

Weekly News

Community Shred Day

Free Community Shred Day

Saturday, May 6th 9:00 a.m. - Noon The First National Bank in Tremont



For More Information

Roboteers 2024 Season Applications - Open through May 31

Robotics team applications for the Roboteers 2024 season are open now through May 31st (current 8th graders - Juniors)!

Applications are available at www.team2481.com. If accepted, you'll join the team for summer events.

For anyone interested in the team who wants more information, we are hosting two Open Houses at our new robotics center (next to the Middle School): Saturday, May 13th from 11:00 - 1:00 PM and Thursday, May 25th from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Come tour the robotics center, see previous robots, talk to current team members, meet the mentors and coaches, and learn about the team. Snacks will be provided.

If you cannon make either date, but want more information, pleas reach out to us (matt@team2481.com)!

Boys & Girls Summer Basketball Camps - Registration Due May 12

The **2023 Lady Turk Basketball Camp** is for girls entering 3rd-8th grade. The camp will run May 30th - Jun 2nd from 3:30 - 5:00 pm in the High School North Gym. <u>Click here</u> for more information and the registration form.

The **2023 Boys Basketball Camp** is for boys entering 3rd-8th grade. The camp will run May 30th - Jun 2nd in the High School North Gym. 3rd - 5th graders will meet from 9:00 -

10:30 am. 6th-8th graders will meet from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm. <u>Click here</u> for more information and the registration form.

Summer Volleyball Camps - Registration Due May 24

The **2023 Volleyball Camp** will run June 5th - 8th for incoming kindergartners through 8th grader In the High School North Gym. Incoming K - 2nd will meed from 9:30 - 10:30 am. Incoming 3rd - 5th grade will meet from 10:45 am - 12:15 pm. Incoming 6th - 8th grade will meet from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Click here for more information and the registration form.

Registration form and fee due by May 24th to the GS/MS Office or by mail to Coach Klaus (address provided on form).

Did you know...?

Tremont Soldiers Saw History Being Made

It is incredible to think of the young boys who joined the war effort from Tremont during the Civil War. The sights they were soon to see were unlike any they had ever imagined. Some of these soon-to-be-men participated in some of the most historic battles and events of the war, as we can see from excerpts of some of the letters in the Tremont Museum:

From Captain Wm. R. Lackland on the Battle of Vicksburg, January 14, 1862...

"The battle of Vicksburg is one that will be remembered by all. Many a loyal heart sank... about 800 killed and about 800 wounded. Loss on the rebel side not known definitely {but we captured} 8,000 prisoners and all their army stores including a large lot of corn. The 108 regiment behaved well ... give me 1000 such and I would not fear the devil itself..."

Letter from (an unreadable name) about Sherman's March to the Sea, September 18, 1864:

"... a great many of the citizens have dug caves in the ground and covered them over to protect them and their families from our shells. I guess they had rather a miserable time of it while we were besieging the city as they were obliged to occupy holes when our batteries were shelling the place and that was almost constantly for about a month or six weeks.

"General Sherman has issued an order compelling all citizens leave Atlanta either to the north or South by the 22nd day of this month. Those that can prove their loyalty to the Satisfaction of the author are permitted to go North all others are required to go South. This order grinds their citizens to the quick. They hate most grievously to leave their homes... but it is just the style I like and Sherman is just the kind of man to put down the rebellion."



The Battle for Atlanta, Atlanta History Center

Corporal Thomas McClure, (the author of some poignant letters that appeared here recently), wrote a Letter on May 8, 1865 from Montgomery, Alabama:

- "...sad news that is the death of our father, Abraham Lincoln... yesterday our Stars and Stripes waved over the city of montgomery at half mast and the heavy roar of the nightly Cannon was heard every half hour all day and minute guns was fired from 12 untill one in obedience to the corps of Abraham.
- "...in the first place you know that the Confederate states declare that they never would Surrender under the administration of old Abe & now they have succeeded in the assassination of him who filled the president's Chair under the most critical circumstances ever was known in the world...
- "...the roaring of Cannons has Ceast and the Confederates are laying down their arms & the time will soon come when their spears will be made into pruning hooks and their Soards will be Beat to plough Shears. Peace is echoing through the air and the cries of peace is heard on every street and in every house in town."

Many times these letters were written on paper in schooled penmanship using any flat surface available, or even on the soldiers laps. Despite exhaustion, the need to communicate with loved ones was intense. These letters are treasures, giving following generations first-person insights into events of the Civil War.

*Letters above are printed with the exact spellings used. Tremont Museum & Historical Society, Lori Fuoss, 2023

Tremont Museum

DON'T MISS The May Tremont Historical Society Program!

Tuesday, May 16 at 7:00 pm at the Tremont Community Center

"Owl 08 - The Story of 1st Lt. Robert Beutel and Captain James Steadman," Presented by Tom Sedlieck

At 2:30 am on Thanksgiving Day, 1971, 1st Lt. Robert Beutel (from Tremont) and Capt.

James Steadman of the US Air Force took off on a night mission from Ubon Air Base, Thailand in an F-4D Phantom fighter plane. Their call sign was Owl 08. At 3 am, after an aerial refueling, Owl 08 departed for their target area over the Ho Chi Minh Trail in Laos. That was the last time anyone heard from the two aviators and exactly what happened to them remains a mystery to this day.

Join us on Tuesday, May 16 at 7:00 at the Tremont Community Center. Refreshments will be served by the Tremont Grade School's Fist Bumping Vet. The public is welcome!

TREMONT MUSEUM will be CLOSED for MOTHER'S DAY

This will allow our volunteers can spend time with their families!

Good News, we have extended out the "Fab 50s" exhibit until the end of July, 2nd and 4th Sundays from 2 - 4 pm.

Tremont District Library News

STEAM Lab Plus (ages 7+)

May 8, 2023, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

We loved sending out Make-It Monday take home kits and hosting Make-It Mondays at the library over the past few years. STEAM Lab Plus is our new and improved version of this!

Kids ages 7 and up can join Tremont Library's very own STEAM Queen, Miss Nicole, each month after school to learn a little bit more about the building blocks of life: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Some months will be a craft that can be taken home, others will be activities (and messes) that will stay at the library. Come see what we're up to! No registration required.

Looking for STEAM programming for younger kids? Check out STEAM Lab!

Baby & Me (ages 0-3)

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 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 (ages 3-6)

May 11, 2023 10:30-11:15 am

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 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.

Tremont Community Senior Meals

Tremont Community Senior Meals

Lunch will be served at 11:00 am every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The first gathering will be May 8th!

You must reserve your seat by calling (309) 674-1131 ext. 231

Located at the Tremont Community Center (216 S. Sampson St).

Meals are free to all seniors, donations are accepted.

Brought to you by Neighborhood House Peoria and Tremont Community Share Closet





The Share Closet is now starting to accept donations of new/unopened paper plates, plasticware, cups, and napkins to serve the food on. Donations may be brought to the back door of the Share Closet during their open hours.

Little Turk T-Ball Registration

Little Turks T-Ball (age 4-6 / Co-ed): \$55.00 Resident T-Ball registrations opens 4/3/2023 and ends 5/5/23

HURRY AND GET REGISTERED TO AVOID LATE FEES. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR COACHES FOR T-BALL.

EMAIL <u>tapdfacres@gmail.com</u> IF INTERESTED.

Community Calendar

Monday

No Events

Tuesday

HS Track and Field @ HOI Meet - 4:00 PM

Wednesday

HS Softball @ Illini Bluffs - 4:30 PM

HS Baseball Fr-So @ U-High - 4:30 PM

Thursday

HS Track and Field Girls Sectional - TBA

HS Baseball HOME vs. Pekin - 4:15 PM

Friday

HS Softball vs. HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Baseball vs. HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Baseball Fr-So HOME vs Pekin - 4:30 PM

MS Track and Field 7AA-8AA State - TBA

Saturday

HS Softball vs. HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Baseball vs. HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Track and Field Fr-So @ Farmington 10:00 AM

MS Track and Field 7AA-8AA State - TBA

* - Denotes conference game.

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.

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