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Tour the Davenport Masonic Temple

Palmer Chiropractic College museum

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013

6:30 p.m.

Enter through the main entrance on the North side. Doctor A. Callender will be giving a private tour along with answering questions.

For the SCHPS Christmas meeting on December 12 we'll meet at the newly-created Jackson Renaissance Apartments (formerly Jackson School). We'll each bring **hors d'oeuvres** to share and a beverage of your choice (you may bring wine). Debra Cundiff, Marketing and Leasing Coordinator, will be our host. She will give us a tour of the public areas and a rental unit if one is open. She'll talk about the process of turning a once-abandoned, outdated school building into attractive rental units, thus creating a new community. The Chicago-based Renaissance Realty Group, the developer, was able to preserve some of the distinctive architectural features of the 1893 building. This is an excellent example of repurposing a significant historic building. More details will follow in the December issue of the newsletter.

Interesting events:

Remember RIA Historical Society meets the first Thursday of each month and they are very interesting local history related.

German American 322-8844 unusual gifts and:
Treats Nov. 9

Hedy Lamarr Nov. 17, 2 pm (our Hedy at the Bett Library will have 2 films (Comrad X and Ziegfeld Girl) on Nov 9) 344-4175

Zither Concert Dec. 1, 2 pm

New Years Toast Dec. 29, 2 pm \$15.00

Ballet QC "Nutcracker" Dec. 14 and 15 at the Adler 786-3779

Quilters Nov. 7 Geneseo 309-945-5428 and at the Botanical Center RI 794-0991 (treats on Nov 10 at 1 pm)

Karpeles Museum RI Manuscripts of John Adams 788-0806

Nov. 10 QC Symphony Signature Series 322-726

Nov. 12 Humor of Abe Lincoln in Fulton 815-589-4545

Nov. 11 Credit Island at the Figge 6 pm by George Eaton 326-7804

Nov. 14 Agent Orange at Rogalski Center St Ambrose 7pm

Nov. 16 How to feed you winter birds by Bob Motz 9:30am Black Hawk Park 788-9536

Nov. 19 Local Native American Tribes by Beth Carvey 7pm Orion 309-526-8375

Nov. 21 Women of the Putnam by Maryan Wherry 1:30 Putnam 324-1933

Nov. 22 Augustana Dance Centennial Hall 8 pm 794-7306

Nov. 23-24 Iowa Burlesque at Adler 800-745-3000

Nov. 26 Honors recital Wallenberg Hall Augustana 8 pm 794-7306

In 1997 the Palmer Foundation for Chiropractic History was created and in 1998, the college purchased the Masonic Temple on Brady Street, two unrelated events that would prove to be serendipitous. The PFCH spent its first year cleaning and restoring the Palmer Residence and putting exhibits up on the Davenport campus, while plans for a museum space were made and discarded. After the purchase of the Masonic Temple, the PFCH started cleaning out the various storage places on the main part of the campus and cataloging and moving what would become the Museum collection to the newly named Lyceum Hall. The Palmers seem to have been conscious of the role they were to play in chiropractic history from the beginning and saved thousands of artifacts.

A museum was opened in 2006 in Lyceum Hall, but closed two years later as the remodeling of the Research building took precedence and the museum area was needed for offices for the researchers. Exhibits were moved into the first floor of Lyceum Hall or dismantled. The College then purchased 300 Brady and a museum was planned for that location. Exhibits were developed and installed. In 2012, the decision was made to sell 300 Brady and the museum staff was moved back into the now-named Vickie Anne Palmer Hall. Many of the exhibits developed for 300 Brady are located throughout the hallways on four levels of Vickie Anne Palmer Hall, to complement the ones still located on the main campus.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 12 Holiday party at Jackson School

Feb. 14 Meeting at the Figge for power point presentation about the history of the Figge and tour of original collection

Reminders

Every member should be up to date on their 2013-2014 season dues. Only paid members are allowed on the private house tours.

Remember if you have some place you want us to go or someone to listen to, please contact a board member.

We want to bring as many interesting topics and places to our membership.