

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Confession Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, October 08, starting 8:30 A.M. with Br. Mike Shoup presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Sanftmuth, die edle Gottegabe" No. 890 vs 1,3,5,9 Seite 876

Testimony: Ursula Mayer, Ronneburg, March 15, 1716

Scripture: 1 John 1:5 – 1 John 2:11
Psalm 32

Closing Hymn: "Mein Gott Das Herz ich bringe Dir" No. 664 vs. 1-3, 8, 21, 24 Seite 662

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

Opening Hymn: "Humility, The Noblest Virtue" No. 140

Closing Hymn: "My Lord, An Offering Do I Bring" No. 42

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.

Links to services posted online may be found starting with the gateway page:

BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on October 17 & 19 from 2:30 to 6:30. The Drive will be held in the Donor Bus, Amana Library/Elementary, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special Thank You, all donors will receive a \$10 gift card or 500 bonus points to the Impact Donor Store to spend on cool donor gear! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. Walk-ins are accepted. Appointments are preferred. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate on both days.

To sign up, please contact the Amana Library via email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org or call 319-622-3192 to schedule a time.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

One would think that wearing hearing aids would be awful and a sign of old age. Well, I am old and, frankly, they have helped me so much. Best of all, they are hardly noticeable. Not that appearances have ever been a big deal to me. I have yet to receive a crown for my beauty. Even on my wedding day no one said anything about me being a "beautiful bride" but, instead, patted Charlemagne's cheek and said, "poor, poor Charlie" as if he was a lamb being led to the slaughter.

Perhaps the problem with my hearing began way back in first grade when the elementary class was taken by bus to Marengo for hearing tests. Some of us were held back and re-tested. I was one of them and, naturally, cried because I was sure that I had failed and would forever be held back. I was allowed back on the bus and figured that I would go on with life. The trouble was that I would not forget.

Decades later the strangest thing happened. My ears seemed to stop shut. I could barely hear anything, so it was off to the doctor who flushed my ears out. It was like a cork had been taken out of my ears and I was amazed at how well I suddenly heard.

Time went on and I got tired of yelling at Charlemagne. We both know he had hearing loss from having worked at the woolen mill all those years. He did not want to go for a check-up, so we made a pact that we would both go. Well, guess who had the worst hearing and needed immediate help! So, it was off to the bank to withdraw money for both of us to get hearing aids.

You would think that would be the end of it,

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

CCA School Board Elections Coming Up Middle Amana Candidate on the Ballot

A public forum with the candidates for the Clear Creek Amana School District Board of Directors will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at the CCA High School, Performing Arts Auditorium. Residents will be able to ask questions and hear from the candidates.

District 1 includes the Amana Colonies and has two candidates vying for the open seat; Allison Momany of Middle Amana and April Schmitz of North Liberty.

All candidates on the ballot: Allison Momany of Middle Amana, District 1; April Schmitz of North Liberty, District 1; Gabe Schaapveld of North Liberty, at large; Jennifer Bollers of Tiffin, District 3; Jennifer Downes of Oxford, District 2; Pat Higby of Tiffin, District 2 and Sarah Rivera, no address on file, at-large; Joe Burns, no address on file, at-large; Abdouramane Bila of North Liberty, at-large.

Election day is November 7.

CCA Annual Fruit Sale Begins

Go to the www.ccafame.org page to place your orders now for the annual Fine Arts and Music Education (FAME) supporters fruit sale. On Friday, Dec. 8 from 4 to 8 p.m. you will be able to pick up your order at the CCA High School in Tiffin. This year all orders must be placed online.

Or email ccafame@gmail.com for help/ orders. Proceeds from the sale help FAME provide the art, music, band, speech and theater arts programs in the elementary, middle school and high school at CCA.

Put Some Swagger in Your Step

The Rod Pierson Big Band is here in Amana for one night only - Saturday, Oct, 7 at 7 p.m.

Brought to us by TKM Theatrical Productions, Tom Milligan and Deb Kennedy, this hugely talented team of musicians produces the big, big sound we love – jazz, swing, 50s era top 40, they play the songs we love. Featuring vocalist Craig Boche, think Frank, think Dean, think Harry -this man can sing! Tickets are \$25. Show starts at 7 p.m. Yes, there will be refreshments available so that you can make a night of it.

Go to the TKM Theatrical Productions Facebook page to order tickets. Or call 319-899-3799 for reservations.

Oktoberfest - One for the Record Books

Records were broken at Oktoberfest 2023:
1) The biggest Friday ever! Friday attendance at the Festhalle was the largest since record keeping began with a full Festhalle from 11 a.m. until closing. Though we haven't yet heard the official report, we've heard rumblings that the amount of beer sold on Friday was a chart-topper too.

2) Hottest Oktoberfest ever! With temps topping 95 degrees in downtown Amana on Saturday at 3 p.m. it was certainly the hottest fall festival that anyone could remember. "Remember '93 that was a hot one and I think 2006 or maybe 2007 we got into the 80s but 95? Holy moly," said one village merchant,

Another local recalled, "I remember in 1979 or maybe it was '80, I about frozen my fingers off at the Middle Amana ballpark it was so cold. I sorta missed that on Saturday I tell you!"

Happy 90th Birthday

Melvin Graesser

Please help Melvin celebrate his 90th birthday on **October 16th** by sending a greeting to:

Melvin Graesser

PO Box 84

Middle Amana, IA 52307

Please, no gifts.

THANK YOU

Thank you for the many cards and visits I received for my 90th birthday. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

God Bless!
Norman Geiger



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but you would be wrong. First off, Charlemagne felt he could get better and cheaper hearing aids somewhere else, so off he went. Well, he got what he paid for – garbage.

Meanwhile, I go in and have my hearing checked every few months. The trouble is that I had trouble hearing people on the telephone, so my audiologist made a few suggestions that did not work, unfortunately. She then put me in contact with a government program that comes to the house and installs a device that works like a telephone, only it prints out the conversation on a screen which I can read.

This will be helpful because I can now use my cell phone exclusively, thereby eliminating the scam calls we have been getting on the land line. Yes, we are going to the cell phone. If you need to get hold of Charlemagne or me, write or ask for the phone number.

B.S.H.

AMANA MEAT SHOP & SMOKEHOUSE

Seasonal Associates needed!

Do you want to work in a friendly & fast paced environment with fun coworkers, while making extra money for the holidays? If so, the **Amana Meat Shop** is the place for you! Seasonal Production Associates assemble and package gift boxes and prepare them for shipping throughout November and December. Customer Service Associates assist customers with their phone orders and perform data entry work. Basic computer knowledge is required & good typing, spelling and grammar skills are essential. Flexible hours are available for both positions and snacks & meals are provided! Contact Laura Sue at 319-622-3953 or lswoods@amanas.net for more information.

**AMANA TROOP 223 ACTIVITIES
Christmas Wreath/Roping Sales**

The Amana Boy Scouts, Troop 223, will again be offering Christmas wreaths at \$17.00 each. These can be pre-ordered by October 23 and available on Saturday November 18th during door to door sales.

Roping is available in two lengths – 25 foot for \$25.00 and 50 foot for \$50.00 and needs to be pre-ordered by October 23. It will NOT be available after that date. To pre-order call Gary or Charlotte Heishman, 319-622-3039.

Scouting For Food

The BSA Scouting for Food Drive will be on October 28th this year. The Cub Scouts will distribute door hangers from October 21-25th so be on the lookout for that instead of the usual bag. Then on the 28th they will come around and pick up your donations. You will have to place items somewhere that is very visible from the road so it can be picked up.

All items Scouts collect will stay right here at the Amana Church Food Pantry. The pantry is always in need of food products to give to families that need assistance.

Please remember, No Glass or Open Packages. Also food needs to be non-perishable and not expired.

Questions can be directed to Charlotte Heishman-319-622-3039, Elaine Brown- 319-622-3306

Boy Scout Popcorn Sales

The Amana Cub Scouts are selling popcorn through the end of October. Please contact Dawn Ball with any questions or orders. 319-310-7526

Thank you.

Amana Area Fellowship Night of Worship

Please join us for an evening of food, fellowship, song and a message from the Bible.

Thursday, October 12, 2023

Amana Performing Arts Center

Potluck 6:00-6:30 Music and Message 6:45

Continuing Series: Jesus' Letters to the 7 Churches- Book of Revelation

- Rev. 3:7-13

Message: Letter to the church in Philadelphia
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jvanzante@southslope.net

GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE - 2610 J St. Middle Amana Everything from baby items to antiques. Friday, October 6th from 8:00 – 4:00 Saturday, October 7th from 8:00 – 2:00

FOR SALE

575 shares of New Class A Common Stock for sale. Interested parties may call Alan Wendler @ 760-338-8000.

2 Dog Chain Kennel 9ft X 12ft X 6ft, \$700 or best offer. Dog Supplies/Training: Steel bucket, Shock Collar, leashes, Dog leads, bells, Books/Training, etc. Call Steven Baumgartel 319-310-1905

WANTED/WANTED TO BUY

BUYING ALL ANTIQUES; Toys, signs, Furniture, Crocks, Paintings, textiles, automotive, oddities and the unusual. Any condition. Fair cash prices paid. Call or text 319-270-1251/Jack Cirkl.

FOR RENT/ LEASE

Room for rent South Amana. No smoking, background check 319-540-9351

SERVICES

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

AMANA MEAT SHOP & SMOKEHOUSE

Part Time Retail Associates

are needed at the Amana Meat Shop & Smokehouse! Do you want to work in a friendly environment with fun coworkers? Are you interested in meeting new people as they shop at a great local business? If so, the Amana Meat Shop is the place for you! Come join our team and help customers find quality food right here in Amana. Stop in for more information or call Laura Sue at 319-622-3953.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT
Notice of Public Hearing Oct. 9, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.
Amana Colonies Land Use District office
4304 220th Trail Amana, And via ZOOM link

1. Call Public Hearing to Order
2. Set Agenda
3. Open Discussion Regarding Agenda Items – Purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input from the General Public regarding demolition of some newer structures which happen to be located on HP-R parcels:
 - A) ref 2023-101 / Joyce Fels /609 46th Ave Amana / HP-R / tear down a lean to shed which is attached to the side of the garage. Built some time in the late 1960s.
 - B) ref 2023-113 / Amana Colonies Historical Sites Foundation - representative Lanny Haldy / 17 220th Trail Upper South Amana / HP-R / regarding a 1970s built shed located on the west side of the Upper South Hotel. Demolish the shed and haul it away.
 - C) ref 2023-114 / Jerry Kilpatrick / 2604 220th Trail Middle Amana / HP-R / Modern garage located on an HP lot. Garage caught fire recently, and the remaining structure and debris need to be removed down to the cement slab so that a future garage can be constructed.
4. Adjourn Public Hearing

Amana Library Hours
Friday, Oct. 13 9:00am-6:00pm

LIVE MUSIC ROD PIERSON BIG BAND
This Saturday

TKM Theatrical Productions proudly presents Rod PIERSON BIG BAND FEATURING CRAIG BOCHE AT THE MIC October 7th, 7-10pm at the Amana Performing Arts Center, 39 38th Ave, Amana.

The Rod Pierson Big Band featuring Craig Boche, will be at The Amana Performing Arts Center!

This carefully built 13-member Big Band combines world class musicians (players/educators/professors) with a legendary music library of swing, big band, jump, ballad, and contemporary charts.

We take pride in bringing a certain Rat Pack sound, swagger, and feel to our performances. Our chart list includes songs & arrangements made popular by Sinatra, Darin, Martin, Cole, Prima, Connick, Basie, Bublé, Miller, Setzer, Davis, and so many more. We provide instrumentation, vocals, and entertainment of the highest quality for concerts, stage shows, weddings, dances, private parties, community celebrations, or any type of event.

Tickets are \$25.00. Call 319-899-3799 or email deborahkennedy@live.com

"IN THE SILENCE" FILM SCREENING

TKM Theatrical Productions proudly sponsors "IN THE SILENCE" Film screening October 27th starting 6 pm, at The Amana Performing Arts Center, 39 38th Ave, Amana.

Just in time for Halloween! Join us for a thrilling night with the screening of IN THE SILENCE film written by Rob Merritt & directed by Adam Orton.

In an attempt to cope with the loss of their only son, a husband and wife move to a farmhouse that- unbeknownst to them - is haunted, all the while their grief is aggravated by the arrival of a strange and cryptic man.
Genre: Thriller Rated PG-13

There will be an opportunity to meet the producers and cast before and after the screening.

Tickets are \$8.00. Call 319-899-3799 or contact deborahkennedy@live.com

TKM Theatrical Productions, a charitable non-profit theatrical production company, is beginning its 11th season serving Eastern Iowa communities.

RECEIPTS FOR EDUCATION AT BIG G

We are again partnering with Big G Food Store in Marengo, in a program that earns us FREE classroom equipment and supplies. Shop at Big G now thru - March 31, 2024. Save your receipts and send them to school with your child or drop them off at the Amana Library. Your receipts will earn us points for free classroom equipment and supplies, donated by the store. Please submit your receipts (the date needs to be on the receipt for it to be valid) to to our school by April 4, 2024. Thank you



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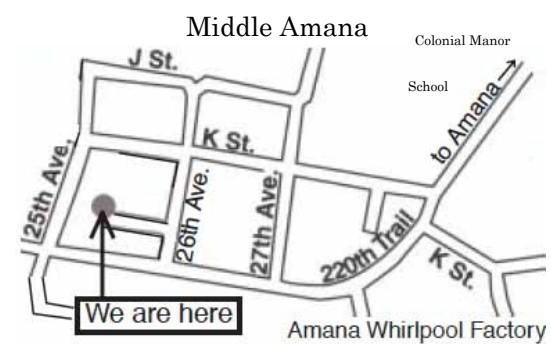
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