

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, July 15, 2018, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Mike Shoup presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Der Glaub' ist eine Hillelskraft" No. 139 Seite 132

Testimony: Ursula Mayer, Ronneburg, February 10, 1717; J. F. Rock, Zurich, July 22, 1741

Scripture: Matthew 5: 13-25  
Psalm 24

Closing Hymn: "O Jesu Christe, Gott der Ehren" No. 802 Seite 792

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

Opening Hymn: "In Faith We Find a Heavenly Power" No. 73

Closing Hymn: "From Eternity, O God" No. 215

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.

**July 16th.....CLOSED VBS**

**Our meal for July 23:** Baked Ham, Corn, Sweet Potatoes, Emerald Pears, Chocolate Pudding

The cost is only \$5 and also includes your drink!! Open to all ages. 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!!

## AMANA FOOD PANTRY

A big thank you to everyone who has donated to the Amana Food Pantry. One quick reminder, if you want to make a donation of goods, please bring them to the MIDDLE CHURCH. And if you have an abundance of garden produce, we would be happy to accept those as well. Again, we are serving several families and individuals throughout Iowa county and appreciate everyone's thoughtfulness.

## AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT HPC WORKGROUP SESSION

The Historic Preservation Commission will meet July 16, 2018, 6:30 pm in the ACLUD Meeting Room, 4304 220th Trail, Amana for a CLG Grant application workgroup session.

## BIKE AND HIKE WEEKEND

Enjoy the great outdoors in Amana on July 14th and 15th with Bike and Hike Weekend.

Saturday, July 14th Millstream Brewery will be sponsoring the "Tour de Brew", a 38 mile poker bike ride beginning and ending the brewery, with several beverage breaks. For a complete list of the biking and hiking trails, visit the Visitors Center or many of the businesses in the Amana Colonies.

## WHIRLPOOL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Whirlpool Foundation announced the results of the 66th annual Sons & Daughters Scholarship competition on behalf of Whirlpool Corporation's Amana Plant. Five scholarships were rewarded worth, over four years, (2) \$24,000, (2) \$2,500, and (1) \$1000.

Danielle Wnek, CCamana HS won a \$24,000 scholarship to the U. of Iowa.

Other winners were from: Muscatine, Iowa City and (2) Cedar Rapids

## DAYLILIES TO BLUEGRASS SCHEDULE

10:00 Gardens open

10:30-11:30 Daylily hybridization demo and class

1:00-3:00 Banjoist Bob Black and friends

3:00-4:00 Tour of entire gardens, daylilies included  
Rain date (only if all-day rain) is July 15.

More information on our website:

<https://cottageinthemeadow.plantfans.com/>

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Fireball Lights Up Sky July 8

Amana Colony residents are among those who witnessed a fireball in the southern sky on Sunday, July 8 at about 8:40 p.m.

As of Monday morning, the American Meteor Society had classed it as a "shallow angle... earth grazing fireball," that most likely did enter the earth's atmosphere and broke apart or "fragmented." A "fireball" is the term used for a meteorite that is brighter than normal, bright enough to be seen at dusk, dawn or in daylight.

Josh Wickencamp, Marlena Hicks, John Hoppe and Marie Synofzick, all residents of High Amana, were outside on Wickencamp's deck having supper when they spotted the fireball which flashed across the southern sky lasting about 5 or 6 seconds.

As Hoppe described, "At first I thought maybe it was a firework or something, but after a second it was very clear it was not. It was streaking across the sky quickly. It had a brilliant iridescent blue tail with a tinge of white. Near the object it appeared green. I thought it was much closer than it actually was because I had no frame of reference. . . I listened carefully and was surprised it was completely silent as it shot by. . . We ran around the side of house and we observed it break apart and could see two distinct pieces shoot out, kinda shoot out from the body in a white and red explosion. We knew we had seen something special and I Googled if there was anywhere to report such an observation. " Within about ten minutes they reported the sighting to the American Meteor Society.

As of mid-morning Tuesday, over 600 reports were filed with the American Meteor Society by witnesses who saw the event and described it or submitted photos or videos to the organization. The fireball was seen by residents of Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Missouri and Nebraska, the website recorded. If you too saw the fireball please make an online report to [www.amsmeteors.org](http://www.amsmeteors.org).

KCRG television received calls from viewers across eastern Iowa and reported the fireball, which was then picked up and reported by Good Morning America.

Using the eye witness accounts and computer imaging, the trajectory was estimated, according to AMS, from about 40 miles north of Des Moines heading east and south until about Burlington. Estimates place this one's actual size as somewhat bigger than a baseball but smaller than a cantaloupe. Most meteorites are iron ore, nickel or composite ore and rock.

History buffs will recall that in 1875 on Feb. 12 a brilliant fireball lit up the sky and resulted in about 100 meteorite fragments falling over an 20-square mile area around Homestead. One of the larger fragments is on display at the Amana Heritage Museum in Amana.

### Volunteers Make Amana Sky Light Up during 4th of July

With high temperatures and high humidity making the 4th of July 2018, quite a steamy holiday, it was still a whole lot of fun.

Hats off to all those dedicated souls who spent their day setting up the Amana Colonies 4th of July fireworks display, the annual breakfast, worship and evening picnic in the park.

From the nice-sized crowd enjoying eggs and pancakes at the annual Amana Church breakfast to the huge evening potluck buffet hosted by the Amana Family Practice Clinic and friends with bingo and dancing to Dogs on Skis, Amana's 4th of July was another sizzling good time.

As one South Amana resident said, "You really have to tip your hats to the guys who spent their whole day outside getting the fireworks set up. . . cause it was a real scorcher!" Working all day in the heat, the team out did itself as residents were delighted by the the show. "It was a good one!" our South Amana friend agreed.

The Middle Amana Fire Department and the Amana Colonies Fireworks committee made the display possible, and its not too early to begin the fund raising for next year's display. Yes, while it is still on

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## AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

The monthly meeting of the Amana Fire District will be held on Wednesday, July 18, 2018, at 7:00 pm in the Middle Amana fire station.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

I always thought that if Charlemagne would find another woman she would be younger, rich, and of course beautiful. I was wrong!

He has this “passion” for a cactus. Yes, you read that right....CACTUS!

Our neighbor gave him a Night Blooming Cereus. I don’t know why our neighbor and Charlemagne are so enchanted with this cactus because most of the year it is just a stalk with a few leaves on it. It looks malnourished and should be in garbage, but I dare not touch it for fear of the consequences.

Today Charlemagne called THE neighbor to tell her that tonight was the night. Now that would perk any wife’s ears up right away. He proceeded to say that he thought IT would happen around dusk and to come when the sun had set. Hmmm! He then went and got himself some cheese. Luckily it was the “stinky” cheese so I sort of questioned what kind of excitement would come.

He then proceeded to get the camera and ask ME how to make the camera flash. (If you were not suspicious by then, you are not paying attention.)

Well it is almost dusk and he is trying to act as if nothing important was going to happen.

I fear for a knock on the door Charlemagne and SHE walking into the evening together.

I am ready however with a flashlight and binoculars. Do they really think I believe their story that this cactus blooms only once a year and at NIGHT?

Just because I remember a time decades ago when Henrietta Moershel actually had a party to watch this “thing” bloom doesn’t mean it will happen again. I want proof!

I thought I was going to make fun of that plant. It is a scrawny, ugly little stick after all and certainly could not be that wonderful to make Charlemagne and our neighbor take such care of it all these years. Nothing that great could come of it. WRONG!

At midnight Charlemagne showed me one of those miracles of nature that literally takes one’s breath away.

The bloom that opened (for one night) was beyond belief.

If looked like a cross between an orchid and a water lily only better.

It was eight inches in diameter, snow-white at the tips and had pink shading in the middle.

Even the stems (were the seeds were located) were beautiful. They were only a few dozen of those, but each one stood out individually in this blaze of yellow. They were huge and enticed you to look at each one separately.

It was a magnificent flower that made me want to re-write my first article, but I felt it best to write about this sight.

Then, something odd happened. Charlemagne turned the flower around and I saw the stem. It was an ugly reddish purple with knobs on it that almost looked like thorns. Not only that, but it was twisted like a coiled snake about to strike.

Again, I thought of how ugly the plant looks most of the year.

One wonders if this flower was actually “teaching” me something such as beauty can be hidden or that perhaps what appears beautiful (like the flower when it is in bloom) is there to entice much like things we, as humans, are enticed by beauty only to find out there is ugliness. Who knows?

I just know that Charlemagne and our neighbor showed me something beautiful that lasted only one night!

Perhaps that what life is all about...it is brief and we should enjoy it while we have it in our grasp.

B.S.H.

**Bulletin Deadlines: Articles & ads - Tues. 5:00 PM**  
**Small/very short** (1 inch) Ads/articles - Wed. Noon  
**email: amanaprintshop@southslope.net**

ESSEN WAGEN HOME DELIVERED MEALS

If you’re home-bound, or an adult child of a home-bound person, this message is for you. “Essen Wagen” is “home-delivered meals,” a service provided to any eligible home-bound persons living in the Amana Colonies. Essen Wagen volunteers deliver hot meals, during the noon hours, Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). A contribution of \$4.00 per meal is requested. Meals are also available to fill a temporary need during illness, convalescence, or other home confinement periods of time. If you, or someone you know have a need for these services, then please call the Amana church administrator at 622-6155, for more information.

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your mind make your donation for 2019 to Amana Colonies Fireworks, PO Box 11, Amana, IA, 52203.

Bluegrass amidst the Flowers

How about on Saturday, July 14, you take a break from chores. Yes, just put away that lawn mower, stow that rake and head to South Amana to tour the gardens at Larry and Wilma Rettig’s home and enjoy the bluegrass music.

At 10 a.m. the gardens will be open for you to see with 500 different daylily varieties on display. Larry and Wilma Rettig will offer a daylilly hybridization class at 10:30 a.m. Then at 1 p.m. hear Bob Black and friends. Yes, bring a lawn chair or blanket and come see this award winning bluegrass band. At 3 p.m. the Rettig will offer a guided garden tour of their creation which has been featured in several gardening magazines and has been listed with the Smithsonian Archive of American Gardens. All this and a free daylily plant (while supplies last).

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IOWA COUNTY SUPERVISOR  
ELECTION NEWS

Iowa County voters have at least one additional name to consider on election day in November.

On July 12, Iowa County Democrats convened a special convention in the Williamsburg library to nominate Marengo lawyer Dennis Mathahs as candidate for county supervisor. Included in is platform is an increase in county “home rule,” quality of life issues and promoting Iowa County as a great place to live.

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UPCOMMING EVENTS AT OLD CREAMERY  
Elvis and Conway Twitty tribute

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Young Audiences - Rumpelstiltskin

Theatre for Young Audiences returns with *The Riddle of Rumpelstiltskin*, Rated G, running July 17 – 28. Show times are July 17 - 19, and 24 - 26 at 10:00am and July 21 and 28 at 1:00pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. Seating is limited, reservations are highly recommended. Sponsored by Scheels of Coralville.

Greater Tuna opens the 19th

*Greater Tuna* brings Texas sized laughs to Old Creamery Theatre, July 19th – July 29th, with shows on Thursdays, and Sundays at 2:00 pm and on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$26.50. *Call the box office for tickets and information for all of these shows at 319-622-6262 or visit them online at www.oldcreamery.com.*

KINDERFEST IS JULY 21 IN AMANA

Kinderfest is a day dedicated to the kids and a day of games, discovery and fun for kids of all ages. Children will find events and games at a variety of businesses. The kids will be able to crack open a geode, talk to a real fireman, and meet different breeds of dogs, among other activities. There are places to decorate cookies, make bracelets, or do a dachshund scavenger hunt.

The details of planned events are listed on [www.amanacolonies.com](http://www.amanacolonies.com).

BLOOD DRIVE FOR A SPECIAL GRANT

Will you give? Donate local....No need to drive to Cedar Rapids. The Amana Library will host a Mississippi Valley Blood Drive on Thursday, July 26 from 2:00 to 6:00 at the Amana Library; 3023 220th Trail; Middle Amana.

Help the Amana Elementary School receive a special grant. Through the LIFESAVING program we are eligible to earn \$250 for hosting a successful drive of 20 donors. As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a voucher for a \$5 gift card to either Subway or Amazon! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donor. To sign up, please call 319-622-3192 or [amanalibrary@ccaschools.org](mailto:amanalibrary@ccaschools.org). Sign up today!

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THANK YOU

Many thanks to all of you who showed our family your many acts of kindness and words of encouragement after the loss of my brother, Lyle. A special thank you to the prayer group who relentlessly asked for healing throughout his illnesses. We are truly humbled.

Mary & Bob Zuber

AMANA FIRST RESPONDERS  
COMMUNITY CHEST THANK-YOU

On behave of the Amana First Responders, we would like to sincerely thank the Amana Community Chest and all its supporters for their generous donation. Operating as a non-profit organization in a non-incorporated community means that all funds to help maintain equipment and replace medical supplies comes strictly from donations in the community. Over the years, the Amana Community Chest has remained the main contributor in helping our organization stay functioning in having the opportunity to help those in need of emergency medical interventions. In the previous two years, donations went towards purchasing new equipment bags along with the help of purchasing Amana’s first emergency medical vehicle. This year’s funds will be focused on upgrading and purchasing new automated external defibrillators (AEDs). That being said, we would like to once again express our gratitude and appreciation of the Amana Community Chest for their continual support.

Sincerely,  
Josh Bern, RN-BSN/NREMT/BLS-I  
Director Amana First Responders

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