“THE BURIED LIFE” GUYS COME TO DMACC

“The Buried Life” guys, (left to right) Duncan Penn, Ben Nemtin, Dave Lingwood and Jonnie Penn, give a presentation on the Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Ankeny Campus. In 2006, the four guys set out to complete their list of “100 Things to Do Before You Die.” They have already played basketball with President Obama, given a toast at a stranger’s wedding, ridden a bull and crashed the Playboy mansion. Their book, *What Do You Want to Do Before You Die?* moved to #1 on the *New York Times* Bestseller list within a week of its release. The book is being used in college courses all over the country, including DMACC.

DMACC Ankeny Campus second year Psychology student Tate Fulghum (second from left) originally from Athens, Georgia, and now living in Johnston, was asked what he wanted to do before he died, during a presentation by “The Buried Life” guys. He said he wanted to do a handstand with “The Buried Life” guys, who have their own reality show on MTV and a *New York Times* Bestseller, *What Do You Want to Do Before You Die?* So, Ben Nemtin (left), Jonnie Penn (second from right) and Dave Lingwood (right), along with Duncan Penn (not shown), help Fulghum cross off an item on his list during a presentation on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. They also made a presentation on the DMACC Boone Campus.

WONDER OF WORDS FESTIVAL

DMACC students will share their poetry during the WOW! 2012 Wonder of Words Festival Oct. 17–29 in Des Moines. Nicole VanZandt and Anthony Guerra were chosen as winners in the DMACC WOW! Wonder of Words Festival writing contest. They will read their poetry during the Latino Writers Forum Oct. 29 at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Library in downtown Des Moines. The forum is sponsored by DMACC and the DMACC Diversity Commission. DMACC Arts and Sciences Dean Jim Stick will moderate the event, which features influential Latino and Latina authors.
Coming Events

KRUERGER SPEAKS ON URBAN CAMPUS

Alan B. Krueger, (left) Chairman of President Barack Obama’s Council of Economic Advisers and a member of the Cabinet, listens as Urban Campus Provost Laura Douglas introduces him for a presentation Oct. 9 on the DMACC Urban Campus. Speaking before a standing room only audience, Dr. Krueger said the President believes community colleges can help rebuild the economy. Krueger said since the financial crisis began, the U.S. economy is still down about $5 trillion in wealth.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR DMACC BOARD PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) board members Joe Pugel (left) of Newton takes the oath of office as DMACC Board President and Kevin Halterman of Indianola is sworn in as DMACC Board Vice President at the recent DMACC Board of Directors meeting held in Boone.

BUSINESS CAREER FAIR

Hubbell Realty Company Vice President of Human Resources Beth Jaeger speaks to Reggie Sinha’s Introduction to International Business students during a Business Career Fair held Oct. 11 in Bldg. #8 on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. More than a dozen area businesses had representatives at the two-and-a-half-hour event.

TRANSFER FAIR HELD ON ANKENY CAMPUS

DMACC first-year Liberal Arts student Justin Mitchell (left) of Des Moines visits with Leslie Chandler, Coordinator of Student Orientation and Transfer Affairs at Northwest Missouri State University, during a transfer fair recently held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Representatives from 20 midwestern colleges and universities were on hand to answer questions from DMACC students considering transferring to their institutions.
Seven Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Urban Campus students were recently inducted into the Beta Delta Psi Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society. The seven include (left to right) Bruce Harland of Marshalltown, Ciera Bolden of Waterloo, Taylor Hildreth of Winterset, Jaime Kline of Des Moines, Jolene Nikl of Ankeny, Anelly Guerrero-Terrazas of Belmond and Phil Porter of Des Moines. PTK has recognized academic excellence in two-year colleges since 1918. To be eligible, a student must be enrolled in a two-year college, have completed at least 12 hours of coursework leading to an associate degree program and have a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

PTK INDUCTION CEREMONY—ANKENY CAMPUS

Thirty-one DMACC Ankeny Campus students take part in the candlelighting ceremony at their induction into the Beta Epsilon Eta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society.

If interested in either of the above positions, please visit the DMACC website at http://jobs.dmacc.edu.
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DMACC OCTOBER CONCERT

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) student Mackenzie Steveson of Indianola sings, "If I Die Young" from the Band Perry during the potpourri section of the recent DMACC October Concert.

Following the volunteer performances, the DMACC Chamber Ensemble, Concert Choir (shown here) and Combined Choir performed under the direction of DMACC Choral Conductor Aaron Powell.

AUTOMOTIVE SKILLS CONTEST

More than 250 students, representing 14 Iowa high schools, took part in the written exam of the annual DMACC/Iowa Automotive Dealers Association Automotive Skills Contest. Two members each from eight high schools will be invited back to the Ankeny Campus to take part in the hands-on portion of the contest on Dec. 14. Those schools include Des Moines Central Campus, Iowa Lakes Community College at Algona High School, Newton Career Academy, LeMars High School, Perry High School, Saydel High School, Story County Consortium and West Delaware High School.
THE BURIED LIFE COMES TO DMACC

Four ‘regular guys’ who set out to accomplish their Bucket List, wrote a bestselling book, filmed a reality show for MTV and helped strangers achieve their own dreams, spoke at the DMACC Ankeny and Boone Campuses. Here are some excerpts from the men famously known as “The Buried Life.”
PIONEERS CONNECTION

NEXT MEETING
On Thursday, November 8, at 11:30 a.m., the Pioneers will hear from Heifer International. The presentation will be held in the Bldg. #7 Oak Room on the Ankeny Campus. Heifer International provides livestock to persons all around the world. Goats, rabbits, cows, chickens, ducks, pigs, etc., have all been given with the hope of families becoming self-sufficient. If you are Pioneer-eligible, please join us. Call 515-964-6868 to reserve your lunch. You will need to call by 4 p.m., Monday, November 5.

RECENT DEATHS
I am saddened to tell you that we have lost two of our members this month. Bev Drinnin and Joyce Smith both have passed away and we will miss them very much. Joyce was our secretary until she had to resign because of her illness.

PIONEERS SCHOLARSHIPS
The Pioneers sponsor academic scholarships each year, and once again we will be reviewing applications after the November 8 Pioneers meeting. If you would like to help, we can use you. We will be using the computer lab in Bldg. #8. If you have not done this before, you will be trained. It takes about 10 minutes for the training. We usually have about 80 applications. It will take about two hours to complete the review. Please contract www.dmacc.edu/pioneers and leave your name if you are willing to read applications.

DMACC HOLIDAY PARTY
It’s hard to believe, but the DMACC Holiday Party will be held December 10, 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Pioneers and the DMACC Board of Directors are sponsoring the event. Last year, approximately 300 DMACC staff, faculty, board members and administrators attended. The Pioneers provide the “goodies,” so if you would like to contribute candy, goodies, fruit, etc., contact Dee Johnson at djohnsonathome@aol.com.

BOOK SALE
The book sale held on the Ankeny Campus in October was a success. The Pioneers made about $375 for scholarships. The spring book sale will be April 25 and 26, 2013.

FUNDRAISERS
Because the Pioneers did not have a garage sale this year, we are trying to come up with some ideas to raise money. If you have any, please contact me at temlsm@q.com. Any and all ideas will be welcomed.

PAMELA’S PANTRY
The Pioneers sponsor Pamela’s Pantry, the service that provides snacks such as power bars, cups of pudding, peanut butter crackers and cookies. Any donations of these types of items or cash are more than welcome. Please contact Mike Perry at 515-964-0291 for more information. The Pantry is bare. We need your help!

PRESIDENT’S DAY AWARD
On October 19 at DMACC’s President’s Day activities, Dee Johnson was the recipient of the Outstanding Pioneer Award presented by the DMACC Foundation. The award is given to a former employee who has contributed time, service and talent to DMACC. Dee Johnson is a tireless, enthusiastic person working for the betterment of DMACC. Thank you, Dee!

Pioneers President,
Dr. Lyla Maynard