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DMACC WEST CAMPUS HOSTS INNOVATION WEEK EVENT

Dennis Albaugh (left), Chief Executive Officer of Albaugh Inc., and Fred Buie, Keystone Electrical Manufacturing Company President, were two of the five panelists at the CEO and Executive Panel Discussion that concluded the West Campus Celebrate Innovation Week.

Sticks, Inc., Owner, Founder and Creative Director Sarah Grant (left to right), American Equity Investment Life Insurance Company Vice President Lloyd Hill and Business Publications Corporation Chairwoman Connie Wimer were the other panelists.

DMACC West Campus Provost Dr. Tony Paustian (center) receives congratulations from DMACC West Campus Business Administration Professor David Levy as Panel Moderator Adam Steen (left) and Dennis Albaugh look on. The West Campus faculty and staff contributed to the gift given to Paustian. He was instrumental in arranging for 130 business professionals to speak at the DMACC West Campus. Nearly every session throughout the week was filled or nearly filled with students, faculty, staff and community members.
DMACC West Campus Hosts Innovation Week Event, Cont.

A dozen of Central Iowa’s CEOs and executives each met with six small groups for 20 minutes as part of the CEO and executive round-robin held on the West Campus during Innovation Week. Some of those speakers included Iacovos Zachariades, Global Reach Internet Productions Cofounder; Robert Wersen, Interpower Corporation President; Rita Perea, Consultant, Coach, Author and Keynote Speaker, and Mike Wagner, White Rabbit Group Founder and Chief Executive Officer.
MORRIS SPEAKS AT BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT

Author Robert V. Morris spoke at a Black History Month event on the DMACC Urban Campus. Morris, whose father and grandfather were decorated army officers, spoke on the sacrifices and courage of black men and women during wartime. Morris is the author of *Black Faces of War: A Legacy of Honor from the American Revolution to Today*. Morris founded the Fort Des Moines Memorial Park and the WWII Iowa Tuskegee Airmen Memorial at the Des Moines International Airport. His first book, *Tradition and Valor*, recounts his father’s military career in WWII in the South Pacific and his grandfather’s fighting in France in WW I.

FORMER NBA STAR SPEAKS AT BOONE AND URBAN CAMPUSES

Former Iowa State University (ISU) and National Basketball Association (NBA) star Don Smith, now known as Zaid Abdul-Aziz, spoke at the DMACC Boone and Urban Campuses as part of the College’s Black History Month activities. Abdul-Aziz spoke about his days as a 16-year-old gang member in New York City, being arrested, getting a break and eventually getting a basketball scholarship to ISU. He became a two-time All-American, was picked to play in the 1968 Olympics but opted not to join the team (a decision he now says he regrets), and was the fifth person selected in the NBA draft. He played ten years in the NBA. He is the author of *Darkness to Sunlight* and is recognized as a national speaker. His presentations were sponsored by the Boone and Urban Campus Student Activities Councils and the DMACC Diversity Commission.
SOUL FOOD AT DMACC URBAN CAMPUS

DMACC Urban Campus student and African American Student Alliance Secretary Lateasha Burton (left) of Des Moines serves fried chicken to DMACC Urban Campus student Shanell Edwards of Des Moines at the recent Urban Campus soul food luncheon. The menu featured fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, greens, green beans and potatoes, peach cobbler, sweet potato pie, corn bread and sweet tea, all for just $5.

DR. MARY DILLARD SPEAKS ON THREE DMACC CAMPUSES

Social historian Dr. Mary Dillard spoke on three DMACC Campuses on the topic of “Stony the Road We Trod: Black Women in Nursing.” Dillard, an Associate Professor of African History at Sarah Lawrence College in New York City, spoke on the DMACC Boone, Carroll and Ankeny Campuses. The title of her speech, “Stony the Road We Trod” was taken from the second stanza of the nursing anthem.

ANKENY CAMPUS HOSTS TRANSFER FAIR

DMACC student Brittany Sweers (right) of West Des Moines visits with American Institute of Business (AIB) Admissions Counselor Dale Engle at a recent transfer fair held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Sweers is a second-year student enrolled in DMACC’s Liberal Arts program. Representatives from nearly two dozen colleges and universities throughout the Midwest were on hand to answer questions from DMACC students and others considering transferring to a four-year institution.
BRIAR CLIFF AND DMACC CHOIRS PERFORM TOGETHER

Briar Cliff University Singers and Chamber Choir Conductor Dr. Sean Burton directs the Briar Cliff and DMACC Chamber Choirs in Handel's “Hallelujah Chorus” during a recent special performance in the DMACC Bldg. #6 Auditorium. The Briar Cliff Singers and Chamber Choir performed at Red Oak High School, the Iowa Capitol and at DMACC on Fri., Feb. 25, and then traveled to Overland Park, Kansas, for a Saturday performance.

WINTER CONCERT II AT ANKENY CAMPUS

The DMACC Concert Choir, under the direction of Aaron Powell, performed March 4 in the Winter Concert II held in the Ankeny Campus Auditorium. The DMACC Chamber Ensemble and Ambassadors also performed at the free concert.

Dihana Wilson (left) of Des Moines performs Little Bit Stronger in the Potpourri section of the recent concert. Erica Weeks of Kelley also sings the solo, Speechless, at the concert.
FORENSICS CONFERENCE TEACHES NEW TRENDS, TECHNIQUES

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Criminal Justice Instructor Steve Martin demonstrates how to dust for fingerprints as he brushes a pop can during the fingerprint recovery techniques session he led during DMACC’s Forensics Trends and Techniques conference on the College’s Ankeny Campus. More than 140 law enforcement and emergency medical services personnel from across Iowa attended the two-day event that featured sessions in crime victim assistance, social networking and cybercrime, courtroom testimony, crime scene photography and other forensic techniques.

Marti Anderson, director of the Crime Victims Assistance Division of the Iowa Attorney General’s Office, delivered the opening-day presentation at DMACC’s Forensics Trends and Techniques Conference on the Ankeny Campus.

GOVERNOR RECEIVES AWARD AT DMACC

Governor Terry E. Branstad and DMACC President Rob Denson share a light moment before the Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund dinner at the Lake View Inn on the DMACC Ankeny Campus as Thomas and Carlene Phillips look on. This event marks the 25th anniversary of the scholarships program for minority youth in Central Iowa. Governor Branstad received a Vision Award from Rudy Simms, cofounder of the scholarship program. Governor Branstad was an early supporter and promoter of the Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund. Thanks to the generous donations of the more than 100 people who attended the banquet, four new scholarships will be awarded this year.
DMACC WOMEN DEFEAT KIRKWOOD, LOSE TO IOWA CENTRAL

DMACC Bears guard Sam Thrapp of Davenport drives for two of her game-high 22 points against Iowa Central Community College during the championship game of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Region XI Tournament held on the DMACC Boone Campus. Thrapp was 3-for-7 from three-point range and nine-for-12 from the charity stripe for the DMACC Bears, who lost to ICCC 75–65. The Bears closed the season at 22–11. ICCC, ranked seventh, advances to the NJCAA Division II National Championships with a 28–4 record.

The DMACC women got to the championship game by upsetting No. 1 seed and sixth-ranked Kirkwood Community College (KCC) 66–54 in the other semifinal game. The Bears never trailed in beating the Eagles for the first time in three matchups this season. They got off to a 9–1 start and had a 35–22 advantage at halftime. DMACC led by as many as 16 points in the second half and never led by less than nine points.

Carli Bunning of Boone led four DMACC players in double figures with 17 points and eight rebounds. The loss ended KCC’s run of four consecutive national championships.

DMACC MEN LOSE TO KIRKWOOD

Hal Bateman of Davenport, a sophomore on the DMACC men’s basketball team, drives the lane for two of the 16 points he scored in DMACC’s 64–58 loss to Kirkwood Community College March 5 in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Region XI Division II semifinals at Boone. Defending Bateman is Kirkwood’s Michael Weber.

DMACC closed the year with a 23–8 record. Sophomore E.J. Hicks of Davenport led the Bears with 17 points, including five 3-point baskets.

With the win, KCC moved into the Region XI Division II men’s championship game against Iowa Central Community College (ICCC) March 6 at the DMACC gymnasium. The Eagles defeated the Tritons 63–52 to advance to the NJCAA Division II National Championships.
JOB OPENINGS

Bookstore Manager, Urban Campus
Application Deadline: Mar. 11, 2011

If interested in the above position, please visit this DMACC website: http://jobs.dmacc.edu.

DMACC INSTRUCTOR AND STUDENTS
JUDGE SCIENCE FAIR

Newton Campus Biology Instructor Matt Abbott (left) and 11 DMACC students were judges at the recent Colfax-Mingo Middle School Science Fair. Seventh-grader Cole Schroder-Kelly (middle) was one of 107 seventh- and eighth-graders who presented their projects on Feb. 17. Colfax-Mingo Middle School Science Instructor Tim McCloud (right) was also kept busy on that day.

PIONEERS CONNECTION

April Meeting
Our April meeting will be held at the Urban Campus on Thur., April 14, at 11:30 a.m. Please join the Urban chapter of the Pioneers at the DMACC Urban Campus, Room 126 for social time, lunch and a tour of the newly remodeled building. Your admission price to the meeting is to bring nonperishable snack food items or a cash donation for the Urban Campus Pamela’s Pantry. The Board meeting will be at 10:10 a.m. in the same room.

Volunteer Opportunities
WANTED! WILLING PIONEERS TO SERVE AS OFFICERS FOR 2011-2012
The election of officers will be coming up this Spring and we are desperately seeking willing volunteers to be candidates for election. The term of Presidency has been shortened to a one-year term so that commitment will begin in June of 2012 and the Vice Presidency will also be a one-year term starting in June of 2011. Please volunteer.

The Tax Institute in Ankeny is looking for greeters to help during their free tax service season. If you have a little time on your hands and are looking to volunteer for this important service, contact Cheri Hernandez at 964-7018. No tax experience is necessary.
PIONEERS CONNECTION, CONT.

Volunteer Opportunities, cont.
The Ronald McDonald House near Methodist Hospital at 1441 Pleasant Street always needs volunteers to help out. They currently have a large campaign to collect pop can tabs and can use any and all you have to give them. If you have any questions, contact Joyce Smith at 515-267-0206 or call Brenda Miller at Ronald McDonald House, 515-243-2311, to volunteer.

Many of you are already volunteering to the MAX but may have room in your busy schedules for one more hour or one more day to help out where needed.

Committee Reports

The History Committee has been making progress by meeting with key people at the Urban, Boone and Carroll Campuses. We will be starting branch Pioneer groups on all campuses and the histories are being written and will be posted for your reading pleasure on the DMACC Pioneer website: www.dmacc.edu/pioneers. Thanks to Jon Robinson for putting together a list of the Urban Campus Pioneers. We are looking forward to meeting them as we tour the Urban Campus in April. The committee is also focusing on gathering program histories and will meet the week of March 12 to get started on this important project.

2011 Garage Sale—August 18–20
The 2011 garage sale was discussed at our last Pioneer Board meeting and we are close to solving some of our major problems and are very excited about the upcoming annual event. Save your special items for us and look for more information as we gear up to gather up your goodies. Stay tuned . . .

Final Notes:
What do Winter Texans, Jam Session, Park Model, Flea Market and Pelican Watch have to do with DMACC Pioneers? All are used to describe activities associated with our DMACC Pioneers who fly south to escape the cold and snow. My phone rang one day last week and it was Pauline Skarda calling from her condo in south Texas. She read my note in the Pioneer Connection and was pleased to know that some other DMACCers are part of the migration south. Right after that call, I called Marv Yarrow (former Program Chair of Building Trades) and he invited us to a “Jam” at his RV Park. We attended the Jam, enjoyed the music (especially Marv’s singing and playing guitar), visited with Joan and Marv, and appreciated another rich experience unique to this area.

All of us wintering Pioneers will be returning soon to our Spring and Summer homes and we look forward to seeing that first robin. As for the starlings, red-winged blackbirds and grackles . . . let’s hope they decide to stay down south a little longer.

I can be reached at 515-710-2298 on my way back to another Spring in Iowa.

PIioneer President, Dee Johnson (soon migrating back north)