

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, November 17, 2019, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Kristie Yoder presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Was Gott gefallt" No. 1030, v 1-6, Seite 1010

Testimony: 24 Rules (9-16) J.A. Gruber, Büdingen, July 4th, 1716

Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-29

Closing Hymn: "Was Gott gefallt" No. 1030, v 7-12, Seite 1010

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

Opening Hymn: "What pleases God" No. 117

Closing Hymn: "Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven" No. 229

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

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service 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 10:00 AM Service.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Join us Mondays for food and conversation at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana Church. Doors open at 11:00 o'clock, we serve at 11:30. Cost is only \$5.00.

For Reservations call Donna Trumpold by noon on Friday.....319-622-3218 or 319-560-6285.

Nov 18: Country Fried Steak,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Chuckwagon Corn, Apple Crisp

BAD WEATHER

The Amana Library will close during bad weather. If school has a late start the library will open at 10:00. If school is closing early, the library will also close at that time. If school is cancelled, the library will be closed for the day. The library will follow the same schedule as the school during bad weather. If weather is not safe to travel, please call the library 622-3192 to make sure we are open before heading out.

Thank you.

AMANA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR THE LOVE NETWORK

Amana Retirement Community's Share the Warmth drive is another opportunity to help local residents in need this holiday season. They have chosen to collect hats, scarves, mittens, and toiletry items to be donated to the Iowa County LOVE Network. Donation baskets will be located under the Share the Warmth trees located in the Colonial Manor and Lakeview Village lobbies.

Donations will be taken through December 13th. If you have any questions, please contact 319-622-3131.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Mill Turbine Restoration Project

Restoring the mill turbine and again making the Mill Race a power source is the goal of an Amana Historic Sites Foundation fundraising effort.

The nonprofit group which owns the Mill Race turbine, turbine house and manages the levee and Mill Race canal, is initiating a \$100,000 fund raising campaign, complete with a Go Fund Me page, to restore and reactivate the 1953 electric turbine on the canal at the Amana Woolen Mill power house.

The Leffler Turbine was first installed in 1954 and refurbished in the early 1980's. It has been held together by stop gap measures and prayer, but now is the time to do a complete overhaul and get the turbine operational again, explains Laura Hoover, Amana Historic Sites Foundation.

The project cost is \$100,000 and involves removing the turbine, stripping it down, refurbishing blades, plates and reconditioning it. Then the turbine will be retrofit with a new generator/ governor that is expected to triple it's electrical output, Hoover explained. Lifting the turbine out of the building will require cranes adding to the project cost.

The turbine is owned by the Amana Historic Sites Foundation. Though it has not had any output for years, when it is operational, the power it generates is sold to the grid via the Amana Society Service Co. thus generating funds for the Historic Sites Foundation.

Furthermore, as Hoover explained, getting the turbine running means the Mill Race canal will be able to flow at a higher level. While dependent upon lake levels and rainfall runoff, the canal level has been affected by lack of "draw" at the mill. Once the turbine is running that will enable the canal to flow at a more normal rate and water level.

This would be a real win-win for the Historic Sites Foundation and the Amana community; restoring the canal to its intended purpose and providing a green source of energy generation in the Amana Colonies.

Interestingly enough, this project is based in part on the successful restoration at a power plant named for Mother Ann Lee founder of the Shaker community. The Mother Ann Lee Hydro Station is on the Kentucky River and has a low-head, Leffler turbine, much like our own, Hoover noted.

The Mill Race was built by community effort in the 1860's to provide water power to the woolen mills in Amana and later, Middle Amana. The canal is roughly 6.5 miles in length and brings water from the Iowa River down through the valley to the mills. It is the only historic canal in the state of Iowa. In addition to providing water power, the canal provided a place of field tiles to drain. Since the creation of the Coralville dam and its impact upon the Iowa River, the Mill Race canal with its levees has provided much needed flood protection for farm fields and for the village of Amana.

To access the Go Fund Me page. Go to Go Fund Me and search for the Historic Turbine Restoration – Amana Colonies. You can make a donation there or directly to the Amana Historic Sites Foundation, PO Box 28, Amana, Ia, 52203.

Thanksgiving Dinner at the Amana Church

It's become an Amana Colony tradition. Join your neighbors for Thanksgiving dinner at the Amana Church in Amana, on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 28 at 11:30 p.m.

This will be a complete Thanksgiving

meal with turkey and all the trimmings in the Fellowship saal of the church in Amana. Please use the east entrance. If you would like to bring a dish to share, that would be most welcome, however it's not at all necessary.

The annual Covenant Worship Service is at 10 a.m. in Middle Amana. Everyone is welcome to all Amana Church services and events.

Tannenbaum Forest is Nearly Here

Making a bit of magic happen requires teamwork and well, a little magic. The Festhalle barn is being set up right now to house the annual Tannenbaum Forest and though the weather turned cold, that won't stop determined staff and volunteers who bring in more than 60 live Christmas trees, set up the 17 foot tall pyramid and create the forest.

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**Lakeview Village
Assisted Living annual
Fall Craft Show
This Friday November 15th
10am-4pm.
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tenants. All Proceeds go back towards
Resident's Activity Fund.
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AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

The monthly meeting of the Amana Fire District will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Middle Amana fire station.

Lakeview Village

Assisted Living Apartments

- ❖ Meals Provided
- ❖ Housekeeping Services
- ❖ Wellness checks
- Medication management
- ❖ Activities

Units Available

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Holiday 2019 Worship & Events

Everyone is Welcome!

Covenant Worship Service

Thanksgiving Day, Thurs. Nov. 28 at 10 a.m.

Middle Amana. Join in worship as we renew the bond of faith.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanksgiving Nov. 28, 11:30 at the Amana Church

Fellowship hall, east entrance. Join friends and neighbors for a complete Thanksgiving meal.

Prelude to Christmas Holiday Bazaar

Friday, Dec. 6 and Sat. Dec. 7

Shop Friday noon - 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. At the Amana Church in Amana.

Prelude to Christmas Cookie Walk

Saturday, Dec. 7 At 9 a.m. pick up cookie walk tickets. Cookie walk starts at noon.

At the Amana Church in Amana. (Drop off donated cookies Fri. 4 - 7 or Sat. 8:30- 10:30)

Advent Services

At the Amana Church - Sunday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

At the Tannenbaum Forest - Friday Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Festhalle barn.

Informal services for all ages to begin preparing our hearts for the celebration of Jesus's birth.



- Spread the word! Let family and friends know the Tannenbaum Forest opens the Friday of Thanksgiving weekend, that's Friday, Nov. 30 at 11 a.m. It's open 11 – 7 p.m. Friday; 10 – 7 Saturday and 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday. Thanksgiving weekend.

Tickets are on sale starting November 19th at the Amana Colonies Visitor's Center, the Amana Arts Guild and will also be available at each home on the days of the event. The \$10 cost is for the entire tour. Children under 12 free.

If you are unable to be at home that day and wish to purchase a wreath, please call one of the following: Dennis Lukes in Homestead, 622-3785; Gary Heishman in Amana, 622-3039; Dennis Gormley in High, 360-8875; and in Middle Bob Robertson, 622-3867 or Steve Rose 622-3634.

Classified ads are \$5/week for the first 25 words if prepaid, extra words will be billed \$1.00/10 words add \$1.00 if billed.
Display (box) ads are \$2/sq inch

Winner of the door prize was Cedar Rapids, IA resident. If you missed 2019 Scare Crow Trail, on October 2020 traditional and not so traditional Scare Crows will come out again.

Mon-Thur 9:15-3:30, Fri 9:15-1:00
(or by appointment and as demand requires)
amanaprintshop@southslope.net
319-622-3912

B.S.H.

For a complete list of upcoming activities and events visit www.amanacolonies.com or call 319.622.7622

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set/Amend Agenda
- III. Review/Approve minutes of October meeting
- IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda.
- V. Discussion/Action on the following permit application in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:
 - a. 2019-028 Bill Yoder. 2610 J St., Middle. Garage addition. (resubmission of design)
- VI. Administrator's Report
- VII. Chairman's Report
- VIII. Adjourn; into Ordinance Review work session.

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Small/short Ads/articles - Wed. Noon

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