

# **Weekly News**

# Did you know ...?

Our icy cold drinks, refrigerators and freezers would have been unknown more than 100 years ago in Tremont and elsewhere.

Ice was harvested in great hunks from nearby rivers, lakes, ponds and abandoned clay pits. The ice harvest season was very busy and many men and horses were involved in the work.

The Bloomington Pantagraph documented some of the ice harvesting in Tremont in the winter of 1891: Jan. 24, 1891 - "Six-inch ice was harvested on the Mackinaw the first week by ice dealers." Feb. 17, 1891 - "W.H Harris has harvested 100 tons of ice this past month."

The ice was harvested and packed in sawdust or straw in ice houses for the summer months. In the early 1900s, an icehouse was located where Tremont Community Bank is today. Later there was an icehouse located on South West Street.

In those days, kitchens would have wooden "ice boxes," and women would post a sign in their window to let the delivery man know how much ice was needed. The ice blocks were cut into 25, 50 and 100 pound "cakes."

As refrigeration and manufactured ice became popular, harvested ice was used only for businesses that required large amounts of ice. Soon, the days of ice harvesting were just a memory.

-Tremont Museum and Historical Society

The Tremont Museum is preparing for our next exhibit. We are currently gathering items from people who contact us, willing to loan vintage kitchen items or vintage aprons. Please let us know if you have items to share! Contact: Lori 309-840-0094 or Kay 419-296-2323.

# **Quilt of Valor**

Quilters in the Tremont community will be making a Quilt of Valor for a Tremont veteran. Come help quilt anytime 10AM-3PM on any of the days. All levels of experience are welcome!

When: February 13, 14, and 15, 2020 Where: Tremont Community Center



The last Quilt of Valor

# **Tremont Gallery/Pearl Street Stamping**

"Make It Take It"

Friday, February 14th 10:00AM to 5:00PM

Stop in to Make a Free Greeting Card

## Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser – St. Jude

Come support the Tremont St. Jude Run!

When: Friday, February 21st Where: THS Cafetorium Time: 4:30 – 7:00PM Price: Adults- \$7 Kids (under 8)- \$5

Spaghetti, bread, salad, drink and dessert included

This event will take place before Senior Night for the high school boys basketball game. To view the flyer for the supper, go to: <u>https://www.tremontil.com/Tremont-news/2020/SpaghettiSupper.pdf</u>

#### **Tremont Library Events**

#### Learning to Swim in a Sea of Information: Information Literacy 101

Choose a date: Tuesday, February 4th, 10:30 AM Tuesday, March 3rd, 6 PM Thursday, April 30th, 10:30 AM

What is "fake news," and how do I spot it? Where can I find the library's collection of e-books? How can I find age-appropriate online resources and/or books for my child? Explore these questions and more with Library Director Maria Ford. No registration required.

#### **Bored? Games!**

1st Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 PM February 5, March 4, April 1, & May 6 Ages 5 and up.

Drop by the library after school for board and card games. Bring your favorite game or try one of ours!

Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Families are welcome!

For more information about this program, call the library at 925-5432, or email tremontlibrary.childrens@gmail.com

#### Gallery 215

2nd and 4th Mondays, February 10-May 11, 3:15-5:30PM Grades 5-12

A twice-monthly "open-studio" time for young artists. Learn new techniques and materials, or just work on your own project in the company of other artists. No registration required.

For more information about this program, call the library at 925-5432, or email tremontlibrary.childrens@gmail.com

## **Robotics Open House**

Team 2481 Roboteers, your local FIRST Robotics Team, would like to invite you to attend their Open House on February 29, 2020 from 8:30-11:00AM at Tremont High School.

This is a chance for you to view what the robotics team does and how they are progressing on their current robot for Infinite Recharge. Come for breakfast and see robot demonstrations, shop tours, and test your skills driving a robot. Additionally, they will have team presentations at 9:00AM and 10:00AM in the main gym.



#### Monday

MS Boys Basketball 8th grade regional game vs Germantown @ Olympia - 5:00PM (If they win Feb 1)

HS Girls Basketball home vs FCW - 5:30PM (Senior Night)

#### Tuesday

MS Scholastic Bowl home vs St Joseph's - 3:30PM

MS Volleyball @ Rankin - 4:00PM

MS Boys Basketball 8th grade regional game @ Olympia - 5:00PM (If they win Feb 3)

MS Wrestling @ Kingsley Normal (with Morton) - 5:00PM

HS Boys Basketball @ Eureka - 5:30PM

## Thursday

MS Volleyball home vs Georgetowne - 4:15PM HS Scholastic Bowl @ Leroy vs EPG - 4:30PM HS Girls Basketball @ EPG - 5:30PM MS Wrestling @ Canton (with Olympia) - 5:30PM

## Friday

HS WR Regionals @ PORTA - 5:00PM

HS Boys Basketball home vs EPG - 5:30PM

## Saturday

Speech Regionals @ Pekin High School

MS Volleyball @ Lexington Tourney - 9:00AM

HS Boys Swim Co-op home (Pekin) vs Multiple Opponents-Mid-Illini Invitational - 10:00AM

HS Wrestling Regionals @ PORTA - 10:00AM

#### **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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