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# Win Awenen Nisitotung

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## Joe Eitrem appointed tribal chairman Aug. 23

BY MICHELLE BOUSCHOR

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors appointed board member Joe Eitrem as the new chairman of the 39,000-member tribe on Aug. 23. Eitrem will serve out the term of former Chairman Darwin “Joe” McCoy, who announced his resignation on May 10 and whose term would have ended in June 2012. The board also declared Eitrem’s director seat in Unit I vacant.

“I fully support Director Eitrem in his new role,” said Vice Chairwoman Lana Causley. “Over the past three months, I took my role as a serious responsibility and worked to keep our tribe moving forward. I would have supported

any of my fellow board members in this role and am glad to see a majority vote to appoint Director Eitrem. I look forward to working with him as the new chairman and will continue to move the tribe in a positive direction.”

Eitrem was first elected to the Sault Tribe Board of Directors in 2004. If he wishes to continue serving as chairman, he must win re-election in the next tribal election to be held in June of next year. Other candidates are likely to seek the seat as well.

The board will work to appoint an eligible tribal member to the seat left vacant by Eitrem. As specified in the tribe’s Constitution, the tribal board must choose a replacement to serve out

the remainder of Eitrem’s four-year term, which also ends in June 2012. Under the Constitution, when a vacancy occurs, the board chooses the replacement, who must be a tribal member of voting age. The replacement must be a voting member of the unit Eitrem represented, which was Unit I.

The notice of election for the 2012 tribal elections will be posted on Jan. 27 pursuant to the tribal Election Code. The notice will be posted in the tribal newspaper, on the tribe’s official website and at all tribal offices.

Sault Tribe official resolutions, voting matrix, press releases, election code and constitution documents can be found at [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com).



Photo by Brenda Austin

Newly appointed tribal Chairman Joe Eitrem takes the oath of office from Election Committee Chairman Mike Kckerchie (L-R).

## Inland Committee opposes moose hunt

BY JENNIFER DALE-BURTON

The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians’ Inland Conservation Committee voted to oppose the proposed Michigan Moose hunt. At its Aug. 1 meet-



ing, the committee cited biological concerns of a hunt’s impact on a fragile and uncertain population of 433 moose. The proposed hunt would take 10 bull moose in the fall after the rutting season, according to news accounts.

Under the terms of the 2007

Inland Consent Decree, the committee’s opposition effectively ends Michigan’s bid for a moose hunt, for now.

“Unfortunately, this discussion is about harvesting moose. The more appropriate discussion is how we should manage moose in Michigan,” said Sault Tribe Inland Biologist Eric Clark. “Hunting is a valuable management tool. However, in the case of the Michigan moose, the Sault Tribe is not willing to put hunting ahead of population recovery.”

Tribal representatives will present the tribe’s views at the next Natural Resource Commission’s

See “Moose,” page 19



Photo courtesy of the State of Michigan

Directors Deb Pine, Keith Massaway and Lana Causley, Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, Directors Cathy Abramson and Pat Rickley with Lead Counsel John Wernet at the 2011 tribal state summit in Lansing July 27.

## Tribe pays off \$7.3 million bond

On Sept. 1, 2011, the Sault Tribe will pay off a \$7.315 million serial bond it took out in 1992 to construct and equip the Sault Ste. Marie Health & Human Services Center. This payoff is one year early and results in an interest savings of \$54,250.

“This payoff comes at a great time,” said Joe Eitrem, Sault Tribe chairman. “It is the last bond we have to pay off and the savings on interest and next years payment will free up funds to be set up reserves for building improvements at the Health Center and help to reduce the cost of facility operations.”

Many other tribal projects, including the addition to JKL School, the construction of the Chi Mukwa Recreation Center and the Kewadin Sault hotel and conference center addition, have used bond funding as a means

of financing. It allows for a safe investment and allows the tribe to extend payback of the amount borrowed over a greater time period than if funding came from a traditional lender, such as a bank.

With this project, the serial bonds were issued in \$100,000 increments and matured in installments of various amounts beginning in 1995, with interest rates ranging from 5.5 to 7.75 percent depending on how long the bonds were held. The bonds were issued as tax-exempt, which gives them appeal to various institutional purchasers as the interest earnings on the bonds are not taxable for federal and state level.

In 1990, the tribe’s outpatient health clinic was located at the former Kincheloe Air Force base hospital. The Sault Tribe health plan was to locate the clinics

closer to the major population centers of our community. At that time, health care and access was an identified need and a priority of the tribe’s leadership. Indian Health Service had a 20-year construction project backlog. Our tribe decided not to wait and financed the project with a bond sale, which was the first in the nation with a tribe. The plan was to build four main sites — Sault Ste. Marie, St. Ignace, Munising and Manistique — and that goal was accomplished.

Serial bonds, commonly issued by state and municipal governments, are bonds that allow the issuer to amortize bond principal over several years, by having bonds mature at periodic intervals, at, say, every six months. Each bond has its own maturity date, set by a schedule in the initial offering.

### UPDATE —

The news article above, “Inland Committee opposes moose hunt,” has been updated since press time. The tribe will not make a presentation at the Natural Resources Commission meeting Sept. 15 in Sault Ste. Marie. Rather, it has sent official notification to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Please see the press release, “Sault Tribe votes to oppose Michigan Moose Hunt,” on the front page of our website, [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com). — J. Dale-Burton, Ed.

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# Sault Tribe in full scale catastrophe exercise

By Rick Smith

Helping to hone a coordinated U.S. and Canadian response to a major spill in the wake of an oil tanker catastrophe west of the Soo Locks, representatives from Sault Tribe agencies will be among more than 300 professionals and others with interests in protecting the waters of the Great Lakes taking part in CANUSLAK 2011, an international, full-scale joint exercise set for Sept. 13-14.

CANUSLAK is the Canada-United States Great Lakes Annex Joint Marine Pollution Contingency Plan. Some form of exercise of the pollution response plans take place each year, usually in the form of "table top" exercises. Among personnel from governmental, military, tribal and private interests will be first responders, public safety and health representatives, environmental protection

specialists, contractors, shipping company representatives, elected officials, volunteers and others. According to Steven Keck, contingency preparedness specialist for the United States Coast Guard in Sault Ste. Marie, the exercise will take lessons learned from previous massive oil-spill catastrophes and focus on critical roles and measures to take place in the first 24 to 48 hours after an incident.

"Let's face it," said Keck speaking about getting official help in the aftermath of a major calamity. "Up here, all we'll have is ourselves for a while." The United States Coast Guard and the Canadian Coast Guard are jointly conducting the exercise. Some of the objectives of the exercise are to evaluate contingency plans, exercise respective roles and responsibilities, evaluate resource deployments, evaluate interagency

equipment interoperability, develop local vessel refuge plans and test inter-agency communications. Representing Sault Tribe in the exercise is Executive Director Kristi Harwood-Causley on the unified command for the exercise, Chief of Police Bob Marchand for afloat safety and security concerns, Kathie Brosemer of the Environmental Department on the exercise design team and as an exercise controller, Nathan Freitas of the Environmental Department as a technical specialist, Joel Lumsden overseeing response functions of the tribe's health services, and Tom Gorenflo and Mike Ripley from the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority acting in the interests of tribal fisheries. Others may be included as plans become firmer.

The exercise will simulate a massive oil spill of at least one-quarter of a million gallons at a point well west of the Soo Locks. Working together, the various agencies must protect their particular areas of interest as well as assisting others to resolve their particular concerns. The international effort tests and sharpens well-coordinated responses to massive oil spills in the region as set forth in the Joint Marine Pollution Contingency Plan developed over 30 years ago in accordance with the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

## Committee needs help

Sault Tribe members are sought to fill five openings on the Special Needs/Enrollment Committee. Interested members must reside in the unit for which they are applying and should submit one letter of intent and three letters of recommendation to Tara Benoit, 523 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. For any questions, call or send email to Tara Benoit at 635-6050 or tbenoit@saulttribe.net.

## Get Medicare info online

Visit Ask Medicare at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov), a new website that provides information and support for caregivers.

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## Newspaper deadlines

Below is the Win Awenen Nisitotung production schedule for the rest of 2011.  
If there are any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Jennifer Dale-Burton at (906) 632-6398, extension 26073, or email [jdburton@saulttribe.net](mailto:jdburton@saulttribe.net).

DEADLINE DATE (Tuesdays)	PUBLISH DATE (Fridays)
Sept. 27	Oct. 7
Oct. 25	Nov. 4
Nov. 29	Dec. 9

## Vehicles for Sale

The Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians Purchasing Department is currently accepting "Sealed Bids" for the purchase of the following vehicles.

**These vehicles are on display at 1111-1/2 Easterday Ave, Sault Ste. Marie, MI**

Description	Min. Bid	Mileage	4-digit VIN
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1994 Ford Econoline Van	\$360.00	246,625	4258
1995 Dodge Truck	\$380.00	136,756	2531
1996 Ford Club 15 Pass	\$360.00	286,355	1240
1997 Blue Bird	\$610.00	Unknown	5188
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1999 Dodge Ram Van	\$360.00	263,322	1374
1999 Ford Contour LX	\$260.00	103,927	5076
1999 Ford Windstar	\$310.00	180,646	5503
2000 Dodge Ram	\$360.00	253,793	1778
2000 Ford Windstar	\$310.00	206,674	8087
1994 Ford Cargo Van	\$360.00	255,953	8947

**This vehicle is on display at 2218 Shunk Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, MI**

2002 Jeep Liberty	\$3000.	106,000	6966
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1994 Ford Van	\$360.00	Unknown	5154
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1994 Ford Van	\$360.00	Unknown	8409

**This vehicle is on display at 3015 Mackinaw Trail, St. Ignace, MI**

Blue Bird	\$505.00	Unknown	8948
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**These vehicles are on display at 250 VooDoo Rd, Gwinn, MI**

1985 1500 International Stake Truck	\$1,500.00	82,111	0991
2002 Ford F250 Pickupw/8' Plow	\$1,000.00	97,962	9115

**This vehicle is on display at 5630 W US 2, Manistique, MI**

1999 Ford Contour	\$225.00	Unknown	6153
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### Vehicles are sold "As Is" "Where Is"

All bids must be submitted by Sept. 26, 2011, at 12 Noon  
Bids must be submitted to:

**Sault Tribe Purchasing  
Tamara Roche/Vehicles  
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For more information please contact Tamara Roche at (906) 635-7035

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Please note the distribution date when submitting event information for our community calendar. Submissions can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed. The distribution date is the earliest the newspaper can arrive in the seven-county service area.

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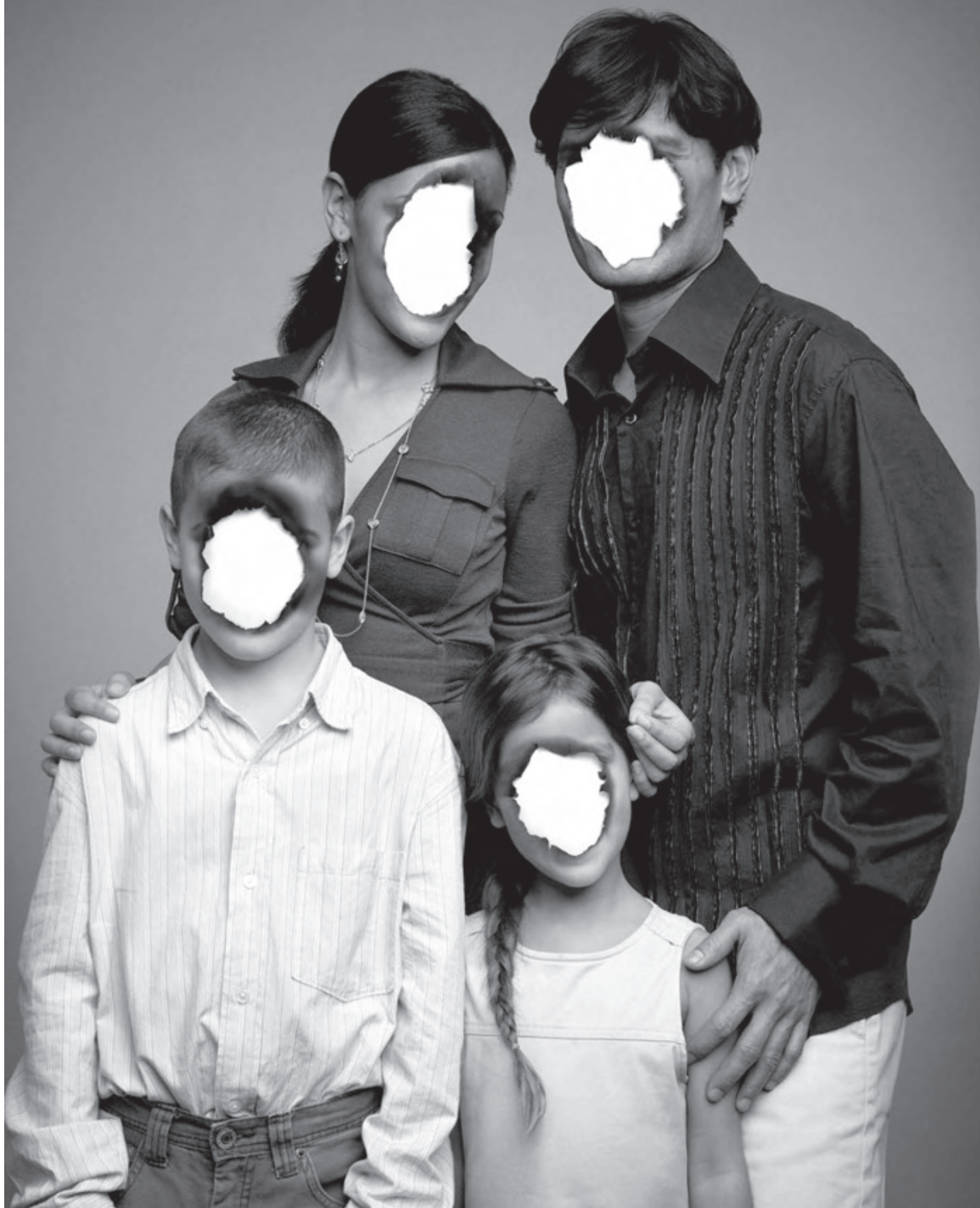
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# Unit I elders selling T-shirts with Sault Tribe logo

By **BRENDA AUSTIN**

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Unit I Sault Tribe elders are selling T-shirts with the Sault Tribe logo to raise funds for the children's Christmas party, scholarships, community events and the annual Unit I elders trip.

T-shirts can be purchased at the Elder Center located at 2076 Shunk Rd. in the Sault or by mailing your request. Sizes range from a child's small through an adult extra large for \$15, and sizes 2X and 3X for \$20. There is an additional \$5 shipping charge for mail orders. Available colors are lime green, bright fuchsia, black, royal blue, red and jade. The logo itself is white and 10-inches in diameter.

Vice-chair of the Unit I Elder Committee, Edey Nichols, said the T-shirt fundraiser will be an ongoing event and they are considering taking pre-orders for hoodies (sweatshirts) this fall. "We are just getting started with sales; so far we have sold about \$700 worth. The money raised from the T-shirts is going directly into our Unit I Elder Subcommittee, in addition to what we raise from our soup and fry bread fundraisers," she said.

There are about six elders who consistently do fundraising for the committee, she added.

Nichols said she has been trying to get everything into place for the past five years to be able to market and sell the T-shirts. "I am really happy; fortunately, our new director is really supportive. She is very respectful; she has that Native value system," she said.

The T-shirts and hoodies will also make a great



Alaysia Brewer wearing T-shirt with tribal logo.

Christmas or birthday gift.

For more information, call the Elder Center at (906) 635-4971 or toll free at (888) 711-7356. Questions can also be emailed to Monica Kelley at mkelley@saulttribe.net. To mail in an order, send a check or money order with the \$5 shipping fee to: Sault Tribe Elder Center, 2076 Shunk Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

# Board members cook for elders

Sault Tribe Unit I elders opted to stay inside for their picnic, safe from rain and thunderstorms, while Unit I Directors DJ Malloy, Joe Eitrem, Deb Pine and Cathy Abramson stayed outside with the food the Unit I directors purchased and prepared for the elders on Aug. 3.

Elder staff, including drivers, served 122 elders their sirloin steak, potato salad, baked beans, green beans and strawberry shortcake, along with punch and coffee.

The event started with a Mass by Brother John Hascall, moved into the fine feast and ended with an elders meeting. Unit I directors called in casino administration to explain the changes in promotions and how they affect tribal elder days at the casino.



Left: Joe Eitrem, Cathy Abramson and DJ Malloy cook up some steaks for the Unit I elders.



Left: Elder Care Center Director Sheryl Hammock serves the elders punch.



Randy Reil and Beverly Black dish up food for the Unit I elder picnic.

# Administration proposes to "double down" on federal spending cuts



By **MARK TRAHANT**

So far, most of the government's austerity movement has been theoretical. We know the federal budget is shrinking, but the evidence of that has been slow to surface.

Proposals to wipe out the Bureau of Indian Affairs (and replace it with what?) remain little more than spin. Kentucky Sen. Paul Rand's bill, for example, has no co-sponsors, no hearing schedule and no chance.

But real budget cuts, the kind that will have deep and lasting impact in Native American communities across the country, are starting to take shape.

Last month, the Office of Management and Budget sent a memorandum to agencies outlining an approach to the coming budget.

"In light of the tight limits on discretionary spending starting in 2012, your 2013 budget submission to OMB should provide options to support the President's commitment to cut waste and reorder priorities to achieve deficit reduction while investing in those areas critical to job creation and economic growth," writes Jacob J. Lew, OMB's director.

"Unless your agency has been given explicit direction otherwise by OMB, your overall agency request for 2013 should be at least 5 percent below your 2011 enacted discretionary appropriation," Lew continues. "As discussed at the recent Cabinet meetings, your 2013 budget submission should also identify additional discretionary funding reductions that would bring your request to a level that is at least 10 percent below your 2011 enacted discretionary appropriation."

Lew writes that two budget scenarios give the president enough information to "make the tough choices necessary to meet the hard spending targets."

Further, the agencies are told they have to make these reductions "without across-the-board reductions or reductions to mandatory spending in appropriations bills, reclassifications of existing discretionary spending to mandatory, or enactment of new user fees to offset existing spending."

These rules mean that for many programs the 5 or 10 percent reduction will be significantly more than that. Agency leaders are going to have to make tough choices about which programs to cut in half, or, quite possibly, eliminate.

The OMB calls this a "double

down" because it might mean more spending on a program that reflects an "opportunity to enhance economic growth."

At the BIA, this plan represents an overall cut between \$130 million and \$260 million. That is a big number. But it's even more striking, however, if you take out mandatory spending from such things as already negotiated land and water settlements. These are bills that must be paid.

On top of that, add the spending from current priorities, such as the criminal justice initiative. This included funding for 81 FBI agents assigned to investigate crimes in Indian Country.

Other stealth cuts include rent increases and other fixed costs that are not included in the base budget; programs will just have to find the money.

So what does that mean? It's hard to tell because, if you look at previous budgets, almost every program has been growing because of demand and population increases. But this time around there is going to have to be a hard look at everything. Some programs, in order to get to that 5 or 10 percent overall reduction, might have to be eliminated.

What's the most important treaty obligation carried out by the BIA? What can tribes do without the funding from the federal government? Moreover, there is no way to get this kind of reduction without reducing the number of people who work at the BIA.

But look beyond the BIA and consider the whole pie. Imagine when any other federal agency looks for ways to trim 5 or 10 percent. Will every cabinet agency see its Indian Desk as a priority in this environment? Or will it "fold" Indian services into the regular budget?

The impact on federal agencies will be easy to see. There will be fewer people working for the government, either through layoffs or by attrition.

But the impact on tribes and tribal employees will also be significant. A 10 percent reduction of BIA staff would mean about 900 jobs will disappear; there is no hard data but I suspect at least that many tribal employees would be at risk of losing their jobs. Probably far more.

Now the bad news. The stark budgets that will come from the administration represent the best-case scenario. Congress, either through the appropriations process or through the work of the Super Committee, will present a much uglier proposal.

*Mark Trahant is a writer, speaker and Twitter poet. He is a member of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and lives in Fort Hall, Idaho. Trahant's recent book, "The Last Great Battle of the Indian Wars," is the story of Sen. Henry Jackson and Forrest Gerard.*



Photos by Jennifer Dale-Burton  
Elders are served with style at the annual Unit I elders picnic.

# Gov. Rick Snyder presents Reinvent Michigan

BY JENNIFER DALE-BURTON

A personable and focused Michigan Governor Rick Snyder held a town hall meeting Aug. 15 in Sault Ste. Marie at the Ojibway Hotel with over 200 locals attending. The governor presented his Reinvent Michigan plan and then took questions. State Rep. Frank Foster and State Sen. Howard Walker accompanied him.

Snyder's plan boils down to fundamental change. A change in the way we think and act here in Michigan. The governor cited balancing the state budget, eliminating the Michigan Business tax and funding Pure Michigan. "We've done four years of work in six months," he said.

The remainder of the year, the governor will work on health and wellness, infrastructure and what he calls "talent," a combination of education reform and strategic job creation.

In a discussion of "changing our culture," the governor said, instead of fighting over a shrinking pie, we must grow the pie. After a decade of recession and tough times, we must turn to a positive, forward looking and inclusive attitude and work together with what he calls "relentless positive action."

"If you leave here saying it was a nice town hall meeting, I failed," Snyder summed. "I want you to be fired up, have an attitude — have some fire and passion."

In an interview after the meeting, the governor said he really enjoyed his first tribal-state summit, which took place in Lansing earlier this month, adding that he is still learning about the tribes. He is interested in partnering with the tribes, particularly in the area of economic development. "It's a

natural connection," he said.

Sault Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Executive Director Linda Hoath presented the governor with a Sault Ste. Marie sweatshirt, who in turn presented a proclamation to I-500 chairman Ric Federau — the governor is indeed attending next year's I-500 race.

## MICHIGAN TOWN HALL Q&A

The question and answer period exemplified the governor's stance on governing. LSSU President Tony McLain randomly selected question cards submitted by attendees and read them aloud to the room.

**More funds to monitor St. Marys River for open sewage overflow from Sault, Ontario, and East End wastewater treatment plant. (This issue was brought up numerous times.)**

**Answer:** Rep. Frank Foster informed the governor of the situation. The governor said he would see what he could do about monitoring funds and talking to Ontario.

**Merit-Based system for public schools**

**Answer:** The governor is working a merit-based system as part of education reform. Last year's figures showed only 17 percent of kids were ready for college, according to their ACT scores. The system is broken and too focused on other issues rather than the kids. Merit funding would be added to base funding as earned.

**Jobs and seniors' pension taxation (Seniors' pensions were brought up numerous times.)**

**Answer:** The point of eliminat-



Photo by Jennifer Dale-Burton

Gov. Rick Snyder (middle) presented a proclamation to I-500 chairman Ric Federau (L) — the governor is indeed attending next year's I-500 race. He was also pleased to accept a Sault Ste. Marie Pure Michigan sweatshirt from Sault Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Executive Director Linda Hoath (R).

ing the Michigan business tax is creating jobs for Michiganders and growing their businesses. This is also where infrastructure building comes in, such as broadband for commerce.

Taxing pensions will be transitioned in and will begin at a certain income level based on the ability to pay. The population will be aging in the next 20 years, so if pensions are taxed within the ability to pay, it shifts some of the weight off younger people's shoulders, taking care of the problem now instead of on someone else's watch.

**School finance cuts**  
**Answer:** We had a \$1.5 billion deficit. Education was cut

2 percent, far less than other departments, because it has priority. Combine that with education reform for results. The point of government is real results for real people. Funding isn't always the most important thing. Solving the problem and getting real results is.

**Autism bill**  
**Answer:** Autism is an emerging, large issue. We have to use education and be smart about the cost.

**Teacher lay offs**  
**Answer:** We are the only state that lost population. We don't need as many teachers. By growing the economy we create jobs.

**Frakking**  
**Answer:** We've been frakking for natural gas for years with no problem.

**ALEC (American Legislative Exchange Council) membership**  
**Answer:** The governor said he

is not a legislator.

**Healthy Michigan Fund**  
**Answer:** Medicaid was not cut. We had to prioritize, and medical care is a priority, so we made cuts elsewhere.

**Legislator budget cuts**  
**Answer:** The governor said legislators' budgets were cut.

**Anti union**  
**Answer:** The governor said he is not anti-union; he is pro-people. He's asking for sacrifices; we are all in this together.

**Welfare**  
**Answer:** We are going back to the federal government practice of lifetime limitations. We need job opportunities. The key metric is jobs. We are focused on kids. We were under a federal consent decree because we did such a bad job with kids. I put in a great director, and we are now on a positive path; we won't let the kids down.

## Have an issue? Write your representative —

Whether it is the St. Marys Rvier sewage overflow, funding for Indian health care, or some other issue, tribal members have every right to contact their representatives and let them know how they feel. Our current elected officials across the seven-county service area are:

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1. Write a letter you would like to receive. Use a factual, professional tone, don't exaggerate and avoid name-calling or making threats.
2. Write legibly. Only use a typewriter or computer when your handwriting is difficult to read. Be sure to include your name and address.
3. Limit your letter to one page and stick to a single topic. First, state that you support or oppose a position or piece of legislation. Refer to bills and resolutions by number if possible.
4. Then, list the reasons for your support or opposition. Last, ask your representatives to write back explaining their position on the legislation.

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# Little Big Town returns to Kewadin Sault

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Country band Little Big Town, known for its classic country music sound enriched with lush, four-part harmony, will perform at the Sault Kewadin Casino on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m.

Little Big Town performed at Kewadin's outdoor show with

Keith Urban in 2006 and has charted 12 songs on the Billboard Hot Country Songs charts. The band's second album, *The Road to Here*, was certified platinum in the U.S., and produced consecutive top 10 singles on the country charts in *Boondocks* and *Bring It On Home*.

Little Big Town released its fourth studio album, *The Reason Why*, on Aug. 24, 2010.

While they've never been afraid to break new musical ground, the band truly had no bounds in the studio this time around. From the heartland country rock of the title cut to

the groovy mountain soul of lead single *Little White Church*, there is a creative hunger and renewed energy evident on each track.

Tickets to see Little Big Town at Kewadin Casinos

DreamMakers Theater went on sale Monday, Aug. 22 at 8 a.m. and are \$38.50. For more ticket information, call (800) KEWADIN or visit Kewadin.com.

## Pavlat named Team Member of the Month



Congratulations to Kevin Pavlat of the maintenance staff who is Kewadin Sault's Team Member of the month. Pictured is Nick Louricas (left) and Kevin (right).



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Sunday, September 25  
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Sault Ste. Marie,  
Michigan



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# Historical images from Worley Rittenhouse

If anyone recognizes these pictures or has a plot diagram of the Indian Point Cemetery to know where people or a person is buried, please call Worley Rittenhouse at (906) 322-1973.

In the photo to the right, the man sitting to the left on a stump is unknown. In the family group, Moses and Jennie Hardwick are sitting in back. In front of them from left to right are their children, Norma, Ellen and Lucy Hardwick; and John and Mary Hardwick with their daughter Evelyn. Moses and John were brothers. This photo was probably taken in 1917.

Going clockwise, in the next photo are Jennie and Moses Hardwick with Frank Boursaw on

the right. The photo was taken in front of Frank's house; the child is unidentified but probably belongs to Frank. Frank was married to Moses' cousin, Rose (Macabee) Boursaw.

In the next photo, standing in rear, from left are Jennie (Macabee) Chronister, Rose (Macabee) Boursaw and Sophia Hardwick. The girl in the middle is unidentified. Seated are Philomena Moses and Mary Macabee, but it is unknown which is which. Sophia Hardwick and Mary Macabee were sisters. This photo was probably taken around 1908.

The last photo is a shot of Jennie and Moses Hardwick.



## Belfy's Award winning story of *Three Fires Unity*, published and available

BY RICK SMITH

The University of Nebraska Press recently published *Three Fires Unity — The Anishnaabeg of the Lake Huron Borderlands* by Sault area resident and academic Phil Belfy.

According to the book's jacket, Belfy is a founding member of the American Indian Studies Program at Michigan State University and is an associate professor with the university's Department of Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures. Further, it indicates he is the founder and director of the Center for the Study of Indigenous Border Issues and also the author of *Indians and Other Misnomers: A Cross-Reference Dictionary of the People, Persons and Places of North America*. Belfy is a member of the White Earth Band of Minnesota Chippewa and active in American Indian circles, according to his website.

Three Fires Unity contains six chapters in its 203 pages covering A Historical Accounting of the Anishnaabeg people, the French period from the 1600s to 1763, the British period from 1763 to 1795, the United States and the Division of the Anishnaabeg Homeland,



Author Phil Belfy with his book.

treaty-making and removal period and 21st Century conditions and conclusion. An appendix, notes, bibliography and an index are included as well.

"It covers the geography and the history of the area, from Walpole Island in the south to Bawating in the north," said Belfy.

The book is a winner of a North American Indian Prose Award and is available through amazon.com, www.nebraskapress.unl.edu, allbooksores.com, barnesandnoble.com and assorted other websites.

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# Tribal Court assists clients in recovery efforts

BY PATRICK MCKELVIE,  
SPECIALTY COURT COORDINATOR

At Tribal Court we recognize that many of the defendants and respondent parents with cases in the court are battling substance abuse. Rather than focus solely on the offense or the conduct that led them to be involved with the court, we attempt to rehabilitate the person and break the cycle of addiction — for the betterment of the person, their family and the tribal community as a whole.

It is this very notion that has led to the 12 years of success of our Gwaiak Miicon adult criminal Drug Court program, which has in turn energized us to plan a Family Preservation Court to handle our child abuse and neglect cases with substance abuse as the primary obstacle of one or both parents.

In the words of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals: Whenever one

person rises out of addiction and crime, we all rise. When a child is reunited with clean and sober parents, we all rise. When the intergenerational cycle of drug addiction in a family is broken and healing begins, we all rise. Whether the charge is driving while impaired, theft, burglary or any number of other addiction-driven offenses, we all rise when Drug Court guides the offender past the chaos and wreckage and toward recovery.

In the United States, it is estimated that 23.1 million people suffer from addiction to alcohol and drugs. This not only impacts these individuals, but also their families, friends and coworkers. Fortunately, the millions of Americans who are in recovery serve as the most compelling evidence that there is hope for people struggling with addiction. Individuals in recovery not

*Recovery from alcohol and drug problems is a process of change through which an individual achieves abstinence and improved health, wellness and quality of life.*

— National Summit on Recovery (SAMHSA 2005)

only stop using substances, they reestablish friendships and family ties, become productive and responsible citizens, and very often help other addicted people begin to walk the same path.

September is National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month, which promotes recovery and serves as a reminder that recovery is possible. This year's theme is, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Recovery Benefits Everyone." Events held throughout Recovery Month are important opportunities to celebrate

recovery, not just for recovering people, but also for those who love them. These events also work to change attitudes about addiction throughout the nation.

In September, Tribal Court and Sault Tribe Behavioral Health are partnering to celebrate National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month. Together, we will be sponsoring a Recovery Walk on Thursday, Sept. 22, 2011. The Recovery Walk will begin at the Sault Area High School at 5 p.m. After an opening song presented by the Bahwating Singers, the Recovery Walk will journey east on Marquette Avenue to Shunk Road, culminating at the Niigaanagiizhik Building with a free outdoor barbeque. Free entertainment will be provided for the children including a large bouncing tent, games, prizes and face painting. We encourage everyone to come join us for the celebration

Tribal Court and Sault Tribe Behavioral Health are co-sponsoring a Recovery Walk on Thursday, Sept. 22, 2011. The Recovery Walk will begin at the Sault Area High School at 5 p.m. The first 150 Recovery Walk participants will receive "Recovery Benefits Everyone" T-Shirts. Registration begins at 4 p.m.

of recovery in our community.

The first 120 Recovery Walk participants will receive "Recovery Benefits Everyone" T-Shirts. Registration begins at 4 p.m. at the Sault Area High School parking lot. For more information call Pat McKelvie at the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Tribal Court, (906) 635-7741; Lara Cook or Julie McKelvie at Sault Tribe Behavioral Health, 635-6075.

## Sault Tribe Behavioral Health and Tribal Court sponsor free recovery celebration

SUBMITTED BY JULIE A.  
MCKELVIE, MSW, CAADC

The Sault Tribe Behavioral Health program and Sault Tribal Court are joining the Voices for Recovery by hosting a community-wide celebration. On Sept. 22, all those who support recovery in our community are invited to join in on a Recovery Walk beginning at the Sault Area High School parking lot and ending in a community barbeque at the Sault Tribe Cultural Center (Niigaanagiizhik Building). The first 120 community members to join us for the walk will receive a T-shirt with the 2011 logo for this year, "Recovery Benefits Everyone."

Every September, communities and agencies across the country celebrate Recovery Month by bringing to light the tremendous value that behavioral health and recovery support services bring

to those suffering from substance use and mental health disorders. According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), when communities come together for Recovery Month, more people become educated about substance use and mental disorders. They also learn of the benefits that treatment and recovery support services bring to our society as a whole. In addition, Celebrating Recovery month helps us reduce the stigma associated with mental health disorders and promotes healing.

Seeking care for substance use and mental health issues was often kept hidden in times past due to a fear of stigma. More recently this has begun to change. People are beginning to recognize that caring for our substance use and mental health issues is as important and as socially acceptable as caring for



our physical well being. Native peoples have long been aware that overall wellness includes the four domains of physical, emotional, mental and spiritual. With respect

to the Medicine Wheel, the Sault Tribe boasts integrated medical and behavioral health services at four locations in the Upper Peninsula. Each location makes cultural, spiritual, community health and traditional medicine services available as well. Coming together for Recovery Month is a way to celebrate those lives and families

that have been positively impacted by recovery and to promote the goal of wellness in all areas of life.

Please bring your entire fam-

ily out to help us celebrate our first annual Recovery Walk at 4 p.m., Sept. 22. We will start at the Sault Area High School lawn and begin walking at 5 p.m. to the Niigaanagiizhik Building where there will be a barbeque. Activities for the children include a bouncy castle, crafting table, face painting and other games as well as a children's give-away table. This event is free of charge. If you would like, you may bring a dish or dessert to pass. If you have any questions, you can call Julie McKelvie, Lara Cook or Cindy Thomas at Sault Tribe Behavioral Health program, 635-6075, or Pat McKelvie at Sault Tribal Court, 635-4963. We will be happy to answer any questions or email a flyer to you upon request.

Bureau of Justice Assistance Indian Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention AC-BX-0024

## Letters to the editor from United Way and PETA

### United Way launches 2011 fundraising campaign

To the editor,

It is my privilege and pleasure to announce that the 2011 United Way of the Eastern Upper Peninsula Campaign has begun! This year we have set a goal of raising \$345,000 and your support of United Way allows us to continue our mission of addressing community needs. Reaching our 2011 goal will be a challenge, but with more people needing assistance, this is our chance to show our support to those in need. United Way donations mean so much to our community. Our funded partners need support to carry out their missions and it can be done only through gifts from individuals and local businesses. Your friends, relatives and neighbors will benefit from your contribution.

Great things are happening in Eastern Upper Peninsula, and we

need your support to continue the work that has already been started. United Way and our 20 agencies are coming up with innovative ways to address community issues. Charity Tracker is one such example. Our Volunteer Center will be implementing this service shortly, which will allow us to share information and coordinate our efforts. This will allow resources, such as your contribution and mine, to be used more efficiently and accomplish more for those in need.

Charity Tracker isn't the only way United Way of the EUP is addressing community needs in a new way. In 2010-2011, United Way coordinated the Postal Food Drive which raised more than 8,000 pounds of food for local use, helped 63 families with our one-on-one help, facilitated over \$2,600 in prescription savings, took on the fiduciary role for Project Fresh at the Farmers' Markets (tri-county), reduced our overhead by 5 percent, increased traffic in our Volunteer Center and

more. For our full Annual Report please visit our website at [www.UnitedWayEUP.org](http://www.UnitedWayEUP.org).

Dollars raised in this year's campaign will be used to address issues that you felt were important when you filled out our Annual Needs Survey which just closed on July 31. Over 200 EUP residents filled this out and we received great feedback. I am convinced that we are blessed to live in a community that gives back especially during times when the need is greatest.

It will take everyone's help — you, your neighbors, your colleagues and your friends. When a volunteer calls you or when your pledge form comes in the mail, please respond right away. Don't put it off. Don't forget to encourage giving at work and in your neighborhood. We are all very fortunate to live in this wonderful and giving community, and with everyone helping, together we will be able to make this great community an even better place.

There is a wealth of information about United Way of the Eastern Upper Peninsula at [www.UnitedWayEUP.org](http://www.UnitedWayEUP.org). For more information or a brochure/pledge form, please contact me (906) 632-3700, ext. 2.

Thank you,

Tracey Laitinen, executive director, United Way of the EUP

### Five ways to help abandoned pets

Dear editor,

Right now, all over the world, millions of cats and dogs are staring out from behind bars in animal shelters, longing for a friend or scrounging for food, dodging traffic, and struggling to survive on the streets. On Aug. 20, International Homeless Animals' Day, caring people everywhere paused to remember these animals and commit to ending animal homelessness. Here are some ways each of us can help reach the day when every animal has a loving

home:

— Have your dog or cat spayed or neutered, call (800) 248-SPAY for the nearest low-cost spay/neuter clinic.

— Pay for someone in a low-income area of your community to have their animals sterilized or donate to a low-cost spay/neuter clinic.

— Promise to always adopt animals from shelters and never buy them from pet stores or breeders. Buying animals steals homes from animals in shelters.

— Volunteer to walk dogs or play with cats at your local animal shelter.

— Encourage your city leaders to pass a mandatory spay/neuter ordinance.

For more ways to make a difference for homeless animals, visit [www.PETA.org](http://www.PETA.org).

Sincerely,  
Lindsay Pollard-Post  
The PETA Foundation  
501 Front St.  
Norfolk, VA 23510



# Walking On

## BRIAN ERLICHMAN

Brian Todd Erlichman (Nu-Wee, Pekshen, Wab-na-mitt, GUB) of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., died July 30, 2011, at Tendercare Nursing Home in Sault Ste. Marie. He was born March 22, 1973, in New York, N.Y.



He grew up in Prairie Band Potawatomi in Kansas, moving to the Sault Ste. Marie area in 1996. He was known as a volunteer extraordinaire.

He is survived by his mother, Phylis Thomas of Dafter, Mich., and father, Raymond Erlichman of Kansas City; sister, Jeani Erlichman of Dafter; twin brother, Jordan Erlichman of Sault Ste. Marie; brothers, Ashly Erlichman of Dafter and Rick (Terri) Vanderpoel of Pickford, Mich.; aunts, Donna Wahwasuck of Seattle, Wash., Kathryn Wahwasuck of Mayetta, Kans., and Cindy Thomas of Brimley, Mich.; nieces, Ashley and Amber; nephews, Joseph, Zachary and Brandon and great-nephews, Kasen, Kalin and Colin.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Luther and Cecelia Wahwasuck, Abraham and Thyra Erlichman, and his uncle, Douglas Wahwasuck.

Traditional services and visitation were on July 31-Aug. 1 at the Niigaanagizhik Ceremonial Building. Cremation followed the services. Memorial Contributions to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

## FAY F. MARBLE

Fay Frances Marble died on July 30, 2011, at Tendercare Nursing Home in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. She was born on July 4, 1918, in Sault Ste. Marie.



Her hobbies and interests were crocheting, knitting, reading and bingo. She was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

She is survived by two sons, Frank (Beverly) Marble and John (Janine) Marble both of Sault Ste. Marie; four daughters, Sally (Donald) MacArthur, Elaine (late Robert) Trestrail, Marlene (Jay) Predmore and Terri Vittitow, all of Sault Ste. Marie. She is also survived by her sister, Joan Fevold of Ventura, Calif.; sister-in-law, Agnes Sally of Kansas City, Kans.; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn F. Marble, in 1996; son, Kenneth (Pearl) Marble; parents, Lester Smith and Nellie Dolly Parr Sally; brothers, John Sally and James Sally; and her sisters, Laura Bell Holmes and Elizabeth Bargowski.

Funeral Services were on Aug. 1, 2011, at Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home with Mrs. Eloise Kreml officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Chapel Gardens.

## GARY J. WARTELLA

Gary J. Wartella was born in Detroit, Mich., on May 25, 1940, to Emma and Rudolph A. Wartella and peacefully passed away on July 27, 2010, at his home in Vancouver, Wash. He spent his younger years in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan with siblings Thomas J. Wartella, Rudolph A. Wartella (now deceased) Mary A. Olin (now deceased) and extended family. As members of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, they loved their heritage.



In 1958, he joined the Marines and proudly served his country overseas before marrying and settling down with his family as an upholsterer in Los Angeles, Calif. He worked his way from the bottom to an executive position in the furniture industry and was personally chosen to be plant manager for several companies, improving production wherever he went. His work took him from California all over the country including North Carolina, Florida and Washington state where he decided he wanted to stay.

He was passionate about sports his whole life. He especially loved softball and played well into his fifties.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Frances L. Wartella; sons, Bill L. Clark and Gary J. Wartella; daughters, Diana L. Logan and Julie A. Kemp; as well as many friends. Military services were held

at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland Aug. 4, 2011, attended by family and friends.

## JOSEPH A. REID



Joseph Anthony Reid, 59, of Trempealeau, Wisc., passed away on July 29, 2011, at his home. He was born on July 20, 1952, in Cooks, Mich., to Charles and Marie (nee Archambeau) Reid. Joe graduated from Big Bay de Noc High School and later served in the United States Navy. Joe married Lisa (Hansen) McCurdy on Aug. 28, 2004, in Independence, Wisc.

Joe worked various jobs in road construction and logging until 1984 when he joined the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a seasonal firefighter at Seney National Wildlife Refuge. His career as a maintenance mechanic took him to Trempealeau NWR, Port Louisa NWR (Wapello, Iowa) and Innoko NWR (McGrath, Alaska). Joe retired in 2009 from Trempealeau NWR.

Joe spent much of his childhood and early adult years on the family farm in Cooks. Even as a boy he loved working with his hands and would build bikes for himself and his friends with parts from the junkyard so they could ride around the countryside. Joe enjoyed cooking and specialized in buttermilk pancakes, sticky buns and shrimp jambalaya; cross-

country skiing, snowmobiling, camping, deer hunting on the family farm, being on the water and fondly reminisced about building a cabin with friend Mark Cox in the Alaskan wilderness. Joe will be best remembered by friends for his smile and laughter.

Joe was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish in Holmen, Wisc., and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. His family wishes to give special thanks to the Otolaryngology, Cancer and Blood Disorders, Chemotherapy, Nephrology and Hospice departments of Gundersen Lutheran for their attentive and respectful care.

He is survived by his wife and step-daughter, Emma McCurdy, at home in Trempealeau; son, Joseph (Melissa) and grandchildren, Declan, Ryan, Holten and Eiley Reid of Anchorage, Alaska; brothers, Raymond (Sue) and Lyle (Karen) of Manistique, Mich., and Robert (Magda) of Newton, N.C.; sisters, Mary Hetchler of Cooks and Roseanne (John) Wood of Manistique; and many nieces and nephews.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Allen and Edward; and infant sister, Janet.

A Mass of Christian burial took place at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Reverend John Parr and Reverend Del Malin officiating, followed by cremation and burial at the Inwood Township Cemetery in Cooks.

Information and online condolences may be given to the family at [www.dickinsonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.dickinsonfuneralhomes.com). Memorials may be given to the Joseph Anthony Reid Memorial Fund.

## Tribe's United Way Workplace Campaign conducts fundraiser



Photo by Jennifer Dale-Burton

Cousins Amanda Lehre and Karen Ann Moran (L-R) manned the Sault Tribe's face painting booth at Aug. 5 at Sault Ste. Marie Sidewalk Sales. The Sault Tribe Workplace Campaign Committee hosted a bake sale and face painting booth at this year's Sault Ste. Marie Sidewalk Sales. Tribal employees donated all of the baked goods for the bake sale and young tribal members donated their time to help out with the face painting booth. The booths raised \$196.25 to put toward the 2011 United Way Campaign.

### Sault Ste. Marie Public Schools Title VII

### Indian Education Program

### Parent Committee Organizational Meeting

### Open Meeting

Monday, September 19, 2011  
6:00 p.m.

Big Bear Arena  
(Upstairs meeting room)  
2 Ice Circle  
Sault Ste. Marie, MI  
49783

### Nomination and Election of Indian Education Parent Committee Members

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# Captain completes basic training

United States Marine Lakota Catherine Jean Captain recently graduated from basic military training at Parris Island, S.C. She is the daughter of Jackie and Jeff Minton of Kinross and Frank Captain of St. Ignace.

During the 12-week training, Captain studied the Marine mission, organization and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches; and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations. She also completed the Crucible, which is a 54-hour, 43-mile hike culmination to the transformation of recruit training. It is a physically and mentally challenging event that involves food and



sleep deprivation and the completion of various obstacles for the potential Marine to negotiate.

Captain is a 2010 graduate of Rudyard Area High School.

# Memories of "Kit"

By CRYSTAL HASCALL KELLEY (ISHKWANE AND CRYSTAL TWO FEATHERS, NIJOMIGWANON)

It's nearly a year now since you have walked on. It's hard to believe so much time has gone. The times you would phone me, your voice I still hear. I often think of you, your memory is dear.

"A true mother hen!" I'd often complain. Now I think ever fondly, "I'd love that again!"

You, the faithful one, always kept in touch. It's funny, all the little things, I miss you so much!

The last of ten children, you, "Kay" and me. Our folks traveling West, we left the U.P. We fought and we bickered like most siblings do. But when we were loyal, we'd stick just like glue.

You taught me to act like a lady and such. You bought me cool outfits. I love you so much!

You and "Kay" joined the Navy. I had to stay home. The years that had followed, I felt so alone. You'd sent me gifts from the Orient fair, like the Japanese doll with the silky black hair. Packaged wooden shoes, too hard and too small, you didn't know that I had grown tall!

You thought of my firstborn and sent flowers of pink. The nurses would giggle, "For a boy? Would you think?" We nursed an ill mother 'til her time to go. It wasn't long after, our "Tia," you know. Too many sad memories, much family have gone. Next, dad, then "Kay," and Sharon, then you would move on.

We've since lost another, but you know that, too. Our dear sister, Marcia, now she's there with you. I wasn't there with you when you passed away. You told me you

loved me; that it was okay.

I flew to the Sault to sing just for you. Somehow I sensed that you knew that, too. I know there's a place where the soul is set free, a place ever tranquil, where I long to be. "Kit" is soaring with doves now, I heard someone say. He's somewhere in heaven and happy with "Kay."

Clinton ("Kit") Duane Hascall Jr. passed away from his earthly dwelling on Oct. 17, 2010. His twin brother, Clayton ("Kay") Dennis Hascall, passed on Feb. 13, 2002. Their earthly bodies are laid to rest in Mission Hill Cemetery overlooking Lake Superior in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. They were members of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians as well as their other brothers and sisters and their mother. As a family, we were so blessed to have the Bahweting Singers and tribal drum present for Kit's memorial services and burial. We wish to thank them and St. Isaac Joques Catholic Church members who participated in the service and those who prepared the wonderful luncheon for our family and friends. We were also appreciative of the military honors that were given to our brother, Clinton ("Kit") Duane Hascall. These are memories that will remain in our hearts forever. Our sisters, Sharon Hascall Montgomery and Marcia Hascall are also laid to rest in Mission Hill. Our sister, Clintia ("Tia") Hascall Seavoy is laid to rest in Baraga, Mich., and our parents, Clinton Duane Hascall Sr. and Viola Mary Hascall, are at rest in Mount Hope Cemetery in San Diego, Calif.

# 50th wedding anniversary

James and Virginia Howick celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 30, by renewing their vows in St. Augustine, Fla., followed by a dinner reception at the Renaissance Hotel in World Golf Village. James is the son of James E. Howick, formerly from Alpena, Mich., and Maxine Howick (nee Smith) from St. Ignace. He is a retired U.S. Navy captain and an elder of the tribe. Celebrating with Jim and Virginia were family members from all over the country and many friends. Jim and Virginia reside in St. Augustine.



# Lawrence's celebrate 50th

The children of Robert and Carol Lawrence (nee McKerchie) would like to wish them a happy 50th wedding anniversary. Bob and Carol were married on Aug. 26, 1961, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The couple resided in Sault Ste. Marie until 1961, Valdosta, Ga. (1962), Redwood City, Calif. (1964) and Flint, Mich. (1967), where they settled and raised their children, Linda, Rob and Lori. In 1997, upon Bob's retirement from General Motors, he and Carol moved to their "Cabin in the Woods," in Eckerman, Mich. There they continue to host and share their "up north adventures" with their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, many honorary grandchildren, extended family and friends. When the adventures slow down in the UP, they enjoy touring the United States and Canada in their RV.

Allan and Linda Mondeau of Caledonia, Wis., Rob and Becky Lawrence of Swartz Creek, Mich., and John and Lori Smith



of Davison, Mich., along with Bob and Carol's grandchildren, Crystal, Scott and wife Carolynn, Kaleigh, Cynthia, Kristin, Weston, Amber and husband Sam, and great-grandchildren, Emily and Sammy ALL congratulate and thank their parents, grandparents and great-grandparents for the

many family memories and blessings that 50 years of marriage has brought. Congratulations and may God bless you with many more years together.

Bob and Carol celebrated their 50th anniversary by touring through the United States, Canada, Alaska and back.

# Births

## EASTON M. HENDRICK

Easton Michael Hendrick was born on Saturday, Aug. 13, at Marquette General Hospital in Marquette, Mich., to Andrea Matson and Ryan Hendrick of Munising, Mich. He weighed 5 pounds, 13.7 ounces and was 19.25 inches in length. Grandparents are Lisa Holcomb, Cathy Mutter and Rick Hendrick all of Munising, and Victor Matson Jr. of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Great Grandparents



are Victor and Lizet Matson of Sault Ste. Marie, and Barbara Lamouria and Clare Mutter of Munising.

## MURRAY TWINS

Trey Robert Murray and Eleanor Reinette Murray were born to Jerry Murray III and Carolyn Burk of Flint, Mich., May 27, 2011, at Covenant Hospital in Saginaw, Mich.

Eleanor weighed 4 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 inches in length. Trey weighed 3 pounds, 8 ounces and was 15 inches in length.

Grandparents are Jerry and Reinette Murray of St. Ignace and Ron and Cathy Burk of Charlotte, N.C. Great grandpar-

ents are Barbara Powers and the late Ronald Powers of St. Ignace and Walter and Georgene Murray (deceased) of Mackinac Island and Southfield, Mich.



Eleanor Murray



Trey Murray

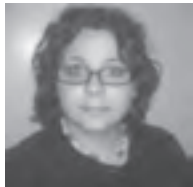
# Langlois earns all As 2010-11 school year



Shane Langlois, a Sault Tribe member, completed 6th grade at Bothwell Middle School in Marquette, Mich., and earned all A grades for the 2010-2011 school year. Shane is the son of Jenny Langlois and Peter Johnson. Great job, Shane!

# Young woman looking for family members

Cassie L. Robillard, 17, is looking for her grandmother, Eunice Robillard, and her father, Joe E. Robillard. If anyone knows them, or knows any information, please contact Cassie by emailing Brenda Austin at Win Awenen Nisitotung at: baustin@saulttribe.net.



# Thank you for fundraising event

Words cannot express how much I appreciate all the sponsors, friends and family who donated prizes, time or bought a taco at the Indian taco fundraiser on Aug. 17 to help with by battle with cancer.

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Thank you, Jerry and Phyllis Causley and Family

# Charities help needy EUP kids get set for school

STORY AND PHOTOS BY BRENDA AUSTIN

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — The United Way of the Eastern Upper Peninsula (UWEUP), Salvation Army and Department of Human Services (DHS) partnered recently to provide Chippewa

County kids in grades kindergarten through five free school supplies and backpacks.

DHS Community Resource Coordinator Jennifer Dunton said local families were really appreciative of the event and in addition to giving away over 200

backpacks, children also received school supplies, were offered hot dogs and drinks and were treated to games and a bouncy house.

Dunton said the DHS has held an annual backpack giveaway but were unable to continue meeting the growing need in the com-

munity without help. She asked the other agencies to partner with DHS this year for what she said will be an annual event.

UWEUP Volunteer Center Coordinator Kimberly German said two Stuff the Bus events were held at Wal-Mart and Kmart, for

those wishing to make a donation to the effort.

Local businesses and workplaces also participated by making donations of needed items.

The school bus was loaned to the agencies by the Sault Area School District.



Volunteers gave away over 200 backpacks stuffed with school supplies that were donated to the event at one of several area Stuff the Bus events. Left: Kate Teneyck, Courtney Hillock, Nadia Chupkka and Nicole Kilgore.



Youth helped themselves to hot dogs after picking up their backpacks. Left: Elizabeth Houghton, 5th grade, and mom Maureen Houghton.

## A prep checklist for your journey to college

You can start thinking about the journey to college as early as your freshman year in high school. Here is checklist from the tribe's Education Department:

**FRESHMAN YEAR:**

- Excel in English, math and science. Earn good grades.
- Focus on education. Seek positive role models.
- Be organized and manage your time well.
- Know your school rules, policies and calendar.
- Meet your school counselor.
- Understand how your GPA is calculated on your academic transcript.

**SOPHOMORE YEAR:**

- Attend class daily and participate in class discussions.
- Learn to adapt to different teachers and teaching styles.
- Take good notes, complete all assignments and establish good study habits.
- Learn how to handle stress.

Make good choices.

- Use free services available in your school and community.
- Earn good grades and do extra credit whenever possible.
- Set goals that are specific, measurable, attainable and write them down.
- Identify your interests, abilities and aptitudes.
- Attend tribal meetings and functions.
- Get involved in school and community activities.
- Challenge yourself. Take advanced placement courses if offered.
- Explore career possibilities at job fairs, job shadow day, volunteer, etc.
- Meet with your counselor to discuss your plans for college.
- Explore and evaluate a variety of educational opportunities.
- Attend and participate in college and career fairs.

**JUNIOR YEAR:**

- Make a list of the top 10

colleges you would like to attend.

- Select colleges with strong American Indian support services and programs.
- Apply for summer programs offered by colleges and universities.
- Research scholarships available to Native American Students.
- Prepare for and take the ACT and SAT. Re-test if necessary.

**SENIOR YEAR:**

- Create and use a timetable for admission and scholarship deadlines.
- Seek out individuals early to recommend you for scholarships.
- Narrow college choices to three top schools.
- Complete all applications prior to deadlines.
- Request application fee waivers from colleges, if necessary.
- Develop a personal resume and letter of interest.
- Complete the free FAFSA

form prior to March 1.

- Keep copies of any school or organization applications or paperwork.
- Take responsibility for your education.
- Ask questions and do your own research.
- Participate in your future colleges "new student orientation."
- Get academic advisement before registering for classes.
- Research the Gates Millennium Scholars Program (need 3.30 GPA or higher).
- Meet with the campus American Indian Support Services Center.
- Thank those who have helped and supported your decision to attend college.
- Attend college, earn a bachelor's degree.
- Give back to the Indian community.
- Contact the American Indian Graduate Center and continue learning.

## Obama seeks input from Indian Country youth

BY RICK SMITH

The president of the United States wants to hear from the young people of Indian Country, aged 13 to 25, about what they're doing to improve their communities, either for now or for posterity.

President Barack Obama makes the invitation to youngsters in a video recently posted on the White House website, "Across the country, Native American people like you are doing extraordinary things every day to help solve problems in your own communities. The challenges you face are not small, solving them won't be easy, but we are making progress and you're leading the way. I want to hear about some of your solutions and what you're doing to give Indian Country a brighter future."



The White House Native American Youth Challenge solicits submissions with a maximum of 250 words about one's self or other youngsters who demonstrate exceptional leadership or activities in their communities. All submissions must be written by people aged 25 or younger. The president wants submissions to include descriptions of leaders' or groups along with their roles and activities, the number of people

involved or helped plus examples of successes, barriers or challenges and how they were overcome. Deadline is Sept. 30.

The stories will be read at the White House and some of the individuals who took up the challenge will be invited to the White House in the fall as part of activities scheduled for Native American Heritage Month. Expenses for transportation and lodging will be the responsibility of those invited. Other stories of service and leadership by Indian Country youngsters will be considered for features about individuals on the White House website.

"Thank you for everything you do," Obama concluded on the video. "And I look forward to hearing from you."

Those interested in submitting their stories or stories about others may do so at [www.whitehouse.gov/nativeamericans/take-native-american-youth-challenge](http://www.whitehouse.gov/nativeamericans/take-native-american-youth-challenge). Those submitting stories must provide their names, email addresses, phone numbers, cities and states of residences, tribal affiliations, occupations if applicable and dates of birth. Folks also have the opportunity to subscribe to email updates when entering their submissions.

The White House Native American Youth Challenge is part of the Obama administration's policy of engaging American Indian communities in strengthening the government-to-government relationship between the United States and the governments of Indian Country.



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# Family Fun Day enjoyed by all, big and small

Photos by Jennifer Dale-Burton

JKL Bawheting Anishnabe Public School Academy held its annual Family Fun Day on July 29. There were activities and games galore and students showed off their work from summer school.

At the forefront of the summer's achievements were performances by the students in several dancing and singing numbers. Mrs. Lise White taught performing arts. In some of the pieces, students were asked to come up with their own interpretations to classical pieces. There were enthusiastic spiders, princes, sleeping beauties, bugs, puppets and frogs. In the hallways were displays of the children's pieces, including paintings, dreamcatchers, pottery, jewelry and leather pouches, made in Ojibwe arts and crafts class.

Outside, families had fun at games and activities, like kickball, ring toss, cheek painting, language matching game, estimating games and even a fun science game where kids made their own water rockets.

In the library, numerous parents and guardians took the opportunity to fill out a summer school survey. Lunch was served and then children took home their artwork and happy memories.

Below and going right, fun with homemade bottle water rockets.



Left to right, Hailey Shannon gets cheek art from Miranda Shannon.



Math instructor Jaci Clerc (right) watches a student win at ring toss.



Left to right, Talor Mackety watches a young friend play an Ojibwe language matching game offered by culture instructor Kim Schultz.



Sara Weber at the forefront of a dance number during performing arts.



# Students return from LSSU GRANITE excursion

By Brenda Austin

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — A Lake Superior State University (LSSU) bus carrying 11 American Indian students, professors and assistants, along with a pickup truck pulling a trailer filled with camping gear, pulled into the university's parking lot July 21 after a two-week trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota.

The National Science Foundation grant funded program, only one of two targeting under-represented minorities within geosciences, combined American Indian cultural experiences with scientific studies and learning. The students, all high school juniors and seniors from the U.P., traveled from Sault Ste. Marie, through Wisconsin and into Minnesota, South Dakota and eastern Wyoming. They stopped along the way at Devil's Lake in Wisconsin, Perrot State Park in Minnesota and in South Dakota they visited the Badlands National Park, Custer State Park, Wind Cave and Bear Butte and spent an afternoon panning for Black Hills gold. They stopped at many places along the way, exploring each region's culture and geology.

Paul Kelso Ph.D., LSSU geology professor, said he hopes students came away with a better understanding of the diversity of things that geoscientists are involved with. "I hope this experience helped the students realize



there is so much more to geology than just picking up and identifying rocks and minerals," he said. "One of the things lacking in Michigan, and in many states is geosciences education at the high school level. When students are thinking about potential career paths, it's often not something that is on their radar screen. Geoscientists are going to be a big part in solving many of the issues facing our planet, from global warming, how to feed future populations and provide resources

and clean water. Hopefully some of these students will be a part of that." One of the students, Eran Menard, said, "The trip was very interesting. I learned about the history of sediments and how they are made. It really changed my perspective on how I think of things. My favorite part was going to Pipestone because I learned a lot of history there and I also really liked the Badlands." Kelso and fellow LSSU geology professor Lew Brown Ph.D. wrote

the three-year grant and worked with LSSU Native American Center Director Stephanie Sabatine to get word out to local high school students about the program. "We need to educate the next generation so there will be local people from the tribe that have connections to the community that will be available and willing to take on leadership positions," Kelso said. "In many of the tribes, there are very few students that have the skills necessary for careers in the geosciences."

Kelso said the program is not a field trip — it's more like taking an intense two-week class. The field-based studies along roadsides and in state parks required students to problem-solve, think critically, use methodologies that model scientific endeavors and focused on learning and applying geosciences concepts. Geosciences field studies were conducted at a variety of places along their route, including a number of sites selected because of their interesting geologic features and special significance to Native Americans, such as Pipestone, Minnesota and the Great Lakes and Mississippi river systems. Students were given the opportunity to integrate Native American explanations of physical phenomena with scientific explanations, allowing them to individually construct a link between ways of thinking scientifically and ways of knowing from within their culture. Kelso was the group's organizer, local teacher Sam Frush was in charge of medical needs, geology student Liz Goetz assisted Kelso and Brimley teacher Chris Whealy helped chaperone the group. Three of the 11 students who participated in this year's program were members of the Sault Tribe. For more information about next summer's trip, or to register, visit: <http://nac.lssu.edu/geology/main.htm>.

# Girl with Asperger's receives scholarship help

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

MUNISING, Mich. — Madeline Glaister was recently awarded a Special Needs Scholarship from the Sault Tribe Education Department. Her mother, Crystal Glaister applied for her 7-year-old daughter, who has Asperger's Syndrome, a form of autism.

The \$1,000 scholarship, said Glaister, will be used to pay for Madeline's summer school program next year. She was also awarded the scholarship last year to make an art room and quiet room where Madeline could go to get away from distractions and have some quiet time.

Madeline has a younger brother and sister, 4-year-old twins Scott and Savannah. The family lives on the tribe's Wetmore housing site in Munising.

Four Special Needs Scholarships are awarded annually by the tribe, two for youth under 18 and two for young adults 18 and older. The scholarships are for Sault Tribe members who have a documented physical or emotional disability and are for educational purposes.

Glaister said that it's important to keep to Madeline on a set routine and that having her in summer school mimics the normal school year. The program she attends, Alger Parks and Recreation Day Kamp, fills the gap from when school ends until school resumes in the fall and



Madeline and Crystal Glaister (L-R).

has the same hours as a normal school day.

Children with Asperger's are often exceptionally bright but lack in social skills. Madeline said that having Asperger's had given her a good memory and made her smart. She is a creative little girl who enjoys visits to the local zoo and enjoys drawing ducks and doing art and craft projects.

Glaister said Madeline was diagnosed in 2008 after a family

member had noticed her interactions with other children during a family gathering. "We were having some issues with Madeline, she was my first child and honestly I thought that maybe I was just doing a bad job. You get these stares and people telling you that you need to discipline your child more," she said. "We were at my aunt's house for about 20 minutes, she's a disability coordinator, and she asked me if we had ever had her tested for autism."

Asperger's Syndrome is a high functioning form of autism that does not follow many of the same symptoms associated with autism in general. Madeline has a hard time socializing and dealing with sensory issues. Her mother is her greatest advocate, working with her daily to keep her on track with her peers and providing her with the tools she will need to lead a normal life.

"I wouldn't change a thing about Madeline," Glaister said, "but the reality is that she has had a hard life and will continue to struggle with things that we all take for granted."

Madeline generally tests from one to two grades ahead of her grade academically, but socially is about a year behind her peers. "We all think we are going to have perfect children and life will be good. Sometimes its not and it took me a long time to accept that, but I'm ok with it. We work really hard for where we are at with her. We drive to Manistique once a week because we have a really good therapist there, we put her in extracurricular activities, do play dates, have one-on-one time in the house, work on art projects, do flash cards and work with her on her eye contact. It's life consuming," she said.

Glaister and her children are participating in Walk Now for Autism Speaks in September in Auburn Hills, Mich., and

have raised \$522 for the event. Impressed with the Autism Speaks organization, Glaister said they offer a 100-day kit to any parent of a child diagnosed with autism. She said the kit should be in every doctor's office and offered to every parent who needs one.

"The kit tells you what to expect and where to start and what you are going to feel, because it's very overwhelming at first. Unfortunately in this area there are no support groups, specialty services or special doctors you can go talk to about autism," Glaister said. "The kit also helps you with what to tell your family and your child, addresses special education and what kinds of therapies are productive. I asked our therapist what I could do to help Madeline, and she told me the best thing I could ever do for her is to accept it and move on. And so I did that day and have never looked back. She has a good life."

For information about autism and Asperger's Syndrome, visit [www.autismspeaks.org](http://www.autismspeaks.org).

Information about Madeline's fundraising efforts can be found at: [www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/michigan/madeline](http://www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/michigan/madeline).

For information about scholarships offered by the Sault Tribe, call (906) 635-7784 or toll free 1 (855) 635-7784, or email [highereducation@saulttribe.net](mailto:highereducation@saulttribe.net).

# STAY conducts second annual youth camp

BY TONY ABRAMSON JR.

STAY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The STAY Project and the Traditional Medicine Program held their second annual Warrior Camp from July 11-15 at Boedne Bay. Working with the Traditional Medicine Program was a great experience for the STAY Project. Chi Miigwech to the Traditional Medicine Program staff for their dedication to empower our Native American youth.

The project provided interaction between Anishinaabeg youth with elders, storytellers and professionals based on traditional Warrior Society teachings. Workshops were designed to improve self-image, encourage positive life choices, bring attention to the identity crisis in Indian communities and enhance leadership skills.

The focus was to strengthen Anishinaabeg youth's relationship with creation, their families and community. The youth participated in traditional Anishinaabe ceremonies and activities, such as naming ceremonies, sweat lodges, talking circles, traditional crafts and recreational team building. Access to future ceremonies will be encouraged, emphasizing the rites of passage ceremony, the manhood fast.

The project's purpose was to demonstrate that traditional Ojibwe Warrior teachings and philosophy can be incorporated into mainstream society. The camp is designed to invest in our youth and give them a sense of identity and tradition, as well as provide skills to help them become capable leaders and productive community members. The five-day Warrior Camp had each day filled with engaging activities and spiri-

tual teachings from tribal elders and spiritual leaders. Positive Anishinaabe role models, including Anishinaabe women, helped provide guidance and teachings.

Feasts took place throughout the camp, with teachings given on the importance of feasts and how they relate to many aspects of Anishinaabe beliefs. Each day there was at least one ceremony, to dem-

onstrate how Anishnaabe culture and traditions can be incorporated into their daily life.

Participants were also given Ogichidakwe (women warrior) teachings to give them the knowledge of women's roles and responsibilities in accordance in the Ojibwe traditions.

Elder women came and talked with the participants of women's

moon time teachings, how to respect women, how you need to provide for them and how important they are to us as Anishinaabe.

Topics on sexual education, HIV and STD prevention and substance abuse issues were covered during the camp. Explanations on how, as warriors, youth need to identify what each person's enemies are and how individual choices impact their lives and the potential burden of these choices. Educators spoke on suicide prevention, anger issues, power and control issues and domestic abuse. Each participant was given tools to

help them make healthy choices, coping mechanisms and problem solving skills for issues they may be experiencing or may encounter in the future.

The second Annual Warrior Camp was a huge success. The youth walked away with more of their culture, something we need to keep alive in our young people. The crafts they made, the Anishnaabe teachings and the respect they earned among each other is truly a great story in itself. Great job to all who participated. Go, do good things, be thankful for what the Creator provided us.



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Margaret Vasser, Rene Shipman and Catherine LaPointe (L-R) enjoying the afternoon grand entry at the Hessel pow wow on Aug. 20.



Lisa Burnside (right) helps Elysia Causley with her shawl while Kayla Causley watches.



Jayce Causley, 4, and his great uncle Jerry Causley.



Best friends Karlie Kubont and Alyssa Yiirs, both 5, and a 9-year-old shawl dancer (L-R), look at jewelry and other items for sale at a vendors booth.



Three generations - Valentine Santiago, Journey McKelvie, 3, and Jessica Santiago.



Morgan McKurston, 11, her uncle Karl Andress and mother Robin LaTour (L-R), all from Hessel.



Military veterans received handshakes and thanks from pow-wow participants. Tammy and veteran Shawn Galla from Wisconsin shake Kenny Barrie's hand (L-R).



Vic Matson Jr., Bill Matson, Bob Marchand and George Parish.



Photos by Brenda Austin  
Tribal elder Clyde Bunno and his son, Dale Bunno (L-R).



Dana and Aaron Schlehuber, Garth MacMaster and Jamie Eavou (L-R).



Mike Sawruk, Ron Young, Jeff Holt and John Wernet (L-R).



Mike Metrish, Ben Maleport, Brian Wilson and Ron Maleport (L-R).

## Golf Classic funds 20 scholarships

Twenty students will receive \$20,000 in scholarships this year thanks to supporters of the Annual Sault Tribe Golf Scholarship Classic that took place on Saturday, July 30. Local golfers took top honors at the event, which raised \$71,520 to be put towards the tribal scholarship program and associated expenses.

Scholarships are awarded to tribal students by the tribe's Education Department. The Classic annually supports 20 tribal scholarships recognizing individuals who have significantly contributed to their community and tribe. "I am very proud of the success this event has seen over the past 11 years," said Sault Tribe Vice Chairwoman Lana Causley. "The support of our sponsors, volunteers, and staff is crucial to support this scholarship program which enhances

the education of tribal members."

The annual Classic is one of the largest golf tournaments in the Eastern Upper Peninsula and draws players from across the country, including Las Vegas, Arizona and New Jersey. The fundraiser has awarded over \$172,197 to tribal students over the past decade.

Taking first place in the Men's Division with a score of 55 was Cory Metro, Kenny Wilkie, Rod Priskorn, and Vance Barber of team O'Connors Chrysler Dodge Jeep. Jonathan Clegg, Jason Wenzel, Katie Carter, Jessica Barr of team Sysco Foods of Grand Rapids took the Mixed Division with a score of 60.

Committee members who made the event possible are Jessica Dumback, Jake Sillers, Jeff Holt, Tamara Roche and Michelle Bouschor.

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All classes are held at the USDA Distribution Site in Sault Ste Marie unless noted. If you have any questions or would like to suggest activities please call us at 635-6076

# Quality health care means working with your providers

Aanii,  
This has been a beautiful summer and I hope you are enjoying the warm weather with your family and friends. This month I am writing on a topic that is near and dear to my heart — “health care” and “quality.” These are frequently mentioned words in the news and are being discussed in many places. In some forums the politics are trying to make health care services confusing and somewhat negative.

In the Health Division, our Tribal Health Centers have been doing a great job to connect “health care” services and “quality” together so that you do not receive one without the other. However, for us to be successful in doing this, we need you, the

patient, to participate and be aware of what is the best care and practice to ensure that “quality health care.” High on that list is to establish you with a primary care provider. I know that has been challenging at some of our sites these past few years but we are working to recruit and hire permanent staff at all of our sites and to add some services.

The next thing on the list is to follow up with your primary provider at the intervals determined by your provider based on your diagnosis, treatment and care. This is also true of your medications and medication refills. It is not only difficult for one of our providers to prescribe medications and refill them for you when they

only see you as a patient one time a year, but this does not achieve best practice medicine and “quality” can suffer. So when one of our providers let you know that they need to have you make an appointment to see you again, because of your condition, in order to prescribe your medications safely for you, it is because they care about providing you with the best “quality” and “health care” using the best practice methods.

A few reasons to see your tribal provider when they want you to return is because your medications need to be monitored for their effectiveness. Another reason is to be sure they are not contraindicated to another medication you are taking, especially if another

physician outside our tribal health centers prescribes something we do not have in our records. A third reason is to monitor your health condition changes as many things can happen over a year’s time. You and I both know that changes happen since your last patient visit even when it was two weeks ago. The other reason is the liability it places on our providers. Some of you want our providers to prescribe the medications but do not want to schedule a return visit with them to allow them to maintain that “quality of health care” for you according to their best judgment.

To help us be successful, it is important for you as the patient to bring your questions with you

when you see a provider so they can focus on your issues during the scheduled visit and work with you to provide that “quality health care.” For me and the health center staff it is about customer service and how we can deliver quality health care to you. We will continue to work on improving our customer service while you visit our health centers. This is an ongoing process to achieve “quality health care” and each of us, as patients, need to work with our tribal health care providers so that we can all benefit from the best practice methods available at our tribal health centers.

Baamaapii, till next time,  
Bonnie L. Culfa RN MSN  
Health Division Director

# Newberry Farmers Market shoppers vote on new slogan

FROM SAULT TRIBE STRATEGIC ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH

On Aug. 4, Newberry Farmers Market shoppers cast their ballots on several slogans as a tagline to describe the new Farmers Market. “Fresh Food, Friendly People” is the winning slogan created by Sharon Brown of Newberry. For her efforts, she will receive \$25 to spend at the Market.

The Newberry Farmers Market offers a wide variety of locally produced items and many vendors also accept Project FRESH coupons. New vendors are always welcome and can obtain a vendor agreement by calling Jessica Price at MSU Extension, (906) 293-5031. The Community Canopy may be reserved by a community organization to host a fundraisers or informational displays. The Newberry Farmers Market is also tobacco-free.

Beginning in October 2010, the Sault Tribe SAH Project selected two communities to partner with to work on policy, systems and environmental changes in the



community to promote healthy eating, increased physical activity and tobacco-free lifestyles. Newberry was one of these communities and the LMAS District Health Department took the lead in developing a community coalition to work on health initiatives. Strategic Alliance for Health staff, in collaboration with the Luce

County MSU Extension, gathered growers in Luce County and developed the Newberry Farmers Market based on the successful development of the Manistique Farmers Market.

“Fresh Food, Friendly People,” truly describes what the market is all about,” said Donna Norkoli, Sault Tribe Strategic Alliance for



Health Project Coordinator.

“Our goals for this market were to increase access to fresh local foods in Newberry and to provide a sense of community spirit and commitment to buy local and support our friends and neighbors.”

For more information regarding the Newberry Farmers Market or the Newberry Strategic Alliance for Health Coalition, please contact Donna Norkoli at 635-8844 or dnorkoli@saulttribe.net. For more on the Newberry Farmers Market, find us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter or read our blog at brown130.posterous.com.

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# Youngsters and others get a taste of kitchen fun and safety

BY RICK SMITH

Sault Tribe members in the eastern Upper Peninsula aged 6 to 12 years have a standing invitation to have fun learning kitchen safety while preparing delicious and nutritious repasts for themselves. The workshops take place in the training kitchen of the tribe’s U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Distribution Program warehouse at 3601 S. Mackinaw Trail, just south of Sault Ste. Marie.

The workshops are scheduled for the last Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., tentatively, until next spring. Along with covering the basics of kitchen safety and the fun to be found in cooking, the workshops feature dance parties and outdoor activities for children to enjoy. Luci DeVoy, the program’s nutrition aide who facilitates the workshops, said participating youngsters are sure to learn many key points that can make cooking a fun as well as exciting experience.

In the inaugural workshop on Aug. 27, participants Hunter Captain, Marcus Byron, Madison Weber, Mikena Sylvester and Sara Weber put together a garden vegetable salad, calzones (think pizza pasties) and chocolate-dipped fruit.

DeVoy conducted previous kitchen safety workshops at times for children before the scheduling these new, more structured workshops. Clients of the tribe’s food distribution program have priority in attending the classes, but everyone is welcome. Those interested should call DeVoy at (906) 635-6076.

Cooking classes for older members are scheduled every Thursday at 1 p.m. and focus on different kinds of foods each month. Last July, for example, bakery



Photo by Rick Smith

From left to right, Marcus Byron, Madison Weber, Mikena Sylvester, Sara Weber and Hunter Captain acquire safe food handling skills under the guidance of Sault Tribe USDA Food Distribution Program nutrition education assistant Luci DeVoy. The young folks participated in the July 27 Taste Buds workshop and enjoyed learning kitchen safety in a fun and practical manner. The workshops are scheduled for the last Saturday of every month until spring.

items took the spotlight and, in August, it was “more than just meats.” The subject for September is making homemade frozen dinners and, in October, it will be “fall favorites.”

Members may also want to look into the program’s gardening workshops where involvement is by learning how to grow a home garden, whether or not you have suitable yard space, or by learning about the on-site community

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# Defibrillators posted in Sault Tribe buildings

By Rick Smith

The Sault Tribe Facilities Management recently installed automated external defibrillators in six buildings in Sault Ste. Marie and intends to place another at the Mary Murray Culture Camp on Sugar Island.

Automated external defibrillators, or AEDs, are portable electronic devices that automatically diagnose life-threatening irregularities in rhythmic cardiac functions and treats through electrical stimulation, which may allow the heart to reestablish its normal rhythm.

According to the Facilities Department, the defibrillators are simple to use and designed so that anyone could use them in case of an emergency. Ideally, though, users would have training in advance for familiarization in the operation of the devices. Training will be made available and announced sometime in October.

“The AEDs are user friendly and use voice prompts to instruct users how to operate the devices using step-by-step instructions. The AED will not deliver a shock unless the unconscious person needs it,” said Tiffany O’Dell, Facilities Management staffer. “Most people are scared of the AED because of fears of delivering unneeded shock, but the AED will not deliver electrical stimulation unless it reads an abnormal pattern of the heart. Anyone who uses AEDs to assist in emergency situations does not need to be AED certified; they have the Good Samaritan law that covers people trying to help people who need help.”

The encased defibrillators and accompanying instructions are easily detached from walls and easily carried to where they may



Photo by Rick Smith

This example of the new automated external defibrillator stations placed in several Sault Tribe buildings is inside the Sault administration annex next to the Gaming Commission offices.

be needed. Current stations for the automated external defibrillators are found on the first floor of the Sault administration building next to the elevator portal, between the Gaming Commission and lavatories on the upper level of the administration building annex, next to the stairwell on the first floor of the Environmental

Department, next to the kitchen area of the Shedawin Building, outside the women’s lavatory in the Niigaanigiizhik Building, next to the breakroom in the back of the Sault Tribe USDA Food Distribution Program building.

Anyone with questions may contact O’Dell at 632-6077 or todell@saulttribe.net.

# Youngsters and others get a taste of kitchen fun and safety

From “Youngsters,” pg. 17 done with harvests.

As does the rest of the staff of the food distribution facility, DeVoy travels throughout 15 northern Michigan counties to deliver services. Those counties in alphabetical order are Alger, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Delta, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Luce, Mackinac, Manistee,

Marquette and Schoolcraft. In addition, she puts in appearances at assorted tribal sites and functions.

DeVoy gives a nod to the traditional and usually unsung influences of elders in daily lives, she indicated elders she meets in her travels often convey a wealth of great recipes and excellent cooking tips which she, in turn, can pass on to others.



Photo by Luci DeVoy

Alaysia Brewer tending to carrots in one of the boxed gardens at the Sault Tribe USDA Food Distribution Program warehouse.

# 2011 community challenge competition winners announced

By Rick Smith

The partnership of the Sault Tribe Strategic Alliance for Health and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan challenged six Upper Peninsula towns to work towards physical fitness in the second annual Let’s Get Moving Community Challenge competition, netting them a portion of \$7,000 in funding for community enhancements conducive to building and maintaining good health.

The competition spurs people to set and achieve some personal fitness goals along with helping others in their communities through improvements or acquisitions that encourage physical fitness. The community recording the highest participation levels over the course of the challenge receives the grand prize of \$2,000 from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan to go toward public health and fitness placements, such as improvements to walking trails and bicycle lanes. Each participating community also receives a prize of a lesser amount for the same purposes as a consolation prize for leading residents of their communities toward better health. Prize amounts are \$2,000 for first place, \$1,500 for second,



Photo by Rick Smith

Let’s Get Moving prize for second place after logging 18,802 miles in the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan challenge to six U.P. communities garnered \$1,500 for Sault Ste. Marie which is earmarked for bicycle parking in the downtown parking garage. Pictured, left to right, Dave Martin of the Chippewa County Health Department, Mike Fedrizzi of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Michelle Conway of the Sault Tribe Strategic Alliance for Health at the official check presentation on Aug. 3 at the Avery Center.

\$1,250 for third, \$1,000 for fourth, \$750 for fifth and \$500 for sixth place.

About 490 residents of Sault Ste. Marie, St. Ignace, Kinross, Manistique and Munising vied for the prizes over eight weeks in June

and July logging 108,298 miles, according to Donna Norkoli, Strategic Alliance for Health project coordinator.

The inaugural competition took place in 2010 pitting the communities of Sault Ste. Marie, St.

Ignace, Manistique and Munising against each other for the top prize winnings amounting to \$5,000. Kinross and Newberry joined the competition this year.

This year, Manistique took first place after logging over 30,500 miles of healthful efforts and won the grand prize of \$2,000 to go towards signs marking and bearing descriptions of walking routes throughout the town. Sault Ste. Marie came in second with over 18,800 miles, gaining \$1,500 for commuter bicycle storage facilities in the parking garage and two bicycle racks elsewhere. Munising finished in third place with over 21,700 miles winning the grant prize of \$1,250. St. Ignace logged over 20,400 miles taking the \$1,000 fourth place prize; it was also the community with the most participants at 110. Newberry earned over 11,000 miles and the \$750 prize while Kinross took the sixth place prize of \$500 by logging over 1,300 miles.

The Chippewa County Health Department Building a Healthier Community Coalition partnered with Sault Tribe and Blue Cross Blue Shield in support of the Sault Ste. Marie competition participa-

tion. Representatives from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan presented the Let’s Get Moving Community Challenge checks at ceremonies in each of the participating towns from Aug. 2 to Aug. 4. “We have Strategic Alliance for Health Coalitions in all six communities,” Norkoli noted. “Our partners include local government, counties, cities, villages and townships, MSU extensions, local hospitals, LMAS Health Department, schools, downtown development associations and other key community leaders and groups.” Anyone interested in participating in the Let’s Get Moving Community Challenge next year may call the event coordinators for their respective communities: Sault Ste. Marie, Michelle Conway at 632-5255 or mconway@saulttribe.net; St. Ignace, Jeanette O’Rourke at 643-8689 or jorourke@saulttribe.net; Newberry and Kinross, Donna Norkoli, 635-8844 or dnorkoli@saulttribe.net; Manistique, Kerry Ott at 341-9561 or kott@saulttribe.net; and Munising, Evi Lindquist at 387-4721 or elindquist@saulttribe.net.

# Inland conservation committee just says "No"

From "Moose," Page 1

next meeting, Sept. 15 at the Walker Cisler Center on the LSSU campus in Sault Ste. Marie. The committee meeting starts at 3 p.m.

Last year, the Michigan legislature passed a bill establishing a citizen's Moose Hunting Advisory Council to look into the possibility of a moose hunt and authorizing the Natural Resources Commission to set regulations. Retired Upper Peninsula Field Deputy Jim Ekdahl chairs the council with members DNR Wildlife Division Chief Russ Mason, former DNR wildlife biologist Jim Hammill, Upper Peninsula Sportsmen's Alliance member Mick Jarvis, West Upper Peninsula Citizens' Advisory Council member George Lindquist, National Wildlife Federation Jason Dinsmore and tribal representatives Jill Witt

of Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and Roger Labine of Lac Vieux Dessert.

Based on a report from DNR biologists, the advisory council agreed on July 20 to recommend in its upcoming NRC report, harvesting 10 bull moose in years following a population survey. Right now, those are every other year. Mason told the Mining Journal "his division doesn't currently have the manpower or the funding to conduct more regular or intensive surveys."

But the \$4 applications and \$100 licenses would pay for more, said Ekdahl in news reports. The hunt would be conducted by lottery.

The DNR report could not state with confidence the number of moose in the U.P. herd, or its stability — biologists don't know

if the herd is remaining the same, decreasing or increasing. Based on a model developed by the biologists, a hunt of 10 bull moose "does not appear to reduce the bull to cow ratio to unsustainable levels," but that depends on pregnancy rates of 70 percent or more. Right now, the pregnancy rate is calculated to be 71 percent. A hunt taking 20 bulls would not be sustainable, the model predicted.

Under the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, the state cannot

hold a moose hunt without the tribes' agreement. "... no harvest of moose shall be permitted by the state or the tribes unless the state and the tribes agree that such harvest is appropriate and agree on an allocation of such harvest."

Citing the small population with a slow growth rate with low pregnancy rates, and a great deal of uncertainty in moose population estimates, the tribe's Inland Conservation Committee voted to

oppose a moose hunt at this time.

"Moose in the Great Lakes Region, notably in Minnesota, have been declining at alarming rates and given the in precision of the survey methods available to managers; we can't say with any certainty that the same fate is not coming to the Michigan moose herd," said Clark. "Moose are of great importance to us and our most important goal is respecting them and ensuring they are here for generations."

## Ash seed collection training

Volunteers are needed for ash seed collection and handling this fall and they'll have to train to do it. The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Environmental Department is hosting a training for ash (*Fraxinus*) conservation on tribal and public lands. The free training will begin at 206 Greenough St. in the Sault on Sept. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with both classroom and hands on training in the field to collect black ash seeds.

To sign up or for more information, please contact Robin Clark, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, at [rclark@saulttribe.net](mailto:rclark@saulttribe.net).

Training: Ash (*Fraxinus*) conservation on tribal and public lands and ash seed collection and handling

Location: Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Environmental Department Office, 206 Greenough St., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The training will begin at the office and we will travel to field sites to collect black ash seeds.

Date: Sept. 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Objectives:

- Provide a framework where knowledge on *Fraxinus* conservation can be exchanged with the goal of increasing awareness of this natural resource and promote collection and storage of seed prior to the potential loss of the *Fraxinus* resource due to the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).
- Teach participants the



importance of *Fraxinus* conservation by the collection of seed

- Learn techniques and methods for ash seed collection, storage, handling and preservation.
- Hands on seed collection – minimal time in class/majority of time spent outdoors
- Learn about the resources available to assist Tribes with seed preservation and storage.

Sponsors: Akwesasne Task Force on the Environment, USDA, USDA-ARS lab, the Black Ash Center

Hosted by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Environmental Department.

Contact Information: Les Benedict, Akwesasne Task Force on the Environment – [lkbenedi@hughes.net](mailto:lkbenedi@hughes.net), [les.benedict@srmt-nsn.gov](mailto:les.benedict@srmt-nsn.gov); Richard David, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne – [rdavid@akwesasne.ca](mailto:rdavid@akwesasne.ca); Robin Clark, Sault

Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians – [rclark@saulttribe.net](mailto:rclark@saulttribe.net)

Training and collection dates:

After that training, we have dates scheduled for seed collection with volunteers. We will have a family-friendly seed collection day on Saturday, Oct. 1. If you'd like to attend the training or help out on one or more of the days listed below, please call Robin Clark at (906) 632-5575 or email her at [rclark@saulttribe.net](mailto:rclark@saulttribe.net).

All dates are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

Date	Day	Activity
9/17	Saturday	Training
9/27	Tuesday	Collection
9/29	Thursday	Collection
10/1	Saturday	Collection
10/4	Tuesday	Collection
10/6	Thursday	Collection
10/11	Tuesday	Collection
10/13	Thursday	Collection
10/18	Tuesday	Collection

## Powdery Mildew coats plant leaves



FROM MSU EXTENSION

The cool nights and dewy mornings of late summer and fall are perfect for the growth and spread of powdery mildew on ornamental plants.

Powdery mildew is a common fungal disease of a variety of ornamental plants. Indoors, it's common on houseplants such as African violets, kalanchoe and jade plants. Outdoors, the plants most often affected include roses, lilacs, phlox, zinnias and white oaks.

Grayish white, powdery blotches on leaves, stems and buds are the primary sign of powdery mildew. The powdery growth appears first on the upper surfaces of lower leaves. Eventually entire leaves may be covered. Leaves on infected plants turn yellow and drop prematurely. Flower buds may fail to develop normally or fail to open.

Spores are carried by air currents. High relative humidity at night, low humidity during the day and daytime temperatures between 70 and 80 degrees F favor the disease. Sunlight and good air circulation around plant foliage promote quick drying of foliage, reduce humidity around leaves and

so reduce disease incidence.

Gardeners can use this to their advantage. They can plant susceptible plants in sunny rather than shady areas, space plants to prevent overcrowding, and prune landscape ornamentals to thin dense foliage and increase air circulation. You can't do much about late summer and early fall dew, but you can avoid overhead irrigation late in the day or in the evening.

Avoiding excessive nitrogen fertilization is another tactic. Powdery mildew is usually most severe on young, succulent growth, the sort that excessive nitrogen promotes. A fall cleanup of all mildew-infected plant debris will reduce the carryover of disease from year to year.

Chemical control is available to control powdery mildew on roses. Because it generally occurs late in the season, it's not really an issue on trees and shrubs, which are about to lose their leaves anyway, or flowering annuals, which will soon be killed by frost. When the disease strikes valued houseplants or herbaceous perennials, syringing the leaves with water that contains a drop or two of detergent is recommended.

## A few good hands needed

BY KATHIE BROSEMER, ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Aaniin! Have you ever wanted to save the earth? Come aboard!

The tribe's Environment program has a lot going on and we could use a few good hands and hearts to help. We're forming a volunteer program that will get hands-on with environmental action in our communities.

Sometimes environmental problems can seem hopeless or overwhelming. If we look around and learn about what's happening, the forces of change in the larger society can make the outlook feel pretty gloomy. The antidote? Get involved on the good side! There are a lot of us working to prevent environmental catastrophe, and the thing is, many of those folks are really great people to get to know, including the staff of the tribe's

Environment department.

This fall, we'll be planting trees at Odenaang, helping tear up invasive species at several locations, gathering black ash and other native plant seed to save in a tribal seed bank and probably recycling computers again if we can get things organized to do that. We have some computers set aside from the spring event that still need some attention to get them into homes that can use them. We've begun making rainbarrels and have taken that project as far as we can without volunteer help. We even have a few ideas without leaders, if you want to start a native plant garden at the Environment program office, or a composter demonstration site somewhere, we can help with materials, ideas, support and encouragement. All of these activities could use your help, and all of them are going to be

filled with laughter, good people, hard work, and fresh air! What would you like to do?

If you want to help with the seeds, check your calendar and see if Sept. 17 is still open. We have a great event planned for that day — the Benedicts from Akwesasne/St. Regis Mohawk are coming to give us teachings about black ash seed. Because of safety issues, we're requiring that adults who collect seed with us have this training, so we hope you don't already have that day booked!

To get on our lists and find out more about what's planned for fall, please give us a call at (906) 632-5575. We would love to hear from you, and we look forward to meeting you, getting to know what you like to do, and working side by side with you to save the earth.

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# Great Lakes becoming a bullseye for mining

## IMPACTS OF KENNECOTT MINE DWARFED BY MINING PROPOSALS IN MINNESOTA AND CANADA

By **BRENDA AUSTIN**

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Without getting too technical, let's take a look at some of the potential pitfalls of proposed and existing mining operations in the Great Lakes region. While big business and governments often anticipate the plus side of mining operations, such as increased employment opportunities and a rise in local revenues, are the perceived positive impacts enough to outweigh the risks to our environment and future generations?

Environmental Coordinator for the Inter-Tribal Fisheries and Assessment Program (ITFAP), Mike Ripley, said two proposals now on the table for mining operations in the Great Lakes region would destroy over 4,000 acres of lakes and wetlands by filling them in with tailings and waste rock. Ripley says the Kennecott mine near Marquette



Environmental Coordinator for ITFAP, Mike Ripley

is only the tip of the iceberg for mining around Lake Superior.

"Because of the Lake Superior regions unique geology, it has become a bullseye for mining exploration companies in North America. The Polymet proposal in Minnesota and the Marathon PGM proposal on the

north side of Lake Superior in Canada, dwarf the impacts of the Kennecott mine by a huge factor," he said.

Differing from the more historical mines in the area, the new proposals are for very large open pit mines. One of the more disturbing aspects of these mines are the type of ore coming out of them — sulfide minerals with copper, gold, zinc and platinum, among others, which become highly acidic when exposed to air, or oxygen. High acidity, according to Ripley, is not only toxic to fish and other organisms, but also leaches other metals from the waste rock, leading to toxic levels of mercury, arsenic, lead and other heavy metals.

Because they allow corporations to get ore out quickly with the least effort, open pit mines are the most profitable type of mining operation. But because of that, many of these proposed

mines would have lives of 10 years or less. During that time, many people will be hired at a good wage, but once the mine has aged out these people will be laid off and unemployment will become common.

These mining communities will also be left with huge holes in the ground that will be filled with toxic materials; a ticking time bomb for Lake Superior.

Most people are unaware that more than 90 percent of the rock removed from open pit mines actually is waste material and tailings. Less than 10 percent of the materials taken from these giant holes in the ground are the target metals. These large amounts of tailings and waste rock require huge disposal areas that are flooded to keep the waste covered with water to prevent the ores from being exposed to air and becoming acidic, thus leaching other toxins from the waste rock into the environment.

Mine tailings are large piles of crushed rock that are left over after the target metals have been extracted from them, creating small tailings particles. Waste rock is the valueless rock that must be fractured and removed in order to gain access to an ore deposit.

Remember the 4,000 acres of lakes and wetlands mentioned above? They would be filled with waste rock that must forever remain under the water's surface. Additionally, Marathon PGM is proposing to build large earthen dams to fill with waste rock and tailings that will have to be maintained "in perpetuity," or forever. One of these proposed dams would be on the North shore of Lake Superior and would be over 200 feet high. The kicker — it would be less than two miles from Lake Superior.

According to Ripley, in 1987 the U.S. and Canada signed an agreement designating Lake Superior a Zero Discharge Demonstration Project, leading to the formation of the Binational Program for Lake Superior with participation from the states, provinces and tribes around Lake Superior.

The Project has been working to eliminate the discharge of toxins such as PCBs, certain pesticides and mercury within the Lake Superior watershed. According to Ripley, they have been successful at this and are on track to reducing even mercury. However, the Project is in jeopardy because there are several mining projects proposing to discharge even more mercury if they are approved. Ripley said this includes a new chromium smelter, yet to be permitted and constructed, to smelt ore to be transported by train from north of Lake Superior.

Because the prices of metals are so high right now, low-grade ore deposits are now profitable. "There are ways of doing these mines the right way, but the companies wouldn't make as

***"If you find out your favorite trout stream is going to be a giant open pit sulfide mine, you might be more motivated to contact your legislator and let him know that this is unacceptable."***

— Mike Ripley, ITFAP

much money," Ripley said.

One such example, according to Ripley, are the millions upon millions of tons of mine waste dumped into Lake Superior throughout the Keweenaw Peninsula when copper was being mined 100 years ago. The mine tailings keep traveling along the coast of the Keweenaw Peninsula and are burying fish spawning reefs.

Another example is the White Pine Copper Mine near Ontonagon in the U.P. Ripley said the shale was breached in the underground mine allowing the escape of extremely salty water that has been trapped there from the time the Great Lakes was at the bottom of the ocean. Efforts are being made to pump water from Lake Superior into the mine, but eventually, Ripley said, that salty water will start flowing into Lake Superior through a local river.

"There is enough salt in the water in the mine to destroy the life in several miles of Lake Superior," he said. "These things are not short-term problems, they go on for thousands of years. For the sake of profits of a mine that has been shut down for 10 years now, we will be stuck with the problems from it for a very long time."

Ripley said that people should be aware that Lake Superior has a bullseye on it when it comes to mining. "If some of these large proposals go through it will really damage the progress that we have made in protecting the water, land and wildlife," he said. "If you find out that your favorite trout stream is going to be a giant open pit sulfide mine, you might be more motivated to contact your legislator and let him know that this is unacceptable."

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# Sault Tribe's 2010 harvest report available

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — Tribal hunters and fishers who haven't turned in their harvest reports for last year will not be able to apply for a new license until they do. Harvest reports are that important.

"We not only have to ensure that we are managing our hunters and resources, but also have to continually use our harvest data to protect our treaty rights with the state and federal government," said Sault Tribe Biologist Eric Clark. "The tribe's harvest is under much more scrutiny than the state's."

The 2010 Inland Fish and Wildlife harvest estimates are out, with 51 percent of license holders reporting at the time the report was developed. Understanding the tribe's harvest activities helps the Inland Fish and Wildlife Department understand the impact that tribal hunters and fishers have on fish and wildlife populations.

According to the report, in 2010 there were about 28,000 individual permits issued to 3,488 tribal members for hunting, fish-



Eric Clark

ing, gathering and trapping within the 1836 Ceded Territory. Of 3,488, just over 1,550 submitted a harvest report.

The tribe also issued 3,028 inland fishing licenses, with 43 percent of license holders reporting some fishing effort in 2010.

Clark said although the tribal harvest is only a small portion of the statewide deer harvest, in areas with higher concentrations of tribal hunters the harvest could play a greater role in deer management.

The tribe's deer hunting sea-

son runs from September through December with each license holder permitted a harvest of five deer, including does. State hunters are allowed a harvest of two deer, often not including does. Clark said the tribe's buck to doe harvest is one of the more noticeable differences between tribal and state hunters. Last year, tribal hunters harvested 54 percent does and 46 percent bucks. Although the tribe has a longer hunting season, 53 percent of the deer harvest was in November, reported Clark.

"These are folks who were hunting on state licenses before they had tribal licenses. For the most part, they are hunting the same way they always hunted and are harvesting about the same number of deer." Eighty-nine percent of hunters harvested two or less deer, so their impact remains similar to state hunters.

In 2010, 3,302 deer licenses were issued with 40 percent submitting a harvest report. The total estimated deer harvested in 2010 was 2,797 ( $\pm 81$ ). One-quarter of reporting hunters issued tags did not hunt last year and about 35 percent were unsuccessful in their

hunting efforts; 925 hunters harvested one deer, 582 hunters harvested two, 168 hunters harvested three, 68 hunters harvested four and 42 hunters harvested five.

Chippewa and Mackinac Counties had the largest number of tagged deer, at just over 600 in each county. "When you look at the Sault Tribe deer harvest in the 1836 Ceded Territory, we are basically a drop in the bucket in terms of the total number of deer harvested," Clark said.

According to the state harvest report, state-licensed hunters took 418,000 deer in 2010.

Clark said that if you look at the number of perch harvested on the 2010 report, the estimates are on the high side. One possible reason, Clark said, is because people don't often differentiate on their reports between fish caught on Great Lakes waters and Inland waters. "Some of those harvest numbers are probably from Munuscong Bay, that is one I think people get wrong a lot. They consider that an inland harvest, when really the St. Marys River is part of the Great Lakes, including Munuscong Bay and

Lake George. We have a lot of folks who fish out there and catch a lot of perch and I think a lot of times that gets reported on the inland harvest report, which really skews the numbers."

Even with the reporting error, Sault Tribe IFWD still gets a substantial amount of data from its users. "With the reports submitted by our hunters and fishers, we have much more accurate data than almost any other management agency on our harvest. Having that data helps us to maintain those liberal bag limits and season lengths and gives us the tools to back up that our harvest is appropriate and responsible," Clark said.

Anyone receiving a license through the tribe's IFWD is also provided with a harvest report form. For easier access and reporting, the document can be downloaded from the tribe's website at [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com), under downloads and conservation.

If you have questions about harvest reports or would like a copy of the 2010 report, contact the Inland Fish and Wildlife Department at (906) 632-6132.

## Sault Tribe Young Environmentalist Culture Camp

BY ROBIN CLARK

On Aug. 10 and 11, Sault Tribe staff held a culture camp on native and invasive plants and bugs. The camp was focused on native plants in the Eastern Upper Peninsula— their roles, uses, and threats to their survival, especially invasive plants and bugs. Sault Tribe Cultural Division, Environmental Program, Inland Fish and Wildlife Department, and Traditional Medicine Program staff, and Chippewa East Mackinac Conservation District staff all contributed to the camp with activities and teachings. The camp was funded in part by RRIP-IT-UP! a program focused on educating folks about invasive plants and protecting native plants.

Eighteen children participated in the camp, ranging in age from 2 to 12. Through the whole camp, we talked and learned about the importance and power of native plants and our role in protecting

our natives. We learned about always considering the spirit of the plant and offering our asemaa or kinnick-kinnick before taking anything. We identified native plants along the trails at the Mary Murray Culture Camp, which helped with our native plant scavenger hunt and tree tag. Hopefully the kids were able to lead a game of tree tag with their friends or families when they returned home.

We learned about non-native plants and identified some of the most threatening invasive plants as well as some of the common non-native plants you'll often see in your yard. Wendy Wagoner from the Chippewa East Mackinac Conservation District gave a hands-on presentation on native and non-native plants. Wendy talked about the uses of different plants for food and medicines, then took the group on another walk to talk about the plants growing on the Camp trail. Laura Collins, from the Sault Tribe

Traditional Medicine Program, came and gave a presentation on traditional medicine uses of plants and respectful ways to gather.

The kids were split up into groups named for different invasive bugs—Emerald Ash Borer, African Bee, Gypsy Moth, Asian Longhorn Beetle, the Purple Loostrike Beetle (which is non-native but introduced to kill the invasive Purple Loostrike plant). Michael McCarthy, Lake Superior State University Senior and Intern for the Environmental Program, gave a presentation on Purple Loostrike and the Purple Loostrike beetle. Mike talked about the importance of wetlands and plant diversity and his project of raising Purple Loostrike Beetles and releasing them on Sugar Island to help kill the invasive.

We learned about the relationship between plants and animals. Eric Clark, Sault Tribe biologist, gave a presentation on plants, animals and small mammal habi-



Photo by Robin Clark

Sault Tribe Biologist Eric Clark, opening up small mammal traps with the 18 youth who attended the camp.

tat. Eric took the kids out in the evening to set small mammal traps around the Camp and then checked the traps in the morning only to find that a bear had gotten hold of each of the traps, pulled them apart, and eaten the peanut-butter and granola bait. We learned that the plants around the Culture Camp form good bear habitat.

We talked a lot about Aagimaak — black, green, and white ash — and the emerald ash borer (EAB). Black ash are native trees that need protection from the emerald ash borer right now. After we talked about ash and the EAB, we tattooed the kids with Emerald Ash Borer temporary tattoos, headed outside and geared up with hard hats and vests to take down two purple emerald ash borer traps from ash trees on the camp trail. After we took down the traps and opened them up, each child got to pick a bug off the trap with tweezers and rubber gloves. Luckily, we didn't find any emerald ash borer insects,

but we did find lots of other small black, green, and brown insects and a few spiders. After this activity, Bernadette Azevedo, Sault Tribe member and black ash basket-maker, gave a presentation on black ash basketry. Bernadette shared the origin of the black ash basket as a vision from Black Elk and children watched a video of Bernadette and her husband, Roger, selecting, cutting, pounding and peeling black ash then making a basket and Bernadette passed around a few of her own beautiful baskets for the kids to see. Bernadette left some sweet maple candy for the kids from her own sugarbush. But that wasn't the only dessert we had at the camp. We also ate ants. Chocolate covered, of course.

Gchi miigwech to Jackie Minton, Lori Gambardella, Crystal Bole, Michael McCarthy, Nathan Freitas, Wendy Wagoner, Eric Clark, Laura Collins and Bernadette Azevedo for coming together for our youth and for protecting our native plants.



Photo by Robin Clark

Lori Gambardella leads kids in a game of tree tag.

# Board members cook for elders



Photo by Jennifer Dale-Burton

Sault Tribe Unit I Elders opted to stay inside for their picnic, safe from rain and thunderstorms, while Unit I Directors DJ Malloy, Joe Eitrem, Deb Pine and Cathy Abramson stayed outside with the food the Unit I directors purchased and prepared for their elders Aug. 3. Elders staff including drivers served the 122 elders their sirloin steak, potato salad, baked beans, green beans and strawberry shortcake along with punch and coffee. The event started with a mass by Brother John Hascall, moved into the fine feast and ended with an elders meeting. Unit I directors called in casino administration to explain the changes in promotions and how they affect tribal elders days at the casino. Above, DJ Malloy offloads sirloin steaks to Joe Eitrem's pan while Cathy Abramson supervises.

# Local dentist earns lifelong learning, service recognition from AGC

The Academy of General Dentistry (AGD), a professional association of more than 35,000 general dentists who are dedicated to professional excellence through the pursuit of continuing education, is pleased to announce that Bruce A. Anderson, DDS, MAGD, of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., has earned the 2011 Lifelong Learning & Service Recognition (LLSR) for his commitment to lifelong learning, volunteering his services to communities in need, mentoring associates and new dentists, and participating in organized dentistry.

The LLSR is presented only to AGD members who have gone above and beyond earning the association's highest honor of Mastership. To accomplish this recognition, Dr. Anderson completed at least 1,600 hours of continuing dental education in 16 different dental disciplines. In addition, recipients must complete at least 100 hours of dental-related community or volunteer service.

"Recipients of the LLSR are true leaders among our organization and wholly embrace the AGD's core principles and ideals," said AGD President Fares M. Elias, DDS, JD, FAGD. "For Dr. Anderson, this award symbolizes a career of excellence in dentistry and demonstrates the characteristics of a role model to his fellow dentists and to members of the community."

Dr. Anderson graduated from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in 1988. Currently, he is the Dental Program Manager for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, where he supervises three dental clinics that serve thousands of tribal members.

Dr. Anderson is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Iowa

in the department of Preventive and Community Dentistry and has been involved internationally in dentistry by volunteering in Nepal and attending the Royal College of Dentistry in Aarhus, Denmark.

In addition to the AGD, Dr. Anderson is a member of the American Dental Association,

the Michigan Dental Association, the Sault Ste. Marie District Dental Society, Faith Lutheran Church and the Sault Ste. Marie Symphony Orchestra.

Since its inception in 2005, only 137 of the AGD's 35,000-plus members have received the prestigious LLSR recognition.



Photo by Brenda Austin

**Kudos-** Dr. Bruce Anderson, Sault Tribe's Dental Program Manager, shows off the crystal award he was presented as a winner of the Academy of general Dentistry's Lifelong & Service Recognition award. Besides working with the tribe, Anderson is an adjunct professor at the University of Iowa and has volunteered in Nepal.

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# EAC authorized to conduct board candidate forums

**By Rick Smith**  
 Members aiming for a seat on the Sault Tribe Board of Directors have a new hoop to jump through in the course of becoming elected. At the request of members of the Elder Advisory Committee, the board passed two resolutions at its meeting on July 26 authorizing the committee to conduct meet the candidates forums to provide structured and formal face-to-face opportunities for members to meet their potential representatives. Committee Chairman Bob Menard indicated while some particulars remain, pending the timing of election components according to the tribal Constitution and Bylaws, members should look for the forums to start during primaries of the next election cycle.

“It is, perhaps, more important now than it has ever been, that tribal members cast an intelligent and informed vote in the next election. The ‘meet the candidate forum’ proposal, approved by the board on July 26, is a tribal elders’ initiative intended and designed to provide the opportunity to achieve that result.”

Resolution 2011-174 amended the committee bylaws to include “the Elder Advisory Committee and the area subcommittees shall refrain from any direct involvement or intervention in the tribal election process, except that the Elder Advisory Committee and its area subcommittees are authorized to conduct candidate forums,” as part of the committee’s purpose.

According to a resolution attachment, guidelines for the forums were approved on July 25. The guidelines indicate candidates will be given numbers by lottery to determine the order they may summarize their candidacies and responses to written questions from the audience. Candidates will have three minutes to describe their platforms. Afterwards, Sault Tribe members present at the forums who are eligible to vote will have 10 minutes to submit questions for the candidates. Forum facilitators will screen the submitted questions for propriety or duplicates and direct questions to the candidates. Each of the candidates will be asked all

of the qualified questions. An exception is in cases where questions are directed to a specific candidate. In that case, only the candidate to whom the question is specified will answer the question. Candidates will have up to two minutes to respond to every question.

The guidelines make it clear that no interaction is allowed between the audiences and candidates during the forums.

The board also passed Resolution 2011-175, which amended Tribal Code Chapter 10, the Election Ordinance, authorizing the Elder Advisory Committee to conduct the candidates’ forums.

# There’s a new taxi in town



Photo by Rick Smith  
 The family of Sault Tribe member Corey Shipman recently hung out a shingle for a new taxi service in Sault Ste. Marie based at 211 Osborn Boulevard, just across from the Soo Co-op IGA grocery store. The Soo Taxi Company opened Aug. 12 providing around the clock transportation as needed by calling 259-0005. Here, husband and wife Lyndon and Corey Shipman are seen standing beside one of the company vehicles.

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# Bringing board, membership closer together



**JOSEPH EITREM, DIRECTOR, UNIT I**

Aanii!  
It is with great pride that I write this report to the membership as your newly appointed chairman. I'd like to thank the entire board for their vote of confidence in me. I truly appreciate it. I'd also like to thank Lana for her service over the past few months. Lana, you did a terrific job. Given the difficulty of the task, you handled everything very well.  
During my short time in this new role, I would like to focus on igniting the membership and the board to bring them closer together than they have been in the past. As soon as I can, I plan to meet with my fellow board members

and schedule an opportunity to attend one of their unit meetings. I really believe it is important for our leadership to be out visiting our membership, staff and facilities. We have to keep open lines of communication between each other in order to succeed. Please keep an eye out for dates these will be scheduled either in my report, the Sault Tribe website or Facebook page.  
As noted in the story on the front page of this newspaper, the tribe has paid off one of our bonds a year early. By making an early payoff, we save \$54,250 in interest alone this year. The bond was taken out for our Sault

Ste. Marie Health Center in 1992 for \$7.315 million and is not due until Sept. 1, 2012, but we paid off the remainder of what we owe – which is \$750,000 – on Sept. 1, 2011. Anytime we can see this type of savings, we work to make it happen. This is a great opportunity for the tribe and all of the cost savings measures we have been making.  
In the near future, I hope to be able to announce details of one of the business interests the tribe is pursuing in lower Michigan. Our goal with these interests is to build a revenue stream flowing north to supplement tribal budgets, membership services and other

programs such as the elder yearly checks. This is a high priority for our tribe in the wake of budget cuts at the federal, state and tribal level. Everyone is vying for a piece of the budget. We need to remember our goals to be a sovereign unit of government and pursue business that help us reach that goal.  
In closing, I again thank the board for their vote of confidence. I truly look forward to this new challenge. If you would like to call me, contact the office toll free at (800) 793-0660 or locally at 635-6050.  
Respectfully,  
Joseph Eitrem

# Education of tribal members a major priority



**BERNARD BOUSCHOR, DIRECTOR, UNIT I**

teria for eligibility for assistance were need based and a quarter blood quantum or more.  
The Sault Tribe higher education funding level was less than \$175,000 and remained at that level for the next two and half decades. In late 1970s we were successful with the other federally recognized tribes to gather support for college tuition free education for members who were a quarter or more blood quantum. The Sault Tribe tribal council established in the late '90s the Higher Education Self Sufficiency fund that provided some financial assistance to members attending university nationwide.  
With the Sault Tribe receiving a very small amount of funding, our tribe's leadership and staff sought out other means to assist tribal members by working in partnership with public schools, native educational committees and legislative bodies at the federal and state level and provided funding from tribal resources when available. During this same

time period our membership continued to expand from 3,000 members in 1975 to a population of 40,000 today. It is obvious that the Sault Tribe does not have the resources to meet the increased demand (larger membership) and increasing educational cost.  
The tribe was very active in working with public schools throughout the tribal territory with Indian educational programs such as the Indian Education and Johnson O'Malley, which were federally funded based on number of Natives going to public school who were members of a tribe.  
In the mid-1990s, the tribe bought a former K-6 grade school building in Sault Ste. Marie for office space and moved our education programs to the building. The tribe a few years later applied to the BIA for a K-12 school. The application was approved but funding was delayed for a year; the tribe funded the renovation of the former school and provided the first year for the operation of the Joseph K Lumsden School.

The State of Michigan a few years later passed new legislation — a law establishing the Charter School Act. The Sault Tribe applied for a charter working with Northern Michigan University and was approved. The JKL Bahweting School Academy has been a major success with a student population of 475 and is the school of choice in our community. With the continued increase in students, we, the tribe and school, expanded the facilities at least five times since the inception of the school. I am proud to say that I have been a part of the tribe's educational expansion since the start.  
We have reported that a partnership is key to meeting some of our needs in education. The goal of building a new campus at the Odenaang site, about two miles from the present location, requires working in partnership with our community. The tribe's JKL Education Liaison Committee of Cathy Abramson, Deb Pine and I are meeting with Sault Area

public schools, Intermediate School District, JKL school board and various departments within the tribe in the planning for the project. What has been accomplished: approval by Sault Tribe, Sault Tribe Fiduciary Board and JKL School Board; meeting with the City of Sault Ste. Marie for water and sewer extension; reprogramming housing dollars for water services and plans to do sewer the following year; working with architect for estimates as to size and cost on K-8 and 9-12 and phased development; and preparing financial feasibility with options and application for funding. The tribe is dedicated to promoting education of membership and to positively impact the surroundings communities where we live.  
Before I close, I would like to say congratulation to our new chairman, Joseph Eitrem, and to thank Lana Causley for the good job when she was filling in as chairperson of the tribe.

## 40 cadets participate in Junior Police Academy

A rescue squad from the St. Ignace Fire Department demonstrates post-collision extraction techniques of individuals from damaged vehicles for cadets at the 12th annual Sault Tribe Junior Police Academy conducted near Boedne Bay off of Brevort Lake. Young people taking part in the week-long academy are given an introduction to law enforcement and emergency services along with recreational activities that take place at more traditional summer camps. About 40 cadets attended the 2011 Junior Police Academy.



Photo by Robert Marchand

# Separation of court and board critically needed



**DJ MALLOY, DIRECTOR,  
UNIT I**

In the past I have written about what I believe is the most pressing issue facing us in constitutional reform, the separation of the courts from the board of directors. I was reminded again at the Aug. 23 meeting just how much control and influence the board can exert in this area and it

is unsettling, to say the least.

At the meeting, a motion was made and the constitutionality of that motion was challenged. The board deferred to our general counsel for an opinion. Our lead attorney, John Wernet, explained that the motion was not unconstitutional and was instead just an interpretation of how the board might execute one of its duties. However, and this is the meat of the issue, before returning to his seat he reminded the board that they alone can interpret the Constitution, however they think it is meant to be interpreted.... "Because you are the Supreme Court of the tribe." This was a heavy statement and I have been thinking seriously about it ever since.

To attain a seat on the board, one has only to run and garner enough votes to be elected. There are neither educational requirements nor experience needed. Not one of us is steeped in the law, whether it is federal, state or even

Indian Law. Yet as it is right now, we are charged with making the laws, enforcing the laws, interpreting the laws, and overseeing the handing down punishment or restitution for anyone breaking the laws as we have interpreted them.

While we say we like to "keep our fingers out of the courts," we do indeed have influence over their decisions (be it real or just perceived by the court staff), if for no other reason than they look at us like their boss. This is not in the best interest of this tribe! Our courts MUST be separated from the purview of the board. We must take proactive steps toward a constitutional amendment that accomplishes this goal, and it needs to be done soon. The longer we wait, the more damage can be done. And there is damage being done. I cannot give the most recent example because it involves an employment issue.

Once elected, we take an oath to uphold the Constitution. But

how can we truly uphold the Constitution if we can interpret it to mean whatever we want it to mean? Can we manipulate it to validate an action taken by the board that may otherwise be considered unconstitutional? It would appear so; at least in theory. And, I have to tell you, that alone makes me extremely uncomfortable! A tribal Supreme Court, or something similar to it, should be vested in the duties of interpreting our laws; and the board should have to act within them or face sanctions, censure or removal from office. Our judges should be elected and they should have juris doctorates as well as court experience, and preferably have already been a judge in some point of their career. They, in turn, have the bar association to answer to as well as the voters.

This legislation change is not currently an issue or a priority of the board. And because you, the members, have no right of

initiative, it cannot be brought to the board through a petition to be placed on the ballot. So what's the answer? Well if you agree, or have similar ideas about the separation of judicial and legislative powers, then speak up. Make your ideas known to your board members and ask them to sponsor change on behalf of the membership. If your representatives disagree with you, then look for a candidate that will work for you and support them in the next election. This may be the most important change that can be affected in our Constitution. Without it, the people elected every four years hold your rights and the laws of this nation in their hands and at their whim.

If you have questions, a problem, or just want to discuss something, as always, you may contact me at [djmalloy@saulttribe.net](mailto:djmalloy@saulttribe.net) or by calling me at (906) 440-9762.

Respectfully submitted,  
DJ Malloy

## Joe Eitrem will provide common sense, candor



**CATHERINE HOLLOWELL,  
DIRECTOR, UNIT II**

Congratulations to Chairman Joe Eitrem.

As I promised in my last unit report, I nominated Vice Chairperson Causley to fill out the remainder of the former chairman's term. It was my conviction that—regardless of the individual—appointment of the vice chair to chair was the most logical, least political action, and would lend stability and resiliency to our governing institution. No one can deny that Vice Chair Causley kept our tribal nation on an even keel during this time of uncertainty. She demonstrated great stewardship and I want to take this opportunity to thank her for her service.

However, the board of directors saw things differently and—after a number of convoluted, protracted and last minute efforts—exer-

cised their constitutional duty and appointed Director Eitrem as our new chairman. I cast the lone dissenting vote, but now that the appointment process is complete, I want to extend my heartfelt and sincere congratulations Chairman Joe Eitrem.

I've had the pleasure of sitting next to Joe at the board table over the last 14 months. He is a strong leader with a no nonsense approach. He will provide candor, common sense and stability as we tackle our strategic planning for the future. I look forward to working with Joe as our chairman and I'm confident that he will lead with the best interest of our tribal nation in mind. Congratulations, Joe!

We have a few more community events before summer draws to a close. The Rendezvous at the Straits St. Ignace Powwow was the weekend of Aug. 27-28 as well as a Corn Camp at the Mary Murray Culture Center. Don't miss out on the Smoked Fish Camp Sept. 18-19. Everyone is welcome. Come on down and have some fun. Contact Jackie Minton at (906) 635- 6050 or [jminton@saulttribe.net](mailto:jminton@saulttribe.net)

I hope to see you at the **Honoring the Waters Newberry Powwow**

Head veteran: Gene Reid  
Friday, Sept. 9 — Blessing of the grounds, 5 p.m. Drum social and pot luck feast  
Saturday, Sept. 10 — 12 p.m.

Grand entry, 5 p.m. pot luck feast

This is a tribal and community event open to the public! Everyone is welcome! Bring your lawn chairs, come and hear the drums and see our beautiful dancers in their regalia, food vendors and traders!

For information call Lois or Shirley at (906) 293-8181.

Thanks to everyone who dedicated their time, labor and good will and welcomed all our tribal members who came home this summer. That's what its all about, folks. Chi Miigwech.

As always, call me with your questions, comments and concerns: (906) 484-6821; [Unit2tribal@gmail.com](mailto:Unit2tribal@gmail.com).

## Improving communication with membership



**LANA CAUSLEY, DIRECTOR,  
UNIT II**

Aanii!

As usual, things for our tribe continue to move at a rapid pace. I am very happy to announce that we will be paying off one of the tribe's bonds one year early. By making an early payoff, we will save \$54,250 in interest alone. The bond totaled just over \$7 million and not due until Sept. 1, 2012, but we are paying off the remainder of what we owe on Sept. 1, 2011. This is a great savings for us and a direction we should always attempt to go. Thank you to our staff for making the necessary adjustments to make the possibil-

ity of paying this bond off a reality.

Another step we are taking to enhance our communication to membership is the change in election code that recently passed at the board level that will now allow our elders' subcommittees to hold debates with candidates during our election cycle. This will be a great way for our elders and all of our members to get to know our candidates better and give everyone an opportunity to ask questions and be proactive in our tribal election process. The election committee is working with all parties involved to set up a timetable for this process.

One of the projects I know you have all been asking about is the Sault Tribe website. We have been working on updating this page to be easier to navigate, give you more information and stay fresh. A new website should be available to the public this month! We are all very excited about it — be sure to check it out at [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com). It will not be available until after Sept. 15.

I'd like to thank everyone involved in making the Hessel powwow such a great event. We had three full days of spiritual

gatherings. Many people take the time to arrange and get our community ready and I'm thankful. A very special miigwech to our home community drum Mukwa Giizeek for their non-stop heartbeat all weekend and Sturgeon Bay. Many of my family were here to help my uncle, Jerry, who is going through a tough struggle. Remembering how we have to take care of each other is who we are and I'm proud to say my family and our community all took part in that "old way," to keep my uncle strong.

In closing, I'd like to congratulate our new tribal chairman, Joe Eitrem. The board appointed Director Eitrem on Aug. 23 at our regular meeting to finish out the remainder of Mr. McCoy's term. With his position will come many obstacles and challenges. There are many political agendas and many unanswered authorities that he must try to deal with in that role. There is a huge power grab for that seat and, frankly, I wanted no part at this time. I took my responsibility as vice chairperson with humility and a sense of quiet stability for our tribe and our members. I will continue as vice chair and assist and support

Chairman Eitrem fully as I have full confidence in his leadership. Joe and I where elected together the same year; we struggled through many things on the board and I trust him.

Thank you to directors Hollowell, Pine and Rickley for nominating and supporting me. A very special miigwech to all the staff that kept out tribe running smooth through the transition in

our time it took to appoint a new chair. Miigwech to all the members that had confidence in me and helped me all the time. I will be here and I'm very happy to have my vote and voice back for Unit II and the tribe as a whole.

Please contact me at (906) 484-2954 anytime if you would like to meet or discuss any issues or concerns.

Baamaapii, Lana Causley





# Protecting our rights under consent decrees issues



**CATHY ABRAMSON, DIRECTOR, UNIT I**

Congratulations to our new chairman – Mr. Joe Eitrem. Our board of directors worked together to make this appointment by reaching a complete consensus. (Well, we almost did, as there was only one objection.) I am happy with the appointment of Joe. I think that he will do a good job. Ideally, having the membership select the chair would have been preferable but to appoint Joe with the near unanimous support of the board will ensure strength in the decisions we make on behalf of the people. I pledge to work with Chairman Eitrem and assist him anyway I can in an effort to move our tribe forward.

On another good note, our board of directors passed a change in our ordinance that would allow

our elder advisory committees to conduct a tribal “Meet the Candidate” forum for the upcoming election. Our elders have worked for about two years on this bring this to fruition. I fully support them and would like to thank them for their persistence and patience with our process. I wish them well in organizing and conducting their first forum. I’m sure that our members will be mindful and respectful to our elders as they hold these forums. They plan to make these forums fair and orderly and they will be as long as we all follow their rules.

During the week of July 18, I represented our tribe at the “Honoring the Waters Indigenous Water Conference 2011.” Approximately 200 delegates consisting of Anishinaabe leadership from across the Great Lakes area gathered in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada, to address the quality of our waters. Chiefs, grand chiefs and various tribal leaders came from Wisconsin, Michigan, New York, Quebec, Manitoba and Ontario in the name of continuing a forward path to protect our waters.

During the four-day gathering, the leaders all gave input on how to educate and empower first nations, tribal nations and mainstream society with regard to history, jurisdiction and rights of Anishinaabe. We developed

an action plan that would ensure water quality for the next seven generations.

It was an excellent event and so very necessary. Many youth and elders came and actively gave input. This event was live streamed at [www.indiancountrytoday.com](http://www.indiancountrytoday.com) and will be archived.

As Director Pine reported last month, we travelled to Lansing to meet with Governor Snyder to discuss our tribal issues. Governor Snyder wants to “reinvent Michigan.” Our main message to him is that he needs to look to the tribes and include us more in decision-making. There are many issues that our tribes could help to improve our Native lands, which eventually became Michigan. Our meeting with him was good. He is an outside-the-box thinker so I have hopes that he will be more inclusive with the tribes and look to us to help him out.

While there, I hand delivered to him a packet of information from the Sugar Island group in regards to cleaning up the Canadian sewage in the St. Marys River. The sewage treatment plant still has overflows and the contents shoot across to the shores of Sugar Island and down through the North Shore. It’s disgusting and unacceptable.

We were very pleased that Governor Snyder came to Sault Ste. Marie just last week and we were able to give to him

more information that included a resolution from the Sault Tribe that supported our Chippewa County Health Department to receive more funding to assist in monitoring the river. It is vital to the health of our people! I’d like to thank Chief Dean Sayers of Batchewana First Nations in joining us to show support, as this is not just a Sugar Island issue. Chief Sayers also informed Governor Snyder that the First Nations people are here to help him in improving, protecting and preserving our waters. We will constantly remind him!

I recently attended the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) meeting and Executive Committee meeting on behalf of our chairman. The parties of the 2000 and 2007 Consent Decrees — Sault Tribe, Little Traverse Bay Bands, Little River Band, Grand Traverse Band, the United States and state of Michigan — met on Aug. 25 for the Executive Council meeting. The council is comprised of principles from the above-mentioned parties and meets once each year to discuss the inter-agency management of the agreements. There were several items of new business discussed, including harvest reporting by subsistence fishers and commercial wholesalers; management issues with Black Lake sturgeon harvest and allocation; wall-

eye management on the Inland Waterway Chain of Lakes in the northern Upper Peninsula; and permitting and reporting associated with the specially regulated fishing seasons.

Following the Executive Council, we had a very productive breakout session with Diane Rosin, BIA Regional Director, to talk about base funding for the implementation of the 2007 Inland Consent Decree (ICD). This is vital because currently there are no federally appropriated dollars to implement all the aspects of the ICD. The 1836 tribes have put significant effort into this endeavor. However, we have not been successful in having dollars appropriated. We were advised on new approaches to forwarding this funding need to the federal government and more importantly we had the opportunity to express, face-to-face, the need we have for funding.

This last meeting was just yesterday, so now I am racing to get this to Jennifer at the newspaper office. Enjoy our fall season because it is here! School has started for many so parents, please get involved in your child’s education. Your involvement will ensure that they have a much more successful experience.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at [cabramson@saulttribe.net](mailto:cabramson@saulttribe.net) or my cell, (906) 322-3823. Thank you!

## Chairman selection should have included members



**DENISE CHASE, DIRECTOR, UNIT IV**

As you are all aware, on May 10 the former chairman resigned from his position and the board accepted his resignation and declared the chairperson seat vacant. The right action for the board to do would of been to immediately amend Tribal Code Chapter 10-Election Ordinance and do the minor change to remove these five words (six (6) months prior to) which would allow a special advisory election to happen to replace the vacant chairperson position.

Following is the resolution that was first voted on at the May 27 board meeting:

*Amending Tribal Code Chapter 10- Election Ordinance-Special Advisory Election-Chairperson*

*Whereas, Chairperson Darwin “Joe” McCoy resigned his position on May 10th, 2011; and*

*Whereas, pursuant to Article IV of the constitution the Board of Directors has declared the*

*Chairpersons seat vacant; and*

*Whereas, pursuant to Article IV of the constitution the Board of Directors shall appoint to the vacant seat a voting member of the tribe to serve the applicable unexpired term; and*

*Whereas, Tribal Code Chapter 10: Election Ordinance at subchapter II states that the board of Directors shall call a non-binding special advisory election to assist them in making the appointment if certain time-lines are met; and*

*Whereas, the time line currently contained in said subchapter II prohibits the calling of a non-binding special advisory election; and*

*Whereas, the Board of Directors desires to avail themselves of a non-binding Special Advisory Election and in order to do so the prohibitive time line must be amended.*

*Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Directors hereby amends Tribal Code Chapter 10: Election Ordinance by amending the second sentence of Section 10.203 to read:*

*No Special Advisory Election Shall be held if the election date shall be later than the posting of the Notice of Election for the Next General Election.*

By removing those five words — “six (6) months prior to” — a Special Advisory Election could of been held immediately, to honor the tribal membership’s right to vote and select who the next tribal chairperson would be, then the board could appoint the highest vote getter into the chairperson

position and know that the membership’s voice was heard.

I reported before that at the May 27 board meeting, Tom Miller, Joanne Carr Anderson, DJ Malloy, Cathy Abramson and myself all supported passing this minor amendment and allow the membership the right to VOTE WHO THE NEXT CHAIRPERSON will be. Those who voted against your right to vote were: Keith Massaway, Deb Pine, Catherine Hollowell, Bernard Bouschor, Pat Rickley and Joe Eitrem. The vote was defeated 5-6; it takes seven votes to appoint a replacement chair, or to amend the Election Ordinance to allow a special advisory election.

I asked that the same resolution be put back on the June 7 meeting agenda, because I firmly support the membership having a say in who the leader of this tribe will be. At this meeting soon as the resolution was read, I motioned to approve and Tom Miller supported, and then legal started to come up to the podium to answer any questions, then Pat Rickley motioned to table until after the next general election and Catherine Hollowell supported this motion. I said, wait a minute, it’s my resolution, I have the right to speak first on it, and Lana Causley, who was chairing the meeting, said she wouldn’t allow it — there was a motion to table and supported so they will vote on that. It was obviously well rehearsed by those individuals involved. Lana called for a vote; those approving to table were: Joe

Eitrem, Catherine Hollowell, Deb Pine, Keith Massaway and Pat Rickley. Those opposing to table were: Tom Miller, DJ Malloy, Cathy Abramson, Joan Carr Anderson and myself. Imagine that, a tie 5-5 and Lana Causley voted to break the tie and not allow you to VOTE in your next chairperson.

This was the second time that the majority of the board refused the small amendment change to allow you to vote in the most important position of the tribe.

At the Aug. 23 board meeting, DJ Malloy motioned to appoint the second highest vote getter in the last chairperson election. Cathy Abramson and myself supported her motion. The board was given the legal opinion that if Joe Eitrem was appointed chairman then the Board could appoint the Unit I individual with the second highest votes in the last election to fill the remaining term. So why wouldn’t that same legal opinion pertain to the second highest vote getter in the chairman appointment? The vote failed 5-6. “Yes” voters were: DJ Malloy, Cathy Abramson, Joan Carr Anderson, Tom Miller and myself. The “no” votes were: Keith Massaway, Pat Rickley, Deb Pine, Catherine Hollowell, Bernard Bouschor and Joe Eitrem.

Then a motion to appoint Lana chairperson was made by Catherine Hollowell and supported by Deb Pine. The vote was defeated: “Yes” votes were: Catherine Hollowell, Deb Pine and Pat Rickley. “No” votes were: Tom Miller, Joan Carr Anderson, DJ

Malloy, Keith Massaway, Cathy Abramson, Joe Eitrem and myself. One abstained: Bernard Bouschor.

Now recall that both Tom and I committed to supporting your request to be allowed to vote to advise us who to appoint. Where it takes over 4,000 votes from all units to be elected chair, no one currently seated on the board has received more than 2,000 votes and none from all units. Because some of the board members were blocking the election code amendments, which would allow a special advisory election to occur and after three failed attempts to hear the will of the people, Tom Miller made a motion to appoint Joe Eitrem as the chairperson to fill the remaining term. This was the third time Tom had put the item on the agenda for consideration. I would never of supported any appointments for chairperson but because certain board members were playing their games by not allowing the membership to have their vote by ballot in a special advisory election, and after the two failed attempts to allow you to vote, I did end up supporting the appointment to move forward. Is this the perfect fix? I don’t think so — the perfect fix would of been to allow the membership to VOTE IN THE CHAIRPERSON BY BALLOT, but those board members who didn’t allow this to happen will have to answer to the membership.

My contact telephone number is (906) 341-6783.

Thanks,  
Denise Chase

**Sault Ste. Marie**

Anishinaabemowin classes, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., at the Niigaanagiizhik Ceremonial Building.

These Ojibwe language classes begin with potluck dinners and you are invited to bring your favorite dish to share.

Instructor demonstrates different stories and language sheets are provided to those in attendance for vocabulary recognition.

It's a great time to eat, visit and enjoy our culture.

Everyone is welcome.

Call (906) 635-6050 for more information.

Anishinaabemowin language class, Thursdays, 12-1 p.m., at 531 Ashmun Street.

No registration is necessary. Please bring your own lunch.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Unit I Elderly Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month after the noon meal at the Nokomis/Mishomis Center, 2076 Shunk Road.

For questions, call 635-4971 or (888) 711-7356.

**St. Ignace**

Anishinaabemowin language classes, Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., at the McCann Center.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Unit III Elderly Committee meets on the second Friday of each month after the noon meal at the McCann Building.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Unit III constituents meet on the fourth Monday of each month, 6 p.m., at the McCann Center.

For more information, call Keith Massaway at 643-6981 or Patrick Rickley at 440-5149.

**Hessel**

Anishinaabemowin classes, Mondays, 5-7 p.m., at the tribal center.

For more information, call (906) 635-6050.

Unit II Elderly Committee meets on the third Monday of each month after the noon meal at the tribal center.

Call (888) 711-7356.

**Newberry**

Elderly Advisory Board meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 12:30 p.m. at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Unit II Elderly Committee meets on the third Friday of each month at 11 a.m. at Zellar's Village Inn.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Anishinaabemowin classes, Wednesdays, 2-3:30 p.m.

Call Orien Corbiere at 635-6050 or the Newberry Tribal Health Center at 293-8181.

**Manistique**

Unit IV Elderly Committee meets on the second Wednesday of each month after the noon meal at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

**Naubinway**

Unit II Elderly Committee meets on the last Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Naubinway Pavilion. For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

**Escanaba**

Unit IV Elderly Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month on the second floor of the Willow Creek Professional Building, 3500 Ludington Street. Catered meal at 5:30 p.m. followed by meeting.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

**Munising**

Unit V Elderly Committee meets at the tribal center at 4 p.m. on the first Monday of each month.

Dinners on the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Unit V meeting for all tribal members, 6 p.m. at the tribal center on the second Thursday of each month.

For more information, call Joan Anderson at 387-2802.

Anishinaabemowin classes, Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m., at the tribal center.

For more information, call (906) 635-6050.

**Marquette**

Unit V Elderly Committee meets on the first Thursday of each month, 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

**Notices**

General meetings of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors typically take place on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Open forums for members start about 5 p.m. and meetings start around 6 p.m. All Sault Ste. Marie meetings will be held at the Kewadin Casino and Convention Center, other locations are to be announced.

Special meetings are typically announced as possible. Special meetings may be called from time to time by the chairperson or by majority vote of the board of directors. Locations, dates and times for meetings are subject to change. In the event a special meeting is called that is open to the public, an official announcement will be released.

General meetings, special meetings and workshops are open to the public unless otherwise noted as closed. To view approved resolutions, please visit [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com) and go to the board downloads section.

Meeting schedules are published in the Sault Tribe newspa-

per annually prior to the start of yearly meeting cycles. Schedule information can be acquired anytime at [www.saulttribe.com](http://www.saulttribe.com) with a search for "board schedule" or by calling 635-6050.

Foster homes provided by Sault Tribe members are needed for our young.

Make a difference in the life of a child, consider being a foster parent.

Call Anishinaabek Community and Family Services at 495-1232 or (800) 347-7137.

Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities needs your help.

We are looking for volunteers to serve on our Parent Advisory Committee.

The committee is instrumental in developing programs for our children throughout the seven-county service area, creating policy and representing their communities to determine where spending will be most beneficial to the greatest number of our youngsters.

The committee is comprised of volunteers from throughout our tribe's service area and meets once a month on the third Wednesday.

We encourage all relatives of children or anyone interested in their welfare to join us.

All meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

For more information, please call Youth Education and Activities at 635-7010.

Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities in Sault Ste. Marie offers many fun and educational services to youth from kindergarten age to high school seniors.

Computer lab, Monday through Friday, 3:30-6:30 p.m., and on Saturday, 11-4 p.m.

Computers are available for use in a relaxed atmosphere with opportunities for socializing and other fun.

Free tutoring is available daily for everyone. Young folks can learn how to animate objects, customize websites and other exciting media projects every Monday.

On Tuesdays, we can conduct science experiments concentrating in school core subject areas such as chemistry and physics.

We dabble in art on Wednesdays, creating all sorts of masterpieces.

On Thursdays, the local tribal youth council works on developing projects for our community and gets some play in as well.

We have parties on Fridays and show off our moves in Dance Revolution tournaments.

Board game lovers of all ages can enjoy a peaceful afternoon dueling in a fierce game of Scrabble or other games every Saturday.

Come visit for a good time and to meet new people or old friends. Free drinks and snacks are every day.

We're waiting for you at 2428 Shunk Road next to the enrollment office.

If you have any questions, please call Jill King at 440-4494.

Book your party at the Chi

Mukwa Community Recreation Center.

We're equipped to accommodate skating parties, group parties and birthday parties and we rent our hospitality room, basketball and volleyball courts.

Call 635-7465.

DeMawating Development Property Sales and Rentals offers three and four bedroom duplexes for rent. Low move in costs only \$200 for Sault Tribe and Kewadin team members.

First three months of payroll deducted rent will be increased to cover cleaning and pet fees, if applicable. Rent must be deducted from pay to receive the low move-in cost benefit.

You do not need to be American Indian to rent a home.

For information on any of our properties, please contact the DeMawating office at 42 Wood Lake, Kincheloe 495-2800.

Sault Tribe Traditional Medicine Program available for appointments in Sault Ste. Marie, Kinross, St. Ignace, Hessel, Manistique, Marquette and Munising health centers.

Bring semaa for an offering to appointments with healers. Traditional healing is holistic. Women on their moon cycle should make appointments before or after their cycles.

For information, call 632-5204, 632-0236 or 632-0220.

Sault Tribe arts and crafts exhibitions and sales are scheduled for second Thursdays-Saturdays until October, then it is weekly, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Bawating Art Gallery at the Kewadin Casino and Convention Center in Sault Ste. Marie.

The events feature handcrafted gifts for all occasions.

Participating vendors must be members of a Sault Tribe member's household.

For further information, call Rachel McKechnie at 632-0530 extension 53573.

Sault Tribe extends an open voter registration policy to all members. Once members register to vote, it is permanent unless members change residency into or out of election units where living when originally registered.

Sawyer Village in Gwinn, Mich., is a Sault Tribe housing enterprise. Housing units consist of three and four bedroom townhouse apartments, duplexes and single homes.

Rentals range from \$350 to \$725 per month. The units include ranges, refrigerators, basements, garages, washer and dryer hook-ups and most of them have a dishwasher.

Flooring options are hardwood or carpeting. Most pets are accepted and we have month to month leases.

Eagle Ridge Apartments, located in Marquette, consists of two buildings with eight two-bedroom apartments in each building. These apartments include all utilities and are \$575 per month with one-year leases.

We have eight experienced team members who manage Sawyer Village and Eagle Ridge.

Come make one of our houses your home. Call 346-3919 to set up an appointment today.

Children must have at least one biological parent who is a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians before they can be enrolled as full, bonifide members.

Simply submit a copy of the child's courthouse birth certificate or state copy, social security number and current mailing address. You may mail or fax this information to the enrollment office, or drop it off in person. Please allow two to three weeks for children's tribal cards to arrive in the mail.

Sault Tribe flags are available for purchase by calling 632-6398 or toll free (800) 793-0660.

Desk flags (3x5 inches) are \$3, banners (18x24 inches) are \$30, parade flags (3x5 feet) are \$50, pole flags (4x6 or 5x8 feet) are \$75 and \$100.

Add six percent sales tax and \$4.50 for shipping of first item plus \$1 for each additional item, \$.60 for the 3x5 inch flags.

Would you like to be on one of the many Sault Tribe committees that help guide our tribes services? Get involved by watching for notices about committee vacancies in *Win Awenen Nisitotung*.



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