

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Masks are requested but not required in all Amana Church Society buildings. Respect the choice of others to wear masks, even if we choose to not mask.

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, April 24, 2022, starting 8:30 AM with Br. Jon Childers presiding.

Opening Hymn: "In der stillen Einsamkeit, No. 577 Seite 572

Testimony: Ursula Meyer, Ronneburg, July 5th, 1716

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Psalm: 63

Closing Hymn: "O Du Liebe meiner Liebe" No.764, Seite 754

This is an ALL German church service. Please bring Bibles and Psalterspiels along. We will be hosting members from the Society for German-American Studies World Symposium.

The Late (English) Service will start at 10:00 AM with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "In the Quiet Solitude" No. 127

Closing Hymn: "My Soul Seeks Repose in Thee" No. 29

The Wednesday Evening Prayer (Nachtgebet) meeting will begin at 7:00 PM in Middle.

**Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Child-care is available during Sunday's 10:00 AM Service.**

## AMANA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER CLEAN-UP DAY.

**Saturday, April 23rd at 9am.**

Amana Society would love to get the community involved in revitalizing this great space!

Please bring rakes, shovels, and gloves if possible.

Thank you!

## BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 10 from 2:00 to 6:30 and Thursday, May 12 from 2:00 to 6:30. The Drives will be held in the Donor Bus at the Amana Library Parking Lot, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a \$10 gift card and get a tree planted in their name! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. APPOINTMENTS AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Walk-ins will not be accepted. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate on both days. To sign up, please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org to schedule a time.

## TOMATOES, PEPPERS AND MORE!

The 2022 Iowa County Master Gardener plant sale will be held Friday, May 13, from 2:00-6:00 p.m., and Saturday, May 14, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Marengo.

Iowa County Master Gardeners have been busy growing more than 30 varieties of tomatoes, 18 varieties of peppers and many vegetables, herbs and flowers. They will be on sale at the low prices unchanged from past years. Rain barrels in a selection of colors and organic mosquito repellent will also be available for purchase. Master Gardeners will be ready to answer any gardening questions you might have and door prizes will be awarded. Hope to see you there!

## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Agri Tourism Site In Development

A farm oriented play area with hay bale slide, corn maze, tree houses and and more is being considered to surround the former Creamery Theatre, now the Amana Performing Arts Center.

The Amana Society is doing a marketing and feasibility study for the project, which likely would start with 15 to 20 acres with potential to expand to 150 acres depending on which activities they plan to develop, Greg Luerkens, ASI President and CEO told the Cedar Rapids Gazette this week.

"Over time, the investment in the agritourism project will be significant," he said. "We are currently working on separating the project into phases and compiling cost estimates." He was reported as saying in the Gazette article.

The Society's goal is to develop a family-friendly venue that will serve the Corridor and also draw visitors from across the region. This would be operated alongside the new Amana Performing Arts Center.

But that requires cleaning up the venue after two years of no shows and little upkeep. Volunteers are meeting to work on the theatre this Saturday morning. ASI staff and volunteers have already painted the stage and the Amana Society is working with a vendor to install new lighting and sound components and replacing the large screen on stage.

The exterior of the structure will be repaired and upgraded while the courtyard on the west side of the venue will be cleaned up and made ready to host weekend blue grass jam sessions and a flea market with a pop-up food vendor this summer. More on this as summer approaches.

The theater will host the show "Weekend Comedy" by Jeanne and Sam Bobrick at 7:30 p.m. May 20 and 21. Produced by Tom Milligan and Deb Kennedy this witty show about a weekend mix-up will kick off the new generation of entertainment at the APAC.

### Candidates to Meet April 24

Democratic primary candidates for Iowa Statehouse and US Congressional seats have been invited to "Cupcakes, Cookies and Candidates" Sunday, April 24 from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Price Creek Event Center in Amana.

The Iowa County Democrats are hosting this round table discussion and fund raiser. Groups of 8 to 10 attendees will be seated with one or more candidates to discuss important topics and answer questions. Candidates will move from table to table so that those who attend will have a chance to meet all of the candidates there. Child-care will be provided.

Candidates invited to attend include: Deirdre DeJear for Iowa Governor, Christina Bohannon for U.S. House, District 1, Elle Wyant, for Iowa House District 91, for Mike Franken U.S. Senate, Abby Finkenaur for U.S. Senate, Glenn Hurst for U.S. Senate and Kevin Kinney for Iowa Senate District 46.

### RED CROSS LIFEGUARDING CLASS at AMANA POOL

Two full days on Sunday, May 15 and May 22. Full attendance mandatory.

Contact TJ Croco at 319-430-9181 or text to tjcroco@gmail.com

Please register before first class date.

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### AMANA POETRY COMPETITION

Calling all interested poets! The Amana Arts Guild is having a poetry contest that will offer poets an opportunity to have their poems read at the Amana Poetry and Song Celebration Saturday May 14, 2022

Persons of any age may enter. Categories include (1) adults and (2) grades 3 – 5. There is no entry fee.

#### Contest deadline is Friday May 6

Entries must have for a subject matter a connection to the Amanas, past present or future. Any form rhymed or unrhymed. may be used. Types of poems may include: historical (factual), narrative (story telling), descriptive (a person or place, or lyric (expressing feelings)

Each poem must be on a separate page, with the author's name and address placed in the upper left corner of the title page. No more than two poems by one author will be accepted. Joint authorship or collaborations by groups are encouraged.

All poems must be delivered to the Amana School Community Library on or before the deadline. Winners will be awarded certificates and will be asked to read their poems at the Amana Poetry and Song Celebration on Saturday May 14, 2022 This event will be held at the Amana Arts Guild Center in High Amana

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**FEATHERS IN THE WIND**

Last week marked not only Holy Week, but Passover. They both symbolized or reminded us of breaking our bondage and finding peace.

It is hard for us in the United States to think of being enslaved like those behind bars, under the rule of dictators, or like the Israelites were enslaved by Pharaoh, yet we are enslaved by sickness, anger, money worries, depression, addiction, hatred, jealousy and all the horror we see on television and around us each and every day.

Our minds race with frustration at not being able to "fix" things and we wonder how a Supreme Being can let all this happen.

How can good people get sick, children die, people steal and still want more wealth and so the list goes on and on.

It's quite simple - God gave us FREE WILL.

The Israelites chose to flee Egypt, leaving everything behind not knowing what lay ahead.

Our ancestors departed Europe for a land that was not exactly welcoming and established a community that was the third longest lasting communal organization in the world and then, in 1932, did not fall apart but held together as a corporation because of our beliefs.

A woman in Homestead told her niece that she was not afraid of her cancer diagnosis because she knew that she would either beat the disease or go home to God. She did die an earthly death; but certainly not a spiritual one.

We see the war in Ukraine and wonder why. Then we wonder what will happen when it is over.

I'm sure the families who suffered through past wars and waited months and months to hear from their loved ones felt the same way.

There were the pacifists like the Hutterites in South Dakota who first had their cattle taken, products sold at low prices and had some of their young men imprisoned in Ft. Leavenworth and bound to the cells with little clothing. One died and was sent home in a military uniform. (Due to their policy of non-resistance, turn-the-other-cheek, many moved to Canada)

It is time that we ALL take a few minutes out of each and EVERY DAY and go to a quiet place to pray and meditate as to what we can do to make this world a better place.

Sometimes something so simple as a card or smile helps. Some cookies, or a donation, time spent with people, help at a shelter, clothes to a homeless shelter, just listening, just giving a part of yourself.

Kelly Clarkson ends her show best by saying, "Have a nice day, but if it isn't good MAKE IT!"

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**AMANA POOL HOURS**  
**OPEN SWIM**  
 Sunday 1-3:00PM  
 Wednesday & Friday 7-9:00PM  
**MORNING LAP SWIM**  
 Monday, Wednesday &  
 Friday 6-7:30AM  
**WATER AEROBIC CLASSES**  
 Tuesday & Thursday 5:30-6:30PM  
**Private Lesson or Private Parties**  
 Contact Pool Director  
**T. J. Croco at 319-430-9181**  
 or Email: [tjcroco@gmail.com](mailto:tjcroco@gmail.com)

**REMEMBER TO CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET**


There have been reports of dogs going into neighbor's yards and making unwanted and unwelcome "deposits."

We remind pet owners, and dog owners in particular, to maintain positive control over these furry family members and pick up after them, whether it be in someone's yard or in the ditches, flower beds, etc.,

**HEY GOOD LOOKIN,' GOT KUCHEN?!**

It's approaching Maifest time again, and the Amana Heritage Society will be helping feed hungry visitors at the Festhalle. If you'd like to help us out by baking Kuchen, we would appreciate it. It can be dropped off beginning at 9am at our booth at the Festhalle grounds.

We thank you ahead of time for your continued support of Amana Heritage Society!!

**Water Babies Swim Classes**  
 May 09 - 13, 2019  
 Amana Pool, Middle Amana  
 Classes will be held  
 Monday thru Friday  
 The cost is \$40.00  
 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.  
 6 mo. - 18 mo.  
 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
 19 mo. - 2 yrs  
  
 Contact: Margaret Trumpold  
 Cell 319-400-0062 or home 319-622-3299

**SERVICES**

Spring Lawn Clean-up; Lawn Aeration; Lawn Thatching; Lawn Mowing; Lawn Rolling; Spring Garden Tilling. Call Robb Jeck at 319-622-3308

**GARAGE SALE**

Garage Sale located at 3005 H Street, Amana, Friday, April 29th from 1pm -6pm Saturday, April 30th from 8am to 3pm. Crafting items, baby items, artwork/home décor, house hold items, bike and scooter, boy's clothing youth medium to youth large, men's clothing sizes small to XL, girl's medium junior clothing to women's large, footwear, toys, dog items.

**HELP WANTED**

Hometown Lawncare and Landscaping, wanted full time help, must have valid driver's licence. Call 319-622-3417 and leave message.

**WANTED/WANTED TO BUY**

BUYING All ANTIQUES; Toys, Furniture, Crocks, Paintings, Advertising Signs, and Weird Items "any condition." Buying Entire Estates, call for fair pricing. Please call 319-270-1251.

**FOR RENT**

For Rent in Middle Amana. One Bedroom Apartments. Just remodeled. Laundry and water furnished. No pets, no smoking. One year lease references and background check required. Call 319 360 8875 for application.

1 bed room Apartment for rent South Amana. No smoking, references required, background check. Call Larry at 319-540-9351 Also have a room for rent, shared bath and common area.

**GATES ON THE KOLONIEWEG**

The gates on the Millrace section of the Trail will be temporarily closed in extremely wet weather and during the **spring thaw** to avoid the deep ruts that bikes can cause. Your help in keeping bikes off the trail when the gates are closed would be greatly appreciated.

**Amana Library Hours:**  
 Monday 8:00-3:00  
 Tuesday 8:00-6:00  
 Wednesday 8:00-12:30  
 Thursday 8:00-6:00  
 Friday 8:00-6:00  
 Saturday 9:00-12:00

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**OBITUARY**

Helen Dvorak Stoner, age 93, of Marengo, formerly of Amana, passed away peacefully Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at Compass Memorial Healthcare, in Marengo. Per Helen's wishes, private graveside services will be held at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Mt. Vernon. Memorials may be contributed to the family. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is assisting the family with arrangements.

Helen is survived by her daughter Carol Smith, of Marengo; four grandchildren, Justin Smith, of Victor, Aaron (Abbie) Smith, of Prior Lake, MN, Mark Stoner, of Victor and Amy Ann (Shane) Kriegel, of Guernsey; seven great-grandchildren, Sullivan and Jaxon Smith, of Victor, Wyatt and Griffin Smith, of Minnesota and Kyler, Lincoln and Ayla Kriegel, of Guernsey; and a brother Richard (Phyllis) Dvorak, of Cedar Rapids. She was preceded in death by her parents E.V.R. and Agnes Dvorak and a daughter Susan.

Helen was born May 3, 1928 in Mt. Vernon, the daughter of E.V.R and Agnes (Novak) Dvorak. She graduated from Mt. Vernon High School with the class of 1946. Following high school, she attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. She married Darrell W. Stoner on June 1, 1949. Helen taught elementary education in Ely, Springville and Mt. Vernon. She later became a bank teller at Farmers State Bank in Alburnett and Marion and Wells Fargo Bank in Mesa, Arizona.

Online condolences may be left at [www.klosterfuneralhome.com](http://www.klosterfuneralhome.com)

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**REMINDER CONCERNING SOUTH DUMP**

The area commonly referred to as the "South Dump," is private property and **only** for the use of Amana Society (ASI) stock holders living within the Amana Colonies. The "dump" may be under 24 hour photo surveillance and closed without notice if ASI and DNR rules are violated.

**Absolutely No burning.** Burning is dangerous and not compliant with DNR Regulations.

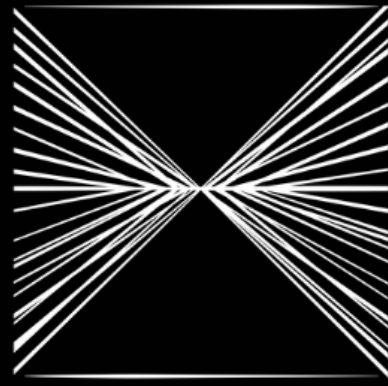
**Only** organic compostable yard refuse is allowed. Users **will** remove plastic bags or other containers used to transfer yard waste. Lumber, and other building material, & trash dumping is absolutely **NOT** permitted.

Using the dump is a privilege, not a right, and all dumping will end if Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) and Amana Society rules on what may be dumped or the burning ban are violated.

If you witness violations of these rules, **please** report, to A.S.I. Conservation at 319-560-2459.

The Iowa County Landfill is now accepting yard waste.

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Tuesday - Saturday

Sunday  
Closed

Dinner 5pm - 9pm  
Wednesday - Saturday

*Come join us!*