

OBHS News

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OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY OCTOBER 2014 GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 8, 2014, 6:00 PM at the Maple Community Center

We will start the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by lunch and refreshments.

Please bring a covered dish to pass or goodies to share.

PROGRAM: Educator, Mr. Thomas Gerstenberger of Cornucopia and the South Shore School in Port Wing, will give us a talk on the “Brule River Legacy.” Tom has led a popular historical series of field sessions exploring the Upper Brule River’s history within WITC’s Continuing Education courses. Thanks to Tom for sharing with us.

Jim Pellman will follow with a brief slide update on developments at the MSMA site.

A short Business Meeting will follow.

Thanks to the Town of Maple for the use of their Community Center.

Thanks also to all who join us, and to all who serve and bring refreshments to share.

Guests and New Members are always Welcome!

FROM THE EDITOR:

You will see several new names on the list of our Board of Directors above. We want to thank Dorothy Bergsten, Mike Granlund and Betty Wood for their willingness to take on the added responsibilities. Thanks, too, to the balance of that list. We couldn’t get by without their hard work and many contributions.

Work continues at the MSMA (Monticello School Museum & Archive) site. Olson Brothers now has done the bulk of their work, but has been lately stalled by a buried main gas line which is too shallow under our culvert off Highway F. It has taken coordination among several agencies to push the project through, but we are nearly there. The rock lining the entry is a great improvement along that stretch of Highway F, with more to go, and it provides an inviting entrance into our lot. Its natural beauty has been fully preserved. We are just going to get this work in before the weather turns cold, with quickly melting snow appearing already this morning on my parked vehicles. Some winterizing and lot preparation is the limit of what we’ll be able to accomplish this building season. We hope for an early start this coming spring, and in the meanwhile there will be a time for active fund raising. Our informational sign is nearly complete with thanks to Hope Swenson for her generous financial help on this.

Natalie Froistad of Fox 21 TV recently interviewed me at the Davidson Windmill site in advance of our Apple Festival weekend tours. These tours have been quite a success, despite the cold and wet, and northwest polar winds holding our large American flag straight out. Our Saturday bake sale went very well, thanks to the many cooks in our group, and our enthusiastic customers. The spirits of the group seemed up despite the need to stay inside the cozy Eskolin House, with our guests and tour guides having to stand next to our Round Oak potbelly stove to thaw out. A main course of hot apple chili, with fresh bread and cake, the creations of Gary Luoma, warmed us from the inside.

Ron Hendrickson delivered the two new info signs he designed, and financed, one each for our wooden queen post truss Taylor’s Bridge, and for the Eskolin Log House. Brian Paulson recently coordinated the work of installing the new steering arms on the mill. Leo Sande donated them and Pat, Carolyn & Jonathan Grube helped us get them into place, with moral support from Pat’s parents, Orville and Bernieta. We were well fed during all of these efforts by Mary Ann Gronquist, Alice Christensen, Dorothy Bergsten, Shirley Umolac, Hope Swenson, Nancy Wiitala and Irene Brazill. I may have missed someone. Thanks to all.

–Jim Pellman

1998 to 2005, 2006 to 2014 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 of their 2005 calendar & earlier issues are available. Please contact Janet Follis, P.O. Box 114, Brule, WI 54820, (715) 372-4948. Our 2014 Old-Brule Heritage Society History Photo Calendars are available at \$8.00 each. Other earlier OBHS calendars are also available at \$5.00 (2006 - 2011), 2012 at \$6.00, & 2013 at \$7.00 in limited numbers. Poplar Hardware, Poplar Village Market, Cable Publishing and Sharon's Restaurant in Lake Nebagamon, and Twin Gables Restaurant in Brule have been carrying the latest issue. An e-mail address for more info: musketeer6@cheqnet.net, and phone: 715-363-2549, or Laila at 715-372-4963, or please check our Website at www.oldbrule.org. Shipping & handling: \$3.00 each. The 2015 issue was approved and is in process. We thank our donor businesses whose cards we list in the back of each calendar. A mailing will go out to them shortly.

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 and interpreting documents and photos, storing records and creating databases. 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. at the Pellmans' on a Monday afternoon. Next meeting will be on October 6, 2014, and generally every other Monday thereafter. Please call Jim at 715-363-2549 to confirm meeting time and place.

**Unapproved MINUTES for the 2014 ANNUAL MEETING of the
OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC., OUR 16TH
August 23, 2014, Amnicon Town Hall**

Attendance: 26 members and guests signed the roster passed around.

We started with a moment of silence, followed by our lunch. Thanks to Dennis for cooking our brats and dogs, to all who came, to those who brought refreshments to share & to those who served. Thanks also to the Town of Amnicon for the use of their Town Hall.

PROGRAM: Jim & Dennis shared history of the Old-Brule Region with artifacts, and a PowerPoint presentation. There was an emphasis on the History of the Regional Cooperatives, particularly within the Town of Amnicon, and Jim gave an update on the Monticello School Museum & Archive Project.

BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: President, Dennis Hill, called the meeting to order at 1:50 PM.

MINUTES: Doreen S. moved for approval of the Minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting held August 11, 2013 at Lucius Woods State Park in Solon Springs, as printed in *OBHS News* Oct. 2013, seconded by Shirley Umolac. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Paul Colby gave his Annual Meeting through August 23, 2014 summary of our accounts: Checkbook account balances: General: \$60.50; Windmill: \$992.77; Monticello School: \$6,863.66; CD: \$5,793.04. Total cash assets: \$13,709.97. Balance of the Pellman Family matching grant (\$2000-\$2000): \$0. Julia Burhans was announced as the 2014 OBHS Scholarship winner. Motion by Earl G., with a second by Audrey Hakkila to approve the report. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Davidson Windmill/Eskolin House/Taylor's Bridge Committee:

Windmill Site, Chairman Brian Paulson Report: We look forward to Jennifer Sloan who is on the mend after surgery, finishing the painting on the mill, doing the blades this year. We also look forward to the new arms being installed with the help of Pat Grube on the weekend before Apple Festival. There will be more research done to solve the problem of leakage through the logs on the north side of the Eskolin House. Harry Pudas has visited the Windmill Committee with good advice. Brian will be investigating prospects for having professional help. Some day the deterioration of the metal skin on the mill will have to be addressed. We might have to write for a major grant for help with that project. More work and research ahead. Jim will print up more paver forms.

OBHS Monticello School Museum and Archive (MSMA) Facility Project Report: Phase II: Basement final plans and diagrams, getting of bids, and fund-raising brochures and grant writing are moving forward. Olson Brothers is working right now on the

driveway & culverts. Archive construction is yet to start. Another firm bid is needed for basement. Phase III: Jim has created a "vision drawing" of the Monticello School facility which is being used in brochures and mailings. An on-site sign is in progress explaining the project, and this should be installed when driveway construction excavations are complete, funds to be donated by Hope S. Our thanks to her. Dennis also reported that he had just gotten a \$100 MSMA donation from Lulich Implement in Mason on a visit there. Mini-Grant forms were submitted to the Wisconsin Historical Society and the Local History Council for help with filling the Archiving space. They were rejected again for this year, but they asked for us to reapply; An inquiry has been sent to the Duluth-Superior Area Community Foundation for a grant with the later Phases all in mind, Phase III being the full restoration of the schoolhouse. It is still under review. A grant proposal will later go to the Wisconsin Humanities Council for the final Phase IV which would cover the interpretation of the historical significance in every respect of the Monticello School, the historic site, with a an exhibit catalog printed giving the history of the school, a dramatic production, and a grand opening event, all of this for later in 2014 or more likely 2015. Other grants are being considered, as well as our local capital campaign which kicked off with the successful Pellman family matching grant at our annual meeting last August. Monticello School Museum & Archive Project Updates will be added to the newsletter, listing donations and other news. Donations have earlier been received from the Pellman family, Lois Pollari, Earl & Barbra Granroth, the Emory Mattson family, Paul, Trenton & Gabbie Colby, Geraldine Fechtelkotter, Ina Falk, Gary Luoma, Hope Swenson, Mary Ann G., Gordon Lahti, Laila Magnuson, Gene Davidson and John & Doreen Swanson. Thanks to everyone for their generous memorials in Delores' Pellman's name, and for rallying to the project. Dickey Tuura has an old bell that could be displayed on the grounds. More to be investigated there. A formal packet promoting our group is to be designed to help in the process of contacting donors for the Monticello School Museum & Archives.

Membership Committee: The Membership Drive general meetings held in Maple, Lake Nebagamon & Amnicon were well attended, with several new people signing our guest list. As funds become available more community contact can be made. It had been agreed that we should promote the "multi-faceted nature" of our group in all publicity, and on the website, mentioning the Mill, the School & Archive, and our historical publications. Mary Ann & Paul C. have been active in inserting articles in places like the *Connection* and *Northwoods Shopper*, as well as annual tourist magazines from the local Chamber and State. We passed out more Blue Sheets, and gathered more from last year, and thanked the group for the many hours served.

Archives Committee: Jim reported: Next meeting: Monday 1 p.m., August 25 at Pellmans'. Thanks from Jim to Earl, Audrey, Betty, Mary Ann, Irene & Nancy (our Group Historian) & Shirley U. for keeping us on track. Earl is making great strides with our archive scan index. We can always use new help with loss of our stalwarts. Thanks to all.

Publications Committee:

Pollari Memorial Map Project Report: Now progressing. We are making a two sided map, giving us two surfaces to develop, one dedicated to logging railroad infrastructure and communities, and the other side that which we have already considerably developed with more general themes, the idea to make a simpler surface by dividing the contents, confining the time covered from 1890 to about 1910 on the logging side. The railroad mainline and spur map would be smaller and on the back with the text descriptions already being developed. We have talked with Randy Jones who is enthusiastic about getting the maps done. He should be ready to start soon but has updates needed in his map software.

Calendars: 2015 work is beginning.

Books: *Sisu and Sauna Reprint (Lakeside History):* Work is going on to revise the first edition. Decision needed on publisher and number. We hope the committee will be able to meet soon regarding changes to the new edition. ***Looking for a New Frontier*** (Pearson Family), Jerrard's ***Brule River of Wisconsin*** are selling (but need more). ***Wisconsin Far Northwest*** reprint will be needed fairly soon. OBHS member and book publisher, Nan Wisherd, has been helping in securing bids for the WFNW reprint, and supports a table top book with reprints from our calendars. Book sales have been steady at Poplar Hardware. Jane Grimsrud's new book, re her first part of Cloverland's history called ***Brule River Forest and Lake Superior: Cloverland Anecdotes***, now available through us at Poplar Hardware. Jim has met with Nan Wisherd at Cable Publishing to discuss the Calendar Book. She said her company would absorb up-front costs for publishing the book, for a negotiated percentage covering her costs. Jim is charged with gathering text & images, seeking BHRG help with their images. Nan will use her designer for the book.

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Vouchers for 20% off regular admissions have been digitally sent out by the Wisc. Council for Local History. See Jim.

Midsummer Celebration (Juhannus Juhlat). Great success in this year's Midsummer. Thanks to the *Duluth News Tribune* for publicity in "Eh!" Thanks, too to Donald Anderson for his prompt septic pumping services...at no charge to us. Thanks the Alice C. & Mary Ann for their leadership. And to Paul C. for his timely mowing. Thank you is to be sent to the Town of Lakeside for use of the Town Hall at our events, and for upgrade of the breaker panel in the kitchen. Also letters of thanks need to go to donors.

Other Old Business:

2014 Budget proposals and adoption delayed. Paul will set up meeting.

Vendors at our Special Events: Motion by Janine S. with second by Audrey Hakkila that we allow appropriate vendors on a space available basis at our special events with a 20 % commission charged on sales. The motion carried.

Apple Festival Weekend Hours: Oct 3, Fri., 3-6 PM, Oct 4, Sat., 9-5 PM, Oct. 5, Sun., 11-4 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sympathy/Encouragements: None mentioned.

Coming Meetings: Next Board meeting: To install officers after our Annual Meeting. Next regular Board Meeting will be in September at Swansons, with the next General Meeting in October.

Nominating Committee: Election of Board Members: Outgoing Board Members traditionally have had the job of seeking their replacements. Dorothy Bergsten, Betty Wood, and Mike Granlund names were to be put into nomination. After three calls for more nominees, none heard, Doreen Swanson moved that we cast a unanimous ballot, with a second by Alice Christensen. By acclamation the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Earl Granroth, seconded by Shirley Umolac to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM. Dennis then gave those interested a tour of the nearly completed new Amnicon Town Hall & Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Pellman, Secretary

Monticello School Museum & Archives Project Updates

Larger donations have earlier been received from the Pellman family, Lois Pollari, Earl & Barbra Granroth, the Emory Mattson family, Paul, Trenton & Gabbie Colby, Geraldine Fechtelkotter, Ina Falk, Gary Luoma, Hope Swenson, Mary Ann Gronquist, Gordon Lahti, Laila Magnuson, Gene Davidson, Lulich Implements, and John & Doreen Swanson. Thanks to everyone for their generous memorials in Delores' Pellman's name, and for rallying to the project.

Approved **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, Old-Brule Heritage Society, Inc.**
Held after our Annual Meeting at the Amnicon Town Hall on Saturday, August 23, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Hill at 3:20 p.m. In attendance: Dennis H., Jim P., Paul C., Mary Ann G., Gary L. The order of business was to welcome new Board members, and to elect Board officers for the coming year, 2014-2015.

The Annual Meeting had produced the following Board Candidates: Dorothy Bergsten, Betty Wood, and Michael Granlund who after three calls for nominees from the floor and none seen, had been installed by an acclamation in a unanimous vote.

Discussion by the new Board of the Board Officer positions led to the following recommendations: Dennis Hill would remain President; Jim Pellman was to remain as Secretary; Paul Colby would remain as Treasurer; Brian Paulson was to be installed in the position of First Vice President, Dan Bergsten to be installed as Second Vice President. Gary Luoma wanted to remain in the Board Alternate position, leaving Mike Granlund to take the remaining regular Board position. Motion was made by Jim, seconded by Mary Ann to approve this full slate. Motion carried.

Motion for Adjournment by Jim P., seconded by Mary Ann G. Motion to adjourn carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
Our Thank You to all who are serving us on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Pellman, 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. The new Windmill mugs are \$8, new stock caps, \$12, and tee shirts, any size, \$10, all proceeds going 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 book, *Wisconsin Far Northwest*, and Nan Wisherd's books, *Pathways* and *Echoes*, Lakeside's *Sisu and Sauna*, 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 \$3.00 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 contact our members for more info.

**MINUTES for the SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING
OLD-BRULE HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.
Wednesday September 10, 2014, at the John & Doreen Swanson Cabin, Brule**

Social hour: For lunch Doreen & John provided Beef Cheese Tetrazzini and garlic bread, and our plates & utensils & beverages.

Thanks to them for the use of their historic cabin & for again hosting our meeting, and to all who brought refreshments to share.

Attendance: Dan B., Dorothy B., Mike G., Mary Ann G., Gary L., Arlene H., Dennis H., Doreen S., John S., Hope S., Jim P. Brian Paulson absent due to a derailment at work.

Welcome was extended to the new Board Members, Dorothy Bergsten, Mike Granlund and Betty Wood. Our thanks to outgoing members Alice Christensen and Earl Granroth for their many years of faithful service. We hope to see them back in service after well-deserved breaks. Certificates are coming.

CALL TO ORDER: President Dennis Hill called the meeting to order at 5 PM.

MINUTES: Motion for approval of the Minutes for our Board Meeting of July 9, 2014, held also at the Swanson cabin by Gary L., seconded by Hope S. Motion carried. Also motion to approve the Minutes from the Board Meeting held just after our Annual Meeting in the Amnicon Town Hall, on Sat., Aug.23, 2014, by Doreen S., seconded by Mike G. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Paul Colby gave his report earlier to Jim P. His latest spreadsheets of Sept. 5, 2014 showed the following balances in his summary of our accounts: Checkbook account balances: General: \$335.50; Windmill: \$900.99; Monticello School: \$6,963.66; CD: \$5,793.04. Total cash assets: \$14,334.69. Motion by Mike G., seconded by Hope S. to approve the report. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Windmill Site, Chairman, Brian Paulson not able to report: Jim offered these remarks: We look forward to Jennifer Sloan who is on the mend after surgery, finishing the painting on the mill, doing the blades this year. We also look forward to the new arms being installed with the help of Pat Grube. There will be more research done to solve the problem of leakage through the logs on the north side of the Eskolin House. Harry Pudas has visited the Windmill Committee with good advice. Someday the deterioration of the metal skin on the mill will have to be addressed. We might have to write for a major grant for help with that project. More work and research ahead. Jim is investigating other prospects for engraving the pavers. Mike Booker is no longer doing it. We have a few orders to have worked on. Dennis felt we needed to take fast action on protecting the front side of the house before winter arrives, and because of budget constraints to do it with OBHS volunteers. He asked for a motion to go forward with re-caulking just that side of the house as well as adding a coat of sealant. Dan B. moved that we work on the NE side of the house to seal the joints, and add a coat of sealant and that this be done by a crew of OBHS volunteers within the next month. Second by Mary Ann G. Motion carried.

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2015 Budget proposals and adoption: Paul will set up meeting in preparation for the year 2015 budget, Jan-Dec.

Bayfield Apple Festival Final Planning (October 3, 4 & 5th). Bayfield Apple Festival weekend. Workers & publicity covered.

Friday, Oct. 3, 2014, Davidson Windmill Tours 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014, Davidson Windmill Tours 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bake Sale on Saturday only.

Sunday, Oct. 5, 2014, Davidson Windmill Tours 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thank yous: Letters needed to Town of Lakeside (& Maple), to Attorney Steve Ledin who *pro bono* completed the deed transfer for the MSMA lot, now done on-line; & letter for the lot donated by Delores Pellman & Karen Simpson (via Jim).

Other Old Business: Loss of Mike Booker as our paver engraver at the Windmill due to retirement. We will investigate others or the cost of doing it ourselves, and we will honor the orders done at the donation rate of \$15.00, although we expect cost to rise.

NEW BUSINESS:

Friends of OBHS: Request by Janine Seis to have a blurb & link placed on our Website like that for the NWHs and the Wisconsin Historical Society. Motion by Doreen S., seconded by Hope S. to install a link on our Website for the Friends of the OBHS Group. Motion carried. The group is independent of OBHS but will work with us for the sake of local history.

Sympathy/Encouragements: Mention made of Doris Perala, and of Shirley & George Umolac. Hope will follow up.

Coming Meetings: Next Board meeting: November 12, 2014, at Hope S'. Next General Meeting, October 8, 2014. Will try to get the Maple Community Center, 5:30 to 9:00 PM. Our Christmas meeting will be at the new Amnicon Town Hall, Dec. 10.

Other new business: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Dan B. to adjourn. Seconded by Doreen S. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Pellman, Secretary

Area History: No. 100

This photo is the October entry in our 2014 OBHS History Calendar.

14.10. **Frederick Emil Berglund** surrounded by the congregation in front of the first Lakeside Baptist Church, c. 1923. He settled in Lakeside in 1898 and died on June 27, 1931 at 78 years of age. When he arrived there were no improved roads. His farm was close to where the Middle River crosses State Highway 13. He had been a travelling missionary among the Finnish people in America for many years before settling as a pioneer in what was then Old Brule. He was one of the first men to use wheels as a means of transportation in the Lakeside area of Douglas County. Survivors at the time of his death included three sons, one then living still in Finland, H. Berglund of Poplar and A. W. Berglund of Duluth, and one daughter, Mrs. Alfred Swenson, with a Wentworth address, and 16 grandchildren. The first Baptist Church actually was blown to the ground before being totally completed in 1922, a year after the congregation was officially organized, and it served the congregation until 1958 when the new structure was dedicated, connected to the existing fellowship hall. Frederick was buried in the Lakeside Cemetery. *Photo from the collection of Robin Berglund.*



-NOTICES -

Members, please check your newsletter mailing labels to see what we have in our records: The last day of the year date shown is when your membership expires. Dues collection for 2015 began at our Annual Meeting in August & continues.

THANK YOU & RECOGNITIONS: To all of you who have donated your time & resources to make what we do possible. Please turn in your **Blue Sheets** with volunteer hours before our Annual Meeting with hours shown through July 31st. To **Mr. Daniel Schlies** from the UMD Medical School for his donation to the Windmill Fund.

OUR ENCOURAGEMENT & SYMPATHY: To the family & friends of the following:

Elna A. (Tyykila) Johnson, 92, longtime Maple area resident, who passed away on Sept. 26, 2014 at Essentia Health/St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, a daughter in the large family of Matt and Maria (Lepisto) Tyykila. She owned and operated a family dairy farm with husband, Edward Levo, in Maple for over 25 years. Widowed, in 1968 she moved to Milwaukee where she later married Harland Johnson in 1973, and worked at the Doctor's Hospital, returning to Maple in 1992 after Harlan's passing.

IrmaDel (Harmon) Williams, 83, who died in her home in Brule, Wis., surrounded by family Sept. 26, 2014, born March 16th, 1931, in Superior, to Oren and Anna (Fair) Harmon. She met Andy Williams when she was 14 years old, whom she married in Superior on Sept. 30, 1950. They moved to California for a time, but returned to Poplar, Wis. in 1964 to raise their three children.

Dorothy May (Abrahamzon) Simensen, 91, of Superior who died Sept. 22, 2014, in Villa Marina Health & Rehab, born in Hawthorne in 1923, to Carl and Ina (VanKirk) Abrahamzon. Dorothy served in the United States Army during World War II. Prior to her marriage to Niilo Maki, she was employed as a secretary at Central Co-op. Widowed, she married Arthur Simensen.

Jennis H. "Joe" Swenson, Jr., 64, Brule, Wis., who passed away on Sept. 14, 2014 in his home, was born Aug. 24, 1950 in Bastrop, Texas, to Jennis H. and Nancy (Weyandt) Swenson and spent his youth in Biwabik, Minn., where he graduated from High School. He enlisted in the US Air Force and left at the rank of Sargent, was a guide on the Brule and White rivers, as were his grandfather and great-grandfather. He was also a logger and carpenter, survived by his mother Nancy of Iron River

Florence M. (Hutchinson) (Frank Torvinen) Holmes, 87, longtime Superior area resident, who passed away 17, 2014, at the Hearth of Windermere Extended Care Facility in Indiana, born in Superior to Grover and Florence (Guderrian) Hutchinson, graduated from high school in Superior and was the founding owner and operator of Globe News in Superior with her first husband Frank for many years, survived by husband Bill Holmes.

Obert Charles "Chuck" Bolme, 74, Poplar, who passed away Sept. 16, 2014, with committal prayers at the Lakeside Cemetery.

George W. Simmons, 60, who passed away Sept. 6, 2014 at his home in Maple with his loving wife of 39 years, Candace (Nygard) at his side, born in Covington, Ky. on Dec. 14, 1953, the son of George and Mary Ellen (Sydney) Simmons, Jr. George worked for General Electric as a plant manager for nearly two decades. Most recently he was employed at H & L Industries in Solon Springs as plant manager and part owner.

Fred T. Mason, 81, formerly of Superior, passed away Aug. 2, 2014 in Los Angeles, Calif.

Norman B. Camenker, 90, of Lake Nebagamon, who died Aug., 30, 2014, at his summer residence, born in St Paul, Minn., to Louis and Alice (Gorkin) Camenker, spent his youth in Duluth, graduated from Duluth Central High School in 1942, attended the University of Minnesota, leaving to join the Army Air Corp in World War II. When the St. Lawrence Seaway opened he started the Duluth Superior Ship Chandlery, which serviced the "salty's" in port. In 1973 he married Dona Wangerin who survives. He was buried in Lake Nebagamon Cemetery with military honors accorded by the Richard I. Bong American Legion Post 435.

Sandra Lee (Korhonen) Little, 64, longtime resident of Superior, who passed away Aug. 27, 2014, surrounded by family and friends, after a two year struggle with cancer; born in 1950, in Superior to John and Deloris Korhonen, in 1976 married Jeffrey Little who survives her.

Marcella E. (Shannon) Willis Johnson, 89, longtime Lake Nebagamon resident, died Aug. 27, 2014, at Essentia Health, St Mary's, Medical Center Duluth; born in 1924 in Superior to Roy and Vera (Nelson) Shannon; employed as an LPN at the former Memorial Hospital in Superior; a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Lake Nebagamon, survived by five daughters; preceded in death by her first husband Minor Willis, her second husband, Warren Johnson; three sons, Michael, Robert and Gary and her parents.

Alex K. Hart, 22, Poplar, Wis., who passed away Aug. 24, 2014; born in 1992 in Duluth. He was a self-employed welder, and a self-taught musician who loved playing the guitar and singing and performing for friends.

Irene Hegbloom, 61, lifelong Port Wing resident, who passed away in her home surrounded by her family following a courageous battle with cancer; was born on May 13, 1953, in Superior, Wis., the daughter of John and Betty (Peterson) Helsing; worked for Rueben Johnson Construction for over 20 years.

Elsie O. (Golly) Raunio, 85, of Superior who passed away Aug. 15, 2014, born in Larson, N.D. & raised in Maple by her parents, Norval and Myrtle Golly; was a CNA at St. Francis in East End Superior; preceded in death by husband, John Prendergast; her parents; and a brother, Warren Sigman; survived by her sons, Richard (Lynda) of Crystal, Minn. and William of Superior.

Shirley Anne (Lahti) Lightfoot, 77, passed away at a health care facility in Katy, Texas, on Aug. 12, 2014. Shirley was born in Brule, on March 22, 1937, to the Late Wayne and Helmi Lahti. A long-time resident of College Station, Texas, Shirley moved to Kerrville with her husband Jim in 1993 after retiring from Texas A&M Univ.; predeceased by her husband of 50 years, James "Jim" Lightfoot.

**May these, our dear friends and neighbors, rest in peace.
... and who have we missed or forgotten??**

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

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CALENDAR.

October 4, Saturday. Yom Kippur.

October 8, Wednesday, 6:00 PM. OBHS October General Meeting. Maple Community Center. Tom Gerstenberger to talk on "Brule River Legacy". Please bring covered dish or refreshment to pass.

October 13, Monday. Columbus Day observed.

October 20, Monday, 1:00 p.m. Archives Session at Pellman's. Please call to verify.

October 31, Friday. Halloween.

November 1, Saturday. All Saints' Day.

November 2, Sunday. Daylight Saving Time Ends.

November 4, Tuesday. Election Day.

November 11, Tuesday. Veterans' Day

November 12, Wednesday. OBHS Board Meeting.

November 21, Friday. Deadline for submissions to the December *OBHS News*.

November 27, 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.