

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Masks are requested but not required in all Amana Church Society buildings.

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, June 12, 2022, starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Betsy Momany presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Ach Gott, wie manches Herzeleid" No. 09 Seite 07

Testimonies: Johann Adam Gruber, Ronneburg, December 19, 1717; Johann Friedrich Rock, S. Switzerland June 20, 1741

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 6:3-10

Psalms: 16

Closing Hymn: "Ach, Gott und Herr, we gross and schwer" No. 07, Seite 06

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

Opening Hymn: "Ah God, my days are dark indeed" No. 02

Closing Hymn: "Alas, my God, my sins are great" No. 06

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

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

## Amana Vacation Bible School

July 18 – 22, 2022, 9:00 am – 11:30 am

All children ages 3 years old – through just finishing 5th grade are invited to come join us for some Fun in the Sun, as we Celebrate God's Greatness this summer during our Vacation Bible School. We will have a week filled with lots of activity including: songs, games, bible stories, crafts and more.

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## AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

The monthly meeting of the Amana Fire District will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 7:00 pm in the Middle Amana fire station.

## FIREWORKS DONATIONS

Please consider a donation to the Amana Community Fireworks fund. All donations are used to provide our annual fireworks show over the Lily Lake. You can mail your donation to Amana Community Fireworks, PO Box 11, Amana IA 52203.

Thank you!

## FEATHERS IN THE WIND

If any of you subscribe to "People" magazine (or wait in line at the grocery store) you might want be taken aback by the back cover. It's black and has the names of places (educational) crowded together. I highly recommend you seek out this magazine and look at the back.

In the past I have been told that I am "too liberal" (whatever that means). That I don't know what I'm talking about, that I don't understand "conservative mentality." I should just be quiet and let those "who know" take over.

Bah! Humbug! We live in a democracy, not a oligarchy or dictatorship and an important part of citizenship is making your voice heard by, as a minimum, voting.

I DO know the U.S. Constitution and probably can even tell you about the different amendments and what they stand for.

I can even tell you that the Equal Rights Amendment has never been ratified (the first version was introduced in 1923, reintroduced in 1971, and had 33 of the 35 required states required until Phyllis Schlafly mobilized conservative women, joined by a feminist labor group, in opposition. Three more states have recently ratified the amendment due to the "me too" movement, but after the deadline and 5 states had already voted to revoke their ratification).

I'm not a lawyer, but I know how to use a computer and I vote.

Therefore, I am asking you to keep track of what our elected officials are doing and "keep their feet to the fire." Write them, and don't accept a "form letter" thanking you for your question/concern. Get answers, but more importantly get ACTION.

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Restore – Revive - Renew Moves Forward with Great Support

#### Amana Society Inc. Pledges Help

The Amana Church is raising money to repair and improve two historic buildings it owns; the Amana Church meetinghouse in Amana and the Kinderschule in Middle Amana behind the Middle Amana Church.

Sequel Architecture of Des Moines was hired to assess the structures and evaluate what is required to repair the buildings. The list of work required is long. The Amana Church Board of Trustees has elected to do this work in two phases, Elly Hoehnle, Amana Church administrator reported.

The estimated cost of these repairs and improvements is over \$400,000. The bulk of the work will be accomplished in Phase 1 of the project. The Phase 1 project cost estimate is \$364,387. This entails: constructing handicapped accessibility ramps, rebuilding fire escapes, continuing the work to restore windows, reconstructing the entry porches, residing the east and west sides of the church, installing more insulation, repairing fascia, soffits and other repairs at the Amana Church. At the Kinderschule the project includes installing heating/ cooling, restoring siding, replacing or repairing windows, repairing the entry porch, repairing the stone foundation, making electrical updates and more so that the building can be used as food storage and prep site by the Amana Community Food Pantry. This building is currently unused.

The need to find a new home for the Amana Community Food Pantry, currently housed in the basement of the Middle Amana Church, became vital with the increased need for food here. Over the past couple of years, the average number of families and individuals who rely on the Amana Food Pantry twice monthly has grown to 38 families. And co-chairs Annie Trumpold and Kristie Yoder see that need increasing.

"When we started we had just 14 or so families, now we are seeing on average 38 families and individuals and we believe that number will rise with the rising cost of food nowadays," Kristie Yoder told those who attended an ice cream social at the Amana Church Sunday.

The Amana Community Food Pantry is operated by the Amana Church with help from HACAP of Eastern Iowa. All the work is done by volunteers. Food is donated or purchased with cash donations. It is a confidential service that reaches out to people across Iowa County and here in the Colonies.

Likewise the Amana Church meetinghouse provides community services such as the Monday congregate meals program as well as being the largest house of worship for the church. As Jon Childers, fund drive co-chair said at the ice cream social, "These buildings while being historically significant are heart and soul. They are needed. We really use these buildings to carry out our mission to feed body and soul."

While the weekly congregate meals were discontinued during the COVID pandemic, volunteers hope to revive it soon. The Amana Church provides post funeral luncheons at the Amana Church and it's the home of the weekly Amana Sunday School, the summer vacation Bible camp, the youth group and the site of Bible studies. Plus it is available for community activities such as the Maipole dance rehearsals, family events and Boy Scout events.

The Amana Church has been working to maintain and improve the building. "Our volunteers have done so much. They have all worked incredibly hard," Hoehnle said.

Of course some work cannot be done as a volunteer project. In the past five years the church has replaced the roof, replaced the entire HVAC

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Race registration for the Bridge The Community 5K at: <https://tinyurl.com/2s4deder>

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**Feathers from page 1**

I am old so many of you don't remember members of my family, a long line of hunters and trappers. There were always plenty of guns in our home, all safely stored or disassembled away from children.

I do understand those people who like to hunt or rid their property of varmints that cause damage.

I just don't understand why someone needs a high-powered, semi-automatic rifle (AR-15) with a 30 round magazine, are hunters today really that bad a shot that they need all those rounds to bring down a doe? With a bullet that can bring down a deer at 700 yards, is it really a sport anymore? What happens to the stray bullets?

I guess I don't understand the logic of anyone being able to buy a weapon designed to kill people without the proper military training as prescribed in the Second Amendment. Military weapons are for members of the military, sure they might be fun to shoot, but "fun" is no excuse for having one.

Emilie gave a wonderful sermon on peace this past Sunday. She mentioned that war is often provoked by fear.

Peace comes from destroying the "fear" of "hate" and instead of reaching out and showing love and compassion, which our elders have been speaking about - "The fruits of their Spirit." (these commentaries are all on-line)

We all need one another and if we reach out to those whose hearts are broken, perhaps we can mend a broken heart and create peace.

As a dear friend has tattooed on her arm, "be still and know..."

B.S.H.

**MY AMANA SOCIETY EXPERIENCE**

Since I joined the Woolen Mill production team just over a year ago, I've been fascinated meeting other ASI employees and learning about the different departments and businesses. The Amana Society has been good enough to let me share my journey with the community here in this column, and I'm hoping you will enjoy reading what I learn about our hard-working folks and some interesting facts about each workplace.

This week I decided to drop in on our newest business, Haus Maus.

For those who haven't had a chance to visit yet, Haus Maus is located right on the main street next to Creative Colony, across from The Chocolate Haus.

My first order of business was to get to the bottom of the mystery of the name, which lead me to visit Lindsey McCarty, Manager of the General Store Complex, who was kind enough to take a few minutes from her busy day to talk with me.

Now I'm sure many of you know the story of the General Store's Haus Maus, but some may not. Please indulge me as I tell the tale here; it is so charming.

Once upon a time, on the bottom of the floor of the General Store, there was a small hole in the wall. An employee thought it would be cute to put a toy mouse in the hole, as if it had always lived there. And since that day it has. The toy mouse has changed over the years but the story of the Haus Maus and its little home at the General Store has not, and it still receives visitors young and old.

It seems, however, that the Maus now has a day job. Designing t-shirts, sweatshirts, caps, patches, and other Amana-themed clothing and accessories with the help of Lindsay and Jennifer keeps the Maus very busy these days.

Lindsey manages the General Store as well as Haus Maus. Jennifer does display, merchandising, and assists the Maus with graphic design. Kim and Lori complete the team.

The idea for the shop first came about on July 13, 2021 and the store opened on August 21, 2021. You read that right, in 40 days the shop went from concept to reality. When that Maus starts a project, stand back.

This place is just a little jewel. The décor is fun and cute as a button with greenery decorations and a chalkboard story of the Maus. The shirts and accessories are so fresh and well-designed I had to remind myself I was there to work and not to shop.

I will definitely return to shop very soon. And so should you.

Until next time, dear friends,  
Amy Petta

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system and made interior structural upgrades. "Now we need to get the exterior in shape, so the meetinghouse will be fully accessible and ready for the future," Hoehle added.

At the ice cream social on Sunday about 85 people attended to enjoy ice cream sundaes and hear about Restore -Revive-Renew. Excellent news was shared.

The Amana Society, Inc. Board of Directors and staff have pledged to donate \$50,000 over two years to the Restore - Revive - Renew fund drive to improve the buildings. This is the largest single donation from a private corporation and a critical help to the fund drive, said Emilie Hoppe, co-chair with Childers. "The Amana Church is very grateful to the Amana Society Board of Directors, to its management and entire staff for this support. This is particularly helpful as we kick off the campaign to raise the dollars. Thank you ASI, for all that it does, seen and unseen, to help, to improve and to support our entire community."

Thus far the Restore-Revive-Renew campaign has raised over \$220,000 in grants, cash, pledges and in-kind donations. However, over \$140,000 is still needed to reach the goal and get the repair work done.

Would you please help? All donations are tax deductible. To make a donation or pledge go to the Amana Church website at amanachurch.com. Click the Restore-Revive-Renew Amana's Sacred Spaces tab at top. Donations can be made via credit card, Paypal and Venmo, or by sending a check to the Amana Church at PO Box 10, Middle, IA, 52307

**GARAGE SALES**

Coming Father's Day weekend, Homestead Garage Sales 4306 and 4311 V Street June 16, 17 and 18.

**REAL ESTATE FOR SALE/RENT**

**For Rent:** room with shared bath and common area South Amana. No smoking, references, background check. Call Larry at 319-540-9351

**LOST & FOUND**

Set of Keys found at the "Hahn Kitchen" (Bill Metz's house) on Hwy 220 in Middle. Located now at the Print Shop. Claim by identifying. 319-622-3912.

**OBITUARY**

Marie C. Burgy, age 100, of Amana, passed away Thursday, June 2, 2022 at her home. Memorial Service: 1:00 P.M. Thursday, June 9, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Conroy, with Rev. Gary Sears officiating. Burial will be in the Marengo Cemetery. There is no visitation. A memorial fund has been established. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is assisting the family with arrangements.

Marie is survived by her three sons Larry Burgy, of Marengo, Dave (Barb) Burgy, of South Amana and Jeff Burgy, of Amana; three grandchildren, Matthew Burgy, of Marengo, Kyle Burgy, of Milwaukee, WI, and Kirsten (Aaron) Floyd, of Jackson, MO; one great-grandchild Lailyn Floyd; and two sisters, Ramona Hoppe, of Homestead and Anita McDonald, of Bettendorf. She was preceded in death by her parents Fritz and Ella Marz and two sisters, Norma Hess and Dorothy Wedic.

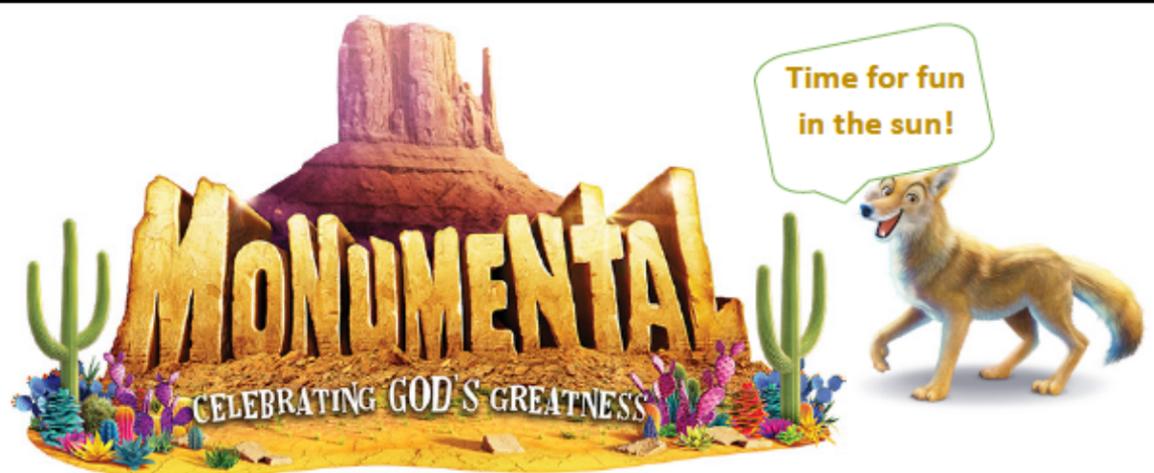
Marie Christina Marz was born August 8, 1921, in Homestead, the daughter of Fritz and Ella (Miller) Marz. She received her education in the Amana Community Schools. She was united in marriage to Irvin Jacob Burgy at the Little Brown Church, in Nashua, on August 25, 1939. Irvin and Marie farmed near South Amana for many years. Marie also worked as a waitress at the Ox Yoke for 20 years. Following their retirement from farming, the couple made their home in Amana.

Marie was a very unselfish person. She enjoyed traveling all over the U.S., fishing in Canada and golfing at the Marengo Golf Club. Marie especially enjoyed the Supper Club, with the company of the Danskin's, Steffen's and Burgy's and playing cards. She loved planting flowers, gardening vegetables and canning.

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**AMANA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

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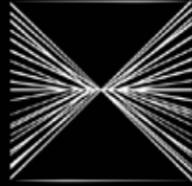
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**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT**  
 Notice of Public Hearing June 13, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.  
 At the Amana Heritage Society Museum Auditorium  
 705 44th Ave And via ZOOM link

1. Call Public Hearing to Order
2. Set Agenda
3. Amana Society presentation followed by public input/questions on proposed Disc Golf Course
4. Adjourn Public Hearing

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT**  
 Notice of Board of Trustees Meeting and Tentative Agenda  
 June 13, 2022 - 7:30 p.m. Amana Heritage Society Museum Auditorium - 705 44th Ave. And via ZOOM link

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve May 9, 2022 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. 2022-034. Aaron Schaefer / agent Ramsey Creek Bill Yoder / 5204 C St East Amana / HP-R. 1) Remove existing 4' x 8' bay window and replace with a three wide double hung vinyl window assembly. 2) Remove non-historic twin window on east end and replace with double hung vinyl window which matches the existing 6/6 windows. 3) Remove existing two flue chimney and replace with historically accurate chimney that matches the other two chimneys on east side of house.
  - b. 2022-035. Wendy Sauter / 1709 4th Ave South Amana / HP-R. Remove pre-fab concrete stoop and replace with a 4' x 8' treated wood porch with railings and roof (see entrance mockup graphic in application).
- VI. Other Business.
  - a. Discussion/Action: ASI request to re-zone four parcels of land located south of Highway 220 bridge across Price Creek/ east of Amana Furniture Shop. Requested to go from ACOS to ACOS NA so that a Disc Golf Course can be established in this area. Ref 2022-012.
  - b. Discussion/Action: HPC suggests that ACLUD ordinances be updated to include guidelines for chickens, chicken coops, feeders etc. in back yards.
  - c. Discussion/Action: The Board of Trustees must vote on whom will temporarily assume the position of President until an official election can be held this fall.
  - d. Discussion/Action: ACLUD Fee Schedule for fiscal 2022-2023. A suggested new fee schedule has been provided for review.
  - e. Discussion/Action: Building condition at 2516 220th Trail Middle Amana.
- VII. Review/Approve June Disbursements Report.
- VIII. Review/Approve May Treasurer's Report.
- IX. President's Report.
- X. Administrator's Report.
- XI. Adjourn.



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