



Weekly News

Tremont Farmers Market

Tremont Farmers' Market began Saturday, July 8th and runs every Saturday from 8:00-11:00AM in the small park shelter in City Park. We will be considerate of current conditions so will be observing social distancing.

The market needs vendors. Contact Mary Ann Vance (309-925-3545) if you plan to set up a space, or just show up on a Saturday morning. Please contact Mary Ann with any questions. For those wanting to sell "cottage" goods, please contact the Tazewell County Health Dept. directly.

Please support our local vendors!

Did you know...?

Tremont's Nationally Renowned Actor

"Louis James was one of the greatest Shakespearean actors of the gilded age." Louis Leavitt James was born in Tremont, and he spent his early years here. He was from a line of prominent men. His grandfather, Josiah James, was one of three men who founded Tremont in 1835. One of Josiah's sons was Benjamin Franklin James. Benjamin's son was Louis. Louis' father, Benjamin, was an attorney and elected county judge in 1849. Apparently, he had ties to Abraham Lincoln and Todd Lincoln was said to be Louis' boyhood friend. Benjamin moved his family on to Chicago when Louis was young, then on to Washington, D.C., where he was a U.S. Patent Office examiner.

Louis served in the Civil War, then turned to acting in 1864. He joined a Shakespearean troupe, traveling from one town to another to perform, earning high praise for his talented portrayals of the Bard's characters. His career took off.

In a vintage edition of a local newspaper, a Tremont resident tells of being on a train and recognizing another passenger, Louis James. The man said the two had a good conversation on their train ride and Louis commented that he had fond memories of Tremont and still recalled where many things were located in town.

It was probably easy to recognize Louis, for he was on his way to becoming very famous. He was six-foot-tall (above average for the time), handsome, and had a deep, rich baritone voice. Louis James became a household name, a nationally renowned star. In his 48-year career, it is estimated that James gave approximately 9,000 performances. He died suddenly in 1910 in Helena, Montana, as he was preparing to perform Henry VIII the next evening.

Every major newspaper from Los Angeles to Boston ran his obituary.

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Public Hearing on Annexation Agreement

Notice of Public Hearing on Annexation Agreement and Meeting of VILLAGE BOARD to consider Annexation Petition

Village of Tremont
Tremont, Illinois

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., a public hearing will be held by the Village of Tremont Zoning Board at the Community Center, located at 216 S. Sampson St., Tremont, IL 61568, for the purpose of considering and hearing testimony regarding a proposed Annexation Agreement between the Village of Tremont, Illinois and Midwest Equipment Business Properties, LLC.

The proposed agreement calls for the annexation of the property commonly known as 22260 Illinois Route 9 (PIN: 11-11-13-301-010 and 11-11-13-301-011), the rezoning of the property, once annexed, to the B-2 General Business District and matters relating to sanitary sewer service to the property. The Annexation Agreement, the annexation of the property and the rezoning of the property will be considered by the Tremont Village Board at its regular meeting on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Apron Strings and Kitchen Things Exhibit

Mark your calendars for this special fundraising exhibit at the Tremont Museum, corner of S. Sampson and Madison Streets. Opening weekend is July 25 and 26 from 1-4PM. Admission will include the Tremont Agricultural Museum next door.

The special exhibit will continue on 2nd and 4th weekends from 1-4PM through September. Aprons and kitchen things are from Tremont residents. Be sure to support the museum and enjoy this memorable special exhibit!

Saturday

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

Apron Strings & Kitchen Things Exhibit - 1:00-4:00PM
Tremont Museum

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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