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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

In order to best care for each other, masks are required in all church buildings at all times. Masks are available for those who forget to bring theirs.

The Early (German) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, February 20, 2022, starting 8:30 AM with Br. Mike Shoup presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen" No. 639 Seite 637

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, December 2, 1719

Scripture: Colossians Chapter 3

Closing Hymn: "Weil selbst der Herr" No. 1049 Seite1026

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

Opening Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 74

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

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.

WEST-HIGH AMANA SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING & BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting & proposed budget hearing of the West-High Amana Sanitary District will be held on Monday, February 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM, at the Middle Amana Fire Station.

AMANA SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Amana Sanitary District will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday Feb. 21, 2022 in the Amana Sanitary lift station.

HOMESTEAD SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT

The Homestead Sanitary District Board of Trustees will hold its quarterly meeting and annual budget hearing on Wednesday February 23, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Homestead Welfare Club

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

The first time I slept away from home by myself I had worked myself into such a state of hysterics it was a wonder my parents didn't just shove me out of the car and leave me by the side of the road.

I was all of 10 years old and going to Camp Fire camp. It was fifth grade and Mrs. Berger (our teacher) had assured my mother that it was a lovely camp.

Almost all of the girls in my class had gone before. Susan Kippenhan and her mother had hatched a plan where I would ride with them when Susan went to camp so I could inspect the area for myself.

We drove up there, looked at the new pool, got Susan settled in her tent, saw the mess hall and decided it was indeed a lovely place, but I was not staying. The subject was closed.

I already knew I would miss my television programs, eat breakfast which I disliked, use an outdoor toilet, not have a night light, my parents would not be there -- need I say more?

The problem is that my parents and my sister (the traitor) spent most of the next year telling me how much I would enjoy myself at camp.

Then the brought in the big artillery -- my friend Gayle.

The reasoning was that Gayle was a good, quiet girl who had been at camp once before. She was also shy, like me, so we could help one another.

We even went so far as to make American Indian costumes out of burlap bags.

I got what I now realize was a vintage leather suitcase with I totally ruined by covering it with shoe polish.

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Meeting for CCA Bond Issue Held
Ballot is March 1 - You Vote in Middle Amana

Eight residents of the Amana Colonies met with a Clear Creek Amana staff members and board members at a Monday, February 7 meeting to discuss the proposed $65 million bond issue. The vote on the bond issue will be held Tuesday, March, 1.

All Amana Colony residents may vote at the Middle Amana Fire Station on March 1. Right now you can stop by the Iowa County Auditor's Office at the Iowa County Courthouse Annex in Marengo to pick up an absentee ballot or vote on site. Bring ID with you.

One of the top questions asked at the meeting: "Will this raise my property taxes?" The answer was No. The district has seen enough new construction, new development and growth both in commercial and residential property that the valuation of these new properities adds to the school district's ability to raise monies on the sale of the bonds.

The result – this $65 million bond issue will not raise property tax levies for the CCA School District in Johnson or Iowa County. As it stated on the CCA website (Go to "2022 Bond" tab on the home page) under "Impact on School Tax Levy" it reads, The district will maintain the current tax rate of 17.059. Our growth is not only in student enrollment but also in the commercial and residential tax base, which allows us to keep a fairly stable tax rate.

Rick Hergert, a former CCA School Board member, attended the meeting and voiced his support for the project noting that the projections show the school district will grow by an additional 600 students in the next four years. That means 30 new class rooms will be needed. Stressing how important it is to keep class sizes small, and the CCA district's long term committment to neighborhood elementary schools, he said that building a new school in the area where significant growth is to occur makes sense. He said that the school's growth and enrollment committee has been told that there are already 620 residential lots plotted in this area. Hence a new 600-student elementary is needed.

As a point of fact, the CCA student enrollment has risen 142% since 2000.

The two level elementary school cost projection is $40 million. The school district was successful in obtaining 30 acres for the school site at a cost of $1, he added. The new school is to be located on the western edge of the City of Coralville, west of Costco, north of the large mobile home park.

Additionally this bond issue will pay for the construction of larger band and music facilities at the middle school and replace the middle school roof.

If it passes, a new vocational training class room will be built for vocational training classes (also known as shop/ construction/ tech classes) at CCA High School. When the high school was moved in 2009 the shop remained at the Middle School, now with the growth at both schools, a new shop space is needed at the High School.

Elementary schools will see an upgrade in the their outdoor and playground spaces. At the Amana School in Middle Amana they would like to redo the tennis courts and add pickle ball courts.

For details about the bond issue go to the 2022 Bond tab on the CCA district website home page. There are two power point presentations and answers to frequently asked questions on the link.

A 60 percent majority is needed to pass the bond issue ballot. With a successful bond referendum the Clear Creek Amana Schools will:

- Build a new 600 student elementary school on the eastern edge (Coralville) of the CCA School District.
- Build a Fine Arts addition to the Middle School
- Build a Fine Arts and Career and Technical vocational addition to the High School
- Replace and Improve the Middle School Roof
- Make related site improvements to the Middle School and High School.
- Make improvements to the existing elementary school playgrounds/ grounds including new tennis and pickle ball courts at Amana Elementary.

Several public meetings were held in the school district in February. The number of people attending the meetings varied but they were not crowded.

ROBERT VAN CLEAVE SCHOLARSHIP

The Robert Van Cleave scholarship will award a $1000 scholarship to a CCA graduating senior perusing a Degree in education.

This scholarship was created by former students of Coach Van Cleave, with permission from his family.

The committee raised over $25,000 in just 6 months 4 years ago from donations from former students and faculty to establish this endowed scholarship in his name.

Application forms are available from the councilor at the high school.

Contact Rick Hergert to donated to the fund or with any questions at: ***Scout5@southslope.net***

Thank you

Robert Van Cleave scholarship committee

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THANK YOU

The Amana Colonies Trails would like to extend our sincere thanks to the sponsors and all of our participants of the Freezer Run.

We had 183 registrants for the 5k and had a very successful event, thanks to our amazing sponsors!

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Feathers *from page 1*

The suitcase was packed, name tags put in the clothes and flashlight was put in because I "needed" a flashlight.

Meanwhile my sister got ready within an hour and just looked at me like I was the biggest fool.

Sunday came and our parents got us settled. I should say, my sister settled in within minutes, waved good-bye and then took off even after I told her how she could get hold of me if she needed me.

Then it was my turn. Tears began to pool in my eyes. I couldn't decide on what bunk to choose, then I couldn't make the bed so my mother did it while I went and hid in the woods and cried, convinced I was going to be an orphan.

Finally our parents left even though I trotted behind the car for a little ways.

It was soon time for supper. Naturally it was something I hated. (So I was a picky eater -- nothing has changed)

Gayle tried to comfort me, but she soon became exhausted especially after the campfire sing-a-long which I harmonized by sniffling through.

By the end of the week I had become accustomed to camp, lost ten pounds, found the handcraft cabin and got totally carried away.

By the time our parents came I was too busy to even acknowledge them.

I seriously wonder how my parents tolerated me all those years.

B.S.H.

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to the EMTs, first responders, and of course the Highway Patrol who came to our rescue early Thursday morning when my back went into spasms.

I am eternally grateful to these people who are so kind, patient, effective and comforting. We are truly blessed to have these people who are willing to be the good Samaritans for those of us in need.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis for Whirlpool Corporation – Amana Operations (Amana, Iowa County, Iowa) Notice Date: February 17, 2022

Notice is hereby given that Whirlpool Corporation – Amana Operations (Amana, Iowa County, Iowa) has completed a draft antidegradation alternatives analysis to move compliance demonstration for the Expanded PolyStyrene Styrofoam (EPS) steam process wastewater from Outfall 001 to interim monitoring location Outfall 025. The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit currently includes effluent limits for biochemical oxygen demand (BOD5), oil and grease, and total suspended solids (TSS) at Outfall 001, in accordance with federal effluent limitations guidelines for the Plastics Molding and Forming Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 463, Subpart A).

The BOD5, oil and grease, and TSS effluent limits have been applied at Outfall 001 rather than the EPS steam process wastewater directly due to the previous inability to isolate and sample the EPS steam process wastewater stream. The action being considered is establishment of an interim monitoring location, Outfall 025, which will monitor EPS steam process wastewater independent of other water sources. There will be no changes to the quality or quantity of the EPS steam process wastewater; however, the effluent limits for BOD5, oil and grease, and TSS will increase due to the flow rate of the EPS steam process wastewater being corrected. The effluent limits for these parameters will be applied at Outfall 025 rather than Outfall 001. EPS steam process wastewater will continue to discharge from Outfall 001 to an unnamed creek tributary to the Iowa River. The unnamed creek receiving water is protected for Class A2 secondary contact recreational use and Class B (WW-2) warm water beneficial uses.

Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed establishment of Outfall 025 must do so in writing within 30 days of the date shown at the top of this notice. Comments may be submitted to Ms. Katie Wolohan of Barr Engineering Company by mail or email: Ms. Katie Wolohan, Barr Engineering Company, 4300 MarketPointe Drive, Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55345; kwolohan@barr.com.

Copies of this notice, the draft antidegradation alternatives analysis, and supporting information are on file and available for public inspection from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday at Whirlpool Corporation – Amana Operations (2800 220th Trail, Amana, IA 52204). An electronic copy of this information may be requested by contacting Ms. Katie Wolohan of Barr Engineering Company at 952-842-3594. Whirlpool Corporation will submit a summary of comments received and Whirlpool Corporation's responses to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources with the final antidegradation alternatives analysis subject to IDNR review and approval.

FOR RENT

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LIBRARY NEWS.

The Amana Library added the following to their catalog. To reserve or hold a book call 319-622-3192.

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Autopsy by Patricia Cornwell
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A Carnival of Snackery: Diaries by David Sedaris
The Wish by Nicholas Sparks
The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles
Seven Days in June by Tia Williams

OBITUARY

Lillian Emily Hagen was born June 13, 1931, near Homestead, Iowa the daughter of Charles and Helen (Schaedlich) Roemig. She graduated from Amana High School in 1949 and the American Institute of Commerce in Davenport in 1950. She worked as a secretary to the president of Amana Refrigeration. Lillian was united in marriage to Richard Henry Hagen on May 24, 1952, at St. John Lutheran Church near Homestead. In May of 1953 she joined Richard in Germany, they lived there for 6 months. During that time they traveled many times in Europe. When Richard returned home from the service they moved to the family farm, where they raised their five children. Lillian enjoyed reading, cooking, baking and spending time with her family. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, being baptized and confirmed on November 28, 1951. She was also a member of St. John's Ladies Aid. Lillian passed away on Sunday, February 13, 2022 at the Highland Ridge Care Center in Williamsburg at the age of 90 years.

She is survived by three children, Patricia (Gary) Coleman of Iowa City, Blake Hagen of Middletown and Shelly Blaylock of Tiffin; a daughter-in-law, Denise DeLorme of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; 5 grandchildren, Mitchell (Jess Goetz) Coleman, Collin (Cliff) Simmons, Hanna Hagen, Casey Blaylock and Nick Hagen; 4 great grandchildren, Emily Rose Coleman, Christopher Thomas Coleman, Juniper Lillian Simmons and John Oscar Simmons and a brother, Robert (Betty) Roemig of Homestead. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Richard Sr, 2 sons, Richard Jr. and Scott Hagen, son-in-law, Robin Blaylock, a daughter-in-law, Joyce Hagen and 2 sisters, Marie Hagen and Viola Schmidt.

Celebration of Life Service will be 1:00 pm on Friday, February 18, 2022 at the St. John Lutheran Church near Homestead. Burial will be at the church cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Powell Funeral Home in Williamsburg. A memorial fund has been established for the Alzheimer's Association or St. John Lutheran Cemetery Fund.

Messages and tributes may be directed to www.powellfuneralhomes.com.

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CSAs strengthen the local food system and allow consumers to receive a monthly supply of locally grown fruits and vegetables throughout the growing season.

Info video at: *https://youtu.be/3SvVnuQXFJ8*
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