

### AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Sunday Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, December 09, 2018, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Tony Berger presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Nun sich die Nacht geendet hat" No. 748, Seite 739

Testimony: Gleim, September 15, 1715

Scripture: John 1:1-14

Psalm 85:4-13

Closing Hymn: "Zeuch uns nach Dir" No. 1155, Seite 1141

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

Opening Hymn: "Now that the night has passed away" No. 113

Closing Hymn: "Spread, oh spread, thou mighty Word" No. 246.

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service will begin at 7:00 PM in Middle.

The Saturday worship service meets 6:00 PM in the Sunday school meeting room in Amana.

**Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's English Service.**

### CONGREGATE MEALS

Come join us for Congregate Meals at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana Church on Mondays.

**Our menu for December 10:**

Chicken Tetrazini, Beets, Peach Salad

Vanilla Pudding

The cost is only \$5 and also includes your drink!! All ages welcome!! The doors open at 11:00 and we serve at 11:30!! Please call Donna Trumpold at 622-3218 or 560-6285 by noon on Friday to make a reservation. We hope to see you!!

### SPECIAL "GRINCHMAS" EVENTS ARE HAPPENING AT THE AMANA LIBRARY

Children in Grades K-6 (ages 5-12) are invited to the Amana Library to watch, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and celebrate a very Merry GRINCHMAS in Whoville. Dress in your favorite Whoville attire and enjoy some delicious GRINCHMAS treats!

Friday, December 14th from 6:00-7:30 - children 3rd-6th Grades or ages 8-12.

Saturday, December 15th from 10:00-11:00 - children Kindergarten-2nd Grade or ages 5-7.

Use the link <https://goo.gl/forms/sX8ee6IUL-QpHqu2Y2> to fill out the Google Form and register your child today. All **children MUST be registered by Wednesday, December 12th**. If you have any questions, please email Heather Fox at [heatherfox@ccaschools.org](mailto:heatherfox@ccaschools.org) or call the Amana Library at (319)622-3192. THANK YOU!

### FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Recently I learned of the death of a very dear relative and friend, Lois Harper Eichacker. Lois was the wife of George Eichacker, a former resident of Homestead.

Lois passed away on November 18 in Las Vegas where she and George had moved after having lived for many years in Ft. Madison and, later, Iowa City. Lois served as Executive Director of the Southeast Iowa Community Action Organization. After she retired from her many duties, she still served on the boards of more than fifteen non-profit organizations, including serving as President of the University Iowa Alumni Association, and the boards of the African American Museum of Iowa and the Iowa Department of Economic Development. In 1997 she was inducted into the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame. She is survived her husband of 49 years, George, three children and one grandson.

George and Lois had one of those marriages where they looked outward and stretched towards others no matter who the people were. Somehow, they always had time to put down their work and listen to other people's concerns, then, very quietly and expecting nothing in return, they would go and help others.

Charlemagne and I were often the recipients of their acts of kindness. I remember many times seeing them come in a door to hear a talk, attend a function at the Amanas, or just smile and giving a knowing nod telling us that things would be okay. We could go on because they were there for us.

Lois was blind to color, religion, social status, wealth, education, etc. All that mattered to her was

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### This Weekend in the Forest Live Reindeer here on Saturday!

Hey everyone, Santa's reindeer will be at the Tannenbaum Forest on Saturday, Dec. 8 from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Come in and see the reindeer along with Santa!

Santa will be there Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon until 3 p.m.

The Tannenbaum Forest is open next weekend too Dec. 14 – 16, though reindeer will be at the forest this weekend only. The forest closes for the year on December 16 at 4 p.m.

Despite the wind, despite the rain, everyone appeared to have enjoyed the Amana Tannenbaum Forest and Prelude to Christmas.

"We were really thrilled with this year's events at the Amana Church," said Carmen Trumpold Grimm, who chaired the Christmas Bazaar along with Mary Zuber.

The bazaar and cookie walk both had a great selection of treats to sell and despite the weather, turn out was very good. "This might have been one of our best years ever," said Grimm who thanked her volunteer staff and every one who donated items to the bazaar. "We always have nice things, but this year we had a really wonderful assortment."

Amy Jacobson echoed the sentiment. "Yes, this was one of our top years. . . thanks to everyone who donated and everyone who stopped by and shopped!" The cookie walk was sold out by 1:30 p.m. every crumb going to a great cause; the Amana Church's Sunday School, youth group and summer vacation Bible camp.

The new "Advent in the Forest" went very well on Friday night with over 50 people in attendance singing traditional Christmas carols and participating in a 20 minute service led by Jon Childers in the Tannenbaum Forest.

Another highlight from Prelude weekend – a surprise Saturday noon visit from Santa! Yes, just in time to greet the kids who hurried over after the Old Creamery did a bangup job celebrating the season with their mega magical "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe," Santa Claus made an unscheduled visit to the forest and welcomed children and their parents to the Tannenbaum Forest. As Rick Hergert, Tannenbaum volunteer (and one of our Secret Santa's merry elves) told us, "It was so much fun to be there to see those kids see Santa. . . especially for those who were seeing him in person for the first time!!! Wow!"

This year more than 65 volunteers will have served as greeters and by helping out Santa Claus. That's not counting all of the volunteers who trimmed trees, contributed to the silent auction, performed in the forest or helped to promote the event. Truly it does take a village to make the Tannenbaum Forest happen.

### Amana School Community Library Stocking Stuffer

We're fortunate to have a well stocked, well staffed community library right here in the seven villages and now is the hour to remember that and make a contribution towards the library's support.

### Amana Elementary School and Community Library Stuff the Stocking Fundraiser

Dear library patron,

Amana Library patrons and AES students are able to access many services through our library including a variety of reading materials, computers and internet access. Your donation to the library will enable us to expand and maintain these services and continue to stay current with evolving technology. We also plan to continue updating outdated shelving and furniture in various parts of our space. The Amana Library Foundation considers the future needs of the library. You may also choose this option for your donation. Please consider making a donation for current materials or to the Amana Library Foundation. Both donations are tax deductible under 501 (c) (3). Fill out the bottom portion and use the addressed envelope to return. You may also use this link to make your donation online. <https://ia-clearcreekamana-life.intouchreceipting.com/> Thank you!

Library Hours:

Monday: 8:30-4:00

Tuesday: 8:30-6:00

Wednesday: 8:30-1:30

Thursday: 8:30-6:00

Friday: 8:30-6:00

Saturday: 9-12

Contact Information:

Heather Fox: [heatherfox@ccaschools.org](mailto:heatherfox@ccaschools.org)

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Phone Number: (319) 622-3192

Website: <http://www.ccaschools.org/>

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Please make checks payable to the Amana Library Our Address: Amana Library, 3023 220th Trail, Amana, IA 52203

The Amana Library, in addition to serving the Amana Elementary School and Preschool/ Day care, provides support materials and assistance to Amana School staff members and is open to the public six days a week including Saturdays at the school in Middle Amana.

At the library you can read newspapers and magazines online, use the internet to gain access to sites or do your work, find a quiet place to work or study, check out the latest best sellers and rent DVD's. The library staff is always willing to order book from other libraries at NO CHARGE to you. So if you don't see it on their shelves, you can have a librarian find it and order it for you to read. Also check out the library's access to e-books for your e-reader or Ipad.

This year the library is raising funds to upgrade services, replace some shelving and replace worn furniture in the library while it keeps up the ongoing effort to stock the shelves with the books and materials of interest. The library is supported by tax dollars, however, these voluntary contributions go a very long way to make sure that the library is able to offer services and materials that benefit the entire community.

To donate please use the form below.

The library is open Monday 8:30 – 4; Tuesday 8:30 – 6, Wednesday 8:30 – 1:30, Thursday 8:30 – 6 and Friday 8:30 – 6; plus Saturdays 9 - noon.

### Wild Times in Middle Amana

When local residents began spotting four wild turkeys wandering about Lakeside, Parkside and even as far as downtown Amana, they wondered what the deal was.

Yes, Facebook and Instagram buzzed with photos of the quartet of feathered friends lolling beside the Lily Lake or trundling happily down Highway 220 seemingly on their way to lunch at the Ronneburg. Sadly, however, about 2 weeks ago one of the turkeys was struck by a car and killed.

That led neighbors to contact the Iowa County Sheriff's Department to see if the wild birds could be relocated. After giving it go and finding that the three remaining birds were not about to be rounded up and indeed, dramatically demonstrated just how much they resented the attempt to round them up, Iowa County gave the Iowa Department of Natural Resources a call. The DNR was unable to offer any options for their capture and relocation.

They did urge local residents to please stop feeding the turkeys and geese.

As Iowa County Sheriff Rob Rotter related, a few individuals apparently have been leaving cracked corn or bird seed on or near the Amana Kolonieweg or in their yards for the turkeys and thus the turkeys are hanging around.

Please remember, the Sheriff's urges, that these are wild animals and they are much better off returning to the forest and fields away from the highways.

This proved very true again last Thursday when a 2nd turkey was struck apparently by a car at twilight near Lakeview Village. In the dark it is nearly impossible to see a dark bird along or on the highway.

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OBITUARY

Richard “Rick” Michael Rawson, 71, of Palo, Iowa, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2018, at the Dennis and Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy in Hiawatha, Iowa.

Rick was born on June 28, 1947, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the son of Herbert “Bill” and Betty Rawson. He graduated from Jefferson High School and earned his BSE degree from Coe College. Rick married his one true love, Janice Taylor, on May 10, 1987.

The couple raised their two children, Abigail and Taylor, in Amana where they owned and operated a bed-and-breakfast and a lawn-and-garden shop for nearly 27 years. Rick also operated Cedar Creek Trading Co. in Lindale and Westdale malls for over eight years. In 2016 he retired and, with Janice, moved to his childhood home near Palo.

To his children he was: magical, their best friend, most determined, respected, loyal, inspirational, strong, hardworking, pleasant, loving and the most-loved man they had ever known.

Rick included us in all of his passions: golf, road trips, cooking, football, hard work and madcap adventures. He truly was a loving husband, father, brother, uncle and friend.

Survivors include his wife, Janice; children, Abigail and Taylor; his brother, Thom (Cathy) Rawson of Cedar Rapids; sisters, Janet (John) Metcalfe of Minnesota and Nancy (Tim) Rawson-King of Cedar Rapids; stepmother, Delores; nieces, nephews, aunts and uncle. We all feel blessed to have had him in our lives.

Services: 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018, at Clover Ridge United Methodist Church, Walford. Visitation: 10 to 11 a.m. at the church, with a lunch to follow the services.

Papich-Kuba Funeral Service, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, serving the family.

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The Sheriff notes that we would all hate to see another bird killed or worse, a rear-end auto collision due to someone braking for turkeys on busy Highway 220.

**The Turkey Saga**

Soon to be in bookstores, The Turkey Saga, a sweeping multi-generational story about the Turkey family, a proud and unfettered bunch whose single-minded matriarch, Oletha Turkey, leads her children to the shores of the Great Big Lake where they must learn to cope with a society swept by change. As they leave behind the hardships of wilderness life, they find themselves tempted by easy riches and comforts they have never known, only to discover, almost too late, that they were better off in their forest home far away from the cracked commercial production left about like so much strewn seed, enticing them to their destruction.

Also soon to be Netflix original series.

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT**  
**Notice of Board of Trustees Meeting and Tentative Agenda December 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**  
**ACLUD Meeting Room, 4304 220th Trail, Amana**

1. Call Meeting To Order.
2. Set Agenda.
3. Discussion/Action: Review/approve the following: November meeting minutes
4. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda.
5. Discussion/action: November Financial Report.
6. Discussion/action: December Disbursements
7. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District.
  - a. 2018-052 – Thomas & Becky Ehltz; 4512 220th Trail, Amana: relocation of (16’ x 20’) Farm Ag building.
  - b. 2018-064 – Eric Zuber, 402 P. St – South Amana; garage remodel (doors, siding, roofing, gutters).
  - c. 2018 – 065 – Casey’s General Store– 617 42nd Ave –Amana; light pole replacement farm building.
8. Other Business: Ordinance Discussion - Semi noise
9. Administrator Report
10. President’s Report
11. Adjourn

**Amana Print Shop**  
Tue - Th & 9AM - 4PM, Fri 9-2  
319.622.3912 amanaprintshop@southslope.net

**AMANA LIBRARY BLOOD DRIVE**

The Amana Library will host a Mississippi Valley Blood Drive on Tuesday, December 18 from 2:00 to 6:00 pm at the Amana Library parking lot; 3023 220th Trail; Middle Amana in the MVRBC Bus.

To sign up, please call 319-622-3192 or amanalibrary@ccaschools.org. Sign up today!

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what was in your heart.

Their marriage was one to emulate because they not only cared for each other but cared for others. They loved one another like God loves each of us.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established at the Eichacker Center in care of Community Action of Southeast Iowa, 2850 Mount Pleasant Street, Suite 108, Burlington, Iowa 52601. (Please note “Eichacker Memorial” on your donation.)

A memorial mass will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, January 12, 2019, at the Newman Catholic Student Center, 104, East Jefferson Street, Iowa City, IA 52245.

George Eichacker’s address is 9828 Ridge Rock Ct., Las Vegas, NV 89134.

B.S.H.

(Note: We will print a full obituary next week)

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**WANTED/WANTED TO BUY**

BUYING All ANTIQUES; Toys, Furniture, Crocks, Paintings and Weird Items “any condition”. Buying Entire Estates, call for fair pricing. Please call 319-270-1251 or 319-538-8668.

**FOR RENT**

South Amana - One bedroom apartment \$500/mo. Also, 1 room available with shared bathroom. Call Larry Hertel at 319.540.9351. Background check & Deposit required for each.

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**SAFE HAVEN CHRISTMAS DONATION BOX**

Safe Haven of Iowa County is in constant need of donations. Please consider donating something on their “Christmas Wish List.”

Scoopable Cat Litter; Purina Puppy, Cat, or Kitten Chow; Friskies paté canned cat food – fish flavors; Canned dog food w/gravy; Delectables squeeze tube cat treats; Rawhides; Low sodium canned chicken; Chicken broth - plain; Pill Pockets; Bleach; All Clear HE liquid laundry detergent; Hand sanitizer; Liquid hand soap; Bleach pods; Clorox cleaning wipes; Dawn dish soap; Tide wash machine cleaner; Paper towels; Catnip fish cat toys; Mice toys for cats; Cat fishing pole toys.

The Donation Box will at the Amana Family Practice until Monday, December 17th.

### Iowa County Property Owners

The following must be reported to the Iowa County Assessor’s Office by January 11, 2019:

1. Any construction started prior to January 1 (whether or not completed)
2. New buildings
3. Building additions
4. Structural modifications
5. Repairs over \$2,500.00 per building per year
6. Buildings removed or changes to a building condition.

**Failure to report improvements may result in a 100% penalty.**

IOWA COUNTY ASSESSOR – 319-642-3851  
assessor@co.iowa.ia.us  
PO Box 347 Marengo, IA 52301

**MILLSTREAM UGLY SWEATER PARTY**

Join us for our annual Ugly Sweater Party at the Millstream Brau Haus to ohh and ahh over everyone’s ugly sweaters! Prizes drawn for the most outrageous sweaters. Live music from 6-9pm with Langer’s Ball as they play their own style of Irish folk music.

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**RIVERBOTTOM RAMBLERS**  
**PLAY ON SUNDAY IN GARRISON**

The Farmers Mercantile Store in Garrison Iowa will host the Riverbottom Ramblers this Sunday, December 9 from 2-4:30. The Riverbottom Ramblers will feature bluegrass and music they play at festivals in the area, and end with holiday tunes. Musicians are Ursula Williams on fiddle, James Horak on mandolin, Mike Maas on dobro, Dean Schade on banjo, and Don and Barb Horak on guitar and doghouse bass. Refreshments served during break.

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