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Intensifying the Training for the Annual Examination and Improving the Quality of Tour Guides

From December 20th to 29th, Tourist Administration of Qianshan County has held a training class for the annual examination of tour guides. Many tourism specialists and scholars within and out Qianshan County have been invited to give lectures to the over 200 tourist guides.



The aim of this training is to improve the quality of tourist guides comprehensively so that a group of tourist guides who are honest and love their career by devoting themselves to their job will offer more civilized service to tourists. Besides the basic knowledge and skills of tour guides, the development situation of Qianshan County economy, the knowledge about how to deal with emergency,

this training has especially emphasized the geoscience knowledge popularization among tour guides so that they can explain some geological information to tourists in an easy way.

Stone Bases at the Foot of Tianzhushan Win Great Popularity

Stone bases of Tianzhushan, the stones placed at the bottom of pillars, are commonly referred as stone blocks by folk people, which are a kind of Chinese ancient architecture stones. They can not only support great weight but also play a great role in damp proof, quakeproof and prevention of the architecture collapse.

As the basic element of architecture, stone bases come into being for function use, and then they have undergone some aesthetical changes. Since the Song and Tang Dynasty, people have had more requirements on stone bases, and later they have become art treasure little by little.



The Geological Protection Project of Tianzhushan in 2010 has Successfully Passed the Inspection

From 8 -9, the expert group combined by the Land and Resources Department and Finance Department of Anhui Province has inspected the 2010 geological protection project of Tianzhushan on spot. Xia Jikan, the Vice Secretary and the Standing Deputy Director of Tianzhushan Administrative Committee, Huang Xiaosheng and Wang Chendong, the two vice directors of Tianzhushan Administrative Committee, Zheng Yangui, the Chair of Tianzhushan Tourism Association, Yu Haibing, the General Manager of Tianzhushan Tourism Development Co., Ltd and the related leaders of Land and Resources Department and Finance Department of the county and the city have accompanied the expert group during the examination.



In the afternoon of February 8, the expert group has investigated the main peak scenic area, Spring Valley Cultural Park, the geomuseum and many other places on spot. On the morning of February 9, the review meeting on the geological protection project completed in 2010 and on the geological protection project of Tianzhushan designed in 2011 was held. After the detailed report of Tianzhushan Geopark, all the experts have discussed and spoken highly of Tianzhushan. They made the conclusion that in the geological protection

project of Tianzhushan in 2010, all work has been finished well under standard management, which greatly promoted the geological scientific popularization of Tianzhushan and the social, economic and environmental development. All these efforts have made a great contribution to the success of Tianzhushan applying for the membership of GGN. The expert group agreed that Tianzhushan passed the project examination. What's more, they have provided many constructive advices on the perfection of the work of geological heritage protection and related material.



A Series of Photos of the Snow World of Tianzhushan Are Published on the Newspaper of People's Photography



Tianzhushan Has Displayed Its Magnificence and Beauty on the Conference of China Global Geoparks

On February 15th to 17th, the Annual Conference of China Global Geoparks has been held in Fengshan of Guangxi autonomous region. More than 220 leaders and specialists from Land and Resource Department of China and 26 Global Geoparks at home have been present.

As the new member of GGN in 2011, Tianzhushan has made an introduction on the subject of Magnificent Tianzhushan Becomes More Outstanding by Integrating Science and Tourism. Fabulous scenery, very high scientific value, good ecology and profound history that Tianzhushan



boasts has arouse great interest and attracted much attention. During the communication with Zheng Yangui and Yu Guosheng, the representatives of Tianzhushan, Professor Huang Song of Guangxi Normal University professor Li Zhengqi of Hubei Geocience Office have spoken highly of the construction of

Tianzhushan and what it has done for the application of the membership of GGN. Many participants have said that they would visit Tianzhushan someday.

The Tourist Group in the Fields of Economy, Trade, Culture and Education of Taiwan Visits Tianzhushan

On Feb. 23-24, the Tourist Federation of Taiwan, the Tourist Association of Jiayi County and the tourist group in the fields of economy, trade, culture and education of Anhui visited Tianzhushan and discussed about the tourism business and cooperation issues.

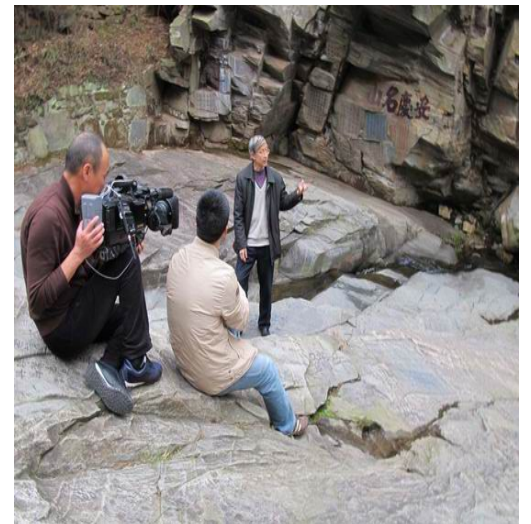


Workers of CCTV4 Coming to Tianzhushan for the Plan of a Series of Programs

In order to make the full use of Tianzhushan natural, historical and cultural resources, Tianzhushan Scenic Area has held a symposium on November 2, and has invited local related



specialists and scholars to discuss together with CCTV4 workers about the program planning of Tianzhushan. The symposium led to a tentative decision that the program column of *Traveling Around China* will make three programs based on Tianzhushan breathtaking scenery, beauties and delicious food. In addition, based on the explanation and request of local specialists and scholars, the program group also intended to make some programs about Tianzhushan health promotion Kongfu, stone inscriptions and opera culture.



Tianzhushan Tourism Development Co. Ltd Is Ratified to be National Tourism Standardization Pilot Enterprise

On March 26, 2012, National Tourism Standardization Conference was held in Wuhan City and Tianzhushan Tourism Development Co. Ltd was ratified to be National Tourism Standardization Pilot Enterprise.



Russian Tourists Favor Stone Inscriptions in Valley Stream

Few days after the opening ceremony of China “Russian Tourist Year” held in Beijing, dozens of Russians have visited the Valley Stream Scenic Area of Stone Inscriptions with great interest on April 1st. This scenic area is named as Anhui NO.1 Inscription.



Literary Creation Meeting of Anqing Eminent Men-of-letters was Held in Tianzhushan Geopark

From April 12 to 13, Literary Creation Meeting of Anqing Eminent Men-of-letters was Held in Tianzhushan, which is a Global Geopark and National AAAAA Tourist Attraction.



Tianzhushan Geopark and Muroto Geopark of Japan have Become Sister Geoparks



Recently during the Provincial Governor Forum of China and Japan sponsored by Anhui Province, Shi Li, the Head of Qiansha County and the Director of Tianzhushan Management Committee has represented Tianzhushan to sign the Friendly Communication and Cooperation Memorandum of Tianzhushan Global Geopark and Muroto Global Geopark with Mr. Komatsu, the Chairman of Muroto Geopark. The two geoparks have officially become sister geoparks, which has arrived at a consensus on mutual cooperation and development. Li Bin, the

Head of Anhui Province, Xiao Chaoying, the Governor of Anqing City, Hu Xuefan, the Director of Anhui Province Tourism Bureau, Zhen Zhiqi, the Magistrate of Kochi Province and many other people have attended the signing ceremony.

Tianzhushan Attends the 5th UNESCO Conference on Geoparks

From May 12 to May 15, the 5th UNESCO Conference on Geoparks with the theme of “Geoheritage and Sustainable Development” was held in Unzen Volcanic Global Geopark, Japan, sponsored by the Promotion Committee of Unzen Volcanic Global Geopark and GGN. Over 400 representatives from more than 300 countries and regions have been present to share experience and research results and discuss about the future of GGN. Jiang Jinbao, Yu Guosheng and Chen Xiaoqian, representatives of Tianzhushan have attended the conference.



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