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OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 6 p.m.

Cloverland Town Hall

Jim Pellman will give a slide talk on the Monticello School Museum & Archives with an update on the walkout basement project. Please bring a dish or refreshments to share. Our business meeting will follow. Guests and friends are always welcome!

DAVIDSON WINDMILL APPLE FESTIVAL WEEKEND TOURS & BAKE SALE (Saturday only), OCT. 7-9, 2016

Tours: Friday, October 7, 3-6 p.m., Saturday, October 8, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, October 9, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Windmill Grounds. Our **Annual Bake Sale** will be on Saturday with goods left over for sale on Sunday. Windmill memorabilia and merchandise will be available at the Eskolin Finnish Log House.

Flea Market: This year, weather permitting, we encourage those interested to set up tables of their goods on the west end of our parking lot during the hours we are open for tours. This will be at no charge to vendors. We are able to supply only the space for setup. OBHS will have its own canopy up over tables with goods for sale. Donations to OBHS of rummage sale items are welcome. Please contact Jim at 715-363-2549.

FROM THE EDITOR:

October is proving to be a very busy month. It took until this week to finish painting the Windmill blades after one of the rainiest summers on record. The Monticello School Museum & Archives basement project is next, hopefully giving us time to winterize the school house which will permit restoration work to move forward during the cold months ahead. The Apple Festival Weekend Windmill Tours begin on Friday afternoon with our Bake Sale on Saturday, and a Flea Market has been added to help bring in more visitors and needed revenue for our many activities. Our October General Meeting will be in the Cloverland Town Hall for the first time in a while. Our Old-Brule Collected Calendar Historical Photo Book project is moving steadily forward with the skilled help of Brule's Nan Wisherd and the resources of her Cable Publishing house, with hopes for completion early enough for good Christmas sales. The OBHS 2017 calendar is well along but needs more time and the loyal support of our business donors. Several of the new calendar images provided by the Brule History Research Group will be used in the calendar book.

Amidst all of this excitement we have more sadness to report with the loss of so many family members and friends, young and old, who I list in our Notices. The loss of each is a reminder of how important everyone is to the life of our communities, of our organizations, of our churches. We hope to attract more of the well-seasoned young to fill our committees and work crews. The pleasures of history are many but they can be a matter of lots of time and an acquired taste. We're hoping to find many more to join us as we celebrate the changes in our facilities and our ability to serve our historic tasks. Thanks to all who are making it possible.

-Jim Pellman

1998 to 2005, 2006 to 2016 LOCAL 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 from 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 are available. Please contact Janet Follis, P.O. Box 114, Brule, WI 54820, at (715) 372-4948. Our 2016 Old-Brule Heritage Society History Photo Calendars are for sale at \$9.00 each. Earlier issues are also available at \$5.00 (2006 - 2013), 2014 at \$6.00, & 2015 at \$7.00 in limited numbers. An e-mail address for more info: musketeer6@cheqnet.net, and by phone: 715-363-2549, or Laila at 715-372-4963, or please check our Website at www.oldbrule.org. Shipping & handling: \$3.50 each, less for each for larger orders. We thank our donor businesses whose cards we list in the back of each calendar, and to those local businesses that are selling them for us each year, this year at Twin Gables & Cenex in Brule, Poplar Hardware & the Village Market, Sharon's Lakeview Restaurant & Midland Cenex in Lake Nebagamon. Or check with Jim in Maple at 715-363-2549.

OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THE OBHS NEWS ARE THOSE OF THE WRITERS ALONE & 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 our OBHS mission. Our continuing project is learning to use the computer in support of our work, scanning, interpreting and indexing documents and photos, storing clippings and records and creating databases. The future holds more work on temporary and permanent exhibits using items in our collection, which the MSMA school space will permit. Our thanks go to our loyal committee members and document and artifact donors, and to the Town of Maple for Archive storage space. If you enjoy exacting work and interesting conversation please join us at 1 p.m., still at the Pellmans' on a Monday afternoon. Next meeting is October 17th, and generally every other Monday thereafter, but we expect this routine to change as we transition to our MSMA site. Please call Jim at 715-363-2549 to confirm the next meeting time and place.

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY

**Unapproved MINUTES for the 2016 ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2016, Maple Town Hall, Maple, WI**

BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: President Shirley Kankas-Umolac called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m. A moment of silence followed in memory of those members we have lost this year and over time.

RECOGNITION and THANKS: Board members for the 2015-2016 year were recognized. Thanks to them and all OBHS members for their contributions and hard work.

MINUTES FOR 2015 ANNUAL MEETING WERE OMITTED AND WILL BE ADDRESSED AT THE OCTOBER 12, 2016 GENERAL MEETING

PREPARATION OF BOARD ROSTER FOR 2016-17: Two positions currently on the Board require replacement for 2016-17. We lost our valued member Betty Wood and Mike Granlund has resigned due to schedule conflicts, having completed one term. All other current members have agreed to complete their current term or be renewed for their second term of two years.

Janine nominated Matt Miller as a candidate. Char seconded this nomination, which was approved by those present. Jim nominated Dennis Hill and Janine seconded this nomination, which was approved by the membership. President Shirley Kankas-Umolac called for further nominations from the floor three times. None were offered and nominations were closed.

The Board Roster presented was approved unanimously by voice vote.

MOTION TO ADD NEW BOARD OFFICER POSITION: Given the increased work required to maintain the three separate OBHS financial accounts, Janine explained the overwhelming demands of the current treasurer position. She moved that a new position be created: Assistant Treasurer. Seconded by Hope, the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Janine Seis provided the following report effective August 27, 2016:

Current Balance	Changes since July Board Meeting
CD \$ 5,833.18	(Last month \$ 5,828.17) \$ 5.01 Interest Added July 15, 2016
MSMA \$ 15,726.00	(Last month \$15,501.44) Additions: \$553.18 (\$ 388.18-Grant; Table Rentals-\$95; Jack Pellman Memorial-\$50.00; Book Sale donated by Delores Pellman estate-\$20.00. Subtractions: Food and supplies for MSMA flea market-\$328.62 (\$49.20 Kwik Trip, \$81.60 Hursh Meats, \$171.74 Sam's Club, \$17.08 Dollar Tree, \$9.00 Char Harms for soda)
WINDMILL: \$ 2,108.90	(Last month \$ 2,309.31) Additions: \$ 151.19 (4 Paver Sales-\$ 80.00; Donations- \$ 71.19) Subtractions: \$ 351.60 (3 Lawn Mowings @ \$65; Duluth News Tribune ad for Mid-Summer Festival- \$ 50.40; Mary Ann for purchase of mouse traps & windmill cookies- \$ 4.72; Jim Pellman for paint for windmill blades- \$ 27.41; ECE Electricity- \$ 34.07; Pat Hursh for 4 pavers-\$40.00)
GENERAL \$ 573.42	(Last month \$ 344.73) Additions: \$ 421.34 (Memberships-\$90.00; Donations-\$ 120.75-; Book Sales & Magnets -\$82.34; Memorial for Famie Laakso-\$ 50.00;Calendar Sales, both wholesale and retail, some dating back to January--\$ 78.25) Subtractions: \$192.65 (\$178.10 to Office Max for Newsletter and postage; \$ 14.55 USPS postage for 2 separate orders for books & calendars.

TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS: \$ 24,241.50	(Last month--\$ 23,963.65)

Doreen moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. After a second by Hope, the report was approved.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS: The following current Committee Chairs have agreed to remain on the Nomination List which will be addressed at the Board Meeting following this Annual Meeting:

Archives (includes Web-site): Audrey Hakkila, Poplar
 Membership: Janine Seis, Lake Nebagamon
 Publications: Mary Ann Gronquist, Parkland (with Jim Pellman, Vice-Chair).
 Davidson Windmill, Eskolin
 House, Taylor's Bridge: Hope Swenson, Lakeside (with Brian Paulson, Vice-Chair & Jim P.)
 MSMA: Dan Bergsten, Poplar (Vice-Chairs Jim P., Dennis Hill, & Jan Conley)
 Merchandise: Shirley Kankas-Umolac, Lake Nebagamon

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Char made a motion, seconded by Doreen, to adjourn the meeting. President Shirley Kankas-Umolac adjourned the meeting at 12:24 p.m.

A brief Board Meeting immediately followed with the following results: Dennis Hill assumed the 1st VP spot replacing Audrey Hakkila. All other Board positions, and Standing Committee chairs remained the same. Matt Miller was nominated and approved for the new Assistant Treasurer position. Arrangements were made to have Matt added to the signature card list at NBC in Poplar. Adjournment immediately followed.

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, sweat shirts, key chains, buttons and photos for sale. Early issue magnets are going for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.00, proceeds to our General fund. Windmill mugs, caps & tee shirt proceeds go into the Windmill Fund. **SEE OUR WEB SITE** (www.oldbrule.org) **FOR CURRENT SALE ITEMS AND PRICES.** Our Windmill vests are for sale for \$24.00. Our new zipper front hooded *I've Been Through the Mill* sweatshirts have arrived.

Our book, *Wisconsin Far Northwest*, and Nan Wisherd's books, *Pathways* and *Echoes*, Lakeside's *Sisu and Sauna*, (*Out for now*) and *Amnicon From the Beginning*, are available for \$20.00 a copy + \$3.50 shipping. Wisconsin sales 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 OBHS member. Our booklet, *Davidson Windmill History* by Jim Pellman and Gene Davidson is available for \$8.00 (+\$2.00 shipping). Leigh P. & Richard Jerrard's new expanded and revised edition of *The Brule River of Wisconsin* is now available at \$20.00 (+\$3.50 shipping). See our calendar ad above. Jane Pearson Grimsrud has released small and large print versions of *Brule River Forest and Lake Superior Cloverland Anecdotes*. Both are available for \$20.00 (+\$3.50 shipping). Poplar Hardware also has an inventory of most of our titles. Please check ahead for current availability. Also please contact our members for more info.

Unapproved MINUTES of the SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.

Wednesday, September 9, 2016, 2:00 p.m., Eskolin House, Lakeside, WI

Attendance: Dan Bergsten, Dorothy Bergsten, Audrey Hakkila, Dennis Hill, Shirley Kankas-Umolac, Matt Miller, Jim Pellman, Lila Ronn, Janine Seis

BUSINESS MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER: President Shirley Kankas-Umolac called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. A moment of silence followed for those members and friends we have recently lost. Shirley welcomed new Board Members Dennis Hill and Matt Miller.

MINUTES: Janine moved to accept the Minutes, as published in the August 2016 *OBHS NEWS*, of the previous Board meeting held on July 14, 2016. Following a second of the motion by Dorothy, the minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Janine Seis submitted the following report for September 14, 2016:

<u>CURRENT BALANCE</u>		<u>CHANGES SINCE AUGUST GENERAL MEETING</u>
CD:	\$ 5,833.18	No change
MSMA:	\$18,263.16	(Last Month-\$15,726.00) Additions: \$2668.16 (\$130-Flea Mkt Late Table Rentals; \$666.20-Flea Mkt Kitchen Proceeds; \$926.96-- Flea Mkt Rummage Sale & Donation Jar including \$50 Seth Christiansen donation; \$400.00-- Ruth Erkkila donation in memory of Walter & Violet Erkkila; \$245.00-- Famie Laakso Memorials; \$250.00--Jack T. Pellman Memorials; \$50.00--Jim Pellman Talk (donation from the Lakeland Chapter of the Finnish American Historical Society. Subtractions: \$131.00 (\$105 Building Permit renewal; \$26.00 <i>Duluth News Tribune</i> ad for the Flea Market).
WINDMILL	\$2,235.40	(Last Month--\$2108.90) Additions: \$170.00 (\$50 Seth Christiansen--\$30 Donation & \$20 Paver; \$120.00--Famie Laakso Memorial.) Subtractions: \$43.50 (\$10.00 Paver Engraving; \$33.50 ECE Electric Bill)
GENERAL:	\$806.67	(Last Month: \$573.42) Additions: \$281.25 (\$146.25 Merchandise sold by Hope Swenson at the Flea Mkt; \$135 Memberships) Subtractions: \$48.00 PO Box Rental for one year.
TOTAL CASH		
ASSETS:	\$27,138.41	Last Month: \$ 24,241.50

Dennis made a motion, seconded by Lila, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS: A statement received from ECE has been paid.

OLD BUSINESS:**COMMITTEE REPORTS:****DAVIDSON WINDMILL/ESKOLIN HOUSE/TAYLOR'S BRIDGE:**

Jim has made good progress on painting the windmill blades and the project is about ¾ complete, despite weather challenges. Bridge timbers await cutting and installation. The barrel project (painting and/or adding wooden lattice) is on hold.

The upcoming "every 3rd Saturday during the summer" tour is scheduled for September 17th. Shirley will staff the Eskolin House; Jim will be available for tours.

Kathy Colby has regularly cut the grass, keeping the grounds looking neat all summer. However, her family will not be available for this service next year.

MSMA FUND RAISER: Thanks to the Town of Maple for the use of the Town Hall facilities for our recent successful Flea Market event. Members of the Flea-Market Planning Committee deserve recognition: Mary Ann Gronquist, Audrey Hakkila, Shirley Kankas-Umolac, Laila Magnuson, Lora Olson, Jim Pellman, Lila Ronn, Janine Seis, and Hope Swenson. Hot-dogs and brats were a hit, thanks to Lee Olson grilling skills. The matching grant from the State Historical Society of \$388.18 was easily matched. The general consensus is that OBHS plan a similar event for next summer.

MSMA CONSTRUCTION:

Jim reported that this construction should begin within a week or two. Dennis has ordered a door and three windows from Sell Hardware, Inc., Duluth, MN. Audrey made a motion to approve payment for this order. After a second by Matt, the motion passed.

Dan made a motion to authorize payment of \$105.00 from the MSMA account to Douglas County Zoning for a renewal of our building permit. Following a second by Dennis, the motion was passed.

Electricity needs to be provided to the site. Dennis made a motion, seconded by Janine, to submit an application to Dahlberg. The motion passed.

Dennis explained that we will use the WIRSBO System for radiant heating of the building. Fiberglass foam will be used for insulation on top of windows and doors and on the inside of the stucco. Three separate heating zones are planned: upper level, lower level, and the vault.

The Board discussed what type of heating system should be used. It was noted that electricity and propane heating are comparable in cost at this time, that electricity is safer to use, and that we could avoid a contract with a propane company if we chose electricity. The motion was made by Janine that we heat our building with electricity, seconded by Dennis, and approved by the Board.

Timing is a big issue. There should be a 30-day wait after the concrete is poured to make sure it is bonded.

MERCHANDISE:

OBHS has two copies of *Looking Back at Lake Owen* available for purchase. Nan Wisherd has provided us these books at \$40.00 each (retail price is \$70.00). The Board has supported selling them at a bargain price of \$49.99. Janine will explore the possibility of selling them on E-Bay.

Jim and Nan are about 50% complete in the creation of the first volume of the table top book. They have been working steadily and plan to continue their work again tomorrow. Jim said that Old-Brule will gain identity from this book and also noted the inclusion of many maps. They hope to complete the first volume in time for Christmas sales.

FRIENDS OF OBHS FACEBOOK GROUP SITE: Thanks to Janine and Nancy Moreland for their maintenance of this independent site with close to 600 members. It is critical that we obtain posted photo sources in order to extract information with needed resolution and to get permission for their use.

PROPOSAL TO INVOLVE LOCAL STUDENTS IN A DRAWING/PAINTING COMPETITION OF THE DAVIDSON WINDMILL: This project is planned for this fall and would involve bussing interested Northwestern High School art students to the Windmill site to complete sketches which they will use to complete their artwork for competition. A committee with Hope, Paul Hakkila, and Pat Hursh will select the winners. Dr. Sara Crony, Superintendent of the Maple School District, has expressed support of the project and thought that two art classes would be included.

OPT OUT OF NEWSLETTER HARDCOPY DELIVERY: Anyone interested in accessing an online electronic copy of the *OBHS News* in lieu or in addition to a hard copy should contact Jim.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

OBHS SCHOLARSHIP: Trent Colby was the recipient of the 2016 OBHS Scholarship awarded to a graduate of Northwestern High School. He is the son of Paul Colby, OBHS member who previously served on the Board as Treasurer. Trent is attending the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

REFRIGERATOR DONATION: Shirley is donating a larger refrigerator for use at the Eskolin House. Jim volunteered to move the appliance. It was suggested that Lakeside Trucking may accept the old refrigerator.

NEW BUSINESS:

MEMBERSHIP DATES: Members are asked to verify their mailing address on *OBHS News* for correctness of membership date. Please contact Jim if you have questions.

SYMPATHY AND ENCOURAGEMENT: Encouragement to Dick Ronn, Brian Paulsen, Gloria Johnson, and Mary Ann Gronquist as they heal from medical issues.

FINAL PLANNING FOR BAYFIELD APPLE FESTIVAL WEEKEND: Tours will be held on Friday afternoon and Saturday, October 7-8 at the Davidson Windmill/Eskolin site, with a Bake Sale on Saturday only from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. All OBHS members are requested to deliver their baked items between 8-9:00 a.m. on Saturday. Dennis and Arlene Hill and Jim Pellman will be at the site by 8:00 a.m. The Mill will be open for tours from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday with remaining baked goods for sale.

ADDITIONAL KEYS NEEDED:

Janine moved to have six additional keys made for Board member use. After a second by Dennis, the motion was approved. Jim will have these keys made at the Poplar Hardware.

SHOW AND TELL:

Shirley has been contacted by Jane Dolter from Lake Nebagamon to see if OBHS would be interested in a program called "Show and Tell" which she and Mary Beth Frost offer to us for an upcoming meeting. This agenda item was tabled for further discussion.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12; at 6:00 p.m. An update of the MSMA construction is planned. Jim will contact Larry Luostari to see if the Cloverland Town Hall is available for our use.

ADJOURNMENT: Dorothy moved to adjourn the meeting; Dennis seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lila M. Ronn, Secretary

Area History: No. 112

This picture and text appears for the month of October in our 2016 OBHS Historical Calendar.

16.10. Town of Maple Corner School Bus, 1925. John Levo, bus driver, owner and contractor.

Students boarding the Corner School bus in 1925, left to right standing are Felix Aho, Ludwig Maki, Walter Luoma, William Niemi and Arthur Perala. By 1922 the students from the Pellinen School and the Pollari School had joined with those from the old Corner School to fill the new two-story brick Corner School. It was on a horse drawn bus like this, still in operation in 1930, that Jack Pellman, age eleven, was riding home from Corner



School to the farm of his foster parents, John & Verna Pellman. Almost home, he jumped out of the bus near his aunt Mary Saari's home to shag home a stray spirited horse he recognized that had run off from the nearby Pellman farm. He got behind the animal, and startled, it kicked him fatally in the head. *From the OBHS collection. Photo courtesy of Tyyne Levo Alexson.*

~ NOTICES ~

MEMBERS: Dues collection for 2017 begins at our Annual Meeting in August & continues into 2017. Please check your newsletter label for the expiration date we have in our records to be sure we are in agreement. Also, please keep filling in your volunteer hours on your Blue Sheets. Our new hour tally will run annually **from August 1 (2016) to turn-in-date July 31 (2017). Please turn yours in for 2015-16 as soon as possible.** Please contact our Secretary or Jim for a new Blue Sheet, or check for blank forms on our website.

THANK YOUS & RECOGNITIONS: Thanks to the **Town of Cloverland** for the generous use of their Town Hall for our upcoming General Meeting to be held on October 12th, Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; To **Joyce Luedke** of Rothschild WI for her new membership & for items for our collection; To **Deb Ritzinger** of Poplar for her gift of old desk components and vintage school books for MSMA; To member **Nancy Wiitala** of Superior for donated items from Maple's **Winkka Estate**.

OUR ENCOURAGEMENT & SYMPATHY: To family & friends of the many, following here, whom we have lost recently in 2016: **Amy (Nykanen) Theisen**, 45, Wrenshall, Minn., who passed away Sept. 23, 2016, at St. Luke's Hospital, Duluth, born in Superior to Jerry and Joanne (Berglund) Nykanen, was an R.N., mother of two sons.

Patricia "Sue" (Haukkala) Levin, 65, Town of Superior, who died Sep. 20, 2016, born to Marvin and Doris Haukkala of Maple, preceded in death by her father brother Robert, survived by her mother and a son, served as a nurse for 45 years.

Jacqueline L. Walen, 69, Port Wing, who died Sept. 28, 2016, was born to Jack and Hildegard (Woock) Walen in Milwaukee, Wis., studied medical transcription at WITC, survived by son Jonathan of Port Wing.

Peter J. Hoefling, 80, Iron River, Wis., who passed away Sept 26, 2016, after a brief illness, was born in Superior to Frank J. and Lucy C. (Moran) Hoefling, graduated from Iron River schools in 1954, was Patrol Superintendent in Bayfield County for 39 years, survived by wife Leila, and three children.

Patricia Ann Wittkopf, 68, Superior & Lake Nebagamon, who died Sept. 18, 2016, at home in Lake Nebagamon, due to cancer, born to Ernest & Elizabeth "Betty" Wittkopf, managed several local restaurants, survived by life partner, Jack Mohr & 4 children.

June Edith (Wangen) Pooler, 92, who died Sept. 19 in Kalispell, Mont., born in Great Falls, Mon. to Edith & Joseph Wangen & grew up in Superior, graduated from Superior Teacher's College, married Donald Pooler, pharmacist & owner of Pooler's Rexall Pharmacy in East End Superior, an active community volunteer, resided in Superior & Lake Nebagamon all her life, survived by 3 daughters.

Gregg T. Kortessa, 45, Unalaska, Alaska, and formerly of Maple, who passed away Sept. 12, 2016 in Unalaska from injuries sustained in a fall, was born in Superior to Terrance and Sandra (Martin) Kortessa, graduated from Northwestern High School in 1989, attended W.I.T.C., and began commercial fishing in Alaska.

Louise L. Heikkila, 81, Superior, formerly of Oulu, Wis., who passed away Sept. 9, 2016, was born Dec. 19, 1934, to Hannes "Hans" and Lillian (Maki) Johnson, in Brule, Wis., the youngest daughter of 12 children, attended the Waino School, won the Douglas County spelling bee championship, later graduated from NWHS and Superior State College, taught, then married Clarence Heikkila in 1959, survived by three daughters.

Mary E. Melkon, 94, Superior, who passed away Sept. 7, 2016 at Villa Marina, was born in Superior to John & Mary Higgins, employed in billing & customer service at East End clinic and Mariner Mall, survived by husband Ed & many nieces & nephews.

Albert "Al" G. Remer, 73, Cloverland, who died Sept. 4, 2016 at Essentia Health St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth, born on June 14, 1943 in Superior to George and Nina (Ashenhurst) Remer.

Jean Marie "Jeanne" Sclavi, (90), Lake Nebagamon, who passed away Aug. 27, 2016 at Middle River Health and Rehabilitation Center, born in Superior to John and Emma "Marie" (Grimstad) Legard, owned & operated with her husband Gino's Pizzas in the Twin Ports area, preceded in death by husband, Jean "Gino", & son Richard "Rick", survived by daughters Sandra Nordquist & Brenda (Joel) Granquist both of Lake Nebagamon and son Mark Sclavi in Barnes.

Donald "Smitty" E. Smith Jr., 59, Superior, who died Sept. 3, 2016, at his home, born to Donald Smith Sr. and Darlene (Sleva-Carlson) Smith, in Superior, employed as Maintenance Supervisor at Fairlawn & with Superior Public Museums for 25 years, survived by his life companion of over 40 years, Becky Jo Sturtevant, of Superior, his mother & 3 daughters.

Bernieta Mae (Bakken) Grube, 84, Poplar, who died Sept. 1, 2016, at Essentia Health St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth, born in Solon Springs to Arthur and Lillian (Putnam) Bakken, married Orville L. Grube in 1950 in Wentworth, co-owned and operated Grube Transfer and Grube Trucking, survived by husband, Orville & three sons, Orville Michael, Orville Patrick (Carolyn) and Orville Edward Arthur (Roberta) Grube, all of Poplar, great supporters of Old-Brule Heritage Soc.

Delores M. (Mihalak) Hepburn, 76, Town of Lakeside, who died Aug. 29, 2016 at her residence, born in Detroit, Mich. to Louis and Agnes Mihalak, graduated from NWHS in 1958, worked as a secretary & bookkeeper, survived by her mother, sisters, Jean Mihalak of Bloomington and Joan Kubarek of Poplar; brother, and Don (JoAnn) Mihalak of Poplar

Charles Donald Mattson, 88, Maple, passed away Aug. 22, 2016 at Middle River Health and Rehabilitation in South Range, Wis., lived most of his life in Maple, sailing on the Great Lakes in 1944 at the age of 16, retiring in 1990, wife Frances dying in 1987, survived by a daughter and three sons.

Ruth A. (Jurvelin) Laakso, 97, of Poplar and Oulu Wis., who died Aug. 19, 2016 at the Golden Living Center in Superior, born in Oulu to Matthew and Alexandra (Aho) Jurvelin, worked on planes in Detroit & then returning to Oulu to assist family, worked at Butler Shipyards in Superior as a burner to support the war effort, married Arne Laakso after the war and farmed in Oulu, widowed in 1981, survived by daughters, Kathleen (Ted Pellman) Laakso, Superior and Carol (Randy) Jones, Poplar & sons, Glenn Laakso, Kevin Laakso and Keith Laakso, all of Iron River.,

Betty Lou (Williams) Welty, 83, Kingsford, Mich., who passed away Aug. 18, 2016, born in Maple (P. O), Town of Brule, to Ira and Ruby Williams, attended schools in Douglas County and college at what is now UWS which led to an interesting career in education, as a private secretary and politics in Wis., Mich., Arizona and R. I., one of 13 children, survived by three brothers, and four children.

Art F. Kroll, 55, Maple, who died Aug. 7, 2016 at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth, was born in Sioux City, Iowa to Henry and Reta Heyer, survived by his wife of 23 years, Wendi, and two daughters.

And who have we missed or forgotten? May they all rest in peace.

RETURN ADDRESS:**OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.**

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Maple, WI 54854

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 above, or our Treasurer, Janine Seis, at the same address. Our annual dues are \$15.00 for individuals, and \$25.00 for families, payable after our annual meeting in August. Higher levels of support are always welcome.

New Members and Visitors are Always WELCOME!

CALENDAR.

October 7-9, Friday 3-6 PM, Saturday 9-5 PM, Sunday 11-3 PM. Apple Festival Weekend Davidson Windmill Tours.
Bake Sale on Saturday with left over goods on Sunday. Flea Market throughout.

October 10, Monday. Columbus Day.

October 12, Wednesday 6 PM. OBHS General Meeting. Cloverland Town Hall. Pot luck lunch followed by Jim Pellman slide talk on "Monticello School Museum & Archives", Stories and Building Update. Meeting to follow.

October 24, Monday 1 PM. Next OBHS Archives Committee Meeting at Pellmans'. Please call to confirm.

October 31, Monday. Halloween.

November 6, Sunday. Daylight Savings Time ends.

November 8, Tuesday. Election Day.

November 11, Friday. Veteran's Day.

November 23, Wednesday. Deadline for submissions to the December *OBHS News*.

November 24, Thursday. Thanksgiving Day.

OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY WEB SITE ON LINE

The Website Committee has been maintaining our Web site (www.oldbrule.org). **Earl Granroth** continues to make regular updates, and **Jon Winter** of **Winter Systems** in **Superior** is our Web host at no charge to us.

Thanks again to Earl G. and Jon W.