

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Special Family Dedication Combined Service will be held Sunday, February 22, 2026 - 10 a.m. in the Main Amana Meeting House with Sw. Elly Hoehnle, presiding.

Join us this coming Sunday, February 22nd at 10 a.m. for our annual Family Dedication special service at the AMANA church. We will be singing songs familiar to Sunday School students and the service will be focused on families: being a part of God's family, being a part of the families we live with, and being part of the families we choose ourselves.

Elder will read scripture.  
Song sheets will be provided.

## SAVE YOUR PULL TABS AND BRING TO THE AMANA COMMUNITY LIBRARY!

Collecting pull tabs from cans such as soup and pop is an easy and fun way to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois. It's a small thing that can make a huge difference.

The pull tabs may be dropped off at the Amana Community Library, anytime during regular hours.

## HERITAGE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Amana Heritage Society will host its annual Spring Fundraiser Dinner on Friday, March 13th, 2026 at the Ox Yoke Inn with doors opening at 5:30. This Spring Fundraiser Dinner raises much-needed funds to help support the Amana Heritage Society and its mission to share Amana's special heritage and culture.

### Spring Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction Ox Yoke Inn in Amana

**Doors open at 5:30pm Dinner at 7pm**

Winners of the drawings and silent auction announced following dinner

Raffle Ticket (includes two dinners and one raffle entry) is \$125

Your generosity will make Amana's heritage shine!!

This year, we will offer the opportunity for members and donors to offer support prior to the event and during the event for specific projects for which the Amana Heritage Society seeks funding. These include several projects to enhance our collections, technology, and maintenance.

Businesses and individuals are invited to donate unique items for the silent auction. Please email [amanaheritage@southslope.net](mailto:amanaheritage@southslope.net) or call 319-622-3567 to arrange for us to pick up your auction items or to purchase tickets. Raffle tickets may also be purchased through our website at [www.amanaheritage.org](http://www.amanaheritage.org).

Our motto is simple—Preserving Our Heritage, Sharing Our Culture.

Thanks for your ongoing support! Let us know if you have any questions.

Jon M. Childers, Executive Director  
Rebecca Dickman, Curator  
Elise Heitmann, Program Director

## NOTICE OF PASSING

Charlie Hoehnle passed away the evening of February 18. Visitation will be Friday Feb. 20, 4-7 PM, his funeral will be on Saturday the 21st at 10 AM. Full obituary next week.

## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### TKM "Dying to Win" Mystery Comedy at Fireside

Hollywood glam and one big night to die for! Join TKM at Fireside Winery Friday, February 27 – Sunday, March 1 for a comedy about a Golden Globes award show where every star is a suspect.

The TKM players have cooked up this campy murder mystery to keep us toasty warm with laughter at Fireside Winery. Call 319-622-4222 or go to TKM website to purchase tickets today. Each ticket includes a mini charcuterie to enjoy during the show and of course wine, FireCider and soft drinks will be available for purchase. Showtimes: 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30) Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday (doors open at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday).

Over the top back-stabbing on awards night as stars and starlets, big screen legends and Hollywood's next sweetheart vie for awards in this cut throat comedy. It's just the sort of thing TKM relishes.

### The Goats will be "Bock" Feb. 28

It's Bockfest Vier on Saturday, February 28 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Millstream Brewing Company in Amana.

Die Tiefen Keller Kinder and the Barry Boyce Band will perform at the event to be held 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the brewery downtown Amana. Bockfest will be indoors/ outdoors so dress accordingly. The goats are on board to appear, plus T.C. Bonez Food Truck, games and prizes. No admission charge.

### Cellphone Equipment Upgrade on Water Tower

Yes, that 175-foot-tall crane alongside the Amana water tower near Middle Amana catches the eye. It's there because AT & T is upgrading their cellphone equipment replacing the antenna on the water tower.

The placement of the antenna requires the use of a crane reports Russ Eimers, Amana Society Service Co. AT & T hired a contractor to complete the work.

"The work has been performed several times by each cellphone company since the tower was erected and they rented space on the tower, it just wasn't as visual as this current upgrade," said Eimers.

### ESSEN WAGEN - HOME DELIVERED MEALS

The Amana Church, sponsors a hot noon meal to home-bound, adults or their adult child, delivered to your home each weekday, except holidays. 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.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM**

The Historic Preservation Grant Program will be opening the first cycle of applications for 2026. The intent of the program is to encourage and assist in funding the appropriate restoration of historic properties within the Land Use District. The best place to understand the parameters of the program is to visit the ACLUD website [www.aclud.org](http://www.aclud.org). Click on the link "Historic Preservation Grant Program". Then click on the "Grant Program Details". You will see that the program is split into two "cycles" per year. The deadline to turn in your grant application and corresponding permit application for the upcoming review cycle is March 1, 2026. For further information regarding your local government, visit our website or email Kayleigh at [aclud@southslope.net](mailto:aclud@southslope.net)

**AMANA SOCIETY INC. 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Amana Society, Inc. Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the Amana Society will be awarding three (3) \$2000.00 scholarships to graduating high school seniors attending an accredited college, university, or trade school in 2026.

Applicants must be either currently employed by the Amana Society, a child or grandchild of a current full-time Amana Society employee, or a child or grandchild of an Amana Society stockholder.

Application forms are available at the Amana Society Main Office front desk or by contacting Bruce Trumpold directly at [btrumpold@amanas.net](mailto:btrumpold@amanas.net) or 319-622-7526. Forms may also be downloaded at [www.amanasociety.com](http://www.amanasociety.com).

Application deadline: **April 8th, 2026.**

Thank you. Amana Society, Inc.

**For Rent; The Homestead Welfare Club**  
**4215 V St Homestead** offers an exceptional 1100 square foot setting in our historic 1860 home for family reunions, social gatherings, or business meetings. It includes a mini kitchen, tables and chairs for 80+ persons plus a 1/2 acre private, beautifully shaded back yard perfect for outdoor activities. It includes picnic tables and small shelter. The cost is \$75 per day. An additional 500 square foot full-service kitchen is available for an additional \$25.  
**Call 319-622-3620 for details & scheduling**

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD) Tentative Agenda of the regular Meeting Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Monday, February 23, 2026 6:30 p.m. at Amana Colonies Land Use District office 4304 220th Trail Amana And via Zoom**

- I. Call HPC Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve January 19, regular meeting minutes:
- IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda:
- V. Discussion/Action on permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:
  - a. 2026-013 Four Winds Farm /4502 220th Trail/ HP-C/ Install LP Smart siding on S & W sides of the building where there is currently none.
  - b. 2026-009 Lanny Haldy /2612 220th Trail/ HP-R/ Replace 15 (9/6) 28X56 & 3 (6/6) 28X46 windows with vinyl replacements. Wooden sashes & storms on N side will remain.
  - c. 2026-002 Hotel Millwright /800 48th Ave./ HP-I/ Review of Letter Requesting Reconsideration of Denied Permit. Replace (2) 48 3/8" X 73 1/2" wooden windows with wooden replacements in room 141. Replace (3) 41 1/2" X 74 1/2" wooden windows with wooden replacements in room 127 & 129.
- VI. Other Business
  - Alternative materials
  - Paul Bruhn Update
  - Zoom links for meetings
- VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)
- VIII. Adjourn

**The Amana Print Shop**  
**E-mail: [amanaprintshop@southslope.net](mailto:amanaprintshop@southslope.net)**  
**Ph. 319-622-3912 PO Box 6 Middle IA 52307**  
**Open as demand requires. Tentative schedule:**  
**Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM**  
**Wed., & Friday 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM**  
 Bulletin Deadlines are 5 PM Tuesday & 10 AM Wednesday for small items

**BLOOD DRIVE**

The Amana Community Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Thursday, February 26 from 1:30 to 6:00. The Drive will be held in the Amana Elementary Cafeteria, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana. Please help us qualify for a special grant with 20 successful donations.

Can't make it to our drive on the 26th? No worries! You can still support us by donating at any ImpactLife donor center and requesting that your donation be credited to the Amana Community Drive. This is especially helpful if we are short of qualifying for the grant—every donation truly makes a difference!

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive an eGift card! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. Walk-ins are accepted. Appointments are preferred. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate. To sign up, please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email [amanalibrary@ccaschools.org](mailto:amanalibrary@ccaschools.org) to schedule a time.

**WANT TO BUY**

- Reloading Equipment
- Bullets and Brass
- Presses and Dies
- Shooting Sports Items
- Large and Small Estates
- Supplies and Ammo
- Muzzleloaders and Firearms: Vintage & Modern

Will also do Appraisals & Consignment Sales  
 Call, Text or Email **JOEL VZ (319) 530-1234**  
[jvanzante@southslope.net](mailto:jvanzante@southslope.net)

**NOTICE OF HEARING AND LETTING**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN AND FOR THE HOMESTEAD SANITARY DISTRICT, HOMESTEAD, IOWA, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS FOR SUCH CONSTRUCTION.

Notice is hereby given that there are on file with the Board of Trustees of the Homestead Sanitary District, Homestead, Iowa, proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Improvements Project, hereinafter described.

A hearing will be conducted thereon at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, Homestead Sanitary District, Homestead, Iowa, at 6:00 P.M., March 11, 2026 at which time and place any person may appear and file objections to the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated costs for said public improvements.

Sealed proposals for the construction of said improvements will be received by the Board of Trustees at the offices of Hart-Frederick Consultants, 510 State Street, PO Box 560, Tiffin, IA 52340, until 4:00 PM March 3, 2026. Proposals will be opened and publicly read by the Project Engineer immediately after such time. Sealed proposals received may be considered by the Board of Trustees at the 6:00 PM, March 11, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting after the Public Hearing and will be acted upon at such time and place or at such later time and place as may then be set.

The project shall consist of providing all materials, equipment and labor necessary to install the work as defined as follows: Base Bid: Construction of 9'x7'x13' vault chamber with electrical, process piping, and HVAC systems. Provide and install UV Disinfection system as specified. Work includes all necessary grading, erosion control, mobilization and other associated appurtenances and miscellaneous work items.

All Work and equipment is to be in accordance with the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents on file with the Homestead Sanitary District Board of Trustees, Homestead Iowa, which are by this reference made a part of this Notice as though fully set out and incorporated herein.

A Pre-Bid Meeting/Inspection will not be required. Bidders may schedule an Independent Inspection of the WWTP site. The BIDDER agrees to perform all of the Work described in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS for the following Unit Prices or Lump Sum. BIDS shall include all applicable taxes and fees except for Sales Tax. BIDS SHALL INCLUDE SALES TAX.

All work and equipment is to be in accordance with the plans, specifications and contract documents on file with the Board of Trustees of the Homestead Sanitary District, Homestead, Iowa, which are by this reference made a part of this notice as though fully set out and incorporated herein.

Work shall commence within ten (10) days of Contractor receiving Notice to Proceed. All work shall be completed by September 1, 2026 subject to any time extension which may be granted by the Board of Trustees.

Payment for the Project will be made from such funds as are legally available for such purpose, including but not limited to, the proceeds of the sale of General Obligation Bonds and/or Revenue Bonds and/or the future net Revenues of the Homestead Sanitary District, and/or proceeds from the sale of warrants, as authorized by Section 384.57 of the Code of Iowa, payable from any of the aforementioned sources and bearing interest at such a rate or rates as determined by the Board of Trustees at the time of their issuance.

Monthly estimates will be paid to the Contractor as the work progresses in amounts equal to ninety-five percent (95%) of the contract value of the work completed during the preceding calendar month,

**AMANA AREA FELLOWSHIP**

**Church Services**

SUNDAYS 9:00 AM

All Are Welcome

Amana Performing Arts Center

[www.amanaareafellowship.org](http://www.amanaareafellowship.org)

**WANTED**

Sleeping Room from Oct 2026 thru Jan 2027. Please call 307 223 6300

**FOR SALE**

192 shares of new Amana Society Inc. Class A stock. Best offer over \$65/share for entire lot. Phone 608-574-5066.

**FOR RENT**

For Rent: large, one bedroom/one bath apartment in condo next to Amana Golf Course. Deck overlooking course. \$925/mo. Call 319-338-0025 for more information.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

The Clover Ridge United Methodist Church in Walford is making breakfast for you on March 7th from 7:00-11:-- A.M.

We are serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausages and fruit. Free will donation.

So rise and shine and join us for food and fellowship!

including the actual cost (exclusive of overhead or profit to the Contractor) of materials and equipment of a permanent nature to be incorporated in the work and delivered to and stored at the job site. Such monthly payments shall in no way be construed as an act of acceptance for any part of the work, partially or totally completed. Final payment of the remaining amount due the Contractor will be made not later than thirty-one (31) days from the final acceptance of the work by the Board of Trustees, subject to the conditions and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 573 of the Code of Iowa.

Each proposal shall be made on the colored form of proposal prepared for this purpose and sealed in a separate envelope, which form may be obtained from the Board's appointed Engineer, Hart-Frederick Consultants P.C. at 510 State Street, Tiffin, Iowa 52340. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, certified check, cashier's check or a credit union certified share draft in a separate sealed envelope in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. The certified check or cashier's check shall be drawn on a bank in Iowa or a bank chartered under the laws of the United States of America, the certified share draft shall be drawn on a credit union in Iowa or a credit union chartered under the laws of the United States; and such check or draft shall be made payable to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees as security that if awarded a contract, the Bidder will enter into a contract at the prices bid and furnish the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificates of Insurance. The certified check or cashier's check or certified share draft may be cashed, or the Bid Bond forfeited, and the proceeds retained as liquidated damages if the Bidder fails to execute a contract or file acceptable Performance and Payment Bonds or provide acceptable Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) days after the acceptance of his proposal by resolution of the Board of Trustees. No bidder may withdraw a proposal within ninety (90) days after the date set for opening bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a corporate surety bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. Said bond shall be issued by a responsible surety approved by the Board of Trustees and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the Contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and the maintenance of said improvements in good repair for not less than three (3) years from the time of acceptance of said improvements by the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, informalities and irregularities. A single contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for completion of the project.

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes, providing that the award of the contract will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder submitting the lowest acceptable bid, which shall be without regard to state or local law whereby preference is given on factors other than the amount of the bid.

Plans and specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by Hart-Frederick Consultants P.C., which plans and specifications and the proceedings of the Board of Trustees referring to and defining said proposed improvements are hereby made a part of this notice, and the proposed contract by this reference, and the proposed contract shall be executed in compliance therewith.

Said plans, specifications and proposed contract documents are now on file with the Board of Trustees of the Homestead Sanitary District, Homestead, Iowa, and at the Engineer's office in Tiffin, Iowa, for examination by bidders.

A refundable fee of \$50.00 will be required for each set of plans and specifications. Electronic documents will be provided free of charge.

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