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DMACC STUDENTS RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

DMACC Commercial Horticulture students Angela Paglia (left) of Winterset and Cindy King of Ankeny each were awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Federated Evening Star Garden Club of Johnston. The Garden Club awards an annual scholarship to a second-year DMACC Commercial Horticulture student every spring who has achieved academic excellence by upholding a 3.5 grade-point average or better and is in need of financial support. The Garden Club has awarded scholarships to DMACC students for the past 10 years.



Angela Paglia (left) and Cindy King

DMACC WINTER CONCERT I

The DMACC Winter Concert I will be held 7:30 p.m., Fri., Dec. 9, in the Bldg. #6 Auditorium on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Sounds of the season will include titles such as "Sleigh Ride" and "Silver Bells." DMACC has selected Spain as the focus country of its International Year for the 2011-2012 year; and the choirs will be singing pieces in Spanish to participate in this yearlong celebration.

There is no admission charge and the audience is invited to join the performers for a reception after the concert. For more information about the DMACC Music Program, please contact Aaron Powell, Choral Conductor, at 515-729-4900 or at apowell3@dmacc.edu.

DMACC DISPLAY AT FESTIVAL OF TREES AND LIGHTS

DMACC's Marketing and Public Relations Office, under the leadership of Mitzi Alexander. designed and assembled the holiday vignette being displayed at the Blank Children's Hospital Festival of Trees and Lights held Nov. 23 through Nov. 27 at the Polk County Convention Complex. The Christmas tree, snowman, mantle and gifts are being donated to Youth Emergency Services and Shelter following the event.



DMACC Festival of Trees and Lights Display



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Upcoming Events

Nov. 24 & 25

Thanksgiving Break. No classes.

Dec. 6

Ankeny Campus Fall Graduation reception, 6 p.m., FFA Enrichment Center.

Dec. 7

Carroll Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5 p.m.

Dec. 8

Newton Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5 p.m.

Dec. 9

DMACC Winter Concert I, 7:30 p.m., Bldg. #6 Auditorium, Ankeny Campus.

Dec. 9

Urban Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5 p.m.

Dec. 12

DMACC Board of Directors meeting, 4 p.m., Eldon Leonard Board Room, Ankeny Campus.

Dec. 13

West Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5 p.m., West Campus Auditorium.

Dec. 15

Boone Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5:30 p.m.

SPEECH CONTEST WINNER

DMACC Ankeny Campus student Jessica Taggart of Jefferson gives a speech on making hard cider at the annual informative speech contest held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Taggart won the contest and received a \$100 gift certificate from the DMACC Foundation.



Austin Kirkpatrick (left to right) of Ankeny finished in second place and received a \$50 gift certificate from the DMACC Foundation. Logan Farrar of Des Moines took third place and received a \$30 gift certificate. Kelsie Bemisdarfer of Pleasant Hill (fourth place), Bethany Schillo of West Des Moines (fifth place) and Bailey Eckerson of Indianola (sixth place) each received \$20 from the DMACC Foundation. In addition, the DMACC West Campus Student Activities Council gave a \$5 gift card to Target for all participants.



DMACC STUDENTS GO TO NEW YORK TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL MEETING

DMACC Urban Campus student Carolyn Aguiliar (second from left) and Ankeny Campus student Breana Scroggins (right) join DMACC President Rob Denson and Des Moines Public Schools English Language Learners Coordinator and DMACC Alum Vinh Nguyen in New York City to participate in a national meeting of Opportunity Nation. Dr. Mary Chapman, DMACC Vice President of Community and Workforce Partnerships and former Principal Financial Group and Community Foundation President Barry Griswell also attended the two-



Vinh Nguyen and Breana Scroggins

day conference. Opportunity Nation is building a national coalition of nonprofit organizations, social entrepreneurs, business leaders and grassroots groups to build support for a nonpartisan agenda to enhance opportunity and economic mobility in America.

DMACC was one of only four community colleges and eight universities invited to participate in the national event held at the historic Apollo Theater and at Columbia University.



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NEW EMPLOYEES

Pam Gaddy is the new Employment Training Specialist at the Harding Hills Shopping Center. Her phone number is 515-697-7715.

She earned a B.A. in English from Michigan State University and an M.A. in Education from the University of Michigan.

Pam was a teacher and Writing Center Director in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and in St. Louis, Missouri. She also was an Adjunct Instructor in Composition and Reading at DMACC.

She and her husband, Frederick, have two adult children. Pam enjoys working in the community, reading, writing and traveling. She also loves to act in community theater.



Pam Gaddy

Kyle Hanna is the new Assistant Baseball Coach/Assistant Housing Director on the Boone Campus. His phone number is 515-433-5032.

Kyle earned a Liberal Arts degree from the DMACC Boone Campus in 2008 and a B.A. in Sports Administration from Simpson College in 2001.

He previously worked at Indianola High School. Kyle is single and enjoys sports, playing drums, biking, running, music and movies. When he's done enjoying those activities, you'll probably find him fishing, hunting, golfing, reading or camping.



Kyle Hanna

Andrea Jacobsen is the new Registration Records Specialist on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-964-6803.

Andrea earned an Administrative Assistant degree from DMACC in 1999. She has worked at Cruise Marketing, Ashland Ridge Elementary and in Admissions at DMACC.

She is married and has two children, a daughter, Allison, and a son, Price.

Andrea loves to spend time with her family, attend Blue October concerts, read and watch her kids take part in sporting events.





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NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

Cliff Kessler is the new coordinator of DMACC's YouthBuild program. His phone number is 515-697-7700.

He has a degree in Social Work from George Williams College.

Cliff has led academic and recreational support programs for the Des Moines Public Schools and at the Annie E. Casey Foundation's "Making Connections" program. In addition, he has worked with the Latino community in California, helping to establish programs for single parents and other opportunities for less advantaged individuals.

He has lived in Asia and utilized those strengths in organizing the lowa Asian Alliance including serving as chairperson for the first three Asian festivals in Iowa.



Cliff Kessler

In his spare time, Cliff enjoys gardening, walking and bicycling lowa's trails. He also enjoys breaking bread with friends and family members, as well as reading a good book.

Marcie Saxton-Cummings is the new Administrative Assistant in the Health and Public Services Department. Her phone number is 515-964-6875.

She earned a Bachelor's degree from AIB in Business Administration. Marcie previously worked at Graceland University.

Marcie is married and has a stepdaughter, Aleesha.

Marcie enjoys reading, baking, sewing, strawberry gardening, camping, shopping with her nieces and stepdaughter, taking part in her stepdaughter's 4-H club activities and working outside.



Marcie Saxton-Cummings

Amy Steenhoek is the new Academic Advisor in Program Development on the Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-965-7117.

She earned a Liberal Arts degree from Central College in 2003 and a Master's in School Counseling/Student Development from the University of Iowa in 2008.

Amy previously was the Program Assistant for men's and women's basketball at Drake University.

be submitted to Dan Ivis, Bldg. #21, by 9 a.m. on Mon., Dec. 5, 2011. Comments? Contact us.

Amy enjoys basketball and water sports, playing the piano and reading.



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NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

Barbara Wagner is the new Administrative Assistant I in Financial Aid on the Ankeny Campus. She can be reached at 515-965-7302.

She has studied Business Education at Drake University, the University of Northern Iowa and Grand View University.

Barb worked at the civil engineering firm, Aecom Technology Corporation, in Des Moines and their corporate headquarters in Los Angeles.

She is married and has a stepdaughter, Elizabeth, and daughter-in-law, Natasha.

Barb loves the theatre and serves as director and performer at the

Ankeny Community Theatre, Class Act Productions in Altoona and various Des Moines theater venues. She also enjoys reading mysteries and comedy/romance books, spending time with her family and friends, and her cat, Wizard, and watching reality television shows.



ANKENY CAMPUS SAC RECEIVES 2ND PLACE TROPHY

The Ankeny Campus Student Activities Council received a second-place trophy in the graphics competition, advertising category at the regional Association for the Promotion of Campus Activities conference in Coralville. The SAC would like to thank Amina Ali in the Marketing Department for her hard work on the calendar magnets.



JOB OPENINGS

Waste and Wastewater Treatment Instructor,

Ankeny Campus, 9 months-per-year position. Application Deadline: As soon as possible.

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





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PIONEER CONNECTION

NOVEMBER MEETING HONORED ALL PIONEER VETERANS

The Pioneers met in the Oak Room of the conference center to honor our Veterans and their spouses. Veterans who shared some of their stories were Duane Anderson, Chuck Baugous, Larry Birdsall, Larry Clausen, Jim Dowes, Don Enright, Jim Frazee, Harlan Giese, George Hans, Dennis Hansen, Don Huntoon, Lee Johnson, Ralph Kuel, Loy McBee, Paul Skarda, Irv Steinberg and Al Wycoff. The group represented all of the eras of American conflicts from WWI to present. Rob Denson stopped by to thank all of the Veterans. It was an inspirational meeting. Pat Butin, retired Veteran Affairs manager, spoke to the group about her years of contact with all of the DMACC Veterans and thanked the group for their many years of sacrifice for our country. Each Veteran was presented with a "Proud to be a Veteran" pin and a Certificate of Thanks.

FOOD BASKET TIME

Linda Fernandez announced that the Holiday basket crew has been assembled and will distribute baskets to our needy students in the outlying campuses in time for the Thanksgiving Holiday and to the Ankeny students before the Winter break. There were 20 baskets prepared by the Pioneers. Thanks to everyone for your generous donations and to Linda for her dedication to this annual Pioneer project.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY

On Mon., Dec. 12, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Lakeview Inn in Bldg. #7 on the Ankeny Campus, we will be teaming up with the DMACC Board to hold our annual Holiday Party. We will be providing the dessert and special items so bring your favorite holiday party treats and plan to join the party. This is always a great event. Hope to see you there.

FINAL NOTES

Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving!

Pioneer President, Dee Johnson