



Weekly News

TREMONT 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

Tremont Parks & Recreation Center

22522 IL Rt. 9
Tremont, IL 61568
(309) 925-3811

Office Hours:

- Mon-Tues-Thurs 8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Wednesday 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Fri 8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- Saturday 8:30 am - 11:00 am
- Sunday Closed

D.E. Beutel Fundraiser



FUNDRAISING CONCERT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1-3PM

TREMONT HIGH SCHOOL CAFETORIUM

HONORING LIFELONG TREMONT RESIDENT AND TMS TEACHER

DAVID E. BEUTEL

ACTS INCLUDE:

Tremont Bands, Tremont Madrigal Singers, Sound of Illinois Chorus
and



Link182 (featuring TMS 6th grade singer Lincoln Beutel)



World Champion Quartet,
After Hours (with Tremont
Choir Alumni Tim Beutel)

**DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE ONGOING ACTIVITIES OF THE
TREMONT MUSIC DEPARTMENT.**

Did You Know...?

Carefully Hidden for 2,000 to 9,000 Years

"Pure art for art's sake..."

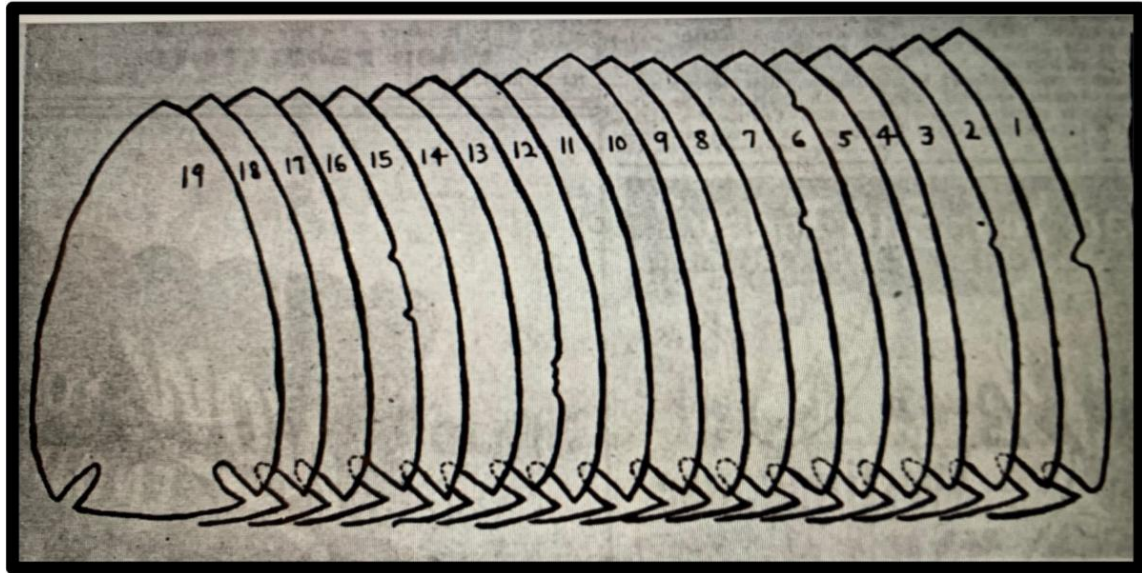
In 1916, a group of boys hauling gravel on a farm just 2 ½ miles northwest of Mackinaw, Illinois, made an astonishing discovery. They were shoveling gravel from the side of a small hill at the edge of a bluff line on a farm owned by James Tyrell when they discovered a spectacular cache of about 40 biface stone implements. (*Biface – carved on both sides*).

A cache is a place where something was stored or hidden. In this case, it is widely believed a skilled craftsman of the Middle Woodland Hopewell Culture carved the stones, then carefully hid and protected them.

The boys were excited about their find, but little did they know how extraordinary it was. They split the stone pieces among themselves, then proceeded to sell them to collectors

within days.

Frank W. Aldrich, a cashier at McLean State Bank, read about the discovery of these unusual "blades" as they were called, and traveled to Mackinaw to see them. He offered Mr. Tyrell \$5.00 each for the cache blades he still had. Aldrich tracked down a total of 33 of the blades. He sent his collection to the Smithsonian Institution, where they took casts of the items and had them on display for some time. Dr. W. H. Holmes, curator of Anthropology at the Smithsonian wrote, "Undoubtedly they represent the most skillful work in stone flaking that has yet been found..." The find has also been called, "The best examples of flint work that has ever been found in this country."



A sketch of some of the Mackinaw Cache blades, graduated in size, "like pearls on a string."

The blades in the cache are made of Burlington chert from the Crescent Quarries located near St. Louis, Missouri. This is very possible because the Hopewell had an extensive trade network. The blades had been heat treated – laid in the sand under a fire to bring out color. The edges are extremely fragile, and too delicate to be useful. Instead, as the Bloomington Pantagraph of January 16, 1949 stated, "They are pure art for art's sake." Holmes speculated that they were, "doubtless offerings to the Gods."

The actual age of the Mackinaw Cache is disputed. Some say the blades are 2,000 years old, some say they're more like 9,000 years old. It is still an unsolved mystery. Today the Mackinaw Cache is on display at the Illinois State Museum in Springfield, Illinois.

References: Illinois State Museum, Illinois Antiquity, (Bloomington) Pantagraph, Lithiccastinglab.com, Jstor.org.

*Tremont Museum and Historical Society
Lori Fuoss*

Tremont Museum

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH @ 7:00 PM

Program: The Tremont Grade School Fist Bumping Vets

The Tremont Grade School Fist Bumping Vets began their 7th year on August 17th. There are currently 18 military veterans who fist bump grade school children as they arrive at school each week.

Tremont Museum invites you to join the vets on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00 at the Tremont Community Center. There, they'll share more of what they have done and experiences they have had. Hear just why Thursdays are everyone's favorite day! Donuts and Cider will be served.

There is no charge for the program or refreshments.



Check Out the Updated Displays

Eight volunteers have spent the last month working on rearranging and designing new displays. Be sure to stop in and spend a Sunday afternoon learning about our uniquely founded town. The Museum will be open 2nd - 4th Sundays from 2-4 PM. Admission is free, though donations are encouraged!

Tremont District Library News

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

Monday, September 11, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Kids ages 7 and up can join Tremont Library's very own S.T.E.A.M. Queen, Miss Nicole, each month after school to learn a little bit more about the building blocks of life: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. No registration required.

Baby & Me Group (ages 0-3)

Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am

A support group for new and experienced parents.

Story Hour

Thursday, September 10:30 - 11:00 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!

Tremont Community Senior Meals



Meals are served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11pm 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

MS Baseball HOME vs Peoria Christian - 4:15 PM

HS F-SO Football @ Heyworth - 5:30 PM

HS Volleyball HOME vs Hartem (JV/Var) - 6:00 PM

Tuesday

HS Golf V @ Iliini Bluffs (Coyote Creek) - 4:00 PM

MS Cross Country @ Princeville Grade School - 4:30 PM

HS Volleyball HOME vs Tri-Valley (Fresh/JV/Var) - 5:00 PM

Wednesday

No events

Thursday

HS Golf V HOME vs Peroia Christian (Sunset) - 4:00 PM

MS Cross Country HOME vs Princeville, CLA - 4:15 PM

HS Volleyball HOME vs Ridgeview (JV/Var) - 5:30 PM

Friday

HS Football HOME vs LeRoy - 7:00 PM

Saturday

MS Baseball @ Washington Middle - Regional Game - TBA

MS Softball HOME vs Sectional Game - TBA

HS Volleyball @ Lexington Fr-So Invite - 8:00 PM

HS Cross Country @ Bureau Valley Invite - 9:30 AM

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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