AMANA CHURCH NEWS
The early German (English) Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, February 23, 2014, starting at 8:30 AM with Brother Peter Hoehnle preaching. O Denkzumel Hymn: “O Durchbrecher aller Bände” No. 765 Seite 755 Testimony: Johann Adam Gruber, Himbach, Germany, February 14, 1715 Scripture: John 1: 1-13 Psalm 141 Closing Hymn: “Jesus ein Schaf und Schäfer ist” No. 545, Seite 541

ANNUAL WOMEN’S RETREAT IS FEB 22 AT AMANA CHURCH
It’s time for a mid-winter treat! Join us at the annual Amana Church Women’s Retreat themed, “Cafe Chocolate” delighting in God's grace - with a bit of chocolate sprinkled on top. While we will use chocolate as a metaphor for God’s grace and relax together enjoying a refreshing day of laughter and reflection, we’ll focus on experiencing God’s grace and sharing it with others. Breakfast and registration begin at 8:30 on Saturday, February 22 at the Amana Church in Amana. We’ll have a morning of worship, fellowship and study, followed by a fabulous lunch. The afternoon will bring a service opportunity, more worship, fellowship and prayer.
Your $15 registration fee includes all retreat materials, “Cafe Chocolate” Delight, with a bit of chocolate sprinkled on top. To register email, Elly Hoehnle at amanaprintshop@southslope.net or call Anne Freshour @ 622-3781.

CONGREGATIONAL MEALS: Come join us at the Amana Church on Mon. Days open at 11:00 and lunch is served at 11:30. Our menus are:
Feb. 24: Cook’s Choice.
To make a reservation or if you have any questions contact Anne Freshour @ 622-3781.

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Notice Date: 2/10/2014
The Iowa Department of Natural Resources is proposing to approve an application for re-issuance of an NPDES permit (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permit for the discharges described below:

DISCHARGER NAME AND ADDRESS:
HOMESTEAD SANITARY DISTRICT
4138 V STREET HOMESTEAD, IOWA 52236

RECEIVING STREAM: UNNAMED CREEK
Section: 3 County: Iowa

DESCRIPTION OF DISCHARGES
001 CONTINUOUS DISCHARGE FROM A TWO CELL LAGGON.

RECEIVING STREAM: UNNAMED CREEK
Stabilized sludge is applied to local land according to state regulations.

AMANA CHURCH’S 300TH ANNIVERSARY MARCH EVENTS
The Amana Church’s 300th anniversary year continues with the second lecture in the Amana 300 Lecture Series, a scarf making workshop and an “Amana classic” cooking workshop during the month of March.
Here’s the March schedule of Amana 300 events. All are open to the public and all take place at the Amana Church.
Saturday March 1, Scarf-Making Workshop 1 to 4 p.m. at the Amana Church. Learn how to make a fun “curly scarf” with Julie Rife and Barbara Hoehnle. Materials are required. Please register in advance so that we can give you a materials list or have enough materials for all (materials fee $7). Contact Elly Hoehnle at amanaprintshop@southslope.net or via email at barbarahoehnle@southslope.net.

Sunday, March 9, Amana 300 Lecture Series: “From Himbach to Here” 3 p.m. at the Amana Church with historians Peter Hoehnle and Janet Zuber. A discussion of the Inspirationalist community, its leaders and membership and those forces that led the community to congregate in one area in Germany and begin the work throughout the New World. Discussion of various questions including “Why did they live communally?”

Tuesday, March 18 Amana 300 Lecture Series: “From Himbach to Here” 3 p.m. at the Amana Church with historian Peter Hoehnle. Discussion above repeats at 7 p.m. at the Amana Church in Amana.

Saturday, March 30, Learn to Make an Old Fashioned Pie Crust, 1 p.m. at the Amana Church in Amana. A hands-on workshop to master the art of pie crust making. Space is limited. You must register to attend. To sign up please contact Elly Hoehnle at colemath@southslope.net.

IMPORTANT PUBLIC SAFETY NOTICE
The fire department asks local residents to please dig out your hydrants. It is critical for residents having hydrants covered with snow in your vicinity to facilitate a timely effort in extinguishing any fires. Every second counts. Thank you.

AMANA NEWS & NOTES
This Good Deed Deserves a Hand
Books for Kids at Pine Ridge
When Cheryl Hanson-Rieskamp heard that they were selling children’s books at the University of Iowa Surplus, she thought of the children at Pine Ridge.
Cheryl and her husband, Gerald, were part of an Amana Church mission trip to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota last summer. The reservation is one of the very poorest regions in North America. According to data compiled by the US government, 97% of the population of Pine Ridge live below the poverty line. Amana Church members partnered with Re-Member, a nonprofit group that supports the Pine Ridge community by hosting out of state volunteers and organizing projects for these volunteers to undertake.
Last summer the Amana Church group helped build latrines, fix doors and siding, build bunk beds and more during a weeklong stay in South Dakota. Perhaps more importantly, they told the children in the tribe, heard their stories and saw how hard they are working to relieve poverty on the reservation.
Since then the Amana Church Guild has sent them additional clothing and clothing to the reservation to help those in need.

When Hanson-Rieskamp saw boxes of used children’s books at the University of Iowa Surplus she thought of Pine Ridge and the children there. “No running water, no money for gas or electricity, very little food, use of candles for light to save money, many children not being used every day…. Very little hope. When we meet with them, they respond, “They are so remote and there are just no jobs. . .for some of these children they have no family at all. All that they have are books in their hands, might give them hope.”
She went on to explain that there is no public library, little money for a book mobile and for many children living at Pine Ridge there is no access to books.

So Hanson-Rieskamp contacted Michelle May director of the Oglala Lakota College Academic/ Public Library. May developed the “build your own library” program putting new and used books into the hands of Pine Ridge children. She has partnered with Scholastic books and schools in Iowa and has distributed nearly 10,000 books. “If you can receive Hanson-Rieskamp’s phone call and gladly accepted the books. The books, including history, science and biographies texts for elementary, middle school and high school age readers, as well as children’s fiction and poetry, were left over after the university book sales. Many books were sold at the U of I Surplus, but four large pallets of books were left and Hanson-Rieskamp convinced the U of I to donate those books. Getting the books to Amana and to Pine Ridge has been somewhat of a struggle. Books are heavy and bulky. Four pallets amounts to about four pick-up loads of books. The U of I donated the books and staff boxed up, wrapped the books, wrapped them in shrink-wrap and loaded the boxes onto pallets. Dr. Tom and Betsy Momany rented a truck, picked up the books and delivered them to the Amana Furniture Shop where manager Bruce Trumpold had kindly offered warehouse space for storage.
The plan is to deliver the books this spring hence storage was important.

The Amana Furniture Shop has experience shipping furniture, is researching how much it would cost to send the books by freight line to the Pine Ridge reservation which is located southeast of the Black Hills. Should that prove too expensive, the Rieskamps will rent a U-Haul truck and drive the books to Pine Ridge over Easter weekend. Fortunately, when Hanson-Rieskamp called the manager to the Iowa City-Coralville rental truck company, he committed to donating half the price of the rental. That amounts to over $400 for
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the rental, plus the cost of gas and gas will expen-
sively. In fact, it will cost you between $800 - $1,000 to get the books to Pine Ridge. The Rieskamps were planning on putting up the money themselves, but friends thought they could help raise some money to defray the cost of the shipping or the delivery trip. So they are asking for donations.

“Everyone has pitched in, now is the last leg of the journey to Pine Ridge. This has been a team effort, we are so blessed to live in a community with compassion and a generous spirit,” Rieskamp said.

Your help is needed. If you would like to help send these books to the children of Pine Ridge you, may drop off or send a check (make payable to the Amana Church) to please note for the Pine Ridge book delivery” in the memo line or on a note accompanying the check.) to the Amana Church, PO Box 103, Middle, Iowa, 52207.

The books that have been collected the re-
mainder will be donated to Re-Member for pov-
erty relief when the Amana Church sends a sec-
ond mission team to the Pine Ridge Reservation in June.

Recipe for Delicious Fun

OCTC Dinner Theatre at CR Clarion Inn

The Amana Bulletin invited an Amana resi-
dent and her husband to attend the opening-night production of the "Frankly Scarlett You’re Dead." Here’s her review.

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We are anxious to hear from you again, and... It would be very desirable, and would save considerable traveling expenses, if we could stay here. It would also eliminate many dangers and adversities as we are adjacently on the lakes and also on the rivers. A few days before we arrived, a steamboat burned not far from here on Lake Erie. A container of turpentine caught fire and several people lost their lives, but the majority was saved. There is also an item in a recent issue of the local newspaper that a steamboat caught fire on the way between New Orleans and St. Louis on November 24th. On this boat were 500 Germans. The boat was stranded on the sand of an island. The entire crew was saved, but the ship with everything was lost. As I have been wondering whether this might have been the Werningsea group because they intended to go to that region, and if they really left there it would have been about that time because there were so many. So far, we could not get any definite information.

Something remarkable happened these days which aroused much interest in this vicinity because a sister of the party lives here and they belong to a well recognized family. He was the son of the Secretary of War, by the name of Spencer, and was a cadet on a cannon war ship which cruised along the African coast against pirates. He, and other two cadets and many of the ship's crew, conspired against the captain, intending to kill him and the other officers and also those who did not join them and convert the vessel into a pirate ship to prey upon steamers between England and America. The captain was arrested, and it seems there was something wrong amongst his crew, and through confession of one of the conspirators he found out about the plan. He immediately took proper measures and the leaders on board were taken on board. The secretary of War had asked for only ten minutes time to write a letter to his father, but his request was denied.

We are anxious to hear from you again, and hope for the next steamship. We have not yet been able to make arrangements to send our letters by steamer. By way of England the rate is supposed to be rather high. Even here the postage is not cheap. A plain letter to New York costs 2 shillings. A steamer to New York costs about 2 shillings and 6 pence. A plain letter to New York costs 2 shillings. A steamer to New York costs about 2 shillings and 6 pence.
FEATHERS IN THE WIND
It’s called “Schund” according the Queen of East Amana. We all have it...you know those little items that you have around the house that looked good in the store, but now you really have no idea what do with. My “Schund” is located primarily in crafts. It depends upon what decade of my life you are interested in to really know what I was collecting. My family can easily date this things way. There was that phase where I would do needlework which had been preceded with my macrame phase. Then, for a rather long period of time I was doing cross-stitch as if my life depended on it.

Now I back to my wool phase which includes my “lusting” after yet ANOTHER spinning wheel because I just happen to have a few sacks of wool that should be spun into yarn which I can add to my already overflowing mass of yarn. Charlemagne knows how to avoid needlework or craft stores rather well. He keeps telling me that they have gone out of business or are closed for the season. Ironically, last year, one of my favorite yarn shops did go out of business, but I was there to buy any yarn that was being marked down.

The way Charlemagne figures it...if I knit or crochet all the yarn I have we will not have to turn on the heat this year because we can just layer one over another and we are warm. I do have a “little” problem with wool, but I think I have overcome it enough to seriously talk to my husband about sheep raising in the back yard. I would prefer a mohair goat, but at the price they are asking I don’t think I would get it.

The trouble is that I have friends who help me out by giving me dog hair (yes, you can spin it) and suggesting that buffalo wool is wonderful. The possibilities are endless especially if you go to the Internet and look up patterns for things to knit or crochet knowing full well that someday, somehow, I will have to sneak out of the house to get that special yarn or another size of needles. I suppose they have a Crafters Anonymous support group for people like me, but I am not interested in joining.

The one thought that has crossed my mind is if I die before I get rid of some of this stuff what will happen? Well, no one can ever say I am not resourceful...I have enlisted a few of my craft addicts to come to my hiding places while the funeral is going on and eliminating my stash of craft items before the mourners return.

Oh, let’s be serious, when I die those who have outlived me will probably give anyone attending the viewing some craft item they can take with them. I just wonder what will do with the sheep and possibly the buffalo!

B.H.

YOUTH FOOTBALL
The Clear Creek Amana Youth Football Program is holding registrations for incoming 5th and 6th grade students for the 2014 - 2015 school year on Monday, February 17, 2014 at Mercy Medical Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Funeral Service: 7 P.M. Thursday, February 20, 2014, Meadow Hill Christian Fellowship Church, Homestead, Iowa, with Rev. Diane Buswell officiating. Visitation: 4 to 7 P.M. Thursday at the church prior to the service. Burial: 1:00 P.M. Friday, February 21, 2014, Brooks Cemetery, Brooks, Iowa. A memorial fund has been established. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his wife, Jean; two sons, Randy Parvin (Kendi) of Monona, WI, and Kevin Parvin (Kristi) of Homestead; four grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter. Also surviving are a brother Edward Parvin (Rita) of Muscatine; and two sisters, Karen Von Lienen (Ron) of Marengo and Susie Japilue (Duanne) of Peyton, CO. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Fundamentals of football will be taught. This is full contact with pads and helmets. All equipment will be furnished except shoes. Cost for the program is $150.00, which will include a jamboree practice (practices start mid-August and last until the final game in October - there will be four practices the first couple of weeks and three practices thereafter until the season is complete), six games on Sundays - starting in mid-September and running through October.

Registrations forms will be available that night and your student will be weighed and measured for uniforms after the informational meeting. We encourage all students to participate, so if the fee is a problem, scholarships are available. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help coach, please contact Coach Coordinator Jim Sealman at 319-626-6155 evenings or e-mail jsealman@ccmbo.com.

This is not a school sponsored program.

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Rosalie “Lee” Roth, age 70, a resident of Colorado Springs, Colorado, passed away on February 9, 2014. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend.

Rosalie was born on January 5, 1944 in Cedar Rapids to Ludwig and Lina Unglenk of Amana. She graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor of Science in Textiles and Clothing in 1966. She was formerly married to Robert Licko on August 28, 1965 in Cedar Rapids.

She is survived by her two children: Cynthia (husband Hans) Hooper of Superior, Colorado; and Stephen (wife-Jennifer) Licko of Horseshall, Pennsylvania; her grandchildren: Corbin, Liam and Zachary Hopp; and Tyler and Shane Licko; her brother: Carl Unglenk of Amana, Iowa; and two nephews, Richard and Andrew Bell, and their children. She is also survived by her best friend and business partner Jan Kifor of Colorado Springs and Jan’s two children and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Marcella Unglenk Bell; and brother-in-law Dr. James Bell of Towsan, Maryland.

Lee was an artist and musician. She was a director at Arati Gallery in Old Colorado City, and manager of Wall-Paper’s to Go store. In 1995 she founded Lee Roth Designs, Incorporated, an award-winning interior design company serving the Colorado Springs area. She was known for her warm and gentle guidance and charm, her delightful laugh, and her doting attention to her five grandchildren.

Celebration of Life were held on Sunday, February 16, 2014 at the Peak View Conference Center at the Garden of the Gods Trading Post.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to any Colorado Springs organization assisting wildfire firefighters.