

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, April 16, 2023, starting 8:30 A.M. Sw Elly Hoehnle with presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Herr Jesu Christ, mein's Lebens Licht" No. 391 v 1-8 Seite 387

Testimony: Barbara Heinemann Landmann, High Amana, November 20, 1864

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Psalm: 116

Closing Hymn: "Herr Jesu Christ, mein's Lebens Licht" No. 391 v. 9-15 Seite 387-8

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

Opening Hymn: "Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light" No. 35 v 1-8

Closing Hymn: "Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light" No. 35 v 9-15

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.

## HOMESTEAD SANITARY DISTRICT 1st quarter meeting

The quarterly meeting for the Homestead Sanitary District will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Homestead Welfare Club.

## LIBRARY BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 9 and Thursday, May 11 from 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the Mobile Bus. The Drive will be held in the Amana Library Parking Lot, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

Hats off to our donors! Give and get a \$10 gift card (\$25 for double red donations) or 500 bonus points to the Donor Loyalty Store. Bonus points can be used toward any items in the store including the limited-edition baseball cap available this summer only! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate. To sign up, please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org to schedule a time.

## HEY GOOD LOOKIN,' THE MUSEUM NEEDS KUCHEN

Attention all Obstkuchen bakers! The Amana Heritage Society will be a vendor at Maifest again this year. If you are willing to bake Kuchen, we can accept them at the Festhalle grounds beginning at 9am on Saturday, May 6th. Thanks for your continued support!

## FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Okay it's that time of year when people sort of "sneak" out of their homes looking for the elusive moral [henceforth - mushroom(s)].

When we were first married Charlemagne was so disappointed to learn that I had never found a mushroom. I had plenty of toad stools, but no mushrooms.

He figured I was joking after all I was Louis Selzer's granddaughter who was a well known hunter and conservationist. He, like other mushroom hunters would not take his granddaughter (especially ones who talked) on searches thus perhaps telling someone where this elusive fungi might be located.

Sure I grew up in Homestead, which according to Charlemagne, was were all the wildlife was. I did know some "secret" places including where fox used to be caught and have yet to show him where they are. (Love goes only so far!)

Then there was my Uncle Carl, George, and cousin Lyle who went mushroom hunting like Teddy Roosevelt went on his safari to Africa.

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### Magic in the Air at CCA High

Cinderella, the Roger's and Hammerstein musical, is on stage at Clear Creek Amana High School in Tiffin, April 20 through 22.

The CCA Music and Drama departments present this classic musical with a very talented cast and crew of CCA students. Don't miss the show: 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, plus a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday as well.

### Maifest is Our Fest

The Amana Maipole Dancers are kicking it up in earnest as they prepare for Maifest which is officially just three weeks away on May 6 - 7.

They are planning on six performance Saturday and three on Sunday. They start their round of performances with an 11 a.m. dance at the Festhalle barn on Saturday. For a complete list of their dance times go to the ACCVB website and check out the festivals page or pick up a Maifest brochure.

Performances by the very popular Irish Celtic band, Blame not the Bard, on Saturday afternoon beginning at 11:30 am and on Sunday at noon, plus the Native Pride Dancers and the RTD Irish Dance Team performing at the Festhalle Saturday afternoon will add to the rollicking musical spirit of our spring fest. Another new addition to the festival the group All Natural. Plan to dine at the fest as the Take a Bite food truck pop ups will be at the Festhalle on Saturday 11 till 3 p.m.

Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. head to the Amana Performing Arts Center for the Neil Simon comedy, "I Ought To Be In Pictures" about a fading Hollywood screen writer who is forced to confront his past and face the future in this heart warming, timely and very funny play by TKM Theater Productions. They've added a 3 p.m. Sunday show as well. Call 319-899-3799 for tickets today. \$25 for adults.

Some of our very favorite Maifest traditions are back, of course: the 10 a.m. parade in Amana, is always fun and there will be fresh fried potato pancakes and fruit kuchen with the Amana Heritage Society volunteers doing the cooking and serving in their booth at the Festhalle. Contact Jon Childers at the Museum if you can bake or lend a hand.

With temps back in the 40s this week, let's keep our fingers crossed for great weather May 6 and 7 for our annual spring Maifest.

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### THE CCA POOL IN AMANA IS IN DESPERATE NEED OF LIFEGUARDS AND INSTRUCTORS.

The pool is used by students and CCA community users.

#### Lifeguards

We need lifeguards for open swims and for summer openings. Lifeguards must be Red Cross Lifeguards or be able to take the Lifeguarding course.

We hope to make the course, date and time, convenient. To be eligible to take the course a candidate must at least 15 and be able to swim 300 yards and be able to recover a diving brick from a depth of 8 feet.

Contact TJ Croco at 319-430-9181 or email: [ticroco@gmail.com](mailto:ticroco@gmail.com)

#### Swimming Instructors

We need instructors fro group and private lessons We prefer that the instructor be a Red Cross trained Water Safety Instructor have advanced swimming experience. You must have a willingness to work with kids.

Contact: TJ Croco at 319-430-9181 or email: [ticroco@gmail.com](mailto:ticroco@gmail.com)

**HUGE 28TH ANNUAL**

**ARTS & Crafts SHOW**

**SATURDAY APRIL 22nd**

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### LET'S GROW VEGETABLES- POTATOES AND ONIONS



**Do potatoes really have eyes?  
Do onions wear rings??**

**Find out the answers and how to grow these rockstar veggies with the Amana Community Library and Iowa County Master Gardeners.**

**Saturday, April 22nd, 10-11 AM  
at the Communal Kitchen Garden  
in Middle Amana-**

**We'll plant potatoes and onions!**  
(Families should meet at the Communal Kitchen. Parents/Guardians are expected to stay.)

In the Fall after school starts, we'll return to the garden to harvest what we've planted!

**Open to students at Amana Elementary  
& other children in the community for FREE!**  
All materials will be provided.





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They all knew where to look and did not want anyone along even if that meant one of their children might be held for ransom.

Somehow they ALWAYS found mushrooms and even shared them, but NEVER, EVER ask where they went.

My father for some reason was not interested so he never took his family mushroom hunting. We DID get to find the special flowers which seemed more impressive. Our father did not hunt either.

Poor Charlemagne must have felt he had gotten a real "dud." I didn't garden, bowl, was not athletic, frankly what was I good for?

Well, it's over fifty years later and he still can't believe I have never found a mushroom. He, on the other hand has gone out yearly and occasionally has managed to find some.

I am always amused at people who search for these fungi. I've heard of "tricks" of how they leave signals so they can return to the place again or how they won't even tell their own children of where their special mushroom patch.

One man used to hunt for ginseng. The one day he showed his son-in-law the secret place it grew. The very next day he died and with that the location was lost, the one person he showed was not from Amana and could not remember how to find the ginseng again.

I always wonder if I got hold of Lial's sons if they would know the spots their father found the mushrooms.

Unfortunately even though we are related I doubt very much I could get THAT secret pried out of them. It would be the side of the family who did not talk.

B.S.H.

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD) Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Meeting Notice and Tentative Agenda of the Regular Meeting Monday, April 24, 2023, 6:30 p.m. At the ACLUD office-4304 220th Trail Amana and via Zoom link**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve March 27, 2023 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. 2023-021. John and Julie Zuber agent John Setzer / 608 13th Ave High Amana / HP-R / Apartment/garage building separate from house. Was a post-1932 horse barn made into apartments in the 1950s. Replacing quantity sixteen mis-matched windows in the apartment. Double hung vinyl.
  - b. 2023-023. James Reihmann agent Bill Yoder / 1203 G St High Amana / HP-R / Replace quantity two casement style windows with two 9/6 double hung vinyl. These are full replacement not inserts.
  - c. 2023-024. Amana Society Inc. - Creative Colony / 4530 220th Trail Amana/ HP-C / Replace quantity one 39" high by 72" long casement window with likely replacement quantity two 6/6 double hung vinyl with mullion between.
  - d. 2023-025. ASI - The Little Red Wagon Addition / 4417 - 4423 220th Trail Amana / HP-C / Addition will include a full height (814 sf) basement and (974 sf) main level. We will be matching existing exterior materials including cedar siding, architectural asphalt shingles and half round gutters. We are proposing vinyl windows on the addition. Parking lot replacement material will be concrete. The parking lot includes numerous easements. We will work with adjacent property owners to ensure that improvements, grading and drainage are correctly done. We will move a sewer line that runs under the proposed addition. We will add 6 feet of concrete north of the General Store to accommodate truck traffic. The new parking lot will add eight additional parking spaces. The current General Store driveway is unsafe for pedestrians or exiting vehicles. We are adding a green space in the "alley" for visitors to enjoy. Adding a retaining wall at back end of green space. A sidewalk will be next to the Little Red Wagon, and a 3 board fence will run along the sidewalk and retaining wall. The green space will add three parking spaces to Main Street.
  - e. 2023-026. Linda Taylor / 708 47th Ave Amana / HP-C / Replace quantity six windows all on lower floor. All 28" x 54". Replace wood trim around windows as needed.
- VI. Other Business:
  - a. Report on progress from April 18 BOT Work Session regarding ordinance amendments and program for short term rental of residential property.
- VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)
- VIII. Adjourn

**Water Babies Swim Classes**  
May 8 - 12, 2023  
Amana Pool, Middle Amana

Classes will be held  
Monday thru Friday  
The cost is \$40

6:00 - 6:30 p.m.  
6 mo. - 18 mo.

6:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
19 mo. - 2 yrs



Contact Margaret Trumpold  
Cell 319-400-0062/Home 319-622-3299

**WANT TO BUY**

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**HELP WANTED**

Part time help needed do clean up and taking care of animals call 319-560-3037

**FOR SALE**

Irish Setter Puppy - American Kennel Club - \$350  
Call (319) 359-2727 (Amana Colony)

Sheep equipment and young lambs for sale call 319-560-3037

**SERVICES**

Garden Tilling, yard clean-up, aerating, thatching and mowing. Call Rob Jeck at 319-622-330

Mike Beck Landscape & Garden- General Landscaping! Trimming Trees, Vines, Bushes, Etc. General Cleanup, Mulching, Garden & Landscape Consultant. Phone 319-721-3993

**WANTED/WANTED TO BUY**

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**FOR RENT**

Accepting applications for a large 1BR apt for rent in West Amana. Private entrance, one pet allowed, \$600 month/\$1200 deposit. Heat, water, and trash included. Call or text 319-430-3373 to apply.

Walford & Amana. Upper 1& 2 Bedroom. Lease 6 mo., references, deposit. 319-227-7465

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

**COMEDY "I OUGHT TO BE IN PICTURES"**

TKM Theatrical Productions proudly presents Neil Simon's comedy treasure "I Ought To Be In Pictures", May 5-7 at the newly renovated Amana Performing Arts Center, 39 38th Ave, Amana, IA. Friday & Saturday shows are at 7:30 pm, with Sunday's show at 3 p.m.

Simon creates for us characters that are so real they practically jump off the page. Underneath the play's humorous and witty dialogue is a touching observation about humanity and the lengths people will go to reconnect with family.

Presented by TKM Theatrical Productions thru special arrangement with Samuel French.

Tickets are \$25. Contact [deborahkennedy@live.com](mailto:deborahkennedy@live.com) OR call 319-899-3799, OR cash at the door. (Reservations recommended)

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**Call 319-622-3620 for details & scheduling**

**MASTER GARDENER PLANT SALE**

The annual Iowa County Master Gardener Plant Sale will be held Friday, May 12, from 3:00-6:00 pm, and Saturday, May 13, from 9:00-noon, at Zentmire Hall at the Iowa County Fairgrounds in Marengo. We will be selling a variety of locally grown vegetables including 44 varieties of tomatoes, 21 varieties of peppers, 13 herbs and much more. There will be lilies, annual flowers, mosquito dunks, tree seedlings and rain barrels also available for purchase. Master Gardeners will be in attendance with educational information and materials and will available for any gardening questions you may have. We are able to accept cash and checks only for this event.

**FREE MOVIE NIGHT!**  
Come enjoy a positive message movie!  
Sunday, April 30, 2023  
Amana Performing Arts Center  
Watch for details in next week's Bulletin  
Amana Area Fellowship  
[www.amanaareafellowship.org](http://www.amanaareafellowship.org)

**MY AMANA EXPERIENCE**

Occasionally I'll be featuring someone who works here at Amana Society, Inc. Sometimes they will have jobs you're familiar with, sometimes you may not have heard of their jobs at all. I'll help you to get to know them and explain more about what their jobs entail.

This time I want to introduce Peter Werning, Social Media Specialist and good friend of the Woolen Mill. If you've seen the beautiful photographs online of the looms or the creel here at the Mill, you've seen some of Peter's good work.

Peter Werning went to Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois where he earned his Bachelors of Science in Marketing and Sports Communication. He started his journey at ASI at the end of May 2022, but Peter was not a stranger to Amana. In fact, Peter's aunt owned Lehm Books when he was growing up and he always enjoyed spending time in the Colonies.

Peter tells me that his favorite parts of the job are talking with Amana natives about the history of the Colonies, getting out of the office regularly, and the variety of experiences he has. "It's something new every day".

The Marketing department also includes Sara Montgomery, Art Director, and Eliza Hipschen, Designer. Sara designs t shirts and posters for events, (kudos to you, Sara, our t shirts are always great!) and Eliza creates new email campaigns, websites, and ads. Sara takes photos of the products for websites and social media, whereas Peter takes pictures "on location". The whole team works together and shares work throughout the process.

Peter is a frequent visitor to the Woolen Mill, and he always brightens our day whenever he drops in. He is rather reluctant, however, to let us know the location of his office. As if he thinks we will not find out eventually. If you know where the Marketing office is and you see me or my cohorts, Marquette Senters and Suzanne Beltz, please don't tell us. We plan to quietly figure it out and show up one day at his window, making funny faces.

If you see Peter Werning out and about taking pictures, please let him know how wonderful his work is and that you read about him in the Bulletin. Whether you'd like to threaten to reveal the location of his office, I leave it up to you.

In closing and on a completely unrelated side note, I saw four gorgeous little calves yesterday on my way to work, and I'm looking forward to welcoming the rest soon.

Until next time, all my best,  
Amy Petta