



Weekly News

Village Minutes

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Did you know...?

Matthew Baer

Prominent Early Tremonton, Utah Settler, Originally From Tremont, Illinois

Last week's article told of a group from Tremont, Illinois, who left to settle in northwestern Utah around 1901. Because they were mostly from Germany originally, and because they were Apostolic Christians whose church services were conducted in German, they were referred to as the "German Colony." They founded the town of Tremont, named after the town they had left. This group of men included Gideon Winzeler, Louis Getz, Henry Baer, Samuel Imthurn, Mathew Baer, and Jacob Meister, and their families

Just four years later, the post office felt the need to change the town's name to Tremonton to avoid confusion with the town of Fremont. After about ten years, a serious division in the world-wide Apostolic Church caused an irreparable split, and most of the former Tremont, Illinois residents returned to their former hometown. A few, such as Matthew Baer, remained.

An article from the May 10, 1923 Tremonton Leader paid tribute to Matthew Baer, one of the Tremont(on) founders, who had recently been killed in a freak car accident on the same day and time that his daughter needed emergency surgery. The paper referred to him as "one of the most widely-known and respected citizens in the northern part of the state." Baer was born in Baden, Germany and came to "the Peoria area (Tremont)" in 1896. He became manager of the several hundred acres of Sommer & Sommer farm interests just west of the city.

The Sommers were owners of the Keystone Wire and Iron Works of Peoria. Later, Baer used his engineering background to form the Baer Drainage Company, along with the Sommers. He had the contract for virtually all of the large drainage projects in the state of Utah. He was chief organizer of the Tremonton Products Company and was also president of Tremonton Cider Vinegar Company, Director of the Tremonton Telephone Company, President of Tremonton Dairy Products, and had served on the city council for four years.

A little over a year before his own death, he had lost his wife. They left behind thirteen children. According to his obituary, hundreds were expected to attend his funeral.

He was an original town founder who thrived in the area and left his mark forever on the town of Tremonton and the state of Utah.

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Above: Matthew Baer

Tremont Library

To Be Continued... (ages 7-12)

Tuesdays, June 15th – July 27th, 2-3PM

Join Miss Lizzi for a virtual read-aloud book club weekly to hear a few chapters of our book. Book to be announced in late May.

Sidewalk Chalk Obstacle Courses (all ages)

Dates/Times: June – July

Jump, spin, hopscotch, and balance! Stop by the library for a reward and get your picture on our Chalk Champions board. New courses throughout the summer, location to be announced.

100 Books this Summer (Ages 1-5)

Read 100 books w/ your child, June 1-August 7

Letterboxing Challenge

Runs until Sunday, August 1st

Location: Around town!

Grab a clue book and hunt around town for hidden stamps! Fill up your book and return to the library for a prize. Great for ages 7+

Water Play Day

Wednesday, July 28th, 10:30-12pm

Location: Library Patio

Join us for a morning of splashy, splashy fun! Play with water tables, practice scooping and pouring, and see what sinks and floats. No registration required. Ages 12mo.-6yrs must be accompanied by a caregiver age 12+.

Stories and Songs with Mr. Wilkey

Friday, August 6th at 6:30pm

Location: City Park

We are SO excited to welcome back the beloved grade school music teacher, Mr. Wilkey! Join us at City Park for musical stories, songs, and instrumental play. This event is great for the whole family! No registration required.

Eat the Rainbow: Edible Flowers with Nicole

Monday, July 26th, 6pm

Location: City Park Pavilion

Learn about edible flowers from Nicole and plant some of your own to take home. Great for families!

Summer Reading Wraps Up

A HUGE thank you to all of our participants this year, 79 adults, 35 teens, 174 kids!

Saturday

Farmers Market - 9:00AM-12:00PM

City Park

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,

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