



Weekly News

Sampson Street Update

Village officials are happy to report the renovations on the 100 block of South Sampson continue to progress on schedule. While the construction process has certainly created challenges for everyone, the Trustees appreciate the support and patience of our residents and businesses.

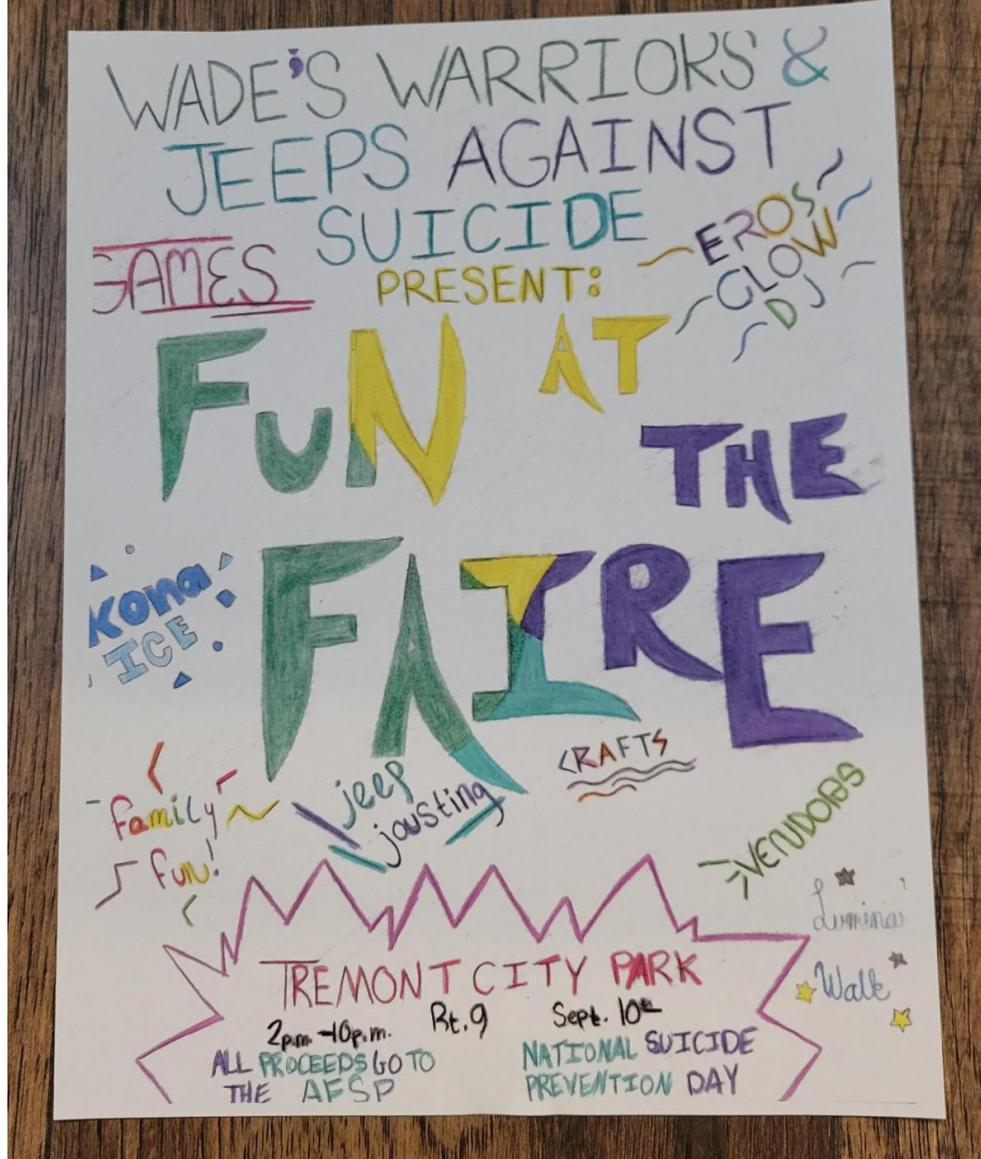
If you're reading this on Monday, August 15, the First National Bank drive-thru should be open (barring any unforeseen circumstances)! With good weather, vehicle traffic from Walnut St. to the bank parking lot may be open by mid-week.

The delay in securing IDOT approval for their right-of-way at Route 9 slowed down intersection work both directions but we still anticipate completion earlier than the contracted date of September 9.

Much needed replacement of water mains, sewer lines, sidewalks, curbs and gutters began last summer as part of the Village Board's identified need to upgrade aging infrastructure down the main business artery of the community. The beautification aspects along the 100 and 200 blocks of S. Sampson were added thanks to funds provided by Tremont Betterment and Winning Communities. This partnership enhanced the project and we're excited to be near the finish line.

Wade's Warriors Fundraiser

Wade's Warriors is putting together another fundraiser! Please join us on September 10th to support suicide prevention and acknowledge mental health issues. We will be in the Tremont Park from 2-10 pm. If any vendors want to join us, please let us know. This is also a perfect chance for any high schoolers to get in their volunteer hours. We hope to see you for Fun at the Faire!



Save the Date

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

A Dedication Reception for Tremont's CWO4 John W. Frederick, Jr. will be at 2 PM at the Community Center. John was a highly decorated U.S. Marine Corps Chief Warrant Officer 4. He was captured and spent six and a half years as a POW in Vietnam. John died in captivity in 1972. John had served in WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

A portion of I-155 from Interstate 74 to IL Route 9 will be known as the 'CWO4 John W. Frederick, Jr. Memorial Highway.' There will be light refreshments. Please come to honor this native son of Tremont.

Did you know...?

If You Build It...

"If you build it, they will come," goes the famous line from the iconic movie, "Field of Dreams." People did come, and still do, to the fields of Dyersville, Iowa.

Though few remember now, those same words once applied to certain fields between the towns of Morton and Tremont. Back in 1962, young Jim Yoder was asked to host the Prairie Farmers Farm Progress Show at his farm in Morton the next year. With all the confidence of a young man, Jim said yes. Then, having never actually been to a Farm Progress Show, he decided he should go to see what one looked like. So, he went to the one that year, held in Blairsburg, Iowa.

Jim soon realized he had taken on a monster of a project. In fact, the show has been referred to as "the Super Bowl of farm shows." Over the year there were plans and more plans, as the 1963 Prairie Farmers Farm Progress Show took shape. Two of his neighbors agreed to allow their adjoining farms to be used in addition to his own. The parking lot area alone took over 80 acres. The Yordy barn and other outbuildings

were freshly painted, fields were planted, areas were planned for exhibits and food tents, and an air strip was created for those who flew to the show.

Some fifty years after the successful event, my husband, Mike, and I had the pleasure of interviewing Jim and his wife Willa, for a 4th grade "Barn Buddies" club I sponsored at Tremont Grade School. Sanita Baer, one of my students, wrote in her article about the event, "New farming technology and practices were displayed. There were fields of different hybrids to look at with oats, hay, and soybeans. Corn combines were just coming to the area. A four-row combine was featured at the event. At the time, most people usually had a two row combine. Now many farmers use a 12 row or 16 row combine!"

As we continued our interview at his dining room table, Jim reminisced about the morning of September 24, 1963, the first day of the show. He looked out his window in the early morning light and was stunned to see a line of headlights down State Route 121 for as far as he could see. He quickly called the police to help with the traffic. Buses full of FFA students came, agri-business people and farmers came. After three days, an estimated 365,000 people had visited the event!

Today, the show alternates each year between Boone, Iowa and Decatur, Illinois, rather than at various farms in the Midwest. If it had been that way in '63, Jim would never have had the chance to rise to the enormous challenge.

Jim was the youngest person to ever host a Farm Progress Show, a major accomplishment. He ended our interview by saying, "The Farm Progress Show was a lot of fun for everyone and good for the community. We were pleased to be a part of it."

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society



This 1963 photo shows the Jim Yordy farm at the top left. Running along the middle of the photo is Fourth Street, south of Morton. The parking lot is at the bottom. The area between the parking lots and the exhibits contains test plots of field crops for demonstrations of farm equipment.

Early Childhood Screening

Tremont School District #702 will be holding an Early Childhood Screening on Thursday, August 25, 2022.

[Click here](#) to view a flyer with additional information.

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 with Lisa Miller. 309-925-3823 ext 1016.

Summer on Sampson 2022

Summer on Sampson 2022 hosted by Louisa Jane Inc.

Join us for a pop-up shopping event hosted by us at Louisa Jane Studio and our new warehouse. An array of our favorite friends and their small businesses will be joining in on the fun and setting up shop right along with us. Coffee, boutique clothing, jewelry, flowers, ice cream and more is what Summer on Sampson is all about. Our mission for this market from the very beginning has been to be able to bring awareness and encourage support for local artisans who offer handmade, vintage or unique merchandise that isn't globally supported or marketed. We are excited for the opportunity to continue this and bring this to our favorite little town Tremont!

Location: Louisa Jane Studio and Warehouse

When: Saturday, August 20th 10:00-2:00

Louisa Jane will be offering a sweet summery BONUS: 20% off all IN STOCK merchandise, this includes EVERYTHING (Furniture, Lighting, Accessoires, and More)

WE'VE GOT MORE NEWS!

We are opening up our new warehouse on Walnut Street to the public to be able to shop all our NEW inventory... The inventory is ENDLESS- fresh and never before seen!

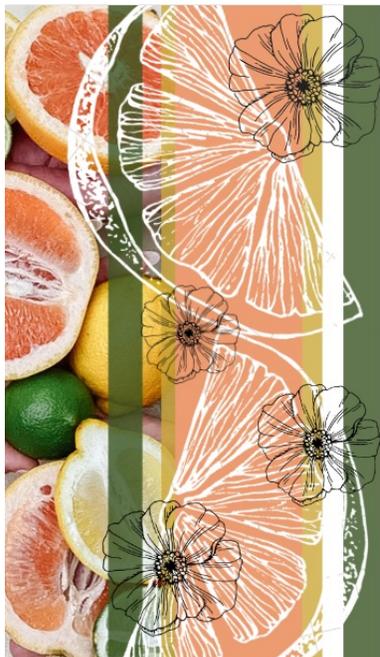
Join us:

- Friday, August 26th 10:00AM-4:00PM

20% off all In-Stock Inventory

Location: Louisa Jane Warehouse - 104 West Walnut Street Tremont, IL 61568

We can't wait to see you all there!



LOUISA *Jane*

Mini Summer on Sampson

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 SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH	 SATURDAY, AUGUST 20TH
 10:00 AM- 2:00PM	 10:00 AM- 2:00PM
<i>Hello Dolly</i>	<i>Faire Coffee</i>
<i>SweetBean Collective</i>	<i>Kamaclan Kreamery</i>
<i>Hello Beautiful</i>	<i>Baking Bear</i>
<i>Sucre Sweets and Socials</i>	<i>Refined Peddler</i>
<i>Homegrown Honey Blooms</i>	<i>Copper Rabbit</i>
	<i>Maiden Reed & Stem</i>

Tremont Park District Volleyball

2022 Volleyball Fun

Who: 1st/2nd & 3rd/4th Grade Girls

When: Saturdays - September 17th to October 30th

Time:

- 1st/2nd: 9:00-10:00am
- 3rd/4th: 10:15-11:45am

Where: Tremont Grade School Gym

Fees:

- Tremont 1st/2nd: \$35.00

- Tremont 3rd/4th: \$40.00
- Non-Res: \$50.00

Registration form with waiver must be signed by parent. Register online at tremontpark.org or at the TAPD office by 8/22/2022.

For those girls who can't wait to play volleyball! This will be a fun stress-free environment to learn and improve in the sport of volleyball.

Please bring:

- A volleyball (with your name on it)
- Knee pads (if you have them but not required)
- Hair pulled back out of face
- Wear comfortable clothes and tennis shoes

Contact Nicole Powell with any questions at countrycontainers@gmail.com

2022 Girls Basketball Program

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Registration is open from 8/1 through 8/26 for 4th, 5th and 6th grade girls. Register at the Fitness Center Office during our open hours or online at tremontpark.org

FEE: \$100.00 - Fee is due at time of registration or the first week of practice. This fee goes towards the cost of patched officials, insurance, tournament fees and gym usage fees.

TEAMS - Teams may be combined. We may have two or three teams depending on numbers. We currently have two coach volunteers and will be looking for additional help. The coaches will be announced once the teams are divided.

GOAL - The goal of this program is to provide girls an opportunity to learn and practice the fundamentals of basketball in a structured setting and to experience basketball at a competitive level against other teams their age. Our goal is to prepare the players for junior high and high school sports. Keeping kids active and participating in team activities is essential. Youth sports develop confidence and character and allow kids to have fun. Keeping our youth together will prepare them to play together in junior high and high school.

INFORMATION - Home games are played at Tremont High School. Practices are scheduled twice a week at Tremont Grade School Gym. Our away games consist of traveling to our surrounding communities within a 25-30 mile radius. Approximately 15-20 games are scheduled for each team. Games are normally played on weekends.

PRACTICES – 2 afternoons/week September-December - Tremont Grade School Gym, dates TBA

Monday

Golf vs Illini Central @ Four Willows - 4:00PM

MS Baseball HOME vs Morton Union - 4:15PM

MS Softball @ Illini Bluffs - 4:15PM

Tuesday

MS Softball HOME vs Georgetowne - 4:15PM

MS Baseball HOME vs Georgetowne - 4:30PM

Wednesday

MS Softball @ Dee-Mack - 4:15PM

MS Baseball @ Dee-Mack - 4:15PM

Thursday

V Golf vs Fieldcrest, Heyworth @ Tall Oaks - 4:00PM

Friday

MS Softball @ Metamora - 4:15PM

MS Baseball @ Metamora - 4:15PM

Saturday

Farmers' Market - 9:00AM - 12:00PM
City Park

Summer on Sampson - 10:00AM - 2:00PM
Louisa Jane Studio and Warehouse

MS Softball HOME vs Morton - 10:00AM

MS Baseball HOME vs Eureka - 10:00AM

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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