

19th Annual Appleton  
**Antique Show & Sale**

Saturday, Apr. 16  
10am – 5pm

Sunday, Apr. 17  
11am – 4pm

at the Tri-County Ice Arena  
700 E. Shady Lane, Neenah

Featuring quality antique dealers of furniture, home & garden decor, glassware & china, jewelry, toys, advertising & signage and more.

Admission: \$6 per adult for both days  
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**HearthstoneMuseum.org**

### Appleton Antique Show & Sale

This year the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Appleton Antique Show & Sale will again benefit our friend and neighbor, Hearthstone. The event will be held at the Tri-County Ice Area in Neenah. Your admission price of \$6 is good for both days and helps to support programming, exhibits and restoration at Hearthstone. Clip the ad (left) for \$1 off the admission price!

#### A New Sign!

Speaking of Hearthstone, the Friends of Hearthstone, Inc. received a generous grant from the Fox Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau for a new electronic sign. Here is a sketch of the sign that will be keeping with the historic design of Hearthstone. The sign will give potential visitors much needed up-to-date information about hours of operation and activities at Hearthstone. The electronic display will be one color and will not have any animation.



#### Danger on the Road (more Headlines from the Past)

*(Taken from an article by Lillian Mackesy in the Oct. 10, 1963 Post Crescent. Dates of the original incidents not given.)*

“Johnny Powers’ spirited team ran away this week on Sixth Street into Prospect Street. They cleared the iron fence of J. H. Whorton at a bound, dragging the wagon after them and damaging the gate and fence, then brought up against the Whorton house.” (315 W. Prospect). Evidently such runaways were common.

“One of the most damaged structures in the city seemed to be the old wooden Prospect Street bridge over the ravine. Time and time again, even the most gentle of carriage animals would bolt when crossing the bridge, take off at great speed with the rig careening from side to side against the wooden railings as bridge timbers rumbled with staccato beat of flying hooves and grumbling tone of rolling wheels.”



# Neighborhood News

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

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Antoinette Powell and Linda Muldoon, editors

## Pioneer Park Dedication and Celebration



Our very own pocket park, Pioneer Park, has been completed. Now that the snow has cleared it’s time to celebrate.

The dedication and celebration of Pioneer Park will take place on Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m. This event will include the Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association’s annual get together. Watch the OTW Face Book page (Appleton Old Third Ward) and the website ([www.oldthirdward.org](http://www.oldthirdward.org)) for more details.

### Headlines from the Past

#### Apple Orchards, Appleton Crescent, July 1853

“We have frequently spoken of the peculiar adaptation of our soil to the culture of fruit and of the rapid growth of the trees already set out. A few evenings since, we

went over to Mr. Stevens’ orchard, in the south portion of the town, and were gratified to perceive that his trees were all in a thrifty condition. Late in the spring, Mr. Stevens arrived from the East, bringing with him a quantity of fruit trees. In a very short space of time, he had a number of lots – bounded by Elm, Prospect and River streets – cleared, grubbed, fenced, the trees properly transplanted, and the ground placed in a state of thorough cultivation. It is astonishing how rapidly they grow. Persons coming from the east, with the intention of settling in the Fox River Valley, should be sure first to make arrangements for a supply of fruit trees, to be forwarded as they should direct after they fix upon a location.”

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*The west end of the city had a reputation of being wild in the early days despite being home to the courthouse, jail, and several churches.*

#### Appleton Motor, August 24, 1865

“City Marshall Graves made a descent on a house of ill fame in the 3d Ward last night and arrested the keeper and two inmates, and a boy 13 or 14 years old. Two other boys about the same age succeeded in escaping the Marshall’s clutches. ... The aforesaid institution has long been a disgrace to the city, and we hope this will be the means of effectually abolishing it. But the most disgraceful thing is, that such a place should be the resort of the small boys of the town. Parents are not entirely blameless who allow their boys of that age to be out at night without knowing where they go and the kind of company they keep.”

#### August 31, 1865, Appleton Motor

“City of Appleton vs. Mary Enright, keeping house of assignation. Fined \$100 and costs and in default of payment, to stand committed for six months if found in the City after the 25<sup>th</sup>. City of Appleton vs. Alice McGrath and Anna Gilroy. Being disreputable characters and inmates of bawdy house. Fined \$25 each and costs, and in default of payment to stand committed for 60 days, if found in the City after the 25<sup>th</sup>. ... The City is cleansed from that den of infamy at last, and the requisite expense is the best investment lately made by our City officials”



*The previous year Mary Enright’s home in Little Chute was attacked by a mob - windows were broken with stones and clubs, and the corners of the house were chopped with axes. Mary and her daughter fled and the mob torched the house, destroying it and all its contents. The property was valued at nearly \$1,000. (Post-Crescent, April 16, 1864)*

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## 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. The exhibit won an award from the American Association of State and Local History in 2015. This 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>

### Mary Amelia Cleggett Vanderhoop.

The eldest daughter of William (OTW Newsletter, Fall, 2015) and Rebecca Cleggett, Mary Amelia Cleggett, was born in Pennsylvania about 1856. She was an infant when the family moved to Stevens Point, Wis. August 11, 1856. The family relocated to Appleton in 1862 and eventually settled on State St. in the Old Third Ward. Rather than following in her mother's (and eventually her sisters') profession of hairdressing, Mary enrolled in the Preparatory Dept. at Lawrence University in the Winter of 1871 at the age of 14 and started as a freshman in the Fall of 1872. She graduated in the class of 1876 and delivered one of the addresses at the commencement ceremony. This excerpt is taken from the *Lawrence Collegian*, July, 1876:

Mary A. Cleggett chose for her subject *1620-1876*. The relation in which we stand toward one another, is that of brethren and neighbors. "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you," is a great rule, but it is often forgotten. Slavery took deep root in free soil and prospered, until it seemed that God had forgotten his people. When freedom came what wonder that mistakes were made? This year we hold the Centennial celebration of American Independence. While we rejoice in our prosperity, we deplore the condition of *our people* at the South. Our duty now is to help one another; the future is with God.

She lived in Appleton until about 1878. Her dedication and concern for "our people at the South" took her to Arkansas where she secured a position as a teacher in Pine Bluff. It was there she married Edwin Devries Vanderhoop, also a teacher. His mother was a member of the Gay Head (Wampanoag) tribe and his father was born in Dutch colonial Surinam of Dutch parentage. Shortly after their marriage Edwin and Mary moved to his home on Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. Here Mary embraced the Native American culture and became a well-known historian of the Wampanoag people. In 1869 Massachusetts Governor William Claflin, when denying the existence of the Gay Head tribe, commented, "It is doubtful there is a full-blooded Indian in the State" to which Mary Vanderhoop replied some 35 years later: "In the offspring of the intermarriages the strongest blood may show externally and the predominant features are those of either the white or the negro, but the Inner Self, the ego, the soul, the mind, the living principle, is wholly and always and forever – Indian." \*

She wrote a series of articles, "Gay Head Indians: Their History and Traditions" which appeared in the *New Bedford (Mass.) Standard* in 1904. In addition she was appointed Post Master of Gay Head (now Aquinnah) in 1908.

Mary Cleggett Vanderhoop died in New Bedford on October 10, 1935 at the home of her daughter Nanetta Madison. The Vanderhoop Homestead on Martha's Vineyard, listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2006, is today the Aquinnah Cultural Center. The Vanderhoop descendants are active in tribal government and cultural life in Aquinnah and in 2014 Tobias Vanderhoop, Mary and Edwin's great-great-grandson, was elected Chairman of the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head and still serves in that capacity.



The Edwin Devries Vanderhoop Homestead

\*Evidence for Proposed Finding against Federal Acknowledgment of the Wampanoag Tribal Council of Gay Head, Inc. United States Department of the Interior, Office of Federal Acknowledgement, June 25, 1985, p. 28

Do you have a Facebook account? Do have some information you think would be of interest to the neighborhood? Here are some ideas:

- A favorite recipe
- Gardening tips (it WILL get warmer)
- Mystery photos ("Which house has this turret?")
- Historic photos
- Questions about neighborhood/city/county projects
- Something just for fun

Join the **Appleton Old Third Ward** Facebook page:

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## Donald Elston

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### We Need You!

The Old Third Ward Neighborhood Association has a lot going on. To carry out our mission to inform and preserve our neighborhood we need enthusiastic volunteers. Here are some things you can do:

- ▶ Plan the neighborhood picnic in the fall
- ▶ Help with the annual dinner in the spring
- ▶ Hand-distribute quarterly newsletters
- ▶ Contribute your plans for walking tour distributions boxes
- ▶ Serve on the Pioneer Park Celebration Committee (Spring, 2016)

To volunteer, or if you have other ideas on how to make our neighborhood an even greater place to live, please contact OTW Neighborhood Association President Brian DeGroot at [brew9541@gmail.com](mailto:brew9541@gmail.com). Are you interested in participating in a Neighborhood Watch Program? Contact Brian DeGroot.

### Keep in Touch With Your Elected Officials

Our representative on City Council is Patti Coenen, City of Appleton Alderperson, District 11, [patti.coenen@gmail.com](mailto:patti.coenen@gmail.com), (920) 378-8429

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