

## Introduction to the Time Capsules Curriculum

Dear Educator,

This curriculum is modified from one created in 1993 to coordinate with an exhibit on time capsules held at what was then called the Outagamie Museum. The curriculum was geared towards students in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and was paired with a traveling trunk of artifacts from the Outagamie Museum's education collection and books related to learning about history through objects.

2007 is Appleton's sesquicentennial year, and thus the concept of time capsules takes on new interest and importance. Jacqui Klimaszewski, K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for the Appleton School District approached me about doing a time capsule project with the school district and it was decided that we would resurrect this curriculum, modify it for second graders, and post it on The History Museum's website.

I have tried to bring the content to a level understandable for second graders and have added photographs of items in the Outagamie County Historical Society's collections so that students can examine items much like they did with the traveling trunk associated with the old curriculum. Please let me know if you have ideas on how to make the curriculum even more accessible for the second grade level or if you have questions related to the collections pictured.

Thank you for using our educational materials!

Sincerely,

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