

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

In order to best care for each other, masks shall be worn in all church buildings at all times. Masks are available at the church for those who forget to bring theirs.

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, October 17, 2021, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Peter Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Jesu! Deine reine Liebe" No. 511 Seite 507

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, Freudenstein, October 8, 1719

Scripture: Mark 10:35-45  
Psalm 91

Closing Hymn: "Horet doch, ihr lieben Seelen" No. 435 Seite 432

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

Opening Hymn: "Jesus! Thy Pure Love Preserve Me" No. 96

Closing Hymn: "Hark, Dear Souls, Do Listen Closely" No. 100

Saturday Evening Fellowship, will meet in Amana at 5:30 PM.

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

### Presentation

Former Amana Heritage Society employee, former Amana resident, and all-around nice person, Jennifer Engelkemier, is back in the United States. She has been working training translators in Thailand and has returned to spend time with family and friends. The Amana Church's Benevolent Giving Committee has arranged for Jennifer to present a program to church and community members about her work. The presentation will be in the Middle church on October 17 at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Visitors are welcome to join us in worship.**

## CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES

The Amana Boy Scouts, Troop 223, will again be offering Christmas wreaths and outdoor balsam roping for sale to all residents and businesses in our community.

The wreaths are 24" and have a red bow and 2 pinecones as decoration. These are \$16.00 ea.

Roping is available in 3 lengths: 25 ft - \$24.00, 50 ft - \$48.00 and 100 ft - \$96.00.

The roping needs to be pre-ordered by **October 21st . No Exceptions.**

The sale of wreaths to residents is planned for Saturday November 20th. For your convenience the wreaths will be available immediately for purchase as Scouts go door to door.

If you are unable to be at home on November 20th and wish to purchase a wreath or **pre-order your roping**, please call Gary Heishman, Amana at 319-622-3039, by October 21st.

## SCOUTING FOR FOOD

The Amana Cub and Boy Scouts along with some help from the Amana Church Youth Group will be distributing Scouting for Food Bags between Sat. Oct 16 and Wed. Oct 20th to homes in the Amanas. If you happen to not get a bag you may use any plastic bag.

The pickup date is Saturday Oct. 23 starting about 8:30, so please have your filled bags out by 8:00 and make sure they are visible from the road.

Items that are collected will stay in Amana benefitting the Amana Church Food Pantry.

Donation ideas – canned fruit and veggies, hearty soups, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, pancake syrup, paper products (paper towels, toilet paper). Any shelf stable product. Please DO NOT have glass jars or homemade products. Questions contact Charlotte Heishman 319-622-3039 or Dawn Ball 319-310-7526.

## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Donation to Save Lives Much Appreciated

The Amana Community got a much needed helping hand from Compass Memorial Healthcare, Marengo. Compass Memorial donated five Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) to be placed in the Amana Colonies.

Amana Society staff members felt there was a real need for the AEDs especially at or near areas where groups of people congregate or exercise. Bruce Trumpold, Amana Society, corporate secretary / treasurer, contacted Compass Memorial and Compass CEO, Barry Goettsch offered to work on the problem and within days, notified Trumpold that Compass Memorial would donate 5 AED units to be placed within the community. The units have been received.

The AED units are computer automated for easy use by non-medical personnel so training is minimal. The device is used to quickly analyze the heart rhythm in people who are experiencing cardiac arrest and when appropriate, it delivers an electrical shock to the heart to restore it to normal rhythm. Any required training will be through Compass Memorial and the Amana Society. The American Red Cross provides an online training course that is easy to follow.

"We are currently working to place them strategically within the community, hopefully a couple will be outside (in weather secure boxes) for quick access. Other community groups have offered to provide assistance in locating and funding any needed infrastructure for the AED units," said Trumpold, noting that the Amana First Responders, County 911 Ambulance Service and the Amana Fire Department will help determine where the AED's should be placed.

"We are very thankful for the support shown by Compass Memorial for the Amana community! The Amana Society felt that additional access to AEDs would be very valuable. Particularly given our aging population here in our villages and with the number of visitors walking our streets daily. We reached out to Compass, as a new medical provider in town, about the AED need, Compass CEO Barry Goettsch graciously offered to work on the problem and within days agreed to provide 5 AED units to be placed within the Amana community." Trumpold said.

### Amana First Responders

#### Volunteers Respond to the Challenge

The dedicated volunteers who serve as Amana's First Responders have been hard at work rebuilding after a couple of years when the volunteer Amana First Responders had just two members.

Today, led by volunteer director Lucas Miller of South Amana, the Amana First Responders has 4 fully trained, first responders who are doing the job, and 3 more individuals who are completing their EMT (emergency medical technician) training at Kirkwood College so that they will soon be added to the rotation of Amana First Responders.

This is a very good because the Amana Colonies with a larger elderly population living at home has one of the highest emergency call rates for any community in Iowa County. Miller told us that the 911 dispatcher receives almost 200 calls a year from the seven villages. Only the North English area has more emergency calls.

The Amana First Responders used the Amana Society Bulletin this summer to reach out to the community and raised over \$6,000 to pay for training three volunteers. These volunteers are taking a 5 month training course at Kirkwood Community College that includes 8 hours of class training a week (usually two, four-hour sessions during a week.) The cost of the training is \$2,400 per person.

"We put a call in the Amana Bulletin and we got a great response. We had overwhelming support from the community. . . We had several individuals step forward to volunteer as first responders and three were able to enter training," Miller said.

The Amana First Responders pays for the training and every dollar is raised locally or is from local grants. There are no state or federal dollars avail

able for local first responders.


Miller, who has been the director for two years, is encouraged by the progress. "We are getting there. We are building from the ground up." He said the group is able to respond to about 90 percent of the calls its receives. Of course there are times when there are no volunteers in the area who can respond, hence more trained people are needed.

"We would always welcome more people. . . that would help," he said. More volunteers means more help is available to respond if need be.

He explained that they are an EMT level response group. Meaning they are trained as emergency technicians and can perform EMT level tasks on site. They are not able to "self respond" meaning they can't go out if they simply get a call from a neighbor. They work through the 911 system.

"I have people ask and no, we are not ambulance drivers. The county takes care of that and we have drivers who just drive our emergency vehicles for us so we can focus on responding quickly. We have that worked out with the Amana Fire Department. We provide the EMT support as first responders on the scene," he said. When every moment counts

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**The Amana Meat Shop & Smokehouse Mail Order Seasonal Holiday Crew Help**

The Amana Meat Shop Mail Order Division has temporary Customer Service Center positions available. This fun seasonal job is a great way to enjoy the holiday season while earning some extra cash!

The position involves assisting customers with their phone orders and data entry work. Basic computer knowledge is required & good typing, spelling and grammar skills are essential. Starting rate is \$10-\$12 per hour. Flexible hours are available and snacks & meals are provided! Please apply in person at the Amana Meat Shop, 4513 F ST, Amana, IA, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Mon-Fri or call Charisse Lawrence at 319-622-7595.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

I think we are marked as real “chumps.” It began about the same time as COVID, I think, but if you have a better idea let us know because we really would like it to stop.

It seems that most of the phone calls we get and mail are from people asking for donations for some worthy cause.

Luckily we have caller ID on the phone which works most of the time. The unfortunate times are when we get a call that is just a number with no name.

Now we know if the first three numbers are not 319 we suspect a telemarketer, but sometimes even that does not work.

The mail is my downfall. I love catalogues and often mark items I would like to have.

Unfortunately or fortunately for me Charlemagne has found two of my “wish” books and ordered things out of them without telling me.

I would tell you I had thrown them away, but Charlemagne checks the garbage for fear that I have thrown away one of his old shirts or something.

I will say I’m delighted to receive these presents, but also chagrined because it is a nervous habit of mine and not meant for him to take seriously. (After almost 49 years of marriage he should know my quirks.)

Anyway we keep getting these requests over and over again.

I seriously wonder if the amount spent soliciting doesn’t cost the charities more then what they receive.

If you have a solution please let me know. We have tried the caller ID and asked to be taken off lists, but nothing seems to work.

B.S.H.

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having someone there as soon as possible is critical.

Right now they have equipment on their emergency response vehicles, but one goal for the group is to obtain enough of the portable Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) so that every Amana First Responder can have one immediately available to them. Having five more placed in specific areas in the villages will be very helpful, but it would be good if each first responder had one they could carry with them. To have direct, immediate access to a portable AED would save time. “That way they could go straight to a scene and not have to get to our emergency vehicle first. That’s a critical piece of equipment and our number one tool in these cases,” Miller explained. An AED costs about \$1,500.

He would also like to be able to offer a first aid tent at big events like Oktoberfest. Right now he does not have the staff to man an aid tent and provide critical round the clock response to all Amana Colony calls. That’s going to take more first responders than Amana has currently. But as Miller will tell you, he’s encouraged. “We are making progress!”

Would you like to help support the Amana First Responders? Call Lucas Miller at 319-551-5587. Donations may be mailed care of Lucas Miller, Amana First Responders, 713 S. Avenue, South Amana, IA 52334. Please make out your check to the Amana First Responders.

**ANNUAL SCARE CROW TRAIL**

This October is our Ninth Annual Scare Crow Trail. Throughout the villages of Homestead Middle, High, West, South Amana, and you will find 17 unique scarecrows at 15 stops.

To head out on the trail, stop by the Visitors Center in Amana for a Guide of the Scare Crow Trail, which includes a voting slip. Find all the locations and vote on your favorite Scare Crow of 2021 to be entered in a drawing for a door prize. Instructions for voting are listed on the guide slip.

The Scare Crow Trail will be up throughout the month of October, 2021. While you are on the trail, enjoy the changing leaves around the colonies and stop at your favorites shops to see what new gifts, foods, handcrafted goods, and artwork you can find.

If you have questions, please call Schanz Furniture & Refinishing at 319-622-3529 or the Amana Colonies Visitors Center at 319-622-7622.

OBITUARY

Erna H. Mantz, age 92, died Monday, October 4, 2021, at Rose Haven Nursing Home, Marengo, after a five-year battle with Lewy Body Dementia. Funeral service was Friday, October 8, 2021, at the Amana Church with Elder Emilie Hoppe officiating. Burial was in the Marengo Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is assisted the family with arrangements.

Erna Helen Setzer was born November 27, 1928, in South Amana, Iowa, the daughter of Fred and Henrietta (Ruff) Setzer. She received her education at the Amana Schools. Erna worked at the South Amana Grocery Store and Sandwich Shop as a teenager. On November 30, 1946, she married Raymond Mantz in Peoria, IL. The couple moved to Marengo and together built their new home to raise their family. In 1952, Erna started work at Amana Refrigeration as a welder, then as a 3D class machine operator, cutting all the copper and aluminum tubing. She retired in 1991.

After retirement Erna and Raymond spent their winters in Apache Junction, Arizona until Raymond’s death in 1998. Not one to stay idle, Erna took part time jobs after Raymond’s passing, working at the Guest House in Amana, and at the Art Guild in Middle Amana before her final retirement at 86 years old. Erna enjoyed baking for her family, and truly enjoyed keeping in touch with her family and friends by phone and cards. She also enjoyed cutting rags to be used for making the Amana woven rugs.

Since May of 2016, Erna aka the “Sheriff”, has been loved and well cared for at Rose Haven Nursing Home in Marengo, Iowa.

Erna is survived by her son Richard (Mary) Mantz; Richard’s sons, Jackson (Jaime) Mantz and his children, Avilon and Skyler; Mary’s children Sarah, Robert, Raeline, and Jessica; Beau (Colleen) Mantz and her children, Sean (Caily) and Liam; daughter Karen (Leo) Kinzenbaw and their children Wendy (Trent) DeNeve, and their children Alyssa (Andrew) Golden, Amber (Devon) Lobdell, Douglas Kinzenbaw, and Craig (Holly) Kinzenbaw, and their children Brooke (Shane) Moenck, and Colton Kinzenbaw. Also surviving Erna are her great-great-grandchildren Olivia and Ezra Golden, Hadley and Hayden Hughes, Kane and Cora Moenck; step great-grandchildren Alexis, Robert, Erin, Meikaella, and Toby; her sister-in-law Mildred Setzer; and her Mantz sisters-in-law Eulah Mantz, Marlene Mantz, Eleanor Maas, and Shirley Witte; and many beloved nieces and nephews of her Setzer and Mantz families. Erna was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; brothers Theobald, Carl, and William; and sisters Emily Shoup and Wilma Roggentine.

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis for Whirlpool Corporation – Amana Operations (Amana, Iowa County, Iowa)

Notice Date: October 13, 2021

Notice is hereby given that Whirlpool Corporation – Amana Operations (Amana, Iowa County, Iowa) has completed a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit amendment for permit 4802102. The proposed amendment includes a new internal outfall (025) specifically for the discharge of closed loop cooling water, water softener, non-contact cooling water, and EPS steam process. The recalculated technology-based effluent limits (TBELs) and associated monitoring requirements for BODs, TSS, and oil and grease will apply to the new outfall. Corresponding changes include remove of the limits and monitoring requirements for BODs, TSS, and oil and grease at outfall 001 and an update to the outfall 001 description. Other changes include: corrected design flows and loads on the design capacity page, removal of chemical additives schedule page, and a new email address for the NPDES section on the nutrient reduction requirements page in lieu of prior physical mailing address.

Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed treatment alternative must do so in writing within 45-days of the date shown at the top of this notice. All comments received will be considered in the final determination. If no objections are received within forty-five (45) days, the Department will issue final permit. You may request the Department hold a hearing by submitting a request stating specific reasons why a hearing should be held. The proposed permit and other information may be viewed online using the Wastewater Permit Information Exchange (WWPIE) system at <http://programs.iowadnr.gov/wwpie/>. Comments, objections, and requests for hearings may be submitted to the permit writer at the Iowa DNR via email address: [Melinda.Mccoy@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Melinda.Mccoy@dnr.iowa.gov).

THANK YOU

Thank you to all our loved ones - family & friends - for expressing your sympathy, blessings, and love at the sudden passing of Ron. Your prayers, words, deeds, food, and memorial gifts are a comfort and a blessing to us.

May God also bless & comfort all of you.

Sincerely, Deb & Elise Heitmann, and Trin Miller.

THANK YOU

A huge “Thank You!” goes out to all those who showed up to help clean up the picnic area, and beyond, beside the Lily Lake.

It looks so much nicer. Thank You.

TRUNK OR TREAT

The community is invited to Whirlpool Corporation, 2800 220th Trail, Middle Amana, Sat, Oct 23, 1-4 pm. Enjoy outdoor activities for the family. Games, cookie decorating, caramel apples, pumpkin decorating, prizes, and more. Rain date is Oct 24.

HOMESTEAD SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT

The Homestead Sanitary District Board of Trustees will hold its quarterly meeting on Wednesday October 20, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Homestead Welfare Club

AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

The monthly meeting of the Amana Fire District will be held on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the Middle Amana fire station.

SERVICES

Fall plowing and leaf pick-up. Call Rob Jeck at 319-622-3308

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Call 319-622-3620 for details & scheduling.

IOWA COUNTY FALL SOCIAL GIVING

The public is invited to attend 100+ of Iowa County’s fall social giving event. The event will be held at Stone Creek Golf Club in Williamsburg on Thursday, October 21st. Registration begins at 5:30, followed by drinks and conversation. Attendees will then vote on a local charitable cause to receive the evening’s donations, with each voter committing to donate \$100 towards the winning charity. Please RSVP by emailing [100plusiaco@gmail.com](mailto:100plusiaco@gmail.com).

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