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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, April 7, 2024 starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Elly Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Jesus meine Zuversicht" No. 557 v. 1-5 Seite 550

Testimony: Barbara H Landmann, Homestead April 5, 1863

Scripture: John 20:19-31
Psalm 133

Closing Hymn: "Jesus meine Zuversicht" No. 557 v. 6-10 Seite 550

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

Opening Hymn: "Jesus Christ My Sure Defense" No. 53 v. 1-5

Closing Hymn: "Jesus Christ My Sure Defense" No. 53 v. 6-10

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service (Nachtgebet) begins 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 at:

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

Save the Date!

We will be cleaning up and clearing the Amana Church cemeteries on Saturday April 13 starting at 9 am. Please consider helping to clean up the cemetery in your town. More information will be provided in the bulletin next week.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Kindergarten Round-up is this Wednesday, **April 3** at 4:00-5:30.

Registration is open for all returning students and Preschool students for the 24-25 School year.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Do you ever watch the show "What Would You Do?" It has recently resurfaced on television on Sunday nights, rather than in its former slot on Friday night.

Anyway, I have a puzzle for you to solve. There is no "right" answer, really, but I am curious as to what you would do.

A couple of years ago, I was at the "Crowded Closet" in Iowa City. This is a discount store run by Mennonite charities that sells donated items. We have donated items such as clothes, books, crafts and etc. to this store through the years, often leaving the store having bought far more than we donated.

I was checking out the books recently and came to a book about Irish history and poetry. Being an English major and librarian, I naturally looked for pictures. I paged through the book and found that some of the pages were lumpy. I cannot stand that. I also get upset with dog-eared pages, people who draw and underline on pages and so on. I am sort of a compulsive bibliophile, I guess.

Well, I went to through the pages and found a twenty dollar bill. Naturally, I figured this was a "nice" way to book mark a book. Could it be possible that there were more such bookmarks inside? There were! I looked around, no one was near. Should I put the book back? Should I take it and the money? Should I give it to the clerk, who may or may not keep it themselves? What would you do?

It is interesting how temptation came to me, a subtle reminder of how important it is to always remember that we should always act as we want others to act toward us, and to act in a way that pleases God.

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Wizardly Theatre at CCA High

"We're off to see the Wizard - the Wonderful Wizard of Oz!" Yes, we are. Clear Creek Amana High drama students and staff will bring this fantasy classic to the stage April 11 – 12 at 7 p.m. and April 13 at 2 and 7 p.m. at the CCA High Tiffin.

Quilt Amana - AAG Communal Supper

The Amana Colony Arts and Antiques weekend is happening April 12 - 14. Quilt Amana is featured along with other events meant to celebrate things we treasure.

The Quilt Amana show and sale exhibits award-wining quilts and featured artists, plus many quilts to buy, mini-workshops, an exhibition of antique/historical quilts and vendor sales. Quilt Amana is at Price Creek Event Center in Amana. Friday April 12 and Saturday, April 13 open 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; Sunday, April 14 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The Amana Arts Guild Communal Supper is at the Amana Church on Saturday, April 13 at 5:30 p.m. Traditional colony foods prepared by very good local cooks and an auction of Amana art make this a very popular event. Tickets are $25 per person. Check the amanaartsguild.com website for tickets or call the guild office at 319-622-3678. This is a fund raiser for the AAG and proceeds help the AAG offer classes and more for all ages.

April 13 - 14 the Village Stroll antique shop walk will promote and feature Amana's outstanding antique shops. From multi-dealer antique shops to single owner vintage collections for selection, prices, unique atmosphere and fun you cannot beat Amana antique shopping.

An Evening You Won't Want to Miss

What does it take to write and produce your own mini-series? Can you imagine a movie that stars people you know? See the first episode of an original miniseries about theatre by Jonesy McElroy and starring some leading lights of Iowa theatre, a few of them happen to live right here in the Colonies.

The screening is Saturday, April 20 at the Amana Performing Arts Center with the fun starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are $25 which includes the show and a sip and snack reception catered by the Ox Yoke Inn at the APAC. Meet cast members, enjoy some time with friends, sample the appetizers. Then, if you like, take a quick backstage tour before you settle back to enjoy the movie at 7:30 p.m.

McElroy, an Iowa native, began as an intern of the Old Creamery Theatre before receiving a BA in cinema and literation from the University of Iowa. A lighting designer and film/ tv director, He has spent 20 years working in the film and television industry. He has done lighting production for ABC shows, Dancing with the Stars, The Bachelor and The Bachelorette and has directed productions/ brand videos for

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AMANA AREA FELLOWSHIP

COME ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY

Sunday Church Services @ 9:00 a.m.

Next Services:

April 7th & April 21st

At the Amana Performing Arts Center

(Former Old Creamery Theatre)

www.amanaareafellowship.org

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AT and T, United Airlines, Samsung and others. He also works as a photographer, writer, musician and voice-over artist.

This movie mini-series represents both McElroy's love for story-telling and the theatre as he brings to life a village of passionate theatrical enthusiasts and creative theatre artists. Starring: Rob Merritt, Sedona Helmke, Marquetta Senters, Zach Greimann, William Carhoff, Joey Lepire, Allan Boettger, Ben Macumber, Dana Jensen and many more.

Drought Monitor Iowa Spring 2024

While this is being written on Tuesday, April 2, a light rain is falling in the western Amana Colonies. Since Monday evening, at about the time the Iowa Hawkeye women were soundly beating LSU to gain their berth in the Final Four of the NCAA tournament, it has been raining on and off. As of 9 a.m. Tuesday, 6/10ths of an inch of rain had fallen in West Amana.

Hopefully, more rain will fall April 2 – 5. This rain will certainly help, however, the drought that has enveloped Iowa for the past 4 years according to US Drought Monitor, is still very much in evidence.

As of March 31, eastern Iowa was suffering a moderate to extreme drought according to the US Drought Monitor produced by the USDA, the National Drought Mitigation Center and NOAA. You can check their website at droughtmonitor.unl.edu.

In our neck of the woods, specifically the northeastern corner of Iowa County, we are considered to be in an "extreme drought" by the US Drought Monitor. An extreme drought is just 1 classification above an "exceptional drought" which is the worst possible class of drought. According to their definition an extreme drought means that there are both short-term and long-term consequences to the water table, evidenced by low or no stream flows and low river flows and drier than average subsoils. Areas of extreme drought can expect plant life impacts, crop and pasture losses and water shortages.

A snowy January helped, but a drier February did not. A wetter than average April would be a big help. Forecasters do see reason to hope the drought will lessen as rainfall is expected in April they claim, but again it will take several months of above average rainfall/ snow to lessen the long-term impacts. Every bit of moisture is a help to short-term effects.

According to the Monthly US Drought Outlook, eastern Iowa is expected to remain in drought, but conditions will improve in April as rain in predicted. The western half of the state will fare better with the northwestern portion of the state returning to near normal and the southwestern seeing a lessening of drought conditions too. Again, this prediction depends upon rain.

BIG G AND THE LIBRARY

Please submit your Big G receipts by April 4, 2024 for purchases made from September 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024. Please make sure the date is on the receipt, it can not be cut off or crossed off to be valid. They may be dropped off at the Amana Library or Amana Elementary School. Thank you

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AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD)
Notice of Public Hearing, April 8, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.
ACLUD office, 4304 220th Trail Amana And ZOOM

1.Call Public Hearing to Order
2.Set Agenda
3.Open Discussion Regarding Agenda Items – Purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input from the General Public regarding the following:

A)(Second Reading) The Board wishes to amend the ACLUD ordinances as follows - reference Section 31.36.060(A)(1)(c): Adaptive reuse of historic agricultural structures and uses to limited commercial uses, such as but not limited to a museum, interpretive center, office craft center, storage. In their consideration of the proposed structural reuse, the Trustees and HPC shall give consideration to the design and compatibility of the structure with the surrounding agricultural uses and structures. In their consideration the Trustees and the HPC shall also be guided by the standards set forth in Section 31.36.050, D of this ordinance. Modification to underlined above: uses to residential and limited commercial uses. This ordinance modification would allow more flexibility in potentially converting HP barn structures into some type of residence.

B)(Second Reading) The Board wishes to amend the ACLUD ordinances as follows - reference Section 31.37.170 Definitions And Interpretation: Special Event Sign. A temporary sign advertising the occasion and location of community events, including, but not limited to fairs, festivals, and celebrations open to the general public (*). Insertion point at (*) of the following: and hosted by 501(c)(3)s, schools, organizations of public benefit and churches. This ordinance modification is to clarify which types of entities are allowed to have temporary special event signs displayed.

4. Adjourn Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING --- PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July I , 2024 - June 30, 2025
Name of District: HOMESTEAD SANITARY SEWER

The Board of Trustees of the above named district will conduct a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year
Meeting Date: 4/16/2024 Meeting Time: 06:00 PM Meeting Location : Homestead Welfare Club, Homestead, IA
At the public hearing, any resident or tax payer may present their objections to, or arguments in favor of any part of the proposed budget.
This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of receipts and expenditures on file with the Clerk.
Contact Name: Thomas Oehler Contact Telephone Number: (319) 225-8065

Fund	FYE 6-30-2023 Actual Expenditures	FYE 6-30-2024 Re-estimated Expenditures	FYE 6-30-2025 Proposed Expenditures	Estimated Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2024	Estimated July 1, 2023 Beg. Balance & All Other Receipts	Estimated Amount to Be Raised By Taxation
1. General	23,016	39,675	39,375	29,704	65,223	3,856
2. Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. TOTAL	23,016	39, 675	39,375	29,704	65,223	3,856

Proposed taxation rate per $1,000 valuation $ 0.54000

OBITUARY

Jack L. Zuber, 87, Bakersfield, CA, died Thursday, March 21, 2024. A Memorial Service is planned at a later date.

Jack was born Sept. 17, 1936 in South Amana, IA, the son of William and Elizabeth Zuber. He married Juanita Waddle on Feb. 23, 1975. He was a veteran who served 7 years in the Army Reserve and 30 years in the Air Force Reserve. He had 30 years in the Iowa Wing of the Civil Air Patrol. He was on active duty and graduated from the Artillery Missile Center in Ft. Sill, OK. He distinguished himself by achieving the highest grade of 97.6 at the school. He was in AF MARS for 54 years. He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita, three stepchildren, Laurie (Paul) Johnson, Bakersfield, CA, Carol (Mark) Rasmussen, Carlsbad, CA, Bryan (Audra) Waddle, Queen Creek, AZ, two sisters-in-law, Eunice Bietz and Lydia Pietz, five grandchildren, two great-grandsons, one great-granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, William and Elizabeth Zuber, half-brother, William Zuber, half-sisters, Henrietta Shoup and Rose Tucker; and sisters, Louise Zuber, Maria McDonald and Leona Ehrmann.

Jack was employed at Rockwell Collins for 32 years as an Engineering Lab Tech.

Jack loved anything that had to do with trains. He was a member of the Iowa Model Steam Engineers until he moved to California and he was an outdoorsman. He raised 10 baby raccoons. He, along with his friends from South Amana, maintained the South Amana pond and picnic area for over 20 years.

Jack was loved and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Condolences may be sent to his wife, Juanita Zuber, at 916 Pebble Beach Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93309.

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AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLU)
Notice of BoT Meeting &Tentative Agenda April 8, 2024 – after Public Hearing ACLUD office 4304 220th Trail Amana, And ZOOM

I.Call Meeting to Order
II.Set Agenda
III.Review/Approve the March 11, 2024 Public Hearing and BOT Meeting 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.2024-012. Eric Kolsto-Smokehouse Square Antiques/ 4503 F St Amana/ HP-C / Place a steel shipping container in the back yard behind store as a storage unit. Won't be visible from the street. Also remove a chimney located on back slope of roof. Hole to be patched and re-roofed with existing spare shingles.
b.2024-011. Iowa Interstate Railroad / switchyard west of Homestead / I-2 / Build a new 60' x 144' storage building per site plans. Note that this application was reviewed and tabled at March meeting due to lack of setback and clearance dimensions – now provided.
VI.Other Business.
a.Discussion/Action: Decision regarding alternate uses for hotel/motel funds including review the current draft of resolution 2024-01 with parcel calculations called out on the monthly Disbursements document.
b.Discussion/Action: Review the March 12th shipment from Veenstra & Kimm of 1997 Zoning Map Atlas including ArcGIS digital versions. Discuss future program about revision control regarding both the maps and the ordinance book. Also professional backup.
c.Discussion/Action: Require motion to approve an amendment to the ACLUD ordinances as follows - reference Section 31.36.060(A)(1)(c): Adaptive reuse of historic agricultural structures and uses to limited commercial uses, such as but not limited to a museum, interpretive center, office craft center, storage. In their consideration of the proposed structural reuse, the Trustees and HPC shall give consideration to the design and compatibility of the structure with the surrounding agricultural uses and structures. In their consideration the Trustees and the HPC shall also be guided by the standards set forth in Section 31.36.050, D of this ordinance. Modification to underlined above: uses to residential and limited commercial uses. This ordinance modification would allow more flexibility in potentially converting HP barn structures into some type of residence.
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e.Discussion/Action: Status report on demolition progress for 2022-101.
f.Discussion/Action: Continue discussion of ACLUD Administrator's plans for 2024.
VII.Review/Approve April Disbursements Report.
VIII.Review/Approve the March Treasurer's Report.
IX.President's Report.
X.Administrator's Report.
XI.Adjourn.