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SPRING MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Spring is the time to renew your Amana Arts Guild membership which will be effective from June 2012 through May 2013. The Amana Arts Guild board and staff would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our past members and contributors and to extend a welcome to all new members of our local arts guild. Without your support we would not be able to present the variety of community programs and services which have become an integral part of our organization.

Memberships are purchased in support of the Amana Arts Guild, its activities and programs. Members receive a semi-annual newsletter and special event announcements, a discount at the Gallery Sales Shop and on classes and workshops and invitations to exhibit opening. A membership form is enclosed for your use.

The Amana Arts Guild is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All memberships are tax deductible.

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED

The Guild reminds everyone of the AMANA ARTS GUILD COLLECTION that has been formed with the Amana Heritage Society. We're in continuing need of additional Amana folk art items and traditions for study and research. We'd like to include: tinware, small woodwork, toys, baskets, quilts, carpetweaving, scatter rugs, all types of needlework, pottery, blacksmithing/metalwork, novelty items, calico materials and items, and early paintings.

We need your help...please contact the Amana Arts Guild today at 622-3678 and make your contribution. Remember: your interest in sharing these treasures with those of future generations is critical.

AAG BOARD & STAFF

Tina Hinsley, President;
Scott Williams, Vice President;
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MIKE MINTLE RETIRES

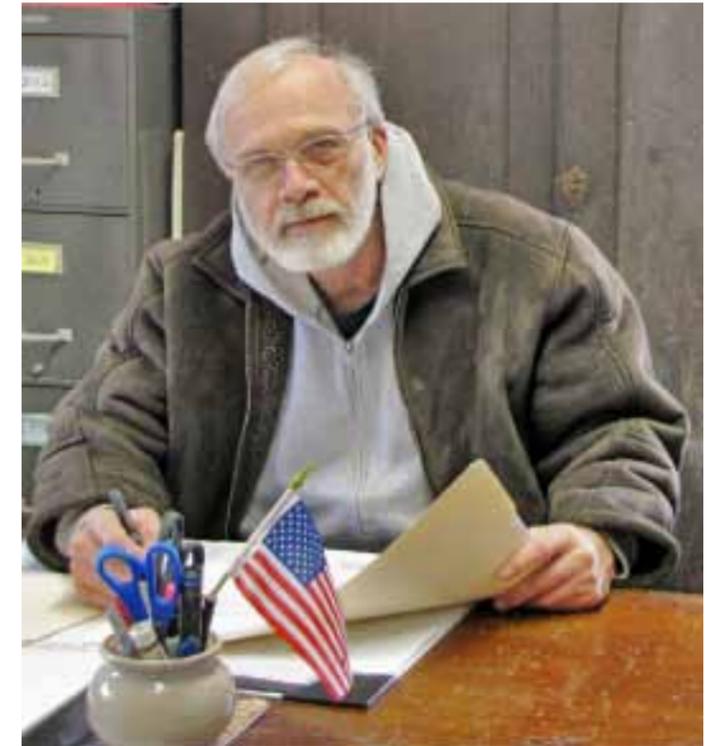
After 24 years as its executive director, Mike Mintle retired February 29th, leaving a legacy of innovative programming and public service. A retirement reception was held at the Ronneburg Restaurant on March 25.

Mintle joined the Amana Arts Guild in December of 1987 at a time when the guild, just ten years old, was beginning to greatly expand its programming and fundraising effort to reach a wider public audience. Having moved to its High Amana Arts Center, the AAG board under the direction of founder Gordon Kellenberger was pleased to bring an executive director on board with a background in the arts and the skills needed to take the nonprofit group forward.

"I've been very happy at the Arts Guild. There have been many programs and projects of which I'm proud, but I've especially valued the work we've done to provide the Art Iowa Workshops to the public...that's been very rewarding," said Mintle in an interview. The Art Iowa Program at the AAG center offers six fine or folk art workshops taught by professional artists and college instructors each year. These are offered to the public and teachers for recertification credits or credits toward graduate degree programs. Working with Grant Wood AEA to provide the accreditation, the highly popular, long time program at the Arts Guild has been extremely beneficial for teachers. Additionally, Mintle has been proud of the work the AAG has done to build its endowment fund. "That fund will allow the AAG to continue its work into the future."

Mintle, 62, lived in Victor IA and was looking forward to devoting his time to the writing of a nonfiction book exploring the Bible and the foundations of scientific thought. He had started the massive project nearly ten years ago and was looking forward to having the time and energy to focus solely upon his writing. "Clearly writing takes a lot of time and requires focus, so I'm excited to be able to work at it full time," Mintle had noted. Unfortunately Mike passed away May 11, 2012 after a long battle with cancer.

(Reprinted in part from the Amana Society Bulletin article by Emilie Hoppe)



ARTS GUILD WINTER CLASSES

Part of our continuing effort to promote the arts in our community and to provide educational opportunities for local area artists the Amana Arts Guild offered a series of winter/spring classes this year. The class offering included Painting Studio (February 16-March 29), Rug Weaving (February 20-March 19) and Easter Basket Class on March 24th.

Many of the adult classes we sponsor train students in traditional Amana folk arts. Students who complete these classes have the opportunity to sell the crafts they make at our Gallery Sales Shop in High Amana. If you are interested in a particular art or folk art class contact the Amana Arts Guild at 622-3678 or amanarts@south-slope.net for information.

CHILDREN'S COLONY ART CAMP

The Amana Arts Guild will offer our children's summer art workshop in a five day Colony Art Camp, July 30-August 3. It includes 4 classes from 8:30 am to 3:50 pm each day. Students, ages 6-14, can enroll in all four classes and stay the whole day for \$60 per week or enroll in a single class for \$20 per class per week. Molly Kephart will be returning with something new, Art Around the House using items found in your home. Lalanya Bodenbender will also be returning with Herbal Adventures making herbal sachets, pressed flowers, catnip toys and also games, treats and storytelling all around the theme of wild flowers and herbs from the garden. New this year is Ruth Cooper's Pulling Strings, the making of marionettes from blocks of wood and fabric and the sculpting of the heads and Samantha Anderson's Paper Mache Masks, the study of Australian masks bark paintings and paintings of Dreamings; you will design, create and paint an individual mask inspired by native Australian art. For information about registration call the Amana Arts Guild at 319-622-3678 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10-4 or email at amanarts@southslope.net.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR 2012 COLONY ART CAMP

Monday, July 30 through Friday, August 3 for students ages 6-14. Classes will begin each day at 8:30 AM and end at 3:50 PM. Students can enroll in all four classes and stay the whole day for \$60 for the week or enroll in a single class for \$20 for the week. If you choose to send your child for the whole day you must send a sack lunch with them. A refrigerator will be available for use. Enrollment is limited.



SCHEDULE:

- 8:30-10:10 ART AROUND THE HOUSE
- 10:20-12:00 PULLING STRINGS
- 12:20-2:00 HERBAL ADVENTURES
- 2:10-3:50 PAPER MACHE MASKS

If more than one child from a family is enrolled in a camp the second child's fee will be \$50 for the week or \$15 per class. Enrollment is limited.

Return this form to register

STUDENT(S) NAME AND AGE: _____

CLASS: _____

PARENTS NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

To register send this form with your check to Amana Arts Guild, P.O. Box 114, Amana, IA 52203. For more information call the Arts Guild at 319-622-3678 or email at amanarts@southslope.net

MAIFEST DRAGONS!

Ruth Coopers' inspiration and the hard work and many hours of herself, Emmett and Sarah Frauenkron, Tina and Maddie Hinsely, and Mary Adkisson turned a plain piece of fabric into a beautiful dragon that the Amana Arts Guild entered into the Maifest Parade. Making the dragon come alive during the parade were Ceci, Maddie and Abby Hinsley and Ahren Hed-



ner. Also joining the dragon in the parade were princesses Kendall Mooney, Morgan Malli, Izzie Wetjen and Lauren Riggle.

POETRY BOOK

We are in process of putting together a poetry book! *Inspirations: Poetry of the Amana Colony* We have chosen the "best of the best" from our numerous entries over the years from the Amana Song, Poetry and Prose Celebrations. A special thanks to AAG board member Christine Williams for all of her hard work organizing the publishing of the book. Please look forward to it being finished by summer. We will have it available for sale at the AAG Gallery and Sales Shop.

AMANA ARTS GUILD SPECIAL EVENTS

- Art Night May 18
- Handcrafted Throughout the Ages June 9
- Art Night June 15
- Art Night July 20
- Festival of the Arts August 11
- Art Night August 17
- Woodfest August 24-26
- Fall Fibre and Clay Show November 3-4
- Communal Meal November 10
- Christmas Haus Tour December 1-2

AMANA ARTS GUILD 2012 GALLERY EXHIBITS

- Grant Wood Paints the Amana Colony May 5-July 9
- Early Amana Baseball Pictures May 5-November 10
- Greater Amana Area Art Show July 11-September 10
- Lisa Lammey Kinzenbaw Amana Homes Photo Exhibit September 12-November 10

AMANA ARTS GUILD WORKSHOPS

- Willow Landscape Montage June 11-15
- Creative Watercolor Painting June 18-21
- Exploring Printmaking June 25-29
- Colored Pencil Weekend October 13-14

AMANA ARTS GUILD GALLERY MUSEUM SHOP

OPEN DAILY 10:30 - 4:30

CLOSED TUESDAY

SUNDAY 11-4

MAY THROUGH THE END OF SEPTEMBER

-OR BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT-

DURING OCTOBER OPEN WEEKENDS ONLY

SPECIALIZING IN AUTHENTIC AMANA FOLK ART AND CRAFTS
-ALSO FINE ARTS

• SEASONS OF PLENTY: AMANA COMMUNAL COOKING

• "KOLONIE KINDER"

• "THE AMANA COLONIES: REMAINING FAITHFUL,"
VIDEO COPIES AVAILABLE AT GALLERY SALES SHOP