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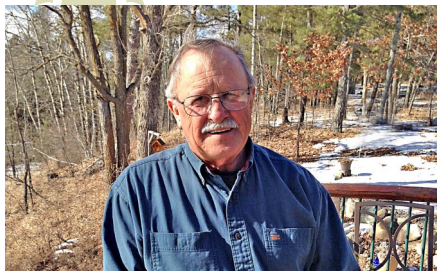
- Local businesses and the people who own them
- Find local happenings and hidden gems
- Explore things to do and where they are located



**SUMMER
2015**



NORTH COUNTRY RADIATOR



North Country Radiator is owned and operated by Mike Duclos who retired to Akeley in July of 2007. Turns out, retirement isn't in Mike's blood so he continues to do what he enjoys and is good at. Mike has been in the cooling related business since Sept of 1978. He is currently one of the oldest true radiator men left in the area. He has built and serviced hun-

dreds of radiators in these years keeping his customers and their cars happy.

There are many street rods running around with his custom designed and built radiators. North Country Radiator provides radiator service to just about any vehicle you can find from tractors and heavy equipment to classic, antique and off-road vehicles. In addition, Mike has expertise in the field of gas tank restoration that will dramatically extend the life of a damaged gas tank. He has been providing air conditioning diagnosis, radiator repair and services since 1978 at a competitive price.

You are invited to check out North Country Radiator, and if you have a special project or just an every day cooling system service, Mike will be there to fix you up. He loves his work and the people who bring it to him.

218-652-4996

Hours: M-Th 7:30-5, F 7:30-12
ncradiator.com



CROW WING CREST LODGE



- 19 cabins and 2 campsites
- historic lodge built in 1898
- daily family activities in summer
- Couples Specials/Group Deals

(218) 652-3111

www.CrowWingCrestLodge.com
11th Crow Wing Lake

Welcome to Akeley, birthplace of Paul Bunyan!

Crow Wing Crest Lodge was built in 1898 as one of 25 logging camps in the area for the Red River Logging Company, (co-founded by H.C. Akeley and T.S. Walker) who created Paul Bunyan tales as part of a marketing campaign to sell their lumber.

Our lodge is still used today as gathering place and activity center for our guests. Crooked original wooden floors and wavy vintage glass paned windows add to our traditional Mom & Pop 'up north' resort setting.

We encourage you to increase your well being by hanging out with us at this peaceful family vacation retreat. Enjoy the lake, the long, sandy beach, on-site hiking trails, loons and chipmunks. Or really indulge in relaxation with a reflexology session or aromatherapy class with owners.

Drum circles on Wednesday evenings in summer have become a staple in the last 15 years since Kim & Big John have owned the resort. Neighbors join us to check it out every now and then. It's a hoot.

We welcome reunion groups or overflow from local area peeps if we can accommodate 'em. (Boat rentals, playground equipment, etc. for guest use only.)

Our website has an availability calendar. Call anytime to chat up cabins, we're happy to visit! ☺

BOHO JUNCTION LLC; HANDMADE IN MINNESOTA



Open Artist Studio

Boho Junction, formerly Blue Sky Beads, is a local glass blowing studio where native Akeley artist, Sandra Fynboh-Address makes glass beads of all kinds. In 1999 shortly after graduating from college she began selling her handmade beads and jewelry to boutiques and at trade and art shows. Eventually she built a larger studio and at the request of customers opened it to the public seasonally.

During a visit to Boho Junction, you will find a great variety of handmade beads, original jewelry designs and gifts all made in Minnesota. There is also a large selection of beading supplies including Czech glass, stone strands, findings and many other unique pieces.

Boho Junction offers classes, parties and custom jewelry designs as well as the occasional retreats. Feel free to inquire about scheduling private classes or having a party brought to you. You can find a complete schedule of events on line.



218-652-3212
29029 County 33,
Akeley MN 56433

Visit Boho Junction Seasonally:
Tues-Sat: 10-5
bohojunctionllc.com

First National Bank of Akeley



The First National Bank of Walker has been providing financial services to the area since 1902. First National expanded its service area to the Akeley residents in 1979. Our bank strives to exceed customer expectations by providing superior customer service and by offering a variety of quality products. We will continue to provide meaningful community service through direct financial support and the volunteer leadership of our staff. The Board of Directors and management are committed to encouraging growth while maintaining high standards of financial integrity to remain a safe and sound institution. With this commitment, it is our goal to build a relationship with you that lasts a lifetime.

218-652-3777
Lobby Hours: M-Th 9-4, F 9-4
Drive Up Hours: M-Th 9-5, F 9-6, S 9-12

On-line banking and complete list of services at:

fnbwalker.com



photostudio64.com
studio64@arvig.net
218-252-0582

Welcome! Thank you for visiting our beautiful northern lakes region. My name is LeAnn, I'm the owner and photographer of Studio 64 Photography located 2 miles north of Akeley on State 64. My husband brought me to this area over 10 years ago. Shortly thereafter, I started providing professional photography services to both locals and visitors alike. Summer is the most popular time for outdoor family & high school senior portraits which keep me incredibly busy traveling to the many different locations and resorts. I absolutely love my job as it affords me the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people and finding out what brought you to this special place that I call home. If you are looking to compliment the memories that you are making here, I encourage you to consider a portrait of your family during your stay. I would be more than



honored for the opportunity to come to your resort or cabin to capture those images for you. For more information, please feel free to contact me.

LORRAINE'S HAIR CARE

After living in the St Cloud area all our lives, our family moved north in 1993. Following our dream of living on one of the beautiful 10,000 lakes of Minnesota, we built our home on Howard Lake.

Coming from a family of hair care professionals, I have a passion for meeting people and making them feel beautiful. I have spent 46 years in the business so purchasing the salon in historic downtown Akeley was a natural progression of my career.



When you enter Lorraine's Hair Care, you are greeted with sincere friendliness and concern for your beauty needs. Our salon offers haircuts, styling, coloring, perms, pedicures, manicures and tanning for the entire family.

218-652-2081
Open: T-W-F-S
Call for an appointment
Walk-ins welcome

HAROLD HARRIS VFW POST 8508



Akeley is the proud home to a group of men and women who have given of themselves in service. The V.F.W. Post 8508 was named in honor of native resident Harold Harris who gave his life at Pearl Harbor. The Post has been very active since it was chartered with the Department of Minnesota Veterans of Foreign Wars in October 1946. Their members remain strongly

committed to delivering quality programs as well as serving members in need.

Commander Richard Martin along with a group of officers as well as over 150 members provide activities and economic support for community programs. Their motto is, "together we serve all".

Visit the V.F.W. for Bingo, meat raffle, ladies night, men's night, pool league, charitable gambling and pull tabs. The hall is available to rent for events at a great value. It's an excellent location for organizations because it

maintains a commercial kitchen, a large room as well as the bar and pool tables.

Members and Auxiliary serve the community in many ways. These worthy activities continue to be supported through new members learning from the seasoned veterans. It is simple to join if you are a Veteran of a Foreign War. As a member you can continue to enjoy the comradeship as well as continuing to serve our country.

Open every day 10:30am-12pm
31075 State Hwy 34
www.akeleyvfw.com
218-652-9229

We are lucky to live in a place where most Minnesotans vacation!

We are sisters with a love of real estate and the lakes area, each bringing different skills to the table. We pride ourselves in abiding by the highest standards of professional ethics; we are upfront and honest, and we always put our clients needs first. We are ready to work on your behalf to get the job done.

Karen, weekender/cabin owner for over 20 years, and now a local, spent 25 years in the corporate world, had a not so secret



passion for real estate and became a Realtor. Karen and her husband spent their free time buying, remodeling, staging and selling homes. Karen can help you highlight your home's strengths, downplay its weaknesses and appeal to the greatest possible pool of prospective buyers.

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Edina Realty®

Kris, a local since 1993, gave up the corporate grind to open a resort outside of Hackensack. After 8 great years as a resort



owner, married the local grocer, had 3 kids, and became a realtor. Her back-ground in media productions, specifically photography and marketing, allows Kris to take great photos. Home buyers say great photos are the most useful tool in their search and make a difference.



COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY; THE LIONS CLUB



proud of their eye clinic at the University of Minnesota providing eye care to members free of cost as well as a hearing clinic.

The Lions Club International was created by businessman Melvin Jones in 1917 to foster a spirit of good citizenship and humanitarian principles as well as creating partnerships between communities.

A Lion achieves success, loves human kind, gains the respect of peers and the love of children, does the work well, makes the world a better place than it was before, sees the best there is in everyone and gives the best of themselves.

The Akeley Lion's club welcomes

new members; if you are interested in becoming a Lion please contact president Jeff Lindstrom.

Meetings are held at the Akeley VFW on the second Tuesday of the month with social hour at 6:00 and a dinner meeting at 6:30.



Contact: Jeff Lindstrom (218)652-2345
Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the Month

ABIGAIL'S ATTIC



I am Ardelle McAlpine, owner of Abigail's Attic Antiques. I live near Minneapolis when not running my

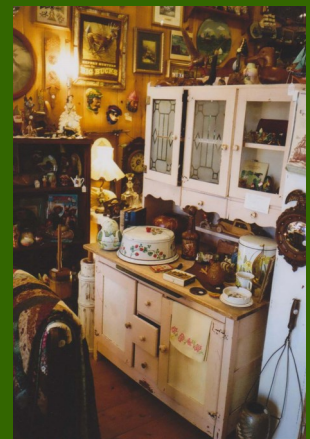
Abigail's Attic is filled with treasures you will not find anywhere else because they are handmade locally, gathered from estate sales, antique dealers, or consigners.

Some days I come to work to be a blessing, to be a listener or utter a few words of encouragement. Other days it's all about business and I'm prepared to help customers find the perfect gift be it for them or someone else.

I value and appreciate the support of the community members, local business owners, and the Chamber of Commerce whom are extremely active and very progressive. I'm also thankful for my customers- the reason I'm here.

Abigail's Attic is a seasonal business, open from the first weekend in May through the first weekend in December. You'll find me open Wednesday-Saturday, 9:30-5:30. You can find me other days by chance. If the open sign is out, stop in.

You can find out more information at abigailsatticantiques.com.



business in quaint little Akeley. It's been very interesting meeting people from all corners of the world who visit my shop and appreciate the thousands of unique and interesting items that I collect.

I felt a spiritual calling to open a business here because Akeley is full of potential. I am surrounded by talented and cheerful neighbors and a lovely community that is dedicated to service. Patience, persistence and faith have kept me in business for 10 years.



THE AKELEY REGIONAL COMMUNITY CENTER

What do you do with a 1908 school building no longer being used? You turn it into the Akeley Regional Community Center (ARCC) and offer opportunities to the public which include a thrift store, a community library, gymnasium, archery club, food shelf and a community meeting room. The thrift store ("Akeley Mall") features men's, women's, and children's clothing of all sizes, toys, shoes, purses, holiday items, furniture, many misc. household items, and a book store.

Many new items are put out every day so check it out for a good deal. We welcome your visit.

The ARCC is a 501c3 non-profit organization that depends on



volunteers and donations. Contributions are always welcome for ongoing expenses, maintenance and improvements.

We desire to impact our community through personal development, mentorship and training. Check for ads and like us on facebook.



218-652-3508

Hours: Mon-Sat 10-5

210 Pleasant Ave.

akeleymn.com/arcc

The Akeley Community Library



In 2004 a group of teachers from the Akeley area developed the Akeley Community Library in the former home economics classroom of the old Akeley School. Grants were written, books were purchased and donated; soon the former school library bookshelves were overflowing with reading choices from preschool through adult, including recent best

sellers. We are fortunate to have dedicated community members serve as volunteer librarians and have the financial support of local organizations.

We offer summer reading programs and special activity days for kids, and an active book club meets once a month. There are VHS tapes, CDs, DVDs and many books available for all ages. We provide computer/printer access as well as Wi-Fi.

In 2015 there will be a storytelling time to be held every other Tuesday; the dates are June 16 & 30,

July 14 & 28, and August 11. All kids from grades three and up are welcome; a librarian will facilitate this activity.

Library cards are available for all, so check out this local treasure located on the south side of the ARCC, and enjoy a cup of coffee, a cookie and a good read.



Hours: Tues-Fri, 1-5
At the ARCC

The Akeley Chamber of Commerce is a volunteer organization made up of area business owners, non-profits and community members committed to growing our region. We accomplish this through education, community events, advertising and collaboration.

The Chamber meets the second Monday of the Month, 5:30 at the ARCC meeting room. If you would like to join please attend a meeting, call for information or go to the member's page at akeleychamber.com.

This publication is chamber sponsored as a cooperative effort to showcase our community.

Chamber Contact:
PO Box 356, Akeley MN 56433
akeleychamber.com



Annual Events:

Audrey's Purple Dream Fishing Tournament
2nd Saturday in February
The Chamber/Lion's Fish Fry
Friday's in March, watch for dates
The Community Wide Garage Sale
The First Saturday after fishing opener
Paul Bunyan Days
The last full weekend in June
Audrey's Purple Dream Fund Run
August 1st, 2015
National Night Out
The first Tuesday in August

Area Attractions:

World's Largest Paul Bunyan Statue
Heartland Trail
Paul Bunyan State Forest and ATV Trails
Headwaters of the Crow Wing Chain of Lakes
Paul Bunyan Historical Museum
City Beach, Playground and Boat Landing
Farmers Market on Fridays
Lake Country Scenic Byway

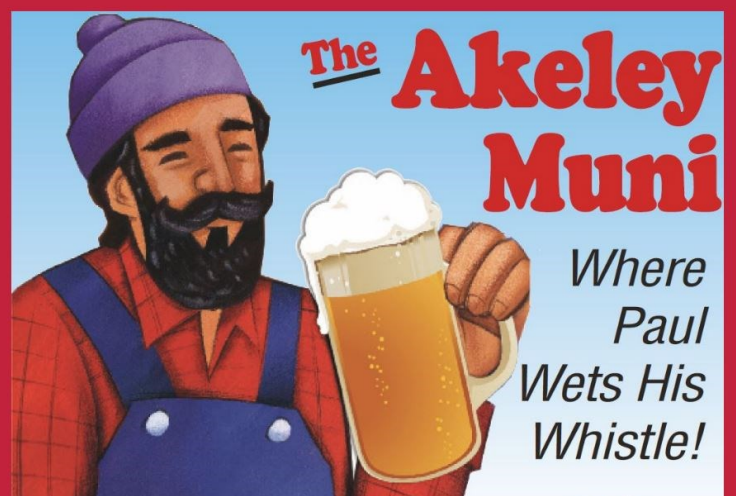


The City of Akeley was incorporated in 1916. Founded by the Red River Logging Co. in 1895, it was settled rapidly and at one time was the largest lumber mill in MN. Since that time it has

undergone many changes. Today it is situated in the heart of vacationland as the Headwaters of the Crow Wing Chain of Lakes. Akeley is one of the few cities to have an incredible campground, beach and boat landing right within the city limits. In a 19 mile radius you can find a live variety show, authentic German Cuisine and a winery as well as many miles of trails for hiking, biking, atving, snowmobiling and cross country skiing.

Akeley is your destination if you enjoy the outdoors and down to earth people who are always ready for a good time. You can find more information about the camp ground, city beach and city amenities at: akeleyminnesota.com

July 4th 2015 is the all class reunion, registration starting at 3:00 at the old Akeley High School gym with an evening of events to follow.



Happy hours
M-F 11am-12pm and 5pm-7pm
Saturdays 11am-12pm and 2 for 1 10pm-11pm
Karaoke 1st and 3rd Saturdays

