

## AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, July 23, 2023, starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Elizabeth Momany presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Ich weiss, mein Gott!" No. 489 vs. 1-4, 11, 18 Seite 484

Testimony: Johann Adam Gruber, Bergzabern, October 31, 1717

Scripture: Matthew 22:1-14  
Psalm 145:1-13

Closing Hymn: "Allein Gott in der höh" No. 47 Seite 46

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

Opening Hymn: "I know my Lord, that to be blest" No. 93

Closing Hymn: "All glory be to God on high" No. 21

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.

Links to services posted online may be found starting with the gateway page:

<https://amanachurch.com/category/podcast/>

## NOTICE - MIDDLE AMANA RESIDENTS

The Middle Amana Sanitary District will be "smoke" testing our sewer lines in your area on Tuesday August 1st to identify points of groundwater infiltration.

We do not require access to your residence but you may notice a smoky haze in and around your home if your drain traps are dry or open to the sewer. The "smoke" used is not toxic nor harmful in any way.

Please contact one of the Middle Amana Sanitary District Trustees if you have any questions or concerns: Richard Leichsenring - 319-622-3894

Bruce Trumpold - 319-361-8047  
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## COLONIES IN BLOOM GARDEN PARTY AMANA HERITAGE MUSEUM

Join us this Saturday, July 22, from 5pm-7pm for the Colonies in Bloom Garden Party! The Amana Heritage Museum will host the event in our courtyard, at 705 44th Avenue, Amana. During the event, admission to the museum is free!

Our special exhibit, "1923: The Fire that Sparked the Great Change," will be open during the event. Food & Drink will be available for a small, suggested donation (cash only). Live music from Joel Berger, and yard games will be in the courtyard during the event.

## FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Once upon a time (just after the dinosaurs) our mother decided that her daughters needed to learn how to swim. In those by gone days there was no swimming pool at the school (or anywhere else in Amana) so the powers that be decided to bus the children of a certain age to the Marengo pool.

Well I fit into that age group and perhaps so did my sister, but because I had heard horror stories I was not interested. Naturally I put up a raging fit which might explain why my hearing has been bad for so long.

I had been told that the water was like ice. That was true! It never did seem to heat up even on the hottest days.

My friend, Donna, also told me how early she had to be at the bus stop to go to the pool. I being a late sleeper felt this was unjust especially since this was during summer vacation - a time to stay up late (9 P.M.!) and sleep late in the morning.

Then she told me about wearing a swimsuit on the bus and having to take a shower before entering the dreaded pool.

Seeing as how I was always a "classic" body type, that first part did not appeal to me nor did the idea of wearing a wet swimsuit back home.

The worst part was taking a shower. I HATED showers because I was convinced I would get soap in my eyes, slip, fall and drown.

It is ironic that now, in my old age, we have a shower I have to use that can accommodate a small elephant and a clown on a small bike riding around

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## AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

### RAGBRAI Updates

The Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa is coming to the Amana Colonies next week - Friday, July 28.

Remember, the four way stop at 220th Trail (Main Street Amana) and Highway 151 will be closed on Friday, July 28 from 10:30 a.m. until the majority of riders have passed through the area. H Street (the street in Amana south of the Ronneburg and Ox Yoke Inn) will be closed as well as bike traffic is routed through Amana.

Veterans of RAGBRAI want us to remind all residents that many RAGBRAI participants do not follow the mapped route, therefore Highway 6 and Highway 220 will most likely be crowded with bikes as will the route which goes down F15 Blvd, Highway 220 from West Amana to Amana and Highway 151 from Amana to Homestead. About 50,000 riders are expected The Register has announced.

"Oktoberfest in July" will be held at the Festhalle on July 28 beginning about 10 a.m. with live music, Oktoberfest-style foods and beverages. Barefoot Becky and the Ivanhoe Dutchmen will perform. The Amana Heritage Society volunteers will be serving brats, beef sticks, chips and pickles on a stick. Plus there will be something new for RAGBRAI - "Brats on a Stick." Bratwurst and other meats will be supplied by the Amana Meat Shop and Smokehouse. The Festhalle will be open till about 3 or so. Bike parking and porta-potties will be set up near the Festhalle.

Emergency medical assistance and rider assistance will be located near the Amana Family Practice Clinic where volunteers will have a free water stand.

The Amana Church in Amana will be open for folks to come inside, cool down and rest.

Millstream Brewing Co is hosting "Bikes, Beers, Bands and Brats" starting at 9:30 a.m. Two bands, Patrick the Gathering and Retro Rockits are slated to perform till 8 p.m. with food trucks in attendance.

Volunteers will be needed to pick up trash in Amana following the great event, please if you can, help is always very welcome. If you live in Amana and wish to place your trash can in a visible spot along the bike route that would be helpful.

### Amana Colonies Will be At the State Fair

The Iowa State Fair is just around the corner and yes, the Amana Colonies will be represented at the State Fair with a booth at the Varied Industries Building.

The Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau is sponsoring this booth and ACCVB members are volunteering to staff it, but yes, volunteers are needed. So anyone who has the time and loves to engage with the public and talk about the Colonies is invited to volunteer.

By helping out you receive a full day's entry to the fairgrounds so you can spend your free time seeing the great Iowa State Fair.

The ACCVB hopes to have at least three people in the booth at all times and yes, the Varied Industries Building is air-conditioned. To learn more and sign up contact the ACCVB office, Stacey Colledge executive director, phone 319-622-7624.

### Amana Volunteers Head to Pine Ridge

In August six volunteers from the Amana Church will be going to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

Working for six days with the independent nonprofit group, Re-Member, the Amana volunteers, all adults this trip, will be repairing and winterizing homes, building beds for those who need a bed and other projects. The Amana Church will be sending donations to Re-Member for lumber and building supplies.

Re-Member is a 501.c3 charity working on the Pine Ridge Reservation. It is funded by private donations and guided by leaders of the Oglala community.

Elder Kristie Yoder explained, "This will be our 8th trip as a church and I am often asked, 'Why Pine Ridge?' Or 'Why do we keep going back?' Discussing how great the need is and how positive the experience has been for volunteers, Yoder, who has volunteered there several times, explained more fully.

"These are both great questions and I will try to answer them to the best of my ability. Maybe I should begin with a little background on our Church's mission trips. Our very first trip was to a flooded area in

West Des Moines with Habitat for Humanity. It was a three- day trip and we took high school youth, who were allowed to take part in most aspects of construction. Habitat soon changed their policy and they required volunteers to be 18. After that trip we made a few trips to the Heifer Ranch in Arkansas where we were able to do short, three-day trips for our younger youth, and then week-long trips for those who were wanting to have a fuller experience. The program at Heifer changed over the years and did not provide our youth with a lot of hands-on experiences to serve"

"About this time, Katrina hit New Orleans and we made two trips there to help with restoration work. These were hands-on and positive experiences. . . After a couple of years of not going on trips, we contacted Habitat again, and they encouraged us to call Re-Member in South Dakota. The organization came highly recommended for youth and for having a strong emphasis on service"

"This recommendation proved to be true and so

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said pachyderm making for a rather interesting circus. No you are not invited to watch.

So what happened? Well, I might have been one stubborn child and my sister could have cared less, but my mother was determined. After a few phone calls she arranged to have my former teacher, Mrs. Randall's daughter, teach us.

Mother could not drive so she talked Marie Fritsche into having her daughter, Patty, take lessons with us.

So for three years we would go to Marengo and learn to float, which I did well, the standing dive (forget it!), the American and back crawl, and of course kick. My sister and Patty excelled at all these while I would roll over and dog paddle my way to the end of the pool.

Finally came the day when we had to dive off the board. I was and still am so scarred that I let everyone else go before me. Yes I did dive off, but while under water I figured I had no idea which way was up. God must have taken pity on me because I just started to kick and broke through. (did say I was an expert floater?) My teacher had dove in to rescue me, but I was up and out before she got to me.

Finally, when I got to (Coe) college I had to prove I could swim. By some stroke of luck I found my card and did not have to take the test in what was referred to as "the tub." It was a glorified pool that would eventually be replaced.

Meanwhile I had the privilege of swimming in the pool at the University of Iowa and frankly just showing off. The water was actually warm and I loved it! Maybe mom had been right after all!!

B.S.H.

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our long-term relationship with Re-Member, and people from the Lakota tribe, began. The experiences gained from having volunteered are naturally different for all who have gone. As a youth group leader, it was rewarding to watch each of our youth develop and demonstrate a strong work ethic."

"We were often complimented on the work done by 'those Amana kids.' Confidence, willingness to volunteer for extra chores, and a genuine interest in the lives of those they were meeting has always been apparent in our kids. For us as adults, we each find something special about being at Pine Ridge. . . For us to go as volunteers, to do honest work, and have genuine conversations with the people we meet is the key to Re-Member's success. To me, the most special part of this regular trip to the poorest county in North America is that many residents look forward to what we individually and collectively bring with us. Our work is seen as needed and appropriate, our ability to listen to their stories is appreciated, our efforts to support the work of Re-Member is welcomed."

Yoder added that meeting, getting to know and connecting with people at Pine Ridge has been very rewarding and has meant so much to her and other volunteers.

To read an account of her experiences and to see photos from their trips go to the Amana Church website and pull up the July, Amana Church Newsletter.

Re-Member is the longest-serving nonprofit on Pine Ridge and its focus is on serving the immediate needs of the Pine Ridge community. Those needs are great as Oglala County, contained entirely within the boundaries of Pine Ridge, has the lowest per capita income - \$8,768 - in the United States of America. The jobless rate hovers between 70 and 90 percent with very few opportunities for employment in the rural county where few roads and few utilities serve the area. About 18,000 people live on the Pine Ridge Reservation, according to the Re-Member website.

To learn more about Re-Member or to make a donation go to their website at [Re-Member.org](http://Re-Member.org).

**Charlie's Saturday Morning Market**  
**Plants, Produce, Cookies**  
**10:00 A.M. - Noon**

**AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD) HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC) Meeting Notice & Tentative Agenda of the Regular Meeting, Monday, July 24, 2023, 6:30 p.m. At the ACLUD office-4304 220th Trail Amana & via Zoom**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Set Agenda
- III. Review/Approve May 22 and June 26, 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. 2023-062. ASI/AFS - Amana Furniture Shop Production Area Building / 724 48th Ave Amana / HP-C / Replace metal roofing with new metal roofing.
  - b. 2023-066. Wendy Sauter / 1709 4th Ave South Amana / HP-R / HP GRANT APPLICATION - Replace existing three double hung windows with Amana compliant 9 over 6 Wooden windows 59 3/4" high by 29 1/2" wide, first floor southeast corner of residence.
  - c. 2023-067. Mike and Michelle Schanz / 714 13th Ave High Amana / HP-R / HP GRANT APPLICATION - Replace existing fourteen windows with Amana compliant vinyl windows. 13 will be 56" x 28" nine over six. One 45" x 28" six over six. Replace wood window casings on exterior and replace 1 to 2" of outside sills.
  - d. 2023-068. Tyler Stockman and Allison Momany / 2618 J St Middle Amana / HP-R / HP GRANT APPLICATION - Install an Amana compliant yard lantern from assembled components. To be located on north side of house actual location dependant on ease of wiring.
  - e. 2023-069. Alan Brower / 5209 E St East Amana / HP-R / HP GRANT APPLICATION - Scrape / prime / paint old shed and lean to in back yard.
  - f. 2023-075. Jeff and Suzanne Conquest. 621 46th Ave Amana / HP-C / Install half round gutters. Replace three windows on attached garage 54" x 27" with historic 9 over 6. West Side: Re-surface newer brick with ACLUD approved siding, restore porch.
- VI. Other Business
- VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)
- VIII. Adjourn

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**THANK YOU**

Many heartfelt thanks for all the beautiful cards and fun-filled messages I received for my 80th birthday. I certainly enjoyed receiving and reading each and every one.

Rosella Vogt

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**THANK YOU**

A huge Thank You! to everyone who helped with the July 4th celebration this year.

The Amana Church Youth Group current and former members, leaders and special frying volunteers a hearty 'thank you' for the breakfast! And thank you to all who donated for the mission trips!

Andrea Haldy for a wonderful church service.  
 Jon Childers and Lanny Haldy for organizing the Baseball every year.

The Kubb crew for being willing to teach people who can't even throw a ball how to throw wooden squares.

The Amana Meat Shop for getting the meat, buns, potato salad and sauerkraut.

The Kitchen Gang - Penni Berger, Tony Berger, Carmen Grimm, Tom Gross, Terry Roemig, Kristie Yoder, Elly Hoehnle, Rose Hoehnle, Susan Shoup, Marcia Graesser, Andrea Haldy, and others I have probably forgotten. Special thanks to Dixie Trout and Dennis Gormley for all their help with organizing, managing, and cleaning up the potluck.

All the great cooks and bakers who made the potluck amazing again this!

Everyone who lent a hand during the day and was forgotten in the list above! This day is made of lots of people jumping in and helping whenever it is needed.

Lynn Trumpold and Chris Herr and all the pyrotechnicians who work with them to make our show the best anywhere or ever each year! Once again, the show was fantastic!

And to our Donors-Without whom the show could not go on!

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Thank you!  
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 Sunday, July 23, 2023, 4:00PM  
 Amana Performing Arts Center  
 The Perfect Race is the second in a 3 movie series to be shown, yet it is a stand-alone movie. These movies address life issue for all ages, especially today's youth, dramatized through a competitive youth sport.  
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