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## Amana Society Journal – March 2021

### News & Information for Amana Society Shareholders

As we close out March 2021, just a few notes for the ASI website:

- Over the past several months, construction has been taking place on a new Amana Farms Machine shop in Homestead. It is located at the Hwy 6 complex of the current Amana Farms operations. The Amana Farms offices will be relocated to that complex as well, making it overall more efficient.
  - The equipment maintenance requirements of the Amana Farms operation dictated the need for more space.
  - The current High Amana Farms building will continue to play a major role as operations require more space allowing equipment to be worked on inside, especially during inclement weather.
  - The move is underway and should be completed in April.
  - John McGrath expects to have an open house for shareholders once the move is complete.
  - The new shop should accommodate the Amana Farms needs for the foreseeable future.
- The Amana Society has purchased the former Happel Pie facility in Homestead. This will serve as the home for the Amana Farms Beef product being launched by Amana Farms. Additionally this will accommodate further growth of certain products for the Amana Meat Market.
- As a part of the overall water project, the water tower in Main Amana will be taken down on March 31<sup>st</sup>. The tower in Middle Amana will remain standing for a period of time to accommodate leases with various cellular companies.

- ASI was selected to receive an Alliant Energy Branching Out grant of \$5,000. The grant was issued to the Forestry department and will be used to plant trees.
- We received an Iowa Storm Water Education Program award in recognition of the permeable pavers at Hotel Millwright. This is recognizing the sustainability efforts to watershed and runoff. We were asked to create a video that will be shown on April 7 during the Iowa Water Conference. Once completed, the video will be made available to view online.

Regards,

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