Amana Society Bulletin

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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Masks are requested but not required in all Amana Church Society buildings.

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, May 29, 2022, starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Andrea Haldy presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Auf Auf. mein Herz!" No. 65 Seite 64

Testimony: Johann Carl Gleim, Ronneburg, May 18, 1715

Scripture: John 15:9-17

Psalm: 98

Closing Hymn: "Folget Mir ruft uns das Leben" No. 281 v 1-5, Seite 272

The Late Service will start at 10:00 A.M. with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "Arise My heart Turn to the Lord" No. 6

Closing Hymn: "Follow Me the Saviour Calleth" No. 281

The Wednesday Evening Prayer (Nachtgebet) meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. in Middle.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 A.M. Service.

CONGREGATE MEALS

If you would be interested in attending a congregate meal at the Amana fellowship hall once a week (historically Monday), please contact Elly at 319-622-6155. There are no age requirements to attend the meals.

We cannot resume them until we have at least 10 people who commit to attending.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Amana Library will be CLOSED Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day. Summer hours begin Tuesday, May 31.

Amana Library June Hours

Monday 9:00-3:00
Tuesday 9:00-6:00
Wednesday 9:00-12:00
Thursday 9:00-6:00
Friday 9:00-12:00
Saturday 9:00-12:00

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Do any of you know the French language or, better still, do you know much about Napoleon? I sure would like to hear from you. Yes, I am quite serious.

Right now I am reading a book by the title of "The Invisible Emperor." It is about Napoleon's first exile to the Island of Elba.

I went "on-line" to see first of all where this place is because our youngest son who has the ability to really be good at geography was not around.

That settled, it's just off Italy, between Italy and Corsica in the Northern Tyrrhenian Sea (part of the Mediterranean). I wanted to know how he rose to power, his escape and eventual death at 51 on British owned St. Helena in the middle of the South Atlantic (I guess they didn't want him to return again).

I also wanted to know how he died because there are all sorts of stories including him being poisoned, deliberately and accidentally. (I guess he wasn't but he did have all sort of illness while living in a rundown building, officially, he died of stomach cancer.)

I want to know more about his two wives. It seems his second wife was sort of a "bubble head," but that's my thought and not that of a scholar.

Obviously he still loved Josephine to the end of his life and would say her name as his last word.

How come there were so many mistresses "in the day." It seems to be taken for granted and their children were taken care of while in the 21st century that idea really changed.

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Memorial Day Services Monday
Some Numbers to Ponder

Monday, May 30 Memorial Day, special memorial services will be held at 9:30 a.m. in each one of the seven village cemeteries by the Amana Church Society. The same Bible text will be read at all services. All are welcome.

The graves of veterans in Amana Colonies will be decorated with a small American flag and with the United States Military Veteran service grave marker.

Cemeteries in the seven villages contain the gravesites of veterans of the Civil War, the Spanish – American War, the western battles with the Native peoples and all modern conflicts from World War I to the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

This is a unique moment in American history America has experienced over 1 million Covid deaths. As of May 20, the CDC reports that there have been 998,512 total deaths due to Covid. However due to a one month lag in data reporting from some states, the New York Times and NPR Radio estimate that America passed the 1 millionth mark on May 17.

That is more Americans than died in all its 20th and 21st century wars and conflicts combined.

More Americans have died of Covid in the last two and one-half years than died in American's deadliest war – the Civil War - during which 635,000 American military died (both sides combined).

Since the pandemic started there have been 82,820,565 cases in America reported to the CDC (as of May 17). As of May 18, overall 77.7 percent of the total population of America has been vaccinated with at least 1 dose of the vaccine for Covid. 66.7 percent of the total population of America has been fully vaccinated.

In Iowa 9,572 people have died of Covid, according to the CDC, as reported in the New York Times as of May 20. There have been over 773,000 total cases reported in Iowa to the CDC. The 14 day average for average daily cases in Iowa has been ticking upward. In the past 14 days there has been a 33% increase in the number of cases confirmed.

In the state of Iowa only 62.1 percent of Iowans are fully vaccinated. That is below the national average by 4 points. According to State of Iowa's, Iowa Department of Public Health, website on Covid, 63 percent of Iowa County residents have been fully vaccinated. Johnson County has the highest percentage in the state with 73 percent fully vaccinated; Linn County has 67 percent and Benton has 57 percent fully vaccinated. Several counties are not reporting their data for vaccines and 15 counties in Iowa report having between 40 and 50 percent vaccinated. Davis County in southern Iowa cites having 37 percent fully vaccinated.

Iowa Ren-Faire is Back Memorial Day Weekend and June 4 – 5

It's here for two big weekends again this year. The Iowa Renaissance Festival will be in the Middle Amana Park, rain or shine, May 28 – 30 and June 4 – 5. The hours are 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The festival will be here this fall too coming back to the Middle Park on October 8 – 9 for an autumn rendition.

This is the festival's 30th anniversary! And yes they are planning plenty of fun including Joust Evolution, the Guardians of the Black Forest sword play, the rollicking drum band Pictus, the Fandazzi Fire Circus, the High Flying Fools and many more acts, plus living history encampments, games, fun, crafts, a merchant market and of course, food and drink. New this year is a Viking history and lore encampment.

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Restore - Revive - Renew

Ice Cream Social

A Scoop of Community with a Cherry on Top!

Sunday, June 5, 4 pm

Amana Meeting House in Amana

4 to 5 Ice Cream & Open House

4:30 to 4:45 Program

Lakeview Village

Assisted Living Apartments

- Meals Provided
- Housekeeping Services
- Wellness checks – Medication management
- Activities

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price creek EVENT CENTER

GARAGE SALE

Friday, May 27 & Saturday, May 28
Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

You do not want to miss the Large selection of very reasonably priced items!

Enjoy lunch too: BBQ 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Burgers, Brats, Hot Dogs, Pulled Chicken
Outdoor & Indoor Seating

Price Creek Event Center, East on 220 in Amana
Next to the Amana Visitor's Center

FREE GENTLE YOGA CLASS!

Join Yoga Instructors, Nathan Phelps and Cherie Hansen-Rieskamp for a free Gentle Yoga Class at "The Garden Cottage" South Lawn, 206 220th Trail South Amana on every Tuesday in June from 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM subject to fair weather.

Parking available on side street

Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel. Questions, text Cherie at 319-325-2197

Feathers *from page 1*

Napoleon did a lot of good too and I want to know about that.

Most of all I want to know about the clothes people wore and how they survived the heat and cold in them.

The school system, under Napoleon, was radically changed for the betterment, but he was defeated and the next Bourbon (Louis XVIII) came in and had the books burned.

Now you know how upset I get over that so we won't waste space on that.

What happened after Louis XVIII? Who was Alexander from Russia? Did Marie Loise from Austria regain the territory given to her son? I want more information on Josephine.

Was Napoleon a genius or a great military leader. What was his schooling like? On his last campaign I believe he was headed for Paris. I thought he was crowned Emperor in Norte Dame causing quite a stir so why was he trying to retrace his steps again. Had Paris been taken over again and if so by whom?

Yes I have been on the internet looking up things, but I want more details.

B.S.H.

Reunions, social gatherings, business meetings?

The Homestead Welfare Club (4215 V St Homestead), offers an exceptional 1100 sq ft meeting or gathering room in our historic 1860's home. It includes a mini kitchen, tables and chairs for 80+ persons inside, and a shaded back yard for outdoor activities including picnic tables and small shelter.

Rental is $75 /day or for $100 /day includes a full-service kitchen.

Call 319-622-3620 for details and scheduling.

AMANA SOCIETY HIGHLIGHTS

Welcome to the first installment of a column that we here at Amana Society hope will soon become a tradition. My name is Amy Svoboda Petta and I am an employee in Production at the Woolen Mill. There is so much going on at our businesses, and I want to let you in on news and happenings you might not otherwise hear about, and also to spotlight the hard-working folks of the Amana Society businesses.

First up, the only really reliable sign of spring we had this year considering these crazy temperature swings - calves.

I must admit I've been on the other side of the fence from every cow I've ever met so I spoke with Jen Sauers, Branded Beef Program Manager, who filled me in on the operation.

Calves began hitting the ground in February and during that time the three herdsmen (Fallon, Rodger, and Carter) were out checking cows every two hours - cold, snow, rain, wind, sleet, any kind of weather Mother Nature could throw at them 24 hours a day for six weeks. The minute a calf was born they were on the scene to make sure mother and baby were healthy, and to intervene if help was needed. Jen tells me that out of 300 heifers only three needed a hand calving.

After their "busy season" this crew builds and repairs fences, mows pastures, hauls water, and moves cattle. If you see them, let them know they're doing a great job; I know I will. Their dedication to the animals and hard work pay off every day.

In other news, if you would like to make a donation to help a young man from Ukraine who came here on a foreign student exchange program and is trying to return to his country and family at the end of the month, there is a donation box out at Warped and Woven. Our own Cindy Bowen (manager of Warped and Woven) is acquainted with Denny Rudin's Host Family through the Blairstown Lutheran Church, where Denny's Host Dad plays the organ.

You may have seen Denny wearing his traditional Ukrainian embroidered shirt on the Warped and Woven Maifest parade float. His family farms in the eastern part of the country, but has since moved to a safer location. As you can imagine, he is missing them every day. If you'd like to help Denny and his family, the box will be at Warped and Woven until the end of the month.

Well, that's it for this time. Please watch this space for more news and tidbits about what's happening at our Amana Society businesses.

Annual
AMANA FIREFIGHTERS' BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 4 - Serving from 7 - 11 a.m.

At the Middle Amana Fire Station

Donations Requested

Serving Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Hash Browns, Juice, Milk & Coffee

Blumen Haus Memorial Day Specials

20% off all Hanging baskets & Urns

50% off All Bedding plants and Vegetables

Ask about Wine Tasting featuring Tabor Home & Tassel Ridge wines Both are native Iowa wineries.

Open Memorial Day Weekend; Sunday 9-5 Friday, Saturday & Monday 10-6,

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE/RENT

For Rent: room with shared bath and common area South Amana. No smoking, references, background check. Call Larry at 319-540-9351

FOR SALE

My wife wanted 'lots' of Marigolds to keep the bugs out of our garden, so at auction I bought 16 flats with 16 plants per flat. She has just over 5 flats, mostly orange left over, very reasonably priced at $8, (50 cents a plant). 319-622-3912 or come by the Print Shop during normal hours.

Teachings of the Baha'i Faith

1 God is one
2 Unity in Diversity
3 Independent investigation of Truth
4 Agreement between science and religion
5 Elimination of all forms of prejudices
6 Equality of men and women
7 Establishment of a universal educational curriculum
8 Establishment of a universal language for international communication.
9 Elimination of extreme wealth and extreme poverty
10 Religion must be the source of unity

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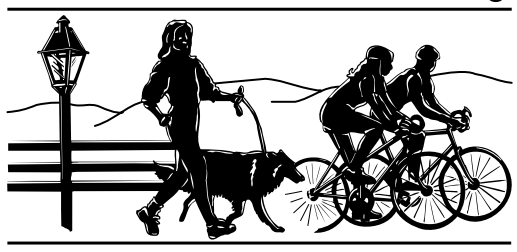

Amana Colonies Recreational Trail

Trail Etiquette

- **Motorized vehicles (including snowmobiles and ATVs) are prohibited from using the trail.**
- **Please wear a bike helmet.**
- **Go with the flow! Stay to the right.**
- **Allow faster moving bikers & walkers to pass on your left.**
- **Signal turns and stops, and announce yourself when passing someone on the trail.**
- **When stopping on the trail, step aside so others can pass you safely.**
- **Please clean up after pets if necessary and please keep pets on leashes.**

PLEASE RESPECT PROPERTY OWNERS' LAND - DO NOT LITTER OR DISTURB LIVESTOCK OR WILDLIFE.

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