

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, January 07, 2024 starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Kristie Yoder presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Herr Jesu Christ, Dich zu uns wend" No. 387 Seite 384

Testimony: Barbara Heinemann, Bergzabern, January 15, 1820

Scripture: Matthew 2: 1-11; Nehemiah 8:5-12 Psalm 19

Closing Hymn: "Ich sing von meines Gottes Treu" No. 484 vs 1-6 Seite 479

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

Opening Hymn: "O Lord, we welcome Thee" No. 223

Closing Hymn: "Of God's great Love I sing Today" No. 56

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service (Nachtgebet) begins 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.

## WINTER COOKING CLASS

A winter cooking class will be held on Sunday January 21 starting at 1 p.m. in the kitchen of the Amana Church. Learn to make Gefülte Nudeln (filled noodles) like your mother or Oma made. All materials will be provided but bring your favorite rolling pin. To reserve your place in the class please call Alan Trumpold (319-981-4330). If more than 6 persons sign up an additional class will be added on January 28.

## THE ESSEN WAGEN SERVES HOME DELIVERED MEALS

The Amana Church, in conjunction with Colonial Manor, sponsors the Amana Essen Wagen, which provides a hot noon meal to home-bound, adults or their adult child, delivered to your home (even to your chair!) each weekday, except holidays. Enjoy not cooking and enjoy visiting with one of our volunteer drivers.

Please contact Colonial Manor at 319-622-3131 to sign up for this service. You can register for a short time while recuperating at home, or on a permanent basis. The suggested donation per meal is \$4.00.

## AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLU) Notice of Public Hearing, January 8, 2024 - 7:00 p.m. ACLU office 4304 220th Trail Amana & via ZOOM link

1. Call Public Hearing to Order
2. Set Agenda
3. Open Discussion Regarding Agenda Items – Purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input from the General Public regarding the following:
  - a) 2023-127 / Amana Colonies Historical Sites Foundation /609 7th Ave West Amana / HP-A / Rezoning request. Change Opa's Tractor Barn Museum parcel from HP-A to HP-R so that the historic barn has potential of being converted into residential property.
4. Adjourn Public Hearing

## ACLU Notice of Board of Trustees Meeting and Tentative Agenda January 8, 2024 – at the conclusion of the Public Hearing

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve the December 11, 2023 BOT Meeting Minutes.
- IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda.
- V. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:
  - a. 2023-127. Amana Colonies Historical Sites Foundation /609 7th Ave West Amana / HP-A / Rezoning request. Change Opa's Tractor Barn Museum parcel from HP-A to HP-R so that the historic barn has potential of being converted into residential property. Note that this item was reviewed and tabled at the December 13 meeting.

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Starting the New Year Right

With so many demands upon all of us, we would like to remind you of three fund raising efforts in the Amana Colonies right now that will benefit a great many people.

It's not too late to give to the Amana Community Chest. The Amana Community Chest is a non-profit organization that raises dollars for Amana Colony youth groups, charities and cultural activities in our seven villages. Among other things the Amana Community Chest gives money to the Amana Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, the Amana 4H groups, the Amana Community Library, the Amana Playground fund, the Red Cross, Amana Arts Guild and so many more groups.

For example, last September the Amana Community Chest's contribution helped make the "Welcome Neighbor" ice cream social a reality. The donation paid for supplies and ice cream. Over 100 new and longtime Amana resident met at the Middle Amana Park for the first "meet your new neighbors" event. Another example, the Amana Community Chest provides snow boots, gloves, mittens and warm coats to CCA students through a confidential giving program that gets needed warm clothing to those who need it via school staff.

Can you help? Please make your donation to the Amana Community Chest by check. Please mail to Amana Community Chest, PO Box 161, Amana, IA, 52203.

The shelves at the Amana Colonies Food Pantry operated by the Amana Church empty pretty quickly these days with so many in our area needing help. It's open twice each month – the second Wednesday at 5 p.m. and the last Sunday of the month at 11 a.m. This is confidential service and is open to all. If you need food and can't stop by at one of the above times call 319-622-6155 to have food delivered to you. Again, this is a confidential service open to all.

Food is donated and purchased by Amana Church volunteers and donations makes all the difference. Can you give hearty canned soups or canned stews, tuna, peanut butter, canned beans, spaghetti sauce, pasta, canned tomatoes, jelly, cake mixes, quick bread mixes (cornbread, muffins) laundry detergent, toilet paper, tissues, cleaning supplies, toothbrushes, soap and shampoo.

Or please donate money - checks to the Amana Food Pantry - so that volunteers can buy fresh produce, bread, milk and eggs. The Amana Colonies Food Pantry is supported by the Amana Church, HACAP, the Amana Community Chest with donations from area merchants and local residents. Would you like to volunteer? Call the Amana Church Office number listed above.

So many folks commented upon the amazing book tree created by Heather McClintock Fox, Amana School librarian, and several volunteer elves!

You can give our Amana Community Library in Middle Amana a boost by helping support their "Stuff the Stocking" fundraiser.

This year they are honoring long-time library advisory board member, Terry Roemig, who loved reading. Terry was a lifelong reader and enjoying sharing her favorite books. Terry passed away in November leaving behind a legacy of dedicated voluntarism and community service. The library staff and volunteers would like to purchase a special book shelf in Terry's honor and stock it with all kinds of wonderful books.

Please give generously as our little, but mighty library provides books, magazines, games, mov

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**AMANA AREA FELLOWSHIP**  
COME ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY  
**Sunday Church Services**  
**@ 9:00 a.m.**  
**Starting January 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**At the Amana Performing Arts Center**  
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- VI. Other Business.
  - a. Discussion/Action: Review the handout "Temporary/Special Event Signs and Banners"
  - b. Discussion/Action: Review the Veenstra and Kimm bill from spring of 2023 and associated research.
  - c. Discussion/Action: Review the new four-year lease agreement between ACLUD and ASI for office space.
  - d. Discussion/Action: ACCVB has requested that a committee start developing a new ordinance section and related documents regarding mobile food trucks/mobile vendors, with a goal of completion in 2024.
  - e. Discussion/Action: ACLUD Administrator's 2024 plans.
- VII. Review/Approve January Disbursements Report.
- VIII. Review/Approve the December Treasurer's Report.
- IX. President's Report.
- X. Administrator's Report.
- XI. Adjourn.

**Bulletin Deadlines:**  
 Most Articles & ads - Tues. 5:00 PM  
 Very Small Ads/articles - Wed. Noon

**DEATH BY DISCO**

TKM Theatrical Productions proudly presents Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre "Death By Disco" by James Daab February 9-10 at Fireside Winery, 1755 P Ave, Marengo, IA 52301.

Go back to the 70's for a comedic murder mystery dinner theatre. Welcome to The Land of Oz Disco-teria, and the World Championship King and Queen of Disco Dance Contest! What a night this should be. Our finalists will be bumping to that disco beat, each and every one of them hoping to be crowned the new monarch of the light fantastic. Our DJ, The Boogie Man, is going to be spinning some killer tunes, so put on your polyester and your platform shoes, 'cause one of our contestants will Cha-Cha right into the chain gang as murder erupts in this '70's disco mystery!

The doors to the disco open at 6:30 p.m. with the first course at 7:00 p.m. We will start out the night with a glass of champagne, the first course will be salad with your choice of dressing and a breadbasket, the main course is a pork tenderloin with rosemary roasted potatoes & garlic roasted broccoli, and we will finish the night with cheesecake minis and chocolate covered strawberries. Please note any food allergies in the ticket questionnaire. Additional drinks including our wines and hard ciders will be available for purchase throughout the night. Feel free to dress in your grooviest 70's attire for a night you won't soon forget.

Catering: Peppercorn Food Co. (Cedar Rapids, IA) Presented by TKM Theatrical Productions

Seating begins at 6:30 pm, and the first course will be at 7:00 pm, with the performance starting shortly after.

Tickets are \$75. For Tickets and Information: 319-662-4222 or Events Archive - Fireside Winery

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ies and computer services to so many of us. The Amana Library is a 501.c3 too.

To give, go to the Amana Community Library Facebook page and scan the QR code on the notice about the fund drive. Or drop off your check to the library while you check out what they have to offer.

The Amana library is open: Monday 8 – 3; Tuesday 8 – 6; Wednesday 8 – 1; Thursday 8 – 6; Friday 8 – 6 and Saturday 9 – noon.

**Winterfest is January 27**

There might be a two feet of snow on the ground. The temps might be below zero. Or not. Who knows? No matter what, we are celebrating winter at the annual Amana Colony Winterfest on Saturday January 27.

Right now, go to the Festivals in Amana website and check the Winterfest tab to see a registration form for the 2024 Freezer 5k. A benefit run/ walk for the Amana Kolonieweg, registration fees support trail maintenance. Participants receive a gift pack and a Freezer Run t-shirt while supplies last. The race is Saturday, Jan. 27. Registration is at the Amana Woolen Mill/ Hotel Millwright Carding Studio from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

The Winterfest games of skill and chance are back at the Market barn starting at noon. Start trimming that beard as the "Best Beard" contest will be held at 3 p.m. And yes, the Amana Fire Department volunteers will be serving up their delicious chili!

Entertainment, a Winter Wine Walk and more is planned, so invite your pals to town for Amana's Mid Winter Holiday.

**WANTED/WANTED TO BUY**

BUYING All ANTIQUES; Toys, signs, Furniture, Crocks, Paintings, textiles, automotive, oddities and the unusual. Any condition. Fair cash prices paid. Call or text 319-270-1251/Jack Cirkl.

**WANT TO BUY**

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[jvanzante@southslope.net](mailto:jvanzante@southslope.net)

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**Ph. 319-622-3912**  
**email: [amanaprintshop@southslope.net](mailto:amanaprintshop@southslope.net)**  
**Hours: Monday & Tuesday 9:20 - 4:30;**  
**Wed. 8:30 - 1:30 Thurs & Friday as required**  
**Please call before making the drive to the shop**

**OBITUARY**

Winfried "Winni" S. Synofzick, age 73, of Mönchengladbach, Germany passed away unexpectedly after short illness at UIHC in Iowa City on December 28, 2023.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00pm, Friday, January 12, 2024 at the Amana Church, Amana with Elder Jon Childers officiating. Interment will be in the Main Amana Cemetery, Amana. The family invites all to coffee and cake at the Amana church after.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be contributed to the North Liberty library children's program in Winni's honor; PO Box 320, North Liberty, IA 52317 or via Venmo @FriendsNLLibrary.

Winni was born in Gelsenkirchen, Germany in 1950 to Marie and Wilhelm Gustav. Winni was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife of 44 years Gudrun, daughter Marie, son in law John and granddaughter Linnéa as well as his two sisters Renate and Ingrid as well as their families.

The family would like to thank Savannah at Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo as well as all friends, family and neighbors who support them in these difficult times.



**Amana Retirement Community**  
**Now Hiring Dining Room Server**  
**5:30 am - 10:00 am or 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm**  
**Housekeeping 5:30am - 1:30 pm**  
**New starting wages**  
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**TO ARRANGE A DATE & TIME.**

**Food Drive Collection at**  
**Colonial Manor Nursing Home.**  
**Non perishable food donated to those who**  
**are in need this holiday season.**  
**We continue to collect in January, at our facility.**  
**Questions/concerns Contact Joey.**  
**319-622-3131**

**A THOUGHT FOR A NEW YEAR**  
 Dear Grudge Holder,  
 I hope you're well, and hope you will take something from this, even if it's knowing someone wishes you well.  
 I am not going to tell you the same redirect you have been told over and over - no need to say it since you've already been told.  
 I have something new to ask; How long have you held this grudge? One year, five, ten - So long you can't remember? There is no shame. How much do you think they've grown since?  
 Have you grown? By bearing this grudge, you have grown in all aspects - except this. You haven't grown one day. And, it hurts to never have ever received an apology.  
 That's why you cannot move. Have you considered if they may not apologize, even if every time they play it in their mind it eats them alive?  
 Does the pain of no apology equal the pain of guilt, shame and the inescapable urge to confess how had they feel?  
 Perhaps they don't remember-because they don't care. Perhaps I want to say sorry so badly-but what if they already resent me?  
 Food for thought.  
 Remember this, if no one has told you they love you today-or lately, I love you and I always will.  
 S.M.