



Weekly News

Did you know...?

Peeling Back the Layers: 210 South Sampson

It is fascinating to look around and realize that every old building, every piece of land, has a history we may not be aware of. We all tend to think what we see now is as it always was and as it always will be. However, many times, the look of the place has changed entirely. (Or will change greatly in the future.) One example is the approximately 5,000 square foot building at 210 South Sampson Street in Tremont.

The building is about to undergo a major change. Louisa Jane, a locally owned interior design business, recently purchased the building to greatly expand their store which is just next door to the north. Once again, Sampson Street can look to a change in appearance.

The building's known history on the main street of Tremont is as follows:

Mike Beyer Jr. opened a branch of his father's implement business in Morton. It was located in the buildings where Jacob Barkdoll and then Dean Stormer had businesses at one time. When the Tremont branch grew and needed more space, it moved to 210 South Sampson Street and opened a larger store there, called Beyer Implement Company.

Later, when Beyer Brothers closed the business, the First National Bank purchased the building and they likely rented it to Foster's Marine, a Tremont boat company, for storage. Some remember building high school class floats in this building – possibly when it was a storage facility for the boat company.

210 South Sampson was then sold to Tremont resident Ted Eertmoed in 1986. Ted opened a duck blind business there and rented a portion of the building to Jim Rapp for licensing and notary services.

Ted Eertmoed sold the building to Steve Guernsey in September 1996.

In 1998, the building was sold to the Tremont Park District. During that time, a theatre group met there, lessons were provided, and the space was rented out for parties and events. It was also outfitted with a batting cage.

A year ago, the Tremont Park District put 210 up for auction due to their own future plans elsewhere.

And in 2021, Janet Weyeneth purchased the building for her store, Louisa Jane, just next door to the north. Their plan is to extensively remodel and open in the next year or so, to the anticipation of many.

...and now we have "peeled back the layers" of 210 South Sampson Street!

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Design rendering for Louisa Jane expansion

Winning Communities

The Tremont Community Weekly News

Are you enjoying the weekly Tremont newsletter found each Monday in your inbox? The Winning Communities Board sincerely hopes that is the case and welcomes any comments or suggestions you may have. We greatly appreciate the numerous local organizations willing to provide such interesting and timely content our readers have come to expect. The Board is committed to continuing the publication into 2022 still free of subscription costs.

The Winning Communities organization relies completely on donations to operate. As you might imagine, there are administrative fees associated with this publication. Please consider assisting us with the cost of this weekly newsletter. A contribution of between \$5 and \$20 dollars would assist us greatly in providing this valuable community service. As our subscribers approach 1000, we reluctantly ask for your help.

If you're able, donations can be made to Tremont Winning Communities at P.O. Box 76 or dropped off at the Village Hall. You can also [click here](#) to donate online. The Winning Communities Board appreciates your consideration.

Tremont Historical Society Chicken Dinner & Program

Everyone is Welcome!

Tuesday, January 18 at 6 PM the Tremont Historical Society will host its annual chicken Dinner at the Tremont Community Center. Chicken, drinks, and table service will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass, and, if desired, an unusual vintage item to tell about. If you are not sure what your item is, we may be able to help! This is usually a popular and interesting evening!

Early Childhood Screening

Tremont School District #702 will be holding an Early Childhood Screening on Thursday, February 3, 2022. All children ages 0-5 living in District #702 are eligible.

This is not a Turk Center or Kindergarten Screening. The purpose is to screen developmental levels in motor skills, general knowledge, social skills, and speech/language skills in order to assess the need for special education services. Further evaluation may be recommended.

If you have concerns in the areas listed or would like reassurance that your child is progressing well, you can call and make an appointment. Contact Lisa Miller at 309-925-3461 Ext. 1016.



2022 Little Dribblers Basketball Program

Little Dribblers is our recreation basketball program for boys and girls between the ages of Kindergarten – 3rd Grade. The program focuses on the basic skills including dribbling, passing, shooting, and scrimmaging at the end of the season.

Registration is now open online and at the Park District Office.

Dates: February 12 – March 12 (Saturdays)

Where: South Gym at the Tremont High School

When (boys and girls together):

- Kindergarten - 1st grade 12:30-1:20PM
- 2nd – 3rd grade 1:30 -2:30PM

Cost: \$45.00 Participation Fee (includes participation shirt)

Program instructors: Noelle Marron and Drew Gierich

Please Register Soon to assure enough time to order and receive the participation shirts.

[Click Here](#) to register online.

Monday

GB (V) at Eureka College - 4:00PM

Tuesday

MS VB at Broadmoor - 4:30PM

MS BB home vs Washington Central - 5:30PM

Tremont Historical Society Chicken Dinner & Program - 6:00PM
Community Center

Thursday

MS VB home vs Morton - 4:15PM

Boys Swimming at Pekin - 4:30PM

HS Scholastic Bowl at LeRoy - 4:30PM

MS BB at Olympia - 5:00PM

Saturday

MS WR home Super Duals - 9:00AM

HS JV Wrestling at Olympia - 9:00AM

BB (JV) at Eureka

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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