

AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

In order to best care for each other, the Amana Church Society Board of Trustees has voted to reinstitute its requirement that masks shall be worn in all church buildings at all times. Masks are available at the church for those who forget to bring theirs.

Trustees will continue to monitor the local COVID-19 situation and will take further action when it is warranted.

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, September 26, 2021, starting at 8:30 AM with Elder Elly Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Weil selbst der Herr" v. 1-6 No. 1049 Seite 1026

Testimony: Ursula Meyer, Ronneburg, April 2, 1715

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Psalm 55:16-23

Closing Hymn: "Weil selbst der Herr" v. 7-12 No. 1049 Seite 1027

The Late (English) Service will start at 10:00 AM with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "Because I Know the Lord" No. 95

Closing Hymn: "Awake My Soul, and with the Sun" No. 200

Saturday Evening Fellowship, will meet in Amana at 5:30 PM.

The Wednesday Evening Prayer (Nachtgebet) meeting 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 Sunday's 10:00 AM Service.

IOWA BARN FOUNDATION BARN TOUR

The Moershel Buggy Barn located at 4460 V street in Homestead is one of 54 barns state wide to participate in this years 21st All-State Barn Tour September 25 & 26 and is open to the public 9 AM to 5:30 PM. The Iowa Barn Foundation, founded in 1997, is dedicated to preserving Iowa's rural agricultural buildings, symbols of Iowa's early agricultural heritage. This barn was built in 1890 and housed horses and buggies, ready at all times for both Dr. William Moershel(1865 - 1931) and Dr. Henry Moershel (1891 - 1972).

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Charlemagne declared his annual war with the squirrels earlier this year. Don't wrong, he didn't kill them, but trapped them in a special trap and released them "across the river."

The theory always was that if you released the "varmints" (raccoons, ground hogs, skunk, etc.) across the river they won't return.

Well it was a good plan until that day he met Kenny Schaefer driving south as he was driving north only to deposit a varmint from East Amana "across the river" while Charlemagne was going to deposit on to the north.

We thought of putting up road blocks, but frankly these two hunters/trappers would have found detours.

Kenny also pointed out that Charlemagne had "crossed the river" to Homestead to marry me and yet found his way back north numerous times.

Anyway, a few Saturdays ago one of Charlemagne's customers looked at our buckeye tree and remarked that perhaps he better get busy and gather the buckeyes before the squirrels got them all.

Charlemagne did get as many as he wanted and brought them in chuckling that his battle with the squirrels was successful.

A few years ago I had gone outside to get some buckeyes. There are only two trees in Homestead so we all know where they are located.

There were none to be found. I even got down on my hands and knees looking for them, but found nothing.

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Where to Get a COVID Vaccine

It's very easy to get a COVID vaccine in Iowa County. You may call or contact the Amana Pharmacy in Amana and set up a time to come in for a shot.

Cornerstone Pharmacy is giving COVID vaccines every Friday from 2 to 6 p.m. This is a walk-in service. No appointment is needed for the Cornerstone COVID vaccine. All COVID vaccines are free.

CCA School District Masks Decision

September 14th the Clear Creek Amana School District board voted 5 to 1 to not require masks in CCA schools at this time. However, masks are required on all CCA school buses and have been since the start of school.

Unless the COVID pandemic numbers worsen, the CCA board plans to wait until the final ruling from the 8th District Court of Appeals on the Iowa law regarding mask mandates in schools.

Over a week ago a federal judge issued a temporary restraining order stopping the enforcement of Iowa's anti-mask mandate law. In May Gov. Kim Reynolds signed a law that blocked school districts and local governments from requiring the wearing of masks in their buildings. The federal judge's restraining order effectively allows local leaders to require masks to be worn in their public spaces if they feel it's warranted. Several districts in Iowa, including two of its largest, Des Moines Public and Iowa City Public Schools, immediately decided to require masks to be worn in its buildings and at its events.

According to a letter posted on the district's website by CCA school board president Jen Mooney, the CCA board members were concerned with having consistency for the students and not switching back and forth if the temporary ruling is not upheld and is changed. Gov. Reynolds has said she will fight the restraining order and enforce her law meaning that Iowa schools could be penalized for insisting their students and staff wear masks in classrooms.

The CCA School District did set a date to revisit the topic if the courts have not taken any specific action and court proceedings are extended for an unknown period of time.

The board agreed to hold a vote prior to the October 6th work session or if necessary, to hold a special meeting if there is a significant increase in COVID cases and/or staff absences warrant such a meeting, the letter explained.

The Clear Creek Amana Community School District strongly recommends masks at this time. Masks are required for anyone (over the age of 2) who rides CCA buses or transportation, as per the CDC guidelines for public transit.

Farm to Table the Amana Way

In July Amana Farms kicked off its new farm to table premium beef program with the idea that it was time to cut out the expensive grocery store chains and allow consumers to buy Amana beef quarters, halves, hamburger, steaks, beef roasts and other Amana beef cuts directly from the farm.

This is beef raised right here in the Amanas by Amana Farms, aged, hand cut, individually packed and then frozen at the Homestead facility on Highway 6 just north of Homestead.

You can use their website: amanafarmsbeef.com or pick up the phone to place an order. Yes, you can place a custom order too, choosing exactly which cuts you would like to receive. They do have specialty cuts for Amana customers, like

beef tongue and beef liver. Amana Farms Beef phone is 319-622-6161.

Right now all Amana Farms Beef sales require customer pick-up on Tuesday or Thursday between 4 - 7 p.m. or by appointment Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. from their Homestead facility located just off Highway 6. Linn County customers may pick up their beef from the ASI truck in Lindale Mall on Wednesdays 4 - 7 p.m.

For anyone who loves a great steak or burger, the benefit to buying directly from Amana Farms is real, and it's deliciously satisfying. Plus it's a good buy.

Jennifer Sauers, Amana Farms Beef program manager, put it this way. "We are proud of our beef. It's high quality. It's humanely raised. We control this process from start to finish and because we are so proud of what we can offer, we decided, we needed to be able to get it to the consumer ourselves, skipping the chains and conglomerates that control the marketplace for consumers. This allows us to offer our Amana beef at a price that is really fair. It's a great buy for consumers." Compare per pound prices for premium Fareway and HyVee cuts and you will be surprised.

The Amana Society is one of the very largest beef producers in the state of Iowa, but it's also one of the largest online pork, ham and bacon retailers in the Midwest, Amana Meat Shop and Smokehouse. So that gives Amana Farms Beef an edge. Literally. Sharing know-how, Tim Blattner, Amana Meat Shop manager and the folks at the Amana Meat Shop cut and trim the beef. Aged a minimum of 21 days Amana beef is hand cut to Amana specifications. Sauers helps cut beef too and she sees to the packing and delivery. Sauers is also responsible for choosing the beef cattle for the program. She has a very clear set of specifications she looks for to insure that the beef is delicious, well marbled and tender.

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FALL HARVEST DINNER FUNDRAISER THANKS!!

The Amana Heritage Society would like to thank everyone who attended the fall harvest dinner fundraiser, donated items for the silent auction and raffle, and any other effort to make it a truly special event. We sold 100 raffle tickets and hosted around 140 guests. We'd like to give a special thanks to the Price Creek Event Center, the Ox Yoke Inn, and the Amana Society, Inc. for their contributions to the event.

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Sauers, who grew up working on her family's crop and cattle operation in western Nebraska is all in. "What's happening here is very exciting. When I came to Amana Farms I think one of the first things that struck me is how dedicated this team of people is to this farm. There are guys here whose dads and grandpas worked here. Some have been farming for 30 or more years and then there is a new generation too, and they are sharing knowledge with us and we are working together. This is a multi-generational operation and we all really take pride in it." Sauers was a member of the University of Wyoming's highly prestigious, competitive meat judging team and well, to make a point, she knows prime beef when she sees it. "That's the goal - to bring the Amana consumer our very best beef," she told us.

Grapevine Antiques is HONORED TO ASSIST WITH **KENNETH & ISABELLA SCHAEFER'S ESTATE SALE IN EAST AMANA**. A TAG SALE WILL BE HELD ON THURS, SEPT. 23RD - 9:00 - 6:00 / FRIDAY, SEPT. 24th - 9:00 - 5:00 / and SATURDAY, SEPT. 25th - 9:00 - 3:00 AT 5204 C STREET - EAST AMANA, IA. THIS LARGE HISTORIC MULTI GENERATION HOME WAS ORIGINALLY A COMMUNAL KITCHEN & DINING ROOM - IT ALSO HOUSED OPA'S WORKSHOP - RUDOLPH SCHAEFER WAS A WELL-KNOWN COLONY WOODWORKER. SALE WILL INCLUDE: AMANA WALNUT D/L DINING TABLE FROM 1932 CATALOG / AMANA WALNUT TEA CART / 2 TWIN WALNUT HEADBOARDS / AMANA WALNUT ROCKER / BEAUTIFUL NEEDLEPOINT ROCKER / FULL SIZE WALNUT HEADBOARD / WALNUT VANITY & MIRROR / WALNUT NIGHTSTAND / AMANA WALNUT VALET CHAIR / WALNUT CHEST / WALNUT AMANA WORK TABLE WITH ONE D/L / AMANA MADE SOFA BY OPA / WALNUT AMANA FRAME ONLY SOFA / UPH CHAIRS / CROCKS & JUGS / AMANA TIN WARE / AMANA TIN COOKIE CUTTERS / AMANA BREWERY BOTTLES / JARS / NICE GLASSWARE / POTTERY / LINENS / AMANA DOILIES / SOME CLOTHING / HUNTING GEAR / KITCHEN/ ITEMS / FIESTA IN PASTELS / POTS & PANS / WOODEN ACCESSORIES / CMAS / CD'S & RECORDS / MAPLE ACCENT CHEST & SHELF PIECE / FRAMED PICTURES - INCLUDING JACK HAHN / ENT CENTER / STEINS / BAR ACCESSORIES / TOYS - NEW & OLDER / AMANA MADE WHEELBARROW / GARDEN & FLOWER ITEMS / WOODSHOP INCLUDES OLD & NEWER TOOLS / FURNITURE PATTERNS / PLANERS / HANDMADE STOVE / MISC TABLES & EQUIPMENT - NEW & OLD // AMANA YARN WINDER / BEAUTIFUL BIRD FIGURES / AMANA BOOKS & BIBLES / COMPLETED NEEDLEPOINTS / OLDER LAMPS / APPLIANCES / SINGLE FURROW HAND PLOW / LURES & FISHING AND TOO MUCH MORE TO LIST. - GOOD QUALITY IN THIS HISTORIC HOME CASH OR CHECK ONLY PLEASE - **FACIAL MASKS REQUIRED FOR ALL'S SAFETY** FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL CONNI DOSER from GRAPEVINE ANTIQUES @ 319-560-1609

DRIVE THROUGH COMMUNAL MEAL OCTOBER 16TH

The Amana Arts Guild is excited to announce that we will be offering a curbside pickup communal meal October 16th. Because of the continued concern with covid this will be in lieu of our annual communal meal at the Guild. The cost will be a \$50.00 for two meals (\$25 for one). **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED and will be taken until October 8th.** Pickup will be from 5:30-6pm at the Bill & Kristie Yoder home 2610 J Street, Middle Amana. If you have questions, or to make reservations, please contact Deb at the Amana Arts Guild, 319.622.3678 or email amanarts@southslope.net

After your reservation is received it will be confirmed by the Guild either via email or a phone call. Our menu for drive through Communal Meal is:

- Linsen Suppe (Lentil Soup)
- Prime Roast Beef
- Apfel Kartoffel (Potatoes with Apple)
- Rotkraut (Red Cabbage)
- Retlich Salat (Radish Salad)
- Schokolade Brot Pudding mit Vanille Sosse (Chocolate Bread Pudding with vanilla sauce)

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We're hiring! This is a part-time position with hours from 7:30am to 12:30pm every Saturday. Duties include feeding, administering medications, kennel cleaning, dog walking, maintaining animal files, giving tours, and helping to facilitate adoptions—plus more. Not only will the perfect individual need to love animals, but will also need to be very reliable, organized, hard-working, independent, and have strong communication skills. Ability and willingness to work with all breeds and sizes is necessary. We have many big dogs who require physical strength to handle. Experience with professional animal care is preferred but not necessary. All training is provided. Must be 18+ and able to lift 50+ lbs. If interested, please direct inquiries and resumes to adoptions@wesavepets.com and we will send you an application. Thank you

AMANA HERITAGE MUSEUM HAS 'RISING STAR'

The Iowa Museum Association named curator, Rebecca Simpson, as the 2021 Rising Star in the state's museum field. The award is given each year to an individual who has worked in the museum industry for 3-8 years and has broadened its audience. Rebecca worked at seven other museums during college prior to coming to Amana. She graduated with an M.A. in Museum Studies from the University of Kansas. Rebecca works extensively with Amana's collections, has installed numerous exhibits, and introduced new technology for museum staff and visitors. Since joining the staff in 2016, Rebecca's efforts have led to increases in capital campaign contributions, donations, membership, program revenue, and fundraising. Kristie Yoder of the Amana Arts Guild and Elise Heitmann, Executive Director of the ACCVB, wrote letters of support. Cynthia Sweet, Director of the Iowa Museum Association said, "Rebecca has found many ways to embed engagement strategies into all aspects of her work and is an outstanding example of a Rising Star in the Iowa museum industry."

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Then I got mad! I accused everyone including the neighbors who I was sure had been watching that tree for weeks. Then there were the kids on their bikes who I just knew were throwing those nut at one another, after all my friends and I used to do it all the time and boy did it sting when we hit someone. Then there was that lady up the street who asked for buckeyes the year before. Who could one trust?

Well it was those squirrels that had gotten them so I owe an apology of apologies to all those people I accused of stealing MY buckeyes.

They really are just for ornamentation so I shouldn't be so greedy, but I still like to have one or two or three in my pocket just in case I want to throw one.

B.S.H.

Note: Every part of the buckeye plant, from the leaves to the bark to the fruit, is **highly toxic** to every living thing except for, allegedly, squirrels. Having said this, the seed does have medicinal uses once the poison is professionally leached out (DO NOT ATTEMPT AT HOME). One source claims, "Native Americans allegedly made a powder from the nut and sprinkled it onto a pond to stun fish," much less drastic than fishing with dynamite.

Volunteer at Oktoberfest!

Get free admission plus food & drink tickets.

Contact Dana at events@amanacolonies.com for more info.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda

For the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. An in-person meeting is not possible due to ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve August 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. Application 2021-083. Applicant, Aaron and Trisha Cronbaugh. Property located at 4534/4536 220 Trail, Amana. Zoned HP-C. Proposed project: Replace existing metal shed with woodshed, with metal roof. Color will be from approved pallet.
 - b. Application 2021-084. Applicant, Virginia & Alan Dubberke. Property located at 4321 220th Trail, Amana. Zoned HP-R. Proposed project: (1) Replaces sashes in 5 window openings 28" x 66" with 9 over 9 pane size 6.8" w x 9:03"h and 1 window opening is 32" x 45" with 6 over 6 pane sizes 8.14"W x 8.61"h. Change pane color from gray to white; (2) Install 2 storm windows on attic windows. Storms are 29/4"w x 48 1/2" h. Storms will be white; (3) Install replacement sashes in 2 upstairs back windows with 6 over 6, each pane size 5.64" x 9,74"h. Overall dimension of each window is 24"w x 49-1/2 h.
- VI. Other Business.
 - a. None
- VII. Administrator's Report
- VIII. Work session. Continue review of ACLUD Zoning Ordinance.
- IX. Adjourn.

Job Posting - Administrator

The Amana Colonies Land Use District seeks a permanent part-time Administrator for Historic Preservation planning and zoning office. This position requires proficiency in all office functions including but not limited to:

- Budgeting
- Keeping accurate financial and public records
- Interacting professionally and amicably with the public
- Able to work well with minimum supervision
- Experience with QuickBooks, WordPress and Microsoft Office preferred

Excellent organizational skills, the ability to work well with the public, good time management, and the ability to work some evening hours monthly are required.

Additional preferred qualifications include a working knowledge of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation, and a working knowledge of planning and zoning ordinances.

Send a letter of interest, resume and references, or any inquiry, to:

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Posting closes on October 1, 2021.