

## McCall Star News, Friday, Oct. 28, 2011 – by Carissa Sindon

# St. Luke's McCall CEO heads to Boise

## *Lee Rhodes to take job at hospital's finance department*

St. Luke's McCall CEO Lee Rhodes is leaving his position to take a job in the St. Luke's Health System finance department in Boise.

"While Lee has been able to put us on strong financial footing, our future now rests in new areas of improvement," St. Luke's Health System CEO Dr. David Pate said in an Oct. 19 letter to hospital staff.

"Therefore, Lee and the (SLM) Board agree that this move to Boise will work best for all," Pate said.

Monday will be the last day at work in McCall for Rhodes. St. Luke's Vice President of Regional Relations Rich Holm will serve as interim CEO of the McCall hospital.

Before becoming CEO in March 2009, Rhodes was the CEO of Roundup Memorial Healthcare in Montana.

Rhodes said his position at SLM was a unique opportunity of which he is glad he was able to take advantage.

"As most community members realize, this is an exceptional hospital staffed by devoted and talented employees and physicians," Rhodes said .

"The events of the last year - joining St. Luke's Health System and introducing orthopedic surgery and oncology services - give all of us many reasons to be proud of and confident in our hospital," he said.

Rhodes will miss the people with whom he had the opportunity to work at the McCall hospital and in the community.

"At the same time I look forward to continuing to work for a great health system and to improving the health of the people we serve," Rhodes said.