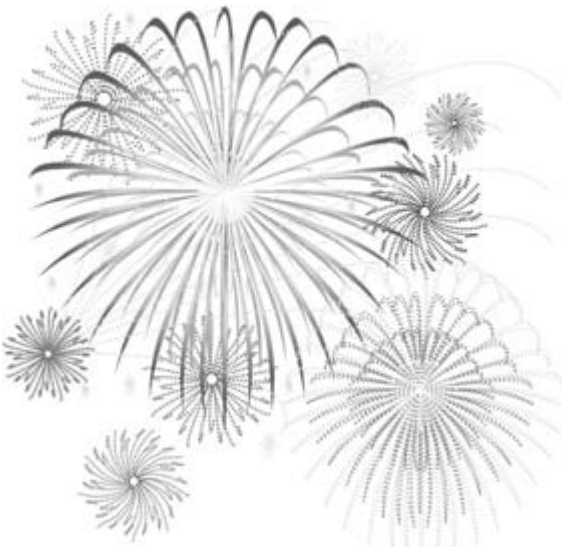
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