

PATIENT INFORMATION FORM

Please fill out as completely as possible for the patient database. If you are uncertain of any of the information, please note that it is your best estimate.

Patient's First Name:

Patient's Middle Name:

Patient's Maiden Name:

Patient's Last Name:

Dates of Birth and Death:

Patient's Occupation:

Years in Saranac Lake:

Where stayed in Saranac Lake:

Patient's Hometown:

Additional Information:

Your relationship to patient:

Signature for consent to add to online database:

In a Mother's Words...

*I have continued to love this
unique community . . .
so frankly a health resort,
the people taking it for
granted that visitors are
here because they are ill . . .
And that frankness and
sympathetic understanding
do so much to help the
crushed and bewildered
people who come."*

- Jessie Black, dedicating the
John Black Room at the Saranac
Laboratory to her son in 1928.



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IN A PATIENT'S MEMORY

DEDICATE A BRICK

Dr. E. L. Trudeau

The Fresh Air Cure



Priscilla Christensen Bergren and Louis Mackay, Saranac Lake, 1931.

Dr. E. L. Trudeau came to the Adirondacks in 1873 seriously ill with tuberculosis. As his health improved, he settled in Saranac Lake to build the country's first TB sanatorium, as well as the first laboratory in the U.S. for TB research.

News of Dr. Trudeau's cure brought thousands of patients from around the world to Saranac Lake. From the 1870s through the 1950s, patients came to cure at the Trudeau Sanatorium, the State Hospital at Ray Brook, Will Rogers Memorial Hospital, and other

area facilities. Hundreds of private cure cottages in the village also opened their doors to patients.

The cure cottages of Saranac Lake, along with the stately brick walls of Dr. Trudeau's Saranac Laboratory, stand today as monuments to the countless patients who bravely fought "the battle of the porch."

The Patient Memorial

The Saranac Laboratory is now open to the public as a museum. The names of patients inscribed on the bricks in the entryway foyer stand as a simple memorial to their lives in the North Country.

Each brick supports the Saranac Laboratory Museum and the work of Historic Saranac Lake. Your gift will help us complete the final phase of the building: to replicate the original cabinets, counters and fixtures in Dr. Trudeau's laboratory, a landmark from the dawn of science.

Benefactors are recognized on a wall panel interpreting the memorial and the patient experience in Saranac Lake. Patient information will be entered into an online database. Participation in the database is free and open to anyone wishing to remember a family member or friend who came to Saranac Lake for the cure.

DEDICATE

A BRICK

Brick Dedication - \$250

- Patient's name placed on a foyer brick

Benefactor level gift - \$5,000 or more

- Wall panel donor appreciation
- Patient's name placed on a foyer brick

Please fill out the
Patient Information Form
on the reverse side. The information
will be added to our free online
patient database at
www.hsl.wikispot.org



HISTORIC SARANAC LAKE

is a nonprofit historic preservation organization founded in 1980. Our mission is to nurture a sense of place and pride in community by advocating the restoration, preservation, and interpretation of the Saranac Lake area.