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Fourth Annual Flower Sale

The Plymouth Historical Society is planning their Fourth Annual Flower Sale on Mav



Enclosed you will find the bright blue flyer and order form with information about the event called "Perenial Pursuit in Search of Fabulous Flowers" with master gardeners to answer your questions.

This is a great opportunity to make your spring flower shopping a breeze. Complete the order form and send it in by April 21st along with your check.

Don't wait -- pleace your order now to enjoy your flowers this spring and all summer long.





Plymouth Historical Society Sunday, April 23rd 1-4 p.m.

The program will be presented by Western Hennepin County Pioneer Association of Long Lake.

"Fashion of Yesteryears" 1870's - 1920's

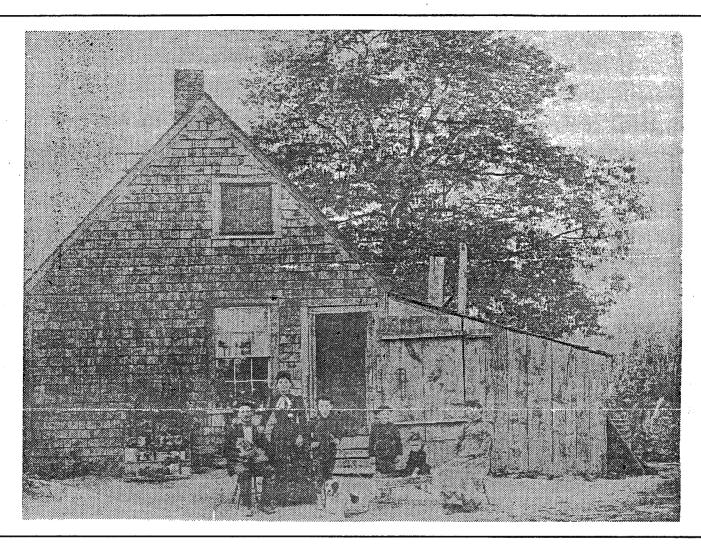
Please see the attached flyer for more details.

The schedule is as follows:

- A short business meeting at 1:15 with election of two Board of Directors.
- Program at 1:30 p.m.

FAMILY HISTORIES

The Plymouth Historical Society has quite a few family histories on file. We welcome people to come and look at them, which may help you trace family roots. The following is a copy of one of the histories on file.



THE LAMB FAMILY got together 72 years ago and posed for this family picture in front of their farm house in Plymouth near Bergerson-Caswell building on Highway 12. The house was built in 1865. From left are George L. Lamb, who lent us this picture; his sister, Lenora (Mrs. Albert Wise), who died in 1939; a step brother, Oliver Lamb of Warroad, MN; another step brother, Leon, who died in 1903; a step sister, Pansy; the late Mrs. Clifford McGee; and his step mother, Martha Jane Lamb.

"How'd I get here?"

George L. Lamb, slender, wiry, and with skin brown as an old felt hat, sat down in our office, and hooked his old fashioned spectacles behind his ears.

"By myself, of course. I drove."

He had come to identify the accompanying picture, and that he did -- down to the last square foot of the lean-to.

The little house in Plymouth, north of the Bergerson-Caswell building on Highway 12 in Plymouth was built in 1865, when Lamb, who will be 89 years old October 14, was nine years old.

His grandfather, George Washington Lamb, who was born in 1815 in Vermont, eventually struck out for the west and

settled in Ohio. But with a view to the future of his sons, he bought a 160 acre farm in Plymouth for \$1.25 an acre, and built the house.

"It was 16 feet square, two stories high, with a partition dividing the second floor," Lamb said. "The lean-to, where cooking was done in the summer, was 12 by 16 feet."

After the death of his mother, the former Margaret Bates of Ohio, his father married Martha Clark, whose family had a farm where the workhouse now stands. Two other Lamb boys also married Clark girls.

"We're related to everybody -- almost as mixed up as the Hughes family," Lamb said. "And then there's the Day's. My wife was Alice Day, and her father was Joseph Warren Day. Her uncle was A. W. Day, who taught me the plumbing trade."

As conscious as he is of his pioneer background, he's even prouder of his ancestors.

His great grandfather was a body guard for General Nashington, and named his son for the father of our country. He was one of the fearless Green Mountain Boys of Vermont who fought in the Revolutionary War.

"It's all down in the family history, and I heard it myself from my grandfather, George Washington Lamb, as a boy."

He's also a great hand for family heirlooms. "I still have the pair of pants I wore when I was three years old," he said. "A good as new, too."

As a young fellow, Lamb went to work -- for more Lamb's. He was a clerk in the store run by his uncles, Lorin Joseph and Charles Elliott Lamb. (He rattles off second names as well as dates.) After two years behind the counter, he switched to carpentry and worked for Al Dart, then got a job with A. W. Day, another old time Wayzata contractor, who died only a few years ago. Day was his brother-in-law.

"In those days a carpenter did everything", he said. "I started dubbing around with plumbing, and I never got out of it, until I retired in 1951. Through the years there have been some plumbing changes made, and not only in the flossy fixtures department", Lamb said.

"We had to use muscle when we cut pipes and bore holes. Now", slightly contemptuous, "they got to have power tools for everything."

Lamb was 22 years old when he married and left his father's home and the little shingled house, since torn down. The farm that is now completely built up was later sold to Simon Milbert.

In 1951 after he had retired, Lamb moved to Hanover. His wife died in 1960, and a son, Warren, now lives with him. Recently, he's been on a visiting fling, spending some time with his sons and daughters and their families: Mrs. William J. Arneson (Pearl), of Brooklyn Center; Mrs. August Wheeler (Elizabeth), Black Lake; Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Buffalo; Verne Day, Plymouth; and Arbie Lamb, Wayzata. He has 18 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.



- Donation of picture framing services for numerous unframed pictures at the society.
- An antique bedroom dresser and chest of drawers.
- Membership dues for 1995

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following is the present Board of Directors:

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HISTORY FESTIVAL AND ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW



On September 23rd, the Plymouth History Festival and Antique Car Show will be held at the Plymouth Historical Building and Plymouth Creek Park.

Mark your calendars and watch for future flyers!



MAILING AND MEMBERSHIP LIST

Attention!! For all those who have forgot and not paid their 1995 dues (due by April 1st), we have included a 1995 Membership Dues Form. Please send in the form or if you have any questions, please call Alberta Casey, 559-9366.

The annual dues are:

Individual	\$5.00
Family	
Lifetime	\$100.00

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPENHOUSE

"Fashions of Yester Year" 1870's - 1920's



Sunday, April 23, 1995 1:00 - 4:00 PM





SCHEDULE: 1:15 - Business Meeting

1:30 - Program

LOCATION: PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL BUILDING

3595 Fernbrook Lane

Plymouth, MN

The Western Hennepin County Pioneer Association of Long Lake will sponsor a "Fashions of Yester Year" show. Come join us to see and hear about what was in style in different periods from the 1870's to the 1920's!

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TOWN HALL-BUILT 1885 FLOWER SALE 1995

FLOWER SALE IN THE PARK

Spring is in the air. It's time for Plymouth Historical Society's Fourth Annual Flower Sale. Attached you will find an order sheet so you may order.

Please make check payable to: Plymouth Historical Society And include it with your order.

Orders may be mailed anytime between now and no later than Friday April 21, 1995. Mail To: B. G. Broman 4055 Glacier Ln. N.

Plymouth, MN 55446-2721

You may pick up your order Saturday May 13th, 1995 at Parkers Lake Park. Enter the park on Niagara and Cty. Rd. 6 we will be located near the northwest corner. West of playground area. Anytime between 9:00am until 12:00noon is pre-order pick up. From 9:00am until 6:00pm is flower sale of a variety of annual flowers.

This year Floral Affair has agreed to donate two \$25.00 gift certificates. We will have two drawings. One for pre-order's only, every order \$15.00 dollars or more will be eligible. Name to be pulled at 9:00am. One for day of sale purchases \$15.00 or more to be eligible, plus all pre-order's sales will have a second chance. Name to be pulled at 6:00pm. Need not be present at time of drawing to win.

In addition to Plymouth Historical Society's Flower Sale there will be varies other activities going on that day. Please see reverse side, for detailed information of the different events that day at Parkers Lake Park.

Please, help is needed. If you could help for an hour or more, and if you have any questions, PLEASE CALL.

> Ben G. or Ruth A. Broman at 559-5721 PLEASE KEEP THIS LETTER AS YOUR REMINDER.



THEME: PERENNIAL PURSUIT IN SEARCH OF FABULOUS FLOWERS

In addition to Plymouth Historical Sociaty's Flower Sale there will be Master Gardeners on hand to answer any of your questions. There will also be an area were you can purchase Phosphorus-free fertilizer, and a display with information concerning compost and mulch. The perennial garden will be planted that day also. Plus, Lakeshore cleanup will be done. Lots of activity hope you can join us sometime that day.

Schedule of the day Saturday May 13, 1995

9:00am - 6:00pm Annual Flower Sale, and Ask the Master Gardener

9:00am - 1:00pm Master Gardener presentations (15 min. on the hour) current gardening topics

9:00am -12:00pm Perennial garden installation with volunteers

9:00am -12:00pm E. Parkers lake Assoc.'s annual lakeshore cleanup-Meet at boat launch

12:00pm - 1:00pm Volunteer lunch

Still needed: 20 volunteer planters (Call Paul Buck-City of Plymouth)

Committee/Contacts:

Flower Sale: Plymouth Historical Society - Ben G. & Ruth A. Broman Master Gardener program: Jeanna Smith & Terri Heyer, Master Gardeners Perennial garden: City of Plymouth - Paul Buck E. Parkers Lake Improvement Assoc. - Marsha Videen Fertilizer sale: Kris Hageman & Margie Vigoren Compost & Mulch display and distribution: Kris Hageman & Margie Vigoren

Donations/Business Name:

2- \$25.00 gift certificates - Floral Affair

