

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Amana Church Service will be live streamed from the church in Amana on Facebook, August 09, 2020 starting at 10:00 a.m. with Elder Elly Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Wie Schön leuchtet dir Morgenstern" No 1104, vs 1,2,4 Seite 1080

Testimony: Ursula Mayer, Schwarzenau, May 12, 1716.

Scripture: Matthew 6:1-4

Psalm 70

Closing Hymn: "How Lovely Not The Morning Star" No. 148, vs 6,7,8

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).

Art 118.

Dies ist fürwahr ein theures Wort, das Je-sus Christus unser Herr
Ihr ar - me Sünder könt zu Mir, Ich will euch se - lig machen hier,
als Wahrheit hat gesprochen: Neu - e, treu - e, reine Herzen, Blau-
und dies wird nicht gebrochen.
bensterzen will Ich schenken, denen, die sich lassen lenken.

1104

Mel. Dies ist fürwahr ein theures. (Art 118.)

1. Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern am Firmament des Himmels fern, die Nacht ist nun vergangen: all' Kreatur macht sich herfür, des edlen Lichtes Pracht und Zier mit Freuden zu empfangen; was lebt, was schwebt hoch in Lüften, tief in Klüften, läßt zu Ehren seinem Gott ein Danklied hören.

2. Du, o mein Herz, dich auch aufricht', erheb' die Stimm' und säume nicht, dem Herren Lob zu bringen! Denn Herr, Du bist's, dem Lob gebührt, und dem man billig musicirt dem man läßt innig klingen, mit Fleiß, Dank, Preis, Freuden Saiten, daß von Weitem man kann hören Dich, o meinen Heiland! ehren.

4. Allein, o Jesu! meine Freud' in aller Angst und Traurigkeit, Du hast mich heut' befreiet: Du hast der Feinde Macht gewehrt, mir Schutz und sanfte Ruh' beschert, deß sey gebenedeiet! mein Muth, mein Blut soll nun singen, soll nun springen, all' mein Leben soll Dir Dankes=Lieder geben.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

The pandemic has come and gotten to the point when all the world is tired, afraid, anxious, and upset and just want things to get back to "normal." Whatever normal may be is anyone's guess.

Leave it to the residents of Homestead to come up with some excitement. Thanks to the creative minds of a refugee of Middle and her cohort, they have developed a gala that should rival any Oscar-winning performance so without further ado let the curtain go up in at least three homes (possibly one in Amana) of THE NIGHT BLOOMING CERCEUS.

Close your eyes and imagine, music from the desert playing as harem girls in veils come forth along with hand and muscular bare chested men dressed in lederhosen carrying large fans. People will be treated to liters of beer and pretzels in the auditorium by young maidens in dirndls who naturally will be glistening with perspiration from the dry desert winds blowing through the "air conditioning."

Then the CERCEUS will be put on view amidst many swoons of delight although the Homestead residents already know that this is a cactus that will only bloom in the darkness of night and only for a short time having wilted by daylight.

Since this cactus blooms mostly in the South it stands to reason that Homestead being South of the Iowa River would have the most of those lovely

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West Amana Rental House Has Fire Call

A window air conditioning unit caught fire Tuesday, August 4 about 1 p.m. The apartment house on F street two doors west of the former village store, was occupied at the time, however, there were no injuries reported.

The Amana Fire Department responded and was able to quickly extinguish the flame without too much damage, beyond smoke damage, to the apartment.

Trees Come Down But Plans are Underway

When longtime Amana resident Susan Matrise saw the opportunity to realize a dream, she got to work and what's about to burst into bloom on Amana's main street will help cultivate Amana's village-escape.

Coming this fall, Blumen Haus will open in the former Kitchen Sink, offering fresh flowers, plants, floral arrangements and bridal floral services plus gardening gifts and supplies. The landscaping around the century old sandstone building is being redone to both enhance the building, the street corner and the retail shop. The landscaping will feature a pocket garden, a small koi pond and offer additional parking.

"I'm so excited. We are really working to restore this building and to make this whole corner come alive. . . I love Amana. My Dad loved Amana. He's the one who brought me here . . . I want to see Amana and help bring new growth to the village," she told The Bulletin in a recent interview. Years ago her father purchased Colony Insurance from Bill Ackerman and she and her family moved to the villages. Her fiancée, Joe Parcell, a woodworker, is helping her with the interior remodeling and plans to integrate his imaginative wood-creations into Blumen Haus.

Blumen Haus is a dream come true for Susan. Susan is a cancer survivor but when she was diagnosed she had to leave her job at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, "I needed to look for

a Plan B after recuperating from the cancer." This military vet has always loved flowers and creating floral arrangement and envisions a store that combines her love of flowers with public outreach to promote garden arts. "I can imagine doing gardening classes with local gardeners," she told me.

Upon purchasing the former Kitchen Sink from the Roemig family, Susan took a look at the landscape and enlisted the help of Sustainable Landscape Solutions, the company completing the landscaping at the Hotel Millwright. She knew that she needed to add parking as per the Amana Colonies Land Use District guidelines and wanted to do a good job of it.

"They have been just terrific to work with," she said. She shared her dream for the outdoor space around the shop – turning it into a charming, respite mid village with space for potential future workshops.

"They have come up with a beautiful plan and I think it's going to be exciting. . . we wanted to restore this Amana building and to enhance it," she said, noting that she talked with Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau executive director David Rettig about the landscaping seeking his advice and doing research on landscapes in communal Amana.

They had all the trees on the property inspected by an arborist. The giant, old sycamore tree on the south side had a large and potentially dangerous crack in its trunk due to wind damage and at its core it was hollow.

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AMANA SOCIETY SHAREHOLDER HOTEL MILLWRIGHT TOURS

Amana Society Shareholders, Opening Day Is Getting Close!

Please join us for a special shareholder tour of the Hotel Millwright project. Tours for Amana Society shareholders will be conducted on Monday August 10th prior to the Annual Shareholder's meeting. Tours will begin at 3:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. at the east door of the Merino Event Center building. For everyone's safety face masks and social distancing will be required.

Card Shower for Dorothy Hawkes who will be 96 on August 17th

The pandemic has kept the Colonial Manor residents isolated so please make her birthday a special one.

Cards may be mailed to:

Dorothy Hawkes

c/o Colonial Manor

3207-220th Trail, Amana IA 52203

Card Shower for Harvey Oehler, Celebrating 85 on Aug. 11th.

Please reach out to Harvey with a card or a call and help make his birthday a special one. Thank-you!

Harvey Oehler

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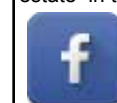
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AMANA COLONIES MODIFY THE 2020 WURST FESTIVAL

The sixth annual Wurst Festival will be held in the historical Amana Colonies on August 29, 2020. Originally, scheduled for June 20th this festival has been rescheduled and modified due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Previous Wurst Festivals featured festival grounds where sausage makers grilled their wurst and sold them directly to the public. The 2020 version of Wurst Festival will feature a onetime change that will make social distancing possible by offering the sausage in the Amana Colonies' restaurants. The restaurants will be featuring unique sausages and/or sausage sampler platters. Each restaurant will be offering something different and a menu of their selections will be posted online at www.amana-colonies.com or may be picked up at the Amana Colonies Visitor Center when they become available.

Back for its fourth year is the Dachshund Derby, where your dachshund can compete to be the fastest pup in the field. We will crown the fastest Dachshund in Iowa with post time being 5pm at the traditional Market Barn area in the center of Amana. Wurst Festival has no admission charge.

That evening Millstream Brewing will host live music and sausages on the grill.

For a complete list of activities at Wurst Festival, visit amanacolonies.com/things-to-do/festivals or call 319.622.7622.

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it was hollow.

"I was just heart broken when the arborist said it couldn't be saved. That really just broke my heart. I know that the tree been a fixture here on the street. I love the tree! Then on top of that all of the ash trees on the other side of the building had to come down because they had fungus and blight due to the ash borers, they were actively full of bugs and dying. Really losing these trees was so sad, but I want the neighbors to know that we'll be replanting trees and working to improve this corner of Amana," Susan explained.

That old sycamore in front had a story all it's own. As Peter Hoehnle, Amana historian, explained, American literary giant Flannery O'Conner was photographed leaning against it after dining at The Colony Inn, across the street. Novelist and short story writer, O'Conner (1925-1964) came to the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop in 1945 and obtained her Master of Fine Arts degree from the University in 1947. She was then offered a fellowship to the workshop and spent another year in Iowa City. Brought down to the Amanas by the director of the Writer's Workshop, Paul Engle, who loved the community and had family ties here, she became a big fan of the food at the Colony Inn – now Millstream Brau Haus. She enjoyed meals at the Colony Inn perhaps because it's fried chicken and pie reminded her of the farm style cooking of her Georgia hometown. Who snapped the photo of her there is not known, but it's a photo that has been reprinted many times.

The sycamore and the ash tree were taken down in early July. The wood has been taken to a lumber mill in Washington County and will be turned into usable boards. Parcell has plans for that wood. "He's very creative, I can't wait to see what he comes up with," Susan said.

It was Parcell's idea to plant their empty lot a block west of Blumen Haus with corn and pumpkins. Selling the corn and harvesting the corn shocks and pumpkins come fall just seemed like a doable project to the couple.

Additionally, they are removing the paving brick from the courtyard area in front of the shop as they re-landscape. The brick will be replaced with a stone patio surface that compliments the sandstone of the building. Installed some 30 years ago, sections of brick have shifted. Susan said that anyone wishing to take the brick to use in their own home projects is welcome. Please, just stop by and speak to Susan about it.

The goal is to have Blumen Haus open in October.

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eight inch fragrant blossoms.

No one can tell for certain when the blossom will burst into bloom. The first one recorded was in Henrietta Marshall's home in the early 1970s when she hosted for a party for a few privileged friends to watch the cereus slowly unfold.

Unfortunately that night the bud did not open although Dennis's Zuber was poised on the floor with his new camera ready to take a picture of the minute the flower would appear.

After that Mrs. Marshall gave cuttings to "the chosen" and for 50 years this event has taken place (usually in the summer months)

Now it is August, Summer, and at least two Homestead residents have had "sightings" of this marvel of nature. One has even claimed to have two flower buds and his plant.

So now the "excitement" will begin. Will there be harem dancers? How about men with fans in lederhosen? Best of all beer and pretzels! Only Homestead knows where and when (I think Charlemagne owns lederhosen).

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