DMACC HOSTS CONSTITUTION DAY EVENTS ON ALL CAMPUSES

Roxann Ryan (left), senior criminal intelligence analyst with the Iowa Department of Public Safety’s Division of Intelligence and Fusion Center, and Cindy Cohn, legal director for the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF), were panelists at the Constitution Day event held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Cohn also gave individual presentations on the Ankeny, Newton and Boone campuses, while Ryan spoke on the Carroll Campus.

This marked the sixth year that DMACC has hosted Constitution Day events on all six campuses. This year’s theme was “Constitutional Rights on the Digital Frontier.” Blythe Burkhardt, intellectual property and agreements coordinator in the Washington University Office of Technology Management, spoke at the Boone Campus. She also delivered a presentation on the DMACC Urban Campus.

Ben Stone, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Iowa, delivered the Constitution Day keynote address at the West Campus.

At the Ankeny Campus, Amber Amantea, a first-year Culinary Arts student from Norwalk, made a point while Instructor Judy Vogel looks on during the Constitution Day “soapbox” open microphone event. Constitution Day events featured keynote speakers at each campus, soapbox presentations and other special activities.
DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY EXPO

Pam Larsen (left), an Electronic Crime Institute student from Bondurant, talks with Ken Fees of Barnes and Noble about the new Nook during a demonstration at the Digital Expo at the Ankeny Campus. Area businesses and some electronics industry college programs were on hand to talk about products and programs during the noon-time event.

(L to R) Pam Larsen and Ken Fees

DAR GIVES CONSTITUTION TO WEST CAMPUS

Candy Brown from the Daughters of the American Revolution Jean Marie Cardinell chapter presents a copy of the U.S. Constitution to the DMACC West Campus. DMACC West Campus Associate Provost Rick Dawson accepts the Constitution on behalf of the West Campus. The presentation was made on Constitution Day on the DMACC West Campus.

(L to R) Rick Dawson and Candy Brown

IMMIGRATION FORUM PLANNED AT URBAN CAMPUS

Immigration, its implications for Iowa educators and how schools and communities can work together to help students succeed, will be the focus of a panel discussion on Oct. 5, from 2:45 to 5:15 p.m. at DMACC’s Urban Campus, Bldg. #1, Rooms 124 and 126.

Urban Campus Provost Dr. Laura Douglas and ESL District Chair Ewa Pratt from the Urban Campus will be two of the featured panelists along with area educators, business leaders and immigration experts who will discuss various aspects of immigration, its impact and the challenges it places on Iowa’s education system. The two-and-a-half-hour forum is sponsored by DMACC and Heartland Area Education Agency (AEA).

The forum is one of several events being held to celebrate the 30th anniversary of DMACC’s Urban Campus,
URBAN CAMPUS TURNING 30

The DMACC Urban Campus is having a birthday and everyone is invited to share in the campus’ 30th anniversary celebration. The campus, at Seventh and Laurel Streets in Des Moines, now offers 44 degrees, certifications and transfer degree programs to four-year colleges and universities. Students from more than 65 countries are enrolled at the Urban Campus, making it one of Iowa’s most diverse campuses.

Celebration activities will be held throughout the week of Oct. 4–9. Here is a listing of the festivities:

URBAN—DES MOINES CAMPUS FESTIVITIES
(With exception to the scholarship gala, all activities are free and open to the public)

Mon., Oct. 4  Birthday Cake Bash; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Building 1
Tues., Oct. 5  70s Show (Wear the funniest outfit and win a prize). Judging starts at 4 p.m.
Immigration Forum (Community is welcome), 2:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.,
Building 1, Rooms 124-125
Wed., Oct. 6  Multicultural Festival; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Building 1
Thur., Oct. 7  DMACC Bears Jersey Day
Fri., Oct. 8  History Scavenger Hunt, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Building 1
  Scholarship Dinner and Auction, Des Moines Club, 5:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 9  Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Work Day, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  (Bus departs from Urban Campus at 8 a.m. sharp)

JAPANESE DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENTS VISIT DMACC

Tsuchiya Akemi (front row, left to right), an instructor at the Yamanashi Dental College in Kofu, Japan and students Ishizaki Ai and Uchida Kei pose for a photo with Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) administrators and instructors, including DMACC President Rob Denson (back row, left to right), Health and Public Services Dean Sally Schroeder, and DMACC Dental Hygiene Professors Deb Penney and Lori Brown. The Japanese students were visiting the DMACC Ankeny Campus as part of the exchange between DMACC’s Dental Hygiene program and the Yamanashi Dental College in Kofu. This marks the 22nd year of the exchange.
LAURIE WOLF IS NASFAA 2010–2011 NATIONAL CHAIR

Laurie Wolf, (left) DMACC's Executive Dean of Student Services, has the gavel passed to her from Barry Simmons, 2009–2010 National Chair of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA). Wolf received the gavel as 2010-2011 National Chair at the annual business meeting at NASFAA’s National Conference recently held in Denver.

After assuming the National Chair position, Wolf stressed the importance of accurate and effective administration of student aid saying there is no room for error. She also outlined some of the goals she has set for NASFAA during her year as National Chair. These goals include:

- Updating NASFAA’s long-range strategic plan
- Engaging new NASFAA members to develop a new generation of leaders
- Creating a task force on economic growth to identify and develop business services for members.

RUSSIAN DELEGATION VISITS WEST CAMPUS

West Campus Provost Dr. Tony Paustian and the faculty welcomed members of a delegation from Stavropol, Krai, Russia on Sept. 21 as part of the Russian exchange program through the Open World Leadership Center in Washington D.C. The delegation toured the Campus and took part in a political science class during their morning visit. Stavropol is a sister city of Des Moines and the delegation visited Des Moines to meet with education, government and civic leaders as part of the ongoing sister city relationship. The delegation included Russian civic and business leaders. The visitors included: (back row, from left) Pavel Nersesyants, Dr. Paustian, Lyudmila Kozina, Dmitriy Kundryukov (front row, from left) Yelena Potapova, Interpreter Olga Sparks, Vasilii Bandurin and Carol Grant, Executive Director of Iowa Sister States.
DRIVING FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

DMACC Transportation Institute drivers were eager to get their 18-wheel rigs rolling on Sat., Sept. 25 as they prepared to drive in the Special Olympics Iowa World's Largest Truck Convoy. The convoy to support Special Olympics Iowa began at Highway 5 Exit 101 (SW Connector) in West Des Moines. Trucks were escorted by law enforcement in a convoy ending at the Iowa State Fairgrounds for a celebration party, recognizing participating truckers and the support they give to Special Olympics Iowa.

DMACC Transportation Institute drivers for the event included (from left): Gayle Laughman, Glenn Summers, Jim Oliver, Ron Carpenter, Ted Parry, Rachelle Biggs, Len Mash, John Libby, Jerry Hannagan (clown) and Tim Hatton.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER OPEN HOUSE

DMACC Ankeny Campus Nursing students Pam Heise (left to right) of Des Moines, Darla Boyle of Earlham and Alicia Rupiper of Ankeny enjoy free cookies, fruit and juice at the Ankeny Campus Academic Achievement Center Open House. Students were encouraged to stop in and check out the services provided by the Center.

DMACC Ankeny Campus Biology student Rick Ortiz (right) of Stuart receives assistance from Academic Achievement Center (AAC) Associate Professor Stacy Vaughn in the Ankeny Campus AAC.
BRAD ZAUN ATTENDS DMACC CANDIDATE ON CAMPUS SERIES

State Senator Brad Zaun speaks at the DMACC Ankeny Campus Candidate on Campus series. Zaun is the Republican candidate for the House 3rd District and is running against Democratic incumbent Leonard Boswell.

DENSON DRIVES BIG RIG IN BEAVERDALE PARADE

DMACC President Rob Denson drove the DMACC 18-wheeler with the colorful “Earth, Wind and Higher Education” trailer wrap in the recent Beaverdale parade on Sat., Sept. 18. Denson drives the truck in scores of parades and events every summer.

DONATION TO TOOL AND DIE PROGRAM

DMACC Industry and Technology Dean Scott Ocken (left) presents a plaque created by DMACC’s Tool and Die program to Andrea Garland of Iowa Machinery. Garland’s company donated a tool box and tools valued at $1,000 to the College’s Tool and Die program. Garland is also a member of DMACC’s Tool and Die Advisory Board.
DMACC EMPLOYEE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following employees who have received DMACC Employee Awards.

**Amina Ali, Graphic Designer, Ankeny Campus.**
For working extremely hard on creating new marketing materials for the DMACC Urban TRiO/SSS Program. Her talents, patience, and attention to detail have played a vital role in the success of this project.

**Mike Rahn, Professor, Welding, Ankeny Campus.**
For his help and fast service with taking care of a broken chair for a fellow co-worker.

**Tonya Wheeler, Coordinator, Web Development/Marketing, Ankeny Campus.**
For her patience, flexibility, and innovative ideas with the TRiO/SSS program website, making it accurately depict the program’s vision and professionalism.

Nominations can be submitted at any time for employees who make exceptional contributions to DMACC. To receive a nomination form, click on [http://www.dmacc.edu/bulletin/daward.pdf](http://www.dmacc.edu/bulletin/daward.pdf). Additional nomination forms are available in each department office or may be requested from Martha Henrichs, 964-6421.

SUDAN CIVIL WAR SURVIVOR SPEAKS AT DMACC

Monica Akuien, who led her six children and two brothers out of war-torn Sudan, was the keynote speaker at the Iowa Communication Association’s 46th annual conference recently held at the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Akuien described how she walked from Sudan to refugee camps in Ethiopia with her two-year-old on her back, her four-year-old holding her dress while carrying a plastic sheet to keep out rain, a mosquito net and all of the families’ possessions on the top of her head. They stopped rarely because of the fear of wild animals, drank clear, but not necessarily clean water, and crossed rivers infested with crocodiles and poisonous snakes. She survived the long walk arriving at a refugee camp where she and her family often ate only one meal a day. Akuien and her family relocated to the United States in 1998. She is founder and president of the Bor Women’s Association, which would like to build a center for women in the town of Bor in southern Sudan. For more information, go to [www.borwomen.org](http://www.borwomen.org).
JOB OPENINGS

English Instructor, Ankeny Campus, 9 months-per-year position
Salary: Per Faculty Salary Schedule
Review Date: Oct. 1, 2010

Physics Instructor, Ankeny Campus, 9 months-per-year position
Salary: Per Faculty Salary Schedule
Review Date: Oct. 1, 2010

Lead Custodian, Urban Campus, Mon.–Thur., 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. and Fri., Off, Sat., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Salary: $13.04–$13.74 per hour based on experience plus $0.60 per hour shift differential for eligible hours.
Review Date: Oct. 5, 2010

If interested in any of the above positions, please visit the DMACC Human Resources Web page, www.dmacc.edu/hr. A review of completed application materials will begin on the review date.

DMACC PIONEERS CONNECTION

The next Pioneer event will be the Oct. 14 meeting. The Pioneers are going to meet in the parking lot of the FFA building at 11:30 a.m. and carpool to the Berry Patch Farm of Dean Henry who taught in the Automotive Program and related classes at DMACC for many years. At the Berry Patch Farm, attendees will be able to pick fresh apples and have a hay rack ride. Lunch will be catered by Applebee’s and there will be an apple dessert.

The November meeting will feature pizza, popcorn, and a great movie. Your admission to the movie will be a donation for the Student Food Baskets to be delivered for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Hope you can all join us for more fun activities. Call 515-964-6868 to register for the October meeting by no later than Mon., Oct. 11 at 4 p.m.