



# GMCCI FALL 2018 CONVENTION

## CHRISTMAS IN SEPTEMBER

September 21-27 | Amana, Iowa

### Tours



#### Dennis Albaugh's Private Collection Tour

The collection located in Ankeny, Iowa includes every Chevrolet Convertible built between 1913- 1975, two Corvettes of each year between 1953-1990, rare sedans and hardtops, Texaco gas station, etc. plus the GMC Futureliner!

Dennis purchased the Futureliner #3 which underwent a 19-month restoration in 2013-14 intended to be the most complete and period-correct restoration of all that have been attempted so far on the Velocity Channel show Bitchin' Rides.

Learn more about the man, the corporation, the collection, and the tour on Thursday, Sept. 20 at [gmcci.com/2018f-conv-info/](http://gmcci.com/2018f-conv-info/)



### "Baby, It's Cold Outside"

The Ladies of GMCCI invite you attend the "Baby, It's Cold Outside" Ladies Social on Monday at noon. A short program, lunch, fun, and socializing is planned. No need to wear mittens and scarves, but we are planning on "giving the gift of warmth". We ask that you bring a pair of mittens or gloves to decorate the mitten tree at the luncheon, which will be donated to a local charity.

#### Kinze Manufacturing Tour

Kinze, founded in 1965, is a family owned and operated global manufacturer of planters, grain carts, and high-speed tillage equipment.

On Wednesday, September 26, we will be car pooling for the 20 mile ride to the factory.

Tour will include the Innovation Center with many items on display including "Big Blue" – Kinze-built, twin-engine 640 horsepower tractor, first Kinze Grain Cart, tractors, replica of the original Kinze Welding Shop in Ladora, Iowa, and so much more!

Read more about Kinze at: [kinze.com/about/kinze-innovation-center](http://kinze.com/about/kinze-innovation-center)

*Reservations are required for BOTH tours on a first-come, first-served basis. Make them via the Convention registration form on page 26.*

### Convention Highlights

- 15-21 hours of tech sessions
- 12-19 hours of non-technical sessions
- Six nights of camping, Fri. through Wed. night
- Come early for Wednesday and Thursday
- Three ice cream socials
- Two catered dinners
- Two lunches
- Hot waffles daily and an omelet breakfast
- Daily Coffee Hour and Book Exchange
- Vendors, Vendors, Vendors!
- GMC Parts Exchange, Craft & Flea Market
- Open House
- Ladies Social
- The "She Shed"
- Bingo (free card and prizes)
- Participate in the Sunday Worship Service choir
- Pineblock Derby – don't forget your racer!
- Two Tours

**PLUS....The popular raffle for \$1,000 in cash, free convention fee for two, plus many more items!**



**DAILY DOOR PRIZES**



THE 7 VILLAGES OF THE

# AMANA COLONIES

## The Handcrafted Escape

The Amana Colonies are a collection of seven villages in Eastern Iowa, founded by German settlers 150 years ago. The people in these villages actively maintain many of the cultural traditions of their ancestors. There are seven Villages: Amana (also called Main Amana and the largest village), East Amana, Homestead, Middle Amana, High Amana, West Amana, and South Amana.

The Amana Colonies are about 25 miles northwest of Iowa City, 20 miles southwest of Cedar Rapids, 100 miles East of Des Moines and 250 miles west of Chicago.

### A National Historic Landmark

Five museums capture communal living in the Amana Colonies prior to 1932. Each of the villages feature hundreds of historic buildings dating back to the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Each of the small villages is a couple of miles away from the next. The Colonies were modeled after German farming villages, so they generally have a single main street with smaller residential streets branching off from the main

street, and most shops are on the main street or very close to it.

- Over 50 unique shops in the Colonies
- Iowa's only Woolen Mill
- Free tour of the Amana Furniture Shop
- Sample delicious smoked specialties at the Amana Meat Shop & Smokehouse
- Amana Furniture and Clock Shop
- Mill Stream Brewing Company
- Eight wineries
- Iowa's Largest Walnut Rocker
- Famous restaurants serving authentic German or American cuisine

### Timeless Antiques

The Amana Colonies are a collector's paradise. With over a dozen unique stores to visit. Many of the galleries contain goods from numerous dealers all under one roof. In addition to antiques you will find a wide array of repurposed goods.

For more information go to: [amanacolonies.com](http://amanacolonies.com).



### Convention Checklist:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Items for Parts Exchange, Craft & Flea Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Books, books-on-tape, DVD's and VCR tapes for the Book Exchange |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ugly Holiday Sweater                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Fleece for blankets & craft projects                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies...pair of mittens for the Mitten Tree  | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday decorations for your campsite                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skip Newhouse Food Drive items                | <input type="checkbox"/> Bring musical instrument for jamming                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email Kim about conducting a session          | <input type="checkbox"/> Bring your Pineblock Derby Racer                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Books for the Book Review                     |  |

## The Ammenities

### >> Amana RV Park & Event Center

Located just fifteen minutes north of I-80. The physical address is 3890 C St., Amana, IA 52203 and the mailing address is P.O. Box 345, Amana, IA 52203. Latitude: 41.814168 and longitude: -91.877368.

### >> Ammenities

- Beautiful buildings and grounds.
- All sites have full hookups with 50 amp electric. Additional sites with water and electric only.
- Level sites measure 30' wide by 75' long.
- Basic wireless internet is available free throughout the park. Premium service for streaming videos and heavy usage is only \$9.95 for the week.
- Comfort station with restrooms, showers and laundry.
- Dump station available.

### >> Nearby

- Only two miles from the Amana Colonies Golf Course
- Adjacent to the historic Amana Lily Lake and the Kolonieweg Recreation Trail, a five mile paved trail, ideal for walking, or biking
- Just four miles from the Amana Nature Trail

### >> Vendor Area

The facility offers a limited indoor vendor area (outside vendor area will also be available). Vendors please indicate on registration form if you wish to be inside or outside. Thank you.



### Request for Tech Presenters

What is that one thing that you may wish to share? Here is your opportunity! The Mini-Tech Sessions consist of 15-20 minute tech/informational sessions that feature on thing that the presenter wishes to share. Need more time than 15-20 minutes, not a problem. We have a couple of session openings left. Contact Kim for more information.

## UP-TO-DATE Information

Watch [gmcmi.com](http://gmcmi.com) for additional information and final schedule. Attendees will receive a confirmation email and email when final schedule is posted.

# the schedule TENTATIVE THAT IS...

### WED. | SEPTEMBER 19 | PRE-CONVENTION

1:00 pm Early Arrival & Registration

### THURS. | SEPTEMBER 20 | PRE-CONVENTION

7:30 am Morning Coffee and Donuts  
9:00 am Early Arrival & Registration  
11:00 am Dennis Albaugh Collection Tour in Ankeny, Iowa  
7:30 pm Ice Cream Social  
8:00 pm Bingo (free cards, prizes awarded)

### FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 21

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts & Waffles  
9:00 am GMCMI Arrival & Registration  
1:00 pm Choir Practice for Sunday Worship Service  
4:15 pm First-Timers Meeting – All Members Welcome  
5:15 pm Welcome Meeting  
6:30 pm “Ugly Holiday Sweater Party” – catered meal

### SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 22

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit  
7:30 am Book Exchange  
8:30 am Announcements/Daily Drawings  
9:00 am Morning Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
1:30 pm Afternoon Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
6:00 pm GMC Great Lakers Get-together  
7:30 pm Ice Cream Social

### SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 23

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit  
7:30 am Omelets-to-Order  
7:30 am Book Exchange  
8:30 am Announcements/Daily Drawings  
9:00 am Worship Service  
10:30 am Morning Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
1:00 pm GMC Parts Exchange, Craft & Flea Market  
3:00 pm GMC Motorhome Open House Tour  
6:00 pm GMC Midwest Classics Get-together  
6:00 pm GMC Six-Wheelers Get-together

### MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 24

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit  
7:30 am Book Exchange  
7:30 am Pineblock Derby Weigh-in  
8:30 am Announcements/Daily Drawings  
9:00 am Morning Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
12:00 pm “Baby, It’s Cold Outside” Ladies Social  
12:00 pm Chili for the Men  
1:00 pm Afternoon Tech Sessions  
3:00 pm Afternoon Non-Tech Sessions  
6:00 pm GMC Flatlanders Get-together  
6:00 pm GMC Dixielanders Get-together  
7:30 pm Ice Cream Social  
8:15 pm Pineblock Derby Races

### TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit  
7:30 am Book Exchange  
8:30 am Announcements/Daily Drawings  
9:00 am Morning Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
12:00 pm Italian Lunch  
1:00 pm GMC Motorhome Open House Tour  
3:00 pm Afternoon Tech & Non-Tech Session  
4:15 pm GMCMI Regional Member Meetings  
5:30 pm New Years Eve Party! – catered meal and entertainment

### WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 26

7:30 am Morning Coffee, Donuts, Waffles, Bagels, English Muffins, Oatmeal, Juice & Fruit  
7:30 am Book Exchange  
8:30 am Announcements/Daily Drawings  
9:00 am Morning Tech & Non-Tech Sessions  
10:30 am Membership Meeting, Awards, GMCMI Raffle (luncheon to follow Membership Meeting)  
2:00 pm Kinze Tour Departure

### THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 27

11:00 am Campground Checkout –  
Convention Ends – *Have A Safe Trip Home!*

## Basic Information

### >> Book Exchange & Bookworms

Remember to bring your books, tapes, and dvds for the Book Exchange held each morning. Also, bring your favorite book and share it at the “Bookworms and their Diet” session. A list will be posted at [gmcmi.com/community-book-list/](http://gmcmi.com/community-book-list/). Check out previous book lists from other Conventions.

### >> Pineblock Derby

Get those GMC racers ready for the GMCMI Pineblock Derby! For GMCMI Pineblock Derby Rules go to [gmcmi.com/gmcmi-pineblock-derby/](http://gmcmi.com/gmcmi-pineblock-derby/). Those of you who have made additional GMC racers, please do bring them so that others can race them. Thank you!

### >> GMC Part Exchange and Craft & Flea Market

Bring those no longer needed GMCMI items to sell on Sunday, September 23 at 1:00 pm! Also, we enjoy seeing and purchasing those lovely things you make.

### >> GMC Motorhome Open House Tour

Tour and enjoy seeing original and updated GMC Motorhomes. The tour will follow the Parts, Flea and Craft Market on Sunday.

### >> The “She Shed”

Ladies, join us at the “She Shed” where we socialize and have fun! Are you crocheting a project...come work on it and share it with the ladies. Bring any type of project you are working on or better yet...lead a group and help others to make one. One project scheduled is making blankets for a local charity. The blankets are easy to do. You don't even need to sew! Just bring one yard of plain fleece and one yard of printed fleece and your scissors.

Not a crafty person...no problem. How about adult coloring? Items to color and markers supplied or bring your own. Better yet....just come, talk, laugh, and have fun! We will be serving snacks and sweets. See you there.

*Unable to Attend the Entire Convention...  
Not a problem! Contact Kim for information.*



Registration  
Deadline  
is Sept. 10!

# GMCMI's 2018 Fall Convention

Friday, September 21 to Thursday, September 27 | Amana RV Park & Event Center, Amana, Iowa

Downloadable interactive registration pdf available at: [www.gmcmi.com/2018f-conv-info](http://www.gmcmi.com/2018f-conv-info)

GMCMI Member Number (if you are a member) \_\_\_\_\_

First Person \_\_\_\_\_

Second Person \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State | Postal Code | Country \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

First Name Cellular \_\_\_\_\_ Second Name Cellular \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Make and Length of Motorhome You Are Attending With \_\_\_\_\_

Names, City, and State of Extra People in Coach if different than above \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap Parking Needed?  Yes  No

Is this your first GMCMI Convention?  Yes  No

Are you a GMC Flatlanders Member?  Yes  No

Are you a GMC Great Lakers Member?  Yes  No

Are you a GMC Midwest Classic Member?  Yes  No

Are you a GMC Six Wheelers Member?  Yes  No

Are you CPR certified? (name/s) \_\_\_\_\_

We/I wish to participate in the Sunday Morning Worship Service Choir (name/s) \_\_\_\_\_

I am a supplier/vendor, my products/services are: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any tech/non-tech session topic(s) you could present: \_\_\_\_\_

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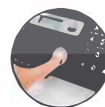
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866-519-0047



**Questions:**  
612-501-4600

## Registration | bringing a motorhome

Unable to attend the entire Convention. Email Kim at address below.

Convention & Camping Fee (Two-Person Motorhome) \$435.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Convention & Camping Fee (One-Person Motorhome) \$320.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Adult in above Motorhome (19 & older) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$160.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Child in above Motorhome (7-18, FREE under 7) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Early Night(s)

Wednesday, September 19 \$35.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, September 20 \$35.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration | NOT bringing a motorhome

Convention Registration (Two-Person Party) \$285.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Registration (One-Person Party) \$160.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration | For Everybody

Convention T-Shirt(s) (indicate quantity)

S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

XXL \_\_\_\_\_ XXXL \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dennis Albaugh Collection Tour – Thurs. Sept. 20

Tour & Box Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of: \_\_\_\_\_ Roast Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Ham \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey

Kinze Tour – Wed., Sept. 26 \_\_\_\_\_ x \$0 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Late Reservation Fee (ONLY IF SPACE IS AVAILABLE)

(postmarked after Sept. 10, 2018) \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Fee (if charging your fee.) \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment Options

Check/Money Order Enclosed – Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please make payable to GMCMI – U.S. funds drawn on U.S. bank



NOTE: there is a \$15 charge to use a credit card as listed above.

To charge email registration form to [kimweeksgmc@gmail.com](mailto:kimweeksgmc@gmail.com), you will receive a Paypal invoice via email. Simply click and pay with a Paypal account or selection major credit card.

## Additional Registration Information

- Checks must be in U.S. funds and drawn on a U.S. bank. Foreign checks **cannot** be processed.
- Email confirmation will be sent.
- Late Reservation Fee of \$25 (if available) after **September 10**
- Cancellations **after Sept. 10** will be refunded minus a \$35 fee
- Cancellations **after Sept. 18** will be refunded minus a \$75 fee