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TREMONT, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY, NOV. 8, 1918.

Many Accepts Armistice Terms

Many has accepted the armistice terms and ceased at 2 p. m. day. Everybody is eating and as we go to all the church bells in are ringing and every- happy.

Order Christmas Boxes

Committee to receive overseas Christmas Boxes will be at office next Saturday afternoon 5 o'clock. Those who are ready please bring them

Churches Will Open

Churches will open next Sunday. German churches will hold from 1 to 3 p. m. The Methodist churches will hold service 11 to 12 a. m. and in the from 7 to 8. The Catholic will

No School

There will be no school next week, as the ban from the State Board of Health has not been lifted. Schools can open only under medical supervision, and Tremont and vicinity has not the physicians to spare for this at the present time. No school for so long makes it bad for both teachers and pupils, but under all conditions the school will be concerned.

Jibben, Shields

The marriage of Ben. H. Jibben of Green Valley and Miss M. Shields of Allentown took place this afternoon, October 22nd. The ceremony of the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. Ballenger, in Tremont. The wedding was planned as a home affair, to be held on Oct. 22, but the illness of both the young people with influenza caused a postponement and change of plans. Following the ceremony a wedding reception was given at the home of the bride. The newly wedded couple left the next day for their future home on a farm near Kenney, De Witt county, followed by the well wishes of their many friends in this section.

Death of Mrs. Smith

Mrs. Frank Smith died at the home of her father in St. Louis last Monday morning after a long illness with

Liberty Loan Subscribers

Below is a list of subscribers to the first, second, third and fourth Liberty Loans. This puts Tremont township over the top and shows that our citizens were put to the real test and proved their loyalty to their government in supporting the cause our boys at the front are fighting for.

Mrs. E. M. Washburn.....	\$5100
Miss Nettie Washburn.....	4500
Mrs. C. Hayward and daughter.....	1000
Mrs. Frank Harris.....	1000
Mrs. Elizabeth Morse.....	1000
Miss Jennie Briggs.....	850
Mrs. Anna D. Bolliger.....	800
Miss Cella Kipp.....	600
Mrs. Caroline Koch.....	400
Miss Anna Pflederer.....	350
Mrs. Graham.....	300
Mrs. E. Moore.....	300
Mrs. Anna Sperry.....	300
Mrs. Charlotte Broyhill.....	250
Mrs. Mary Gerstner.....	250
Miss Leah Garber.....	250
Ladies' Cemetery Association.....	250

First Aid

Our Savings Department is First Aid to a successful business life. The importance of teaching children to save their pennies and dimes cannot be too highly emphasized. One Dollar opens an account and any amount can be added to it any time. Why not open an account for your children today and feel that you have given First Aid to a beginning of a successful day. Interest compounded semi-annually in this department.

The Tremont National Bank
Tremont - Illinois

TREMONT NewsLetter

a weekly publication of news, history, and happenings in Tremont, Illinois

WE ARE HIRING



AMBULANCE DRIVERS

- Must live within the Tremont Rescue Service Area
- Hold a Class C or higher driver's license
- Have a desire to serve their community.

APPLY HERE:



<https://tinyurl.com/484vdhj7>

Looking to give back to your community in 2025?

Tremont Rescue responded to 349 emergencies in 2024 - as our call volume increases our need for additional staff does as well. We are currently hiring ambulance drivers and volunteer EMTs. Come serve with us! Please message us on [Facebook](#) with any questions you might have.

Little Dribblers Program

TREMONT

Little Dribblers

BASKETBALL



2025

Basketball Registration

Registration opens 1/8/25 ends 2/12/25

Little Dribblers is our recreation basketball program for boys and girls between the ages of Kindergarten - 3rd grade. The program focuses on the basic skills including dribbling, passing, shooting & scrimmages at the end of the season. Classes are on Saturday afternoons in the South Gym.

K-1, 12:00-12:50 and 2-3 1:00-2:00

Program instructors: Noelle Marron and High School Players

PROGRAM DATES:

2/22- 3/1- 3/8- 3/15

Registration is now open online and at the Park District Office.

www.tremontpark.org

Sponsored By:



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Little Dribblers Basketball Program at TAPD

Ages: K-3rd grade

Dates: Saturdays---2/22-3/1-3/8-3/15

Times: K-1 12:00-12:50 2nd-3rd 1:00-2:00pm

Location: THS South Gym

Fees: \$45.00

Registration begins: January 8th through February 12th 2025, available [online](#) or at the TAPD office
Questions: Call 309-925-3811 or email tapdfacres@gmail.com

The Share Closet Connection



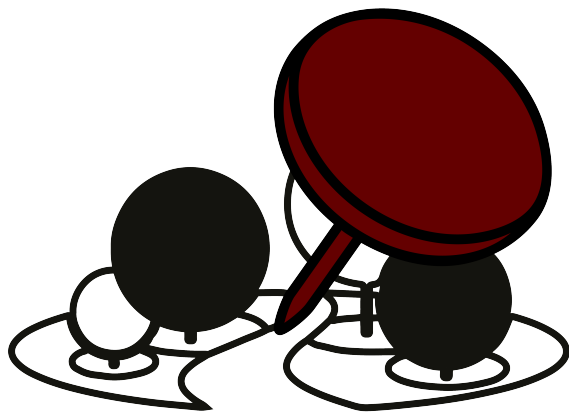
The Share Closet exists to share the hope of Christ by meeting the needs of the home, body and soul. One of the ways we do this is through gifting Closet Cash so people can shop for items they need at no charge. If you or someone you know is in need, please reach out to scsoulmanager@gmail.com or call the store begin the process of receiving help.

Visit us on [Facebook](#)

Phone: (309) 929-7095

The Share Closet - 227 S Sampson St, Tremont, IL 61568

Organization Updates

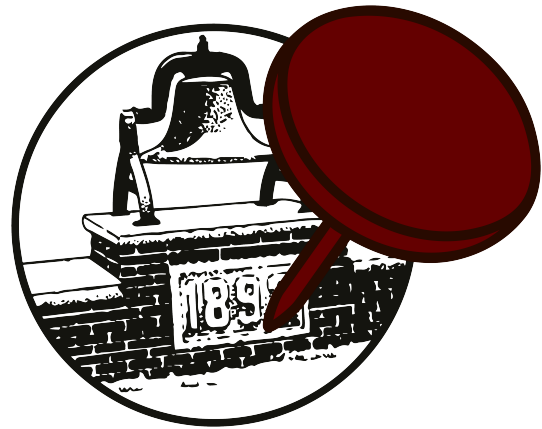


Village of Tremont

2025 GFL Pickup Schedule

The village board has received the GFL's pickup calendar for residents inside the village limits of Tremont. Garbage is still weekly on Wednesday and recycle every other week. The calendar also notes holidays and their impact on both garbage and recycling collection.

[2025 GFL Pickup Schedule](#)



District 702

Athletic Schedule

Winter sports continue this week. Stay up to date with our student athletes at the link below.

[Athletic Calendar](#)



Tremont Library

Library Programming

Baby & Me Group (ages 0-3)

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30am

Join us in the library meeting room for a support group for new and experienced parents.

Young Adult Book Club (ages 12-19)

Tuesday, January 21st, 6:30pm-8pm

Book? Club is Tremont Library's Young Adult/Teen Book Club. We meet monthly to discuss a book, enjoy a treat from Eli's, and hang out for a bit. Get more info on our [Facebook event](#).

Did You Know? *Tremont, in History*

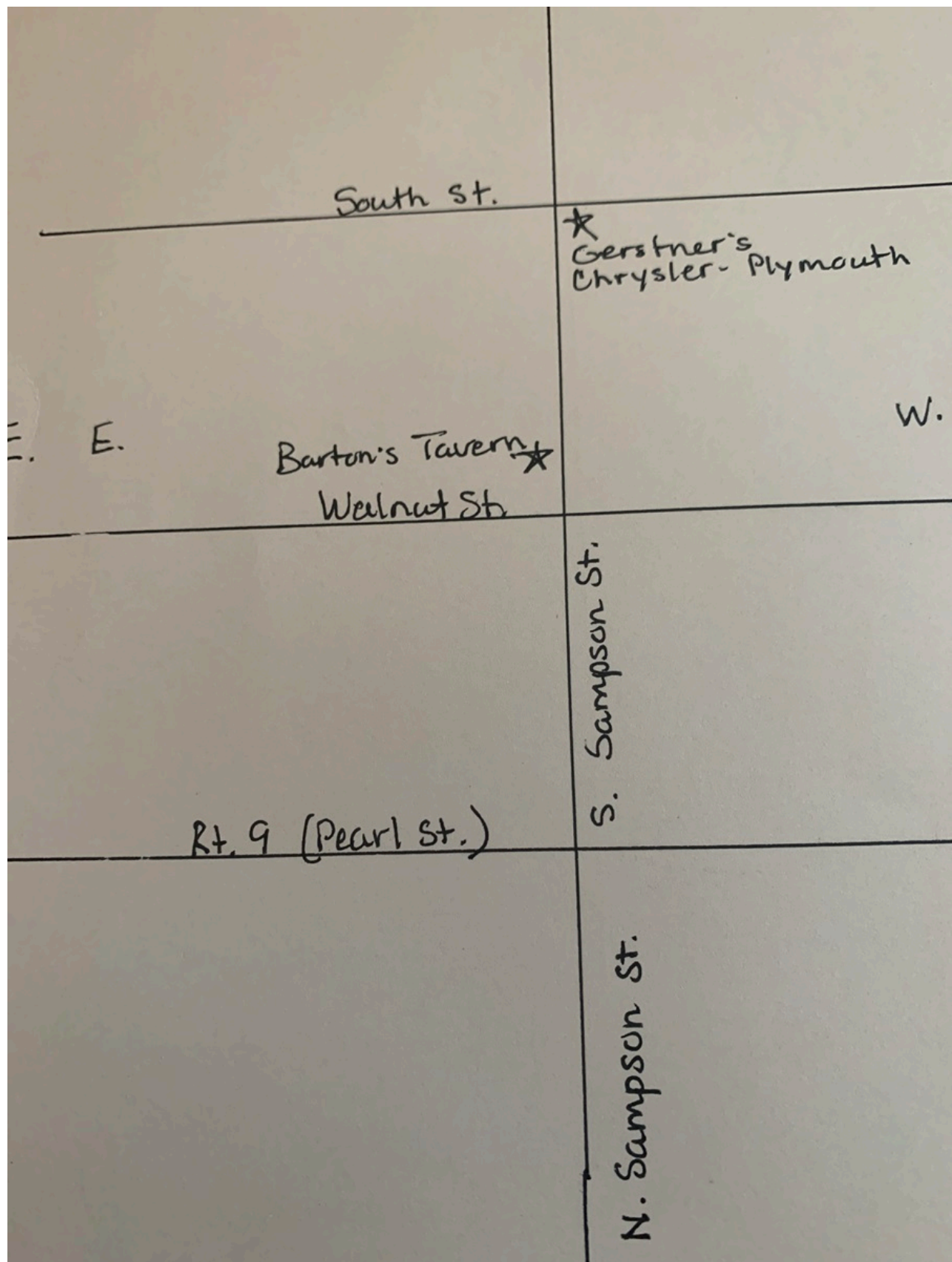
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Shorty and Sockey's War Effort Contribution

Sockey and Shorty. Seems like everyone back in the 40s had a nickname. John "Sockey" Gerstner was graced with his nickname when his mother knitted him a stocking cap. The boys kidded him about it, and he became known for the rest of his life as "Sockey." Clark "Shorty" Barton's nickname is easier to figure out.

These two men were highly respected business leaders in Tremont. Sockey had also taught science at Tremont High School to begin with. Sockey Gerstner's dad, George, owned Gerstner Hardware, which stood on the corner of S. Sampson and W. South Street – a corner that had held hardware stores throughout Tremont's history. (Recently, that corner was the home of Gauger Motors, which was razed when Bob Gauger retired.) George saw the future of automobiles and opened a Chrysler Plymouth agency on that corner in addition to his hardware store. Sockey helped his father run the agency and took it over when his father retired.

Shorty Barton owned restaurant/confectionaries as well as restaurant/taverns. He moved his business from one side of Samson Street to another a few times. One of his locations was on the corner of E. Walnut and S. Sampson Street, next to today's Louisa Jane, Inc. At one point, he opened his tavern at 6 am, and customers were waiting!



As far as we can tell, neither man spent time in the service. But they were both “people” persons, and both must have had big hearts. For, after years of WWII wore on, and the young Tremont men who were drafted or enlisted remained “over there,” the two men decided to start a monthly letter about Tremont to let the “boys” know they were not forgotten by their hometown. Shorty and Sockey arranged for Lydia Koch’s high school typing class to do “...all of the addressing of envelopes and typing of stencils.” Some of the

language became a little colorful at times, which makes the typing class's role even more interesting!

Mostly the letters had a ring of true respect and caring. Containing descriptions of everyday life in Tremont, news about people, the high school sports seasons, and notes about others in service as well as those colorful jokes, the monthly letters had to be a very bright spot in the servicemen's day.

Next week – some excerpts of the newsletters. (Many of you will recognize relatives' names!)

Tremont Museum and Historical Society
Lori Fuoss - 2025

Mark Your Calendar!



Please mark your calendar for the next Tremont Historical Society Program on Tuesday, **January 21 at 7:00pm**. Do you have a vintage or antique item with an interesting story/use? Or do you have an item and would like to know its use? Or would you just like to come and hear about what others bring?

This is always a popular program; hope to see you at the Community Center on January 21!



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