

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Sunday Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, March 24, 2019, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Emilie Hoppe presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Jesus, Jesus nichts als Jesus" No. 547, Seite 542

Testimony: B.H. Landmann, Amana, Aug. 24, 1873

Scripture: John 7: 37 – 41  
Psalm 63

Closing Hymn: "Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein!" No. 1064, Seite 1041

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

Opening Hymn: "When in the Hour of Greatest Need" No. 159

Closing Hymn: "Jesus Jesus Only Jesus" No. 69

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

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

## THE AMANA CHURCH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTION

The annual membership meeting and Board of Trustees election of the Amana Church Society is scheduled for Monday, April 8 at the Middle Church. The election will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and will be followed by the membership meeting. There are three open seats on the Board of Trustees.

All regular members of the Amana Church Society are eligible to run for the BOT. If you are interested in having your name placed on the ballot, you must contact the church office by March 25.

## CONGREGATE MEALS

Are you tired of all the snow, cold and dreary weather? Why not join us for food and conversation at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana church every Monday? Doors open at 11 o'clock, we serve at 11:30. Cost is only \$5.00, including your Coffee or Hot Chocolate. For Reservations call Donna Trumpold by noon on Friday.....319-622-3218 or 319-560-6285.

### Menu for March 25th

Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Corn,  
Emerald Pears, Chocolate Pudding  
Bread and Butter

## FRIENDS OF IOWA COUNTY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION BANQUET

Save the Date for the 9th Annual Friends of Iowa County Conservation Foundation Banquet, at the Lake Iowa Nature Center, 2550 G Avenue Ladora, Saturday April 13, 2019.

Wine tasting and Silent Auction start at 5:00PM, dinner at 6:00PM. Live auction to follow dinner. Proceeds to benefit Iowa County Conservation Projects.

Catered by P.H.A.T Daddy's of Amana, tickets are \$25 and available for purchase now at Lake Iowa Nature Center, or by calling 319-665-8465 or call Carmen Grimm at 319-389-3694

## ARTS GUILD ANNUAL COMMUNAL MEAL

It's that time of year again when you're invited to the Guild's celebration of traditional Colony communal cooking. Reserve your spot now for the opportunity to experience not just the extraordinary foods but also an atmosphere of Colony hospitality and community spirit. Come visit with friends, both old and new, as platters of original communal dishes are passed around our tables.

The evening begins with a glass of wine or lemonade served in our unique attic gallery at 5:00 PM, followed by the dinner menu of Amana recipes served at 6:00 PM downstairs in our main room. The menu of course is a "secret" and will not be revealed until served.

Please RSVP and include payment with your reservation form. Seating is limited to 80. The cost is \$22 per person. For more information contact the Guild at amanarts@southslope.net or 319-622-3678. You will be notified if the meal is filled and we cannot accept your reservation.

For more information please contact the Art Guild at (319) 622-3678 or amanarts@southslope.net

## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Sen. Joni Ernst to Hold Iowa County Town Hall

Friday, March 22 at 2:15 p.m. Sen. Joni Ernst will be speaking at a Town Hall Meeting at the Williamsburg Jr./ Sr. High School, 810 West Walnut Street, in Williamsburg.

### Army Corps of Engineers to Hold April 2 Public Meeting in Marengo

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be holding a public meeting and open house, Tuesday, April 2 from 5 – 7 p.m. with a presentation by the Corps at 5:30 p.m. at the Marengo Public Library in Marengo, 235 East Hilton St. regarding the Coralville Lake Water Control Plan update.

The Corps has also decided to extend the public comment period for the Coralville Lake Water Control Plan update from March 15 until April 19. The added meeting and extended deadline came after several Iowa County residents asked if a meeting could be held in Iowa County and expressed concern that more public input and comment was needed before the Corps begins to draft a new plan. Water Control plans define normal operations at the Coralville Lake and Dam. They ensure that the operations of the reservoir conform to laws and applicable federal regulations.

At a public meeting held February 27 at the Iowa City Public Library, the members of the Corps staff shared the timeline for drafting a new plan for regulating the Coralville Lake and dam. Right now they are gathering input from the public. Their goal, as explained at the Feb. 27 meeting, is to collect comments from the public, then begin drafting a new control plan for presentation later this year and acceptance possibly by the spring of 2020. The current Coralville Lake Water Control Plan has been in place since 1992-93 and was amended in 2001. In 1993 the conservation pool level was raised to 683 feet. The control plan stipulates when and how much water is released and the timing of those releases for normal and flood operations.

For more information on the process, to view the current plan, or to submit comments visit: <https://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/About/Offices/Programs-and-Project-Management/Coralville-Lake-Water-Control-Plan-Update/>.

Public comments may also be submitted by mail to: Rock Island District, Attn: PM-M, P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204-2004; by email to [PublicInvolvement@usace.army.mil](mailto:PublicInvolvement@usace.army.mil); or by telephone at: 309-794-5704. The public comment period ends April 19.

### Amana Meat Shop Delivers on All Fronts

This spring the Amana Meat Shop will begin using its new shipping area, a 2,448 square foot addition to the historic Amana Meat Shop that includes an accessible loading dock, 456 square feet of freezer space and room to prepare, pack and ship the tens of thousands of orders they handle each year.

Designed by Green Drafting and Design of Hiawatha and constructed by Mike Sandersfeld Construction, Amana, the addition will look as if it's been there since the Meat Shop and Smokehouse was established in 1855.

"We wanted it to fit. Really fit, this place, this spot, this street. Justin Green and Mike Sandersfeld saw that and understood immediately that we wanted this new addition to look as if it's been here since day one," said Jeff Popenhagen, Amana Society director of retail sales and marketing.

"We choose the cedar siding and the 9 over 6 windows. The placement of the windows, the roof pitch, the dormers match the original meat shop. When the landscaping is done this spring and the cedar siding is on and weathered a bit it won't stand out as a new addition," Popenhagen said.

Construction started last autumn but was delayed by harsh weather. The siding, landscaping and other finishing touches will be completed this spring

As Popenhagen explained, the new addition gives them the space they need to expand production and make their shipping processes more efficient; efficiency being critical. The loading dock will make the delivery and shipping so much easier. "We'll be able to park a UPS truck here during the Christmas season when we need to and fill it up, which will be a huge help," Popenhagen said, adding "When we

did that before you couldn't get another truck in here and it took up so much of our customer parking."

The new addition will also allow them to store more supplies and stock more product on site. Before product and supplies were stored at the South Amana Bakery (in the coolers/ freezer there) and brought to the meat shop as needed, Tim Blattner, meat shop manager noted.

Here's more good news. The project came in under budget costing about \$200,000. "We used our Amana Society labor and resources. We did a lot of the work ourselves, in house, and utilized the Cedar Rapids Millwork to save dollars," Popenhagen said.

Last Christmas season the Amana Meat Shop shipped 28,768 holiday gifts. That's a 30 percent jump in holiday sales from 2014 when the Amana Meat Shop kicked its mail order business into high gear by adding staff and revamping its catalog and website. Since the window for holiday sales is short (more and more of us procrastinate) the meat shop staff has to be prepared to do the bulk of it in just 21 days. There have been plenty of days they shipped 2,000 plus packages in a single day.

The Amana Meat Shop mails catalogs to over 440,000 households and reaches as many as 644,000 people. Of course their website extends that reach even further. Last year the Amana Meat Shop had over \$5 million in sales.

"We have become a culture that shops on line," Popenhagen noted. "We certainly see that here, so we wanted to be in a position to serve that part of our business. Our goal is to increase our online and catalog sales."

Popenhagen said, "We are so fortunate that we have a great team here that works so well together. Everyone really pulls together to get the job done."

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**He turned 80 on the 23rd March**

**and will accept birthday wishes for either birthday, 80th, early 81st or belated 80th depending on how late this submission was to the Bulletin and which version you read, paper or electronic.**

**HELP WANTED**

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**AMANA SANDLOT IS BACK THIS SUMMER**

It's been a long winter and it might not be over yet, but the Amana Sandlot is thinking baseball! We hope to begin practices in late March and start games in April. We thank you for your support over the last few seasons and hope you join us at the ball field this summer. The big job this spring will be purchasing the resources for and putting the roofs on the dugouts! But also, the donations are used for many field/bleacher improvements, equipment, umpires, and game/tourney fees.

In the past, your generous donations have made this league possible. If you would like to donate this year, please do so by sending your donation to The Sandlot c/o Gretchen Muhlenbruck at 2730 F St. Amana, IA 52203. Thank you in advance!

**OBITUARY**

Bruce Alan Petrzelka and Virginia Kae Petrzelka left their earthly home to spend eternity with their Savior after a motorcycle accident in Sarasota County, FL on March 15, 2019. Visitation will be on Friday, March 22, 2019, at Cedar Hills Community Church, 6455 E Ave NW, Cedar Rapids, IA from 4-8 PM. The funeral service will be on Saturday, March 23, 2019, at 10 AM. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is assisting the family with arrangements.

Bruce was born August 7, 1959, in Cedar Rapids, IA to Dwayne & Cleo Petrzelka. He graduated from Amana Community School in 1978. Bruce worked at the Amana Sawmill, Chapman Logging Company, Gene Larson, Inc., Gordon Sevig Construction, Wendler Engineering, and drove school bus for Benton Community Schools, as well as farming.

Virginia was born November 8, 1962, in Cedar Rapids, IA to William & Ruth Parr. She graduated from Norway Community School in 1981 and worked at Colonial Manor in Amana, South Slope Telephone Company, UPS, Norwex, and drove school bus for Benton Community Schools.

Bruce & Virginia were married April 12, 1986, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Norway, IA and lived in the Norway area for their entire married life. They loved being with their children & families, traveling, boating, motorcycling, auto racing, camping, and spending time at the farm. Virginia was very active in the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program and loved documenting their family life through photography. Together with their sons, they started their family business, Petrzelka Dirtworks. Family, friends and faith were the cornerstones of their lives.

They are survived by three sons, Matthew (Kaitlyn), Nathan and Adam (Abby), and one daughter, Sara. They are also survived by their infant granddaughter, Willow Cleo Petrzelka. Bruce is survived by three sisters, Denise (Gary) Ellis, Deb (Lyle) Henderson and Tami (Ron) Wagner. Virginia is survived by her mother, Ruth Schutterle, brothers, Fred and Ron (Terry) Parr, and sisters, Marj (Greg) Becker, Darlene Parr, and Marilyn (Carl) Gerhold and step-sister, Melanne (Dick) Miller. They are also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Bruce was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Shana Petrzelka. Virginia was preceded in death by her father, step-father, Melvin Schutterle, and brother, Donald Parr.

Memorials can be directed to the family at 7831 30th AVE, Norway, IA 52318.

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"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" is the longest running off-Broadway revue in history.

From awkward first dates and first loves, through marriage and parenting, all the way to pick-up lines of the geriatric set, this newly updated musical comedy pays tribute to love in all its messy glory.

For the VIP series, the audience has been moved onto the Old Creamery Stage to bring audience members closer to the action.

Tickets are \$32.50 for adults and \$20 for students. Rated R. Call the Box Office for tickets and information at 319-622-6262 or visit us online at [www.oldcreamery.com](http://www.oldcreamery.com).

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**OBITUARY**

Ronald Lawrence Dage, 71, of Amana, passed away from acute myeloid leukemia, Friday, March 15, 2019, at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City. A Memorial service will be held in early summer at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery in Adel, Iowa. Memorials may be directed to the Safe Haven Animal Shelter of Iowa County.

Ron was born to Carroll and Margaret Hedges of Iowa City, on Aug. 5, 1947. In 1950, his father was killed in an automobile accident and, subsequently, Ron and his four siblings were placed up for adoption. He was adopted by Lawrence and Margaret Dage, Albia, Iowa. Ron completed his schooling in Albia before enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1965, serving on the USS Arlington, a communications ship, during the Vietnam War. Ron was honorably discharged in 1968 and began working at Amana Refrigeration in 1969, from where he retired in December 2009 after 41 years. Ron also started working that same year, with Robert and Loy Walker of Marengo, on their farm, where he helped out every fall and spring for nearly 50 years.

Ron married Karen Cardani at St. John's Lutheran Church in Marengo, Iowa, in October 1981. They moved to Amana in 1986.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Carroll Hedges and Margaret McAfee; adoptive parents, Lawrence and Margaret Dage; brother, Timothy Dage; sister, Susan Beaver; foster brother, Howard Pearce; and his much-loved cat, Erica.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Karen; brother, Tom (Carol) Dage of Gladstone, Mo.; three sisters, Becky Roberts of Albia, Iowa, Carroll Whetsline of Iowa City, Iowa, and Midge (George) Stonecipher of Carenero, La.; brother born, Charles Hedges, location unknown; and 14 nieces and nephews.

Ron was such a kind and caring person, warm and welcoming, who always was the first to lend a helping hand. He loved to have fun and, oh, how he could reel us in with his special and unique sense of humor that was all his own. Ron enjoyed spending time with family, friends and his beloved cats, Emily and Lexie. He also enjoyed playing cards, shooting pool, going to the casinos and, more recently, collecting antique oil cans.

Online condolences may be directed to the family at [www.iowacremation.com](http://www.iowacremation.com) under Obituaries.

**Estate Sale by The 2 Old Hens****4307 220th Trail, Amana**

**Friday 10-5**

**Saturday 10-3 (1/2 Price day)**

Collectables, Farm Toys, Repurpose Materials, Retro-Schwinn bike, Household, Home Decor, Brothers Sewing Machine, square oak dining room table, cupboard top, 1940's dining table/chairs. FREE -- non-working appliances

**FARMERS MARKET WEBINAR TRAINING**

ISU Extension will provide webinar training for new and returning farmers market vendors March 28 or April 11. Individuals who may not have reliable Internet service, the webinar may be viewed at some ISU Extension offices by simply showing up.

--Thursday, March 28, 10 – 11 a.m. Cedar Rapids, 383 Collins Rd. NE, Suite 201. Contact: [jorah@ia-state.edu](mailto:jorah@ia-state.edu)

--Thursday April 11, 10 – 11 a.m., Iowa City, 3109 Old Highway 218 S., 52246. Contact: [bielicke@ia-state.edu](mailto:bielicke@ia-state.edu)

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT****Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Notice**

**and Tentative Agenda – March 25, 2019, 6:30 pm**

**ACLUD Meeting Room, 4304 220th Trail, Amana**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set/Amend Agenda
- III. Review/Approve minutes - February meeting
- 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. 2019-008 Chris Herr; 708 12th Ave High Amana - Remove 3 sky lights and install metal roof on existing addition.
- VI. Other Business
  - a. Preservation summit- summer 2019
  - b. Paula Mohr visit
  - c. Kimm property debrief
  - d. Orientation packet for new HPC members
  - e. Ongoing education for HPC members
- VII. Administrator Report
- VIII. Chairman's Report
- IX. Adjourn; into Ordinance Review work session.