

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.
All items hand crafted by the Lakeview tenants. All Proceeds go back towards Resident's Activity Fund.
Please stop by and see these wonderful creations!



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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

Call Tanya Powell for a tour 622-3131

"Experience the Comfort and Security of Retirement Living in the Amanas"

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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.



News and Notes from page 1**How can you help?**

• Volunteers are needed to “man the forest” greeting visitors as they arrive and collecting free will donations for the University of Iowa Stead Family Children’s Hospital, our good cause, this year. Please consider volunteering your time. To do so contact Emilie Hoppe at 319-622-3639, leave your name and phone and she’ll call you back when able or email zhoppe@southslope.net

• Help decorate the village or the forest. Contact Cassidy Bringle, Amana Events Coordinator and volunteer to help set up, 319-541-8284. Show up Monday, Nov. 25 at 8 a.m. to help string garland in the village (uptown at the Amana village entrance) and at the Festhalle. Decorating of the Festhalle will continue Monday noon – 8 p.m. and Tuesday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Those who have sign up to do a tree will be able to access their trees and decorate the tree at that time.

• 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.

Amana Arts Guild Christmas Haus Tour 2019

Dates: December 7, from 10am-4pm

December 8, from 1pm-4pm

\$10 per person

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.

CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES

The Amana Boy Scouts, Troop 223, will again be offering Christmas wreaths for sale to all residences and businesses in our community on Saturday November 23rd. Prices are \$16.00 for a 24” wreath.

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.

Thank you for your support.

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

SCARE CROWS ON DISPLAY WINNERS

The Scare Crows on display during the Month of October by business in Middle, High, West, South and Homestead have all gone back in storage. Those who participated in “The Scare Crow Trail” voted for their favorite Scare Crow, marking their first, second and third choice on the ballot.

AND THE WINNERS ARE: First choice – Tie between “Willow fell in the willows”, West Amana and “Woodworker” South Amana. Second first choice was “Red Skirt Lady”, Rose’s B&B, Middle Amana.

When we counted up all the votes, first, second and third combined “Zuber at Bat” in Homestead had the most overall votes.

When talking to visitor taking the Scare Crow trail the most unusual Scare Crow was “Whirligig” in Homestead. “Stella Irene” in South Amana was a very classy lady politician who asked for participants vote but lost in the final vote.

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.

Amana Print Shop

Hours: Nov. 18 - 22

Mon-Thur 9:15-3:30, Fri 9:15-1:00

(or by appointment and as demand requires)

amanaprintshop@southslope.net

319-622-3912

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Last week I thought I had great accomplishment. Finally, I had given up on my idea of wearing a turban.

They had told me in the hospital that I would not lose my hair until my third treatment. Since I had thick hair, I believed them.

WRONG! WRONG! WRONG!

The very first shower and, as Charlemagne would say, “all I needed was to drill two holes where the eyes are and a larger hole for my thumb.”

It is now 6 months later and I am still bald.

My skin itches and the turbans all look a little stretched out. It really is a little embarrassing, and getting very annoying, having Charlemagne still rubbing my head for good luck.

At least winter is coming and I can wear caps. The trouble is I have a large sized head...

I would like to send thanks to Nola Moser, Millie Heize, Gloria Alexander and of course Wendy Ziegler and Emilie.

I’ve gotten many wig leads, and the first one I tried on fit, color correct and in fact it looks like I used to.

I sure hope my real hair grows back soon.

B.S.H.

A HERITAGE MUSEUM SPECIAL EXHIBIT:**A Century of Dolls and Toys at Christmastime**

The Amana Heritage Society is extending its must-see special exhibit one more holiday season beginning November 29th. The museum auditorium will be transformed into a child’s dream with over 100 collectible dolls, dollhouses, and vignettes from 1900 to today plus other fun childhood toys and games. Bring the whole family and reminisce about your Christmas past and enjoy special programs. While you’re here, visit the rest of the Amana Heritage Museum and learn about Amana’s communal past.

Baby boomers and Gen Xers love Barbie and her playsets from the 1960s and 1970s. See her dream kitchen, first dream house, friendship airplane, country camper and more with a great mix of Barbie and her friends throughout the years. Millennials still enjoy collecting American Girl dolls. Come see the entire line of historical American Girls and their accessories.

History buffs will enjoy many of this year’s exhibits direct from the Amana Heritage Museum’s rare collections. See a number of communal era dollhouses and stables, and learn about the Amana people who made them and the children who played with them. Among the historical dollhouses, highlights include a communal kitchen with all the original accessories, a complete dollhouse diorama created by Michael Hofer for his daughter in the 1890s, a complete two-story dollhouse made by Len Graf in the early 1940s, and a dollhouse made by John Noé dating to 1930 that passed through six cousins and several generations in ninety years.

Civil War and World War I tin soldiers from the 1920s, along with table top and board games from the early 1900s to the 1970s will recall the age before computers. The beloved Star Wars-themed German Christmas Pyramid highlights the Star Wars display.

The Century of Dolls and Toys at Christmastime special exhibit coincides with Amana’s Tannenbaum Forest and Prelude to Christmas celebration which kick off beginning Friday, November 29th.

For more information about the exhibit or museum hours, please contact us at 319-622-3567 or amanaheritage@southslope.net, or visit www.amanaheritage.org.

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

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

and Tentative Agenda Nov 18, 2019, 6:30 pm

ACLUD Meeting Room, 4304 220th Trail, Amana

- 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.

AMANA SCOUTS SELLING POPCORN

The Amana Cub Scouts as well as the Boy Scouts are selling containers of popcorn until November 30th. They earn money for their unit with each container sold. If you have not yet seen a Scout and would like to order some popcorn please call either Dawn Ball at 319-310-7526 or Gary Heishman at 319-622-3039. We will see that someone stops at your house.

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FOR RENT

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Bulletin Deadlines:

Most Articles & ads - Tues. 5:00 PM

Small/short Ads/articles - Wed. Noon

VETERANS’ ECKE**“A day of Thanksgiving”**

I’ve always viewed holidays as special time with family. During my time on Active Duty I realized that I would need to carefully select which holidays I was allowed to come home for. You see, our military members work 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Someone must always be on post in case of emergency so we rotated staff Holidays so people could go on leave. Often times I would sacrifice Thanksgiving for Christmas. Although I would have loved to come home for every holiday, celebrating Thanksgiving with my fellow airmen/soldiers was a wonder experience that has given me memories that I will cherish forever.

This Thanksgiving not everyone will have a family to celebrate with. The Marengo Ministerial Alliance is hosting their annual Thanksgiving Dinner. If you find yourself celebrating alone, or you and a friend don’t want to go through the hassle of making a huge meal for just yourself, please consider attending this supper on Thursday November 28rd, 2019 from 11:00am-12:30pm at the American Legion Hall in Marengo Iowa. Walk in’s are always welcome, but reservations are appreciated. Call 319-642-3999 with your name and number of people attending. This meal doesn’t cost you a thing, but freewill donation is always appreciated.

As always I encourage veterans residing in the local community and surrounding counties to contact your local veterans service officer to ask about benefits. Walk in’s are welcome but office hours can vary so scheduling an appointment is highly recommended. Please call 319-642-3925 for additional information. From all of the Commissioners as well as myself, we wish you a happy Thanksgiving!

Jenni Olson, VSO
Iowa County