Amana Society Bulletin

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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Ascension Day / Pentecost Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, May 24, 2026 starting 8:30 A.M. with Br. Tony Berger presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Was kann Ich doch für Dank" No. 1033 vs 1-4 Seite 1013

Testimony: Christian Metz, November 1, 1846

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
Psalm 102:11-18

Closing Hymn: "Was kann Ich doch für Dank" No. 1033 vs 5-8 Seite 1014

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

Opening Hymn: "The Head that one was crowned with thorns" No. 280

Closing Hymn: "Holy Ghost, with light divine" No. 282

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.

The live link for the 10:00 A.M. service is: https://www.facebook.com/theamanachurch

Links to services posted online may be found at: *https://amanachurch.com/category/podcast/*

MIDDLE SANITARY MEETING NOTICE

Middle Amana Sanitary District, 3002 K Street, Middle Amana (Adjacent to Whirlpool Entrance) Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Agenda: Regular Business Meeting

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CALLING ALL GARDENERS!
Brushes and Blooms June 25-28
Show us your green thumb!

Whether your outdoor space is traditional Amana, filled with heirlooms, overflowing with vegetables, bursting with flowers or joyfully chaotic, Brushes and Blooms invites you to share its beauty.

This year, the Amana Arts Guild is bringing together Plein Air Fresh Paint and Colonies in Bloom for a 4-day combined celebration of art, nature and community. On Saturday, June 27, from 10 am to 3 pm, local residents are invited to open their outdoor spaces for visitors to enjoy.

As part of this special event, participating locations may request to be paired with a plein air artist who will create an original work inspired by the setting. This opportunity is made possible through a grant received by the Amana Arts Guild. Awards for the artwork will be presented at the final reception, where all the work created throughout the four-day event will be showcased.

There is no cost for residents to share their outdoor spaces and the public may enjoy the featured gardens free of charge.

So as you spread mulch, plant flowers, trim hedges and tend to your beautiful spaces that make the Amanas unique, we hope you'll also spread the word about this opportunity.

To share your outdoor space on June 27 as part of Bruches and Blooms, or to be considered for an artist pairing, please register at amanaartsguild.org.

LIBRARY NEWS
Amana Library Hours
Fri., May 22 & Fri., May 29- Noon-6pm
Mon., May 25 & Wed. May 27 - CLOSED

The Amana Library added the following new books to their collection. Stop by to check them out!

You With the Sad Eyes by Christina Applegate
Heir Apparent by Rebecca Armitage
Hope Rises by David Baldacci
Bloodlust by Sandra Brown
Heir of Whitestone by Catherine Coulter
First Time I Saw him by Laura Dave
My Husband's Wife by Alice Feeney
Lady Tremaine by Rachel Hochhauser
Woman Down by Colleen Hoover
It's Not Her by Mary Kubica
Dear Debbie by Freida McFadden
Purple State by Dana Perino
Last Letter by Rebecca Yarros
James Patterson Books: Invisible Woman, Cross and Sampson, Judge Stone, NYPD8

AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Memorial Day Services in Amana Cemeteries

Monday, May 25, the annual Memorial Day prayer service will be held in each Amana village cemetery starting at 9:30 a.m. Conducted by the Amana Church. Everyone is welcome.

Hot Summer Meals Program at CCA

The Clear Creek Amana School District will be providing free meals to all children, ages 18 years and under, this summer at two sites. Pick-up meals kits may be picked up at the "Sun Meal to Go" site.

The program starts June 8 and continues through August 7. There will be no meal service on Friday, July 3.

Hot meals will be served for breakfast and for lunch at two locations:

- At East Ridge Elementary School at 2950 Crossing Ridge, Coralville. Monday - Friday, Breakfast served 8:15 - 9 a.m. and lunch 11:30 - 12:30 Kids may stop by and eat.
- At Western Hills Community Center, 2701, 2nd Street, Coralville. Monday - Friday, Breakfast is served 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. (not time difference from above) and lunch from 11:30 - 12:15. Kids may stop by and eat.
- Sun Meals to Go Site. You may pick up grab-and-go meal kits for children. Meal kit pickup is Monday and Wednesday. A parent and/ or guardian must pick up the meal kits at Parkview Mobile Home Park, 1813 Lower Old Highway 6 Road, NW, Oxford. Pick up time is 11:30 – 12 p.m. Monday and Wednesday only.

This is a program supported by the US Department of Agriculture.

This Saturday at Amana Performing Arts Center

Saturday May 23 our favorite band - FunkDaddies – will return to the Amana Performing Arts Center for the first big party of the summer.

Hosted by TKM Theatrical Productions this free admission (yes, donations are welcome) concert / dance party is so much fun and the best way to kick off the Summer of 26. These super talented kings of rhythm and blues, funk and soul, are absolutely outstanding; playing all the best Motown hits. This is horn-driven, R and B dance music with an original, soulful style. Think Chicago, think Earth, Wind and Fire, think Stevie Wonder, Bruno Mars, The Commodores and Prince. Do not miss the chance to dance under the stars with your friends at this free concert. Oh yes, you can make a donation to support this event.

Yes, there will be food and drink with Smoke'n Z BQ and Born to Fry plus ice cold sodas, beer and other beverages. In the back yard courtyard at the Amana Performing Arts Center, Amana, as the sun sets. 6 till 9 p.m.

CCA Senior Awards Class of 2026

The Clear Creek Amana School District was pleased to announce awards and scholarships given to the members of the CCA Class of 2026 at the awards ceremony at the CCA High School last week.

The list is quite long and very encouraging as over 90 students received awards for academic achievement and many thousands of dollars of scholarships have been earned by our CCA graduates. We've recapped highlights here for the benefit of our Amana Bulletin readers. Congratulations to all CCA Class of 2026 Graduates.

- CCA Class Valedictorian: Rachel Mundt.
- CCA Class Salutatorian: Jayce Norpel.
- The Amana Society 2026 Scholarship recipients were: Kendyl Malli, Amana; Tali Robbins, Amana and Raelene Hawkins, Ladora.
- The Glenn and Mary Wendler Scholarship for engineering was awarded to Elizabeth Timmerman, CCA Class 2026, who will be studying engineering at Iowa State University.

Other 90 students received awards and scholarships at the awards ceremony. Here is an abbreviated recap. For the full list please go to the CCA School District website.

- Carson Bromwell: National Honor Society, Hillsdale College Athletic Scholarship, Hillsdale College, Academic Scholarship, Pacha Family Scholarship, CCA and David Braverman Scholarships.

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- Mackenzie Burnett: Silver Cord, University of Northern Iowa Academic Achievement Scholarships and UNI Inspire Award. National Honor Society, Daryle and Carol Neiterhisar and the Mac O Briant Memorial Scholarships.
- Rylie Coleman: First Generation Hawkeye University of Iowa Scholarship, Pacha Family and Knights of Columbus scholarships.
- Gwen Dao: National Honor Society, Des Moines Register Academic All State, CCA Foundation Scholarship.
- Odin Hankins: National Honor Society, University of Iowa - Iowa Scholar's Scholarship. CCA Foundation Scholarship. Congressional Nomination to the USA Air Force Academy from Senators Grassley and Ernst, Rep. Miller-Meeks.
- David Kapperich: National Honor Society, Heritage Scholarship, Buena Vista University.
- Wyatt Key: Des Moines Area CC Athletic Scholarship.
- Kendyl Malli: National Honor Society, Academic Excellence recipient; ASI Scholarship, Knights of Columbus Senior Scholarship, CCA Sports Boosters Academic Excellence scholarship.
- Teegan Michael: National Honor Society, Silver Cover, Dean's Scholar Northwest Missouri State University.
- McKenna Morin: National Honor Society, Senior Science Award, Shirley R. Medinger Scholarship, ISU, College of Health and Human Sciences.
- Rachel Mundt: National Honor Society, Sr. Math Award, Sr. Science Award, Iowa Governor's Scholar, CCA Night of the Stars Award and CCA Foundation Scholarship.
- Jayce Norpel, National, Honor Society Governor of Iowa Scholar, American Legion Post 537 and Sons of the AL Posts 537 Scholarships, Nan Seelman Scholarship, Czarnecki Endowed Chemistry Scholarship, UNI; Outstanding Jazz Pianist soloist, SEIBA, AP English Award.
- Julieta Ortiz: National Honor Society, Morlan Scholarship from the Iowa Newspaper Association; Nan Seelman Scholarship; Rotary Club of Coralville Interact Club Scholarship; AP English Award, Mark Westerbeck Memorial Scholarship for the School of Journalism, University of Iowa, Bill Mertens Memorial Daily Iowan Scholarship, University of Iowa.
- Syndey Pfeiffer: National Honor Society, Jesse W. Fell Scholarship Illinois State University, FFA Cord of Excellence, America Bar Association Award, Sr. Science Award, Knights of Columbus and CCA Booster scholarships.
- Makayla Ratliff: National Honor Society, Silver Cord, Level 2 Columns Award, University of Missouri, Columbus.
- Sariah Sherman: National Honor Society, Sr. Science Award, CCA Foundation and Pacha Family Scholarships, Leaders for Tomorrow Kirkwood Community College scholarship.
- Elizabeth Timmerman: National Honor Society, Glenn and Mary Wendler Engineering Scholarship, Clipper Excellent Award, Svatos Engineering Endowed Scholarship CCA Booster Club and Foundation Scholarships.
- Jackson Van Horn: CCA Booster Club scholarship, Cross Country / Track scholarship, Des Moines AACC.
- Brenna Williams: National Honor Society, River Products Co. Scholarship, Hills Bank Youth Salute, Rob Chabel Memorial Scholarship, Canopy Lodge Oxford, Sr. Science Award.

For Rent; The Homestead Welfare Club

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COMING SOON! MOVIES IN AMANA!

Introducing "The Magic Lantern" Picture Show! The Magic Lantern is an independently owned company that will be offering movie nights in Amana throughout the Summer of 2026! Fun, family-friendly classic films for all to enjoy!

We will be showing a different movie every Wednesday Night, all summer long!

PREVIEW NIGHT MOVIE premiers on May 27th @ 7pm, at the Amana Performing Arts Center in Amana. Doors open at 6:30pm. This is a PUBLIC EVENT! Bring your friends! Concessions will be available! NO NEED TO BUY A TICKET! Entry is a suggested donation of only $5!

Find us on Facebook or Instagram and follow for updates! Each week, I will be giving out a CLUE to the next upcoming movie. Often I'll use a quote from the movie, or a clever description that gives you some hints.

The CLUE for May 27th's screening is: "It's pronounced FRONKENSTEEN!"

Moving forward, each summer movie block will also have a theme, and this summer's theme is: "REMEMBER THE 80's??" All of your favorite hit movies from the 1980's, from June 3rd through August 26th! Come on out every Wednesday night and enjoy the fun! Plus, it will be a great way to beat the summer heat!

FOR SALE

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When we've been hurt, we can tend to build walls around our hearts to protect ourselves from further pain. Gain insights as to how we can see hope, receive healing & learn to love through our pain, in Jentezen Franklin's videos & book "Love Like You've Never Been Hurt." Our study group will meet during the summer on Sundays, 5:30-7:30pm, beginning June 7 in Amana. Contact Alan & Joyce at 571-225-7554 for more details &/or to register.

MEMORIAL SERVICE NOTIFICATION

Eugene "Gene" Lee Marz, 70, of Kearney, passed away on April 23, 2026. A graveside memorial service for Gene will be held at the Homestead, Iowa, Cemetery on May 23, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Crane River Theater (Kearney, NE), American Cancer Society, your local arts community or animal rescue organization. Condolences are available online at, roperandsons.com

2026 WURST FESTIVAL

The 2026 Wurst Festival kicks off Friday, June 19, at 5:00 PM at the Market Barn in the heart of Amana. Grab a brat and a beer while enjoying live entertainment at this free kickoff party. British-style brass bands will perform throughout the evening from 6:00–8:30 PM.

The official festival takes place Saturday, June 20, beginning at 1:00 PM. Admission is just $7, and children 12 and under are free.

Festivalgoers can choose from a wide variety of food vendors throughout the Market Barn on Saturday, including Amana Meat Shop & Smokehouse, StoneRidge Wholesale, CharBoom's Craft BBQ, Amos Dean's, Wild West Dogs, and Totally Rolled Ice Cream. Guests can relax under shaded tents while enjoying cold drinks and delicious sausage specialties.

For a complete festival schedule and additional special events happening throughout the Amana Colonies, visit amanacolonies.com.

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RAVENWOLF PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS:
Local Representative, June 12th, 7-9pm

Local Representative is a punky blues fusion band from Oshkosh, Wisconsin with a sarcastic sense of humor accentuated by their suits and schticks.

Frontman Marcus honed his songwriting paying tribute to Bob Dylan, and his piano skills studying Ben Folds and Prokofiev. Utilizing synth patches and drums, Local Representative found their sound by mixing classic blues style songwriting and riffs with electronic grooves and noisy breaks. Jazz trumpet fills out the sound, trading solos and riffs with electric bass and guitar. Songs range topically from political satire to old fashioned blues.

Shanna in a Dress, June 18th, 7-9pm

Shanna in a Dress is your quirky best friend who refuses to wear pants. She says what everyone has felt but no one else will say and you'll get an uncensored journey of clever humor and heartbreak, extreme candor, and a hefty side of entertainment at her shows. This witty wordsmith is known for taking you on an emotional roller coaster, sometimes within the same song. Think John Prine mixed with Ingrid Michaelson with a twist of Phoebe Buffay from Friends all wrapped up in a sweet voice accented by guitar, piano, and ukulele. She's as real as it gets, as anyone who follows her on FB or Instagram knows.

From Williamsburg town square, head west on Welsh St, which turns into 240th. Ravenwolf Productions is just outside of town, on the north side of the road. It's the first farm house with a large, red barn. You can spot us with the banners and A-frame signs in front.

Bring bag chairs and refreshments of your choice, and sunscreen/bug spray are always a good idea.

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