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**AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS** 

Due to increasing Covid cases among members, masks are requested but not required in all Amana Church Society buildings for the fully vaccinated, all others are humbly asked to wear a mask.

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, July 24, 2022, starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Andrea Haldy presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen" No. 639 Seite 637-8

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, Düdelsheim, December 25, 1721

Scripture: Psalm 148

Psalm: 150

Closing Hymn: "Hallelujah, Lob, Preis und Ehr" No. 362 Seite 359

The Late Service will start at 10:00 A.M. with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 74

Closing Hymn: "Hallelujah! Let Praises Ring." No. 34

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

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 A.M. Service.

### AMANA HERITAGE SOCIETY - ANNUAL **HARVEST DINNER & SILENT AUCTION**

The Amana Heritage Society will host its annual Fall Harvest Dinner on Friday, September 9th, 2022 at the Price Creek Event Center with doors opening at 5:30. This Harvest Dinner raises muchneeded funds to help support the Amana Heritage Society and its mission to share Amana's special heritage and culture. We use our collections to interpret the Amana Heritage Museum, the Communal Kitchen & Cooper Shop Museum, now including the Residential Home Museum and Print Shop & Book Bindery, the High Amana General Store. and the Homestead Church. In the past several years, we've undertaken some hefty projects. Upcoming plans will be announced at the Harvest Dinner!

The dinner will take place at Price Creek Event Center, 4709 220th Trail, Amana. Doors open at 5:30pm, dinner at 7:00pm. Winners of the drawings and silent auction announced following dinner.

Raffle Ticket (includes two dinners and one chance to win the raffle) is \$100. Dinner Tickets (without a raffle ticket) are \$35 each

Tickets are available online at amanaheritage. org or by calling the Amana Heritage Museum at 319-622-3567

#### **FEATHERS IN THE WIND**

One fall dry our father had mother dress us in warm clothes so that we could ride out to what Kathryn and I considered our own personal sand pile behind Homestead.

Someone was already there and the two of us muttered over the interference. After all - was this



### **Amana Church Receives Community** Foundation of NE Iowa Grant

The Amana Colonies Food Pantry needs to move to a larger, more practical space and an \$8,500 grant from the Community Foundation of Northeast lowa will help make that happen.

The Amana Church which operates the Amana Colonies Food Pantry was awarded the grant July 14 to help repair the historical Kinderschule structure beside the Middle Amana Church in Middle Amana to house the food pantry. The Amana Colonies Food Pantry serves all of Iowa County and has more than 35 families who depend upon it, but the number of Iowa County families in need of food is growing. It is currently located in the basement of the Middle Amana Church. The Amana Church is seeking to move the food pantry to a location that is on ground level, larger and more practical for food storage and distribution. The AC Food Pantry is operated in cooperation with HACAP. It's a free, confidential service open to all.

The \$8,500 grant will be used to renovate the currently unused, Kinderschule building, repairing the electrical wiring, installing an HVAC system and insulation, repairing the foundation, windows and walls, wood siding and improving the access entryway. The total cost of the renovation and relocation is estimated to be \$112,000.

This project is part of the church's capital campaign, Restore Revive Renew to raise money for the Amana Colonies Food Pantry building project and to renovate and repair the Amana Church in Amana. The Restore Revive Renew project has been awarded a \$70,000 grant from the National Fund for Sacred Places, a program of Partners for Sacred Places in collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The CFNI grant will be used to help match the National Fund grant.

"We are so grateful to the Iowa County Community Foundation Board which recommended us for the grant award and to the CF of Northeast Iowa for their generous support. We are working hard to serve lowa County and this grant is especially meaningful in light of the increased food insecurity in our communities today," said Elly Hoehnle, Amana Church administrator. "This is a great help." The Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa was formed in 1956 and has expanded to serve a region to that includes Iowa County. Each year via its county affiliates it awards approximately \$6 million annually in grant funding to worthy projects sponsored by nonprofits serving their communities. To learn more go to cfneia.org.

Thus far the Amana Church fund drive has raised \$238,000 in cash, pledges and grants or about 65 percent of its \$364,387 Phase 1goal. That's the estimated cost of the Kinderschule project and the estimated cost of the repairs and restoration work needed at the Amana Church. The Amana Church work includes replacing the handicapped access ramp on the east side, making the west side more accessible, creating new fire escapes, replacing broken siding, restoring the existing windows (this work has already begun with the help of dedicated volunteers), reconstruct the entryway porches, repairing the fascia and soffits. A second phase of work and another \$108,000 in fundraising will be needed to repair the retaining walls around the church, restore the dormer windows, repoint the foundation, plus repairing the chimney at the Kinderschule. "We are extremely grateful and humbled by the support we're received from friends and our partners everywhere. This work will help us forward God's mission for our community and it will help build Amana's future," said Emilie Hoppe, Elder Amana Church. To learn more about the project call Emilie Hoppe at 319-350-0869 or go to the church's webpage amanachurch.com and look for the Restore Revive Renew tab on the main page. To give to the fund drive you may use a credit card, Paypal or Venmo on the Restore Revive Renew tab of the Amana Church webpage. Or mail checks to Amana Church, PO Box 103, Middle Amana, 52307.

### PLEASE NOTE

Katie Berger has moved to Colonial Manor Nursing Home, Room #9. Her phone number remains the same: 319-622-3435. She is looking forward to seeing her friends. She is feeling well and would enjoy visitors.

### Usui Reiki I & II Certification Class

Patricia M. Johnson from Boulder, Colorado will be teaching a Reiki I & II certification class on September 10 and 11, 2022 from 10 am to 6 pm each day at Garden Cottage, 206 220th Trail, in South Amana. Cost for this two day class is \$450.00 and is limited to 6 people so it will fill up quickly. Patricia is a Medical Reiki Master Teacher, a Usui Reiki Master Teacher and an animal Reiki Teacher. For more information and to register go to her website: www.HealthHealingHandsofBoulder.com or text Cherie Hansen-Rieskamp at 319-325-2197

### THANK YOU COMMUNITY CHEST

The Amana Colonies Trails would like to thank the Amana Community Chest for the generous contribution. The money has been earmarked for trail maintenance along the lake this year. This spring we used last year's contribution to repair or replace signage on the trail. Our sincere thanks to the Community Chest for the donation and to all that contribute to their annual fundraiser.



The Amana Colonies Land Use District Board of Trustees has an opening for a new member. If you or someone you know might have an interest in giving back to the community by becoming a Board of Trustees member, please contact Administrator Richard Budde. Administrator mailing address is P.O. Box 66 Amana IA 52203 or e-mail aclud@ southslope.net. Thank you for your consideration.



not "trespassing.

It was our duty to report the culprits so that not one speck of sand be moved by others and thus depriving us of the joy of moving it ourselves. This was our "secret sand pile" (as if no one knew that most of Homestead is sandy) and no one was going to get in our way. We were on a mission - we were the "Selzer girls" and when provoked could strike fear into this terrible trespasser.

Oh no! The trespasser was armed with a tractor and had other people with him.

Well that didn't matter. Our father was farm manager and our mother was always by his side. Meanwhile they had us.

We pulled on our dreaded head scarves and shot daggers with our dark brown eyes into these lowly men who dared to trespass on our precious sand pile.

My sister and I began to converse in German as to how to "attack" so the enemy would not realize what a formable force they were up against.

Since we were only 5 and 3 we figured that biting, scratching and yelling (our favorite weapons)

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# **HELP WANTED**

Line/prep cook at

# **Ronneburg Restaurant.**

Full-time, weekends required, benefits included. Apply in person Mon-Thurs 8-7pm, Fri-Sat 8-8pm and Sun 8-6pm. (319) 622-3641

### **REAL ESTATE FOR SALE/RENT**

For Rent: room with shared bath and common area South Amana. No smoking, references, background check. Call Larry at 319-540-9351

### LOST & FOUND

Honda and House keys found at Bill Metz's house on Hwy 220 in Middle. Call 319-622-3912.

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would be the best way to attack. Our mother (ever on the alert) had heard our chatter and told us to "stop it" immediately because these men were here because our father had asked them to be.

In little girls' minds (especially ours) what ever our father said was right up there with instructions from God, so we sort of calmed down while mother held the door shut to prevent our escape and possibly making them look foolish, something we often did so well.

We soon learned that our father had worked with ISU and their forestry department on stopping anymore erosion on what we called "the blow hole" and we considered our sand pile.

They were sending pine seedlings that dad and his workers would plant in the hopes that the erosion would end.

Dad would have my sister and me even plant a few seedlings so that someday we could say that we had helped.

I grew up to become a teenager and one day was decorating for the Christmas dance. No one had remembered to get a tree to decorate so I sent this guy off to get one. He and his buddy came back with these "s---faced" grins on their faces and I asked about the tree.

They had the nerve to tell me they went to the pine forest south of Homestead and cut down one of "my" trees.

I was furious and did something I have never done before, I took my hand and slapped him and stomped off muttering. There was silence.

Nearly fifty years later I saw him again and reached out only to have him step back probably in fear of getting pelted again.

Larry Ertz has painted at least two pictures of the pine forest, one of which we proudly display. I remember my father in his last years sitting in the front of his bay window and looking east at the pines.

Yes, Kathryn and I have shown the trees to our husbands and children with pride and often with tears because of the memories they provoke.

We know they should be thinned out and new trees planted, but no one seems to have the time or equipment.

B.S.H.



Restaurant Supervisor \$18 - \$20 per hour Banquet Captain \$16 - \$18 per hour Banquet Server \$12 - \$14 per hour plus gratuity Banquet Setup Attendant \$13 - \$15 per hour Bartender \$11 per hour plus tips Restaurant Server \$10 per hour plus tips Server Assistant \$12 per hour Line Cook \$16 - \$18 per hour Dishwasher \$11 - \$13 per hour Guest Service Representative \$13 - \$15 per hour

Guest Room Attendant \$14 - \$16 per hour



Amana Colonies Land Use District (ACLUD) Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda of the Regular Meeting July 25, 2022, 6:30 p.m. At the ACLUD office

4304 220th Trail Amana And via Zoom link

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda III. Review/Approve June 2022 Minutes

IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda

V. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications / grant requests in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

a. 2022-085. Alan and Virginia Dubberke / 4312 F Street Amana / HP-R. 1) Replace quantity three (3) windows with vinyl windows. Discuss if acceptable to historic guidelines.

b. GRANT REQUEST. Alan Brower / 5209 E St East Amana / HP-R. On front exterior entryway - replace rotted porch flooring and damaged posts. On rear patio structure - rebuild grape arbor and replace sagging patio boards. Note Grant Review Committee reviewed application on July 15, 2022. Unanimous approval to recommend the grant. Total bid was \$8400; 75% is \$6300. \$2500 grant value applies. Discussion whether the front exterior entryway was constructed pre-1932, would not affect the grant funding amount. c. GRANT REQUEST. Tony Berger / 2609 K St Middle Amana / HP-R. On north side of residence remove current tile (slate/asbestos) siding and replace with Smartside wood composite lap siding. Grant Review Committee reviewed application on July 15, 2022. Unanimous approval to recommend the grant. Total bid was \$1500; 75% is \$1125. \$1125 grant value applies. d. GRANT REQUEST. Dan and Elizabeth Wood / 4521 220th Trail Amana / HP-C. Remove all caulking on cedar siding, and re-caulk with appropriate caulking. Remove and replace quantity two (2) water damaged corner boards. Remove and replace two (2) water damaged window sill boards. Grant Review Committee reviewed application on July 15, 2022. Unanimous approval to recommend the grant. Total bid was \$1925; 60% (commercial property) is \$1155. \$1155 grant value applies.

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Amana in Bloom Participating Gardens Saturday, July 23 the Amana Colonies are in Bloom. Well, actually they are blooming spring to fall, but Saturday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. is your chance to tour your neighbor's gardens and to see gardens in other villages.

The garden walk is free and open to the public. You can pick up a brochure/ map at the Visitor's Center in Amana or look for the "Garden Walk" signs in yards.

From 5 till 8 p.m. Saturday, July 23 stop by the Amana Heritage Society garden for live music, yard games, beverages and food as they host a garden party. Museum will be open free during the party too.

Here are the garden locations:

- 4529, 220th Trail, the village of Amana.
- The Hotel Millwright, prairie plantings, Amana
- 2612 220th Trail, Middle Amana.
- 1111 26th Ave. (across from the church), Middle Amana.
- The Communal Kitchen in Middle Amana, flower beds, gardens.
- 1412 G St. High Amana, Iowa.
- 1506 G St. High Amana, Iowa
- 47 220th Trail (up the hill) South Amana
- 4118 V. St. Homestead
- 4210 V. St. Homestead, community vegetable garden
  - 4468 V. St. Homestead (east end of village)

### AMANA LIBRARY July & August Summer Hours Monday 9:00am-3:00pm Tuesday 9:00am-6:00pm Wednesday 9:00am-Noon Thurs & Friday 9:00am-6:00pm Saturday 9:00am-Noon

The Amana Library has an ongoing Used Book Sale in the periodical room. There are tons of great books to choose from - cook books, gardening, romance, fiction, non-fiction, and kid's books.

Great authors such as Isaac Asimov, Danielle Steel, James Patterson Patricia Cornwell, John Jakes, Nora Roberts, and Debbie Macomber. We would like to thank everyone who has donated books to our sale. If you have any books to donate, they may be dropped off during the above hours. If you have any questions, call 319-622-3192.

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# MY AMANA SOCIETY EXPERIENCE

This week I talked with Chris Ward, Manager of Sales and Manufacturing at the furniture shop to learn more about their operation.

I have wandered the furniture shop showroom more than once admiring every single piece - from the bedroom sets, to the cutting boards and the clocks, so I was interested to learn more about the shop and how they are built. I had a very informative and engaging conversation with Chris, who told me something surprising.

The first thing I learned is that they sell the furniture using a system called "throughput". Throughput in this case means that rather than making furniture to build up a stock and storing that stock in a warehouse until it's sold, each piece is built when the customer orders. This system not only allows them to avoid storing lots of pieces, it also makes for easier customization if the buyer would like to make any modifications. Speaking of modifications, Chris also told me that they do a fair amount of retrofitting and altering vintage and existing Amana furniture pieces. In fact, fully 60 percent of their business is custom builds and alterations. It is not easy to make a queen size headboard into a king, but Chris says they can do it! As you can imagine, the skill, dedication, and commitment to teamwork of the eight craftspeople on staff are what makes Amana furniture and clocks the highest quality. These artisans craft treasured heirlooms that are passed down through many generations. Their expertise, knowledge, and experience are their legacy. Their legacy is the Amana legacy.

Public Area Attendant \$12 - \$15 per hour Laundry Attendant \$12 - 14 per hour

hotelmillwright.com/about/jobs/



VI. Other Business:

a. Discussion of draft guidance regarding; permission/limitations for having chickens/chicken coops, feeders, etc. in back yards. This could be added in the future to existing verbiage regarding livestock.

VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)

VIII. Adjourn

Until next time, all my best, Amy Petta