AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

Chinese Delegation Visits Amana Colonies

The Chinese Ambassador to the United States visited the Amana Colonies last week.

Qin Gang, China's Ambassador to the United States, and his spouse for China were here for a short visit on their way through the Midwest. They arrived at the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids about supper time and were heading by car to Des Moines.

Jon Childers, Amana Heritage Society executive director and ACCVB Executive Director, Childers and members of the Amana Heritage Society board shared Amana's history and culture with the group.

They were in the Amanas because in 1980 when the first Chinese delegation to visit America in the modern era toured America they stopped in Iowa and in the Amanas. Current Chinese President Xi Jinping's father, Xi Zhongxun was a principal representative for China during this visit to America. When visiting the Amana Heritage Museum, Madeline Roemig gave a talk about Amana, its formation as a communal society and eventual change. We put together a brochure for them. After many questions and a discussion, the Chinese delegation departed and ate dinner at the Colony Market Place in South Amana. They then went to visit other historic sites in Iowa.

As it was explained to Childers, in the early 1980s, Xi Zhongxun reformed the Chinese economy and laid the groundwork for today. His reforms led to 700,000,000 people being brought out of poverty. He is a national hero and considered one of the most important figures in their nation's history.

Delegates noted that they were "walking in Xi Zhongxun's footsteps" as a symbol of the nation's past and present connection to the U.S. Ambassador Quinn remarked that there exists sentiment that the reforms put in place in China during the 1980s reflect some of the knowledge they received during their Amana visit in 1980, Childers reports.

Amana Colonies Mostef Hurrath!

It's been a chilly, windy spring but Maifest is blowing in on time and there is so much to do and enjoy this weekend. Maifest is Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1.

Amana Poetry Competition

Calling all interested poets! The Amana Arts Guild is having a poetry contest that will offer poets an opportunity to have their poems read at the Amana Poetry and Song Celebration Saturday May 14, 2022.

Persons of any age may enter. Categories include (1) adults and (2) grades 3 – 5. There is no entry fee.

Contest deadline is Friday May 6.

Entries must have for a subject matter a connection to the Amanas, past present or future. Any form rhymed or unrhymed, may be used. Types of poems may include: historical (factual), narrative (story telling), descriptive (a person or place, or lyric (expressing feelings).

Each poem must be on a separate page, with the author’s name and address placed in the upper left corner of the title page. No more than two poems by one author will be accepted. Joint authorship or collaborations by groups are encouraged.

All poems must be delivered to the Amana School Community Library on or before the deadline. Winners will be awarded certificates and will be asked to read their poems at the Amana Poetry and Song Celebration on Saturday May 14, 2022 This event will be held at the Amana Arts Guild Center in High Amana.

Water Babies Swim Classes

May 09 - 13, 2019

Amana Pool, Middle Amana

Classes will be held Monday thru Friday

The cost is $40.00

6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

6 mo. - 18 mo.

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

19 mo. - 2 yrs

Contact: Margaret Trumpold

Call 319-400-0062 or home 319-622-3299

All classes begin May 9, 2019

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Join Us on Mother's Day

at the Price Creek Event Center

A Delicious Buffet is being served

from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Please call to reserve your table.

319-622-5254 or 319-361-6786

For rent: Graduation Parties, Reunions, social gatherings, meetings

The Homestead Welfare Club (4215 V. St. Home- stead), offers an exceptional 1100 sq. ft. meeting or gathering room with historic 1860's home. It includes a mini kitchen, tables and chairs for 80+ persons plus a 4 acre private, beautifully shaded back yard with picnic tables and small shelter, perfect for outdoor activities. A 1000 sq. ft. full-service kitchen is available for an additional $25.

Call 319-622-3620 for details and scheduling.

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Lakeview Village
Assisted Living Apartments
- Meals Provided
- Housekeeping Services
- Wellness checks – Medication management
- Activities

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

BLOOD DRIVE
The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 10 from 2:00 to 6:30 and Thursday, May 12 from 2:00 to 6:30. The Drives will be held in the Donor Bus at the Amana Library Parking Lot, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a $10 gift card and get a tree planted in their name! 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. APPOINTMENTS AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Walk-ins will not be accepted. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate on both days. To sign up, please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email amanallibrary@ccaschools.org to schedule a time.

Tomatoes, Peppers and More!
The 2022 Iowa County Master Gardener plant sale will be held Friday, May 13, from 2:00-6:00 p.m., and Saturday, May 14, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Marenisco.

Iowa County Master Gardeners have been busy growing more than 30 varieties of tomatoes, 18 varieties of peppers and many vegetables, herbs and flowers. They will be on sale at the low prices unchanged from past years. Rain barrels in a selection of colors and organic mosquito repellent will also be available for purchase. Master Gardeners will be ready to answer any gardening questions you might have and door prizes will be awarded. Hope to see you there!

Garage Sale
Garage Sale at Price Creek Event Center May 27 and 28. You are invited to sell your no longer wanted items, ~ tables for your displays $15 each ~ plenty of parking ~ set up Wednesday ~ BBQ and beverages.

For more details call 319-622-5254

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Thursday 8:00-6:00
Friday 8:00-6:00
Saturday 9:00-12:00

Amana Print Shop
Phone: 319-622-3912
E-mail: amanaprintshop@southslope.net

GARAGE SALE

Amana Pool Hours:
Open Swim
Sunday 1-3:00PM
Wednesday & Friday 7-9:00PM
Morning Lap Swim
Monday- Wednesday & Friday 6-7:30AM
Water Aerobic Classes
Tuesday & Thursday 5:30-6:30PM
Private Lesson or Private Parties

Contact Pool Director
T. J. Croco at 319-430-9181
or Email: tjcroco@gmail.com

Amana Arts Guild
Woodcarving Club
Mon, May 2nd, 8-8 pm, High Amana
$5 at the Door / All Ages

Bring your Knife! Carving Kit
Free Porchled Eagle Roughout
319-551-2800 (tj Croco)

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