FRENCH CHEFS VISIT DMACC

French Chef Jean-Francois Reure, known as Max, prepares a gourmet chocolate and caramel sauce for his main dish in the Demonstration Kitchen at DMACC. Max traveled from the St Alban les Eaux region of France to share his professional experience and cooking expertise with DMACC culinary students. In France, Max owns the restaurant, Le Petit Prince.

French Chef Régis Semet also joined Max in teaching the students new culinary skills. Here, Chef Régis seasons his foie gras. Chef Régis is from Saint André d’Apcbon in France where he owns the restaurant, Le Nouveau Siècle.

INFORMATION KIOSKS

DMACC Career Advantage Advisor Megan Mudd (left) and Ankeny High School Guidance Counselor Mici Vos stand beside a new DMACC Information Kiosk at Ankeny High School. As part of a pilot program, the information and program kiosk is one of 15 that are being distributed to Central Iowa high schools. Plans call for distribution of additional kiosks in more high schools next year.
**Upcoming Events**

**Jan. 25**
Ankeny Campus
Academic Achievement Center Open House,
9 a.m. to noon,
Bldg. #6,
Ankeny Campus

**Feb. 2**
DMACC Board of Directors meeting,
4 p.m.,
Eldon Leonard Board Room,
Ankeny Campus

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**ANKENY CAMPUS WINTER CONCERT**

DMACC student Khara Safranek of Ames sings “Caro Mio Ben” and DMACC student Mary Good–Chase of Des Moines sings “Us” during the potpourri section of the recent DMACC Winter Concert. Following the volunteer performances, the DMACC Chamber Ensemble, Concert Choir and Ambassadors performed under the direction of DMACC Choral Conductor Aaron Powell.

Powell also played the guitar while directing the Ambassadors as they sang “Over the Rainbow” at the concert.

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**NEW EMPLOYEES**

Kristina Walkup is the new Science Instructor at the West Campus. Her phone number is 515-633-2434.

She earned a B.A. in Biology from St. Olaf College, a M.A. in Anthropology from Iowa State University and a Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from ISU.

Kristina previously worked at the Great Ape Trust of Iowa, Iowa State University and at Drake University.

She is married and enjoys reading and cooking.
JOB OPENINGS

Financial Aid Specialist,  
Urban Campus  
Application Deadline: Jan. 22, 2012

Student Services/Assistant Director of Student Housing/Assistant Volleyball Coach,  
Part-Time Position, Boone Campus  
Application Deadline: Jan. 23, 2012

Associate Provost, Urban Campus  

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

SPAIN YEAR POSTERS AND T-SHIRTS

DMACC Graphic Technologies student Lauren Schrock of Ankeny wears the DMACC Spain Year T-shirt and holds the Spain Year poster she designed as part of the College’s annual international year focus. This year the students, faculty and staff at all six DMACC campuses are exploring the history, politics, culture and economy of Spain.

DMACC STUDENT STUDIES IN LONDON

Recent Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Fashion Design graduate Gillian Hubler of Bondurant visits with DMACC President Rob Denson days before returning to London, England, where she attends the University of Westminster. Hubler is studying Fashion Buying Management. Hubler said all of her DMACC credits easily transferred to the University of Westminster. “I am now a total advocate for DMACC and feel DMACC prepared me for life. I owe a lot of my confidence and success for where and what I am doing today to the amazing professors in the Fashion Design program at DMACC,” said Hubler.
ANNUAL SPRING OPEN HOUSE

The Ankeny Campus Academic Achievement Center will hold its Annual Spring Open House on Wed., Jan. 25, from 9 a.m. to noon. All students, faculty and staff are invited. Refreshments will be served and there will be drawings for door prizes.

TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

DMACC Ankeny Campus Culinary Arts student and Student Activities Council member Jenn Duerr (left) of Leon spearheaded the Toys for Tots Drive recently held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Duerr assists U.S. Marines Matt Puddy and Adam Vandervoort in loading up boxes of donated toys. In addition, the Ankeny Campus Student Activities Council donated $250 to Toys for Tots.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of our DMACC friends for the cards, flowers, money, food and all of the support you have given our family since we lost George. It helps to ease the pain.

—The George Hans family

FOR SALE

Dewalt Router 12 amp, 1 ¼ h.p. w/plunge base, fixed base and d-handle base. Includes many extras, like new, $275.

7-piece patio set & 3-piece bistro set, $625
Hexagon tempered glass top and 6 chairs (includes a turntable for center of table). Round tempered-glass table with 2 swivel/rocker chairs.

Please contact Renee at 515-964-6491 or 515-965-2345.
PIONEERS CONNECTION

PIONEER EVENTS

FEBRUARY MEETING

At 11:30 a.m. on Thur., Feb. 9, in the Oak Room, Bldg. #7 on the Ankeny Campus, please join us to celebrate Valentine's Day as we treat you all to a special lunch in the Bistro. This will be an informal social meeting and a time to catch up with your Pioneer family as we share our heartfelt memories. There will be a board meeting at 10 a.m. Please call in your reservations at 515-964-6868.

ASK ME

Thanks to Mike Perry and his team of “Ask Me” volunteer Pioneers for assisting students on the first days of classes. Classes are back in full swing and the path to spring has begun. Think about it.

THANKS TO

Thank you also to Lyla Maynard (Pioneer Vice President) for heading up the January meeting. The Viticulture instructors, Randall Voss and Michelle Rodgers, were there to enlighten the group on the wine production program at DMACC.

FINAL NOTES

The weather in the Rio Grande Valley is every bit as variable as in Iowa. We had 80° F yesterday and 59° F today with 40 mph winds. We are used to the drastic changes but have our windows open, furnace, AC and all during one 24-hour period. We’re picking grapefruit off the tree in our back yard. There is a little fruit stand guy who comes to the resort every week bringing fresh pineapple, vegetables of all kinds and other fresh fruit. The rooftops and power lines are occupied with evenly spaced black birds starting at dusk every evening. Talk about a scene from The Birds!

I will return to Iowa at the end of January to get a taste of winter and then back to Texas in March. If you are going to be in the Harlingen, Texas, area, give us a call and we can take in lunch or a flea market. Keep safe and warm.

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