Amana, Iowa, Thursday, August 20, 2020

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Amana Church Service will be live streamed from the church in Amana on Facebook, August 23, 2020 starting at 10:00 a.m. with Sw Andrea Haldy presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Was Giebst du denn, o meine Seele!" No. 1029 vs 1-2, Seite 1009

Testimony: Sister Ursula Mayer, Laubach, July 29 1715

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20

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Psalm 84

Closing Hymn: 'Soul what return has God, Thy Savior' No 152 vs 3-4

Wednesday Nachtgebet live stream on Facebook at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Fellowship live stream on Facebook at 5:30 p.m.

Services also available later on YouTube ("The Amana Church" is our channel).

1029 (Alt pag. 933.)

Mel. Wer nur den lieben Gott. (Art 128.)

1. Was gibst du denn, o meine Seele! Gott der dir täglich Alles giebt? was ist in deiner Leibeshöhle, das Ihn vergnügt und Ihm beliebt? Es muß das Liebst' und Beste seyn: gieb Ihm, gieb Ihm das Herz allein!

2. Du mußt, was Gottes ist, Gott geben! Sag, Seele, wem gebührt das Herz? dem Teufel nicht, er haßt das Leben, wo dieser wohnt, ist Höllenschmerz; Dir, Dir, o Gott! Dir soll allein mein Herz aufwärts gewidmet seyn.

NOTICE

Effective Friday August 21st the emergency storm damage yard debris dumping areas near East Amana and Homestead are being closed. The South Amana dump and Iowa County Landfill will remain available for yard debris. The emergency areas were provided by the Amana Society in response to the volume of devastation in the community. Please respect the closing of these areas.

Thank You Amana Society, Inc.

AMANA HERITAGE SOCIETY NEWS Communal Meal

The last regularly-scheduled communal meal will be served for carry out at noon on Wednesday, August 26th at the Communal Kitchen Museum. Visit us to pre-purchase at www.amanaheritage.org. Or, call 319-622-3567 or email at amanaheritage@ southslope.net. Meals are \$12 each.

Aug 26 Menu: Roast Beef, Potato Dumplings & Onion Sauce, Cabbage Salad, Apple Sauce, Dessert Fall Fundraiser Raffle Tickets Available

You can support our important mission by purchasing a \$100 raffle ticket for Amana Society, Inc. gift cards drawn during a Facebook Live event scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 7th, 2020. Additionally, your raffle ticket purchase will be good for two admissions to our spring social event (we hope April) To purchase a raffle ticket, visit us at https://amanaheritage.org/store/. You can also contact the office at 319.622.3567 or amanaheritae@southslope.net (full article next week)

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Please forgive me for not writing anything funny, but frankly I am rather unhappy. I should be glad that we survived the storm and that some really wonderful people came to help clean up all the broken trees, haul away branches, offer shoulders to cry on and bring encouragement when it was needed the

I so often thought of my friend Linda who would say that we were being punished when something went wrong. (it was a saying from her childhood that was meant to instill fear into a childlike brain)

Years ago Linda and I figured out that God does not "punish" sinners, but forgives, yet with the virus, the politics, the hatred and now this terrible storm that stupid threat came back to haunt me and I dreamt of Linda once again and longed for her to make me laugh again.

N EWS AND NOTES

2020 Derecho Aftermath

A few moments after the wind had died, while the rain was still pelting into the broken windows of our automobile, Bob looked at me and said, "Ok, that could have been worse."

Monday, August 10, 2020. Driving on Wiley Boulevard in Cedar Rapids as we made our way very slowly, via a cross-hatched path, using side streets and parking lots to avoid felled power lines, power poles, torn parts of buildings, metal shards, fallen trees and busted cars, the southwest side of Cedar Rapids was unrecognizable.

We counted at least 10 apartment buildings on Wiley that had lost an entire roof or whole sections of walls. Apartments were open to the rain, walls torn away. People were lying on the wet grass or huddled under what few trees still stood. Nearly all of the other apartment buildings near Wiley and along 16th Ave near the Earl May Garden Center had windows busted in, doors torn off, parts of roofs missing.

Later we learned that over 1,000 homes had been deemed uninhabitable due to storm damage in Cedar Rapids by the CR city building inspection crews.

The tornado sirens had gone off at 12:08 in Cedar Rapids. It was now about 1:30 p.m. Fire and ambulance sirens echoed. There was no radio reception and our cell phones worked only randomly for a moment or two. At the corner of First Avenue and 8th SW two elderly men with chain saws and a group of teenagers, one with a hand saw, were trying to remove a tree from the south bound lane so that an ambulance could get through.

Getting out of the city was difficult. Highway 30 was closed between I-380 and the Blairstown exit due to downed power poles and several accidents. I-380 was closed through downtown and near 6th Street. Highway 151 south was closed due to construction and north of Cedar Rapids due to broken power lines. Many blocks of First Ave, 16th Avenue, 2nd Avenue, 8th Avenue, Cottage Grove and Edgewood Road, Williams Blvd and Kirkwood Ave. were closed for hours after the storm. Some remain closed today.

While neighborhood after neighborhood in Cedar Rapids was a ruin of felled power powers, twisted power lines, trees, torn buildings and parts of buildings. No quadrant in Cedar Rapids was spared. No school building in Cedar Rapids was spared. Many streets and side streets in Cedar Rapids will remain closed through this week as crews remove debris. Areas of the city are still without power as of Monday, August 17.

Benton County is devasted. Parts of Benton County were severally damaged including Norway, Watkins, Urbana, Shellsburg, Atkins, Newhall and their surrounding farms. Thousands of homes, outbuildings, and businesses were damaged in Benton County and much of the county was without power through Sunday.

Early on the morning of Wednesday, August 12 a fire broke out in the apartment building on Euclid and Bickel Street in Norway. Within moments the entire roof was ablaze, though under investigation, it's thought that the storm contributed to or caused the fire. Multiple families were left homeless.

Like many small towns in Iowa, Norway, Iowa population 545, has been taking matters into its own hands with volunteers pitching in to clear streets so that power can be restored. The steeple, spire and front portion of the St. Michael's Catholic Church was destroyed. Saturday volunteers removed the bells from St. Michael's so that they could be safely stored until the steeple is rebuilt.

All roads leading into Norway, save one gravel road from the north and the Watkins blacktop if you picked it up via a Class C road just west of Norway, were closed due to felled power poles. Every pole from the hill north of Norway to Highway 30 was snapped and laying upon the pavement on Highway 201. Poles lay across many gravel roads from Fairfax to Watkins to Keystone and beyond making it difficult to reach rural homes.

Over 30 large grain elevators owned by Heartland Co-op have been destroyed or severely damaged in Iowa and Benton County. Elevators were damaged in several towns, as were rail terminals and grain systems on many smaller operations and on farms across 25 counties in Iowa.

With so much damage to the power grid, some neighborhoods and cities were without power for 4 to 7 days following the storm. As of Monday portions of Benton County, Linn, Tama and Marshall may still be another week without power. No electrical power means no pumps to provide well water to livestock operations. A group of farmers in Benton and another in Linn County have organized volunteers via Facebook and texts to haul water via old tanker trucks to farms without water for livestock. One livestock farmer near rural Toddville was told it would be another week before power could be restored to his farm, though his generator was providing water to his home, he asked for water to be brought for his cattle and horses, his creek being dry.

Here are some of the facts as recorded by area newspapers, the Cedar Rapids Gazette, the Des Moines Register, the Waterloo Courier:

- Three lowans died as a result of injuries sustained in the storm.
- 600,000 lowans lost power.
- Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds has asked the federal government to declare 25 Iowa Counties a disaster area. August 13 she mobilized the National Guard.
- 10 million acres of lowa's corn and soybean crop were damaged or destroyed. That's about 43 percent of the total state crop.

By Emilie Hoppe

Amana Colonies Storm Damage Report

The good news: It could have been much worse. Reports of damage to homes has been confined to "holes in roofs" due to felled trees and limbs, window damage, siding, gutter and garage door damage.

The brick fire house attached to the former Middle Amana Store was all but destroyed when a large tree fell upon a corner of the building. The public restrooms at the Middle Amana Park were destroyed by a fallen tree and the Middle Amana Park as a whole has damage to trees, though thankfully some of the large cottonwoods and oaks still remain.

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Lakeview Village

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OBITUARY

Carole Ann Wallace entered into her eternal life on August 12, 2020. A memorial visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2020, at Hamilton's Altoona Funeral Home, 105 4th Street SW Altoona IA.

Carole Ann was born, January 30, 1940, in South Amana, Iowa to Don and Wilma Roggentine and lived in South Amana throughout her younger years.

Carol moved to Cedar Rapids to attend beauty school, where she became a licensed beautician.

Carole was united in marriage to Bob Wallace on October 15, 1961. To this union two children were born, Scott Andrew and Shawn Allen.

Carole was an accomplished barrel racer during her early years of marriage. When Bob and Carol's sons were young they relocated to Altoona, lowa. Carole worked in several local beauty shops over the years and enjoyed meeting new people and creating lasting friendships.

Carole was a bus driver for the Southeast Polk School District for over forty years. She loved driving the football and wrestling teams to their competitions. She also drove a school bus for several seasons in Wickenburg, Arizona, where, for many years, she and Bob spent their winters. Carole loved watching and participating in team roping as well as owning quarter horses. She was an avid animal lover.

Carole is survived by her loving husband of nearly 59 years, Bob Wallace; sons, Scott (Tamara) and Shawn (Beckie) Wallace; grandchildren, Nicholas (Tricia), Zachary (Lexie), Grant, Jack and Sydnie Wallace; great-granddaughter, Vera Wallace; sister, Deborah Hawkes; sisters-in-law, Karee Roggentine and Marie Johnson; as well as numerous nieces and nephews, other loving relatives, and many special friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Wilhelmina; brother, Dewayne "Buddy" Roggentine, and her brother-in-law, Mike Hawkes.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Animal Rescue League in loving memory of Carole.
Online condolences may be expressed at www.HamiltonsFuneralHome.com

CHARLIE'S HOMESTEAD MARKET

Next to old Fire Station-West End of Town Fresh Produce & Ginger Molasses Cookies

Saturday 10:00 - Noon (or until sold out)

Feathers from page 1

I felt so bad when I began to learn of all the destruction and how people were helping one another even cleaning up the cemeteries. It really and truly bothers me that I no longer can help because of my age and infirmities. It is truly a hard and bitter pill to swallow.

To compound the matter I have developed a rash that really hurts and makes me wonder what my use is. I tried cleaning yesterday only to get dizzy and then sick needless to say sleeping is a luxury these days, but not that it matters because I think of those people who still are without electricity and food.

Charlemagne said that 1/2 of the trees in Iowa have been destroyed or ruined because of the storm. The corn that is still standing has its leaves ripped off which means that the yield will be minimal. One man said he came over the hill only to find the once beautiful corn fields of Iowa flattened. How does one even clean something up like that then there are the thousands of houses that have trees or whatever fall on them and destroy rooms. Lots of those trees need to be moved with heavy equipment and yet there is that one man in Middle who went around helping clean up while a huge tree lay on his house. Talk about Christian love.

Personally I am so grateful for the underground wiring the generators and the bio-digester that the service company put in years ago I just didn't understand the whole concept until I took the time to explain it to me then came that horrible winter storm a few years back when I seen the whole country went without electricity except us and now this.

I want to thank the service company for all the work they do for our little island of a community to make life bearable in situations like this I want to thank all of you who have helped others to get our community back to looking better most of all I want to thank God for keeping us safe.

B.S.H.

News and Notes from page 1

Many trees were damaged, especially older trees and pine trees in all seven villages. Few yards were spared tree damage. Clean up in the seven villages progressed well through the week and by Monday, August 17 much of the tree debris had been removed. Though clean up work remains in several Amana Church cemeteries.

There are many storm heroes to acknowledge, but a hip, hip hooray and hats off to the Amana Society Service Co. crew members who have kept our electric power system up and running by manning the generators 24 hours a day. Thank you to the Amana Farms team who kept the debris from piling up at the South Amana dump. Also a big thank you to the 40 - plus volunteers who have been helping to clean up the Amana Church cemeteries. Finally thanks and hats off to, Cal Schulte, Eric Schulte and Digger Niebes who volunteered their time, chainsaws and heavy equipment all week helping many people, friends and strangers alike, remove larger trees and limbs. All of these efforts made the difference for all of us this week.

The bad news: Amana Farms corn and soybean crop has been damaged. John McGrath, Amana Farms manager, reported Monday, August 17, "Essentially all of the corn acres were impacted at some level. This ranges from leaves that are stripped off to plants that are broken off below the ear. Most of it lies somewhere in between with probably 50% of the corn severely impacted with the plant bent over or a partially broken stalk. The stripping of the leaves will definitely impact yield as the crop can't 'finish' properly and the kernels will only be partially filled with starch. This leads to what is called low test weight which is the same as low density."

"As far as insurance goes, we have what is called 'extra harvest expense' coverage which is specifically for downed corn. We will probably qualify for that on approximately 75% of the acres of corn. Insuring the crop for yield is based on an equation. It really comes down to the final yield after we have picked up what we can. If that yield multiplied by the harvest price, drops below a pre-determined revenue per acre, then there will be a claim. We can really only afford to insure at a disaster level so my guess is that there will be no payout due to revenue per acre." McGrath concluded.

Four Amana-owned grain bins in Watkins were dented and most of the old, unused barns sustained some wind damage. This will be assessed in the coming days, McGrath noted.

More Good News: Amana's Lights Were On

Before the storm even hit in anticipation of events, at about 11:50 a.m. the Amana Society Service Company team turned on the diesel generators in Middle Amana.

So when the power grid in lowa went down, the Amana Colonies power flickered, but it did not go out. Only South Amana saw a two-hour outage in one portion of the village.

As the power grid providing electric power to the Amana Society Service Company's service company was down, the diesel generators ran uninterrupted from Monday at 11:50 until 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12. So just under 48 hours running time, says Russ Eimers, Amana Society Service Co. manager.

These generators can run indefinitely as long as there is fuel available. As Eimers explained, "Fuel consumption is directly related to the electric load. In the hot summer days and Whirlpool operating at full capacity, fuel consumption can be around 800 gallons per hour. If it is cool outside, and Whirlpool is off completely (due to maintenance outage or snowstorm) fuel consumption can be as little as 200 gallons per hour. Getting fuel is normally not a problem if roads are passable. After this storm hit, roads were blocked by poles, trees and electric lines. Power was out in Coralville, so an alternate fuel depot was required. Waterloo had power and road access to the depot there was not a problem, although getting to the Amanas required a few detours. Trucks and drivers were also tied up or blocked in and in demand as a small peak in fuel use occurred due to use of generators and heavy equipment operation."

Asking Eimers how long they can run once they they have "full tanks" he responded, "If the tanks were full and Whirlpool was operating at full capacity, the fuel would last for about 60 hours. If trucks can get to us and fuel is available at the depot and there are depots in Coralville, Davenport, Des Moines and Waterloo, we can run indefinitely."

That's great news for Amana Colony residents who came to highly value their air conditioning, internet service and hot meals this past week as others were without in lowa.

Monday and Tuesday the ASI methane digester near West Amana was off-line due to scheduled maintenance. That too is a ready and real source of power for our community. The ASI methane digester can and normally does provide the entire power load required by Amana Colony residences and small businesses.

Was there any storm damage to our local village's power system? Eimers answered, "We had a limb go across an overhead line, we have very few of those, that caused an outage in South Amana for several hours. The section of overhead line was isolated and power was brought in from another direction by an underground line. We had many small street lights and lanterns and a couple taller lights sustain damage.

The Amana Society Service Co. has been removing trees and limbs from above or on our transformers and other electric equipment and has it has lent a hand with clean-up when it could. "We helped residents clear some streets immediately after the storm to allow traffic and emergency personnel better movement through the Colonies," Eimers added.



Colonial Manor is looking for a part time dietary aide. Hours are: 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm or 5:30 am - 10:00 am.

Please contact Tanya for more information 319-622-3131.

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AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT HPC Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda for the Regular Meeting August 24, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

I. Call Meeting to Order.

II. Set/Amend Agenda

- III. Review/approve the July meeting minutes IV. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:
- a. 2020-085. Lanny Haldy, 2612 220th Trail. Fence.
- b. 2020-093. Alan Brower, 5209 E Ave. Tuckpointing, replace non-historic window.
- c. 2020-095. AEBTMG Legacy Enterprises, 759 48th Ave., Replace wood decks, add handicap accessibility ramp, dumpster enclosure.
- d. 2020-097. Jerry Kilpatrick, 2604 220th Trail. Garage Extension.
- V. Other Business.
- a. Discussion/action: Appoint Photo contest judges
- b. Discussion/action: report from BOT/HPC joint subcommittees
- VI. Adjourn.