

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Combined Service, live stream on Facebook, at 10:00 a.m. April 26, 2020 with Elder Kristie Yoder presiding.

Hymns: From Depths of Woe No. 13;

Lord Incline Thine Ear No. 31;

When I Am Weary Depressed and Forsaken No. 111

Testimony: Ursula Mayer April 2, 1716 and March 28 1717

Scripture: Matthew Chap 5:4

Wednesday Nachtgebet live stream on Facebook at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Fellowship live stream on Facebook at 5:30 p.m.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Meals have been canceled until further notice. Please be safe, we wish to see you all when we can resume our gatherings.

ACLUD NEWS

The Board of Trustees meeting notes for April 13 are available on-line at <https://aclud.org> and the opening for the administrator is still open, the announcement is on the home page.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Hold unto your chair because I am about to explode. Charlemagne and I are getting along quite well, thank the good Lord for that. Our little granddaughter even celebrated her birthday a week after mine at the end of March by having her mother bake her a strawberry cake and her grandfather a chocolate cake, both of which I cannot eat so I sulked. I happen to love both strawberries and chocolate, but am allergic to strawberries and still cannot tolerate chocolate. (I seriously think the chemo treatments did something sinister to my system to allow this to happen.)

What is bothering me the most is last weeks news when the president announced that the states should open up different businesses.

Look, I wouldn't mind going to some of my favorite stores or just seeing some friends and actually touching them, but like so many of you I am one of those people who are OLD, have a compromised immune system, and cannot even drive yet because the doctor has not allowed it yet.

I also don't feel it is safe because there is not a vaccine to prevent this monster of a disease nor is there any cure except social distancing.

I really got angry when I saw the woman who said that she needed to go to the hair dresser because her roots were showing and then displayed them to the television camera. The man who needed stuff for his lawn had still another lame excuse for opening stores.

Then there were the people who were waving GUNS, holding up signs that had misspelled words on them (the schools should be open for people like them and me), and waving the Confederate flag, in Michigan, of all places. If that was not bad enough, they kept yelling that the governor should be locked up.

Then these people blocked roads not allowing ambulances to get through. In Chicago they even blocked the emergency entrance of one of the hospitals. Obviously, no one thought to do any social distancing, wear masks or gloves.

Today (Monday) Iowa had one the highest rate of cases. The vice president has said we have done over 15,000 tests. Think about that. Cedar Rapids alone has over 200,000 people. At this rate we will all be tested within a few decades.

What about those people in jails, nursing homes, alone...who is watching out for them? Please think first about OTHERS before you go out and protest. The virus shows its ugly head long after you have it in your system, by that time you can have infected dozens of people.

B.S.H.

COVID-19 Updates – Store Closures Updated

The safety and well-being of our employees and customers is our top priority. To limit the spread of COVID-19, we have decided to close our non-essential retail stores in the Amana Colonies. Effective at the end of business Monday, March 23rd, 2020, the Amana General Store, Little Red Wagon, Amana Woolen Mill, and Amana Furniture Shop will be closed. We anticipate these closures will be in effect through Thursday, April 30th, 2020. We invite you to continue to shop at amanashops.com.

The Amana Meat Shop remains open but is closing a 4:00 p.m. each day to allow our staff additional time for cleaning and sanitizing.

We are taking additional steps at all of our Amana Society business and facilities, including social distancing and extra safety and cleaning procedures, to help protect and support our employees and customers.

Thank you for your support and understanding!
Sincerely,



Greg Luerkens
President/CEO

Amana Society Shareholders,

The Amana Society 1st Quarter Newsletter is now available in your shareholder portal at:

www.amanasociety.com

or by e-mail. If you would like to receive this and future newsletters by e-mail please contact Bruce Trumpold a btrumpold@amanas.net or sign-up in your shareholder portal.

A printed copy of the newsletter will be included with your Amana Society, Inc. Annual Report sent out in early May. If you would like to receive a printed copy prior to that, please call 319-622-7526 and we will be happy to send out a copy.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Before you Build, Paint, Add-On - A Reminder Why Is This Important?

Considering a spring project at your home or business? Remember that exterior building or demolition projects in the Amana Colonies including smaller remodeling projects, say the construction of a new fence, a new patio or the installation of a new door or entry, require a permit and approval if your property is within the Amana Colonies Historic District.

If your property is outside the historic district a permit issued by the ACLUD administrator is required, but not ACLUD project approval.

Check with the Amana Colonies Land Use District office to find out how to apply for a permit, if your project requires approval and what that entails. It's not a difficult process and can go quickly, if you follow the procedure. If you are wondering if your project needs approval – remember exterior projects on any home, barn or building built before 1932 in the Amana Colonies Historic Land Use District require approval by ACLUD before the work begins. But don't hesitate to call the ACLUD office or check their website for guidance. (See phone number below).

Yes, there are rules for things like house paint color, porch and doorway construction, patios, decks, garden buildings, exterior buildings, fence construction, parking areas and more that apply to pre-1932 structures.

There are also rules for signage, parking areas and building use for those who want to set up a home business or a commercial enterprise in their home.

Please contact ACLUD at 319-622-3840 at 4304 220th Trail (lower level) in the village of Amana to talk with the administrator or to set up an appointment to see the administrator. Check their webpage at aclud.org for rules, regulations, forms and helpful information such as village zoning maps.

The Amana Colonies Land Use District was set up by Iowa law and operates via a small fee assessed as property taxes paid by Amana Colony residents and collected by Iowa County. The law was ap

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OBITUARY

Lowell Eugene "Bud" Dreier, Jr., age 68, of Amana, passed away in his home, Thursday, April 16, 2020. There are no services planned at this time. Interment was in the Main Amana Cemetery. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo, is assisting the family with arrangements. A memorial fund has been established.

Bud is survived by his children Chris (Kimberly) Dreier, of Center Point and Holly (Matt) Hastings, of Marion; his sister Judy Haynes; and four grandchildren Ashton, Brianna, Brandon and Jacob. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters Karen Dreier and Sharon Bavin.

Bud was born May 14, 1951, in Waterloo, the son of Lowell Sr. and Mary (Petalous) Dreier. He graduated from Waterloo West High School. Following graduation, he married Cheryl Russell and of this union they were blessed with two children. Bud was a small business owner of 30 years, owning Midwest Leather and the Village Store Fudge Factory, in Amana. He loved living in Amana and in previous years was the organizer of the May Fest and October Fest parades. Bud had a passion for carpentry and could make almost anything. He was a very generous man and family was very important to him. They all shared many memories working along side him at his stores in Amana.

Online condolences may be left at www.klosterfuneralhome.com

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proved and passed by the Iowa House and Senate and signed into law in 1984. It helps to protect the Amana Colonies status as a National Historic Landmark as it aims to preserve the historic character and integrity of our community appearance and culture. ACLUD ordinances are overseen by community residents who volunteer and then are elected to the position. Check their website to see who is currently serving on the ACLUD board.

Why is it important to protect our status as a National Historic Landmark? The Amana Colonies were designated in 1965 by the US Department of the Interior. This landmark status is an honor and one that many communities and natural areas seek. As such the Amana Colonies are recognized by the National Park Service and Department of the Interior as a site contributing to the history and story of America and therefore a site worth federal protection and recognition.

The Amana Colonies appear on National Park Service websites and in their publications as a worthwhile visitor attractions and a community with a notable history worth exploring. The National Historic Landmark designation status is very helpful to all Amana's nonprofit groups, such as the Amana Colonies Historic Sites Foundation, the Amana Arts Guild and the Amana Heritage Society in applying for federal, state and private grants. It gains the community access to various federal and state programs and was instrumental in allowing the Amana community to reclaim the Festhalle barn, the Visitor Center barn, the Market barn area, the South Amana barn and to transition barns to private use in East Amana.

The National Historic Landmark designation allowed the Historic Sites Foundation to apply for and receive help to repair the Mill Race Canal and it was helpful in the application to receive state and federal trails funding for the Amana Kolonieweg recreational trail. Currently the designation has allowed the Amana Society to apply for and receive Historic Preservation Tax Credits for the restoration and re-deployment of the Amana Woolen Mills, a \$16.5 million dollar project.

The NHL status made it possible for Amana historians to expand the knowledge base by opening up grant opportunities for the collection of Amana cultural artifacts, genealogical work, oral histories (past grants received) and the study of ancient history sites such as the Meskwaki village (northwest of South Amana on the Iowa River).

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Dear Amana Society, Inc. Stockholders,

I am asking for your support and vote in the upcoming Amana Society, Inc Board of Directors Election. Current economic conditions are very, very challenging. During my 10 years in banking, I had the opportunity to work with and analyze many diverse business entities. As we look at the economic challenges our company faces as a result of COVID-19, it is crucial that board members and management analyze and understand our diverse business portfolio and make sound business decisions based on each business's strategic and financial strengths.

While with Amana Farms, and as an ag banker and Cargill Commodity Trading Advisor, I had the privilege of working with many successful ag operations. I believe my experiences in agriculture and banking are beneficial, providing oversight that will help Amana Farms weather the current economic storm and ultimately become more profitable AND more conservation and community minded in the long term. Please call or e-mail with questions or comments: 319-551-1820 mseshoup@hotmail.com

**Thank you,
 Mike Shoup**

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**IOWA COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
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If you wish to get some heirloom tomato, pepper, herbs, and assorted other veggie plants for your garden, the Iowa County Master Gardeners are giving away the plants that we usually sell during our May plant sale. Due to COVID-19, we cannot have our regular sale. Our loss is your gain!

You will need to place an order for plants prior to the sale. Please submit an order form for the plants you would like by MAY 1, following instructions on the order form that is available in some area post offices and at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/iowa/>

Quantities of plants are limited, and there is no guarantee that your order will be filled, although we will try very hard to fill all orders. We reserve the right to limit quantities in order to serve as many customers as possible.

Plants will be distributed on Friday, May 8, from 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 9, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1640 Court Avenue in Marengo. Instructions for pick-up times are on the order forms. To comply with social distancing requirements, please be patient and follow all the instructions from our Master Gardeners while picking up your plants.

Dear Amana Society Shareholders:

In these unprecedented times, and as a 43+ year Amana resident, the future of ASI has never been more important to me. During my last three years on the board, I have supported and/or been actively engaged in:

- The search for and hiring of a new CEO;
- Rehabilitating the Woolen Mill complex into a one-of-a-kind boutique hotel;
- Utilizing Iowa State University to help the company identify new opportunities;
- Expanding the content and use of the ASI website; and
- Developing a Stockholder survey, which is currently underway.

My goals are to help ASI reduce costs, deploy capital to maximize opportunities and increase revenues, and ensure sound planning and results-oriented execution. I believe I can help the company do this by employing my business skills and experience in board and committee meetings. These skills and experiences include:

-25 years at Amana Refrigeration, last position Vice President-Consumer Communications; with experience in manufacturing, product evaluation and consumer communications.

-19 years at Pearson, current position Director-Technology Business Operations, with financial oversight of \$80 million, and experience in technology, contracts, product management and development, strategic planning, and governance.

-Board Committees: Stockholder Communications, Stockholder Continuity, Ag, Audit/Governance and Executive/Compensation Committees.

It is truly an honor to serve on the Amana Society Board of Directors. I thank you for your past support and respectfully ask for your vote in the election. Please call me at 319-360-4022 or send an email to: trout.dixie@gmail.com with your input or any questions.

**Thank you.
 Dixie Trout**

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**ALAN SCHUMACHER AND ABIGAIL MAAS
 IOWA COUNTY SUPERVISOR CANDIDATES**

"The Amana Colonies CVB Board of Directors and I personally believe that Abigail and Alan understand, support, and will accurately represent the Amana Colonies at the county level. They have a vision for the future that includes promoting tourism and providing the Colonies a voice in the county. The primary is an important vote, I urge you to support them on the ballot."

-David Rettig, Executive Director, Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau



As life-long Iowa County residents, Alan and Abigail are committed to serving the public by improving Iowa County. Alan has a business and environmental background, successfully managing production facilities- bringing expertise in budgeting, finance skills, and employee team building. As a owner-operator on a farm, Abigail has a deep passion for agriculture, a dedicated work ethic, decision making skills based on logic and common sense, as well as an inspired commitment to preserve the land.

Both candidates have a rich history of leadership and have served on many boards and committees. Both candidates are confident and capable of making the changes necessary to improve Iowa County.

A forward thinking vision

- We would like to explore hiring a human resources manager for our county to minimize the litigation risk and improve employee experiences.
- We want to design districts for Iowa County Supervisors to be elected from to insure equal representation across the county.
- We will bring professionalism, open-mindedness, transparency, and compassion to the Board of Supervisors