

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

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

Opening Hymn: "Wer Jesum bei sich hat" No.1073, Seite 1073

Testimony: C Metz, South Amana, Nov 27, 1859

Scripture: Matthew 1:20-23
Matthew 28: 16-20

Closing Hymn: "Sieh! wie lieblich und Wie fein" No. 923, Seite 912

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

Opening Hymn: "If Jesus walks with you" No. 63

Closing Hymn: "O how lovely 'tis to be" No. 62

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 Sunday's English Service.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Are you tired of all the snow, cold and dreary weather? Why not join us for food and conversation at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana church every Monday? Doors open at 11 o'clock, we serve at 11:30. Cost is only \$5.00, including your Coffee or Hot Chocolate. For Reservations call Donna Trumpold by noon on Friday.....319-622-3218 or 319-560-6285.

Menu for March 18th

Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes/gravy,
Cape Cod salad, green beans w/herbs,
cookie, bread and butter.

AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

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

FEATHRS IN THE WIND

I know that every year I write something about daylight savings time so did you really expect me from touching that subject again?

I just have one question. Who decides when daylight savings time ends and starts? I figure it is mean person who never got enough chocolate. Personally, I would like to be like Arizona who never changes.

This year it seems that is has started rather early...March 9th.

One of my book club members sent me a wonderful little cartoon that said that by starting this early I would be able to have one whole hour more of daylight to shovel the snow. (Her sense of humor boarders on the sarcastic.)

The idea of waking up to darkness really does bother me, but then again, I suppose waking up at anytime of the day would bother me since I love to sleep late or to lay in bed and read. Never let it be said that I am an early riser.

I think my poor daughter-in-law would have a stroke if she found me showered and dressed before nine.

I have such pity on the children who go to school so early in the morning that they nearly need flashlights to find their way to the bus stops.

I know that things will eventually even out, and I will get used to the time change, but in the meantime will someone just change our clocks (especially the one in the car) to the right setting?

We never did get the car clock changed this last time, so I have become used to reminding myself that it is an hour fast. I wonder if I will remember now that the clock is set at the right time. (Yes, I have read in the instructions, but I honestly think that the instructions were written for another car.)

Now to go boldly through the house and hope that all the clocks are set at the right time. We seem to get a new clock every year that we have forgotten about and therefore must read the instructions again. Maybe a sundial would make more sense.

B.S.H.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Amana Society Largest Property Tax payer in County

Amana Society is the top property tax payer in Iowa County for tax year 2018/ 2019, reports Jessica Stohlmann, Iowa County Auditor. This has been true for many years, the auditor can tell you.

Property tax records are public records and by asking the Iowa County Auditor's office, the Amana Society Bulletin was able to take a look at the list of top property tax payers in Iowa County. Not surprisingly, the list contains the names of companies and individuals with considerable investment in manufacturing sites, retail property and farmland.

The top 10 property tax payers in Iowa County are:

The Amana Society	\$550,142
Tanger Properties Limited	\$488,172
Kinzenbaw, Jon E Revoc Trust	\$347,962
Whirlpool Corporation	\$250,372
Holdens Foundation Seeds	\$235,160
Granite REIT America	\$156,006
Jones Enterprises, LLC	\$150,672
Brooklyn Elevator, Inc.	\$77,010
Holden, Ronald W	\$70,554
Lakeview Village	\$68,370

Additionally the Amana Society Service Company Inc. pays another \$76,000 in property taxes as an electric provider/utility. Colonial Manor of Amana was 13th on the list paying \$58,653.

The top utility/ railroad and communication company property tax payers in Iowa County include these companies plus the Amana Society Service Company, Inc.

Interstate Power and Light Co.	\$301,317
Northern Border Pipeline Co.	\$199,222
Crandic Railway	\$168,728
Iowa Interstate RR	\$160,546
Iowa Telecom	\$86,368
South Slope	\$70,434

Forest Reserve Measure Stalls For Now

Iowa state legislation introduced by Iowa Sen. Amy Sinclair to eliminate the forest reserve property tax exemption appears to have stalled in committee and did not move forward for consideration by both houses this session.

The proposal called Senate File 5 was being looked at by the Iowa Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee but has gone no further thus far.

Why do we care? Because Amana timberlands are in enrolled in the program and the Amana Forestry has been planting more than 10,000 trees a year for decades to help maintain our forest. That investment speaks to the company's longterm commitment.

In 2018 the Amana Society, Inc. paid \$550,142 in property taxes to Iowa County, the County Auditor Jessica Stohlmann reported. If the forest reserve tax is eliminated the ASI would pay an additional \$70,000 to 80,000 in property taxes each year, Bruce Trumpold, ASI Secretary explained.

The File's sponsor Sen. Amy Sinclair (R-Allerton, Iowa) argued that forest landowners should pay the same tax rate as other landowners. She says that in her southern county out of state landowners own timber reserve lands for hunting only and pay no property tax on this land.

Those who do not support File 5 say that eliminating the tax exemption entirely on forest land is short sighted as it will put much more pressure on farmers and timber landowners to harvest trees and turn forest land into cropland or residential development. Because it takes 75 or more years to grow a stand of trees Iowa landowners need help and incentive to plant and maintain forests and because Iowa has already lost a significant portion of its woodlands giving them help is important, they argue.

Amana Society Forester Tim Krauss is a member of the policy committee of the Iowa Chapter of the Society of American Foresters. He has been to Des Moines to advocate on behalf of forest landowners. He said that he felt in the next year a compromise measure may be passed.

Krauss urged that those who care about Iowa forests remain watchful in the months to come. While compromises could be reached that would assist both sides, eliminating the tax exemption entirely would be detrimental to Iowa forests and to the Iowa forestry industry.

"Land owners who own timber reserves depend upon the tax help to allow them to make that investment in their forest to keep their forest and to plant more trees to harvest one day. . . that tax exemption is important for the Amana Society and it's important for lots of smaller land owners who want to maintain their forest for the future. And down the road, it's important for the logging companies that operate in Iowa. If we lose that infrastructure needed to harvest our trees, we really lose more than we may have bargained for," Krauss told us.

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PIONEER CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Iowa County Pioneer Cemetery Committee is looking for a few new members for our board who are interested in the preservation and history of our beautiful pioneer cemeteries.

The Committee meets every 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm at the Marengo Public Library, and perhaps, Williamsburg, April - November.

For more information or questions, please contact Jenni Olson via email iowacova@gmail.com or call 319-330-5431.

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

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AMANA SANDLOT IS BACK THIS SUMMER

It's been a long winter and it might not be over yet, but the Amana Sandlot is thinking baseball! We hope to begin practices in late March and start games in April. We thank you for your support over the last few seasons and hope you join us at the ball field this summer.

In the past, your generous donations have made this league possible.

The big job this spring will be purchasing the resources for and putting the roofs on the dugouts! But also, the donations are used for many field/bleacher improvements, equipment, umpires, and game/tourney fees.

If you would like to donate this year, please do so by sending your donation to The Sandlot c/o Gretchen Muhlenbruck at 2730 F St. Amana, IA 52203.

Thank you in advance!

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*****Unofficial Meeting Minutes*****

ACLU D Minutes of Public Hearing
March 4, 2019, 7:00 p.m. - ACLU D Meeting Room,
4304 220th Trail, Amana

- I. Call Public Hearing to Order; The ACLU D BoT public hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Set Agenda; Motion to approve and set carried 5-0.
- III. Public Input on:
 - a. Proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget; no comments
- IV. Adjourn; Motion to adjourn carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.

ACLU D Minutes of BoT Meeting
March 4, 2019, ACLU D Meeting Room,

- I. Call Meeting To Order; The ACLU D BoT meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
- II. Set Agenda; Motion to approve amended agenda (adding VIII.c.) carried 5-0.
- III. Discussion/Action: Review/approve the following: February meeting minutes; Motion to approve carried 5-0.
- IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda. Ehlts next steps and the purchase of historic property questions addressed.
- V. Discussion/action: February Financial Report. Motion to approve carried 5-0.
- VI. Discussion/action: March Disbursements; Motion to approve carried 5-0.
- VII. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation District:
 - a. 2019-001 Kevin & Sandy Kimm; 4420 F. St – Amana, new garage construction. Motion to table carried 5-0.
 - b. 2019-004 Aktivum LLC (Gunther Sandersfeld); 2508 220th Trail – Middle Amana – reshingle roof, replace existing gutters, and replace 23 windows. Motion to table carried 5-0.
- VIII. Other Business:
 - a.) Discussion/Action: Certify 2019-20 Budget; motion to approve by Ithiel. 2nd by Sandersfeld. Motion carried 5-0/
 - b.) Discussion/Action: Future Grant Request process ; to review past grant process at next meeting.
 - c.) Millwright Hotel – motel/hotel tax rebate discussion to lift cap. Special meeting schedule for March 6th, 2019 to take vote.
- IX. Administrator's Report; see separate report.
- X. President's Report; none
- XI. Adjourn; motion to adjourn carried 5-0 at 8:13pm.

*****Unofficial Meeting Minutes*****

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT
Minutes of Special BoT Meeting March 6, 7:00 p.m.
ACLU D Meeting Room, Amana

- I. Call Meeting To Order: The Amana Colonies; The ACLU D BoT meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Set Agenda: Motion to approve agenda carried 5-0.
- III. Discussion/Action:
 - a. Millwright Motel tax rebate cap; Motion to remove cap carried 4-0 with B. Trumpold abstaining.
 - b. Millwright Motel site landscaping approval for CAT grant; Motion to provide support for CAT grant carried 4-0 with B. Trumpold abstaining.
- Motion to table site plan approval by Becerra-Hinsley, 2nd by Daggy. Motion carried 4-0 with B. Trumpold abstaining.
- IV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn carried 5-0. Adjourned at 7:33pm.

AMANA COLONY COMMUNAL MEAL

Saturday APRIL 6, 2019

Amana Arts Guild, High Amana

“Gemutlichkeit” at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM

Once again it's that time of year when you're invited to the Guild's celebration of traditional Colony communal cooking. Reserve your spot now for the opportunity to experience not just the extraordinary foods but also an atmosphere of Colony hospitality and community spirit. Come visit with friends, both old and new, as platters of original communal dishes are passed around our tables.

The evening begins with a glass of wine or lemonade served in our unique attic gallery at 5:00 PM, followed by the dinner menu of Amana recipes served at 6:00 PM downstairs in our main room. The menu of course is a “secret” and will not be revealed until served.

Please RSVP and include payment with your reservation form. Seating is limited to 80. The cost is \$22 per person. For more information contact the Guild at amanarts@southslope.net or 319-622-3678. You will be notified if the meal is filled and we cannot accept your reservation.

For more information please contact the Art Guild at (319) 622-3678 or amanarts@southslope.net

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TAKE A BITE FOOD FESTIVAL APRIL 12-14

If you love to eat and drink we have the perfect event for you! This April 12th - 14th we will present “Take a Bite: A Three Day Food Festival” recently named the Outstanding New Event by Travel Iowa and the Travel Federation of Iowa.

We will be celebrating both traditional Amana foods and more international foods, with educational seminars, hands on cooking classes and demonstrations, special foods and dinners to be sampled and enjoyed.

Seminars include: cheese and wine pairings, beer style differences. Hands on demonstrations including: pretzel, sausage, and sauerkraut making.

Dinners include a special “colony meal” served in the only surviving pre-1932 outfitted Communal Kitchen, along with 5 course meals that pair beer or wine with each course. The special themed dinners are very popular and advance ticket purchasing is required.

Each day will feature a “Sample Strolls” which take you from shop to shop sampling different foods. You can eat your way across Amana.

Call the Amana Colonies Visitors Center for more information, 319-622-7622 or visit www.amanacolones.com

MILLSTREAM LIVE SATURDAY NITES!

Enjoy live music with Billy Heller from 6-9pm Saturday night at the Brau Haus. For St Patrick's Day weekend: Green Lime Pilsner Beer, Green Pretzels and Mint Chocolate Pie!

COFFEE FOR GUATEMALA HOMES

We are once again selling coffee from Central America. Our mission team is now roasting the coffee named; “Guats up”.

We have both regular and decaf. The cost is \$12 lb or \$20 for 2 lbs.. The entire amount will go towards materials to build houses for underprivileged in Guatemala. To place orders please call me at 319-361-0699. Thank you for your support.

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MOREL CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

A workshop for morel mushroom certification will be offered March 30 and April 6 on the Iowa State campus, Ames. To legally sell morel mushrooms in Iowa, sellers must complete a certification workshop that covers identifying morels and false morels. Any Iowan who has not completed the certification training in the last three years must re-certify this year.

To be in compliance with Iowa law, morel mushroom sellers should register for the 3-hour workshop online at <http://bit.ly/MorelWorkshop19> by March 26. Registration is \$50 per person.

HELP WANTED

Join the mowing crew at Hometown Lawncare and Landscaping, Must have valid driver's license. Call 319-622-3417. No answer? Leave message.

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AMANA LIBRARY HOURS

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Wednesday 8:30-1:30	Thursday 8:30-6:00
Friday 8:30-6:00	Saturday 9:00-12:00

THE ESSEN WAGEN SERVES HOME DELIVERED MEALS

One meal a day can make a difference! 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 by the Amana Church Society to any eligible home-bound persons living in the Amana Colonies, regardless of religious affiliation. Essen Wagen volunteers deliver hot home style meals, prepared at Colonial Manor during the noon hours, Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). The meals typically include a hot main dish, servings of vegetables or fruit, bread and milk. A contribution of \$4.00 per meal is requested. There is no charge for delivery.

Essen Wagen volunteers also provide the benefit of a daily check in with the home-bound person to make sure they are safe in their homes. The peace of mind provided by the Essen Wagen volunteers for the seniors and their guardians cannot be overestimated. Home delivered meals also help home-bound seniors remain more independent.

Essen Wagen meals are also available to others to fill a temporary need during illness, convalescence, or other home confinement periods of time. If you have a need for these services, or know of a person who could benefit from “one hot meal a day,” please call the church administrator at 622-6155, for more information.

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 Times subject to alteration due to other places I may have to be. Retired from the Air Force, not from life.