



Weekly News

Tremont Museum Exhibit

Sunday, March 12, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Mark your calendars for "The Fab 50s," Tremont Museum's next exhibit!

Did You Know...

A Look to the Past - Lincoln and 227 South Sampson

Abraham Lincoln was very familiar with Tremont in its very early days when he was just a young lawyer, with no premonition of the greatness he was to achieve.

An example is 227 South Sampson Street, which was occupied at the time by a boarding house. As with several places in Tremont, it is said that Abraham Lincoln sometimes boarded there while in Tremont for his duties on the Illinois 8th Judicial Circuit. The boarding house location would have been just a short walk to his duties at the Tazewell County Courthouse on the corner of South James and Washington Streets.

In addition to providing rooms for travelers to Tremont, the boarding house also served as a stagecoach stop. Lincoln is also known to have taken the stage to Springfield, often sitting up front and chatting with the stagecoach driver to pass the time.

While staying at the boarding house, it only makes sense that Lincoln also spent time at some of the other establishments in Tremont, including the nearby Franklin Tavern. (The exact location is not known.)

In 1839, Lincoln penned a letter to Mr. Doughty, a veteran of the War of 1812, who was the proprietor of the Franklin Tavern. In the letter Lincoln wrote,

"I understand my coat was left in your possession. Will you please get a yard or so of coarse domestic (for which I will pay you the first time I see you) and fold the coat in it and tie the card herein enclosed upon it, and hand the bundle to the stage driver on his trip towards Springfield. You will very much oblige me by doing so.

Your Friend, A. Lincoln"

This letter is now part of the historical artifacts related to the life of our 16th President, whose time in Tremont is legendary. This includes time spent at 227 South Sampson Street, where today's modern new Share Closet building now stands.

~ Tremont Museum and Historical Society



TBA Disbursement Requests

It's that time of year again! If your organization is interested in requesting funds from the Tremont Betterment Association please complete the form by clicking the button below. The forms are due by Monday March 13th. Our meeting will be held on Wednesday March 15th, 6:00pm at the Community Center. Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

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Tremont District Library News

Lego Afternoons (ages 6+)

Mondays, Feb. 20th, Mar. 20th, Apr. 17th, & May 15th, 3-4:30pm

Work together to build amazing creations! Try out new sets, stop motion videos, and other challenges. Ages 6+, no registration required.

Move & Do (ages 0-5)

Third Fridays, Mar. 17th, Apr. 21st, & May 19th, 10am-12pm

Join us in the meeting room for educational based free-play, designed specifically for littles.

Minecraft in the Meeting Room (ages 7+)

Saturdays, Mar. 25th, Apr. 15th, & May 20th, 10am-12:30pm

Hop on our library realm to create with friends!

S.T.E.A.M. Lab Plus (ages 7+)

Monday, Mar. 13th

3:30-4:30pm

S.T.E.A.M. Lab Plus is perfect for ages 7+ that want to learn about the world around them. Participate in group activities to learn about the Scientific Method, learn about Cause and Effect, make something to take home, and so much more! No registration required.

Mark your calendars! STEAM Lab (ages 7+) will be held: Mar. 13th, Apr. 10th, & May 8th

Looking for STEAM activities for younger kiddos?

We also offer a STEAM Lab for ages 4-6, which will be held on Mondays Feb. 27th, Mar. 27th, Apr. 24th, & May 22nd, 3:30-4:30pm

Baby & Me (ages 0-3)

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30am

A support group for new & experienced parents.

Community Calendar

Tuesday

MS Volleyball @ Metamora Grade School - 5:15PM

Wednesday

HS Boys Basketball @ Regional - TBA

Thursday

MS Volleyball HOME vs Germantown Hills - 4:15PM

Friday

HS Boys Basketball @ Regional - TBA

Saturday

MS Boys Wrestling @ Regional - 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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