Amana Society Bulletin

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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, March 06, 2022, starting 8:30 AM with Br. Tony Berger presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Ach, Gott und Herr, wie gross un schwer" No. 7 Seite 6

Testimony: Gleim, October 19, 1715

Scipture: Psalm 46
Psalm 13

Closing Hymn: "Wer ist's der laut're Wahrheit sucht" No. 1074, vs 1-4 Seite 1050

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

Opening Hymn: "Alas, My God, my sins are great" No. 16

Closing Hymn: "Who seeks the Truth, that beacon bright" No. 36

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.

AMANA SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Amana Sanitary District will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday March 07, 2022 in the Amana Sanitary lift station.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Once upon a time there were two little girls who liked nothing better then to have fairy tales read to them by their mother.

The stories could be in German or English, but they always had to start with, "Once upon a time."

Ironically there were few illustrations in the two books the girls preferred, but lots of stories from the Brothers Grimm and Hans Christian Anderson.

Seventy years later the "girls" still have the books and probably could recite the tales by heart.

It came as a rude awakening to the oldest to learn some of the history of these tales.

It seems that the Grimm brothers were librarians who explored the region of what would become Germany to find some of those stories which were passed down from generation to generation.

Suddenly "Sleeping Beauty" was not as wonderful as the little girls' mother had read (She had been ravaged and left for dead until found).

"Cinderella's" sisters were so desperate to fit into the shoe's which were not glass that they actually cut off their toes.

The stories got sanitized through the ages, but the wicked witches and goblins remained. So did Prince Charming," for that matter.

One wonders whatever happened to these "fair damsels" who were carried away by their prince on his white horse.

Did they live lives of love and luxury or be trapped in loveless marriages that required they produce an heir?

When Grace Kelly or Diana Spencer married surely many little girls thought of these fairy tales and imagined a glittering future.

One of these little girls always wondered why the witch in "Hansel and Gretel" wanted to eat the children when her own house was made of gingerbread and what was this with all these stories where the villains want to EAT someone?

Was cannibalism something practiced in medieval times?

In this day and age mothers are always afraid

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CCA Hires New Superintendent

Dr. Corey Seymour, currently the executive director of leadership at Ector County Independent School District, Texas, has been hired as superintendent of schools by the Clear Creek Amana School District starting July 1.

Dr. Seymour will be replacing Joseph Brown Sr. now serving as the CCA district's interim superintendent, following the May 1, 2021 resignation of Tim Kuehl.

Clear Creek Amana School Board President Kara Prickett stated in a press release from the district, "Dr. Seymour has a 29-year career in education and leadership development. His most recent roles of Executive Director of Leadership, Assistant Superintendent, and Superintendent uniquely position him for the Clear Creek Amana School District. He is a charismatic leader that brings a passion for student success and betterment at all levels. We look forward to the impact he will have on our school district and community."

Dr. Seymour told the board, "There is no better place to set sail into a new era of education and emerging academic trends, while inspiring universal leaders and embracing the needs of the community."

Dr. Corey Seymour is a graduate of Rice University, where he was selected as a member of the AFCA Good Works Team and the Hitachi Promise of Tomorrow Scholarship recipient. He later earned a Master's Degree in Educational Administration from Texas Southern University and a Doctorate from Walden University in Organizational Psychology. He began his career in education with the Houston Independent School District, serving as an English teacher and athletic coach. He later became a K-8 administrator, earning Assistant Principal of the Year and Principal of the Year honors. At the Cedar Hill Independent School District, he served as a high school principal and leader of secondary schools. He later accepted the superintendent position for Santa Gertrudis Independent School District. During his tenure, student participation in Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses increased. The district also achieved a 100% graduation rate, which included district historic highs in college scholarships and state recognition. He broadened his career as an Area Assistant Superintendent (Area Senior Director) for Portland Public Schools and as the Executive Director of Leadership for Ector County Independent School District: where he oversaw several schools.

Signs We Are Getting Back to Normal

After two years of COVID pandemic challenges, life in our seven villages may not ever be quite the same, but happily there are signs that we are returning to pre-covid times. Like colorful crocuses these signs are popping up all over. Here are a few we noticed:

- There will be a CCA Show Choir Showcase at the CCA High School Auditorium in Tiffin at 7 p.m.
- Monster Band is March 6 at the CCA High School Auditorium 6 p.m.This year CCA will have a traditional, week long spring break March 14 – 16. Plans are well underway
- The CCA High School Jazz Band will perform April 2 at 7 p.m. also at the CCA High Auditorium in Tiffin.
- Yes, Dumpling Day is happening this year on March 12. From noon until 1 p.m. you can pick up Hefeklosse with Zimtosse (yeast dumplings with cinnamon) plus a selection of cheeses

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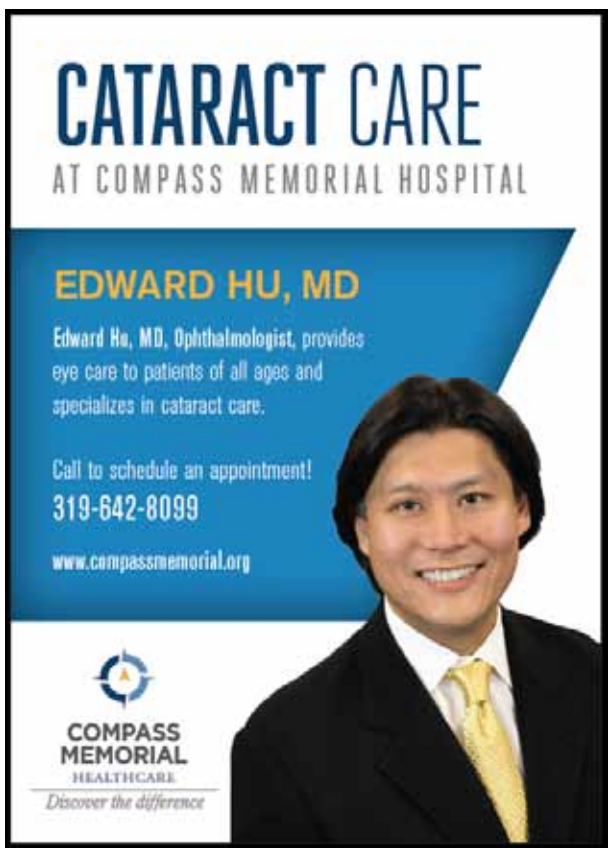
PROPERTY TAX REMINDER

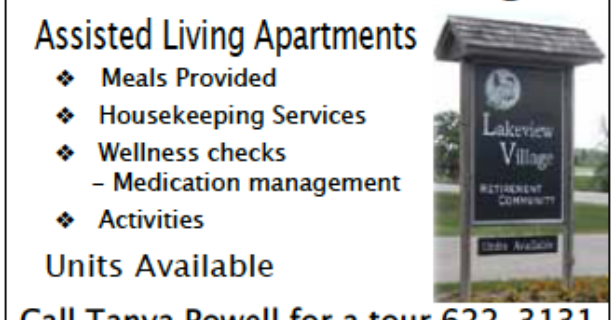
County Treasurers of *IowaTaxAndTags.org* would like to remind you that the due date for the March property tax installment is March 31, 2022. Property taxes not paid by this date will be considered delinquent and accrue late interest. Property taxes may be paid on-line. If you have already paid these taxes, please disregard this notice.



The team at **Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile** in Amana is looking for a Part Time Sales Associate! This position involves assisting customers, operating a cash register and providing accurate change. The ability to unpack shipments, restock merchandise and handle phone orders is essential, along with excellent customer service skills. A willingness to learn and share Amana's rich history is a must!

The Amana Woolen Mill has been selling the finest American handcrafted cotton and wool products since 1855. Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile is the new salesroom offering all of their great products such as their signature blankets, bags, accessories and more!

Candidates can call 319-622-3953 for more information or apply at Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile.



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of their children reading scary books yet they let their children see violence on television or hear a sensationalized version about it on the news.

It is ironic that children enjoy a scary story now and then when they are safe in their homes. You never want to over do it, but even "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" speaks about bullying and how things turned out for the best.

Perhaps a Grimm fairy tale now and then wouldn't hurt.

B.S.H.

Note: *Charlie reports tulips are starting to push through.*

AMANA CHURCH VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The recent 50-degree, sunshine-filled days got us all daydreaming about Spring and Summer, and that means the Amana Church Youth Activities Committee is starting to daydream about (and plan) Vacation Bible School! There are three ways (so far) that we could use help.

1) We would appreciate some extra "Helpers" who are able to attend from 8:30-11:30 to help at the activity stations. Helpers will not be responsible for planning or leading activities but will assist the children in the activity that the Lead Teacher is instructing. Helpers are also essential in helping younger kids find the restroom, providing occasional TLC after a collision during games, and cleaning up small messes. Helpers can volunteer for one day or numerous days. Helpers need to be in middle school (have completed 6th grade) or older. There is no maximum age!

2) We need some "Babysitters" who are available to supervise children from 8:30-9:00 (before VBS starts) in the morning. Each morning, the Lead Teachers and Helpers meet to discuss the lesson for the day and complete a brief devotional; this leaves several children of Lead Teachers and Helpers unattended! Additionally, VBS attendees begin to trickle in around 8:45. Babysitters would supervise the children in the main Saal of the Amana Church, and supplies to entertain the children (colors, music, etc.) would be provided. Babysitters can volunteer for one day or numerous days. They need to be in high school (have completed 9th grade) or older (again, no maximum age!).

3) We are looking for new or used 4-inch Terra Cotta pots to use for a craft that each child will complete. We will need at least 60-70 pots in all.

Please contact the church administrator (email mchurch@southslope.net or call 622-6155) if you can assist with any of these needs. We are so excited to spread Christ's Love to the many young hearts that will attend VBS this Summer, and we know that the more people that help, the more love we can spread!

GARDENING SEASON JUST AROUND THE CORNER (Mostly from ISU Extension)

With daylight savings time starting on March 13 thoughts turn to the garden. This guide will help you schedule the planting of gardens so space may be used efficiently. Designed for central Iowa, dates for southern Iowa would be about 1 week earlier, for northern Iowa about 1 week later. For more information on planting a vegetable garden, see PM 819, Planting a Home Vegetable Garden.

Radishes —Several plantings, 7 to 10 days apart, are possible. Radishes pass peak quality quickly, so several plantings are needed to provide high quality radishes throughout the spring and early summer. Radishes become spongy and make seed heads readily with the onset of hot weather. Several fall plantings can be made in August and September.

Lettuce—Sow seeds in early spring. Lettuce flowers and turns bitter with the onset of hot weather. Fall plantings can be made in August.

Onions —Sow seeds as soon as the ground can be worked in spring for mature (storage) onions. Plant sets and transplants in spring.

Peas —Sow seeds in early spring as soon as the soil can be worked. Plants stop bearing when hot weather arrives. A fall planting may be made about August 1 to 10.

Spinach—Sow seeds in early to mid-April. Leaves develop bitter flavor and plants make seed heads with the onset of hot weather. A fall crop may be planted about August 10.

Cabbages —Set out transplants any time from early April to mid-June. Early-maturing types may be planted in early August for fall crop.

Broccoli and cauliflower—Set out transplants in early to mid-April. Both are sensitive to hot weather so need to be encouraged to head as early as possible.

Carrots —Seed early or any time during spring and summer. Carrots seeded as late as August 1 may produce full sized roots by fall.

These are just some of the early seeds to be planted, for best results some crops, like tomatoes can be started indoors. Planning your garden and gathering seeds and or greenhouse plants will produce a rewarding result.

HAHN BAKERY
NEW SEASONAL HOURS
Starting **April 1st**, Hahn bakery will be open Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, until November 1st

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and spreads at the Communal Kitchen, Middle Amana for $15. You must make a reservation with the Amana Heritage Museum or prepay via their website.

- Get set for Take A Bite the three day, April food fair that has been hiatus since 2019. The event is to take place April 8 – 10 and restaurants and merchants have things planned indoors and outdoors for this event.
- Aspen Wellness Center is back to normal hours and has been for some time. They are open 5 a.m. – 10 p.m. and offer daily and monthly rates for singles, couples and families. Gift certificates are available too. Aspen Wellness is located on the west side of the Lakeview Village/ Colonial Manor. 319-622-3551.
- Yes, there will be an Easter Egg hunt at the Amana Heritage Museum, Amana Saturday, April 16. At 9 a.m. Call or email the Museum to sign up.
- The English Valley History Center is again hosting lectures and events. After a two -year long hiatus the NEHC will open with a lecture on historical postcards by avid collector and J.O. Parker, Montezuma. The talk will be Sunday, March 20 at 2 p.m. at 108 Main Street, North English.
- Quilt Amana is back this spring! After a hugely popular introduction this neat event will again be at the Price Creek Amana Event Center with over 200 quilts on exhibit – many of which you can purchase. Plus an exhibit of a "FOUND" quilts – quilt that have been saved or salvaged including a beautiful patchwork quilt created by Amana quilters from fabrics dyed at the communal Amana calico works. Quilt Amana is April 1 – 3.
- The Amana Arts Guild is again hosting Amana Poetry Night at the AAG Center this year on May 22. Look here for details as they become available.

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