

# THE LARSMONT LINE

Larsmont Community Club • Spring 2016



Home of the  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
Established 1914

If you are a resident  
of Larsmont,  
full time or visit part time,  
we invite you to get more  
involved in the  
community and meet  
your neighbors.  
Join the Larsmont  
Community Club for  
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Paid members get  
one free use of the  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
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## Annual Meeting Scheduled for May 16



This picture hangs on the wall in the Little Red Schoolhouse. At the picnic in August, many tried to identify those in the picture. Come to the annual meeting on May 16 and try your hand at it.

The **annual meeting** of the **Larsmont Community Club** is planned for **Monday, May 16 at the Schoolhouse at 7 p.m.** This Community Club serves all residents of the Larsmont community and all are invited to attend, whether you live here full time or only part of the year. Club participation helps to maintain the Schoolhouse building and grounds, so please come and give us your ideas and suggestions as to what you would like to see happen with your club and management of the property. The meeting should last less than an hour.

Thanks to those who pay your voluntary \$10 per household **membership dues** to help our Community Club. These annual dues allow you to use the Hall once a year for a function. Dues are used to pay insurance, electricity, gas, grass cutting, postage and miscellaneous repairs. Of course, an

additional donation is always appreciated, especially for the Building Fund.



Please use the enclosed label for an envelope and mail membership dues and comments or suggestions if you will be unable to attend this meeting. Hope to see you at the meeting.

## Last Year's Donations to the Building Fund

In 2006, the Larsmont Community Club established the Building Maintenance Fund to accept donations from members to be used toward repairs and upkeep of the building. Donations to the Building Fund can be one of your most important contributions to your club. These funds are always needed. Those who donate are recognized through small certificates displayed in the Schoolhouse.

Donations in 2015 were received in

memory of Jim Isackson and from Bill & Helen Tranah, Paul & Cindy Hayden, Neil & Barbara Normandin, Charles & Carol Gunder, Barbara & Russell Ely, Pamela & David Coolidge and James Ortman.

You can make donations specifically to the Building Fund through Secretary/Treasurer, Marlys Wisch, at the Annual Meeting at the Schoolhouse on May 16, or send them to 489 Swanson Rd., Larsmont, MN 55616.

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**May -**

*Larsmont Community Club*

*Annual Meeting*

May 16 – 7 p.m. Schoolhouse

*Pioneer School Day*

May 26 – 9 a.m. Schoolhouse

**June -**

*Pioneer School Day*

June 7 – 9 a.m. Schoolhouse

Rummage Sale

June 9-11

**July -**

*Two Harbors Heritage Days Parade*

July 9 – 1 p.m.

Downtown Two Harbors

**August -**

*Larsmont CC Annual Picnic*

August TBD – Schoolhouse

## *New Windows for the Schoolhouse*

These days the windows of the Schoolhouse are looking more brilliant, because they're sitting pretty in new framework. Old World



Windows of Duluth has completed its two-year project of rejuvenating all of the windows in the Schoolhouse with the installation in the front of new frames and preservation of the original panes of glass.

“We specialize in the evaluation, preservation and restoration of wood windows,” states Old World Windows’ brochure. Any work on a historic building has to meet certain standards. Old World says it is well versed in the requirements to obtain Historical Tax Credits.

The Larsmont Community Club organized and paid for the new windows through grants

received from the Lake County. The total cost for window repair – half of windows in 2014 and half in 2016 – was \$13,375.

## *What's In a Name?*

Many have wondered about the origin of the name *Larsmont*. Was it someone's name? Is there a meaning behind the name? Was it pulled out of thin air?

The village was formed largely by Finnish settlers who chose Mile 22 on the railroad for their new home. Among them were John Strom (Stromsholm) and his brother Matts, the brothers John and Victor Sjoblom and many others, all from *Larsmo*, a parish in Ostrobothnia, Finland. Norwegians and Swedes also came into the area.

The name dates to around 1914 when another early settler and native of *Larsmo*, Gust Mattson, added *nt* for *mount* or *mountain* to the hometown name. It perfectly reflected the nature of the area.

Once named, the railroad put it on the depot and we've been Larsmont ever since.

Researched by Karen Smoley

**Please  
Come!**

*Larsmont Community Club's  
Annual Meeting*

*At the Schoolhouse*

*May 16, 7 p.m.*

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