



Weekly News

Tremont Turkey Festival Paint Night - May 30th, 6:00 PM



Flock the Block Paint Night!

Thursday, May 30th, 6:00 PM at the Tremont United Methodist Church

Before the Turkey Festival events begin, the community has a special opportunity to help "Flock the Block" by attending a paint night at the Tremont United Methodist Church's Family Life Center, where participants will be painting pre-selected yard or window display turkeys to flock the village during the Turkey Festival!

Limited space is available for this inaugural event, so please sign up in advance through this link: <https://shorturl.at/qyUY8>.

Sizing and Pricing:

2' x 2' Full Size Turkey: \$30

11" x 11" Small Turkey Trio (3): \$25

Gaggle of 5 Turkeys (2 Full Size + Small Turkey Trio): \$50

**Not feeling artsy? Order a painted turkey by selecting "Paint a Masterpiece for Me" for \$35

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[Information on the Turkey Festival](#)

Stay tuned for more information regarding additional events and opportunities for the community to flock together and flex your village pride! Not available to attend the May 30th Paint Night? Stay tuned for additional Flock Party details!

Tremont Turkey Festival 5K Race



The 58th Annual Tremont Turkey Festival will be underway June 7-9 to bring friends and neighbors from all around the area to enjoy a full weekend of food, fun, and festivities!

Start the second day of the festival off with a refreshing job in the country when you participate in the 48th annual Tremont Turkey Festival 5K Race on Saturday, June 8th at 7:30 AM! Interested participants may register online at this site:

<https://raceroster.com/events/2024/78022/tremont-turkey-festival-5k>.

Registrations received by May 26 are priced at \$30 and participants are guaranteed a race t-shirt. Entries received May 27 or after are at a higher price, and shirts are not guaranteed. Complete details on registration prices can be found on the race registration site linked above.

All runners must check in on race day from 6:15 AM to 7:30 AM. The start time for the 5K race is 7:30 AM. Please note that there are no pre-race day packet pick ups.

The race is professionally timed with splits provided at each mile. A trophy presentation at the pavilion will immediately follow the race. The following awards are given:

- Overall Awards: Top (1) Male and Top (1) Female (gun time)
- Tremont Resident Awards: Top (1) Male and Top (1) Female (gun time)
- Age Group Awards: Top 3 Male and Top 3 Female (gun time) in each of the following categories: 10 & Under, 11-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60 & Over

For more information, contact the race coordinator Sandy Cullette by email at gullette_sandy@yahoo.com or by phone at 309-256-7890.

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[Information on the Turkey Festival](#)

TAPD T-BALL REGISTRATION: OPEN 4/1 - 5/8/24 - LAST CALL

Little Turks T-Ball Registration

- Little Turks T-Ball (age 4-6 / Co-ed): \$57.00 Resident, \$82.00 Non-Resident

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO COACH T-BALL THIS SEASON!!!

*LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE CHARGED AN EXTRA FEE OF HALF THE REGISTRATION FEE

- Example: program fee \$60.00 will be charged \$90.00 registration fee

* Register online at www.tremontpark.org (please note there is a 3% processing fee) or at the Park District office during staffed hours (hours listed in section below)

* forms also available above drop box located inside the entry of the main part district office located at 22522 IL Route 9 (inside the fitness center)

Roboteers 2024 Summer Science Camps - June 1st & 4th

Exciting news -- the Roboteers are hosting Science Camps this summer!

- The one-day camps are June 1st and June 4th for K-7th grade at the Roboteers Robotics Center behind the junior high school.
- Campers will be grouped based on current grade level: K/1st, 2nd/3rd, 4th/5th, 6th/7th graders.
- The cost is \$30 per camper per camp day or \$50 per camper if you participate in both camp days for their grade level.

Camps include:

Day 1: Current Kindergarteners-3rd Graders

June 1st - 9:00-11:30am

This camp will focus on learning basic skills we use in the robot shop (programming, electrical circuits, design, etc). Students will have an opportunity to see and interact with this year's robot.

Day 2: Current Kindergarteners-3rd Graders

June 4th - 9:00-11:30am

This camp will be a little crazy and a little wild! We will be exploring a vast array of fun science experiments and chemical reactions! We will also learn all about cotton candy and enjoy it as a tasty treat (no red dye 40)!

Day 1: Current 4th Graders - 7th Graders

June 1st - 12:30-3:00pm

Come learn about the various subgroups we have for building our robot! You'll learn about programming, computer aided design, electrical, and more!

Day 2: Current 4th Graders - 7th Graders

June 4th - 12:30-3:00pm

Design, design, design! That's the name of this camp! Come ready to make designs to accomplish a variety of tasks and see if your group can take 1st place in the race of testing your designs at the end of the camp session!

Sign up and more information is available at www.team2481.com.

Did You Know....?

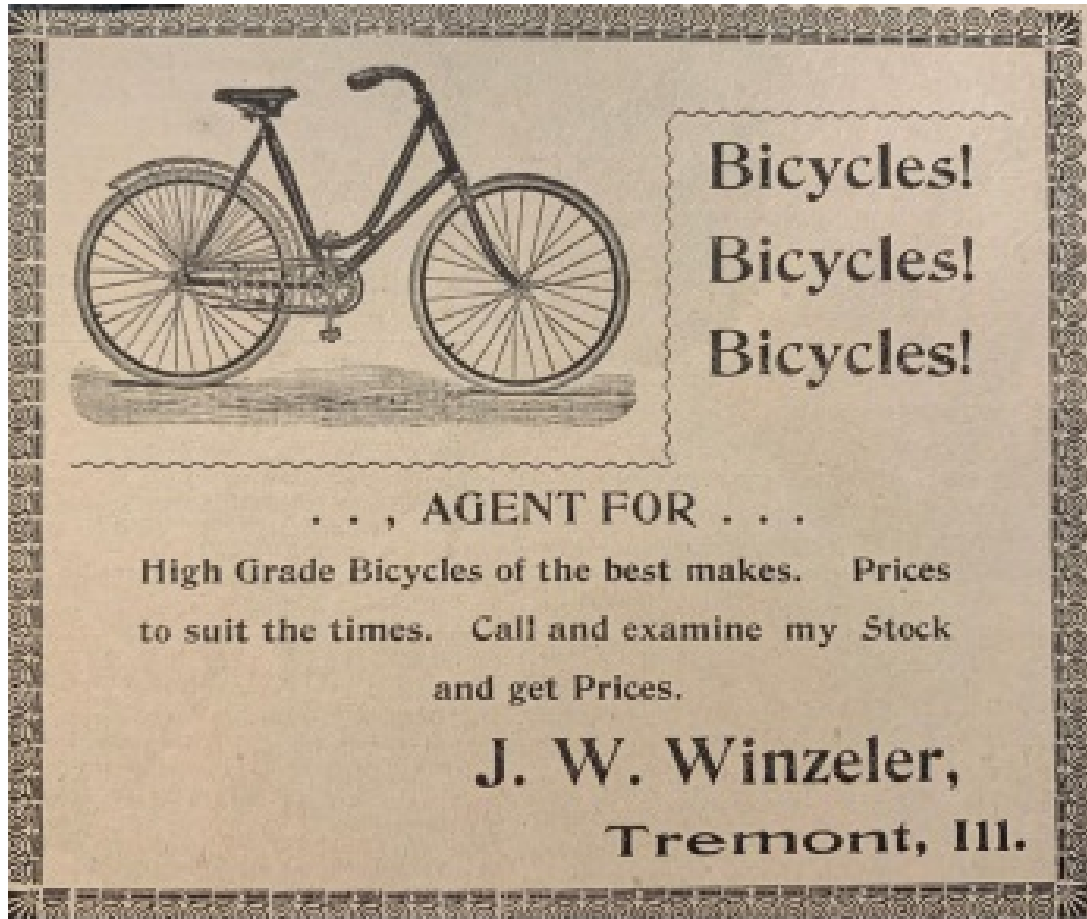
"Tremont is a Bicycle Town"

A small statement in the 1897 *Tremont News* gives a hint as to the newest craze in Tremont:

There are about seventy-five wheels in and around Tremont. The merchants have so far this season sold some twenty-five wheels. Tremont is a bicycle town.

In the decade before the 90s, the “ordinary bicycle” was popular with some of the more athletic men. Basically a tricycle with one very large wheel in the front, the ordinary, as it was called, was challenging to ride. The seat was located above the large wheel, which made it difficult to mount, and then the list of dangers was lengthy. At that time there were few paved roads, so natural obstacles such as rocks and mudholes, as well as chasing dogs, could cause a rider to fly over the handlebars. And helmets were not yet worn by bicycle riders. Because women’s long skirts, which would not allow them to ride, and the difficulty of getting on the contraption, men had the market cornered.

In fact, in 1897, the Tremont News reported that, “A matter of much interest to the wheelmen of central Illinois is a proposition to build a bicycle track from Peoria to Springfield by way of Bloomington.” The article continued, “The proposed path will be constructed along the roadways and will be built after the fashion of a sidewalk. It will be only two feet in width and will be made of some substance that will ensure a dry and solid road at all times.”



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Ad from 1897 *Tremont News*

But by the 1890s, the invention of the two-wheeled “safety bicycle” caught on. This was a game changer for women. Bicycle riding boosted the “rational clothing” movement because the frame of the safety bicycle allowed for skirts, but shorter skirts. Special corsets were even designed with room for the expanding lungs, as one ad stated, “...while giving the body healthy and graceful support.” Women were at last free to travel short distances without a horse, escaping household drudgery for a time. The freedom of the new, relatively safe bicycle appealed to everyone, providing both transportation and entertainment.

In 1918, the Tremont Village Board had to publish a new ordinance in the *Tremont News*:

There is an ordinance in Tremont prohibiting the riding of a bicycle upon the sidewalks, Commencing Saturday morning June 1, 1918, this ordinance will be strictly enforced. There has been near accidents from this practice...hence the strict enforcement of the ordinance.

-Tremont Board

The popularity of bicycles continues to this day, but the frenzied craze of the 1890s gave way to the next shiny object – automobiles.

Sources: www.si.edu/stories/ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/>

~Tremont Museum and Historical Society
Lori Fuoss, 2024

Tremont Museum



1976 Girls' Softball Team

Upcoming Tremont Museum Events - Mark Your Calendar!

Saturday, May 11, 2-4 PM - Tremont Sports All-Stars exhibit open

Sunday, May 12, 2-4 PM - Tremont Sports All-Stars exhibit open

NOTE: Cash only admission to this special event **Tuesday, May 21, 7 PM** - Tremont Historical Society meeting

Program: Girls' Sports and the 'Cinderella' softball team of 1975, given by Jody Dudley at the Tremont Community Center. All are welcome to attend!

Tremont District Library News

Baby & Me Group (ages 0-3)

Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am

A support group for new and experienced parents.

Story Hour (ages 3-6)

Thursday, May 9, 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Story Hour is perfect for ages 3-6. Miss Maddie reads stories, sings songs and rhymes, and does activities that all encourage early literacy and improves socialization skills in the youngest of library patrons. We know, a group setting is new for lots of kiddos this age, so wiggles are welcome!

Loanable Technology

Ask at the front desk about availability.

Wifi Hotspots

Our loanable hotspots allow you to access internet from anywhere.

Rokus

Each of our Rokus has a different streaming service.

Choose from:

- Hulu + Disney (with ads)
- Paramount +
- Acorn TV

Check-out Rules for all technology:

- Must be a Tremont District Library Cardholders Only (aged 14 and older)
- Loan period: 7 days (1 renewal)
- Checkout Limit: 1 technology item at a time per household
- Checkout and return at the circulation desk. No returns in the book drops
- High-speed internet and a TV with HDMI is required for Rokus.

Tremont Area Park District

Turk Gear available at TAPD

*Various sizes in t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, and hoodies
Prices range from \$10 - \$25*

JOIN TREMONT FITNESS

Cardio, weights, and classes offered. Workout hours 5 AM - 10 PM.

Rates: \$25.00 per month

-Additional member living in household: \$5.00

***All minors must have parents signature to obtain a membership. Must be 16 to work out without a parent. Ages 14/15 must work out with an adult.*

Fitness Class 10 Punch Pass: \$40.00

Office Hours

Monday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Wednesday	-	4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Saturday	8:30 AM - 11:00 PM	-
Sunday	Closed	Closed

Tremont Community Senior Meals



Meals are served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11am at the Tremont Community Center. These are for anyone 60 and up, there is no cost! If you want to join us you can stop in and sign up or call 309-674-1131 ext 231 for more information or to sign up.

If you would like to help support these meals, there are a few ways to get involved!

1. You can volunteer. Help us serve food and clean up from 10:45-12:15 in a relaxed and fun environment.
2. You can donate. Donations of disposable dinnerware (plates, cups, silverware, dessert plates, large and small take-home containers, rectangular tablecloths and napkins) can be dropped off at the [Tremont Share Closet](#) during their open hours. If you want a more detailed list of our current needs, you can see our Amazon wish list [here](#).
3. You can entertain. We like to host fun activities from 11:45-12:15 on Fridays and are always looking for creative and fun ideas to fill that time.

If you have any questions about donations or want to get involved, you can reach out to Braden at scsoulmanager@gmail.com.

Community Calendar

Monday

No Events

Tuesday

HS Track HOME HOI Conference Meet - 4:00 PM

MS Track HOME @ Dee-Mack - 4:15 PM

HS Softball @ Leroy - 4:30 PM

HS Baseball @ Leroy - 4:30 PM

Wednesday

HS Softball HOME vs Brimfield - 4:30 PM

Thursday

HS Track HOME Girls Sectional - 3:00 PM

HS Baseball @ Pekin - 6:30 PM

Friday

HS Baseball @ HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Softball HOME vs HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Track F-So @ Farmington Invite - 4:00 PM

Saturday

HS Baseball HOME vs HOI Showcase - TBA

HS Softball HOME vs HOI Showcase - TBA

MS Track HOME vs 7AAA-8AAA Sectionals - TBA

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.

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