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- Activities Include:
  - Dat Threshing
  - Corn Shelling
  - Stationary Baling
  - Shingle Making
  - Sheep Shearing
  - Wool Spinning
  - Petting Zoo
  - Antique Tractors
- **New Activities!!** 
  - Horse and Buggy Rides
  - Moldboard Plowing
  - Corn Binding
  - Grain Binding



# SATURDAY JULY 26TH, 2025

### **OPENING CEREMONIES STARTING AT 9AM**

#### **EXHIBITS AND DEMONSTRATIONS ARE WELCOMED AND ENCOURAGED**

Lunch and refreshments will be available on site by Dat Brisket, and Big Papa Jakes food trucks! Also, enjoy homemade ice cream made with an antique hit and miss engine!

Location: Across the road from 9233 Locust Rd. Tremont, IL 61568

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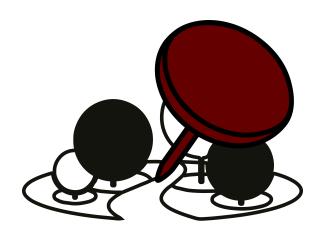


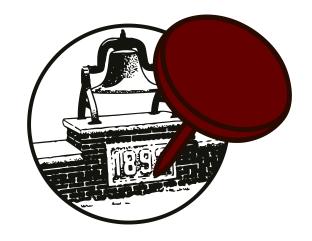
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# **Organization Updates**





## 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.

### District 702

#### **Athletic Schedule**

Our student athletes are officially off for the summer! Check back in early August for a schedule of events.

**Board Meeting Minutes** 

## **Did You Know?** *Tremont, in History*

Brought to you by the Tremont Museum & Historical Society

#### **Sugar Beets Trial in Central Illinois**

With the latest discussions on cutting down on sugar substitutes, it is interesting to recall a trial crop in our area in the early 1900s. Beet sugar. It was said that when processed, it looked like any other granulated sugar and no one could tell it from sugar raised anywhere else.

"At the start they (the farmers) employed Russians on the beet plantations, which were located around Pekin and as far south as Green Valley. They lived in tents. The language was a problem. Germans were brought over from Germany. They were people who lived on the Russian border, and this solved the language problem, since most people in Pekin at the time spoke German as a first or second language." (From "The History Room" column at Pekin Public Library.)

I came across a few interesting articles on the subject in *The Bloomington Pantagraph* and *The Tremont News*.

#### Feb.12, 1900:

L.E. Rolofson of Tremont reported, "There were 700 acres of land in sugar beets last season in this immediate neighborhood. Of these, the Pekin Sugar Company had 500 and various farmers had 200. The average yield was about ten tons to the acre. Some went as high as fourteen and some as low as five. Raising sugar beets is a pretty expensive business as so much work must be put in to keep the ground free from weeds. The company paid \$21.00 per acre to the Russians whom they employed to weed and gather the beets...The factory has worked up all the beets and has now shut down for the season. The sugar made is for sale in Tremont and all towns in the state, I guess."



#### November 29, 1900:

The Russian families who were employed in the beet cultivation here left for their homes in Nebraska last Friday. This is the second season these people have been employed here by the Sugar Beet Company of Pekin.

#### July 26, 1901:

The sugar beets...are standing the drouth and hot weather well. All the early beets are growing and the late beets are holding their own. If the top leaves should be killed, the plant would sprout up again and grow. The work of cultivation has proceeded this week.

#### 1901:

Several carloads of beets have been sent out this week. They go to a factory in Ohio, as the Pekin factory has been turned into a (corn) glucose works.

Throughout the sugar beet trial, Illinois farmers continued to harvest corn, soybeans and wheat, while also trying sugar beets. In the end, the experiment was unsuccessful in Illinois for a number of reasons, including excessive heat and humidity.

Farmers in the upper Midwest, Minnesota, North Dakota and nearby Michigan, as well as out west, discovered their climate was well suited for sugar beet production.

Today, the United States is the third highest sugar beet producer in the world.

Tremont Museum and Historical Society Lori Fuoss - 2025

## COME IN FROM THE HEAT!

"Our Town...Tremont" is now open at the Tremont Museum. Our creative volunteers have worked hard to research and design new displays to show you some interesting parts of Tremont's history. Recently, as an out-of-town visitor left the museum, he said, "Not every small town is lucky enough to have a museum like this!"

And it's true. Come see what he was talking about. Open this Sunday, July 27 from 2-4 Pm. Free admission!

## Tremont's 2025 Fall Home Tour



Saturday, September 6 from 1-4 and 5-8 PM. Mark your calendar now! You will not want to miss this!

More information to come!!





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