

Rummage Sale at Hearthstone

Once again our friends at Hearthstone will be holding a rummage sale: Saturday, August 2, 2014 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. on the front lawn at Hearthstone, 625 W. Prospect Ave. at the corner of W. Prospect and Memorial Dr.

Included this year is a set of china, Imperial Rose by Fine China of Japan, 69 pieces: 14 dinner plates, 12 sauce, 9 dessert, 18 cups, 15 saucers and a gravy boat. Early risers may also still find a couple of antique tables, a 125-year old bed plus a lot of the usual rummage sale fare.

Proceeds from the sale will support the porch projects at Hearthstone. We appreciate your support for a good neighbor.

Remembering Ken Sager

Old Third Ward resident Ken Sager passed away July 18, 2014 at the age of 96 years and 9 months. Those in the neighborhood who didn't know of Ken's tremendous accomplishments in his long life certainly knew him through his spectacular yard, in which he took great pride, on W. Prospect Ave. The neighborhood would like to extend its heartfelt sympathy to his daughters Kris and Ann. A memorial fund is being established in his name and this newsletter will publish the details as soon as they become available.

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Neighborhood News

The Newsletter of the Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association, Inc. Summer - 2014

Greetings from the Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association!

We know it's been a while since we've communicated with the neighborhood in paper form but we're hoping to reach everyone this summer.

There are several ways to find out what's happening in your neighborhood:

- Our website: http://www.oldthirdward.org
- Our Events Calendar: link on the website
- Our Facebook page: Appleton Old Third Ward
- Contact a Board member (contact information is included in this issue)

We hope you will remain active in YOUR neighborhood association.

Save the Date

This year's neighborhood picnic will be held Sunday, September 7, 2014 from 4-6 p.m. at the triangle, soon-to-be Pioneer Park at S. Elm St. and W. Prospect Ave. Why should you attend?

- Meet your new neighbors and catch up with those you haven't seen for a while
- The Neighborhood Association provides brats, hot dogs, buns, condiments and chips
- No Packer game that day
- It's not Labor Day weekend
- The weather is guaranteed to be beautiful!

Bring something to drink and a dish to pass. For more information contact one of the OTW, oldthirdward@focol.org



The Old Third Ward Walking Tour brochure has been updated!

Look for it around town.

OTW and Black History

Currently the History Museum at the Castle is exhibiting *A Stone of Hope: African American Experiences in the Fox Cities*, a traveling display about the history of Blacks in Appleton. The newsletter will publish ongoing articles about African Americans in the Old Third Ward. See the exhibit's stops: http://www.myhistorymuseum.org/a-stone-of-hope.html

The Memories of Hyacinth Dagen



Born in 1911 and employed as a servant to the Schuetter family, Hyacinth Dagen grew up on 8th and Memorial and she offered a unique view of this household. (The Schuetter house serves as the OTW logo and on the signs signifying the OTW. It is on 6th and Elm and is on the National, State, and Local Historic Registers.) The tenroom house had a safe in a closet for the silverware. Mr. Schuetter would go to Chicago and would bring back five different wines at a time for special dinners. As a working girl Hyacinth dreaded these trips because with each different wine served, all the glasses had to be washed.

She also told a story of meeting a black woman on College Avenue. Her name was Mrs. Elmore and she lived in a cottage on College Ave., not too far from the present

Chase Bank, on the opposite side of the street. Mrs. Elmore had escaped slavery during the Civil War. She had been a nursemaid on a plantation and was "well-spoken." During her escape she was trailed by bloodhounds and hid in a ditch with three dead soldiers. She hid under the dead men. She was rescued by Union soldiers and stayed with a Union general. The current History Museum exhibit refers to Mr. Elmore, a successful barber in Appleton. The Schuetter's store and Elmore's shop were next door to each other on Oneida Street. An article on page 1 of the April 26, 1900 issue of the Wisconsin Weekly Advocate, an African American newspaper out of Milwaukee, called Emma Elmore "one of the handsomest women in the state."

WE DO WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

We would like your input on any concerns or ideas for our neighborhood. For example: special assessment, bike lanes, speed of traffic on 6th St, safety, traffic, the riverfront. The city is currently conducting a parking needs study and the county is looking at their own space needs. How would you like to see Jones Park developed? What if a parking ramp is needed in the current County parking lot? What would you like to see on the riverfront between Vulcan Heritage Park and Oneida Street? Contact the Old Third Ward, oldthirdward@focol.org, with your questions or comments

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Pioneer Park

From the Appleton Post, July, 1889

"The Water Works Company has commenced work on the excavation of its reservoir upon the old Webb place. The large trees which covered the lot have been cut down, and plows and big horse shovels are at work.

An immense amount of dirt requires removal, and the operation will be one needing some little time. The company is bound to push matters, however, and will get the reservoir ready for use in as short time as possible. The place looks rather desolate at present but when all is completed and the water in there will be a great transformation."



Remember April, 2013?

The above article describes the making of the first reservoir which was above ground on what we frequently call the triangle. The reservoir was later changed to the below ground tanks that we all saw being removed last year. Newly named Pioneer Park in honor of the large number of early settlers who lived on and near this land, the park now awaits a sidewalk and landscaping. The city is still trying to finalize a date for sidewalk installation in the fall and landscaping will go in spring of 2015.

The Frank Council memorial bench is being kept safe by Appleton Marble and Granite and will return when the major landscaping is complete. Hopefully, the plants from the original bench location will survive their temporary homes at various Old Third Ward properties.

We have been promised by Public Works Director Paula Vandehey that we will have poetry in the sidewalk next to Pioneer Park. Also, congratulations to OTW board member Jon Corelis. One of his poems was chosen to part of this new program in Appleton. His poem is at City Park.

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