

Weekly News

Tremont Comprehensive Plan Update

The Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Tremont continues to be a work in progress. Surveys will remain open through the end of December. If you haven't had an opportunity to provide feedback, please take a few moments to complete the questionnaire so this valuable data can be compiled.

We are grateful for the large turnout at the Community Open House on November 11. Almost 100 people attended and supplied a great deal of information at the various interactive booths set up by the Tri-County Regional Planning organization.

To date, 235 surveys have been completed and submitted – 133 of those by THS juniors and seniors. The input from our future leaders is critical and the support from the school in allowing presentations and discussions on the planning process has been greatly appreciated.

Now, the committee would like to make one final push to other residents to seek their thoughts and opinions. Anyone who lives or works in the District #702 area is encouraged to complete the survey.

The local planning team is taking December off while this data is being collected. The process of compiling and analyzing the data will begin in January with the new plan presented to the Village Board in late spring. The Comprehensive Plan allows the Village to extend its influence 1.5 miles beyond town limits to allow for future residential and business growth. The survey data can be accessed by all organizations to use for their own internal decisions.

To fill out the survey, <u>Click here</u> or pick up a hard copy at the Village Hall – where you can also drop it off

Job Opportunities to support Tremont Fire and Tremont Rescue

Tazewell County Consolidated Communications (TC3) is looking for applicants to fill open positions. <u>Click here</u> for more information and to apply if interested.

Did you know...?

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.

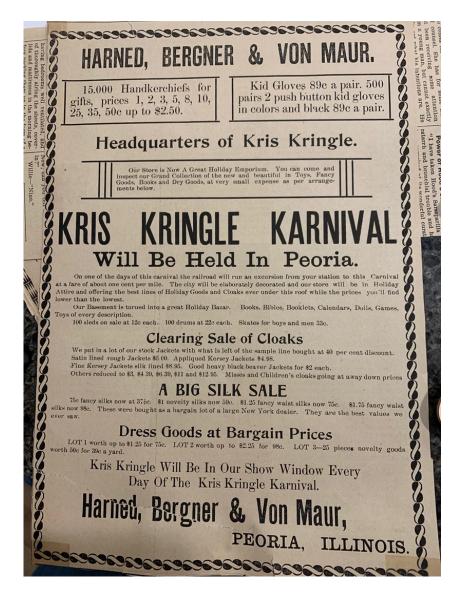
A two-week festival was scheduled with daily parades led by "King Kris," followed by, "elves, goblins, bands, etc.," according to an article in the Peoria Star newspaper. Continuing, the Star described the extent of the extravaganza: "The headquarters of Kris will be at Rouse's Hall, which will be profusely

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."

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

Next week: A Host of Wonders: The Kris Kringle Karnival.

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Tremont Library

Stay up to date on all upcoming library programs by visiting us on Facebook or our online calendar: http://tremontlibrary.com/calendar/

Baby and Me

Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

New and experienced parents are invited to join Miss Nicole on Wednesday mornings for a parent/baby support group. Meet other parents in the area, make friends, enjoy new toys, lots of books, and a must: free coffee.

The focus of this group is parents and young children ages 0-3, but other siblings are always welcome! No registration required, drop in whenever works best for you.

Story Hour

Thursdays: December 9th, December 23rd

This fall, we'll be hosting Story Hour in the meeting room on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. No registration is required, so join us whichever days you'd like!

Any questions? Call 925-5432, or email Miss Lizzi at tremontlibrary.childrens@gmail.com

Make-It Monday

Make-It Mondays are back for another season, but this time we're inviting you to the library to create with us in person!

Children ages 7+ are invited to join Miss Nicole on the second Monday of each month after school to learn about and create a S.T.E.A.M. project. There is no registration, just drop in!

This Fall's projects:

• December: Animal Dioramas

Tween Book Club

Kids ages 8-12 are invited to book club on the fourth Tuesdays of each month from 3:30-4:30PM. At each meeting we'll discuss the book we read, and then read the first chapter of the next month's book. If you like it, take home a copy and read the rest on your own. We'll have lots of copies available. Since we're just getting started, check out the detailed schedule below to see when you'd like to attend!

 December 14th - This is a special one on the second Tuesday! Discuss "How to Train Your Dragon" and then enjoy a pizza party while watching the movie "How to Train Your Dragon"

Tremont Museum Final 2021 Open House

Sunday, December 12 from 2-4 PM will be the Tremont Museum's last open house for the year 2021. Plans are to reopen in March. We appreciate all who have supported our town's museum this year!

If you are interested in a group tour during the time the museum is closed, please contact Rich Sauder at 309-231-1123.

Monday

MS BB at Peoria Christian - 4:30PM

GB at Eureka - 5:30PM

Tuesday

Boys Swimming at Peoria Central Pool - 4:30PM

BB home vs Delavan - 5:30PM

Thursday

Boys Swimming at Pekin - 4:30PM

MS BB home vs Illini Bluffs - 5:30PM

GB home vs Oly - 5:30PM

WR at Knoxville - 5:30PM

Saturday

WR at Porta - 8:30AM

BB and GB at Lexington - 5:30PM

Sunday

Tremont Museum Open - 2:00-4:00PM



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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