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Tremont Winning Communities



Tremont Grade School Facility Project



“What’s going on at the grade school?” has been a common question recently as the second level of the gymnasium is now viewable from the outside for the first time in decades. Over the last several years, the grade school roof has deteriorated in the area around the upper level. This has caused leaks that have gotten worse and become too difficult to continually patch. The district’s architects had an analysis of the roof done and it was determined that the leaks were isolated to the areas where the steel frame for the white cover attached to the building. In order to fix the roof and stop the leaks, the cover and frame needed to be removed.

The bid for the project was secured by Bishop Bros., Inc. out of Peoria and they have already begun to remove the white cover, exposing the old block exterior of the upper level. Once school dismisses for the summer, they will begin removing the frame and repairing the roof. Once the roof repairs are complete, a brick-looking cladding will be installed around the upper level to better match the brick on the lower level of the building. This cladding is made from a material called EIFS (Exterior Insulation and Finish System), which is sometimes called a “synthetic stucco.”

The project will be completed this summer and be ready by the time school resumes in August.





Village of Tremont Cleanup Day **Saturday, June 14, 2024 from 8am to Noon** **(or until dumpsters are full)**

Get rid of old furniture, mattresses, and items you can't fit in your weekly garbage cart!

The following items will **NOT** be accepted:

- Tires
- Paint
- Batteries
- Appliances (white goods)
- Yard Waste
- Hazardous Material (oil, gas, solvents)
- Electronic Waste (computers, TV's, electronics)

Dumpsters will be at the Leaf Pile Lot
Located at the corner of N. Harris Street and Rt. 9
(just south of the laundromat)

Drop off time will be monitored and there will be
NO DROPOFFS ALLOWED AFTER HOURS

Please bring ID and/or a copy of your GFL bill as only Village of Tremont garbage customers in good standing may participate

To manage traffic best, entrance to the event will be from
N. Chestnut Street with exit onto N. Harris Street

Outstanding Alumni Nominations Sought

Nominees for alumni association recognition are being accepted now in 3 categories:

1. Distinguished Alumni – outstanding accomplishments and contributions post high school in any field.
2. Athletic – outstanding athletic accomplishments at Tremont High School.
3. Service – Alumni recognized in this category generally provide time and service to a variety of organizations in and around the Tremont community post-high school.

Nominations may be sent by mail or dropped off at the high school to:

Superintendent Sean Berry

400 W. Pearl

Tremont, IL 61568

Nominating letters should include:

- The name and years in high school of the nominee.
- Category of nomination (distinguished, athletic, service)
- Brief narrative and description as to why the nominee deserves recognition

Nominations accepted on behalf of any THS graduate who has been out of school at least 10 years. A committee consisting of Alumni Association members and representatives of District #702 will consider all nominees and make final decisions. Recipients will be honored at the Alumni Association event to be held at the school on October 18 for all community members and friends of District #702.

Sampson Street Commemorative and Memorial Engraved Pavers – Round 2



Winning Communities is excited to announce the second round of engraved pavers to be installed this summer at the cutout on the southeast corner of Sampson and Walnut. This fundraising initiative assists with maintenance on the entire downtown beautification project and adds your personal touch to this endeavor.

Order forms are available at the Village Hall and the cost of each paver is \$125. Please note the deadline of **June 30, 2025**.

Cash or checks (along with your order form) may be written to Tremont Winning Communities and can be dropped off at the Village Hall or mailed to:

Tremont Winning Communities

PO Box 76

Tremont, IL 61568

In addition, several benches are available on the 100 and 200 block of S. Sampson for sponsorships or memorials at a cost of \$2000. If interested in more information, please leave your name and phone number at the Village Hall and someone will contact you.

[Download A Sponsorship Form](#)

LIVE MUSIC

TURKEY FESTIVAL MERCHANTS' DAY

**THURSDAY
JUNE
5
5-6:30PM**

MITCH & TORI
Bland Fam
ACOUSTICAL JAM

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN TREMONT
134 S. SAMPSON ST., TREMONT, IL
PARKING LOT**

Mitch is well known for his long history in the Central Illinois music scene with bands such as The Truth Council, The Unhandsome Devils, Uncle Pucker and others. In 2023, Mitch convinced his very vocally-talented daughter, Tori, to join him on stage and “Bland Fam Acoustical Jam” was born.

Check out all the events happening Merchant's Night!

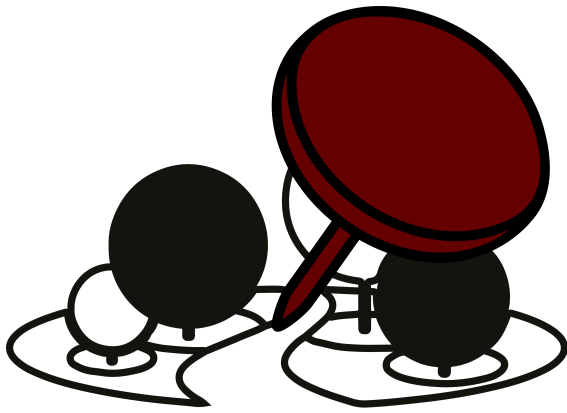
Camp Invention



This summer, boost your child's confidence and creativity at @CampInvention! This weeklong program will provide K-6 campers with unique #STEM challenges that encourage them to bring their big ideas to life! Camp is coming to Tremont Middle School the week of June 9th-13th. Register today using code SUM15 to SAVE \$15.

[Register Today](#)

Organization Updates

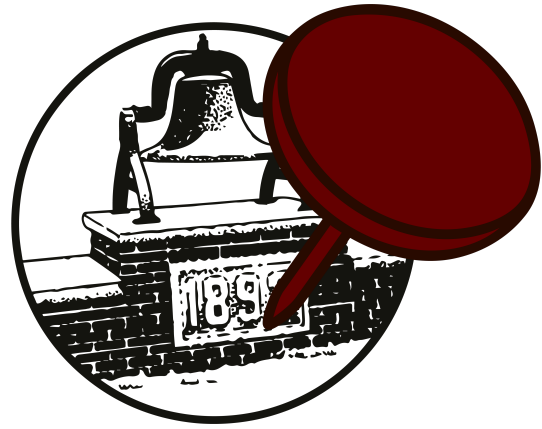


Village of Tremont

Village Board Meetings

The Tremont Village Board meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at Village Hall and public attendance is welcomed. All previous meetings' minutes can be found on the village website.

[Board Meeting Minutes](#)



District 702

Athletic Schedule

Stay up to date with all our student athletes at the link below.

[Athletic Calendar](#)

Did You Know? *Tremont, in History*

Brought to you by the Tremont Museum & Historical Society

The Down Home Café Story

Last week's article told the story of the many restaurants that were located at the now vacant lot at 500 W. Pearl, or Route 9, just west of Tremont High School. The first and longest lasting was the Dog N Suds, a successful root beer stand. One restaurant in the

early 1990s was called the Down Home Café. And there is a tale to tell about that one. It was started by an out-of-towner named Julie Collins. People in town wished her all the best with her restaurant business in the old building.

My first indication that all might not be above board came when our high school daughter, who waitressed there, came home and told us, "It's so cool! To pay us, she just opens the register and gives us our money!" And then came the day the waitresses showed up for work and found the lights out and the door locked.



Excerpts of an article in the 1994 Prairie Chronicle tell it best:

...when Julie Collins – or is it Julianne Collins, or maybe Julie Wheeler or Julie Downs (she's used all those names) left, she took anything but good wishes with her. And the people who helped her along, gave a neighbor a boost, were flexible with the due bills -most of

those good neighbors were out money. Some of them were out a lot of money...Some who had trouble collecting had begun to eat off their bills... The food quality deteriorated as, one by one, her suppliers shut her off for lack of payment.

A criminal investigation has begun against Collins, conducted by the state with the help of the Tremont police. "It's not the first time she's pulled this stunt," Tremont police chief John Webb told a meeting of creditors last week. "She's done it before, and she's done time for it before."

...any creditors are asked to contact Webb to contribute to the investigation.

The long list of creditors included the First National Bank of Tremont, the Prairie Chronicle, Stuber Hardware and the Village of Tremont. Unfortunately, we have no information on the outcome of the investigation and the unscrupulous owner.

Tremont Museum and Historical Society
Lori Fuoss - 2025

ONLY 3 DATES LEFT TO SEE THE VINTAGE COLLECTIONS EXHIBIT!

Sunday, May 25, June 8, and Sunday, June 22. Hours are from 2-4 PM.

Mark your calendar and see an interesting collection of vintage hobbies belonging to people in our area!

Admission is just \$5.00 for adults, all others are free. Donations are appreciated.

Tremont Museum 329 S. Sampson Street. The Agricultural Heritage Museum, just behind the museum, will also be open - no charge.



Tremont Museum WILL be open over Memorial Day weekend! Come and see the Vintage Collections exhibit while it is still here! Your last chance in May is Sunday, May 25 from 2-4 PM.

Juneteenth in Tazewell County

This year's Tazewell County Juneteenth Recognition will be **June 19th at 10am** along Franklin Street near the intersection of Franklin Street and Springfield Road in rural Tremont.

This year's event will be the dedication of a new Illinois State Historical Marker recognizing Peter Logan's Homestead and his activities in the Underground Railroad.

Peter Logan was born as a slave in Virginia before being sold into slavery at a plantation in Arkansas. He was allowed to work for pay in Missouri, earning enough money to purchase not only his freedom but that of his sister and niece, the only family he had left. Together they traveled to Tazewell County and in 1837 became the first African American to own property, a 40 acre farm homestead at the intersection of Franklin Street and Springfield Road and a 40 acre wood lot near the intersection of Red Shall Road and Springfield Road. His neighbors were members of the Underground Railroad, he worked for an Underground Railroad Conductor, and he lived along the route of the Underground Railroad through Tazewell County. Once enslaved himself, he actively assisted those seeking their own freedom and great risk to his life and that of his family.



2025 DAY OF ACTION

RESUME REVIEWS & MOCK INTERVIEWS

Come join us at the Pekin Public Library for our annual **Day of Action**. Take part in mock interviews to build confidence, have your resume professionally reviewed, learn about LinkedIn as a tool and gather information or resources from community partners!



- Expert resume reviews.
- Mock interviews (panel interviews).
- Learn about LinkedIn, and its various tools.
- Connect with resource providers.
- Additional resource providers being added soon.
- Great chance to learn how to stand out from the competition.



12 June 2025 at 2 - 6 PM



More information
309-346-2433



Visit our website
unitedwayofpekin.org

The United Way of Pekin is hosting a FREE resume review and mock interview session at the Pekin Public Library on June 12th as part of our Annual Day of Action. Visit the library with your resume, connect with resource vendors, practice your interview skills, learn about LinkedIn tools and more. Feel free to share with anyone you know who may benefit from this resource!



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