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THE OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 13, 2010, 6 p.m., Amnicon Town Hall

The meeting will begin with our program followed by refreshments and then our business meeting.

Please contact Nancy Wiitala at 715-392-8317 who is coordinator of refreshments.

PROGRAM: In honor of the Amnicon Centennial, Amnicon Town Board Member and Amnicon History Writing Chairman, Dennis Hill, will present some of his collection of antique farm and logging tools and devices, and he will give us a brief summary of their successful town history writing project.

Thanks to all who have provided refreshments to share.

ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE WELCOME.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

The CO-OP Park Revisited: the Last Days.

The Brule Co-op Park was built in 1930-31, made of lumber from area sawmills. Individuals and other Co-op societies bought shares at \$5.00 each. Central Co-op Wholesale and member Cooperative stores helped with monies for construction. Volunteer labor built it, but Dobberman and Associates designed it.

The main hall was 128 ft by 50 ft with an 80 by 16 foot glassed in bay area which was used by bands and other entertainment. Some of those were Vivian and Wally Lind, Arnie Fracki Orchestra from Duluth, Ailie and Walter Johnson, LaVerne and Ernie Ronn and Dave Simons. Frankie Yankovich and Viola Turpeinen and husband William Syrala played several times a year.

Other uses for the Co-op Park were competitive baseball and basketball games, dances, movies, and roller skating. Lunches, soft drinks and coffee were provided. No alcohol was permitted in the building.

Over the years the buildings were aging, as were the park supporters. In 1955 the lands and buildings were sold by Cooperative Services, then managing the property, to Hilda Borro for \$15,000. She made lots of repairs to the main building, and she also acquired a beer license and that discouraged many older, regular patrons from supporting the Co-op Park.

The last public dance was held in November 1962. Ernie and LaVerne Ronn and Dave Simons played for the crowd. In May of 1962 this writers' wedding dance and reception were the last ones held there. The log Finnish Pioneer Museum building eventually was sold to the Boys Camp in Lake Nebagamon where it stands today. Arnold O. Saari had the contract to tear down the buildings and the lands became part of the Brule River State Forest. An era within the region's Cooperative Movement and a chapter in local history had come to a close.

President Shirley

FROM THE EDITOR:

We had another successful Bayfield Apple Festival Weekend, thanks to the work of so many, and thanks, too, to the many visitors who took the time to investigate the newly painted mill and the Eskolin House where on Saturday we held our annual bake sale. We volunteers never come close to starving, and even our guests will often get a share of the sloppy Joes, mojakka and chile and other offerings of those who are moved to bring food to keep up our spirits and our energy. The cooks and bakers are too many to list and their efforts mean a lot to our group, but I wanted to mention one person in particular, Member Gary Luoma, who for over two decades was a cook for the local National Guard. Somehow people like Gary continue to step forward to help relieve the old stalwarts at the many different tasks that must be done to keep our local history efforts strong. These younger people are not always easy to find, and they often have to be encouraged to become involved with that particular dedication associated with preserving our past. Thank you everyone who serves with that particular dedication. Let's be on the lookout for the next member of this group ready to serve our community in this unique calling.

-Jim Pellman

2006 to 2010 OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY 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, to be completed very soon. Limited numbers of their 2005 calendar and earlier issues are still available. Please contact Janet Follis, P.O. Box 114, Brule, WI 54820, (715) 372-4948.

The 2010 Old-Brule Heritage Society History Photo Calendars are still available at \$7.00 each. Other earlier calendars are also available at \$5.00 (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009) in limited numbers. 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. The 2011 Calendar will be out soon.

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, October 11, 2010, 1:00 p.m. Please call 714-363-2549 to confirm meeting time and place.

**Unapproved ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.**

Amnicon Falls State Park, Town of Amnicon
August 14, 2010, 12:00 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, members and guests gathered at tables near the falls and enjoyed a potluck picnic with brats and dogs supplied by OBHS. Thanks to Nancy Wiitala, our food coordinator, for organizing the event.

BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Acting President Shirley Umolac called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m., beginning with a moment of silence in memory of those who we have lost during the past year and for those serving in the military service.

MINUTES: Members were given a few minutes to review the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting, held on August 8, 2009, at the Amnicon Town Hall.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ron reported the following balances at Poplar National Bank of Commerce as of July 30, 2010: Checking Account--\$2,506.27; Certificate of Deposit #1-- \$ 5,632.03; and Certificate of Deposit #2 --\$ 5,084.50. Marion made a motion to approve both the treasurer's report and the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting. Following a second of this motion by Irene P., it was approved.

Ron presented the Proposed 2010-11 Fiscal Year Budget that was developed by the Finance Committee. He explained the modification of certain line items to reflect current status. Importantly, in 2009-10, the total income for OBHS exceeded that of expenses.

Ron also brought forward a proposal to terminate our association with the Lakeside Fire Department with regards to the sales of the Sisu and Sauna publication that was printed in conjunction with Lakeside's Centennial in 2006. Because OBHS was the marketing agent for this booklet, we earned a 50/50 split with the Fire Department on sales. At this time, we have only 13 books in our inventory. Ron recently met with members of the Lakeside Town Board who were in agreement with this closure. Jim moved that we end this agreement with the Lakeside Town Board and that we buy 50 more for our inventory. After a second of this motion by Alice, the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davidson Windmill Committee Reports:

Events:

Fall Tour & Bake Sale: is scheduled for Saturday, Apple Festival: Oct. 2, 2010. Mark your calendars!

Open House: Next dates for the regularly scheduled 3rd Saturday of the month during the summer: August 21 and September 18, 2010. Alice and Nancy volunteered to be present in the Eskolin House on August 21; Ron and Jim will take care of the tours. Guides for the September 18th date will be determined at the next Board Meeting.

Several family tours and the Wisconsin Association HCE Meeting and Tours of the Windmill and Eskolin House have been done this summer.

Sidewalk: A total of 312 pavers have been ordered.

Biffy: Donald Anderson of Anderson Septic Pumping in Maple has been taking care of our biffy at no charge. Lila will send him a thank-you card stating our appreciation for this important service.

Grounds:

Flagpole: Lightning has struck the pole.

Signs: 3 historical markers are now in place indicating the Mill site. Thanks to Ron for guiding the process

Memorial Tree: It was suggested that we plant an apple tree this year. (On Apple Festival Weekend)

Fencing and Taylor's Bridge Project: Ron attended the August meeting of the Lakeside Town Board.

The Board agreed to both of OBHS' requests for variance: (1.) To be in non-compliance with our sub-par parcel zoned A-1 of less than five acres, and to place the Taylor's bridge on our site as planned.

They also agreed to deed the narrow strip of land between the River Road and the area of our memorial trees (a strip of land approximately 30' x 200 ') to OBHS. Jim made a motion that we contact Bill Anderson to obtain a survey estimate. (Bill did an earlier survey of OBHS property.) After a second of the motion by Alice, it was passed. Ron will contact Bill.

Eskolin House: Jim summarized the plan for an awning to be added to the house and noted that this construction will be a long-term process.

Mill Merchandise: Shirley modeled the newest OBHS t-shirt for sale, "I've Been Thru the Mill". They are available in all sizes. Thanks to Delores for suggesting the theme and to Barb for the superb design.

Taylor's Bridge: Plans proceed to move the bridge to the Windmill Site.

Painting: The mill was painted this summer on schedule (every third year). Thanks to Ron, Harry, and Jim.

Next Mill Committee Meeting: On call.

Fund-raising Committee: OBHS may apply for a grant to purchase archive boxes.

Archives Committee: Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 16, 1:00 p.m. at the Pellman's residence.

Pollari Memorial Gift Committee: Randy Jones' work on this map continues. Scott Nielsen has been involved with clarifying its authenticity.

Monticello School: Jim and Dennis have examined the condition of the school further and recommend that we cover the roof with heavy tar paper, giving us time to explore possibilities to save this building.

Publicity/Advertising Committee: Ina and Mary Ann chair these respective committees, with assistance from Audrey.

Publications Committee: 250 Calendars for 2011 will be printed. Mailings for advertisers will be sent out shortly.

Membership Committee: Members are reminded to begin keeping records of their volunteer hours for the 2010-2011 membership year. Committee members Audrey, Jim, & Ron send out membership cards along with OBHS News.

Amnicon Centennial Town History: This publication is at the publishers with 800 books to be printed. The ISBN number was provided by OBHS. It is expected that \$3000 will cover all expenses; after all centennial costs are covered remaining books will be split between the Town of Amnicon Fire Department and OBHS.

Clarification of Officer Job Description: Jim will be working on this project as time allows.

Next Board Meeting: A meeting will be held immediately following the Annual Meeting to select officers for the year. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 8, at 6:00 p.m. at the Eskolin House.

Next General Meeting: This meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at the Amnicon Town Hall.

Other Old Business: The Town of Amnicon Centennial Celebration will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at the Amnicon Town Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Activities include a program and barbeque. Dennis modeled a T-shirt commemorating the event; these shirts are on sale for \$10.00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Correspondence: The Wisconsin Historical Society has contacted OBHS, along with 40 other societies in the state, regarding our IRS status. Ron is handling this issue.

OBHS has received a copy of the letter from Town of Lakeside to the Douglas County Planning and Zoning Office approving variances for lot size and bridge (refer above to "Old Business – Fencing and Taylor's Bridge Project".)

Sympathy/Encouragement/Recognitions: Sympathy to family and friends of Steven Lukkarila and Betty Dalbec Drolson on their recent passings. Best wishes for continued recovery to George Eskolin and to Barb Granroth. Congratulations to Pat and Larry Luostari as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary today.

Nominations and Election to Fill Board Positions: The nominating committee presented the following candidates to fill open board positions: Audrey Hakkila, Ron Hendrickson, Lila Ronn, Harry Wester, Nancy Wiitala, and Eddie Walman (alternate) to begin the first year of a second term; and Alice Christensen and Earl Granroth to begin the first year of a first

term. After three calls for nominations from the floor, Irene P. moved and Jim seconded the motion to close the nominations. Marion made a motion, seconded by Elvie, to approve the slate of new board candidates. The motion was approved.

Recognition of Service: Paul Colby and retiring member Irene Brazill will receive certificates for their contributions as Board Members during the past four years. Members' volunteer hours will also be recognized. Hours that have been submitted include the following: Elvie Agackie: 60; Irene Brazill: 75; Alice C.: 210; Ina Erickson: 265; Barb G.: 61; Earl G.: 159 ½; Mary Ann G.: 100; Audrey H.: 119; Ron H.: 325; Gary Luoma: 9; Delores P.: 80; Jim P.: 364; Lila R.: 225; Shirley U.: 158; and Nancy W.: 83.5. Special thanks to Audrey Hakkila for her service as Group Historian.

State Northwest Regional Local History Meeting: This meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 18, at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center in Ashland. Jim said that we have limited funds for those who would like to attend. Copies of the Windmill History Booklet need to be brought to the NGLVC gift shop to sell.

Arnold Johnson's Offer of Flour Mill: Arnold was present at the meeting to respond to questions about his offer to our organization about this mill. He is seeking a responsible party who would accept the project. This working mill is approximately as old as the Windmill and once was in a two-story building in Maple. It was later moved to a farm in Oulu before Arnold obtained it. OBHS needs to discuss this offer and the possibilities for its use and location. Thank you, Arnold, for your proposal and for attending this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Elvie moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Alice. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

PROGRAM: Following the meeting, Dr. Ronald Mershart provided an interesting and informative program. His talk described the correspondence of James Bardon during the 1870s and 1880s. Amnicon Falls State Park was previously named after Mr. Bardon who donated the first land to the park.

Respectfully submitted,

Lila M. Ronn, Secretary

Unapproved MINUTES, BOARD MEETING FOR OFFICERS' ELECTION Amnicon Falls State Park, August 14, 2010

Members Present: Alice Christensen, Audrey Hakkila, Lila Ronn, Shirley Umolac, and Nancy Wiitala

Call to Order: Shirley Umolac, Acting President, called the meeting to order at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Election: After nominations, Alice made a motion, seconded by Nancy, that the following slate of candidates be elected by the Board to serve as officers for 2010-2011:

President: Shirley Umolac; 1st Vice-President: Earl Granroth; 2nd Vice-President: Harry Wester;

Secretary: Lila Ronn; Treasurer: Ron Hendrickson

The motion passed.

Next Board Meeting: The next scheduled board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2010, at Eskolin House, 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lila M. Ronn, 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, new stock caps, \$12, and tee shirts, any size, \$10, all proceeds going into the Windmill Fund. Sweat shirts, any size are \$25.00, some older styles on sale at 80% off, 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 Wisherd's books, *Pathways and Echoes*, and Lakeside's *Sisu and Sauna*, and now **Amnicon's History book** 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.

Eskolin House, Town of Lakeside, September 8, 2010

Members Present: President Shirley Umolac, 1st Vice President Earl Granroth, Secretary Lila Ronn, Alice Christensen, Karin Colby, Mary Ann Gronquist, Audrey Hakkila, Jim Pellman, Eddie Walman, and Nancy Wiitala.

CALL TO ORDER: President Shirley Umolac called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

MINUTES: Alice made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous board meeting held on July 14, 2010, as printed in the August *OBHS News*. Following a second by Earl, these minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ron was not present at the meeting to provide a report. [Shortly following the meeting, Ron reported the following balances at the Poplar National Bank of Commerce effective 08/31/10: Checking Account --\$ 2,690.80; CD #1-- \$ 5,641.40; CD #2-- \$ 5,084.50.]

Jeannie Castleberry has been an invaluable resource over the past years for many of our local historical publications. OBHS sends best wishes to her and her future husband, Evan Pederson, upon their upcoming wedding on November 6, 2010. Earl moved that we send them a wedding card and check for \$25.00. Mary Ann seconded the motion that passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davidson Windmill Committee Reports:

Saturday Mill Tours:

August 21 – Tours were successful. About \$168 of merchandise was purchased. Jim reported a steady flow of visitors to the mill. Nancy, Alice, and Irene guided visitors through the recently cleaned Eskolin House (Thanks Mary Ann, Ron, and Shirley for your preparations prior to the tours.)

September 18 – There is a conflict with the NW Regional Conference in Ashland, which Jim P., Delores P., Audrey, and Earl plan to attend. Jim will contact Harry to see if he is able to conduct tours on this date. Nancy, Alice, and possibly Mary Ann will be in the Eskolin House.

Apple Festival Weekend Preparation:

Friday, October 1, 3-6 p.m. – Windmill Tours – Jim & Harry, Eskolin House – Alice

Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Windmill Tours – Jim & Harry

Eskolin House (Bake Sale) – Nancy, Irene, Alice, & Mary Ann

Sunday, October 3, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Windmill Tours – Jim & Harry

Eskolin House – Mary Ann. Earl (afternoon)

Nancy will call OBHS members to contribute bake sale items on Saturday. Coffee will be served in the Eskolin House all three days.

Grounds:

Mowing – Russ has been mowing the grounds; it needs to be done at least one more time before the Apple Festival Weekend. Russ plans to donate one mowing this season.

Memorial Tree -- Earl moved that OBHS select a crimson maple for our tree this year, followed by a second from Audrey. The motion passed. Shirley will contact Gary Kane. Earl will make the memorial presentation on Saturday, October 2 at 12:00 p.m. at the Windmill site.

Taylor's Bridge Project: The Town of Lakeside has approved our proposed variance request for the setback requirement for this project.

Variance Requests: In addition to the above request, the Town of Lakeside also approved our request for a variance for our non-compliant lot, as well as our plan to add an awning/pavilion to the Eskolin House. OBHS can now make application to the Douglas County Zoning Office for these variances and projects. We need a representative present at that time the County decides on these issues. (10 a.m. on October 13th.)

Thanks to Ron for attending the Town of Lakeside Board meeting on August 10. At this meeting, the Board also decided to deed to OBHS a small strip of land between the mill and the River Road. Ron will be contacting Bill Anderson regarding a survey; he will also check details about Gene Davidson's land that is adjacent to OBHS property.

Sidewalk: A total of 318 pavers have been ordered.

Eskolin House: Jim distributed a few photographs illustrating the type of design that is planned for our awning.

Mill Merchandise: Earl described his project on the OBHS website which would list most items of merchandise and include a corresponding picture. He will need accurate inventory counts, especially for that

merchandise with limited quantities. Until given direction to do so, he will not include these latter items on the website.

It was noted that we have no 5" x 7" (medium) cards in stock. Fifty will be ordered. Ron wants three-part receipt books to be used whenever possible.

We will be able to sell the Amnicon books shortly.

OBHS can sell the Oulu Hotshots CDs for \$12.00 during all of our events, making a \$2.00 profit on each. Shirley will obtain a short-caption write-up for Earl's use.

Next Mill Committee Meeting: On call.

Fund-raising Committee: No active projects at this time.

Archives Committee: Next meeting is scheduled for September 13 at 1:00 p.m. The committee is happy to have Ina back. Work on the Elmer Hermanson collection continues.

OBHS could submit a mini-grant proposal from the Wisconsin Historical Society during the next round of competitive applications.

An external hard-drive has been purchased to provide for data security and fire safety. OBHS is anticipating receiving donations of two computers soon, which will allow us to transfer data to this hard-drive.

Pollari Memorial Gift Committee: Randy has been steadily working on the map, transferring information as accurately as possible from an old pieced-together map into standardized grids.

Publicity/Advertising: Thanks to Ina, Mary Ann, and Audrey for their work. 250 additional black and white brochures will be ordered.

Publications Committee: Jim's work on the 2011 calendar is well underway. He has sent out 44 donation requests to area businesses; some have already come in. His goal is to have the calendar to the printer October 1.

Shirley has delivered two 2010 calendars and two Davidson Windmill booklets to Nan Wisherd for her businesses in Waino and Lake Nebagamon.

Our ten-book order for the Grimsrud-Pearson family should be arriving soon.

Earl needs info about each of the publications we sell; a scan of the front and back covers would suffice.

Membership Committee: Members need to be recording their volunteer hours on new blue sheets.

Brule History Research Group: Jeannie Castleberry has been assisting this group with word processing and formatting.

Walter Erkkila family Monticello School: With the consent of Ruth Erkkila and her brother David, it has been decided to cover the building soon with rubberized material, giving OBHS time to work on this project.

Maple Coop Flour Mill Prospect/Proposal: At this time, OBHS cannot commit to this project. Without additional land, we would have to store it somewhere and wouldn't be able to display it or any of its contents. A tour of the Polk County Historical building collection might prove helpful for our group as we make long-range decisions. Shirley will contact Arnold to arrange a date for members of our group to view the mill, preferably the week of October 4th.

Clarification of Officer Job Description: On hold.

Next General Meeting: The next general meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 13th, at the Amnicon Town Hall. The historical program will include displays and a tour of Dennis Hill's antique collection.

Next Board Meeting: The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 13th at the Eskolin House beginning at 2:00 p.m. **PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE.**

Other Old Business: More books need to be delivered to the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, including the Windmill publication.

NEW BUSINESS:

Donations: Jim Erickson has donated a homemade Lake Superior fishing wire line rod and reel to OBHS. There also is a photograph with someone holding a big trout. Thanks to Paul Colby for arranging this gift. Paul will also provide more information and paperwork. This equipment was used in Lake Superior about the same time Earl's dad was fishing with seine. (Earl was encouraged to develop a future program for OBHS on the earlier fishing industry in this area.)

News: The Amnicon Centennial Program is being held on September 11. Jim shared a copy of their new history booklet.

Sympathy and Encouragement: Sympathy to the family of Helen Winkka Johnson upon her passing.

Communications: Orders for books and calendars keep coming in.

Lila will write a thank-you to the Town of Lakeside for advertising the Windmill Site on their web page.

ADJOURNMENT: Audrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Earl. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lila Ronn, Secretary

Area History: No. 75

The following text and image is from November in our 2010 OBHS History Calendar.

11. Wentworth Farmers' Cooperative Association Store, 1947.

Farmers in the vicinity of the railroad hamlet Wentworth in the Town of Amnicon, following the lead of farmer consumers and producers in the nearby communities of Maple, Iron River, and Oulu, in June of 1919 met in the Town of Lakeside home of Charles Smedberg to found the Wentworth Farmers' Cooperative Association. The initial capital stock of the association was \$10,000 divided into 1,000 shares. Just a month later the Central Cooperative Exchange (later the Central Cooperative Wholesale) was formed in Superior. Residents of the Town of Amnicon, Matti Tenhunen, and V. Severi Alanne, would become leaders on opposing sides in subsequent struggles that purged the Communist forces seeking political control of the apolitical Cooperative movement for Moscow. A new building replaced the structure above in 1949. Ohio Finnish scholar, Dr. John Kolehmainen, took the above photo during the time of his research in the area for his foundational study of the Finnish settlements in Wisconsin, co-authored with George W. Hill of the University of Wisconsin, and published by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1951. *The photo is used with the permission of Dr. Jan Kolehmainen and Dr. John Kolehmainen's heirs.*



- NOTICES -

THANK YOUS & RECOGNITIONS: To all the businesses which have donated to our calendar effort. To the mowers, pumpers, cleaners, cooks, bakers, hosts and tour guides at the Windmill during Apple Festival Weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS: To **Larry & Pat Luostari** for the recognition they received from international concert pianist **Joachin Achucarro** at a memorable concert at the Luostari Auditorium at NWHS on September 18. Their daughter **Buffy** and Joachin's son met in college and were married a few years ago.

ENCOURAGEMENTS: To **Doris Perala** as she keeps on the mends.

OUR SYMPATHY: To family and friends of **Helen Mabel Winkka Johnson**, 90, Lakeside (died August 29, 2010); **Fran Meteraud**, 80, mother of **Jackie Plunkett** (died August 21); **Lance Leonard Lind**, 68, of South Range (died July 25); **Walter E. Maki**, 85, of San Jose, Calif. (died July 25); **Steven John Lukkarila**, 63, Maple (passed away on August 3); **June Eleanor Ayer**, 89, of Superior, mother of **Janice Shaller** of Lake Nebagamon (died Aug.5); **Pastor Edgar E. Berglund**, 92, born in Poplar (passed away Aug. 21); **Bruce Alan Olsen**, 43 (died Aug. 27); **James H. Johnson**, 89, Iron River (passed away Sept. 4); **Ann Marie (Gruebele) Running**, 70, Brule (passed away on Sept. 3); **Raymond H. Avis**, 85, Lake Nebagamon (died Sunday, Sept. 12); **Betty Dalbec Drolson**, 84, Ashland, born in Blueberry (died May 22); and to family and friends of **Gary W. Simpson**, 66, Lake Nebagamon (passed away Sept. 25, 2010).

... and who have we missed or forgotten?

RETURN ADDRESS:

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.

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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 Board 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!

CALENDAR.

October 11, Monday, 1 p.m. Next Archives Committee Meeting at Pellmans'.

October 13, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Next General Meeting, Amnicon Town Hall. Dennis Hill will give talk on farming & logging implements, and observations on writing this year's Amnicon Centennial History.

November 2, Tuesday. Election Day.

November 10, Wednesday, 2 p.m. **(NOTE TIME)**. OBHS Board Meeting at Eskolin House.

November 11, Thursday. Veterans' Day.

November 13, Saturday, Ladies of Kaleva, Duluth, tour Davidson Windmill and Eskolin House (tentative). Hosts needed.

November 19, Saturday. Deadline for submissions to December *OBHS News*.

November 25, Thursday. Thanksgiving Day.

December 8, Wednesday. OBHS General Meeting (Christmas Meeting). Jim P. to show slides on new calendar.

December 25, Saturday. Christmas Day.

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY WEB SITE ON LINE

The Website Committee has been maintaining 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 "hot." **Thanks to Earl and Jon.**