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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, October 13, 2024 starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Betsy Momany presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Sei Gott getreu, halt seinen bund" No. 914 vs 1-4 Seite 901

Testimony: Johann Friedrich Rock, Homburgshausen, May 13, 1737

Scripture: Luke 6:27-42
Psalm 96

Closing Hymn: "Sei Gott getreu, halt seinen bund" No. 904 vs 5-8 Seite 901

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

Opening Hymn: "Love, who fashioned me, the likeness" No. 41

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

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.

AMANA FIRE DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

The monthly public meeting of the Amana Fire District will be held Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 7:00 pm in the Middle Amana fire station.

LIBRARY BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Thursday, October 24 from 1:30 to 6:30. The Drive will be held in the Amana Elementary Cafeteria, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a gift card! 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. Walk-ins are accepted. Appointments are preferred. 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.

AMANA FOUNDERS' DAY MEAL

The Amana Arts Guild will sponsor its annual authentic old fashioned Amana founders' day communal meal on Saturday, November 2 at 6 p.m. at the Arts Guild Center in High Amana. Social hour is 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. A traditional Amana menu is served in the communal day's atmosphere in our historic main building. The cost is $25 per person. For information, call 319-622-3678 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Monday and Thursday, or email amanarts@southslope.net The Arts Guild Center is located one block north of highway 220 in the Village of High Amana; 1012 G Street.

AMANA BOY SCOUT CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES

The Amana Boy Scouts, Troop 223, will again be offering Christmas wreaths and outdoor balsam roping for sale to all residents and businesses.

The wreaths are 24" with a red bow and 2 pinecones. These are $18.00 each and can be pre-ordered by October 27. Wreaths will also be available on Sat. Nov. 23rd when we sale door to door.

Roping is available in two lengths – 25 foot for $27.00 and 50 foot for $53.00. The roping needs to be pre-ordered by October 27. It will NOT be available to order after that date.

To pre-order your wreaths and roping call Gary or Charlotte Heishman, 319-622-3039. We will put you on our order list. I will contact those that are on our 2023 pre-order list within the next few weeks.

FREE HALLOWEEN PARTY

Join us for an evening of music and Halloween FUN on October 25th starting at 7pm in the Amana Performing Arts Center! Featured are 2 Classic Rock & Blues Bands, a fortune teller, face painting with a Halloween costume contest at 8:00 pm. Prizes awarded! This fee event is sponsored by the Ox Yoke Inn (Thank you!) TKM Theatrical Productions is a charitable non-profit organization.

More details next week.

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Oktoberfest So Much Fun

We won't forget Oktoberfest 2024. It was very well attended, the weather was perfect and the parade theme was a big hit with locals and festival goers.

Here are some highlights we won't forget:

- The huge parade of festival goers following Pat Kellenberger and his entourage to the Festhalle from the museum grounds. Hey, the museum pre fest lunch has become a very popular locals "hang out," and a nice place to meet and catch up with Amana kids and grandkids home for the weekend.
- Pat Kellenberger's huge smile on that very pretty Oktoberfest float.
- The outpouring of love and support for all our "Famous Frauen" ladies who have supported and helped create our community festival.
- The moving duet sung by Tyler Stockman and Allison Momany Stockman as part of the Amana Colony Folk Singers stageshow. When the audience joined in for the final chorus there were lots and lots of tears flowing.
- The entire performance of the Amana Colony Folk Singers! It was truly terrific start to finish.
- The hard work of Dennis Hahn. No one, but no one works as hard as Dennis the weeks before, during and after Oktoberfest.
- The efforts of our community volunteers. Lots of people stepped up last minute to help out and it showed.
- The big crowds each evening down by Millstream Brewing Co. The MBC has become legendary – and now there's a GIANT bever whose made his appearance. See their webpage for video.
- The very good food and fun music at Hotel Millwright. The Hotel gets a round of applause for offering up excellent eats this weekend to high acclaim!
- The Fireside and Ackerman Winery winegartens have become the place to sit, enjoy the shade and unwind with a glass of wine. We were so excited by their kids' offerings too. Very fun.
- The coffee and pastries in front of the Ox Yoke Inn offered by the OxY staff was a perfect addition. While seeing all four generations of Leichsenring family – including founding mom, Lina Leichsenring's photo, on the parade float was a lovely tribute to her and her legacy.
- Seeing Florence and Helen Schuerer honored on the Amana Meat Shop float as famous for their contributions to the Amaa Meat Shop, along with Sharon Grimm whose creative musicality has uplifted us all!
- It sure was great to see that large crowd of happy guests on the lawn at the Ronneburg. Kudos for the Ronneburg staff and local musicians for making this decades-long Oktoberfest tradition so much fun.

Parade Winners Announced

Judges Diana Nollen, Arts Editor CR Gazette, Winona Whitacker of the Hometown Current, county paper, and Emilie Hoppe of Willkommen had (I can say it) a very hard time choosing as there were many wonderful floats. But here were their picks:

Best Use of Theme: Amana Meat Shop and Smokehouse

Most Humorous – El Kahir Shrine Keg Rider and Leapin' Lena

Judge's Choice – The Ox Yoke Inn

Honorable Mention to the excellent Clear Creek Amana High School Band.

Thank you to the more than 40 parade entries for their contribution to everyone's enjoyment at the Oktoberfest parade.

Amana Women Honored at Oktoberfest

The women who were called to the Festhalle stage Friday evening and Saturday each have made longstanding, outstanding contributions to a community festival that will celebrate it's 60th year in 2025.

When Festhallemeister John Zuber read their introductions and noted their many contributions all of us were struck by how much we owe to these women.

On Friday, Carol Zuber, festival parade grand marshal, along with Gloria Alexander, Susan Hollrah and Sharon Grimm were honored. Saturday, Donna Trumpold, the late Terry Roemig, Susan Lockhart and Lisa Kokesh were honored.

Sue Lockhart, rural Marengo, and Lisa Kokesh, West Amana, as an energetic and upbeat team, have worked and volunteered more hours than can count to Amana's Oktoberfest, helping for many weeks at the Amana Meat Shop to prepare the bratwurst and in the food during the event. They have literally spent all weekend working in the tent or behind the scenes to make sure the festival food is good. They have also been ready and willing volunteers at many community events and are Amana's "go to" community volunteers whose expertise in the concessions has been a mainstay.

Gloria Alexander, Middle Amana, served as the "Kuchebaas" of the Oktoberfest tent for 20 years, working at both Oktoberfests held at the Market barn area before the festival was moved to the Festhalle. She helped make the transition to the Festhalle food tent and pioneered how that food service should be set up. Additionally she has faithfully served as food chair for the Amana Arts Guild Founder's Day meal an event featuring all communal era foods that Amana revers.

Susan Hollrah was Amana's first event's coordinator taking on that role as part of her career with the Amana Society. She organized three major festivals and had the idea to move the entire autumn event to the Festhalle barn after a downpour rainstorm that ruined the Market barn tent. She helped

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Customer Support Associate

The Amana Colonies Visitors Center is seeking a reliable part-time Customer Support Associate with interpersonal skills. This position includes assisting visitors with questions and providing them with resources in person and via phone, helping visitors learn about what the Amana Colonies have to offer, tour and retail sales, and some cleaning. Must be able to count money, learn to use Square POS Register, and do some light lifting. Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday availability preferred. For more information or if interested, please contact us at 319-622-7622, stop in, or email director@amanacolonies.com.

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mobilize the merchant community to support Amana Oktoberfest and to volunteer. Susan, along with Tim Meyer, Des Moines, then owner of Tiny Tim's Christmas Carol Shop, and Barb Buchanan of Williamsburg then owner of Der Weinkeller, helped create the Tannenbaum Forest in the Festhalle as we know it today.

Sharon Grimm, Middle Amana, was among the very first in the original Oktoberfest Stage Show. She was a popular soloist and was part of a legendary all female choir that was part of every stage show. Her very first Bavarian dirndle is now part of the permanent collections of the Amana Heritage Society. Sharon was one of the founding members of the Colony Folk Singers which took the stage in the 1980s and 1990s. This singing troupe performed at the Quad Cities Germanfest and at events across the state. With her deep appreciation for music and lovely voice, Sharon has been a "Vorsanger" in the Amana Church all her adult life.

Donna Trumpold, was a vital member of the festival committee that managed the first Oktoberfests in Middle Amana and served as such for over 10 years. She, her husband, LeRoy, Reynold Moessner, Jim Reihmann and Cliff Trumpold were mainstays in that group and kept the festival going through some tough years, including four years back to back of terrible rain. Donna organized the ticket booth and spent weeks before and after getting festival details organized and bills paid. She was one of a core group who created the festival as we know it today.

Terry Roemig, who passed away last year, was a trusted advisor and dedicated volunteer for Oktoberfest for decades. She could always be counted on to volunteer and took an active, leading role in planning, as well as during the events helping wherever and whenever it was needed. She would literally drop her own work and go help in the Festhalle or anywhere as needed. Her dedication to brand and organizational ability were very important to festival success and Terry has been greatly missed this year.

Carol Zuber's many contributions were noted two weeks ago in the Bulletin, but we add here that she and all of these women and the volunteers they work with, have made Amana Oktoberfest the Iowa festival.

The Team at
Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile
is seeking a
Part Time Sales Associate.

This position involves assisting customers, operating a point-of-sale system, restocking merchandise and handling phone orders. Great customer service skills and willingness to learn and share Amana's rich history is a must!

The Amana Woolen Mill has been selling the finest handcrafted cotton and wool products since 1855. Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile showcases these beautiful, American made products.

If interested, stop by Warped & Woven Mill Mercantile or call Laura Sue at 319-622-3953!

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Flexible hours are available for both positions and snacks & meals are provided! Contact **Laura Sue at 319-622-3953 or lswoods@amanas.net** for more information.

FOR SALE

Selling 37 Amana Society Inc. New Class "A" shares. Please call 314-954-5279

FOR RENT

Apartment for rent in condo. Very large two bedroom, 1 bath, big storage room. Over looking Amana Golf Course in Colony Oaks, Middle Amana. $925 a month. Call 319-338-0025 for more information.

House for rent in Middle Amana. 2 BR, 1 Bath, 1,000 SF ranch, 2 car attached garage. No pets. $1,400 per month. Contact Gunther Sandersfeld for more info at 319-826-4122 or Gunther@Skogman.com

GARAGE SALES

Multi Family Garage Sale, Corner of G St & 29th Ave. Middle Amana. Friday, October 11: 12 – 5 pm Saturday, October 12: 9 am – 4 pm, Sunday, October 13: 9 am – 3 pm. Two Families on Friday with a third family joining on Saturday: Household, Tools, Pedal Tractor, Antiques, Collectibles, Hutch, Costume Jewelry & Much Misc. - Many items marked 50% Off!

4 Family garage sale 3010 220th Trail Middle Amana. (across from school/Rain or Shine). Fri., Oct. 11th - Noon - 5 p.m., Sat., Oct. 12th - 9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sun., Oct. 13th - 9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Amana trunks & rocker, Plus size clothing, Tools, Games, Old Toys & LOTS MORE !

Free/Sale - Everything is free, but taking free will contributions to be donated to the Amana Food Bank. **October 25th & 26th - 2716 K Street - Middle** Amana Housewares, Tables/Chairs, Dishes, Glassware, Candles, Fabrics, Craft Items, Project Wood, Records, Cassettes, CDs, and much more. Some larger pieces of furniture are available for sale.

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

Lately, broadcast television has gotten on my nerves. On the weekends, for example, I can stand the thought of a sports event or two, but do they have to be broadcast on every channel?

Then, there are the news stories. It was fine to have national news, followed by a half hour of local news, but they could not leave it at that. Oh, no! We now have news at four, five, five-thirty and six and, of course, at ten. I am sorrow I forgot about the early morning news, mid-morning and noon news.

If the news would change once in a while it might not be so bad, but the local news seems duty bound to report the world news which will be repeated in half an hour, anyway. Then, wonder of wonders there are "news alerts" that break in during regularly scheduled programs to tell us, three or four times, what life-altering event has just happened.

I especially dislike the weather alters that show the same weather patterns, seemingly, over and over again until you begin to think that your eyes have lost focus and you hope that you can get up from your chair and not walk straight into a wall.

Now, do you understand why I have taken to reading instead of watching television? B.S.H.

IOWA 1855 AMANA GENERAL STORE

HAUS MAUS TEES

Haus Maus Tees is seeking a Full Time Sales Associate! A sister store to the Amana General Store, Haus Maus Tees offers a large selection of t-shirts, souvenirs and gifts. Associate must be able to operate a point-of-sales system and work independently in an upbeat environment.

Also, the Amana General Store is seeking a Part Time Sales Associate! Associates at the Amana General Store assist customers, use a point-of-sale system, unpack shipments and handle phone orders.

For more information, stop by the General Store and ask for Lyndsey, or contact Laura Sue at 319-622-3953 or lswoods@amanas.net.

AMANA AREA FELLOWSHIP

COME ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY

Sunday Church Services @ 9:00 a.m.

Next Services: ***October 20 & November 03, 2024 at the Amana Performing Arts Center***

(West of RV Park)

www.amanaareafellowship.org

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD)
Notice of Board of Trustees Meeting & Tentative Agenda
Oct. 14, 2024 – 7 p.m., ACLUD office
4304 220th Trail Amana And via ZOOM link

I. Call Meeting to Order
II. Set Agenda
III. Review/Approve the Sept 16, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes
IV. Welcome & 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. 2024-072. Bill Yoder / 2610 J St Middle Amana / HP-R / Replace rotted wooden posts in an Amana Style fence. Intended to re-use existing cedar fence boards. Attempting to use fiberglass, not cedar tone pressure-treated fence posts. HPC was to give recommendation from SHPO regarding alternate building materials. TePoel made a motion to deny the permit after reading the articles SHPO sent, stating that using alternative materials are to be allowed only if in the case that other materials and or contractors aren't readily available. The sample supplied was not a equal replacement in according to the HPC board. Second by Conquest. Motion passed unanimously.
b. 2024-085. Randall Miller & Marj Hedstrom / 1313 G St. High Amana / HP-R / Replacing quantity 17 double hung windows with Amana compliant vinyl windows.
VI. Other Business.
a. Discussion/action: 2024 ACLUD Special Election Results, Oath of Office and Public official bond.
b. Discussion/action: Re-election of officers.
c. Discussion/action: Status of Paul Bruhn revitalization grant.
d. Discussion/action: Semi trailer parked in visual corridor.
e. Discussion/action: Temporary signs & feathered flags for festivals.
f. Discussion/action: Review of the CAMP workshop planning.
g. Discussion/action: US Bank to Bankhaus.
h. Discussion/action: Blacksmith Historical Easement.
VII. Review/Approve October Disbursements Report.
VIII. Review/Approve the September Treasurer's Report.
IX. President's Report (if applicable).
X. Administrator's Report.
XI. Adjourn.