

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, September 24, 2017, starting at 8:30 AM. with Elder Tony Berger presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Wer ist's der lautre Wahrheit sucht" vs 1-4 No. 1074 Seite 1050

Testimony: Christian Metz, July 24, 1812

Scripture: Matthew 6:19-21

Psalm 97

Closing Hymn: "Wer ist's der lautre Wahrheit sucht" vs 5-8 No. 1074 Seite 1051

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

Opening Hymn: "O God, Creator of the Heavens" No. 122

Closing Hymn: "Lord, Keep us steadfast in thy Word" No. 248

The Saturday worship service meets 6:00 PM in the Sunday school meeting room in Amana.

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service will begin at 7:00 PM in Middle.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during English Services.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Come join us for Congregate Meals at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana Church on Mondays.

Our menu for Sept. 25th is..

Yankee Pot Roast, Sour Cream Mashed Potatoes,

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Strawberry Peach Jello

The cost is only \$5 and also includes your drink!! Open to all ages. The doors open at 11:00 and we serve at 11:30!! Please call Donna Trumpold at 622-3218 or 560-6285 by noon on Friday to make a reservation. We hope to see you!!

OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATES 52ND YEAR!

Join in the fun at Oktoberfest September 29, 30 and October 1, 2017 in Amana. Friday will kick off with the traveling of the keg to the Festhalle for the official keg tapping ceremony. The Oktoberfest Parade begins Saturday at 10:00 a.m. After the parade, test your skills with traditional Oktoberfest games at the Market Barn, enjoy family fun at Kinderplatz, or the check out the new Fotoplatz.

For more information and full Oktoberfest schedule visit www.festivalsinamana.com.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda – September 25, 2017, 6:30 pm
ACLUD Meeting Room, 4304 220th Trail, Amana

I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Set/Amend Agenda

III. Review/Approve minutes

- June meeting

- July meeting

- August meeting

IV. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

a. 2017-054 – Jeff & Suzanne Conquest – New windows, exterior doors, chimney removal, reconfigure side entry, replace wood entry stairs and replace/repair siding with Cedar plank siding.

V. Other Business:

a. Historical Inventory

b. Administrator applications

VI. Chairman's Report

VII. Adjourn

MIDDLE AMANA SEWER DISTRICT MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Middle Amana Sanitary District will be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 26th in the district office/pump house, next to the Whirlpool main entrance, North side of the Millrace. Any member of the district is welcome to attend.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Tuesday, Oct. 3 Hotel Motel Tax up for Vote

After a year-long struggle to secure the Amana Colonies the right to oversee their own hotel-motel tax, that question will be placed before Amana Colony voters on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

A simple majority, over 50 percent, of the voters will be needed to approve the measure which allows the Amana Colonies Land Use District Board to impose a hotel and motel tax of up to 7 percent on only the lodging sales in all hotels, motels, inns and bed and breakfasts in the seven Amana Colonies (less that portion of West Amana not in the district).

The revenue would be used to promote and market the Colonies or to acquire, improve, enlarge, equip, repair or maintain recreation, convention, cultural, entertainment facilities in the land use district, according to Iowa law 303.52, Code 2017 signed May 11.

Right now, that tax is collected by the Iowa Department of Revenue and sent to Iowa County for distribution by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors. If the measure passes in the Amana Colonies, the ACLUD board would be the distributing body with oversight on how the money is spent within the Amana land use district according to Iowa law.

Three incumbents of the ACLUD Board of Trustees are running for re-election. They are Gloria Alexander, Tina Hinsley and Mike Sandersfeld.

The October 3 election will take place at the Middle Amana Fire Station in Middle Amana.

Here are some answers to questions about the tax:

Who pays the tax? Visitors who come to the Amana Colonies and stay in an Amana Colony bed and breakfast, hotel or motel.

Is this a new tax? No. Right now the hotel-motel tax is collected by the Iowa Department of Revenue and given to Iowa County. The passage of this measure would allow that tax to be collected as usual, but then sent to the Amana Colonies Land Use District Board of Trustees for distribution ONLY within the Land Use District.

Can the county also impose a hotel-motel tax? No. The law passed by the Iowa Legislature last spring and signed by the Governor into law specifically prevents any other governmental body from imposing a hotel-motel tax in the Amana Colonies land use area.

Why is this change necessary? With passage of this measure locally elected residents of the Amana Colonies will have control of these tax dollars generated in the Colonies through lodging sales. This will allow the people of the Amanas control over and access to funds generated here and allow those funds to be applied directly to marketing for tourism which sustains and creates jobs; and to those Amana Colony projects that fall within the legislated guidelines to support, maintain or enhance recreation, convention, cultural, entertainment facilities within the Colonies.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Sometimes you feel old and then other times you feel so very old that you wonder why you are not in the cemetery.

We just got back from the church picnic. The suggestion was made that anyone over the age of 75 should go first. Someone said I should get in line. (I think I will go to her yard and spray it with "Round-Up.")

I am not over the age of 75. Maybe I should dye my hair.

What bothers me the most growing older is that I cannot remember people's names or were they live.

You remember how, when you were growing up, you seemed to know everyone in the town and which house they lived in?

We even had the "nerve" to make fun of our mothers who would sometimes address other women by their maiden names even if they had been married over twenty years.

It really bothers me a lot not being able to know who lives in what house anymore.

You might even remember the time when more than one family was living in the same house and you knew who each person was and in what part of the house they lived in.

Do you remember how the living rooms seemed to always be arranged in the same manner?

The wall clock was always hanging between the two windows. The windows had white lace curtains. Under the clock was always a table upon had a pile of magazine (man's side of the table) and a sewing basket on the other side. That had at least one scissor which we knew was only to be used for sewing projects and not cutting up paper.

More than likely there was the camel back couch with the scratchy upholstery and of course a rocking chair. If there was no rocking chair in the living room you could find it in another room, but YOU KNEW that if there was no rocking chair you were not in a truly Amana home.

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OBITUARY

Gary Lee Miller, age 67, of West Amana, passed away on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at Compass Memorial Hospital, Marengo, Iowa. Funeral Services: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 21, 2017, at Middle Amana Church, Middle Amana, Iowa, with Elder Kristie Yoder officiating. Burial will be in the West Amana Cemetery, with a Masonic Service. Visitation was Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at the Middle Amana Church. Memorials may be contributed to the American Diabetes Association or the Amana Church Society. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo, is in charge of arrangements.

Gary is survived by his wife Ellen; his mother Ethel Miller of Marengo; a brother-in-law Dale (Mary Kay) Peck of Galena, IL; a sister-in-law Rev. Anna Peck of Cedar Rapids; an uncle Harvey Oehler of Amana; and an aunt Elsie Oehler of Jacksonville, Florida. He was preceded in death by his father George, five aunts Karen and Helen Louise Oehler, Emilie Graesser, Marilyn Sinnard and Lucille Harbor, and five uncles Orville and William Oehler, Richard Graesser, Gene Sinnard and Leo Harbor.

Gary Miller was born March 8, 1950 in Cedar Rapids, the son of George and Ethel Oehler Miller. He graduated from the Amana Schools in 1969 and received his BA Degree in Education from William Penn University in 1973. He taught sixth grade at Lorenz, and later worked at the Ronneburg Restaurant in Amana for 15 years as a cook. He also worked at Rockwell Collins in the shipping department, retiring in June 2012. Gary enjoyed tinkering around in his machine shop, doing genealogy of his family history, reading, attending the Iowa State Fair and watching the St. Louis Cardinals. He was a member of the Amana Church, Hope Masonic Lodge #175 of Belle Plaine, Iowa and was also involved with the El Kahir Foot Patrol.

Online condolences may be left at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.

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HELP WANTED

Help Wanted: Someone to help at the Old Creamery Theatre Wine Bar on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. You can choose one, two, or all three days to work. Each shift is 2.5 hours. Must be 18 to apply. Contact Pat Wagner at 622-6034, ext. 103.

GARAGE SALE

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HOMES NEEDED

The Amana Arts Guild is sending out a request to the Amana Colony community-would you consider having your home on our Christmas Haus Tour this year? We would love to have you! As a non-profit organization the tour is a major fund raiser for us, the money raised goes to sponsoring classes, workshops, research, lectures, performances, apprenticeships, exhibits and presentations. The tour dates this year are Saturday December 2nd 10am-4pm and Sunday December 3rd from 1-5pm. If you are interested please call 319-622-3678 or email amanarts@southslope.net

Positions Available

Amana Colonies Village Store & Fudge Factory

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THE AMERICAN PICKERS ARE COMING TO EASTERN IOWA

The TV show American Pickers will be heading to Iowa late Sept./mid Oct. They are looking for large private collections for the guys to dig through.

People with collections that are interested should reach out to the American Pickers by phone at 1-855-OLD-RUST (653-7878), or email is AmericanPickers@cinelfix.com.

Mike and Frank only pick private collections so NO stores, malls, flea markets, museums, auctions, businesses or anything open to the public.



Heather Seifert, daughter of Bill Seifert (son of Carl and Elsie Seifert of Homestead) was wed to Sean Fleming in California on September 9, 2017.

The couple may be contacted at:
 720 Vera Avenue, Redwood City, CA, 94061

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NEWS AND NOTES
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As the local governmental body duly elected by the residents of the Colonies, it makes sense that the ACLUD Board be the overseeing body of hotel-motel tax dollars generated here.

Why is this important? Because for the past three years, the Amana Colonies have received less than 10 percent of the money that is generated by the hotel-motel tax, according to the Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau. In recent years the tax generates about \$130,000 to \$120,000 annually in Iowa County, that's down from the \$200,000 that was generated in the 1990's.

A significant portion of hotel-motel tax collection is from Amana Colony lodging sales – yet the Amana Colonies were only receiving about 10 percent or \$13,000 to \$12,000 of those funds from the Iowa County Supervisors. In recent years the Iowa County Supervisors allocated money to improvements at the Iowa County Fairgrounds, to pay for a loan to construct a visitor center at Lake Iowa, and for events and other projects across Iowa County.

Amana Colony merchants, led by the Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau, protested, urging that a greater portion of the funds should be used in the Amana Colonies to rebuild the fund via tourism marketing, Amana events, theatre and recreation promotion and projects that increase overnight stays. Overnight stays increase retail, restaurant, box office and gas sales throughout the county and help build/ maintain employment, they argued.

Finally it was pointed out by Amana leaders that hotel-motel taxes collected within the cities of Williamsburg and Marengo are used on projects/ marketing within those cities, why shouldn't dollars collected within the Amana Colonies be used for Amana Colony projects and marketing? This fell on deaf ears.

Last year Amana Colony residents and merchants sought relief through special legislation which led them to talk with Rep. Dawn Pettengill and David Maxwell and Sen. Tim Kapucian who championed a bill through the Iowa House. Their efforts were opposed by the Iowa County Supervisors who vote 4-0 to oppose the Iowa House legislation in February.

Now it is time to affirm the Iowa law passed last spring with the October 3 vote here in the Colonies.

CCA Bond Issue Passes Vote

With about 20 percent of the registered voters in the district casting their ballot, the Clear Creek Amana \$36 million bond issue passed easily with 71 percent approval.

Voters went to the polls Tuesday, Sept. 12. Of the 8,752 registered voters in the CCA district, 1,744 voters cast a ballot. Exactly 1,234 voted "yes" for the bond issue, according to the Johnson County Auditor's office.

Voters also elected Nicole Knapp, Bob Broghammer and Kathy Swenka to the CCA School Board.

Tim Kuehl, CCA Superintendent, told news reporters for Gannett's Iowa City Press Citizen and Newspapers of Iowa County, that the district will begin bidding for the construction work for the new elementary school in Tiffin. He hopes the school will be open in 2019. Other projects within the district will be undertaken

Saturday Rugby Match at Oktoberfest

Some of us might remember the 1990's rugby matches that proved so popular at the Middle Park, but back for this year's Oktoberfest are the Iowa City Ducks. The Ducks have challenged the North East Iowa Barbarians out of Decorah to a match at the Amana Colonies RV Park at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30. If you've never seen a rugby match, now is the hour to catch this exciting, rough, tough, practically no holds barred sport.

Feathers from Page 1

There were usually rag rugs which you felt would be best thrown out and substituted for the modern "wall to wall carpeting."

Then there were the throw rugs that were often in front of chairs because that was the area used the most. Often these throw rugs covered up a hole or a spot in the carpet. No matter what, you were always straightening them out so no one would fall over them after all they were called "THROW rugs."

The latches on the door were so common to us that when "handicap accessible latches" came into being we sort of turned up our noses and wondered why people had not caught on to "our" latches sooner.

You always knew that the beds had to be made before you could eat breakfast. Whoa to anyone

who would sit on the beds after they had been made. The old beds were something else. They had three cushions, then a sort of cushion over it before the handmade sheets were put on. Those sheets and pillowcases had knitted or even sometimes crocheted trim on them that were at least three inches wide.

I am ashamed to say that many I times I took and poked my fingers in that trim and made holes. Believe me I have regretted that move (since I learned to knit) many times.

Life seemed simpler, although we all know that everyone worked hard making huge gardens, canning, bringing in wood for the stove, etc.

The best thing was that we knew who lived in what house and that if anything went wrong we could run into the house (the doors never seemed to be locked) and be safe.

How I dislike going by some of these old homes and knowing that the people I knew as a child are no longer living in them.

I know one must change and with change good can come, but sometimes those memories come back and I want to be a little girl again and know who lives in what house.

B.S.H.

<p>Precinct Official's Initials: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Sample Ballot <i>Jessica J. Stohlmann</i> County Commissioner of Elections Iowa County, Iowa</p>	<p>OFFICIAL BALLOT</p> <p>SPECIAL ELECTION IOWA COUNTY, IOWA TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017 AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT</p>	<p><i>Jessica J. Stohlmann</i> Iowa County Commissioner of Elections</p>
<p>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS</p> <p>To vote, fill in the oval(s) completely next to your choice, like this (●) Write-In: To vote for a write-in candidate, write the person's name on the line provided and fill in the oval. Question: To vote to approve any question on this ballot, fill in the oval (●) before the word "YES". To vote against a question, fill in the oval (●) before the word "NO". Do not cross out. If you change your mind exchange your ballot for a new one.</p>		
<p>AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT</p> <p>FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEE AT LARGE (Vote for no more than THREE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gloria Alexander</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tina Becerra-Hinsley</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mike Sandersfeld</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in (if any)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in (if any)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in (if any)</p>	<p>AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT</p> <p>PUBLIC MEASURE: C</p> <p>SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p>Summary: To authorize a 7% hotel and motel tax to be imposed by the Amana Colonies Land Use District, effective January 1, 2018.</p> <p>Shall the Amana Colonies Land Use District, Iowa, impose a hotel and motel tax, as provided by Iowa Code Chapter 423A, at the rate of seven percent (7%), upon the sales price from the renting of lodging within the Land Use District, to be effective January 1, 2018, with all revenues from this tax to be used for recreation, convention, cultural, tourism, and entertainment purposes and activities as set forth in Iowa Code Section 303.52(3A)(b)?</p>	
<p>Sample Ballot <i>Jessica J. Stohlmann</i> County Commissioner of Elections Iowa County, Iowa</p>		

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Amana Colonies Land Use District in Iowa County, Iowa, that a special election will be held at the Middle Amana Fire Station, 2725 K St, Middle Amana, on Tuesday, October 3, 2017. Polls will open at 12:00 Noon and close at 8:00 PM.

Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle. Please contact the Auditor's Office for details.

Dated this 12th day of September, 2017.

Jessica J. Stohlmann
 Jessica Stohlmann
 Iowa County Auditor &
 Commissioner of Elections