



TREMONT ILLINOIS

Weekly News

Did you know...?

Hubert – Third Generation Sawyer

Hubert Norton Sawyer was born in 1891 in Tremont. He was the son of Josiah M. Sawyer and the grandson of Josiah Sawyer, one of the earliest Tremont settlers. Their home, which still stands, was at the corner of Tazewell and Harris Streets, across from the public square.

Hubert was a Private in Illinois 568 Calvary in WWI. He was a tinner by trade, working for a few years in Hollywood, Florida. He spent the remainder of his life in the family home in Tremont, Illinois. He never married. He and his brother-in-law, Lou Dean lived there together after the death of his sister in 1947. They had closed off most of the house. After Lou's death in 1957, Hubert virtually lived in the kitchen, with his cot in one corner. At Hubert's death, most of the beautiful old furnishings had drifted away, with only a few pieces left in the family. The house and outbuildings had remained unchanged for fifty years; the interior had remained unchanged since the turn of the century. The beautiful old woodwork, the open stairway were reminders of the once elegant home.

The big building to the east of the house was used by his grandfather Josiah to build wagons. Later the second floor was used as a theater. Lou Dean had his carpenter shop on the second floor for many years. The smaller building to the south of the house was Hubert's father's insurance office and later Hubert's tin shop.

Hubert Sawyer died in 1971 at age 80. He is buried in Mount Hope Cemetery. Hubert was the third and last generation of Sawyers to live in the family home. The Tremont Museum recently received by donation a carved rocking chair from the Sawyer home.

The information in this article was written by Betty Doremus at Findagrave.com. The photo was also provided in the article.

~ Tremont Museum and Historical Society



Notice of Public Hearing

Notice of public hearing on Annexation agreement and Meeting of Village Zoning Board to consider Annexation petition

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., a public hearing will be held by the Village of Tremont Zoning Board at the Village of Tremont Village Hall, located at 211 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 K2H, L.L.C. The proposed agreement calls for the annexation of the property commonly known as 22250 Illinois Route 9 (PIN: 11-11-13-301-006), 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 December 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Tremont Village Hall.

Village of Tremont
Village Zoning Board
Tremont, Illinois

Tremont Winning Communities Donation Request

Due to the COVID pandemic, we at Tremont Winning Communities (TWC) have experienced many of the same delays and disruptions all of you have. We have been able to continue producing the weekly electronic community newsletter and plan for continued progress on the Sampson Street Revitalization project. Our need is this:

Weekly Community Newsletter- we presently have over 700 residents receiving the newsletter every Monday morning. Since it's inception, the newsletter has kept the community informed on a variety of newsworthy events and general information about Tremont. This service does come with a cost to TWC. Annually, our cost is about \$2,000. In order to continue this service, we need funding assistance. We would simply ask that if you can and are willing, please consider a tax-deductible donation to TWC.

Sampson Street Revitalization Project- we have continued to work with the Village in planning for the renovation of Sampson Street. It appears that this coming spring and summer the village will be able to begin construction on major infrastructure repairs, which will allow for TWC to complete the "corners" at Sampson and Walnut. While the village will be spending more than \$1,000,000, we will need about \$35,000 to landscape the "corners" and green space areas. When this project is complete, it will transform the downtown area. Again, we would ask for your help in completing this project. Please consider a tax-deductible donation to TWC.

All donations can be sent to Tremont Winning Communities at P.O. Box 76, Tremont, IL 61568. If you prefer, donations can be sent electronically at <https://tremontil.com/donate>. If you have any questions please contact Brock Butts, President of TWC at 309-241-4462 or email hdbrook@frontier.com.



Tremont District Library

Temporary Hours Change

Tremont Library will be shifting to contact-free services temporarily. Please note the hours change as well. Our situation is in flux and this is temporary-- we appreciate your patience, stay tuned for more information.

Curbside/Lobby Pick-up Hours Extended

Next week, library curbside/pick-up service is available for our FULL regular hours. We are only offering curbside/lobby pick-up for now. Watch our website and Facebook for updates!

Curbside/Lobby Hours:

Monday-Thursday 10am-8pm

Fridays 10am-5pm

Saturday 9-1pm

Please remember to wear a mask when visiting the library and/or lobby, and keep distance from others. Thank you!

If you'd like to place items on hold for pick-up, give us a call at 925-5432 or e-mail tremontlibrary.circulation@gmail.com. For best service please make your hold request a full business day in advance.

Find all of our children's programming, including Early Literacy Tips for kids from Miss Lizzi at: <http://tremontlibrary.com/virtualprogrammingkids/>

Friday

Merry Christmas!

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

