

Please make yourself aware of our holiday hours. This closure allows are hard-working volunteers a well-earned break. If you are in need of physical or medical assistance during this time, you may reach us by email at scsoulmanager@gmail.com.

Merry Christmas everyone!

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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.

[Board Meeting Minutes](#)

District 702

Athletic Schedule

Our student athletes are busy, despite the holidays! Check the calendar below for full details.

[Student Athletic Calendar](#)

Did You Know? *Tremont, in History*

Brought to you by the Tremont Museum & Historical Society

Plans For Peoria's Spectacular Christmas Affair of 1897

People in towns in central Illinois must have been full of curious anticipation in December of 1897. Peoria's large department store, Harned, Bergner & Von Maur, was preparing a huge "Kris Kringle Karnival." The dates were set, December 13-25th. In anticipation of some 40,000 visitors to Peoria from as far away as St. Louis and Chicago, extravagant plans were being made.

A train load of Christmas trees from the forests of Wisconsin were expected to arrive and decorating would ensue. The thousands of firs and evergreen pines would line the main blocks of Main and Adams streets with 20,000 evergreen garlands connecting them. The intent was to create such a spectacular appearance that people would want to come back year after year.

A two-week festival was scheduled with daily parades led by "King Kris," followed by, "elves, goblins, bands, etc.," according to an article in the Peoria Star newspaper. Continuing, the Star described the extent of the extravaganza: "The headquarters of Kris will be at Rouse's Hall, which will be profusely decorated with trees, wreathing, holly, mistletoe, etc., and will be known throughout the carnival as 'The King's Palace.' No expense will be spared to transform the hall into a real fairy land."

Among the plans made for the massive "Mardi Gras" style celebration were jugglers, hypnotists, war whoopers, Turks, Indians, contortionists, dancers and much more. The Peoria Star newspaper was dotted with large ads for the event, associated sales for various stores, and with lists of wondrous events.

And that was just the beginning of the fantastic event to be known as Peoria's Kris Kringle Karnival.

More next week...

Tremont Museum and Historical Society
Lori Fuoss

Join Tremont Park District Fitness Center

Rates: \$25.00 per person per month-- additional member living in same household \$10.00

Rates: \$5.00 Drop in gym or class

\$40.00 10 punch pass

Membership includes fitness classes held at Tremont Park District.

SPIN

Class Description: Climbs, Jumps & Sprints set to upbeat music, some light weights used.

Class Times: Monday @ 5:30pm & Thursday @ 10:00am

STRETCH

Class Description: Yoga type of class--emphasis on stretching

Class Times: Tuesday & Saturday @ 9:00am

Class Location: May be held @ Cullinan Park Shelter Weather Permitting

STRENGTH

Class Description: Pump style class targeting all body parts with reps of light weights

Class Times: Thursday @ 5:30pm

CARDIO CIRCUIT

Class Description: Tabata, Kickbox, Step type workout using exercise balls, balance boards

Class Times: Tuesday @ 5:30pm

PILATES

Class Description: Pilates is a low impact workout. Pilates involves controlled movements that enhance your balance, core strength, mobility, flexibility.

Class Times: Wednesday @ 5:00pm

STEP

Class Description: Fun upbeat music--Cardio

Class Times: Sunday @ 3:00pm

Only December - April

CLASSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO INSTRUCTOR AVAILABILITY



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