GRAND OPENING OF EKD CENTER FOR WORKING FAMILIES

J. Barry Griswell, president of the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines, served as Master of Ceremonies at the Grand Opening of the Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families.

During the Grand Opening ceremony, DMACC President Rob Denson provided a historical background of how the Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families came about.

The Center, named in honor of the late visionary community leader Evelyn K. Davis, is located at 801 University Avenue in Des Moines. The Center is dedicated to helping people through education opportunities, on-the-job training, connections with employers and services to help the unemployed.

The Center’s Operations Manager Marvin DeJear provides a welcome to the nearly 400 people at the grand opening as Businessman Simon Cotran, DMACC Health and Public Services Dean Sally Schroeder, Denson, Griswell and others look on.
Mildred Coplen prepares to cut the ribbon during the Grand Opening ceremony of the Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families.

The Eighth Annual 3-on-3 Wild, Wild West Basketball Tournament was held July 28 on the DMACC West Campus. It featured long-range shooting, tough defense and accurate passing.
3-ON-3 BASKETBALL AT WEST CAMPUS, CONT.

A record 82 teams participated in the daylong event. Chloe Van Vliet (left to right), Paighton Bogaards, Annika Pingel and Kelly Murphy, all of Pella, captured first place in their division. All money raised during the tournament is used for DMACC West Campus scholarships.

Sometimes it took an off-balanced shot and other times dribbling through traffic toward the basket to win the game. Win or lose, teams exhibited good sportsmanship throughout the tournament.
Besides the 3-on-3 games, there was also a slam dunk contest and a three-point shooting contest, where 12-year-old Nicholas Sash of Ankeny demonstrated his expertise.

Ten-year-old Jackson Millsap of Adel and nine-year old Tate Stine-Smith of Adel each caught a blue gill during the fishing derby at the 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

West Campus Associate Provost Rick Dawson lent a hand, flipping burgers when the basketball players and their families got hungry.
KIDS COLLEGE JOURNALISM CAMP
AT THE DMACC BOONE CAMPUS

Ali Gustafson, 11, of Ankeny, picks berries at the Berry Patch near Nevada during one of this year’s Kids College Journalism Camp activities. Gustafson, granddaughter of George and Jinny Silberhorn of Boone, will be a sixth grader at Prairie Ridge Middle School in Ankeny this fall. The ninth annual Journalism Camp was titled, “Sweet,” and included stops at the Dutch Oven Bakery in Boone, the Berry Patch near Nevada, Chocolaterie Stam in Ames, the 4H Camp south of Boone and Wilcox Printing Company in Madrid.

Kimberly Yin, 12, of Ames, enjoys a gelato at Chocolaterie Stam. Yin will be a seventh grader at Ames Middle School this fall. (Photos courtesy of Kennedy LaVille)

JOB OPENINGS

Academic Advisor, West Campus
Application Deadline: Aug. 10, 2012

Student Services/Assistant Housing Director/Assistant Baseball Coach,
Boone Campus, 1-Year contract, 8-Hour days on Student Contact days during the Fall & Spring semesters and 3.5-hour days on all other work days.

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

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

Julie Owen, Administrative Assistant, Ankeny.
For balancing the workload of two positions while maintaining a positive attitude, the willingness to assist staff & faculty and keeping her winning smile. She is greatly appreciated by the department.

Cindy Dethrow, Grounds, Ankeny.
For helping to keep the flowers and plants watered in hot and dry conditions and making the Ankeny Campus look so great.

Connie Carmichael, Grounds, Ankeny.
For helping to keep the flowers and plants watered in hot and dry conditions and making the Ankeny Campus look so great.

Lindsey Macklin, Grounds, Ankeny.
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Kayla Meeker, Grounds, Ankeny.
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Christina Samson, Grounds, Ankeny.
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Emily Smith, Grounds, Ankeny.
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Kaitlyn Sporleder, Grounds, Ankeny.
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Cheryl Weber, Grounds, Ankeny.
For helping to keep the flowers and plants watered in hot and dry conditions and making the Ankeny Campus look so great.

Nominations can be submitted at any time for employees who make exceptional contributions to DMACC. To receive a nomination form, click on http://go.dmacc.edu/bulletin/documents/daward.pdf.

Additional nomination forms are available in each department office or may be requested from Kim Cady, 515-964-6301, kscady@dmacc.edu.
NEW EMPLOYEES

Joe Baxter is the new Construction Services Supervisor in the Physical Plant. His phone number is 515-964-6374.

He earned a B.S. in Construction Management from the University of Northern Iowa. Joe has been a project manager for local general contractors.

He and his wife, Joy, have three children—Brett, Ben and Brady.

Joe enjoys coaching hockey, watching his boys play baseball, football and hockey games and spending time at his cabin.

David Bettis is the new Copy Center Operator 2 in the Copy Center on the Ankeny Campus. His phone number is 515-964-6236.

He earned a two-year degree in Commercial Art from DMACC and a four-year degree in Business Finance from the University of Iowa.

He worked in the Fed Ex office and prior to that spent 17 years with Allied Insurance.

Dave and his wife, Carilyn, have a 15-year-old daughter, Maren, and a 13-year-old son, Ethan.

Dave says he enjoys chasing his kids around.

Leah Clark is a new Academic Advisor on the Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-965-7149.

She earned a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Northern Iowa in 2004.

Leah was employed at Hawkeye Community College since October 2006, working as an Academic/Career Advising Coordinator with the Student Services Office.

She has two children, nine-year-old Treionna and four-year-old Jayden.

Leah enjoys reading, traveling and spending time with her family.
NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

**Eric Dunn** is the new Fire Science Chair on the Ankeny Campus. You can reach Eric at 515-964-6697.

He previously worked at the Sikeston, Missouri, Department of Public Safety and at the Dexter, Missouri, Fire Department.

He is married to his wife, Brittany. Eric enjoys cross fitness training, fishing and hiking.

**Stephanie Groom** joins DMACC as a Financial Aid Specialist on the Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-964-6674.

She earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Iowa State University. She previously worked at Wells Fargo Home Mortgage and in graduate admissions at Iowa State University in the Department of Biochemistry, Biophysics and Molecular Biology.

Stephanie and her husband, Rick, have a daughter, Olivia, and a puppy, Alfie.

Stephanie enjoys hanging out with her family, painting, ceramics and crafts. She also enjoys sightseeing in America. She is originally from England and has lived in America for nine years.

**Andrew Gross** is the new Academic Achievement Coach at Community and Workforce Partnerships located in the new Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families. His phone number is 515-697-7728.

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from the University of Iowa, a Master’s degree in Educational Administration from Drake University and a Specialist degree in Education from Drake University.

Andrew spent ten years with the Des Moines Public Schools before starting at DMACC as a casual employee.

He and his wife, Denise, have three grown children.

Andrew is an avid bicyclist, RAGBRAI rider and supporter of the Livestrong Foundation. He also enjoys playing music, preparing food and spending time with his family, friends and two grandsons.
NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

Meredith Hocking is the new Student Services Specialist at the Urban Campus. Her phone number is 515-697-7763.

Meredith graduated from Drake University in 2010 with a B.A. in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

She previously worked for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage and Allstate Insurance.

Meredith is married and enjoys movies, biking, theatre and taking walks with her bulldog, Angus.

Julie Klocke joins DMACC as an Administrative Assistant 3 in the Purchasing area on the Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-964-6386.

She graduated from the DMACC Carroll Campus 2 + 2 Elementary Education program with the University of Northern Iowa.

Julie worked as the Executive Assistant at Candeo in Ankeny. Candeo is a not-for-profit that provides community-based service to people with disabilities in Polk County.

Julie is married to her high school sweetheart, Nate, and they have two boys, Colin, 3, and Ethan, 1.

She enjoys spending time with her family and going on fun adventures with her kids. She also enjoys photography and scrapbooking.

Farfum Ladroma is the new Administrative Assistant 3 in the Provost's Office on the Urban Campus. His phone number is 515-248-7538.

He earned a B.A. in International Studies from the University of Iowa and studied French at Catholic University in Lyon, France.

He has worked in the U.S. Peace Corps in the Kingdom of Tonga as an English teacher/community engagement volunteer. He was also employed at Northwestern University as an Assistant Residential Coordinator for the Center for Talent and Development.

Ladroma is married and has a black lab named Link.

Ladroma enjoys travelling/backpacking around the world, learning languages and cultures from around the world, swimming, hiking and trying new things.
NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

Andrew Neuendorf is a new English Instructor on the Ankeny Campus. His phone number is 515-964-6270.

He earned a B.A. in English from Loras College and an M.F.A. in Creative Writing from Texas State University.

Andrew previously worked as a lecturer at Grand View University, an adjunct instructor at the DMACC West and Ankeny Campuses, an adjunct instructor at Northwest Vista College and a Teaching Assistant at Texas State University.

He and his wife, Melissa, have two children—four-year-old Claire, and two-year-old Mannix.

Andrew enjoys writing and following baseball, and admits he is a Chicago Cubs fan.

Sue Rardin is a new Financial Aid Specialist on the Ankeny Campus. Her phone number is 515-965-7179.

She earned a B.S. degree in Industrial Sociology from Iowa State University. She has worked at Northern Colorado University, Buena Vista University, Davis County Savings Bank and Cargill, Inc.

Sue and her husband, Bill, have three daughters, 21-year-old Amy, 18-year-old Angie and 13-year-old Abby.

Sue enjoys spending time with her family, camping, hiking, shopping and volunteering at her church.

Jane Rogers is the new Bookstore Specialist on the Urban Campus. Her phone number is 515-248-7212.

Jane earned a B.S. in Secondary Education from the University of Nevada Las Vegas and a B.L.S. from Iowa State University.

She has worked at Follett Higher Education Group at the DMACC Ankeny Bookstore and at the Des Moines Public Schools.

Jane enjoys traveling, reading, watching movies and hanging out with her friends.
NEW EMPLOYEES, CONT.

**Dennis Shaw** is the new Associate Provost on the DMACC Urban Campus. His phone number is 515-697-7761.

Dennis earned an A.S. from the University of Wisconsin–Rock County, a B.B.A. and M.B.A. from the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater and a J.D. from William Howard Taft University.

He previously was the Assistant Dean of Students at the University of Wisconsin–Stout. While there, he also served as Assistant to the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life Services, Chair of the Senate of Academic Staff and Director of Security and Police Services.

Dennis is married and has a son, Michael. Dennis is the convener in Wisconsin-Minnesota for the Clan Shaw Society (Scottish Heritage Society).

**Honorio Serrano** is the new custodian on the Ankeny Campus. He can be reached at 515-265-4377.

He has previously worked in construction, food service and as a handy-man.

Honorio and his wife have three daughters and a granddaughter. Honorio enjoys fishing, traveling and spending time with his family.
DMACC RECEIVES NEW CNC SIMULATOR

DMACC Tool and Die Professor John Neumayer poses with a new Haas Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) simulator that he won for the College at the recent Haas Technical Education Center (HTEC) Conference held in St. Cloud, MN. The conference was sponsored by Productivity, Inc., which is the dealer for Haas Automation Inc., manufacturers of CNC equipment. The simulator, valued at $1,800, will be used to help DMACC students troubleshoot their CNC programs before they are transferred to the real CNC machine tool.

DMACC ASEP RECEIVES TRANSMISSION FROM GENERAL MOTORS

General Motors has donated three six-speed automatic transmissions to the DMACC General Motors Automotive Service Education Program (ASEP). The transmissions, valued at $2,300 each, will be used by the DMACC ASEP students so they can learn about the latest technology on today’s G.M. vehicles.
THANK YOU

Thank you to the staff in the Systems Integration, Operations/Transportation/Grounds, Marketing, Purchasing Departments and the Urban Campus maintenance staff for assisting our Department (Community & Workforce Partnerships) in the move from Harding Hills to the Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families at 801 University and preparing for the Open House on August 3. The Open House was an overwhelming success!

With untiring assistance from our DMACC family, CWP and the Center were ready to formally greet the community on Fri., Aug. 3, at the Open House. The last count reported 300 community and business leaders in attendance.

I want to especially thank Drew Gocken and his staff and students for designing the keys that were presented to the primary funders and the community leaders who contributed to the Evelyn K. Davis Project. Kudos to Cindy Dethrow and crew for the beautiful landscaping in front of the facility.

Again, it was the cooperation of the many DMACC departments and staff (I won’t continue naming them, because I will omit someone) that made the success of the Open House possible. We are looking forward to continued success in providing education and workforce services that will increase economic stability for the diverse constituencies in the Des Moines metro area.

Thanks again,
Mary Chapman, Vice President Community & Workforce Partnerships
PIONEERS CONNECTION

PIONEER EVENTS

AUGUST MEETING
On Thur., Aug. 9, at 11:30 a.m., we will meet in the Oak Room of Bldg. #7 on the Ankeny Campus to “travel” to Holland with Duane Anderson. Come and see the lovely sights of this exciting country and hear, firsthand, the impressions of Duane’s recent trip. We will also be brainstorming ideas for a new fundraising project.

"ASK ME" DAYS
On Thur., Aug. 23, and Fri., Aug. 24, the Pioneers will assist students in the high-traffic buildings on the Ankeny Campus to answer the many questions that arise during the first two days of classes. Please help out anytime that you can during these two days. Call Mike Perry at 515-238-8279 to volunteer.

SEPTEMBER KICKOFF
On Thursday September 13 • Comeback to DMACC.
The Annual Pioneer “Kickoff” is the most highly attended meeting of the year. Please plan to join us as we celebrate the past year and prepare for 2013. Tara Connolly will update us on the Foundation, and President Rob Denson will give us the latest news on DMACC.

Kickoff program
4:30 p.m. Social Time
5:00 p.m. Group Photo
5:15 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Welcome
6:10 p.m. Foundation Update
6:20 p.m. DMACC Update
7:00 p.m. Social Time

4:30 p.m. FFA Enrichment Center • Ankeny Campus

Reservations call 515-964-6868 by FRI., SEPT. 7

Catered by Hickory Park—Guests Welcome

Note: You may also reserve by sending an email to bbdanner@dmacc.edu