

Weekly News

Village Minutes

To view the most recent village board meeting minutes, please go to: http://www.tremontil.com/tremont-board-of-trustees.php

Did you know...?

1835 Illinois

A recent Did you know...? article discussed the extreme weather in the 1830's, right about the time that the Tremont colony was founded.

A new book by Karen Dustman called "A Traveler's Diary" from 1835 illustrates that point through the words of an unknown man who explored the "West" (the Midwest today) by horseback, and who kept a diary of his travels. One of the states he ventured through was Illinois.

In the chapter about Illinois, there are numerous mentions of the terrible weather, and the sickness caused by insect-infested standing water which was common. His first-hand account is enlightening, including the difficulties keeping a team of horses, as they were exhausted trying to get through water and mud:

On travel from Chicago, heading southwest:

"...entered a large wet prairie ten miles across covered with six to eighteen inches of water. Horses could not drag out of the walk."

Leaving Plainfield:

"Bogged our horses and pulled them out...found the road very bad; had to get out in water nearly kneedeep."

On travel through Tremont:

"On horseback, set out for Tremont. After passing over good road, bad road, through mud and water, sunshine and rain, reached there about 1 o'clock. Spent ten or fifteen minutes in viewing the place; ascertained we could get neither refreshments for ourselves, which we needed very much, or feed our horses."

Pekin

"...population about 500; Very sickly, cold, dreary looking place."

Beardstown:

"... it lays low. At this stage of the river, which is very high, you can see nothing on the off-side of the river but the tops of trees above water, which is the case all along the river. At this time, the place is deserted by the inhabitants. Seven cases and two deaths yesterday by cholera. Oppressively hot one day, chilling cold with overcoats on the next. Thermometer ranging from 68 to 100."

The book's author, Karen Dustman, found the diary in an antique shop in Cambria, California, and was fascinated by the story that unfolded within its covers.

This diary, by this unknown explorer, is valuable for so many reasons. In this case, it helps confirm the difficulties that were faced by those who tried to travel, build, farm, or pursue other activities, such as those required of starting a town in 1835. Though the weather and disease are rarely mentioned in the

common narrative about the beginnings of Tremont, they had to be major issues at that time.

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society

Karen Dustman gifted a copy of her book 'A Traveler's Diary from 1835' to the Tremont Historical Society this past week.

Tremont Museum

LOCAL WOOD CARVERS' ART STILL ON DISPLAY!

Sundays through Oct. 10 from 2-4PM at Tremont Museum, Corner of S. Sampson and Madison Street in Tremont.



Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON REQUEST FOR VARIANCE UNDER THE VILLAGE OF TREMONT ZONING ORDINANCE

The Village of Tremont Zoning Board will hold a public hearing on September 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tremont Village Hall, 211 S. Sampson St., Tremont, Illinois, concerning a requested variance from the regulations of the Village's Zoning Ordinance. The variance would allow the construction of a parking area with a surface other than an asphaltic or concrete surface as required by Section 1205.8 of the Village of Tremont Zoning Ordinance on the property commonly known as 235 S. Sampson St., Tremont, Illinois (PIN 12-12-18-331-014).

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

Tremont Library

Make-It Monday

MONDAY AT 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

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:

- September: Pendulum Painting
- October: Hydraulics, Pneumatics, and Flying Rubberband Contraptions
- November: Solar System Models
- December: Animal Dioramas

Bored? Games!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2021 AT 3 PM - 5 PM

Bored? Games! is back! Join us after school on the first Wednesday of each month for a fun-filled games day! Bring your own board, card, or table games or try one of ours. Ages 5+ welcome, under 8yrs must be accompanied by an adult.

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!

- September 28th Discuss "The One and Only Ivan" and read the first chapter of "Because of Winn-Dixie" by Kate DiCamillo
- October 26th Discuss "Because of Winn-Dixie" and read the first chapter of "Real Friends" by Shannon Hale
- November 23rd Discuss "Real Friends," pick out books for Spring 2022, and read the first chapter of "How to Train Your Dragon"
- 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"

Hogwarts' Half-Bloods

Teens ages 12-19 are invited to join us at the library on the third Tuesday of each month at 7PM to discuss a monthly book pick and enjoy a drink from Eli's. Copies of each month's book are available at the library for anyone interested!

If you'd like to keep up to date with Hogwarts' Half-Bloods, email Lizzi a<u>fizzi@tremontlibrary.com</u> to be added to our Remind group.

Baby & Me Group

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: October 14th, October 28th, November 11th, 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!

Story Hour is perfect for ages 3-6. Miss Maddie reads stories, sings songs and rhymes, and does activities that all encourage early literacy and improves socialization skills in the youngest of library patrons. We know a group setting is new for lots of kiddos this age, so wiggles are welcome! Make Story Hour a step you take in preparing your child for life-long learning.

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

World Book Encyclopedia -- Free with your Library Card

Looking for lesson plans for homeschooling, to prevent summer slide, or both? Check out World Book's lesson plans! To access World Book, use your Tremont library card to login from home. http://tremontlibrary.com/children-2/



Monday

MS CC at EPG - 4:30PM

VB home vs Heyworth - 5:00PM

Tuesday

CC (JV) at El Paso - 4:15PM

VB at GCMS - 5:00PM

Soccer at East Peoria - 5:00PM

MS GB at Pekin St Joe's - 5:30PM

Wednesday

Golf Regional at Greenview - 9:00AM

Thursday

VB home vs Flanagan - 5:00PM

Girls Swimming at Normal West - 5:00PM

Friday

Homecoming Parade - 4:15PM

FB home vs Dee-Mack - 7:00PM

Saturday

Girls Swimming at Richwoods - 8:30AM

MS CC at Delavan - 9:00AM

CC at Elmwood - 9:30AM

Soccer at Bloomington CC - 10:00AM

Sunday

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

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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