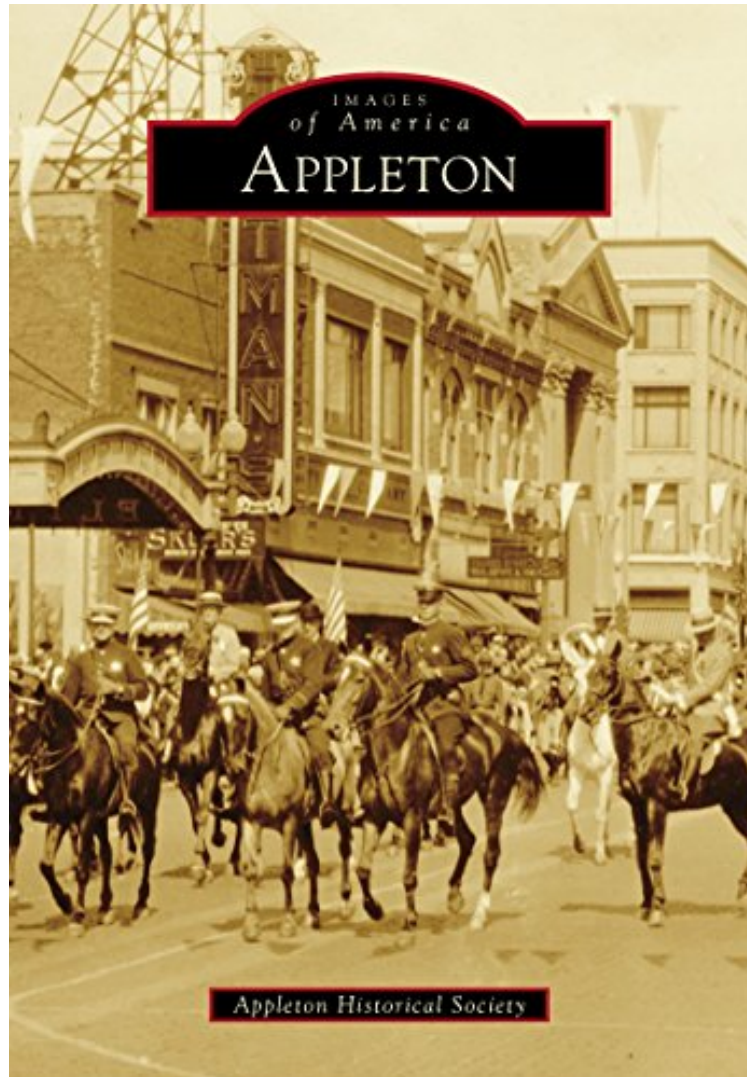


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Appleton Historical Society : Appleton (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Appleton (Images of America):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. History for people who don't need timelines or structureBy
trueshrewThere are few books available on about the history of Appleton, Wisconsin. Like the other books in the same series by the same publisher, this book features a bunch of photographs arranged in loose themes. As a Lawrence alum I was pleased to see the Lawrence references at the beginning. (Like many Lawrence alumni I believe the school came first and the town came second.) Then the random parade of pictures began and I remembered I was reading an Arcadia book. I think the random picture / scrapbook layout works well for single events like a Worlds Fair. It fails as a history book about a town. To present this work as any kind of useful history of Appleton is a mistake because it

lacks a clear timeline or context. The upside is that the Kindle version is much cheaper than the paper version. I would rate the book fewer stars but I hate to dissuade the Appleton Historical Society from releasing any more works about Appleton. Plus the book's structure and format are the publisher's fault. Arcadia has released the same kind of "history" scrapbook about the area where I live in Arizona. Ugh! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. What a fun read for history buffs of the City of Appleton! By Shears What a fun read for history buffs of the City of Appleton! Great old photos of the early city are included as well as stories, anecdotes and local history of the area.

Appleton's rich beginnings found their source at Lawrence Institute, the university in the woods, on the Fox River. Rev. Henry Colman and Rev. William Sampson chose the bluff on the river for the site of the institute. Amos A. Lawrence donated \$10,000, and the building began in July 1848. It was with axe and hook that the first settlers cleared the land for Lawrence and Appleton. The city was made up of three villages: Martin (Grand Chute), Appleton, and Lawesburg. In 1857, the villages joined together to form the city of Appleton. Amos Story was the city's first mayor. Appleton's industry grew on the banks of the Fox River, including hydroelectricity and paper.

About the Author The Appleton Historical Society was formed in 2010 to preserve the history of Appleton's industry, business, and people. The society regularly hosts events to bring the city's history to the public for their enjoyment. Gwen Sargeant led the committee to create a community-inspired book. Images of America: Appleton contains photographs from the Appleton Historical Society, Lawrence University, the History Museum at the Castle, and the private collections of many Appleton natives.