

## What's Happening at Hearthstone



October is here and that can mean only one thing at Hearthstone: It's haunted! This year expect something a little more shocking. Scenes of early electricity will be acted out each Friday evening in October. Half-hour tours start about every 20 minutes, the first tour at 6 p.m. and the last tour beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10. No discounts for children or members, no passes or coupons for this event. While this tour is family-friendly, it is not suitable for very young children. Get your tickets at the door.



**New This Year!**  
**The Hauntings of Hearthstone, One Night Only, Friday, Oct. 28, 8:30-10:30 p.m.**



Strange things have been observed at Hearthstone over the years. Hear personal stories of ghostly encounters. Meet area psychics who have read the building. Enjoy refreshments.

\$40 per person. Advance, prepaid reservations required. Space is limited. Sorry, no passes or coupons accepted for this event. No discounts for members. Must be 21. Go to <http://www.focol.org/hearthstone/haunted.html> to make your reservation securely using PayPal.



Watch [www.hearthstonemuseum.org](http://www.hearthstonemuseum.org) for news about "A Dickens Christmas," opening Saturday, Nov. 26, and continuing through Sunday, Jan. 15 at Hearthstone.



# Neighborhood News

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## Annual Old Third Ward Neighborhood Picnic

It seems like a long time ago now, but it was only August 28 when the neighborhood gathered for the annual picnic. Thanks to all who attended and brought the delicious food and fun games for the kids. And thanks again to Appleton Beer Factory for sponsoring the event. We'll have our annual meeting in a few months – stayed tuned!



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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 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 has published ongoing articles about African Americans in the Old Third Ward.

### Rebecca Hollensworth

Sarah Emma Cleggett, “Mrs. Hollensworth,” (OTW Summer, 2015 newsletter) was married to Albert Hollensworth and had two daughters: Gertrude Louise Hollensworth (Fall, 2014 newsletter) and Rebecca (Alberta) Hollensworth.

Alberta Hollensworth was born in Neenah on February 22, 1885. Her father Albert, for whom she was named, did not live with the family for long. By the time Mrs. Hollensworth and her two daughters moved from Neenah to Appleton to live with her parents, Alberta was known as Rebecca. This was likely a tribute to her grandmother, Rebecca Cleggett.

It appears Rebecca was a sickly girl. The elder of the two daughters, she attended Ryan High School in Appleton along with her sister but didn’t graduate until she was 22 years old in 1907. From there her health further declined, and she succumbed to tuberculosis on July 23, 1909. Her obituary published that day in the *Appleton Post* states: “For several years past she suffered with tuberculosis...” and that she’d spent several months at the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Wales, Wis., returning to her family 2 weeks before her death after “...all efforts were in vain...”

Rebecca had already suffered terrible personal losses: her father left when she was young, and her mother and sister died within a few months of each other only 3 years before. She was survived by her grandparents and two aunts.

The write-up of her death is appropriately touching, given her young age:

“...[she] bore her ills with patience and was courageous to the last. Uncomplaining and cheerful she endeared herself to her family, whose sorrow is very deep over her loss.”



Doctors Coon and Strong with orderlies at Wisconsin State sanatorium at Wales Wisconsin also known as Statesan. ca 1909. From Scott Paschal’s Flickr® account. Used with permission.

## The Latest Neighborhood News

Ground has been broken on the Fox Cities Exhibition Center on Lawrence St. in the Old Third Ward. In addition, work is being done on Jones Park, which is now closed until 2018, replacing some green space with permanent structures.

If you live in the Old Third Ward you are in District 11 and your representative in the City of Appleton’s Common Council is Patti Coenen,


<https://www.appleton.org/government/common-council/general-information/council-members/district-11-patti-coenen-alderperson>, or (920) 378-8429



And our Outagamie County Supervisor, Katrin Patience, was recently spotted celebrating Oktoberfest with our friends at Appleton Beer Factory. Contact Katrin:

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The Fox Cities Exhibition Center (left) and the proposed changed to Jones Park (right)

