



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: September 16, 2013 INCIDENT TIME: 10:50 AM
INCIDENT LOCATION: Lake Kabetogama, Voyageurs National Park

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4; Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: Murphy, Donald William Age: 71 Address: Des Moines, IA

Name: Snyder, Michael Timothy Age: 49 Address: Kabetogama, MN

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The St Louis County Sheriff's Office is investigating a watercraft accident which occurred Monday morning on Lake Kabetogama in Voyageurs National Park in which two boats, each with several passengers, were heavily damaged. None of the operators or passengers were injured.

Officers would determine a boat being operated by a Donald Murphy of Des Moines, Iowa, was headed north on the lake and failed to notice an eastbound boat being operated by a Michael Snyder of Lake Kabetogama. Evasive action taken by Snyder at the last moment lessened the severity of the collision.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

National Park Service Rangers, Voyageurs National Park

AUTHORITY: Sgt James P. McKenzie DATE: September 17, 2013 TIME: 4:00 AM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____