

Weekly News

Tremont Gallery/Pearl Street Stamping

"Holiday Fun Friday"

Friday, December 20th 10:00AM to 5:00PM

Door Prizes and Free Gift with Purchase

Did you Know...?

The Tazewell County Poor Farm

Just a mile and a half southwest of Tremont once stood the Tazewell County Poor Farm. An article from the March 17, 1882 Bloomington Pantagraph reads, "There are at present 73 people in the Tazewell County Poor Farm - 40 males, 25 females and 8 children." An article in the same paper on August 27, 1900 touts a new building just completed there for the residents on the 224-acre farm. At that time, there were 82 people housed there.

The 224 acres were farmed, and, the article stated, "Tazewell has the largest garden of any county farm in the state."

In the museum files is an old article, undated, about the closing of the county home to make it a home for dependent children of Tazewell County. The enrollment of the home had decreased due to the new pension laws. Those residents had to be moved to the Lotus Hotel in Pekin.

Below is a photo from an old scrapbook compiled by William Koch and loaned to the museum by Jim Petrov:

The caption reads ~

"Memorial marker, "In memory of the unfortunate of Tazewell County, 1910." This marker is in the County Farm Cemetery, often referred to as "the Poor Farm," located just west of Tremont. Grave markers are foot stones with numbers from 1-144. Burials were as early as 1873. This Home was a refuge for the Elderly, destitute and ill. Later it became an Orphan's and Unwanted Children's Home and then a Convalescent Home and is now the Tazewell County Health Center. There have been no burials in this Cemetery for many years."

- Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Tremont Museum

The Tremont Museum thanks all who helped in any way and those who attended the Tremont Holiday Home Tour and/or the museum's nativity walk. Both the main museum and the Agriculture Heritage Museum will be closed until March. However, we are glad to do special family or group tours at any time. Please contact Rich Sauder at 309-231-1123.

Monday

MS Boys home vs Parkview - 4:30PM

HS Girls Basketball @ Heyworth - 5:30PM

MS Christmas Concert - 7:00PM Cafetorium

Tuesday

HS Boys Basketball @ Heyworth - 5:30PM

HS Girls Basketball home vs MWC - 5:30PM

Thursday

HS Boys Swim Coop vs Washington HS (Five Points) - 4:30PM

HS Girls Basketball @ Fisher - 5:30PM

MS Wrestling @ El Paso - 5:30PM (moved to El Paso from home)

GS Grades K-4 Christmas Concert - 6:00PM North Gym

Friday

Holiday Fun Friday - 10:00AM-5:00PM Tremont Gallery/Pearl Street Stamping

HS Wrestling @ Tolono Unity Duals

HS Boys Basketball @ Fisher

HS Boys Swim Coop @ Bloomington High School Invitational

Saturday

HS Wrestling JV @ Washington JV Tournament

HS Cheer Competition @ Peoria High School

HS Boys Basketball home vs Olympia - 5:30PM

Around Town



Please send us your news stories and they will be included in upcoming emails. Deadline to include information is Friday, 6:00PM for the following Monday.

We accept information from official Tremont, IL businesses, organizations, and advertisers. We will also post Public Auctions and Open Houses.

Thank you,

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