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THE NEXT OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 6 p.m., BENNETT TOWN HALL.

PROGRAM: Our Treasurer, Ron Hendrickson, will give a slide presentation on his and wife Sue's
Hendrickson World Cruise

*A 2009 trip around the world, beginning January 12 and ending May 12
by shuttle, car, plane and cruise ship. (See <http://sueronh.blogspot.com/>)*

This will be followed by coffee and refreshments, and then our business meeting.

**Our thanks to Harry Wester for making hall arrangements,
to the Town of Bennett for use of their hall, to our kitchen hosts,
and to all who bring refreshments to share.**

ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE WELCOME.

The Bennett Town Hall is located 1 block west of US 53 on L at
9215 East County Road L, Bennett, WI 54873.

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Hello Everyone:

Congratulations to the Northwestern High School boys basketball team for taking second place in Madison among Division II high schools in our state! Of course the coaches and school district deserve recognition as well for their guidance and achievement. It only enhances the feeling of continuity for the Towns and villages of our school district in Wisconsin's far northwest. We truly have a reason to be proud!

It's great to see that spring has arrived with its spark of rejuvenation around us all. The rivers are flowing well after the ice break-up and spring run off, and many are already attempting to catch the various spawning fishes of choice. Some are already smelting. I'm also happy to see numerous healthy deer in the fields. Many are plowing and disking too. Plus the sounds of returning birds at sunrise and the awakened frogs in the evening bring joy to my heart during this transition from late winter to our normal drab spring.

Some of the topics of interest in my travels while stopping at places like the Sundown Gas station and restaurant, Poplar Hardware, Hursh's Meats, or simply over a cup of coffee and treats at a friend's place are the following: the beginning of the decennial Federal Census taking place, the Amnicon Centennial in September along with their book to be released. (Ina ?Merrill, Ina Erickson, Alice Christensen, Jeannie Castleberry, Dennis Hill, Brian Paulson and Earl Tekippe have been working diligently on the project and have been including last minute family histories.) The Brule History Group, too, is moving forward to complete their book on the history of the Town of Brule, including many family histories. Many will appreciate the group's efforts and contribution to their community and its past and present families.

Last month our O-BHS Board was invited by Ruth Erkkila to assess her family's generous offer of donating their 1890's one room Monticello (Rautio) School. Unfortunately, the building needs more work than our group anticipated. Plus the shortage of volunteers and money would exceed our group's limits. Even if the building were restorable a logistical placement for the public with cooperation by neighbors and community would be the first step.

Lastly, over at the mill site our gracious volunteers will be preparing for our windmill and log house summer tours on the third Saturdays of the month beginning in May.

Sincerely,
Paul Colby

FROM THE EDITOR:

The most difficult decisions for a small local historical group are those regarding what to agree to accept into our care, and those things we haven't the resources or the mission to be able to handle. The Town of Lakeside Monticello School, even if in perfect condition, would demand deep group soul searching. Historical buildings, as we know from our Davidson Windmill responsibility, require a huge commitment.

Despite the admirable attempts of Ruth Erkkila and her family to keep it up, the school is not in good condition, certainly in even more trouble than the King/Harvey School in Cloverland, also from the time of Old Brule. Both of these structures in a world of unlimited resources would fully warrant the time and money needed to preserve them as examples of the early commitment of our far northern Wisconsin settlers to the education of their young. The Monticello School is less modified and remains a truer example of the earliest one-room neighborhood schoolhouses. It was erected about 1892 at the time the district it served was part of the Town of Brule. It is typical of any of these early structures. It also has an interesting history, serving children of the early Finnish speaking immigrant settlers in the old town. Here they learned the English needed to make their way in the ever changing American way of life.

Former Monticello student, Olga (Rautio) Lintula, gave an interview that appeared in newspapers as far away as the *Milwaukee Journal* in 1976, which tells of the school's founding. A new school district could be formed and a new building erected if there was enough of a student population. Olga's father, Isaac, put up the building with help of neighbors after persuading his brother to bring his family to America from Finland to add the necessary school aged children. This allowed the neighborhood children to begin school in the new building in a stump covered field with Susan Taylor their first teacher. Earlier Isaac's children had to be brought by team and sleigh and boarded during the week with their teacher as chaperone at the schoolhouse two and a half miles south.

These are typical details of life at the time before cars and school buses. It is a story that needs to be told to remind us of the high level of civil commitment in these rural districts, and of the sacrifice, care and dedication that went into a proper education. Without a broad community effort these local buildings will soon be physically gone, joining in memory early neighborhood Old Brule region schools like them with names like Snowbound, Riverside, Cedar Grove, Pellinen, Pollari, Juntti, N. P. Johnson, Nelson, Maple, Harvey, Blueberry, LeClair and others. Our thanks to Ruth Erkkila and family for giving us the opportunity to at least help save the Monticello School. It will be no easy matter.

-Jim Pellman

2006 to 2010 OLD-BRULE HISTORY PHOTO CALENDARS FOR SALE.

The Brule History Research Group, organized in 1995, produced its eighth and final calendar in 2005 with pictures of Brule's past. Proceeds of these annual calendar sales since 1998, when the first one was produced, are being used for the publication of the history of Brule, hopefully to be completed very soon. Limited numbers of their 2005 calendar and earlier issues are still available. To order any of these calendars by mail, please write or call Janet Follis, P.O. Box 114, Brule, WI 54820, (715) 372-4948.

The 2009 Old-Brule Heritage Society History Photo Calendars are available at \$6.00 each. Other earlier calendars are also available at \$5.00 (2006, 2007, 2008) in limited numbers. The 2010 calendars are now available from O-BHS members and at limited local business outlets for \$7.00. An e-mail address for more info: musketeer6@cheqnet.net, and phone: 715-363-2549, or check our Web site at www.oldbrule.org. Shipping and handling costs are \$3.50 each.

OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THE *OBHS NEWS* ARE THOSE OF THE WRITERS ALONE AND ARE NOT INTENDED TO REPRESENT OFFICIAL POSITIONS OF THE O-BHS ORGANIZATION.

ARCHIVES/COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE.

The Archives Committee would welcome other volunteers to help us in this important part of the OBHS mission. Our continuing project is learning to use the computer in support of our work, scanning and interpreting documents and photos, storing records and creating databases. Our thanks to our loyal committee members and contributors, and to the Town of Maple for archive space. If you enjoy exacting work please join us at 1 p.m. at the Pellmans' some Monday afternoon. Next meeting: **Monday**, April 19, 2010, 1:00 p.m. Please call 363-2549 to confirm meeting time and place.

**Unapproved GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY**

Maple Community Center, February 10, 2010

Todd Lindahl gave an interesting slide program on "The History of the Early Passenger Boats on Lake Superior", followed by coffee and goodies provided by members.

CALL TO ORDER: Past president Earl Granroth called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

MINUTES: Audrey moved to accept the minutes of the previous general meeting held at the Brule Town Hall on December 16, 2010, seconded by Ina. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ron reported the following balances at National Bank of Commerce, Poplar: Checking, \$1,994.48; CD I, \$5,034.55; CD II, \$5,587.86. The money from the savings account was converted to the second CD in order to earn more interest. Ron also reported that the scholarship check has been sent in and the taxes have been paid. The pavers are paid for as they are completed. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Jim, seconded by Irene P. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davidson Windmill Committee:

Sidewalk: A total of 297 pavers have now been ordered.

Grounds: Additional motion lighting has been installed. Harry plowed the snow for the Board meeting in January. The Town of Lakeside refunded the \$50 plowing fee.

Signage/Zoning: Ron has had good success in securing signage after he was finally referred to the correct person to talk to. Since we are a non-profit, three signs will be provided at no cost, one on either side of the mill and one at the Mill. Ron was given a hand for his good work.

Eskolin House: The linoleum countertop donated by Carlson Floor Inc., will be installed when weather permits.

Mill Merchandise: Shirley was not present, but she plans to work with Lila Ronn to work up a spreadsheet with the information. Earl has not yet put the newest merchandise on the sales website.

Windmill History Booklet: They are on sale for \$ 8.00 or \$10 with shipping included. Some have been brought to the DCHS.

Next Mill Committee Meeting: Will be on an on-call basis.

Fund-raising Committee: No report.

Archives Committee: They met on last Tuesday. Not many in attendance but they worked on newspaper articles that had no dates on them. Next meeting February 22 at Pellman's.

Website Committee: Earl is making some small changes to the website. If you go into the website and notice an error, hit the button that says Email, and type in the problem. Earl checks this periodically and he will make necessary corrections.

Publicity/Advertising Committee: Ron had let Mary Ann know that the Bong Center was low on our brochures so she brought in a supply to them. Audrey is still submitting articles to the Connection.

Publications Committee: Hope had asked the Bong Center if they would sell our calendars. After it was discussed Hope offered to pay the \$4 wholesale cost of 10 calendars (\$40) and bring them to the Bong Center, and she will be reimbursed when the calendars sell. A motion to that effect was made by Laila M. and seconded by Marian Christensen. Motion carried. Ron read a letter of thanks from the Bong Center for the \$100 donation our society presented to the Lundberg family matching fund. Hope reported that the Lundberg matching fund has been completed, but that the Reuben Johnson Construction Company is also matching donations up to \$ 12,500. The Grimsrud/Pearson/Cloverland history copy is circulating among the board members. We will make a decision on ordering copies at the next Board meeting.

Brule History Research Group: They are still working on their book and hope to meet with Paul and Jim to see if they can assist them in applying for a grant.

Pollari Memorial Gift Committee: No recent progress. Jim received an Email from John Altshool suggesting that a

disclaimer be included regarding some of the railroads on the map that may possibly be ice roads instead. Hope to have it completed by this summer.

Membership Committee: Members are reminded to keep track of their volunteer hours on the blue sheets. Jim has the sheets if you need one. Jim is trying to make sure the dates shown on the address labels of the newsletter showing the year of dues payments are correct. Audrey is in charge of membership information.

Update of Officer Job Descriptions: Still on hold.

Next Board Meeting: March 10, 2010, 5:30 at the Walter Erkkila estate, 9764 Section 6 Road (off of Poplar River Road), to see the Monticello Schoolhouse on that property. Meeting to follow at Lila Ronn's home on Sleepy Valley Loop (9621).

Next General Meeting: Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 6:00 p.m. Possible location, Hawthorne Town Hall. Will contact Harry to see if he can reserve it. Ron Mershart will be the speaker.

Monticello School: The building located on the Walter Erkkila estate, has been offered to OBHS. It would have to be moved to a different location. One location suggested was the site of the old Riverside School/Community Club which was located across from the mill and owned by the Town of Lakeside. There has been no transfer of the ownership of the building at this time.

Other Old Business: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Communications: There are State Historical Society workshops coming up but all are in the southern part of the state. Jim received information regarding the Centennial Farm and Home program which is recognized at the WI State Fair. Blanks are available from Jim. Deadline is March 1. Jim has received many compliments on our newsletter, and has received newsletters from the Town of Eileen, Bayfield County, Port Wing and New Holstein, all of which are quarterly newsletters.

Sympathy and Encouragement: Sympathy was extended to Ina Erickson who lost her husband recently, and encouragement to Howard Hakkila, who is still recuperating and is now in the southern part of Minnesota.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Barbra, seconded by Eddie. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Gronquist, Acting Secretary

FUND-RAISING MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

The Society has available regional history magnets, plus Davidson Windmill memorabilia: mugs, caps, tee shirts and sweat shirts for sale. Early issue magnets are going for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.00, proceeds to our general fund. The Windmill mugs are \$4.00, new stock caps, \$12.00, and tee shirts, any size, \$10, all proceeds going into the Windmill Fund. Sweat shirts, any size are \$25.00, still on sale at ½ price, taxes included. **SEE OUR WEB SITE (www.oldbrule.org) FOR CURRENT SALE ITEMS AND PRICES.** Our new vests are for sale for \$24.00.

Available also are copies of a David Noah Seis photograph of the mill. This image comes in three sizes: 4 by 5 inches, 5 by 7 inches, and 8 ½ by 11 inches. The smaller reproductions can also be used as post cards as each has a brief historical description on half of its reverse side. Prices are \$1.00, \$2.00 and the largest one which has no printing on it \$3.00. All are laser reproductions on card stock suitable for framing. This same image is available in our magnet series. Our book, *Wisconsin Far Northwest*, and Nan Wisner's books, *Pathways* and *Echoes*, and Lakeside's *Sisu and Sauna* are available for \$20.00 a copy + \$4.00 shipping. Wisconsin tax is included in all of our prices. Shipping and handling for mugs, caps and tee shirts is a \$4.00 minimum. All items are also available for purchase at our meetings or by contacting an O-BHS member. O-BHS Calendars for 2006, 2007 & 2008 (\$5), and 2009 (\$6) are also available (\$3.50 shipping). See box on Page 2 above for more info. Our new book, *Davidson Windmill History* by Jim Pellman and Gene Davidson is now available for \$8.00 (\$2.00 shipping).

Unapproved BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.

Home of Dick and Lila Ronn, Town of Lakeside, March 10, 2010

Members Present: President Paul Colby, 2nd Vice President Harry Wester, Secretary Lila Ronn, Irene Brazill, Karin Colby, Mary Ann Gronquist, Ina Erickson, Jim Pellman, Eddie Walman, Nancy Wiitala

At 5:30 p.m., Board members met at the Walter Erkkila Estate, Town of Lakeside, to visit the old Monticello School on the family property. Ruth Erkkila was present to provide information; she also attended the board meeting

that followed.

CALL TO ORDER: President Paul Colby called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Paul reported the following balances at the Poplar National Bank of Commerce: Checking Account -- \$ 2,270.00; Certificate of Deposit #1 -- \$ 5,622.98; and Certificate of Deposit #2 -- \$ 5,034.55. Mary Ann made a motion to approve this report, followed by a second by Ina. The treasurer's report was approved.

MINUTES: Nancy moved to approve the board minutes of January 13, 2010, as printed in the March OBHS Newsletter. Following a second by Jim, the board approved these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davidson Windmill Committee Report:

Grounds:

Sidewalk: Paver orders total 297.

Biffy/Storage Building: Jim Erickson has requested that we move items, primarily blacksmith equipment from Gene Davidson, which he has been storing. These could be kept in our storage building, along with a Swedish-type fishing pole that Jim's dad made.

A third motion light to illuminate the corner will be installed when the weather is warmer.

Flagpole: The lighting is creating a glare problem that needs to be addressed.

Eskolin House: Some problems have occurred with the heaving of the door, including misalignment of the latch. It is possible that warmer weather may solve the problem. The Board discussed the possibility of adding an awning, possibly pitched and attached to poles. This awning would protect that side of the building by preventing water from driving into the wall. It would also create an area for tables that could be used for display, food service, etc... Available shingles would be used.

Mill Merchandise: New t-shirts have not been ordered yet.

Next Mill Committee Meeting: On call.

Windmill Zoning Change/Signage: Three information signs, provided for us by the Department of Transportation, will be installed after the ground thaws. The board discussed having another sign at the junction of Highway 2 and 53.

Snow plowing: Some paver damage has occurred as a result of snow plowing. We need to identify spots that need to be protected. Some type of handrail on the sidewalk would not only be helpful for our visitors, but would serve as a marker as well. It would also deter snowmobilers from cutting through the property.

Painting: Painting the mill is scheduled for 2010 (every third year). It has been suggested that we re-sheet the walls with a material that would not require painting. However, the authentic nature of the mill would be lost. A light sandblast could be done, but the metal is extremely thin. Maybe we could find paint with better adherence qualities, possibly some type of industrial paint. Rolled stock could be used as patch material. Board members were in agreement that the mill retains its authenticity. This problem will be tackled at the next meeting of the windmill committee.

Fund-raising Committee: No report.

Archives Committee: The committee is examining all of the Elmer Hermanson newspapers from the 1960s. Some articles were cut and detached from the newspaper so dates are unknown. Eddie reported he has scrapbooks with original newspapers and every scrapbook is dated. These would assist the committee with their task.

Pollari Memorial Gift Committee: Randy is working on the railroad grades. When completed, this map will need qualification indicating that some of these grades may be ice roads. Harry received a call from Bryan Paulsen who is a member of the Amnicon Centennial publication committee asking for this map for his purpose. Harry referred him to Randy.

Publicity/Advertising: Thanks to Mary Ann and Ina for their fine work.

Mary Ann has delivered additional brochures to the Richard I. Bong Historical Center. (Previously, Hope purchased ten calendars from OBHS, which she donated to the Center.) Currently we have sold about half of our inventory, and with advertising, have broken even. . Laila M. has done an excellent job handling sales of the calendar at the Brule Senior Center. It was suggested that Audrey might be willing to take on a similar role at the Amnicon Senior Center.

Publications: In order to give Jim more time to complete the required work, Harry made a motion to authorize publication of 250 copies of a 2011 calendar. Ina seconded the motion; it was passed.

A copy of the Jane Pearson Grimsrud family and Cloverland history has been circulating among board

members. Corrections have been made which should be entered before printing if we decide to go ahead. A printing of 10-20 copies would cost \$22.00 per book. The publication would total 303 pages bound back to back, with a clear vinyl cover and spiral wire binding. A decision regarding publishing this book will be made at the May meeting.

Membership Committee: Audrey has been signing membership cards as dues come in. Jim has blue sheets available for members to record their volunteer hours.

Brule History Group: The group is nearly done with their writing. Jeannie Castleberry has been contacted to complete word processing and page design, and in general, to create the image the group is looking for.

Monticello School on the Walter Erkkila family property: The Board, having visited the school prior to the meeting, believes this school to be truly historic. It was built in 1896 or 1897; we are unaware of any existing school of that vintage. Unfortunately, our small group would not be able to handle what would be necessary to restore this building. Issues with the floor, roof, and siding were indicated. Restoration would require costly materials and extensive labor, way beyond the resources available to OBHS.

However, the board decided to leave the door open to help get the restoration done. If the Erkkila family could document the history of this building, the Finlandia Foundation might support a restoration project. OBHS could serve as a fiscal agent. Bundles of shingles for a roof might be purchased to prevent further damage. Pieces collapsing on the porch need to be saved. It would be important to find the windows that were removed. While the floors may not be reusable, the hardwood looks like it might. If efforts to get the Monticello School to the point of salvaging were successful, would OBHS be willing to have it put on the site by the Mill? Could it be placed on the old Mill View school foundation? Members of the community need to throw in their energy.

The issue was tabled, waiting for feedback. Ruth Erkkila was asked to carry it back to her resources, including the Finlandia Foundation, and her family. Jim made a motion, which was seconded by Mary Ann, to take the matter back to the general group. The motion passed. Jim will make a presentation at a general meeting, possibly creating a PowerPoint. Ruth has some older photos that could be used. We will bring it to people's attention. Paul will contact the Town of Lakeside.

Next Board Meeting: This meeting will be held on May 12, 2010, at the Eskolin House.

Next General Meeting: The next general meeting is tentatively scheduled on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the new Hawthorne Town Hall. (Harry will confirm.) Potential program speakers include Dr. Ron Mershart or Herb Wagner. (Harry will contact Mr. Wagner.)

NEW BUSINESS:

External Hard Drive: In order to protect OBHS' extensive archival data, Jim made a motion that we purchase an external hard drive at an approximate cost of \$75. Following a second by Mary Ann, the motion carried.

Taylor's Bridge: Kathy Laakso from the Douglas County Historical Society has contacted Jim about potential grants she learned about at a recent state convention. Possibly these grants might be pursued in an effort to move the Taylor's bridge to public property. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be interest in moving it to the Amnicon Falls State Park.

Communications: Ron recently e-mailed our annual report to the State of Wisconsin. Current adult membership (140), financial information, officers and roles, annual programs and other information need to be sent in order to keep our non-profit status.

News: OBHS supports the NWHS Boys' Basketball team in their state basketball tourney efforts. Individuals were encouraged to support the NWHS Choir's planned Hollywood trip in June.

Sympathy and Encouragement: Ina was wished continued and speedy recovery from her recent stroke.

Donations: Carol Taipale has given some excellent photos to OBHS to copy. These photos originate from Carol's late aunt Dorothy Berglund Gonschorek and her husband Walter Gonschorek.

Amnicon Centennial (2010) History Deadline: Submissions for this publication need to be done immediately.

Other New Business: Mary Ann noted that the DCHS Sunday program at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 14, would include reading letters from women in history. A later upcoming program will include a play about Superior Central High School.

Irene Brazill announced a birthday party for her sister Helen Johnson at the Lakeside Town Hall from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Congratulations and best wishes to Helen on her 90th birthday.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ina made a motion to adjourn the meeting, following a second by Irene. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lila Ronn, Secretary

Area History:

No. 73

The following is the May photograph and text from our 2010 OBHS History Calendar.

5. “New” Blueberry School, Town of Maple, c. 1935.

Built to replace the original Blueberry School erected in 1893, it was constructed about 1930 but was soon torn down with the 1938-39 consolidation of the three existing Maple school districts into District 1 which was served by the larger Maple Corner Graded School. Within this town budget crisis, education also ended at the Maple School/Maple Town Hall building located on Highway 2, which had served the town since 1921, this building on the site of the original Brule Town Hall. The Blueberry School had been the only school in the Town of Maple with inside toilets and gymnasium at the time. It was located on the Mason Road in the Blueberry hamlet. The merger forced children together from contrasting cultural districts and the classroom stress led to staff resignations.



The photo is from the Maple History gathered by the Maple Volunteer Fire Department, and contributed to them by Agnes Dalbec.

- NOTICES -

THANK YOUS & RECOGNITIONS: To **Ruth Erkkila** for her offer to OBHS of the Monticello School building in Lakeside. To those sending in their membership renewals, for themselves, and for others. To **Don & Julie of Anderson Septic Pumping** for their service at the Windmill at no charge. To member **Bruce Carlson** for his photo research on an IHC Titan 10-20 1917-22 tractor pictured in the Middle River Health Care photo collection. To **Nan Wisherd** for her offer to sell our books at her business locations in Waino and Lake Nebagamon.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the **NWHS boy and girl athletes** for their tournament play and appearances. To the **NWHS band and choir and their directors** for an excellent Spring Concert. To **Helen Winkka Johnson** on her 90th birthday, celebrated March 27 at the Lakeside Town Hall.

ENCOURAGEMENTS: To **Howard Hakkila** for continued improvement.

OUR SYMPATHY: To family and friends of the following: Brule native, **Mary Jane Johnson**, 85, longtime teacher at the Cloverland Elementary School, who died March 24; **Wayne Lidberg Johnson**, 80, of Lake Nebagamon, who passed away on March 19; **Lawrence “Pete” Coda**, 91, formerly of Maple, who died March 18 in Duluth; **Sipporia “Skip” Bergsten Peterson**, 90, of Poplar who passed away on March 8; **Tracy L. Starkes Urie Plunkett**, 53, of Wentworth who died March 17; **Elsie M. Haukkala White-Medek**, 85, of Appleton, native of Maple, who died December 22, 2009; **Richard “Beaner” Dembroski**, 71, Lake Nebagamon, who died December 31, 2009; **Viola I. “Dolly” Talso**, 92, of the Brule area, who passed away January 27.

... and who have we missed or forgotten?

Anyone interested in joining the Old-Brule Heritage Society is encouraged to attend any of our meetings and programs. To join they may also contact any member or the President at the return address below, or our Treasurer, Ron Hendrickson, at the same address. Our annual dues are \$15.00 for individuals, and \$25.00 for families, payable at the time of our annual meeting in August. Higher levels of support are always welcome.

New Members and Visitors are Always WELCOME!

RETURN ADDRESS:

Old-Brule Heritage Society, Inc.
Post Office Box 24
Maple, WI 54854

CALENDAR

April 14, Wednesday, 6 p.m. OBHS General Meeting. Ron Hendrickson will give a PowerPoint presentation on he and Sue's *Trip Around the World*. Business meeting to follow coffee and refreshments. **BENNETT TOWN HALL**.

April 19, Monday, 1 p.m. Archives at Pellmans'. 6:45 p.m., NLAS Meeting, Superior Public Library. Jim Pellman will give a PowerPoint talk on the history of the Davidson Windmill.

April 25, Sunday, 1 p.m. Douglas County Historical Society Annual Meeting. Vasa Lodge in Superior.

May 9, Sunday. Mother's Day.

May 12, Wednesday. OBHS Board Meeting. Eskolin House.

May 21, Friday. Deadline for June *OBHS News*.

May 31, Monday. Memorial Day.

June 9, Wednesday. OBHS General Meeting.

June 18, Friday - **June 20**, Sunday. Juhannus Midsummer Celebration, Davidson Windmill. **June 20**, Father's Day.

June 21, Monday. First day of Summer.

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY WEB SITE ON LINE

The Website Committee has been building up our Web site (www.oldbrule.org). Our thanks to **Earl Granroth** who continues to make regular updates, and to **Jon Winter** of **Winter Systems** in **Superior**, our Web host at no charge to us. Our contact button is now "hot." **Thanks to Earl and Jon.**