

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, May 12, 2024 starting 8:30 A.M. with Br. Peter Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Gelobet seist Du, Jesu Christ" No. 316 Seite

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, Ronneburg, August 13, 1724

Scripture: Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalms 01

Closing Hymn: "Nun danket alle Gott" No. 728 Seite

The Late Service will start at 10:00 A.M. with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "All Praise to Jesus' Hallowed Name" No. 10

Closing Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God" No. 89

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service (Nachtgebet) begins at 7:00 P.M. in Middle.

Registration for VBS 2024 is open. Take the dive into God's love as we SCUBA in the sea! VBS will be July 15-19 at Amana Elementary. A link to register is on the church website.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 A.M. Service

Links to services posted online may be found at: <https://amanachurch.com/category/podcast/>

RED CROSS LIFE GUARDING COURSE

A new 2024 version of the Red Cross life guarding course will be offered at the Amana Pool in Middle Amana on May 11 and May 18. These will be long days with mandatory attendance. Students will need to be competent swimmers. Potential guards must be 15 by the end of class.

Contact TJ Croco at 319-430-9181 for further information.

This class will be great for learning life-long skills, gaining employment, developing leadership skills, enhancing communication skills, and more!

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

A year ago, Charlemagne subscribed to the Iowa City Press Citizen, three days a week. It was at a reduced rate, so why not try it?

My father loved his newspapers. He had the Cedar Rapids Gazette, Iowa City Press Citizen, Des Moines Register, Marengo Pioneer Republican, Chicago Tribune and, of course, the Amana Society Bulletin, all of which he literally read from cover to cover. How was I to know that I would marry into a family that loved reading the paper as much as mine did?

It seems like an unwritten law that the oldest male member of the house is the first one allowed to read the paper which, if his name is "Charles" means that the rest of the family is doomed to read the paper in parts because it's either scattered around the room or has had articles cut out of it.

I used to read "Dear Abby" all of the time, and through it, noticed how we as a society evolved over time. In my high school years, mothers were writing in about sons and daughters who were bringing home "friends" of the opposite sex that they knew their children were sleeping with. How should they handle the sleeping arrangements when couples came? Then came questions about interracial dating, marriage, and children, and then LGBTQ rights. Times have changed in the last fifty years, and what we considered of major importance then seems quaint, or as if it never happened at all.

People who fought in the Vietnam War are now considered old. Women are allowed to get charge cards on their own (something not possible more than fifty years ago). Divorce is no longer a stigma, as it once was. You do not have to wear a hat to church. The changes go on and on, including the price of a newspaper.

B.S.H.

AMANA SOCIETY, INC. SHAREHOLDER INVITATION

Amana Society Inc. Old and New Class "A" shareholders are invited to enjoy Amana Beef burgers and refreshments prior to the Amana Society Inc. Annual Shareholder Meeting on May 13th, 2024. Food and refreshments will be served in the courtyard area of the Amana Performing Arts Center (formally the Old Creamery Theater) beginning at 5:30 p.m.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Whirlpool Layoffs Impact Amana

In March Whirlpool announced that job cuts could be expected and laid off workers. Then in April a second wave of job cuts was made, including some at the Amana plant.

Based upon Whirlpool statements 1,000 salaried employees will lose their jobs. Whirlpool has about 59,000 employees worldwide.

Whirlpool has owned the Amana refrigeration plant in Middle Amana since 2006.

Lay-offs of salaried employees have occurred at the Amana plant this spring as word has circulated that the "lab" at the plant will close August 31. This was reported by KCRG last week, but was unconfirmed by the corporation.

April 25 Whirlpool corporate offices in Benton Harbor issued this statement as follows:

"As announced in March, Whirlpool Corporation is moving to a more simplified and focused organizational model to support its continued transformation into a higher-growth, higher-margin business that will enable its long-term success. The company is shifting to a decentralized model with more autonomous business units and a leaner, more strategic corporate center..."

"The first wave impacts were shared in March, focusing on the top layers of the organization and select areas of work. The second wave impacts the remainder of the organization, and those details are being shared today. Impacted employees will receive transition support, including a comprehensive severance package and other services.

These are not easy choices, but they are required to secure the long-term success of the company."

InvestorPlace, an online stock watch newsletter reported on April 25, "layoffs are the talk of Wall Street today as the appliance giant announced it will cut about 1,000 salaried positions worldwide as part of a cost-cutting effort. The surprise job cuts have clearly hit home with investors, as WHR stock eyes an over 10% loss in early trading," wrote Shrey Dua, InvestorPlace reporter.

Amana Performing Arts Center Where Creative Theater Happens

We've already seen some exciting events at the Amana Performing Arts Center this year, but there's more great fun and entertainment coming up. This weekend see the Iowa premier of the acclaimed comedy "A Trick of the Light" by Peter Moore.

This play was a hit in Minneapolis and in Door County. In Door it was presented by the Peninsula Players in Fish Creek where drama critic Warren Gerds wrote, "the audience is pulled along ... pretty much laughing all the way." Playwright, Peter Moore is a Minneapolis actor and writer and will be in Amana for the Friday night show and so the audience will have the opportunity to meet him and hear his take on this production of his play.

TKM's Amana production stars five midwestern actors, all of whom, have delighted area audiences: Rip Russell, Ken Van Egdon, Duane Larson, Valerie Davine and Samantha Scheetz.

Here the plot: When, Eddie, a comfortably settled, middle-aged guy, discovers one day out of the blue that he has the ability to vanish at will, his life both unravels hilariously and becomes extraordinary. Meanwhile his wife, Beth, believes he is either pulling her leg or has lost his mind. His astonished friends who can see (and not see)

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AMANA SOCIETY 2024 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Amana Society Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the Amana Society has awarded the 2024 Amana Society, Inc. Scholarships to Reese Stockman of Homestead and Jack Stephens of Brooklyn, IA. All applicants are to be commended for their hard work and wonderful academic records. Congratulations and best wishes to all graduating seniors!



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ART GUILD EVENTS NEWS

Registrations are open for the 2024 Festival of the Arts and the 2024 Amana Plein Air fresh paint event. For more information and to sign up interested artists should visit amanaartsguild.com.

We are hiring for the brand-new position of Meat Specialist!

This is a shared position between Amana Farms Beef, a direct-to-consumer beef program, and the Amana Meat Shop, a long-time retail, online, and wholesale provider of fresh and smoked meats. This role is ideal for self-motivated and flexible individuals, preferably with experience cutting meat. Tasks for the Meat Specialist will include using knives, operating meat grinders and other equipment, and inventory management. For more information on this job or to apply, visit our ad on Indeed or contact Laura Sue at 319-622-3953 or lswoods@amanas.net.

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hugely impressed but of no help. Playing fast and loose with time, place and imagination, "A Trick of the Light" explores how the world perceives us all and what can happen when we aren't seen.

Moore said in an interview with The Playwrights Center, a Minneapolis-based international program for playwrights and theatre-makers, "I like crisp, well-written dialogue, an interesting plot/story and characters who are living everyday lives." Moore has been a stage and film actor for more than 30 years with a long list of impressive credits acting, directing and writing credits.

Milligan said in a recent interview with Dennis Green of KCKK FM that the play was written in 2019. When Deb Kennedy read the first 15 pages of the script she was hooked and "wanted to know what happens on page 16, so that was a good sign!" Then diving into the script they knew they wanted to produce and direct it, so they brought in a super talented cast to make it happen.

Tickets are on sale right now. \$25. Contact Deb Kennedy at deborahkennedy@live.com or call 319-899-3799. Showtimes: Friday, 2 and 7:30 a.m.; Saturday 7:30 and Sunday at 3 p.m. Meet Peter Moore opening night, May 10.

Last year Amana's TKM Productions hosted 13 plays and shows at APAC. This year TKM has already got 13 scheduled events, camps and shows coming up at the PAC. TKM founders and directors Deb Kennedy and Tom Milligan have so many fun things planned it's exciting to hear them describe their season.

- May 10 – 12 "A Trick of the Light"
• May 25 – Funk Daddies Returns to the APAC courtyard. 6 – 9 p.m. One night only.

• June 10 – 14 "Johnny and Me" Youth Theatre Camp at APAC. Registration is open now for theatre camp for kids ages 7 and up taught by experienced youth educators/ theatre professionals. From 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Amana Performing Arts Center. Kids will act, sing and dance in a show they perform June 14, 7 p.m.

More shows, touring company productions and events planned for August – December. See the TKM website and follow them on Facebook for details.

Maifest Dodged the Drops

Amana collectively held its breath Saturday morning when huge, black clouds rolled in from the west and dumped rain upon the villages. Though needed, the timing of this rain could have been better as the villages were gearing up for the 10 a.m. Maifest parade to kick off the annual spring festival.

Dire weather predications Friday kept the marching bands and some visitors at home Saturday morning, but to the delight of the locals and all the visitors who had braved the day, the rain stopped by 9:30 a.m. and patches of blue sky began to appear as the streets dried off. Yes, by parade time the rain was over and the show went on.

Was it the biggest Maifest? No, it was not. Plenty of folks stayed away Saturday but the crowds increased by mid-day and it was a respectable showing crowd-size-wise according to long-time main street festival observers and merchants. Said one main street merchant, "All told it could have been much worse. . . The entertainment was excellent and I'm just so glad the rain held off and we really had a very nice weekend. Sunday was very good."

Garage Sale: 2812 G St Middle Amana. Friday, May 10: Noon - 5 pm; Saturday, May 11: 9 am - 3 pm; Sunday, May 12: 11 am - 3 pm. Lots of Tools; Some Furniture; Complete Paint Ball Set with Equipment for 3; Vintage Harley Saddle bags; Lots of Misc. ~

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HELP WANTED

Sales associated needed for every other Saturday. Must be 18 years old as will be serving samples of wine. Please contact Don at Village Winery in Amana.

We are hiring! All kitchen jobs, full or part-time, starting at age 14. Will work with school and sports schedules. Part-time host needed as well. Nights and weekends required. Stop in and get an application! Ronneburg Restaurant 4408 220th Trl 319-622-3641

The Amana Colonies Visitor Center is seeking a Visitor Center Customer Support Associate. If you would like to help people learn about what Amana has to offer, we would love to have you at the Amana Colonies Visitors Center. This position includes retail and tour sales, assisting visitors with questions and providing them with resources. Flexible schedule is available. Stop in or contact us at director@amanacolony.com for more information.

COMPANION/PET

Looking for a home for a friendly, healthy, senior male cat. Moving to an apartment and cannot take him. Would be happiest with a single person or couple. Contact Tony Grimm or Carmen Grimm. 319-389-3694.

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AMANA AREA FELLOWSHIP COME ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY Sunday Church Services @ 9:00 a.m. Next Services: May 19th, June 2nd, June 16th & June 22nd At the Amana Performing Arts Center (Former Old Creamery Theatre) www.amanaareafellowship.org

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WINNERS OF THE MAIFEST PARADE The Maifest parade was held on Sat. May 4 and despite an earlier downpour, the clouds parted, and the sun shone on the annual event. Grand Marshals for the Parade were the Clear Creek-Amana 4A Girls State Championship Basketball Team. The Parade Theme was "May the Fest Be With You". referencing the date "May the Fourth" (Star Wars Day). The 20 entries were judged in 3 categories by an impartial panel of judges: Ricky Bartlett of KMRY, Diana Nollen of The Gazette, Ben Macumber of CC-A, and Susan Macumber of the Arts Guild. • The Best Use of Theme went to the Bank Haus for their Star Wars warship. • The Most Humorous award went to KAABA Shriners for their Hillbilly limo. • The Judge's Choice Award went to Amana Woolen Mill-Warped and Woven Mill Mercantile for their Wookies and Obi-Wan Kenobi 'May the Fleece be With You'. The Festival Director would like to thank the parade committee of Deb Kennedy and Paulette Dietrich and a big thank you to Dennis Hahn and the Fire Dept for helping line-up the parade in the rain.

May 9-10-11 Hours 10-6 Sat. 10-4 Safe Haven's "Plants for Pets" (319) 622-7387 2783 Hwy 6 Trail, South Amana

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD) Notice of Board of Trustees (BOT) Meeting and Tentative Agenda May 13, 2024 – 7 p.m. ACLUD office, 4304 220th Trail Amana & via ZOOM link. I. Call Meeting to Order II. Set Agenda III. Review/Approve the April 8, 2024 Public Hearing and BOT Meeting Minutes. IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda. V. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District: a. 2024-022. Eric and Marsha Reihmann/ 709 13th Ave High Amana/ HP-R / Privacy fencing around back yard above ground swimming pool. Treated lumber, 7.5 ft from west property line, 15 feet from south property line. Gate on east side and west side. b. 2024-024. Tim and Lacie Blattner / 309 52nd Ave East Amana / HP-R / Replacing quan 21 windows w double hung vinyl. Quan 1 assembly of three 9/6 windows with two mullions, quan 1 assembly of two 6/3 windows with one mullion, quan one 4/4 casement style window and quan 18 6/6 windows. Removing one exterior door, cover over that spot with siding painted to match existing. VI. Other Business. a. Discussion/Action: Review potential responses from both law office and SHPO regarding development of a "Preservation-Conservation Covenant and Easement for the Homestead Blacksmith Shop. As of May 6th no responses. b. Discussion/Action: Need a motion to elect Scott Geiger as the new Amana Colonies Land Use District Clerk. c. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2024-02. d. Discussion/Action: Status report on demolition progress for 2022-101. e. Discussion/Action: review status of ACLUD Administrator's transition in 2024. f. Discussion/Action: HPC recommends to form an ad-hoc committee which would determine which 30 people would be best to participate in this fall's CAMP training modules. VII. Review/Approve May Disbursements Report. VIII. Review/Approve the April Treasurer's Report. IX. President's Report (if applicable). X. Administrator's Report. XI. Adjourn.