

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Amana Church services are live streamed from the church on FM 93.5 and Facebook. Limited in church attendance offered.

The **Good Friday** Worship Service will be in Amana on Friday, April 02, 2021 starting at 7:00 P.M. with Elder Peter Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" No. 85 vs 1-3

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, Bergzabern, February 1, 1738

Scripture: John 18:28 – 19:42 (Elder will read)

Closing Hymn: "Christ the Life of All the Living" No. 48, vs 1-3, 7

(Song Sheets provided)

The **Easter Sunday** Service will be in Amana Sunday, March 28, 2021, starting at 10:00 AM with Elder Elly Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" No. 220

Testimony: Metz, Haag, April 20, 1835 and Metz Ronneburg, April 3, 1831 (excerpts)

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Psalm 20

Hymn: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" No. 203

Closing Hymn: "Praise to the Lord the Almighty" No. 74 (Song Sheets Provided)

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

SERIOUS ACCIDENT ON HIGHWAY 151

Wednesday, March 31 about 6:30 a.m. a multi-vehicle collision on Highway 151, north of Amana, near the street that adjoins the Amana Colonies RV Park, resulted in at least one person receiving serious injuries.

The Iowa State Highway Patrol, Iowa County Rescue, a Life Guard helicopter and the Amana Fire Department were called to the scene. According to Iowa County Sheriff Rob Rotter a female driver southbound on 151 struck a northbound semi-trailer truck. The female driver was airlifted to a local hospital with serious injuries. The semi driver was not injured.

No further information, including the names of the drivers, was known as of press time on Wednesday.

AMANA SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Amana Sanitary District will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, April 05, 2021 in the Amana Sanitary lift station.

BIG G RECEIPTS FOR THE LIBRARY

Please turn in Big G receipts to the Amana Library by Friday, April 2. They can be put in the outside blue book return. The last day for the receipts to be valid is March 31, 2021. Thank you for your continued support of Amana Elementary.

AMANA ARTS GUILD NEWS

We would like to announce the opening of the Amana Arts Guild's new shop and gallery, now known as the GALLERY ON MAIN at 4502-220th Trail, Amana. We will continue our tradition of selling all handmade items from the area. Stop and visit, our hours for April and May will be Friday and Saturday 11-6 and Sunday 11-4 (Closed Easter). Our buildings in High Amana will continue to host our classes and workshops.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Before we were glued to the television we listened to the radio. Saturday mornings I would be found laying on the hall floor between our and our parents' bedrooms causing quite a log jam listening to the "Lone Ranger."

My Tanta Mae was always impressed that I knew the "William Tell Overture," I just didn't tell her it was the theme music for the "Lone Ranger" program.

The other program was the "Arthur Godfrey Program" which would eventually go to television (as did the "Lone Ranger"). Truthfully I was not the one who liked it that much, but my mother did.

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Easter at the Amana Church

Please invite family, friends and neighbors to join in celebrating Easter!

Everyone is welcome to all services and events. View on line via the Amana Church Facebook page or attend in person.

Face masks will be worn at all services/ events & please follow our COVID policy.

Good Friday Worship Service
Friday, April 2, 7 p.m. at the Amana Church

Easter morning rolls, coffee & juice
Sunday, April 4, 9 a.m. out of doors (weather allowing) at the Amana Church, Amana

Easter Sunday Worship

Easter Sunday, April 4, 10 a.m.

at the Amana Church, in Amana

Easter Egg Hunt for the kids *after* the 10 a.m. Easter Worship at the Amana Church, Amana

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Amana Water Tower Comes Down

Work began again this week to take down the Amana water tower in the village of Amana.

Kyle Fisher, general manager, DW Zinser, notified the Amana Society, Inc. Monday that they were about to restart work for the spring season with the removal of the water tower in Amana scheduled for Wednesday – Thursday. As of press time, that was underway. DW Zinser is under contract to complete the removal of the water towers on the north side of the Iowa River in the Amana Society Service Co. area as the new water tower in Middle Amana is providing water to West Amana, High Amana, Middle Amana, Amana and East Amana.

The unused Middle Amana water tower located near the fire department will remain in place until the leases expire for the cell phone communications hardware fixed to the water tower. That will be in about two years, explained Greg Luerkens, president and CEO, Amana Society, Inc.

The towers in East Amana, West Amana and High Amana were removed in 2020.

Middle Amana Park Construction Park Clean up Day April 24

The August 10, 2020 derecho felled several large oak trees in the Middle Amana Park one of which fell directly onto the public restroom destroying its roof and an entire wall of the concrete block structure.

Now construction is underway to build a new public restroom at the park. Laura Sue Wood, Amana Society, Inc. reported that Mike Sandersfeld Construction, Amana, is building the new public restroom and the new, modern building with showers for those who are camping at the park, will be open later this spring. The goal being to have the restrooms ready for the events, public and private, scheduled for the park as well as for spring soccer.

As she said, "Insurance is paying for the majority of the work, and Amana Society is contributing to the balance. We have had a couple of generous individuals donate as well, however they have asked that their names not be mentioned." She thanked the donors for their help.


"We are hoping to have a Community Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. to noon. If you could help us get the word out, we would really appreciate it!

Volunteers will be asked to pick up limbs, trash, do some raking and generally tidy up the park. Help is needed, especially after last summer's derecho and the recent high winds which have brought down tree limbs and branches.

Shrek The Musical at CCA High: LIVE

It's been a long time coming but "Shrek The Musical" will be performed LIVE April 15, 16 and 17 at the

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AMANA SOCIETY
2021
SCHOLARSHIPS

The Amana Society Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the Amana Society will be awarding up to three \$1000.00 scholarships to graduating high school seniors attending an accredited college or university in 2021.

Applicants must be either currently employed by the Amana Society, a child or grandchild of a current full-time Amana Society employee, or a child or grandchild of an Amana Society stockholder.

Application forms are available at the Amana Society Main Office front desk or by contacting Bruce Trumpold directly at 319-622-7526/ brumpold@amanas.net. Forms may also be downloaded at www.amanasociety.com.

Thank you.
Amana Society, Inc.

Clear Creek Amana High School Performing Arts Center with limited seating at 30 percent of capacity. Performances will be April 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. and April 17 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Adults \$10 and students \$5. Activity passes may be used. While definitely fun for all ages, don't forget to bring your grandkids to see it. Due to copyright and licensing restrictions the show cannot be featured on the school's Facebook page or website.

CCA's "Shrek" features a big cast of talented high schoolers under the direction of Tracy Williams, Tom Milligan and Deb Kennedy with choreography by Fawn Boston – Halter. In order to allow for safe social distancing, and yes, masks, dance numbers and other action sequences are being creatively staged said Kennedy. The audience should expect some surprises including the appearance of a dragon! Two members of the CCA Class of 2020 will be returning to help with the production Samantha Scheetz and Grant Versteegh.

Cast members: Joey Lepire, Laurel Preston, Morgan Malli, Alex Barloon, Dakaria Matthews, Teagen Bollers, Grant Versteegh, Samantha Scheetz, Brock Sherman, Alyssa Vance, Audrey Rice, Rachel Astorino, Sadie Rummel, Natalie Stewart, Sedona Helmke, Ace Helgens, Ashlyn Pitcher, Moriah Karkosh, Jerrell Rush, Braydon Crawford, Lexi Baty, Sydney Emmel, Gwen Choun, Kaitlin Watson, Anne Lode, Mary Macumber, Tyler Mundt, Nash Fisher, Viola Laffey.

Technical support: Dawson Williams and Ben MacCumber.

\ Presented through special arrangement with MTI. Music by Jeanine Tesori. Book by David Lindsay-Abaire.

What is the Amana Look?

Not long ago, a neighbor asked, "Why do Amana homes have trellises on them?" A new resident to the Amana Colonies, he wasn't aware of the history of Amana colony homes and the specific features of Amana colony architecture. (See answer below).

Yes, there are things that make Amana colony homes and barns look different from others and yes, it's important that we all try to do our part to maintain that look.

Why? Well, because it's part of our community history and community story. Doing so demonstrates our pride in our community and in our homes. Plus it helps keep Amana looking unique and thus attractive to visitors. Why is that important you might ask? Because hundreds of jobs and much tax income including retail sales taxes, hotel – motel sales tax and gas taxes are generated in our villages through tourism.

The visitor oriented, commercial businesses/ en
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HELP WANTED

Fireside Winery (Marengo) is hiring a Full Time Tasting Room Manager. Fri-Sunday plus 2 week day shifts. Benefits include Medical, Dental, Vision, Paid Vacation and 401K Match. Please email cassie@firesidewinery.com for more information.

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Perhaps because his name was "Arthur" (same as my father), or it might be the reddish-brown hair which was always spoken about, or maybe because he wore these outlandish Hawaiian shirts which were the rage in the 1950's.

I think, however, my mother and her love for personalities listened in because he had a problem with his hip and had consulted with doctor from the University of Iowa.

It just so happened that this doctor also was the Iowa Football team's doctor and was a specialist in this type of surgery. The fact that my cousin Betty Jane, was his head nurse didn't hurt either.

It seems as if we were dealing with royalty and would use any and all excuses to find out more about this celebrity. The thought that he might come to Iowa City - a mere 18 miles away - put my mother into another world.

Once Godfrey wanted to send his private plane to bring the doctor to him, but the doctor refused to be at the beck and call of Godfrey and would not leave Iowa City. This caused my mother a few days of morning, followed by anger that Godfrey thought Iowa was not good enough for him to visit. The radio/television was silenced for awhile.

Eventually tempers cooled and the program came back on.

One evening the phone rang and a whispered conversation went on. It seemed that none other than Frank Parker, one of the lead singers of the Godfrey show was eating at the Ox Yoke Inn. No one was supposed to know, but we all had party lines in those days and my Tanta Louise had let it slip.

All of a sudden we were all off. Tanta with enough costume jewelry to light up the margue and my mother who kept saying over and over again that she was going to check closely if he really did wear a toupee. My father naturally had his camera that would cause permanent blindness if you looked straight at the flash.

Bill Leichsenring Sr., with his family was waiting for us outside of the room they had placed the celebrity so he would not be disturbed by his fans (I guess we didn't count).

We all came in, were introduced, pictures taken, and of course inspected what he was eating. My sister, Kathryn, and Kathy Leichsenring approved since their favorite (sauerkraut) was front and center.

We then left and discussed his clothes. (He had a blue blazer which was not seen too much in those days) Whether he wore a wig or not was never resolved.

Years later Godfrey would fire a man by the name of Julius La Rosa on the air (Godfrey explained later La Rosa lacked "humility"). It seems that was the "beginning of the end" of Arthur Godfrey.

B.S.H.

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.

SOUTH DUMP NOTICE

What is commonly referred to as the South Dump, is private property and **only** for the use of Amana Society stock holders living within the Amana Colonies, and may be under 24 hour photo surveillance.

Absolutely No burning is permitted at the South Dump. Burning is dangerous and not compliant with DNR Regulations.

Only organic compostable yard refuse is allowed, and users **must** empty & remove plastic bags or other containers used to transfer yard waste. Lumber, and other building material, & trash dumping is absolutely **NOT** permitted. Leaf bags are **not** organic and will be emptied and removed.

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 those abuses, to Amana Society Conservation at 319-213-3445.

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**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT
Notice of Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Ordinance Changes. April 12, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Via Zoom App.**

The Amana Colonies Land Use District will hold a Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance changes on April 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The full text of the proposed changes may be found at:

<https://aclud.org/next-bot-meeting/>

- I. Call Public Hearing to Order
- II. Set Agenda.
- III. Receive Public Input on proposed Ordinance Changes.
- IV. Adjourn.

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terprises in the seven villages employ people plus they pay property taxes, fire district, library and Amana Colonies Land Use District taxes all of which support our schools, fire and 911 services, community pool, library, village streets, snow removal and law enforcement. (The Amana Society pays for, maintains our Middle Amana and Lily Lake side park). Local businesses, including the Amana Society, also provide much needed donations for the Amana Arts Guild, the Amana Heritage Society, Amana Library, the Amana Colonies Trails, the Amana Colonies Food Pantry and the various youth groups.

Additionally, could the population of Amana, some 1,700 people, afford an Amana Arts Guild, the Amana Heritage Society and the Kolonieweg trail without the visitors who buy products, attend festivals and buy tickets to see the museum sites? No, probably not.

Therefore, it's important that our villages look attractive and help tell our story as a community.

So what can you do?

1) Education yourself. Go to the Amana Colonies Land Use District website for policy and suggestions for Amana properties, zoning and signage rules. Its website has several good resources on Amana architecture and style. Before you paint, build or tear down. Get the facts. If you don't know ask for help at the Amana Colonies Land Use District office speaking with Elly Heohnle, the staff person there. Also check out books on old Amana at the Amana Heritage Museum and the Amana Community Library. The staff at the Amana Heritage Society may be able to help you locate historic photos of your property. They also sell books on historic Amana that have photos of the villages, homes and buildings so that you can get a sense of how colony gardens, yards and buildings looked.

2) Know what's important. Keeping architectural features is important. There are ways to modify your home/ outbuildings if you need to, but take a look at how your home/ building used to look first and then see what you can do to make it look good without destroying its historic character as expressed in its

SERVICES

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Wanted: Lawn mowing jobs, Berend and Jurgen Sandersfeld. Call Berend at 319-213-2484

HELP WANTED

The Amana Visitor Center is hiring a public restroom cleaner to begin asap. Cleaning takes 1 hour, 5 days a week: M,W,F, Sat, Sun. Times are flexible but days are not. Please email director@amanacolony.com for more information.

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color, entry ways and doors, size and spacing of the paned windows, chimney and original roof line.

3) Try not to deviate. A bright red door might be cool in a magazine, but it will really stick out on your historic Amana home or woodshed. Amana homes were brick, sandstone or unpainted wood. Doors were either white or unpainted and therefore a grey/ weathered color. Window frames were white or sometimes the storm windows were painted a deep forest green. Roofs/ shingles were neutral in color. No colored (green, black, red or blue) shingles or colored metal was used. When painting your wood-frame home consider the color choice carefully, certain color choices are proscribed in the historic districts of Amana so check the rules first.

4) Maintain what you have. A coat of paint. A picked up yard. Removal of dead trees and overgrown shrubs, removal of trash, old cars, rusty metal, broken fences, tires, garbage cans, unused playground equipment all helps improve the look, and the value of your property.

5) What about my fence or deck? There are rules in the Amanas on fence and deck construction if you live in a communal era (built before 1932) home. Check the rules before you construct a fence or deck. Go to the ACLUD website.

6) Can I build on my lot? Check out the building code before construction. You can't place a mobile home in your yard. Nor can you build right on property lines and street right of ways. Know the rules for your neighborhood before your build.

7) Maintain your sidewalk. Removal of concrete sidewalks in historic neighbors (where the older homes are) is prohibited by Iowa County.

8) What about yard ornaments? If your goal is to maintain an "Amana look" steer clear of lawn ornaments, plastic flowers or fountains. Natural wood trellises, flowers along the foundation of the home and in beds, and avoiding the use of plastic would be a good policy. Trellises were maintained on homes so that grape vines could be grown for wine, jam and juice. They provided shade for the building walls thus they are energy savers, helping to keep the home cool. Many residents use them for flowering vines today