

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

In the book of Romans, Paul wrote, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law."

In order to best care for each other, the Amana Church Society Board of Trustees has voted to reinstitute its requirement that masks shall be worn in all church buildings at all times. Masks are available at the church for those who forget to bring theirs.

Trustees will continue to monitor the local COVID-19 situation and will take further action when it is warranted.

The Confirmation Service will be in the Amana Church Sunday, September 19, 2021, starting at 10:00 AM with Elder Betsy Momany presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Follow Me the Savior Calleth", No. 24,

Testimony: Ursula Mayer, Ronneburg, March 22, 1715

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13  
Psalm 139

Closing Hymn: "I Trust in Thee" No. 82, vs 1-5

The confirmands are: Ellery Sandersfeld, Owen Rosenberg and Reiner Muhlenbruck.

Song sheets will be provided.

Saturday Evening Fellowship, will meet in Amana at 5:30 PM.

**Monday night Bible Study at Lakeview Village has been suspended until further notice.**

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

## JOIN THE CUB SCOUTS!

Anyone who is interested in joining Cub Scouts please contact Dawn Ball 319-310-7526. Anyone interested in joining the Boy Scouts contact Gary Heishman 319-361-8704. Thank you, and don't forget it is open to boys and girls!

## BLUEGRASS IN AMANA

The Riverboat Ramblers will be playing bluegrass music down at the Millstream Brewery this Saturday, September 18 from 4-7. This 5 piece band consists of dobro, mandolin, fiddle, guitar, and doghouse bass playing ballads, fiddle tunes, and bluegrass songs with beautiful vocals. This event will celebrate the weekend's Apfelfest activities.

## FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Years ago, I was the Feature Editor for the Amana High School newspaper, "The Hi-Lites." Every month I had to come up with some story, much like I do on a weekly basis for "Feathers."

It seemed easier at the end of the year when I had to write a biography about each senior. Sometimes putting a spin on those biographies took some doing, but at least we didn't have graduating classes with hundreds of students. I also knew everyone, so I want to say, here and now, that after 50+ years a "thank you" would be appreciated, R.G.

Anyway, I was at a loss for an idea so I finally asked Mrs. Ruff if I could interview people who were in high school when Pearl Harbor was bombed.

One of the things I remember best was that day the students were coming to school to rehearse for a play and kept wondering where the Hawaiian Islands were located and why the Japanese had a problem with us. They also felt the war would soon be over.

What a blessing it is that we could not see further. These same young students would soon be in the war sometimes having to go in before graduating from high school. They would learn about rationing, war bonds, not seeing family for long periods of time, and most of all, HATRED in the worst way.

Suddenly, new worlds would open up and names would become familiar such as Algiers, Casablanca, Leyte Gulf, Guam, Palermo, Caen (Normandy), Monte Cassino, Anzio, Midway, Saipan, Iwo Jima and many other places that are now just dots on a map.

The familiar would become unfamiliar and one would wonder who to trust. After all, Germany was the place our people had come from and now we were not only fighting them but were doing translating work in military intelligence.

These students and their parents had come out

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Outstanding Folk Singers Perform Oktoberfest Friday

If you missed their stellar premier performance at Millstream Brewing Co. Sunday afternoon, you can see the Amana Colony Folk Singers Friday, Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. in the Festhalle.

They will also be at the Des Moines Oktoberfest Saturday, Sept. 25 at 5:45 on the stage near the Hessen Haus in downtown Des Moines.

The crowd pleasing Colony Folk Singers and the Schuhplattlers dance troupe (Men in Leather Pants with Axes and Hammers) delighted the crowd outdoors at Millstream Brewing with an upbeat mix of contemporary German Bierhalle tunes and a few traditional Amana Colony favorites from Oktoberfests past. The Schuhplattlers are about to high kick their way to Instagram fame, we believe. Who taught these men to play the spoons? They absolutely rock the spoons, the axes, hammer on anvil and the two-man saw on pine log. One can imagine what their rehearsals have been like.

Two crowd participation dances and the perfect duet featuring Allison Momany Stockman and her husband Tyler Stockman singing the Rogers and Hammerstein favorite, "Edelweiss" were huge favorites.

The talented Stockmans are one of three married couples in this troupe and all six of them can sing like nightingales: Dj and Liesl Ynek and folk singing newcomers Erin Shoup Wilding and her husband, Jake Wilding. Kudos to these lovely colony brides for finding such vocally talented grooms as we need all the performers we can get in a town that hosts the Midwest's most authentic Oktoberfest!

Newcomer Nathan Kleinmeyer, whose Dad, aunt, great aunt, great uncles and cousins all appeared in Oktoberfest stage shows as teens and kids, is a welcome addition as are the Wildings. We could go on and on about the performance, but its best if you see it for yourself. Let's encourage the group to add a performance at the Hotel Millwright too so that more can see them as they deserve to be seen.

Hats off to the Colony Folks Singers and to their band and support tea who make the fun happen.

### 9-11 Remembered in Iowa with Tears and Pride

It's been 20 years since the 9-11 attack on America when terrorists hijacked four commercial aircraft and aimed two of them at the World Trade Center in New York and one at the Pentagon in Washington DC. The fourth was reclaimed by its passengers before it went down in Pennsylvania.

It's been 20 years and this past weekend documentaries and articles appeared sparking memories and conversations worldwide. For one Iowa firefighter, Glenn Pauley, this past weekend has meant something more.

In 1999 Pauley was accepted to test for a position as a New York City Firefighter and went to Queens, New York to take the written examination where he stayed with NYFD Rescue 4, one of four elite rescue units in New York City. There he made friends with company members, forming a lifelong bond with firefighter John Gaine. "When I got to Queens, to the firehouse, I was wearing this grey Iowa Hawkeye sweatshirt and this really big guy, John (Gaine) met me and he was the biggest Hawk fan." Gaine's brother had played for Kirk Ferentz at the University of Maine so he and his family followed Ferentz's career, coming to love the University of Iowa. "When John came out to Iowa and got to Kinnick Stadium it was like he was seeing the Holy Grail or something, he had to see every inch of it."

Glenn Pauley spent quite a bit of time with the firefighters in Queens and ultimately was offered a position with the NYFD, but by then his wife was expecting their first child and it seemed wiser to stay in his home state with the Iowa City Fire Department and not give up his position to take a lower paying job with the NYFD. So he did not take the job offer

though he kept in touch with his buddies in Queens. On September 11, 2001, nine of Pauley's friends, including Cap. Brian Hickey, were killed at the World Trade Center. Two days later Pauley and fellow Iowa City firefighter, Jon Harding, were standing at Ground Zero at the World Trade Center.

"I knew the moment that I heard on September 11 that I had to go out and help," he said. Pauley called Rescue 1 and said, he could come help and would bring his gear, but was told to bring nothing but his photo ID. In case he was killed in the line of duty they needed him to carry a photo identification.

"I thought I would be helping at the firehouse or providing support in some way, maybe driving food to the firefighters or the victims or something, but they really needed fresh boots on the ground, trained fire fighters to help with the search so once we got there, they said, go down to WTC and we went . . . They equipped us. Gave us gear. We had to park a ways away and walk in. I can still remember that day. Have you ever been to New York? The wind there is something. It just rolls between the buildings. The wind was whipping between the buildings up the street at us and there was dust everywhere and debris piled up like mountains and this smell. This smell. The last of WTC building 7 had just collapsed."

The risk to everyone working at WTC was enormous as debris piles shifted and collapsed as the search and rescue teams worked.

Really, it was search and recovery now. "We climbed in and the debris was hot, there were embers falling that fell into your clothes, into your gear. On your helmet. When you saw something salvageable, a body part or a shoe or watch or something if you couldn't get at it, you marked the debris with a marker so that someone could get it, find it." Pauley

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and Harding recovered two bodies the first day on the job.

"My most vivid memory was the recovery of Captain Terry Hatton." Cap. Hatton nicknamed "Manhattan" was the captain of the elite Rescue Squad 1 sent to the North Tower the morning of Sept. 11. He and 10 men in his squad died there. Pauley was on hand when his body was discovered in the wreckage and brought out, those of his fellow Rescue 1 members who had survived, received his body as it was carried out.

"I'll never forget that. He was someone that everyone, I mean everyone in the city, in the nation among firefighters respected." Hatton was a 20 year veteran, a FEMA task force leader, and was among those who responded to the Oklahoma City bombing. "He did not flinch on 9-11. When you talked to the firefighters they said he just did his job and went up the stairs leading his men. They had to know they weren't gonna make it." Hatton and 342 NY firefighters died at the World Trade Center.

"That same day the Queens Rescue 4 unit found this huge American flag at Ground Zero. Really it was enormous. It took 60 people to hold it up when we displayed it at Kinnick Stadium in 2004. So everyone thought it must have been the huge flag they had on top of Tower 1."

In 2004 members of the Queen Rescue 4 including Pauley's friend, John Gaine, brought the flag to the Iowa - Iowa State game for the half-time show which had been dedicated to the New York first responders of 9-11 as the game was being held on September 11. The 20 foot 30 foot flag was torn, tattered and singed. They brought it wrapped in plastic and packed in a suitcase. After the game Pauley offered to build a flag case so that the flag could be more easily transported and properly displayed. Gaine left the flag with Pauley.

"I offered, but really, I had no idea how to do it. But my Dad said why don't you call Amana."

Pauley has always wanted to be a furniture maker. Woodworking is a passion. In fact in 2003 he had applied to be part time woodworker at Amana to learn the craft, but at the time, the furniture shop didn't have any job openings. But Dan Ray remembered the firefighters' resume and made a mental note of it, so when Pauley called, his name rang a bell with Ray and certainly his request was an important one. The flag was a piece of American history that needed to be honored in a special way.

Pauley talked with Dan Ray, Bruce Trumpold and Jerry Ennen of Amana Furniture, bringing the flag to the shop so that they could see what was needed. Working with Pauley, who helped build the case, the Amana Furniture Shop team designed and built a stunning, 50-inch by 30 inch, triangular, museum quality, case of American Black Walnut with the insignias of the NYC firefighters, police and emt's and the date of the attack on it. "It's really, really beautiful." Pauley said.

Just before Christmas of 2004 Pauley drove to Queens and delivered the flag in its case to the Rescue 4 firehouse in Queens.

Since then the flag in its case has been taken and displayed many times at memorial services, funeral services and 9-11 commemoration events. It's been shown to the school children who visit the firehouse each year and it has been part of exhibits on 9-11.

Just last year Glenn Pauley, joined the Amana Furniture Shop team and is working in wood prep, getting wood cut and rough sawn, ready to be crafted. It's a part time job as Pauley foresees his retirement from the Iowa City fire department in a few years.

"I love it. I'm just so happy to have the opportunity to work here and to learn . . . I'm really passionate about woodworking and want to make it something I can do in future either here or even just at home for my family."

Hearing Pauley's story of 9-11, of his friends in New York City and the affect the tragedy has had on his life and that of his friends, it's heartening to hear that this new chapter for Pauley has begun.

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of a communal way of life only to be engulfed in a major depression and now this. All of a sudden the United States was an ally with communist Russia.

I am sure our students had no idea what to think - who was right. Was anyone right?

It is amazing that these high school aged individuals not only survived, but came home and thrived.

No longer was an eight grade or even high school education good enough. Their children had to go to trade school or college. They had to have at least one car and it was not unheard of to have a two income family. Suddenly, single-family homes were built with "rec" rooms and patios. New school buildings sprang up what with the "baby boom." Televisions seemed to appear all over the landscape and the world became smaller. Then, 20 years ago, 9/11 and we all looked at one another and went to church begging God there would not be another war. That isn't how it played out. We have just finished the longest conflict in U.S. history, the ending of which looked a lot like April 30, 1975.

What have we learned? Nothing!

B.S.H.

**FIREWORKS THANK YOU**

As we head into Fall and think back on Summer, we would like to extend a special thank you to everyone who donated to the Fireworks fund. It wouldn't be possible without each and every donation that comes in. Please say thank you to the businesses below for their donations. In addition to these generous donations, 30 individuals donated a total of \$2,000.

We will continue to take donations throughout the year to build up the fund ahead of time. Please consider giving at any time of year. How about a firework for Christmas!?

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After your reservation is received it will be confirmed by the Guild either via email or a phone call. Our menu for drive through Communal Meal is:

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- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Close Session - Pursuant to Chapter 21.5 of the Iowa Code, the Board of Trustees will go into close session to conduct 90-day performance review of Rebecca Palmer, Land Use Administrator per her request.
- IV. Review/Approve Treasurer's Report
- V. Discussion/Take Action on consideration to out-source payroll and photo contest
- VI. Adjourn

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