

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, March 26, 2017, starting at 8:30 AM. with Elder Harold Pitz presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Fort ihr Glieder, laszt uns gehen ..." No. 276 v 1-7 Seite 274

Testimony: Johann Carl C. Gleim, September 15, 1715

Scripture: Revelation 1: 1-5  
Psalm 96

Closing Hymn: "Fort ihr Glieder, laszt uns gehen ..." No. 276 v 8-15 Seite 274

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

Opening Hymn: "Thine Forever, God Of Love" No. 217

Closing Hymn: "Go Forth My Heart And Soul Awake" No. 72

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.**

## AMANA CHURCH ANNUAL ELECTION AND MEETING

The Board of Trustees wishes to remind all members that the annual election of Trustees is coming up on April 17th. We have three seats to fill upon the board. Please consider serving your church in this way. If you would like to have your name placed upon the ballot please contact the church office at 319-622-6155 or mchurch@southslope.net.

## CONGREGATE MEALS

Come join us for Congregate Meals at the Fellowship Hall in the Amana Church on Mondays.

**Our menu for March 27th is..**

Cook's Choice

The cost is only \$5 and also includes your drink!! The doors open at 11:00 and we serve at 11:30!! Please call Donna Trumpold at 622-3218 or 560-6285 by noon on Friday to make a reservation. We hope to see you!!

## AMANA COMMUNAL MEAL

The Amana Arts Guild will sponsor its annual authentic old fashioned Amana communal meal on Saturday, April 8, 'Gemutlichkeit' (social hour) at 5 pm and dinner at 6 pm at the Amana Arts Guild Center in High Amana. A traditional Amana menu is served in the communal day's atmosphere in our historic main building. The cost is \$22 per person, reservations are required, limited seating available.

For information, call 319-622-3678 from 10am-3pm on Tuesday thru Thursday or email amanarts@southslope.net The Amana Arts Guild Center is located one block north of Highway 220 in the village of High Amana.

## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### The Middle Amana Park: Where We Go to Relax

Since the baseball games of the 1920's and the 4th of July picnics of the 1930's, the Middle Amana Park has had a special place in the hearts of Amana Colony residents.

There Bill Zuber pitched his first fast ball, there one Amana High ball team after another did battle with their arch rivals from Norway High School. There Oktoberfest grew to become the largest ethnic festival in Iowa.

Now the site of spring and fall soccer, summer soccer camps, pick-up ball games and the Fourth of July picnic revived by volunteers and the Amana Family Practice Clinic, the "ball park" is still a big part of our community life.

This year, Mike Amos of the Iowa Renaissance Festival is expanding his Memorial Day historical fantasy fest to two weekends: May 27 - 29 and June 3 - 4. "2016 was so successful, we thought now is the time! This is something we've wanted to do for some time, expand it to two weekends. . . Memorial Day is such a busy weekend with graduations and everything, we felt we really had enough interest to go to two weekends. So far our advance ticket sales are pretty strong for both weekends," he told The Bulletin.

This year the festival will offer free parking at the Amana Colonies RV Park and offer a shuttle to bring visitors to the Middle Park. Last year the festival was so popular (weather was exceptional and marketing took off) that there was literally not enough parking in Middle Amana. This year Amos hopes to avoid that and has lined up parking at the Amana RV Park and will shuttle guests to his festival.

Amos has booked more entertainment too. Some acts will perform both weekends and some will be featured just one weekend, so going both weekends and seeing different entertainers each weekend will be an attraction, he hopes.

The Iowa Renaissance Festival is the park's largest event, but the annual community 4th of July picnic is no less important to the Colonies; as is the annual Amana Arts Guild Summer Festival of the Arts, an event that has been held at the park for over three decades.

For all its popularity as a community recreation area, few residents understand that the 21-acre park is the property of the Amana Society, Inc. The Amana Society, Inc. leased the land to a group of private individuals in the 1960's for the Oktoberfest celebration. They received the property back in the 1980's and have since incorporated it into their Amana Colonies RV Park operations allowing people to walk dogs, picnic, play ball and soccer, simply use the park as a park.

Those who visit the park may assume that they are visiting a tax-supported city park, but that's just not the case. No tax dollars are used to maintain the park.

The Amana Society, Inc. and its shareholders pay about \$564 annually to Iowa County in property taxes on the Middle Park. They pay for insurance, mowing, gravel for the drives, trash removal, electricity for park lights and buildings, supplies for the restrooms, cleaning of the restrooms, upkeep of the buildings and pavilions, repairs and replacement of tables, chairs and other equipment in the park.

Anyone can visit the park for free to walk or picnic. Community groups like the Boy Scouts, the Arts Guild and the Amana Church may use the park for free too. These groups simply contact the RV Park staff to make a reservation.

The Amana Society charges large events like the Allis Chalmers tractor club and for-profit businesses like Mike Amos and his partners to use the park for events like the Renaissance Festival, often renting them the Morton Building, tables, chairs and other items. Overnight RV and tent campers pay a fee to stay. Families may rent the park, the Morton Building or the pavilions for wedding receptions and family reunions.

Fees and rentals help pay for maintenance at the park. "But it really doesn't cover all the expenses," Laura Sue Woods, Amana Colonies RV park director explained.

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## Zuber's Home Plate Lunches

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### March Daily Specials

Monday - Ham Balls, Fiesta Potatoes, Salad and Roll

Tuesday - Irish Stew, fruit, and scone or roll

Wednesday - Goulash, cornbread, fruit or salad

Thursday - Shepard's Pie, fruit and roll

Wednesdays is "Taste Test Soup Day"

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## Amana Church Easter Services & Events

Please join in celebration and share this invitation with others...

### Palm Sunday Service

Middle Amana Church in Middle, Sunday, April 9 at 10 a.m.

### During Holy Week

Holy Week Prayer Services, April 10 - 14

Monday - Thursday 7 p.m. at the Middle Amana Church in Middle

### Good Friday Traditional Worship Service

Friday, April 14 7 p.m. at the Middle Church in Middle

### Easter

Easter "Son Rise" Service at the Amana Church in Amana

8 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 16

Easter Breakfast

8:15 a.m. Easter Sunday, Amana Church, Amana

Hosted by the Church Guild.

Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt

9 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 16, Amana Church in Amana

### Easter Sunday Worship Service

Combining prayer, scripture and hymns

The Amana Church Choir & Amana Sunday School children will sing.

10 a.m. at the Amana Church in Amana, Sunday, April 16





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“We are very happy to do that, to offer a community service to the residents of the Amana Colonies,” she said, adding that she and her staff and ASI staff in general know the park is important to people and they too value it as a community gathering place.

She just wishes more people wouldn’t take it for granted and would keep it tidy.

“I don’t think people understand how much the Amana Society is doing and paying to keep it up. . . the mowing, for example, is a big expense,” she added.

Volunteers who might want to help clean up the park, make improvements or undertake some project, like a picking up fallen limbs or raking up winter debris and cigarette butts would be very welcome. “Boy, that would be awesome!” said Woods. “We would be happy to work with anyone who wanted to help.”

In the past ten years the Amana Boy Scouts and their fathers have donated time and labor to paint the restrooms, build new benches at the larger, open pavilion and to put a new roof on the smaller pavilion. Other groups have planted oak trees. The Amana Youth Soccer League volunteers rebuilt the concession stand about 15 years ago. Soccer volunteers maintain the concession stand and the soccer goals. They have hosted “clean up the ballpark” evenings.

But there is always more to do or that could be done at the park. And winter takes it’s toll. “This year we have noticed that there has been littering going on in the park, the cigarette butts. Yes, it’s an issue,” Woods noted.

“Having help would be wonderful. Everything that’s been done by volunteers, that has been so appreciated! Really if anyone would like to help, they can just give me a call,” Woods added.

## LARGE YARD SALE

2710 K Street, Middle Amana

FRIDAY, MARCH 31: 8 am-4 pm  
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**FEATHERS IN THE WIND**

I would like to get serious once and just say thank you to two groups of people that we take for granted until that awful time when we have to call for their help...the fire department and the first responders.

It is ironic how many fire departments in the United States are staffed by volunteers. They take time off when they could be at work or home safe and sound. Thank goodness we are the ones who are safe and sound because of them being ever watchful.

Years ago each town had their own fire department were

Usually the farm manager was the head of the department and the farm workers and citizens of the town were the “department.”

Here in Homestead the meetings were always on Wednesdays. I even have an 8 mm film that my father took when they got their “new” fire truck way back in the 1950’s.

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### 2nd Annual Peter Cottontail Egg Hunt

Saturday April 15 2-4pm  
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Monday April 10th 10am-11am  
Amana Retirement Community Conference Room  
Led by Erin Folkmann, Social Worker

Support group is open to the public and we encourage all interested to attend. The support group will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month.  
Purpose of the support group is to provide a safe, supportive and educational atmosphere. It is a chance to meet with others in similar situations to you. We want to encourage healthy coping strategies to help maintain your personal health while caregiving.

Call Erin at 622-3131 for more information.  
Pre-registration is not necessary.



AMANA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

**AMANA HERITAGE MUSEUM  
EASTER EGG HUNT**

Children 12 and younger are invited to join in the annual Amana Heritage Museum Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15 at 9:00 A.M. Each child will be able to find a basket filled with treats including traditional Amana colored eggs. The Easter Bunny will be on hand to greet the children. Bring your cameras. Reservations are required, and the hunt will go on whatever the weather (indoors if necessary). Cost is \$6. Call 622-3567 or email amana-heritage@southslope.net to make reservations.

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**MISSING CAT**

Orange/Buff colored cat, neutered male wearing a white flea collar, last seen in Main Amana March 3rd. We are offering a reward for the return of Dixon. Please call 319-560-5179. Thank you!

**ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW**

Make plans now to attend the 24th Annual Spring Arts & Crafts Show on Sunday, April 2 at the Marriott Conference Center in Coralville, Iowa.

This is the area’s largest show, with over 125 talented exhibitors presenting and selling the Midwest’s finest handcrafts.

The show is a production of Callahan Promotions, Inc. and offers patrons the opportunity to enjoy original affordable arts and crafts.

Among the various products presented at the show are oak furniture, paintings and prints, gourd art, bird houses, bird feeders, ceramics, jewelry, metal art sculptures, pet products, yard and garden art, stained, etched, and fused glass, quilts, photography, pottery, candles, clothing, floral wreaths, dolls & doll clothes, rugs, baskets, aprons, place mats, table runners, purses, wood and metal signs, wall hangings and many more original products.

Exhibitors will also be selling homemade salsa, wines, breads, fudge, coffee cakes, barbeque sauce, jams, dried soup and food mixes.

The Marriott Conference Center is connected to the Marriott Hotel and is located at 300 East 9th Street in Coralville, just off of I-80 at Exit 242.

Admission to the show is \$5, with anyone 10 and under free. Save \$1 by bringing the ad below with you. Parking is always free. Show hours are Sunday from 9 AM to 4 PM. For additional information, call 563-652-4529.

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Would you believe that the hose could spray over the grain tank at the Homestead Feed Mill? Would you also believe that I even drove that fire truck through town one day? (I don't think I got any further than third gear, but at least I drove it.)

Recently we had a bad house fire in Homestead. The one fire truck is parked right next to our house, but I never even heard the siren. Everything was over and done with until the next morning when someone called me to ask about the fire.

I am always pleased to hear when I hear that no one was hurt. It is amazing how fast a fire can spread and the damage it does.

The first responders get called out for all sorts of emergencies especially just stabilizing a person until the ambulance gets there.

Personally we had to call the first responders twice in one day. It was the day that I came home after my arm operation.

You sort of loose your balance when your arm is in a sling and you are trying to walk only to find that you have no feeling what-so-ever in your legs.

Those first responders came right away and got me "planted" in my chair. I thought I was doing fine until I tried to get up again only to find that my legs were still not functioning.

Charlemagne called for help again and dispatcher said, "is that you again, Charlie?" (I think she suspected I was less than perfect!)

Those men got me on a stretcher and into an ambulance easily although I am sure that a crane might have been some help to those poor men's backs.

I have taken CPR classes and even how to use the machine that shocks one's heart back, but I am here to tell you that I have such respect for these men and women who literally give of themselves just to help us.

Personally I have great respect for these people who quite literally have our lives in their hands.

I even get choked up when I meet with some of these people because I KNOW only too well how things would not have worked if they did not exist.

I still remember "the old days" when the undertaker would come with his hearse which also served as an ambulance and had to find people to help load the person who had fallen or was ill into the back.

Thank goodness those days are over with.

Today, on the news, there was a report about how eastern Iowa really needs more of these men and women. I know that I cannot lift or climb on a roof so I won't even volunteer, but I do know that sometimes it might not be a bad idea to make a donation to these people's organizations.

I also think a simple, "thank you" wouldn't hurt either.

B.S.H.

CLOVER RIDGE ROAST BEEF SUPPER

Clover Ridge United Methodist Church in Walford, will hold its annual Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, April 1, serving from 5:00pm until 7:00pm.

On the menu: Sutton's Hot Roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, and a homemade kolache for desert. Chicken strip meals are also available, drinks are provided.

Adult meals are \$10.00, children 12 years and under \$6.00, 7 years and younger free.

Clover Ridge is on the North side of Hwy 151 on the West end of Walford. Proceeds go to the Church's building and maintenance trustees fund.

AMANA HERITAGE SOCIETY MEMBERS OPEN HOUSE 5PM-7PM ON MARCH 30TH

The winter has been highly productive at the Amana Heritage Museum. Staff has been working extremely hard to clean, paint and upgrade exhibits in the Noe House. We would like to offer all AHS members a chance to have the 'first look' at the exhibits prior the public opening on April 1st.

The open house will begin at 5pm with a very short presentation in the Schoolhouse Auditorium. Afterwards, members are welcome to go to the Noe House and take a first look at the upgrades. Simultaneously, R.C. Eichacker will give a short presentation on the genealogy department at the Museum to raise awareness of its existence and to get members to utilize and contribute their family tree work to the project. This work is very important for the mission and future of the Amana Heritage Society, so plan on spending a few minutes listening to him.

Not a member or haven't renewed this year? No problem. We'll have a membership signup ready at the door. Also, look for information about an Amana Colonies Community Open House on April 29th in conjunction with the German Iowa & the Global Midwest Special Exhibit and Mini Conference. If you're interested in attending the March 30th Open House, please try to RSVP by March 26th by calling 319-622-3567 or emailing amanaheritage@southslope.net. Thanks for your support!

JAKE KUNDERT IS NEW LOCAL FOODS ASSOCIATE

Iowa Valley RC&D is pleased to announce that Jake Kundert of Solon, Iowa has been hired as their new Local Foods Associate.

Jake and Food System Director Jason Grimm, Kundert will work at a local and regional level to advance the Iowa Valley RC&D's Regional Food System Initiative. Kundert will be leading the expansion of Iowa Kitchen Connect to four Iowa communities including Des Moines and Dubuque. He will also be supporting the Linn County Food Systems Council, assisting with production for the Grow: Johnson County initiative, and contributing to the Lettuce Grow Markets Toolkit for Iowa's farmers market managers.

Kundert has a Masters in Public Health from the University of Iowa and brings expertise in community engagement, marketing, research, and small-scale vegetable farming both in Iowa landscape and abroad.

The RC&D helps strengthen the area food system, assists local communities to grow their economies, fosters protection and enhancement of natural resources, and works to develop awareness for art, history, and culture in the region.

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR CCE FUN FAIR

Clear Creek Elementary (Oxford) Fun Fair will be held Friday, March 31st, which is less than two weeks away. We still need about 15 volunteers to help with games from 5:20-6:35 and about 20 volunteers to help with games from 6:35-7:45. Please check your schedules and see if you can volunteer your time to help make the 2017 CCE Fun Fair an awesome event.

Please click on the link (<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4baba828a64-ccfun>) and sign up as soon as possible.

We appreciate your help in making this a successful event. Thanks to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer your time. It is greatly appreciated!

If you have any questions you may contact Michele Phillips at [michelephillips@ccaschools.org](mailto:michelephillips@ccaschools.org) or Suzanne Barloon at [barloon@southslope.net](mailto:barloon@southslope.net).

A LETTER FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF MANUFACTURING, WHIRLPOOL

I am writing in response to the Amana Society Bulletin published on March 16 not only as Vice President of Manufacturing and leader of Whirlpool Corporation's Amana Operations, but also as a concerned citizen.

It is true - no one, including employees, suppliers, visitors and guests, is permitted to use tobacco products on any of our U.S. campuses as part of our corporate-wide commitment to employee health and wellness. There are some employees who do leave the campus during lunch breaks to use tobacco products. The littering by our employees in the community is obvious and we apologize. Please know that we have spoken with our employees to reinforce the importance of respecting our neighbors and creating a positive environment for our community visitors.

Whirlpool has committed to provide staffing to cleanup the Middle Amana Church, Post Office, City Park and Lily Pond areas by the end of March, as weather permits. We will also monitor these areas monthly and provide cleaning as necessary. We have increased our Whirlpool security to patrol Middle Amana by foot to provide another set of eyes to monitor neighborhoods and areas of concern. Additionally, we will continue our support of employees, offering smoking cessation classes and counseling by our health coach.

We have a long history of manufacturing in Amana in support of George Foerstner's vision for refrigeration. We continue to manufacture here by choice and operate with a fundamental belief that we not only produce products that improve the lives of our customers, but have a social responsibility to improve the communities in which we operate. For example, donations from employees to United Way of East Central Iowa were a record high in 2016 with more than \$182,000 given. The Whirlpool Foundation's dollar-for-dollar match means more than \$360,000 are invested into our community to support United Way funded programs this year.

In addition, employees volunteer countless hours planning and conducting our annual golf outing which has raised thousands of dollars for charity, including those that benefit us locally.

Last year, our 7th Annual Whirlpool Quality/Supplier Golf Outing raised \$65,700. Donations of \$32,850 were made to each the University of Iowa Children's Hospital Iowa KidSight program and the Ronald McDonald House of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois. To date, more than \$300,000 has been raised and donated to these two organizations who care for our children, our families and our community.

Additionally, our plant provides wastewater treatment services to the community at a minimal charge, as well as the recycling services to the community free of charge on our Whirlpool campus.

We are proud to partner with the Amana Society in many ways, including those we've outlined above, and we appreciate their generous offer to provide a small parcel near the plant designated for tobacco use. This proactive gesture underscores the teamwork between the society and plant that has always characterized our relationship.

I recently hosted local business owners, residents, local law enforcement and Amana Society leaders to the campus to demonstrate my concern over the situation and my desire to work with the community to find a solution. I encouraged the group to meet again in six months to re-evaluate this situation and ensure the resolution is moving in a satisfactory way for all involved.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Durham  
Vice President Manufacturing  
Whirlpool Corporation