

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Am I the only one or are you like me too? The things I like doing best (needlework and reading) are things I rarely get as gifts.

My mother was a good example. She cooked and baked for others, but never was she invited to a meal in our house (We had 3 families living in our house when I was growing up).

I know how thrilled she was when Tanta Catherine Moershel would send her a birthday cake. Tanta Lina Rettig would give her 2 New Year's "pretzels" and she (mom) would give Tanta Lina two in return.

There is something about giving someone something they do because you figure you cannot do as well.

Well last Saturday I got a box from Marion Selzer Emge Ernge Eirge full of items her Oma had made over the years.

Talk about being in "hog heaven." I really wallowed in these treasures of crocheted doilies, filet tablecloth, cross-stitch sampler, etc.

All I could think about is why did I not learn some of these crafts before? I mean who does filet anymore? I think I know the basics, but that is not enough.

Crocheted or knitted doilies (to me) are works of art, but one wrong stitch and you either start over or give up.

I love doing needlepoint, but I'm a real snob about it. I have to have the right yarn and then just filling in the background takes forever although I have to admit it can be relaxing.

I so would like to do handwork again, but there are only so many pillows one can make. I've done some knitting and crocheting, but I need people to inspire me like Susan, all those "aunts," Esther, Mrs. Moershel, etc.

I know that there are people who do handcrafts, but where are you hiding?

Maybe this box of treasures will inspire me again. I've made Christmas stockings for everyone, be me - now that's an idea.

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AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda of the Regular Meeting February 28, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in Amana Heritage Museum Auditorium and via Zoom

I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Set Agenda

III. Review/Approve January 2022 Minutes

IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda

V. Discussion/Action on the following permit application(s) in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

a. 2022-012. Amana Society Inc., current agricultural land east of the Amana Furniture Shop. ACOS. Application for a Rezoning Permit. Wish to change zoning from ACOS to ACOS-NA. For a Disc Golf Course.

b. 2022-013. Amana Colonies Bakery and Popcorn/ Victoria Kirby/agent ServPro of Cedar Rapids, 4522 220th Trail Amana. HP-C. Had fire in upstairs and attic of building. ServPro to replace shingles on roof due to fire damage. Also replace quantity two (2) one pane attic windows.

c. 2022-014. Amana Colonies Bakery and Popcorn/ Victoria Kirby/agent ServPro of Cedar Rapids, 4522 220th Trail Amana. HP-C. Want to install a treated wood staircase on SW side of house. Existing 34" x 61" window/frame would be removed and replaced with new 3' x 6'-8" six panel solid wood core/steel clad door at top of second floor stair landing.

d. Grant Application – Monys Hagen – 1007 26th Ave Middle Amana – Wishes to receive HP Grant money in regard to repairing and stabilizing an outbuilding which was previously a washhouse/woodshed/out-house. The HP Grant Review Committee reviewed this request on 2/8/22 and recommended forwarding to the HPC. Potential grant amount of \$2433. Request was in before the 2/15/22 deadline.

VI. Other Business:

a. Update on a potential Photography Contest in 2022.

b. Update on grant application for the federal Paul Bruhn Revitalization Grant.

c. Set aside time to review HPC work on updating various section(s) of the Zoning Ordinances.

VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)

VIII. Adjourn

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