

## Frank C. Weinkauf

844 E. Pacific St

Age 85, passed away at 4 p.m. Monday after a brief illness. He was born June 17, 1879 in Blue Hills, Neb. He began his employment with Thilmany Pulp and Paper Co., at the age of 16 and became machine tender at the age of 19, being the youngest in the U.S. In 1918 he became General Superintendent, retiring in 1933. He was the First Ward Alderman from 1935 to 1945. He was one of the founders of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and one of its Charter Members, and a member of the Appleton Lion's Club.

## Old Third Ward Ancestor

Old Third Ward resident Jim Ragus is proud of his grandfather Frank C. Weinkauf who, at age 19, became the youngest paper company machine tender in the United States. Frank was born in a covered wagon in Nebraska in 1879 making him a pioneer in two respects. The obituary at the left is from the April 27, 1965 Appleton Post-Crescent.

In an interesting coincidence, current Old Third Resident Donald Elston lived at 844 E. Pacific from 2004-2009.

If you have an ancestor who contributed to Appleton's history or was just plain interesting, please let us know. We would like to feature personal stories in future newsletters.



844 E. Pacific, corner of E. Pacific and N. Rankin in Appleton's current 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward (photo courtesy of Donald Elston)

Keep informed about what's going on in the Old Third Ward:

- Event calendar: [http://www.focol.org/oldthirdward/event\\_calendar.html](http://www.focol.org/oldthirdward/event_calendar.html) (includes Hearthstone events)
- Website: <http://www.oldthirdward.org>
- Join the OTW group on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/39288947086/>

Or email us: [oldthirdward@focol.org](mailto:oldthirdward@focol.org)

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# Neighborhood News

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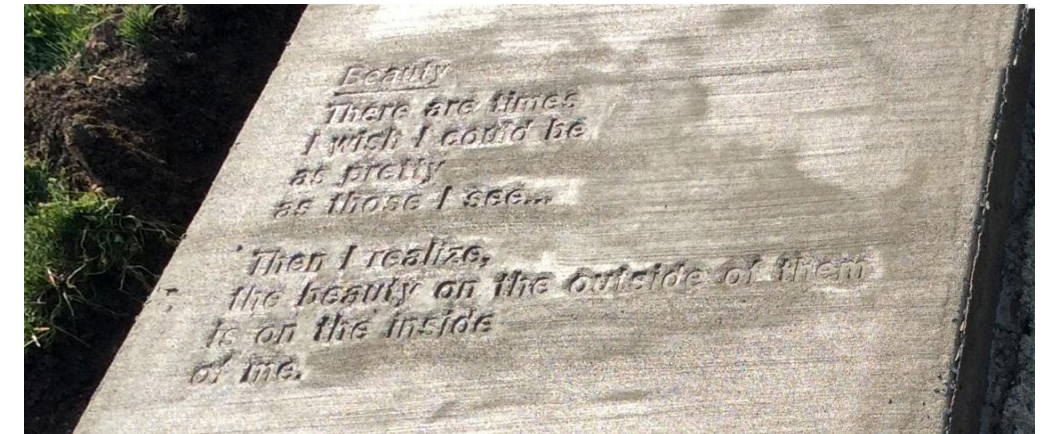
## Save the Date!

This year's Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association's annual picnic will be held on Sunday, August 30 at 4:00 p.m. in [the future] Pioneer Park at the S. Walnut-W. Prospect triangle. All are welcome. You are encouraged to bring a dish to pass. The Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association will provide brats, buns, condiments, chips and soda.

The space now has sidewalks and sidewalk poetry. There will be landscaping by the fall. Watch for another announcement of the picnic closer to the date.

### Beauty

There are times  
I wish I could be  
as pretty  
as those I see...  
Then I realize,  
the beauty on the outside of them  
is on the inside  
of me.



## Construction!

As everyone in the neighborhood knows this has been a time of construction and deconstruction. Our Alderperson Patti Coenen tells us the Oneida St. bridge improvements will be completed in time for Oktoberfest. There is no estimate of a completion time for the bridge over Jackman St. In the meantime, those of you on closed-off streets can enjoy the quiet and those living near the Jackman St. bridge will have to tolerate the noise.

## City and County News

There are many City and County projects in the works that affect the Old Third Ward. We will try to keep the neighborhood informed as updates come to our notice.

Appleton's Common Council rejected the bluff site for the new Appleton Public Library. The Library Board will need to come back to Council with an alternate proposal.

Talks concerning the exhibition center are continuing between the City and the new owners of the Radisson Paper Valley.

A space plan commissioned by Outagamie County was sent back to committee in June. The plan consisted of several scenarios designed to accommodate the County's growing needs for office space and parking. Another proposal involved moving the County Sheriff's Department out of the Old Third Ward campus. That would free up only 11% of the needed space. County Supervisors have assured the Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association that there are no plans to acquire any more homes in the OTW for County expansion.

Do you want to limit alcohol use in city parks by requiring a permit to consume alcohol? Let us know.

## The OTW and Black History

Currently the History Museum at the Castle is exhibiting *A Stone of Hope: Black Experiences in the Fox Cities*, a traveling pop-up exhibit about the history of Blacks in Appleton and the surrounding area. Recently the exhibit won an award from the American Association of State and Local History. 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>

### Sarah Emma Cleggett Hollensworth

This ad for Mrs. Hollensworth's hairdressing business appeared in the Wisconsin Weekly Advocate, an African American newspaper, March 16, 1899. It would appear regularly in that Milwaukee publication for several years.

Sarah Emma Cleggett, known as Emma, was the middle daughter of William and Rebecca Cleggett. She was born in Wisconsin around 1859 a few years after her family moved to Stevens Point from Pennsylvania. The family relocated to Appleton in 1862.

In 1883 Emma married Albert Hollensworth in Appleton and the couple moved to Neenah. They had two daughters: Alberta born in 1885 and Gertrude Louise, known as Louise, in 1887.



Square from a red work quilt, ca. 1900. History Museum at the Castle. Used with permission.

The Public Will Do Well in  
Calling on  
**Mrs. Hollensworth,**  
Dealer in All Kinds of  
**HAIR GOODS.**  
Manicuring and Shampooing. Also  
Scalp Diseases Treated.  
764 College Ave., Appleton, Wis.  
(Over Wolman's Bazaar.)

An ad from the Wisconsin Weekly Advocate,  
March 16, 1899

Shortly after Louise's birth Albert disappeared. Emma and her two girls moved to Appleton to live with her parents. It was then Alberta began to be known as Rebecca, after her grandmother. Soon Emma, "Mrs. Hollensworth," was proprietor of a successful hairdressing business. Her business was immortalized in a red work quilt made around 1900 and now housed in the History Museum at the Castle.

In addition to being a successful hairdresser Emma acted as the Matron of the Children's Home on Fifth and Story Streets. Emma and her daughters would live on S. State St. in the Old Third Ward for the rest of their lives. Sadly, their lives were short. Louise died in January of 1906 at the age of 18 (see the Fall, 2014 Old Third Ward newsletter, <http://www.focol.org/oldthirdward/newsletter-2014-fall.pdf>.) Emma died of a pulmonary embolism three months later and Rebecca died of tuberculosis 1909. All three are buried in Riverside Cemetery, with Emma's grave marker bearing the word "Mother."



### Hearthstone is Having a Treasure Hunt Sale

One person's unwanted item is another person's treasure. A "Treasure Hunt Sale" to benefit Hearthstone will be held at the Northland Mall in the storefront where the annual AAUW book sale is held, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Aug. 20-21, and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 22. All proceeds benefit Hearthstone.

Drop off donations at the storefront in the mall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 17-19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Enter through the mall's front entrance or the double doors (900) on the north side of the building. For more information, if you need assistance with your donation, or if you need to drop off a donation ahead of time, please call Hearthstone during regular business hours, (920) 730-8204, or email [hearthvolunteer@att.net](mailto:hearthvolunteer@att.net).



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Representatives in City and County government often ask what the residents of the Old Third Ward think about different issues. We would like your input on any concerns or ideas for our neighborhood. For example: bike lanes, speed of traffic on 6<sup>th</sup> St, safety, the riverfront, and the County's space and parking needs.

Do you want to receive your Old Third Ward newsletter electronically or in paper? Let us know.

Contact the Old Third Ward with your questions or comments:

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