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1. When did you begin work at DMACC?

August 1979

2. When did you retire or leave DMACC?

January 2000

3. In the early years, what was your work position and major responsibilities?

In August of 1979 I was helping Millie Packard do flyers for mailings. Then the evening dean needed help in registration, so I checked social security numbers and addresses. Then I helped Val Cole on the phones in registration. When I retired, I was still on the phones for Val Cole. Val said that I created the phone number 964-5770!

4. What events or happenings to you remember most about your first years at DMACC?

In the spring of 1980 came computerized registration in Building #15. Val sat us down and took us step by step through the process - and she never sat down for the next eight hours!

- 5. What major changes did you observe during your time at DMACC?
- 6. Who do you remember the most from DMACC and why?
- 7. Please share any other special memories you have about the early years at DMACC.