Amana Society Bulletin

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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, April 27, 2025 starting 8:30 A.M. with Br. Peter Hoehnle presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Christe, mein Leben, mein Hoffen" No. 106 Seite 99

Testimony: Johann Carl Gleim, Ronneburg, October 19, 1715

Scripture: John 20:19-31
Psalm 118:14-29

Closing Hymn: "Früh Morgens, wenn die Sonn' aufgeht" No. 300 vs 1-6,19 Seite 291

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

Opening Hymn: "Thou My Life and My Hope" No. 20

Closing Hymn: "Ere Yet the Dawn Hath Filled the Skies" No. 45

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/*

LIFEGUARDING CLASS

The pool in Amana and most pools need certified lifeguards. We will be hosting a lifeguarding class on May 17 and 18. These will be long days and full attendance is mandatory. Students must be 15 by May 18 and be able to swim 300 yards.

For more information and for registration text or call TJ Croco at 319-430-9181.

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 3th, 2025. Thanks for your continued support!

NOTE FROM THE PRINT SHOP

Due to the endless medicare part C open season, "free" medical device, and "authorized by Iowa" cash for final expenses, when I send your call to voice mail, please leave a message, I will call you back once I see/hear it.

Thank you for understand, for those who don't, one day you will, hopefully not too soon.

Water Babies Swim Classes
May 5 - 9, 2025
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

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Amana Explores Need for Fire Station Addition

Growing needs and modern fire-fighting tactics have meant that the present Amana Firehouse located in Middle Amana is too small to house the vehicles and equipment required to fight fires in our community; is the conclusion of the Amana Fire District Board of Trustees.

Steve Rose, Treasurer for the Board of Trustees of the Amana Fire District, explained Friday in an informal conversation, that the taxes raised to pay for building upkeep, equipment maintenance and new equipment via our property taxes are stretched very thin. Even replacing vital O2 breathing equipment requires budget planning and fund raising. In the past 5 years, the need for more space to house emergency vehicles has led volunteers to discuss and think ahead about how best to meet that need.

Now the fire department is asking the community to help as they begin a fund raising campaign to add space to the fire house by building an addition.

Two public open houses are being held so that residents may learn more and ask questions.

Stop by the Middle Amana firehouse anytime between 1 and 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 27 or Tuesday, April 29 between 5 and 7 p.m. Informational talks will be held every 30 minutes or so. See the plans and speak with trustees or fire department volunteers. If you are unable to attend please feel free to contact Steve Rose or Chris Herr at steve.rose@amanafire.com or chris.herr@amanafire.com

CCA Hires Aaron Davidson to Lead District

The Clear Creek Amana School District announced April 17 that Aaron Davidson has been hired as the new CCA Superintendent of Schools.

Davidson currently serves as executive director of educational services at the Fort Dodge School District.

"I am honored to be selected as the next superintendent of the Clear Creek Amana Community School District," said Davidson last week.

"This is a vibrant district with a strong reputation for academic excellence and community support. I look forward to partnering with staff, families, and the board to build on that success and ensure all students are supported and challenged to reach their full potential. My leadership philosophy centers on the belief that 'people are our greatest asset' and that 'leadership is about serving others.' I'm committed to listening, collaborating, and always doing what's best for kids," Davidson said. "Together, we'll continue to build a district culture where everyone—students, staff, and families—can thrive."

Prior to his current role, Davidson was a middle school principal in Fort Dodge, as well as a PK-6th grade principal in Pocahontas CSD. Earlier in his career, he was a health, social studies, and science teacher, and he also has experience as a baseball, basketball, and football coach.

"We are excited to welcome Aaron Davidson as our next superintendent," said Board President Dr. Allison Momany. "His experience in instructional leadership, focus on student engagement, and commitment to continuous improvement stood out throughout the interview process. We are confident he is the right leader to guide our district forward."

Davidson holds a master's degree in education from Viterbo University. He also earned a specialist in education credential from Drake University. Board members worked with Grundmeyer Leader Services to conduct the search. Final interviews were conducted with three finalists on April 15. Davidson will officially begin leading Clear Creek Amana CSD as superintendent effective July 1, 2025

Maifest is Next Weekend May 3 – 4

Spring is springing and Maifest is here, with plenty to engage us. Here's what's on the schedule in addition to our traditional 10 a.m. Saturday Maifest parade, the streetside entertainment in Amana and pop up vendors on Saturday.

First a Friday night kick off party is being hosted by Millstream Brewing Co. in Amana on Friday beginning at 5 p.m. with a 7 p.m. performance by the Amana Maipole Dancers.

May 2 – 4 kids admitted free to Amana Heritage Sites: the Museum in Amana, the Communal Kitchen in Middle, the Homestead Church (Saturday only).

There are more kids' activities than ever planned for this Maifest so pick up a festival brochure or check the website for times, places.

In the Festhalle on Saturday the Amana Heritage Society volunteers will be serving up our favorite classic Maifest foods. But look forward to the World on Wheels pop up food fair opening outside the Festhalle starting about 10 a.m. Blame not the Bard performs at 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 and again at 3:30 – 5:30 while the RTD Irish Step Dancers will be dancing at 2:30 – 3:15.

The Maipole dancers schedule is as follows:

- Friday, 7 p.m. Millstream Brewing Co.
- Saturday, 11a.m. Festhalle; 11:45 Amana Heritage Museum; 12:15 Amana General Store; 2 p.m. Festhalle; 2:30 p.m. Amana Meat Shop and 3:15 Brau Haus.
- Sunday at 11 a.m. Amana Meat Shop; 12;30 Amana General Store; 1:15 Amana Visitor Center; 2 p.m. Blumen Haus area. Should it rain, all dances will take place in the Festhalle.

Lakeview Village

Assisted Living Apartments

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

Units Available

Call Tanya Powell for a tour 622-3131

"Experience the Comfort and Security of Retirement Living in the Amanas"

Note-This is an unpublished extra from a few weeks ago. Please do not go to their house and empty the selves

FEATHERS IN THE WIND

I need help! Here comes the problem: I have had one of my "wild hairs" and need serious assistance with cleaning.

It is spring time and, while Charlemagne is trying to decrease the squirrel population by trapping them and taking the critters across the river, I am looking for one or two females who are willing to clean out kitchen cupboards.

I have been forbidden from climbing on stools and lifting too much weight (except what is my body, which is considerable.)

My plan is to get rid of outdated stuff and either disposing of it or, if not outdated, donating it to the food pantry.

Over the years I have acquired the embarrassing habit of buying too much of one product (three bottles of Dawn dishwashing soap is two too many) and the cupboards are stuffed.

I have also decided that it is time to get rid of mismatched plates and start all over.

If all you want to do is to put everything in boxes that is fine, too. Please tell me when you are available, and set your price. 319 622 6381.

B.S.H.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT (ACLUD)
Tentative Agenda of the Meeting
Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
Monday, April 28th, 2025 6:30 p.m. at ACLUD office
4304 220th Trail Amana And via Zoom

I. Call HPC Meeting to Order
II. Set Agenda
III. Review/Approve the March regular meeting minutes:
IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda:
V. Discussion/Action on permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

a. 2025-012 Eric Zuber /408 P St. South Amana/ HP-R/ Replace Front door along with sidelights. Current door is 36" with a centered 75" rough opening. The new door would be the exact same 36" with 75" rough opening. Replace the attic windows with vinyl. The current window is 30X36 (note: Upper part of the 9/6 is used for attic ventilation). Install white aluminum wrap on fascia board and roof overhang.

b. 2025-015 Ryan & Lyndsey McCarty /Middle Amana Granary Barn / HP-A/ Replace wooden windows with new wooden windows. Repair sandstone foundation with reclaimed sandstone. Replace wooden cupola trim with unpainted original cedar wood lap siding. Replace galvanized panels on roof where needed with new galvanized sheeting. Power wash the entire roof and apply a galvanized coat.

c. 2025-019 Jeff Davis /3146 Hwy 6 Trail Homestead/ HP-C/ Rezoning permit: Rezone property from commercial to residential contingent on sale of property. Currently zoned commercial as AJ's Copper.

d. 2025-006 Aaron & Shana Schaefer /5204 C St East Amana/ HP-R/GRANT APPLICATION: Replace existing wood lamp post with new high density polymer post on front (north) side of property. Existing lantern will be reused. Install 2 new high density polymer posts and new brass lanterns on either side of the walkway at the south entrance of the property between the house and the garage. Lamps and post ordered through Amana Service company.

e. 2025-007 Tyler Stockman & Allison Momany /HP-R/ GRANT APPLICATION: Replace
gutters with 6" half-round seamless aluminum with galvanized pattern. Replace
downspouts with 4" seamless aluminum with galvanized pattern.

f. 2025-008 Lisa Lammey /606 13th Ave. High Amana/ HP-R/ GRANT APPLICATION: Replace roof on house with gray asphalt shingles. Install ice/water protection on eves and valleys. Replace all flashings as needed on roof and chimney.

g. 2025-009 Glenn Goetz /5208 C St. East Amana/HP-R/ GRANT APPLICATION: Replace K style gutters and downspouts on both side of garage with galvanized steel half round gutters and round downspouts.

h. 2025-010 Alan Brower /5209 E St. Amana/ HP-R / GRANT APPLICATION: Replace 3 existing windows wood for wood.

VI. Other Business
- Lighting Ordinance
- Provide wordage for trailer ordinance

VII. Administrator's Report (if applicable)
VIII. Adjourn

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Amana Furniture Shop
Part-time - Weekends
Amana Furniture Shop is looking for a friendly, organized, and dependable individual to join our team as a part-time counter staff member. If you enjoy working with people and are passionate about customer service, we'd love to meet you!
Requirements:
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Basic computer skills and ability to operate a POS system
- Previous retail or customer service experience is a plus
- Ability to work independently and in a team
- Must be punctual and reliable

Contact Laura Sue at 319-622-3953 or lswoods@amanas.net.

HELP WANTED

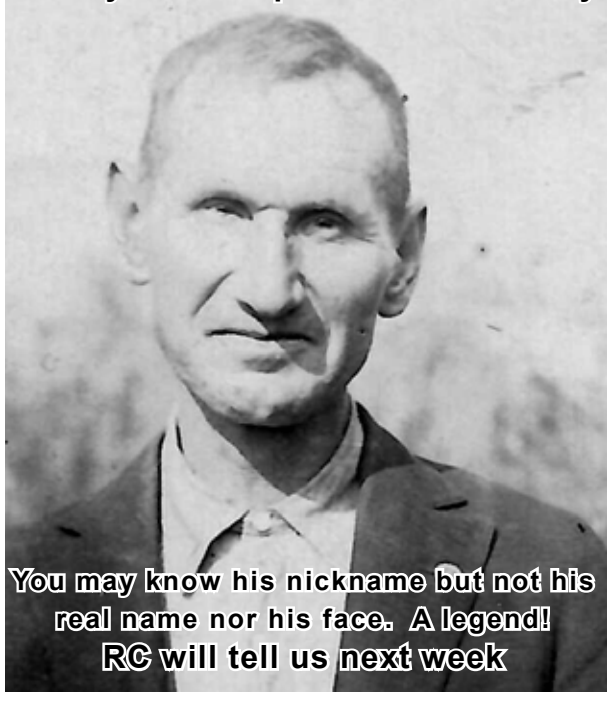
Millstream Brau Haus, Help Wanted: Bussers and Dishwashers, flexible summer hours. Stop by and pick up an application.

Part time Health Care assistant needed in South Amana. Call Larry at 319-540-9351

FOR RENT

West Amana. 1 Bedroom apartment, Stove/Refridge furnished. References, lease required. 319-573-5265

Do you know this man?
A "very famous" person in the Colony



You may know his nickname but not his real name nor his face. A legend!
RC will tell us next week

THANK YOU

Beth, TJ and Amber, and family wish to say THANK YOU to the communities and surrounding areas of Marengo, the Amanas, and Brooklyn.

John and Beth, and 3 young children packed their bags, left Marion, Iowa and moved to Marengo in 1994. We had purchased Hoover-Valentine Funeral Home from Jake and Audrey Valentine. You said "Welcome!" **Thank you.**

We saw those children thrive and graduate from Iowa Valley, head off to college and pursue their dreams. You were here supporting us. **Thank you!**

They graduated from colleges, we purchased Nevenhoven Funeral Home from Harold Nevenhoven. T.J. returned home, joined our business as a new funeral director, and began his career in the community of Brooklyn. You welcomed us to the community, and molded T.J. into a caring and competent director.

Thank you for your support and guidance.

With the passing of our son Jeff, and also John in 2016, we witnessed the personal and profound emotional support of the communities.

God bless you and thank you.

And now, it is with so many emotions, that we will pass the responsibility on to new caretakers. Bowen and Katelin Yoder with Powell Funeral Homes will be operating Kloster Funeral Home in Marengo.

The staff at Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell will operate the Brooklyn location. We wish them much success, and urge you say "Welcome! and surround them with the warmth you have shown us over the years.

There are no words that convey the respect and love that we have for you as residents of these strong communities. We will always consider this beautiful area and these warm communities our home and our friends where ever we may roam.

We humbly thank you all…
Beth Kloster, and T.J. & Amber
Kloster and family

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FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

Join us in Bible reading, prayer, fasting, & worship. Our New Testament Bible Reading Marathon & our National Day of Prayer events are being held this coming week, April 27 - May 1. All ages are welcome to attend at any hours convenient for you.

"...turn ye even to Me with all your heart, & with fasting, & with mourning: & rend your heart, & not your garments, & turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious & merciful, slow to anger, & of great kindness & repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return & repent, & leave a blessing behind Him; … Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, & those that suck the breasts; …" (Joel 2:12-16)

New Testament Bible Reading Marathon: Please join us in reading through the entire New Testament, from beginning to end: Sunday, April 27, 2-6pm Monday-Wednesday, April 28-30, 8am-6pm at Colonial Manor Nursing Home outdoors on the north lawn. (Facing the front of the building, far right end of the building). Please bring a chair or blanket if you are able. Some chairs will be available. We will read from the King James Bible, available on site, or you may bring your own King James Bible.

National Day of Prayer May 1st. Please join us as we read & pray Scripture & worship the Lord together. May 1, 7:30am-9pm, with scheduled topics & times of prayer and worship throughout the day.
Location: Amana Performing Arts Center, Testimonies & Prayer for Healing from 8:45am to 10:am+

We are encouraging people to try fasting for part or all of the day, seeking God in earnest. No food will be served, but you may bring your own if you would like.

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Romans 15:13

Submitted by Alan and Joyce Brower- East Amana