

Weekly News

Did you know...?



Running through Tremont, near where the old railroad tracks used to be, is a small creek known as the Tiber. In the late 1850s or so, in the days of the acclaimed Tremont Female Seminary, the unnamed creek was finally given its moniker. Picture those young scholars learning about ancient Rome, the powerful city on the banks of the mighty Tiber River. Rome's Tiber provided the great city with the opportunity to trade, and to wage war. The history lesson must have sparked the imagination of those young ladies, for as they looked upon their village's creek, they were inspired to name it the Tiber in tribute! Or possibly out of a great sense of humor.

While the two Tibers may seem to have little in common, it is true that our Tiber, like Rome's Tiber, has always been important to Tremont. It serves as drainage especially when the rains are heavy. Though at times, the creek does overflow. A 1917 newspaper clipping tells of such a heavy rainfall that the Tiber was running through Village Hall! At that time, the village hall was located where today's popular Pinky's Ice Cream is.

In the 1980s, the once vital railroad had so little use it was disbanded, and the rails and timbers were removed. What was left was an unsightly strip of gravelly land running along the Tiber and visible from State Route 9. It remained that way for many years.

Enter the innovative board of Tremont Winning Communities, an organization whose goal is "to improve the quality of life in Tremont, to increase the pride of current residents and to entice new people and businesses to live and work here." After much thought and effort, ground was broken on July 15, 2008, for the Tiber Creek Project. Community leaders were at the groundbreaking, including; Mayor Todd Bong, President of Winning Communities Brock Butts, and Tremont landscape designer Dale Stuber, Chair of the Image/Appearance Sub-Committee.

The Tiber drainage ditch and area around it was about to be transformed. Soon the Tiber, straightened at one time to follow the railroad track, would become a "meandering creek with bridges connecting lighted walking paths." Through donations by individuals and businesses as well as fund-raising activities and a supportive community, what had once been just plans on paper began to take shape in reality.

The three-acre eyesore evolved into the beautiful, useable green space that attracts attention today. In

fact, in 2009, the project was awarded the prestigious "Governor's Hometown Award."

So, when you enjoy the attractive area along the meandering creek, think how those early scholars of the Tremont Female Seminary would feel to know that some 170 years later the humble ditch they named "The Tiber" and its connecting area has become a beautiful extension of the City Park and an inviting welcome to our village.

~Tremont Historical Society





Variance Hearing

The Village of Tremont Zoning Board will conduct a Variance Hearing

Where: Tremont Community Center - 216 S. Sampson St. Tremont, IL.

When: Thursday, September 3, 2020 - 7:00PM

The purpose of this hearing is whether to grant:

The construction of a ground mount solar array within the Village of Tremont.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: PIN# 11-11-13-413-050

Commonly Known as: 400 W. Pearl St. Tremont, IL. 61568

PETITIONER is Tremont High School and Hawk Energy Solutions Solar All parties having an interest in this above matter are to attend said meeting, on the time and date at the location specified above, to voice their concerns.

Respectfully,

Glen Gullette Code Enforcement Officer Village of Tremont

Apron Strings and Kitchen Things Exhibit

JUST TWO WEEKENDS LEFT!

"Apron Strings and Kitchen Things," the innovative display at Tremont Museum, will be open Saturday and Sunday September 12 &13 and 26 & 27 from 1:00-4:00PM. The displays are made up of vintage aprons, kitchen items and a taste of kitchen styles of the mid-1800s-1960s.

Admission to the special exhibit also includes the Tremont Agricultural Heritage Museum next door. We are using extra cleaning precautions, and ask that social distancing and masks be used. There is plenty of room for a safe visit!



Notice of Village Zoning Board Public Hearing

The Village of Tremont Zoning Board will hold a public hearing on Sept. 3, 2020 at 7:00PM at the Tremont Village Hall, 211 S. Sampson St., Tremont, Illinois, concerning two requested modifications of the regulations of the Village's Zoning Ordinance pursuant to Section 1306 of the Tremont Zoning Code. The modifications would allow the subdivision of the property commonly known as 604 W. Pearl St., Tremont, Illinois (PIN 11-11-13-413-058) into two parcels, the north parcel having a rear yard of zero (0) feet, and the south parcel having a front yard of zero (0) feet.

By order of the Zoning Board of the Village of Tremont, Tazewell County, Illinois.

Chairman Zoning Board

Tuesday

HS Cross Country @ Farmington - 4:00PM

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HS Golf Home vs Fieldcrest, Tri-Valley - 4:00PM

MS Cross Country Home vs Metamora - 4:15PM

MS Softball Home vs Dee-Mack - 4:15PM

MS Baseball @ Mackinaw - 4:15PM

Wednesday

HS Golf @ El Paso Country Club (with EPG, Eureka) - 4:00PM

Thursday

HS Golf Home vs Heyworth - 4:00PM

HS Cross Country @ Bloomington Central Catholic (Ewing Park) - 4:30PM

HS Girls Swim Coop @ Olympia - 4:30PM

Zoning Board Public Hearing - 7:00PM Tremont Village Hall

Saturday

Farmers Market - 8:00-11:00AM City Park

MS Softball @ MWC - 10:00AM

MS Baseball @ Broadmoor (Shade Park) - 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,

Haas IT Solutions, Inc. on behalf of Tremont Winning Communities

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