

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early (German) Sunday Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, January 22, 2017, starting at 8:30 AM.

Opening Hymn: "Kommt, kinder lasst uns gehen" No. 608 Seite 604

Testimony: Christian Metz, July 12, 1824

Scripture: Colossians 2: 1-15

Psalm 40

Closing Hymn: "Ach bleib mit deiner Gnade" No. 3 Seite 2

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

Opening Hymn: "Come, Children Let Us Journey" No. 55

Closing Hymn: "Abide, O Dearest Jesus" No. 114

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

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 English Services.

CONGREGATE MEALS

The Holidays are over and now comes the doldrums! Come and join us for good food and good conversation at the Amana Church Fellowship Hall. We gather at 11:00 and lunch is served at 11:30!! Cost is \$5 and includes your beverage, bread and butter. Call Donna Trumpold, 622-3218 before noon on Friday to make your reservation!!

Menu for Jan 23rd: Whole Grain Crusted Fish Patty, Sweet Potato Wedges, Tropical Fruit Salad, Asparagus Cuts, Oatmeal Cream Cake

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Amana Farms Wins State Corn Yield Competition

Amana Farms placed first in the irrigated field division of the 2016 Iowa State Cornrowers Association yield competition.

The National Corn Growers Association Yield Contest is sponsored by the National Corn Growers Association and is a prestigious annual contest with thousands of entrants nationwide. State and national winners were announced by the NCGA last week.

Amana Farms harvested 285.41 bushels per acre in the irrigated field west of the High Amana Farm office known by farm staff as the "frog pond." This yield was the best in the State of Iowa for irrigated fields, topping the second place winner, Kim Dummermuth of Elgin, by nearly 30 bushels.

Additionally, John McGrath, Amana Farms manager reported, Amana Farms placed 30th overall in the state in the non-irrigated division, an impressive result considering the number of contest entrants.

In 2014 Amana Farms also won the NCGA state irrigated field yield with a harvest of 276.02 bushels per acre obtained in the "West Amana corner," field.

This year's 285.41 bushels per acre represents the best ever yield on an irrigated field in Amana Farm's long history. It was obtained using Pioneer seed.

The win comes on top of a record-breaking year for Amana Farms. In 2016 Amana Farms planted 4,000 acres of corn and 3,300 acres of beans. The average corn yield was 214 bushels while the average bean yield was 67 bushels per acre. That represents a significant improvement over years past, McGrath told us last November.

When asked about the high yields, McGrath noted that timely rainfall, good seed, proper crop and soil management and the hard work of the Amana Farms staff led to harvest success. When he heard about the NCGA victory last week, he emphasized the teamwork of the Amana Farms staff, "Special thanks to the entire Amana Farm staff. This was definitely a team effort!"

Here are the State of Iowa winners in each division: Non irrigated - Patrick Hammes, Batavia, 320.28 bushels; No-till, strip-till, non irrigated -

CCA KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

All parents in the Clear Creek Amana School District who have children who will be five years old on or before September 15, 2017 and are planning on sending their children to school in August, 2017 are asked to call the elementary school their child will be attending.

If you reside in Iowa County, please call 622-3255. Kindergarten Round Up for the CCA School District will be on Wednesday, March 8. More information about Kindergarten Round up will be mailed from your child's future attendance center closer to that date.

AMANA ART GUILD PAINTING CLASS

Come to the Amana Art Guild Painting Studio and enjoy the pleasure of exploring and painting your own ideas. This painting class is designed for both beginning and experienced painters using any medium. Bring your oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels, or colored pencils. The instructor will work with you at your painting level, and will help you develop your skills at your own pace. The class will meet on Tuesday afternoons at the Amana Arts Guild Center in High Amana from 1:00-3:00 p.m. beginning on Tuesday, February 7th. Participants need to bring their own supplies. A minimum of 5 participants is needed for this class. Your teacher will be Susanne Sudmeier, a former college arts instructor and resident of Amana. To register, please e-mail the Arts Guild at amanarts@southslope.net or call (319) 622-3678. The cost of this class is \$55.

NEWS AND NOTES CONTINUED

Tim, Dan and Joe Durick, Council Bluffs, 333.50 bushels; No-till, strip-ill irrigated - Kelly Garrett, Arion, 289.72 bushels. Irrigated - Amana Farms, Amana, 285.41 bushels.

Winterfest is Here

No matter what the weather's like this weekend, we can find plenty of ways to celebrate Winterfest. Here's a quick rundown of some of the events on the schedule, but check the Amana Colonies website for the latest news.

- The Amana Freezer 5K Run/ Walk. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. at the former Appliance Store behind the Amana Woolen Mill Salesroom. Race begins at 10 a.m. sharp. Even if you've pre-registered allow time to register before the race begins.

- 9 a.m. Communal breakfast at the Middle Amana Communal Kitchen. Call the Amana Heritage Society Friday for availability.

- All day Winterfest Scavenger Hunt. Visit local merchants, complete form and enter to win a nifty gift basket of assorted colony wares and gifts.

- 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Winter Games at the Market Barn.

- Customer Appreciation Day at Fern Hill in South Amana. Refreshments and more. 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

- 11 a.m. till it runs out Open Fire Chili with the Amana Fire Department at the Market barn in Amana.

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Clear Creek Amana School Clear Creek Elementary

Anticipated opening: Student Support Special Education Aide/Associate

Starting wage is \$13.75/hr or \$15.25 with teaching certificate. 7.5 hrs/day, benefits available Screening will begin January 20th.

Send application, resume and employment release to: mattleeman@ccaschools.org

Applications and employment releases can be found at www.ccaschools.org EEO/AA



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~Winter Break~

Serena's Coffee Shop & Phat Daddy's Pizza

Will be closed for a winter break during the following period: **January 22 (Sunday) - February 9 (Thursday), 2017**

We will both reopen at our normal hours on February 10th. Our normal winter hours are:
Serena's: Tues, Wed, Thurs - 8 to 4 / Fri & Sat 8 to 5
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- 1 p.m. "Best Beard" competition. Several divisions. Prizes awarded. Also at the Market barn.
- Mini golf for all ages in the Festhalle barn. \$1 per person.
- Lehm Books come in to sign up for free Jim Shore give away! All day.
- Winterfest Wine Walk 10 a.m. – 5p.m.
- Kolonie Klubb Exhibition play. Indoors for all ages at Millstream Brewing Co. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. 2 p.m. they'll be roasting marshmallows too!
- Serena's Winterfest Coffee Sampling begins at 10:30 a.m. samples while they last.
- Sign up for the Amana Pretzel making workshop at the Amana Meat Shop. Call the Amana Meat Shop for details.
- Wine glass painting mini workshop at Ackerman Winery 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Trivia games for fun 3 to 5 p.m.
- Sign up for the Ox Yoke Inn's Winterfest Wine and Dine 5 course meal with wine pairings! Call the Ox Yoke Inn for reservations and details.
- Bryce Janey live at the Bierstube 6 – 9 p.m.
- Snow Ball at the Millstream Brau Haus. Live music with Nick and Tom. 6 – 9 p.m.

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FOR RENT

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THANK YOU

The family of Charlotte Meyer want to thank all the friends who were able to come to her visitation in Oskaloosa. Also thank you for all the cards, cash, checks, and donations to Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter. Thank you so much for caring. God bless you all.



*God saw she was getting tired,
And a cure was not to be,
So he put his arm around her
And whispered "Come with me."
With tearful eyes we watched her suffer
And saw her fade away,
Although we loved her dearly
We could not make her stay.
A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.*

Zuber's Home Plate Lunches

Monday - Thursday 11:00 - 2:00
Serving a variety of sandwiches, salads, soups, and homemade desserts.
January daily specials:
Monday - Sicilian Meatroll with veggie, roll & fruit
Tuesday - Ham & Scalloped Potatoes, roll & fruit
Wednesday - Chicken Pot Pie & fruit
Thursday - Roast Pork Loin w/veggie, roll, & fruit
Every Thursday, homemade cinnamon rolls



Henry J. Meyer

Will be celebrating his 90th birthday on January 25, 2017. Birthday wishes may be sent to:

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Happy Birthday

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THANK YOU

The Family of Rozella Hahn would like to extend our gratitude to the many families and friends who shared in our loss of Rozella. Thank you for the flowers and food donations as well as the many memorial donations. A special thank you to Elder Tony Berger for the beautiful service and his time he spent with our family attending to all our needs. Thank you to the ladies of the church who volunteered their time to prepare and serve lunch. Lastly, thank you to Kloster Funeral Home for their help and guidance as well.

Fred & Marcia Hahn and family
Jay & Susie Hahn and family
Brad & Lynn Hahn and family
Bill & Sue Hahn and family
George & Michele Hahn and family

OBITUARY

Walter F. Schuerer, age 96, of Amana, passed away Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at his home. Funeral service was Monday, January 16 at the Middle Amana Community Church, Middle Amana with elder Harold Pitz officiating. Burial was in the Amana Cemetery with military honors. Memorials can be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is assisting the family with arrangements.

Walter is survived by his three children Ronald Schuerer of East Amana, Gerald (Fay) Schuerer of Amana and Madeline Schulte of Amana; three grandchildren Rayme Schuerer (Michelle) of Amana, Jennifer Kaefring (Kevin) of Williamsburg and Rob Schuerer (Alissa) of Shueyville; four great-grandchildren; and his beloved pets and champion, Dixieland Luke, and his Brittannies Kyla, Josie and Pearl. A very special thanks to Tanya Collettine and doctor Maryann Nelson for their exceptional care. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Florence in 2014, two brothers George and Harold, a son-in-law Keith "Skeeter" Schulte, a daughter-in-law Linda Schuerer, a brother-in-law John Rettig, and a sister-in-law Doris Rettig.

Walter Schuerer was born August 28, 1920, in Amana, the son of Walter and Magdalena Oehl Schuerer. He graduated from the Amana Schools in 1938. He served in the U.S. Army from 1943-1946, during the Battle of the Bulge, receiving his bronze star medal. Walter was united in marriage to Florence Rettig on January 30, 1946, in Davenport, Iowa. In his earlier years, he worked at the East Amana Farm, the Amana Meat Shop, the Colony Inn from 1946-1990, and later joining the Brick Haus Restaurant from 1990-2010. In 1963, he started Cedar Lane Farm, where he raised Angus cattle, German Shorthair Pointers, Brittany Spaniels, and horses. He was a member of the American Legion Post 234, Amana Heritage Society, Amana Society, Amana Church, and the Iowa Restaurant Association. Walter loved driving and looking at the country side and farms, driving through the Amana Villages and reminiscing and explaining their history, hunting and his daily feedings of his Koi in his fish pond. Walter enjoyed being around people, and was well recognized throughout the world as being a great ambassador for the Amana Colonies. He especially loved his trips with Florence to Japan, Germany, Austria, Portugal, Spain, Africa, Brazil and Italy.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Last Thursday we had one of those wonderful times when Charlemagne had to go once again for a colonoscopy.

These have become so common in the last five years that he no longer takes anything while the procedure takes place and instead views the whole thing on the screen!

On the way back we had an incident that sort of upset both of us. You see Mercy Hospital in Iowa City can be confusing to get around.

Once again I turned right instead of left and found myself in the cafeteria instead of by the elevator that allows me to go up to the main floor. (The east side of the hospital is lower than the west side so if you think you are on the ground level when you are on the east you are not when you head you head west.)

We retraced our steps and got off on the floor we "thought" we had left the car. We did not find the car so we went to another floor only to repeat the procedure again. By the third time both of us were seriously wondering if the car had been stolen.

Charlemagne now took it upon himself to literally walk up and down the parking lot lanes looking for the car. A man did stop and ask if he could help Charlemagne, but like most men Charlemagne felt he could handle the situation by himself.

Meanwhile I was checking a lower floor when a lady suggested that the car just might be on the lower level. I "thought" we were already on the lower level, but found out that there was still a floor beneath.

When Charlemagne came back I took him to the elevator, punched in the right key and led him to the car.

We were both a little upset, but when the parking attendant greeted us in such a friendly manner things just seemed better.

We have often thought that when we are in a large parking lot someday someone on a loud speaker will call out, "a couple in aisle 5 is wandering around obviously searching for a missing vehicle."

Ironically this once happened on a "Seinfeld" episode so I guess it really doesn't matter what one's age is...one just loses one's way (no matter what age they are) in parking lots.

B.S.H.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Amana Library received the following new books. To hold or reserve a book call 622-3192.

- Commonwealth* by Ann Patchett
- Filthy Rich* by James Patterson
- Bullseye* by James Patterson
- Cross the Line* by James Patterson
- Turbo Twenty-Three* by Janet Evanovich
- The Whistler* by John Grisham
- The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead
- Sting* by Sandra Brown
- The Woman in Cabin 10* by Ruth Ware
- Sleeping Beauty Killer* by Mary Higgins Clark
- As Time Goes By* by Mary Higgins Clark
- Christmas Caramel Murder* by Joanne Fluke
- Killing the Rising Sun* by Bill O'Reilly
- Insidious* by Catherine Coulter
- Amana Colonies 1932-1945* by Peter Hoehnle
- Curious Minds* by Janet Evanovich
- Magnolia Story* by Chip & Joanna Gaine
- Baxter Family Christmas* by Karen Kingsbury
- Two by Two* by Nicholas Sparks
- No Man's Land* by David Baldacci
- A Man called Ove* by Fredrik Backman
- Woman of God* by James Patterson
- Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult
- Night School* by Lee Child
- After You* - Large print - by Jojo Moyes
- The Wish* - Large print - by Beverly Lewis

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IOWA CO. COMM. FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION AVAILABLE

Grant applications can now be submitted to the Iowa County Community Foundation for its 2017 grant cycle. The deadline to submit applications is midnight (CST) April 1, 2017. Grants are awarded to projects in the following areas: art and culture, community betterment, education, environment, health, historic preservation and human service.

The online grant application may be found on the Community Foundation's website at www.io-waccf.org. Grant recipients will be announced in June 2017. Completed applications must be submitted no later than midnight (CST) April 1, 2017 to be considered for funding.

First-time grant applicants should contact Dotti Thompson, Program Manager, at (319) 243-1358 prior to submitting an application. Grant applicants must be a 501(c)(3) designated organization (or government entity) serving Iowa County in order to be considered for funding.

For more information, please contact the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa at (319) 287-9106.

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Thinking of selling? Get your property groomed before you ever put the sign in the yard. Better yet. Have a history of keeping a well-groomed and maintained property. Clean the winter smudges off the windows and woodwork. Vinegar water works wonders. Clean the carpet. Paint the basement walls and floors for a fresh and inviting appearance. It makes for a positive impression. In short. Make your home say, "Buy me. I am ready."

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